

Poston Project, Arizona
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Dear Mr. Whitney,

We all had a regular early Christmas day of rejoicing, when the two packages from Upland were delivered to our apartment Saturdays and I want to thank you just ever & ever so much for all the very kind things all of you have done for us since our arrival in Camp.

I don't think you realize how very fortunate we feel we are to be taken care of - from the outside, by all the Whitney's. All of us certainly appreciate it a great deal. Dad has improved much, and the dried fruits, oranges and tomato juice will do much in giving him his needed vitamins.

How have you been getting along since your arrival home from the east? We are hoping for the best for you always, Mr. Whitney.

The weather at Poston is as hot as you said it would be. Yesterday was the hottest day we've had since being here - a mere 102° inside, with floors thoroughly wet. Some said their apartments were 110°, and out in the sun a mere 120°. We have yet to see, I understand. Thank goodness, there is no monster

11 in the air, otherwise it surely would be unbearable. We still have the ever so frequent wind and dust storms. The dreaded Santa Ana winds in the Upland district would certainly have to bow in shame when the wind whips us at Poston.

So far, nothing is under cultivation here, as there is a shortage of water. By the 20th of this month, they intend to have a Canal running through the center of camp and then the plans to put 80 acres of water melons, Cantaloupes and other vegetables will get under way. I can hardly wait for the day when they'll make their appearance on our mess hall tables.

They have great plans for their camp, however, I don't know when they'll get under way. Included in the plans are two outdoor swimming pools, outdoor open air theater, and recreational fields, (baseball, football & tennis courts. Also there is to be a grammar school, junior high school, and High school - junior college building. A great many of the older boys have already started making adobe bricks for these buildings, but I suppose it will take a lot of time to get enough of them ready for immediate

Construction. Perhaps by that time,
we'll be back in Iceland. 72

I shall have to close now as I
want to write to Mrs. Whitney too.
Dad and the girls join in sending
their best regards to you, and
many, many thanks for the
wonderful packages.

Gratefully,
Jimmie