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Dear Kimi:

Many, many thanks for your delightful letter. Everything sounded good about it, except for the fact that you have moved. It leaves a hole in California politics, as far as I'm concerned, and I'm sure as far as many others are concerned. You were a unique and delightful influence.

It sounds as if you had an awfully nice guy and please tell him that he is very, very lucky. I have passed on to Dolly Jenkins your suggestion about the flower market. Her last letter indicated that she was something over 90. It's terrible to be getting old. You, yourself, must be approaching 40.

Kuwajakin ← That experience in finding the family of the Japanese guy who was killed out of ~~Tarawa~~ and the happiness of his family was a tremendous thrill to me, and I am grateful for the rising sun flag which replaced the one with all the signatures on it. It's decorating my office now and much happier than the war time one.

I have a number of friends in Colorado. One of them, a guy a little younger than myself, was Quigg Newton, who was mayor of Denver for quite a while. He was a great friend of Justice Douglas, as I was. Then there's Bill Grant, who I think, runs and operates your biggest TV station and who was out in the Pacific with me and one of the brightest and nicest guys I know. I hope, sometime, when you meet up with him, you'll give him my kindest regards. The same goes for Senator Haskell, who did me the greatest favor yet. After the press and politicians got onto the fact that we had gotten that judgement against the "Committee to Protect the Democratic Party" which was the Nixon-Haldeman fraud in '62, I kept getting requests for copies of the judgement. It was about 15 or 20 pages long, and it really nailed Nixon and Haldeman, as well as the rest of the Nixon campaign committee, as the guilty parties in a complete and total fraud. I broke my back trying to get McGovern to use it and couldn't get it published anywhere except in the Willows Journal. Pretty soon, the London Economist, the New York Times, the Chronicle and the rest began to ask for it, and it began to break me to have copies run off and sent to them. Pretty soon I got smart and started charging

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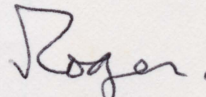
the newspapers, but then the politicians got into it and I couldn't very well charge them. Haskell asked for it - I had never known him, but when he got it, he put it into the Congressional Record and my task became very easy after that. All I had to do was tell these jokers who asked for it, to go look at page such and such in the Congressional Record, and they would find it. Please give him my personal thanks, and I hope he makes it again without too much trouble. I don't know your governor but if you like him, he must be a good guy.

There was one charming lady who was, I think, Women's Chairman of Colorado, when I was Chairman of the Western States Democratic Conference. She was, I'm quite sure, the wife of a very sharp, great labor leader in Denver. You might ask some of your Democratic friends who that would be. It would be back in '62, '63, '64, and around in there. I'm sure she'd remember me. I'm sorry I can't remember her name.

Again, all thanks, and it was delightful to hear from you.

All the best.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roger".

Roger Kent

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