



Ruth Tanbara Papers

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308-13-H - Camp #3
September 8, 1942

Dear Ruth and Earl:

Started to walk out thinking that it was noon and time to eat, but much to my disgust they called me back saying that it is only 11:30! Just my luck.

The Ad. Bldg. is located almost a mile from 308, so at present, we have been issued meal tickets to eat in the personnel mess and the food is very much better, so you can see why I'm anxious to get started. The walk is very nice getting to the office, but at noon and evening, it is terrific. The truck dispatcher here is a very good friend of mine so I've been lucky enough to bum rides occasionally.

Heard from your folks last night that they received a very nice long letter written in Japanese from you, and one from Grace. Since we always report to them when we receive word from you they weren't so worried about you two, but since Grace and little Minoru left Pomona, yesterday's message was the first your folks rated. I'm very happy to hear that they arrived in Wyoming finally, but the trip must have been a hectic one. I understand that it's all prairie land in Wyoming, with a few cacti plants, lots of loose sand, and the heat is terrific. During mid-afternoon the heat hits a high peak, and then it drops to almost freezing at nights. When the Pomona people reached the Center the buildings and housing facilities were just getting started. The people get no fresh vegetables and no milk. I suppose we should consider Poston quite civilized. Already we received our first shipment of fresh vegetables from Tule Lake Center, and the milk rationing has been very good. I even find my cup filled with milk, but you know how I feel about it! Granted we aren't getting first-class food, but compared with other camps, we think it is very good here. Rumors are that at Gila, the children don't even get milk, and no privacy whatsoever. Poor GeorgeI often think of him. We received a note from him recently and he said that they were all sleeping in one large room. Before I forget, I want to write down his address: 24-9-A, Rivers P. O., Pinal County, Arizona. I don't know what happened to their fancy resort which was going to be called "Casa Grande".

Bike got a letter from the Hartford Ins. people and since they were able to get a bid on the car at last, they find that it be best to send us a check for \$515. (blue book value). We feel that under the circumstances this deal wasn't so bad as we already received \$45. for the good tires and saved on storage fee. Dad is going to reimburse Bike on the loss, but Bike thinks he's coming out ahead. Anyway we are satisfied, and the thankful part of the entire thing was toru's escape -- he didn't suffer a bit.

A bunch of us went to the welcome dance for the Santa Anita people last Sunday. Our Camp #3 orchestra played at the dance and the reports are that with few more practice sessions it will be all right. Camp #1 and #2 are without dance orchestras, so we feel quite elegant. Incidentally Kelly plays his sax in the orchestra.

Last Sept. 5, the camp's official taxi rushed Sally, Kelly, and the Doc to the Hospital in Camp #1. Sally's baby has the reputation of being the first incubator baby in Poston. The baby which was a little boy weighed all of 3½ lbs. Sally expected her baby, which was due in October, to be a bit weak because she wasn't feeling very well since her arrival at camp, but surprisingly the boy is so strong. Kelly is feeling so proud -- typical of all fathers.

Received a very nice long letter from Edith Jones. She writes so faithfully, that she embarrasses me at times, but I'm trying hard. I wrote her and asked if she would shop around for me in the Bay Region for a studio couch or divan. Our little cots are very uncomfortable, and Bike has a terrific cold. It seems that the draft from underneath is quite penetrating. I was smart and used all the left-over blankets, comforters and pads and padded my cot, after much fuss. Bike is coming along, although the Doc said to take it easy.

I forgot to mention above where I speak about the dance we took in last Sunday that George Furuta asked me for a dance. Everybody laughed because he's so-h-h-h huge and here I'm a bit small. Bike said I looked so funny, and I'm inclined to believe him.

Everybody seems to be carrying on his duties here quite well. Mrs. Minami is being cared for very well at the Base Hospital. The Rokutanis are all well. My brother George is heading the Ag. Department so he's busier than a "bee". Our camp life is getting quite interesting now -- we just opened a Radio Service Shop, our Beauty Shop and Barber Shop is now open for business. Just think we get our hair fixed for 15¢. Mrs. Matsumoto has offered to fix my hair for me, but for 15¢ it hardly makes any difference.

