

Sunday
Nov. 29, 1942

Dear Violet -

Thank you so much for your most welcome letter. It really made us feel your presence and that we could actually hear your voice as we read it through.

You know, we three, Maïcha, John and I always enjoy your letters. This last one, however, you mentioned about him and Misori and of my asking John Yamazaki to help us. I thoughtlessly (it's a habit anyway) threw him your letter. He read it through, but said nary a word about your reference to him. Neither did he question me. I watched him for awhile, then I went on to explain that I had to write somebody about this problem that was oppressing us so. He merely gave an understanding sort of "Oh".

Mama and the rest of us were quite pleased to hear of Mr. Heuscher's (druggist) remembering us. We shall certainly take your suggestion by ordering from him.

Sunday before last when Dr. Chapman and Bishop Reifsnider were here, I introduced myself to Dr. Chapman as a former L.P. Church member. He asked me what we were doing here and why we were not in Jerome. He also told us of Miss Smith's going to work in Jerome. I have been told of how different he was from his brother. Indeed, there is no resemblance whatsoever.

I think I would prefer Ernest Chapman any day. Perhaps it is just 'cause we knew him better.

Yesterday, we, or I received a strange letter from Hollywood. Upon opening it, I discovered it to be from none other than our 4th grade teacher, Miss Ada Cowdry! You'll never know what a surprise it was to all of us. I want to thank you for sending her our address. She must have thought a good deal of us, or she wouldn't have gone to all that trouble.

I'm going to be busy again planning our Christmas Program. Indeed, how I wish you were near enough for me to run to.

Our pageant is all written out. Mrs. Charlotte Susan Mago wrote it or started it and I finished it. It's nothing fancy. We're depending more on our Choir to make up for what it lacks. We have as yet, no Community stage, so we're going to have to requisition two large trucks, stick them together for an open-air stage and have lights brought from the nearest power-line.

Violet - I do wish you wouldn't work so hard. It seems, people are on the alert for capable people and the minute you're free from the Japanese work, you're drawn into your 1st Church.

We're sorry to hear of Dad's ailments. I'm sure a trip to his grandson's at S. D.

should be a good cure for him, and for you too, I hope.

You mention Walma and Hazel. I'm really ashamed for not writing them once since coming here. Please remember me to them the next time you write.)

Last Friday morning 27 of our finest Nisei leaders enlisted and left this Center for the Army Language School in Savage, Minn. We hated to see them go, for they were men who held many of the key positions here and were really indispensable. A few more are leaving next week. What's to become of this Community. We'll soon be all women and children and the aged. Pretty soon, I can picture us girls driving the bus and trucks around.

And yet there are rumors circulating both camps (Butte and Canal) that we are to be moved from here in a very short while again, since a large shipment of crutches came in. That this place is to be converted into a camp for disabled soldiers. Our present new hospital facilities only seem to strengthen this rumor so they claim.

Come what may, I must have my sewing machine sent to me. The War Relocation Authority pays transportation for evacuee freight. Then on the other hand, I suggested

to Mrs. Pawson

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↳ contacting Mr. H. V. Nicholson of 1554
Las Lunas St. of Pasadena. He is a member
of the Friends' Service Commission and comes
out here with a truck load every few weeks.
I must write him also asking him from
this end.

John asks to tell you that he is en-
joying his work. He would also like to
know the address of a 1st Book Store
somewhere in San Francisco.

Can Dad buy new or second-hand
a (wood rasp) a coarse file for filing wood.
Papa would like to get one some how for
fashioning his iron-wood objects.

One table lamp would be fine and
a lamp shade would be appreciated. An
inexpensive one is sufficient. Please let
us know whatever the expenses are for
the shopping and mailing.

Please give our best regards to Dad
and to our friends at the 1st Church.
By the way, Boston is about 80 miles from here
and we are an entirely separate unit.

I shall have to make another thesis for
the feeling and reactions within these Centers.

Be good and "take it easy".

With love,

Amy



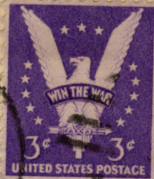
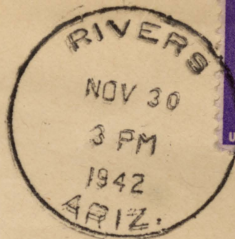
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