Portland, Oregon
December 9, 1941

Dear Yuka,

Boy! Isn't this war awful! Everyone is excited about it though, and I'm certainly thankful. Our business is going on as usual. My dad was one of those taken in by the F.B.I. How about your dad? Mr. Takeoka, Mr. Ito and many others were taken in, too. Today, I went to see him. He said they were all in one place, and they were being treated well. I brought him some fresh clothes and tomorrow I'm taking some more to him. My mother and I are certainly hoping that they don't keep him for the duration of the war. Then, we would be in a fix. Everything happened so suddenly that I can't seem to get my bearings. School work won't get in my head either.

In the Dec. 9 Morning Oregonian, there's a picture of a Japanese lady being stopped by a customs officer in the

wirephoto section. Look it up if you can, 'cuz that's our place. Most of the places like Furuya's and Teikokus are closed. Places operated by Niseis are all open. Our place with special permission has been kept open with a guard. Tonight they took the guards away. You know what, there's no Japanese school either. I'm so glad!

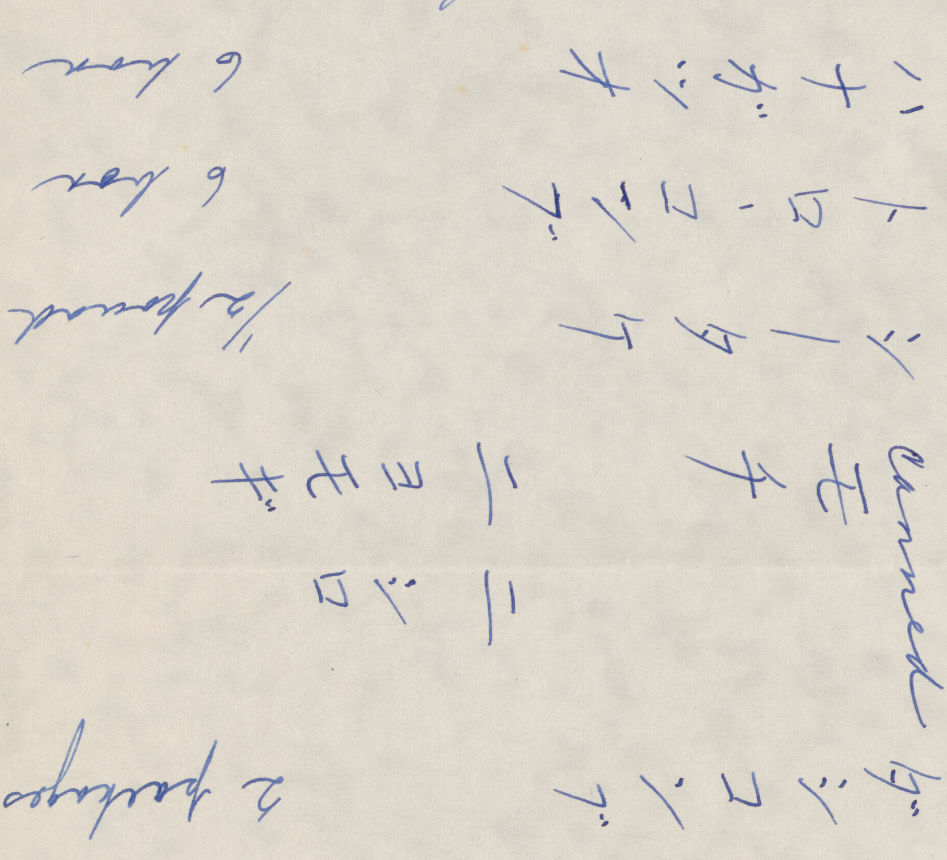
Anyway, we, Niseis are certainly in a fin, aren't we? At least, we can show ~~them~~ the U.S. ~~are~~ our loyalty through this war. They're giving us every privilege as a U.S. citizen, and I, for one, am willing to stand by America. How about you?

Next Saturday, I think I'll start my Xmas shopping with a very heavy heart. I hope that, at least, my dad will be able to spend Xmas with us.

Yes! It seems so quiet, 'cuz the radio isn't on. I'm

actually playing the piano now to make some noise.

Last time your dad was here, my mother asked him about Japanese goods at your store, and she would like to have the following things set aside, if you can, until we can see about transporting them.



Please do not send them. Just set them aside and if you can sell them, do so by all means. When somebody

goes down, we'll send the money, and have them bring it to us. Remember, please don't bother if you haven't time. There's no hurry, but we wanted to get those things if we could. Thanks a lot.

Always,
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