Hope to be writing again soon. Much luck from the bunch to you two. With best regards it's --

Love,
Yone

Bike sends his very best.

Nov 21st 1942

Dear Ruth & Earl.

after I sent out air mail with Montgomery Ward Credit check and another check for those things and Boots (\$20⁰⁰) I received Coffee Pot by mail, Thank you very much for such trouble you had done,

I was very much in hurry this afternoon I did not read Earl's letter that he send it me by himself. Now

I just want one stove like mine and Boots.

St Paul Store Must make payment to Portland Store after gave things to you, then did not have any so give me credit for it by mistake, This check should go

back to Portland store because
I had received Pot & stove
and they will be loser if I do
not sent back to them find
out what to do the check

I am very sorry that I made
you so much trouble for things
this time, any way after this Please
buy things yourself and send
to us thank you again for
Every thing done for us -

Dad

Hunt Ida Nov 19th 1942

Dear Ruth

Yesterday received Package contain one
Electric table stove. It is very nice
we used them last night & very
good. Thank you very much to found
it for me. Let me know Price and
I will send money. Mrs Hirabayashi
was here last night and saw it -
She would like one same type
also Coffee Percolator if you can
find it. Here is another trouble
for you to do for us. Mrs Hirabayashi
wanted Rubber Boots as in Picture
of old Catalogue size 5 Black. and
I want one if you could find man's
Boots same kind my size is 7 (Black)
Mother & Elsie wanted one too this is
not Montgomery their's on Sears Roebuck
Catalogue Page 259 women's over shoe Boots
size (shoes) 5 Mother and Elsie same
size for there is no $1\frac{1}{2}$ size Price 2.29
each if you have spare time go get them
for us we can not get these things
around here. If you can not find
in Sears ~~or Montgomery~~ store go to some
other store & try to find for us.
at home I have 2 pairs Boots in
Basement (locked up) and sorry did
not bring them. In case you can not
get me men's shoe Boots similar
to Mrs Hirabayashi wanted buy me

any kind Boots size 7 but not too
short (I have short one here) ~~but~~
~~to know size any~~ or Women's
Boots if big enough for my foot (7),
Money for those things let me
know when you have bat them and
I will send it to you as soon as
you tell me.

How is Earl's teeth? Hope he
get used to by this time, did
he find some work yet?

I did ^{not} get letter from Paul for some
time how is he getting along?

How is Esther? will write again
when I get your letter for
other things (Mrs H.'s Pat ^{not} & plate)
Tell Earl Hello.

Wad.

Hunt Ida NOV 21st '42

Dear Ruth

As I wrote to you Nov 19th received Nice Elec
Stove. Today I got your letter and same time
letter from Portland Ward Co. It seems like
St Paul Ward Co turn order to Portland Store
because closer. But I knew they havent
got in Portland or in Seattle at all but St Paul
store does not know that. Its very much
trouble for you to buy them & send to me
but since we can not buy those things
or Rubber goods around Coast or in
here, Please buy one Porcelator and
Stove ~~box~~ and mailed to us by yourself
instead of let store send to me.
I have signed Credit Check (which you
Paid at St Paul Store) so you can use it
when you buy Pot & Stove, about stove
Mrs "H" likes mine very well & she does not
mind about Price higher she said all right
so buy same kind. I enclosed check \$20.⁰⁰
for the goods if not enough tell me
(you have Paid for medicine before that
too) and I will send you balance.

Please buy Boots ~~box~~ at St Paul and
mailed to me by yourself instead let
store send to me, I wanted Wards
Catalogue very bad let them send

to me as soon as possible, also tell
them here after any thing we ordered
stuff do not turn to Portland store -

I know they are very scarce for
Every thing on account of so many
Ship yard workers in vicinity things
Can not filled order -

I am glad Paul was visiting & he is fine
I got letter from Howard this morning and
They are fine too -

Thank you & Earl again for trouble
to send stove to me and wish you
do some more as I wrote to you
yesterday -

Dad

Hunt Ida nov 22nd '42

Dear Ruth

yesterday mother took Parcelator to Mrs Hirabayashi. She is so glad to get it and she thank you & Earl for trouble you had. She tried right away & work fine.

yesterday I sent 2 air mail letter I was in hurry to go to work and Saturday too Mail man do not collect in afternoon so I did not read Earl's letter also Ward Co sent me credit check & order sheet.

