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Dear Mrs. Whitney

I was very much interested in the Catholic Newspaper which came to-day, and noted in particular the article checked in blue. It looks very much as if at all the Camps, the Maryknoll Fathers are certainly doing a fine job in helping the Japanese adjust themselves to their new living habits. It must take a lot of something out of the unusual to carry on as they do. Surely some day, there will be an awakening to all that is taking place.

We've had the most terrific heat waves and dust storms I ever hope to see, especially the dust storm we had to-day is something I shall never forget. We weren't even able to see the barracks a few houses away. I only hope this doesn't keep up. The once hardened soil is being cultivated, leveled and more dirt brought in to fill the lower grounds. The dust falls in like large billows of smoke. Sometimes I wonder if we can go on living under such conditions. School is progressing nicely, but it takes a lot of patience, especially the little three year olds. They do become bored so soon. The average daily attendance so far in my group is eleven students, but we have a total enrollment of about 45 students. Most of the children have adapted themselves nicely, but a few still need their mothers close by.

I've missed two lectures now because of the dust storms. I know I should attend them, but it hardly seems worth "filling" yourself full of dust going that far, unless I must have the wrong attitude.

91 Last night, they had another movie. The same movie makes the rounds of the different squads nightly - These are sponsored by the Recreational division. Last night they showed "The Count of Monte Cristo", and we really enjoyed it a great deal. We usually get back to our apartment around 12:15 so they can not start them until almost ten (which is generally the time when it gets good and dark at Boston)

How is everything coming along in Upland? Have you had many hot days as yet? The hottest in Upland would undoubtedly be paradise for Boston. I hope we'll soon be going back.

There isn't very much to tell you to report, but I hope by the next time, I'll have something interesting to tell you. Please - our regards to the rest of the family. Is Princess still being a brat?

With love,  
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