

Tanforan Army Center
May 16th 1942

Dear Rev. English:-

On May 6th, after almost three months following my hearing at Missoula, several men were paroled for the first time out of Northern Calif group held in Montana, I was very fortunate and happy to be one of them and returned to San Francisco on May 8th so as to join my family at Tanforan Center which was the condition for the release and all my family was so happy to have me back again after a five month absence.

Words can not express my gratitude and appreciation for all you and your people have done for me and my family and also for our church people in these times of turmoil. It was so kind of you to visit the Silver Air Immigration Detention with Dr. Gill when I was apprehended there and tho I could not see you there, it was quite an encouragement for me to have the call of you and Dr. Gill.

My experience in Mont is something I can never forget for my life and I'm kept very busy

Since my return here visiting the folks
of those people whom I left behind in
Mont. Oh, I had ^{so} many sad experiences
with these men with whom I was detained
for the past few months and my joy and
happiness is overshadowed everytime
when I think of many friends up there.
^{I believe that}
they are all innocent victims of the circum-
stances just as much as I was -

The living conditions here are something
that require improvement but it will
take little time, this is some undertaking
we can hardly imagine in ordinary days -

Thanking you again for all your kindness
and with kindest regards from the rest
of my family -

Yours very truly

L. J. McHardy