I misunderstand that all together - after I sent 1st mail Pat came & I read your letter again and Earl's too and I sent out another air mail letter that I received Pat for Mrs Hirabayashi -

It is very much trouble for you & Earl I thank both of you again. In first letter I enclosed check of \$20⁰⁰ ^{to} cover for merchandise.

I do not it will be enough - in case short tell me I will send the balance -

Same time I sent you Credit Check Montgomery Co. I do not know which Company (St Paul or Portland) to send it back so

I sent to you anyway, Look like
St Paul store sent out order to
Portland before Earl went to get
them Please see what best
way to do -

I hear some thing about using
railroad workers use out side
right in here need rail road
to put on branch line from Eden to
relocation center but is not start
yet on account of about wages.
Many out side workers in farm
returned now and every mess hall
crowd now. Government soon
start clear the land and start
farming also put rail road on
place pretty soon. There are so
much domestic work & things
around here Center officials want
to send out many as they can
placed them -
you said Cold weather start and
you need lot things if you need
money write me, Do not work
too hard you may get sick again
sorry Earl did not get locate yet
hope get some thing soon
Dad

Hunt Idaho - Nov 28th 42

Dear Ruth

Received Package this after noon Contain
following things

- 1 Blouse for Elsie
- 1 Pair Gloves for mother
- 2 " " " myself
- 3 Lemons
- 1 Pkg Potato chip
- 1 " Pop Corn
- 3 " Noodle Soup
- 1 Box Assorted Candy
- 1 Package Crackers.
- 2 " Waffle Flours.

3 small pieces of woolen cloth -
many thanks ^{for} sent those thing specially
Gloves for us very nice, we will
enjoy soup, waffle, & others, we have
every thing you sent us lately
enough for quite while

Paul wrote me few days ago. Said he is not coming this way until new year he is in good health and busy.

Here is another trouble for you. Mrs Yamamoto wanted Rubber Boots for her daughter Ruth her shoes is size 12 will ^{you} try to get for her.

This place is muddy after snow or rain you can not walk without Boots and we can not get Rubber Boots in the coast or around here at all. Please try to get it in St Paul. I will send money for this as soon as you tell me.

Miss Bates was here from Portland to visit ^{us} she is used live in same street of yours in Berkeley. She is now working as social workers of Baptist church she said she knew you. She stayed in Center 3 days and went back to Portland will write soon again. Thank you again for everything Dad.



Girls' Military Boots 1.79 Pr.

Smart over-shoe rubber boots for play or school. Fine features as in Women's boot No. 4347 above with same attractive styling and appearance. Wear them over all your sporty low heel shoes and be snug in any weather.

To Order: For size 13 shoe, order 13 boot. For 13½ shoe, order size 1 boot.

Girls' Sizes: 13, 1, 2, 3. No ½ sizes. Ship. wt. 1 lb. 13 oz. State size.

26 B 4378—Black Rubber

26 B 4382—Brown Rubber. Pair \$1.79



Like Cowboy Boots! 1.29 Pr.

Child's Boots of finest Commonwealth First Quality Rubber, engraved to resemble real alligator leather. Fleece lined, to wear over stockinged feet. Wedge heels, tough non-skid corrugated rubber soles.

Order shoe size. Example: If you wear size 6 shoe, order size 6; if you wear size 6½ shoe, order size 7 boot.

Childs' Full Sizes: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12. Ship. wt. 1 lb. 12 oz. State size.

26 B 4368—Black with Red trim. Pr. \$1.29

Old Cota - Page 155 Size 12

WRA 32-1-A
Hunt, Idaho
December 1, 1942

Dearest Ruth:

Many thanks for the beautiful blue blouse you sent to me and all the food...We were so happy to receive all the nice things...it certainly is a wonderful treat when it comes all those things. We do have a canteen here, but you know limited the things are. Mother would like for you to send a couple boxes of gum (Wrigley's Spearmint and Doublemint) the next time you get a chance.

I ordered a two piece dress of Smoke Blue from Macy's NYC and it came the other day....it's very nice...and very practical in here since I can wear it with so many things...especially with the nice blue blouse you gave me. The skirt is dirndl effect and the top is cardigan ...with grosgrain ribbon...so you can see it's very casual...you know how I go for casual clothes...and on top of that I'm sewing me about three sport type of dresses. You see I sent for my machine (the one I purchased ...the portable) and so I can attempt to do a lot of sewing from now on.

How is your cold...are you feeling better now? I can imagine how wintery it must be over there at St. Paul...from what Dad and Mother use to tell me when they were there long time ago. Please take good care of yourself 'cause I know how you overwork yourself when it comes to Holiday Season! Here at Hunt...it's been snowing every day....but when the snow begins to melt...oh boy, that's when we have to dig out our boots and galoshes and wade thru the sticky mud...and I do mean sticky goopy mud! It's a different kind of a mud than back home....like dust when it's dry so you can imagine what it's like when it's wet!

You spoke about the Girl Reserves and Mae Abe in your letter.. Mae is in Tulalake..so you could write to her at the Tulalake Relocation Center..but as far as the other girls.... Elsie Takeoka is the head of the girls around the nearby blocks and she lives in block 31..right across from us. Ise Inuzuka is the advisor for the girls..and she lives in block 32-5-B...why don't you write to her and ask her...she would be glad to give you names of the girls around that age who would correspond with them.

Thanks a lot for finding out about the Foundation Cream... Meier's sent to me Dark Rosetta Bronze which is the nearest shade..which is the one you mentioned...next time send me a jar of that if you can...I'll be glad to pay for it..anytime is alright because I'm not in a hurry for it, but when you go town buy it cause they might discontinue that shade too.

Have to dash to the hospital to see a lady.

Love,

al

(over)

You had a couple pieces of wool
material (looks like pockets) Rusch
color in the packages - what's
that for? Must be mistake -
some of your sewing pieces isn't it?
If you want it, I'll send it back
to you!

Wednesday Morning
At Work - [Dec, 1942]

Dear Ruth:

Many thanks for the nice letter you sent to me & wrote a letter to you before about the lovely blouses you sent to me. I got & received both of them. The blue blouse I haven't worn yet but the white one I have. It fits perfectly and just the kind I always wanted. Many thanks Ruth - I certainly appreciate your special gift.

Pretty busy - now that Christmas is almost near - Paul sent a package to me - everything from ladies articles, Chocolate candy, to a cute novelty perfume bottles in a telephone form. I've seen one like it before and everyone asks me where I got such a cute novelty. It has 2 perfume bottles - one for the mouthpiece & one for the ear phone. It is a hand type phone - (French phone) model - one bottle is for morning and the other for evening. I like it so much.

-Afternoon -

Was sorta busy so I couldn't continue on to finish my

letter to you. I changed my job
to interviewer at the Placement
Office - here I do reception work &
interview people for jobs here
at the Education Area. I find it better
than teaching, but yet I still would
prefer sewing. How we deal
with so many kinds of people &
various jobs.

About the job through Mrs. Sickels
I am interested very much to do
sewing, but as for dress designer
(such as drawing & drafting) I cannot
do. I am only qualified as a
seamstress & I would like a
good position in that field.
How are the wages? Since living
conditions are high I would
like at least to make extra
for personal expenses & savings.
You could have Mrs. Sickels
write to our people director.
Are there any possibilities of
mechanic jobs available? Also,
school boy jobs. I know personally

Some boys who³ wanted like
to continue school and work
too. Please let me know as
soon as you can.

Thanks a lot for the boots -
they fit well - in fact - Nellie
& Yoshiko wanted like a pair
each, too. Could you send
me 2 more pair I size 5 -
same size as mine. I shall
send you the money in the
next letter. I don't know
how much they cost. Yoshiko
is Jimmy Hong's wife. He
works right beside me -
& he looked appreciate it
very much if you would
send a pair for her. Could
you send them to me right
away. The road is so
trouble now that you just
have to have boots to walk
around in.

Hunt Ida Dec 6th 1942

Dear Ruth

I received yours of Nov 30th
and very glad to learn you
have nice Thanksgiving dinner
with Paul and Mr Matsushita.
We had nice Thanksgiving dinner
in Center, Plenty of Turkey we
got second help and eat enough.
As I wrote you in little note in
Elsie's letter I received another
Coffee Pot. It is all right I will
keep it some one be glad to ^{sell} have it
thank to Earl and ^{not} worry. Things here that can not
get around here at all -
Mrs Hirabayashi's Brato you bought
already and you trying get ours now
Paul at together. I am sorry make
you and Earl so much trouble
but we can not walk without
them because so muddy here you

Many thanks for Everything you
and Earl done for us and I
with find Hat plate and
Boots for us also for Rustie
Yamanaka-

Dad

Our apt Number has changed
1-a instead of 11-a -
So after this 32-1-a
W.R.A. Hunt, Ida.
~~Hunt - Idaho~~

Can not imagine that weather
is terrible here Cold in morning
16° in average day time very warm
snow melt on top that rain often
mud covers your ankle and
loose over shoes very often. we
are getting along all right. I work
2 days and rest one day. Elsie
changed from teaching to placement
office now. Here is another thing
I wish you send me is 2 or 3 of
New calendar (just common any
advertize calendar) for 1943 we
can not get them in center
any kind small or large
does not matter.

George Yamanaka with wife is here
now I did not see them yet
but Elsie saw them at Takami's
house last night.
Tell hello to Mr Matsushita
when you see him

Hunt Ida Dec. 9th 1942

Dear Rust and Earl

Elain received Blouse from
San Francisco, She will write
to you soon, Enclosed little
gift for Christmas have some
thing suit yourself -

Send separate package for you
and Earl, friend mine fixed
for me and I have it polished
(after peel off bark) This tree grow
in here same as Sage brush
only it grow in between rocks.

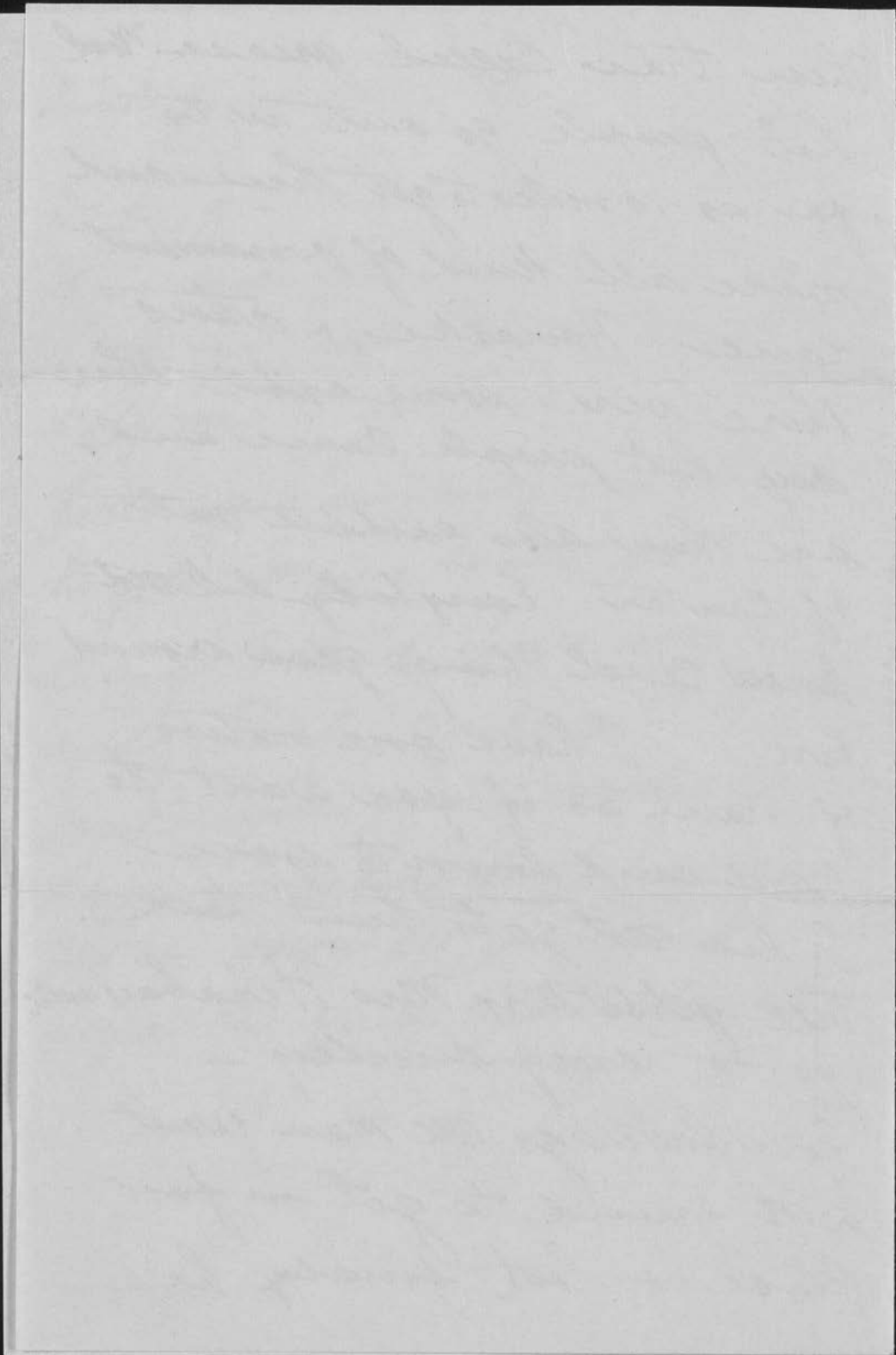
I send you one original before
polish this will be all right
for Ikebana it still alive
and also send one half finish
this all right put in water too.

did from freezing -

Did you find my boots yet?
If in case you can not find
any for me Paul might
help me to get pair in army.
There are so many red tape
to get men's boots but
"army" I think have some
and Paul can get it
Hope you find for Mother &
Claire, weather here cold every
day & snow all time now
Hope this find you both well

Wad

These trees called grease wood,
Lot people go out in to
far as 10 miles to get these and
make all kind of ornament
Kane, Harake, & others
There were some exhibit other
day lot people came and
see them also exhibit out
of center. Every body did not
know such things grow around
here. I have one or two
of Kane too if you want to
I will send down to you
I did not go to hunt these
tree yet but Mrs Mrs Hirabayashi
go to every Sunday -
Few days ago one man went
with friend to get in far
place & lost, finally he



Dec 15th 1942

Dear Ruth

Received Package this morning
at Post office. Contains

2 pr Boots for Mother & Elsie

1 " " Mrs Hirabayashi.

1 - Hot Plate for same

4 - Packages Noodle soup.

2 - " Chewing Gum

Many many thanks for Every
thing. I took to Mrs Hirabayashi
right away & She try it, fit fine

she is very glad to have Boots
& Hot plate She thank you
very much - Mother try her too

this also fit Nice, Elsie not
home but I am sure this fit
too. Soup & Gum come in very
handy.

Please tell all about Charge
x I will send you balance
of Bill soon as you tell
me, I hope you find
some hats for me also
for Yamamoto's daughter -
you are
I suppose very busy before
Christmas be very careful
for cold weather -

Dad

Mrs Horabayashi came while
was finishing this letter, She
thank you again for Everything
She said she can not walk
on street because hat people
want see her Boots and
wanted to know where she got it

I like to have Boots for myself
any kind even Women's Boots
like Mrs Hirabayashi if size
there fit my foot, ~~also~~ please
try to get it, because I can
not walk without it. I wrote
to Paul other day about boots
if in case you can not
get it in town, try it in
Army but ask your first,
How is every thing with you
and Earl? we are all
well here. Montgomery Co.
do not send me their Catalogue
yet, will you get one yourself
+ Mail it ^{to} ~~for~~ me

I sent Package few days ago
also air mail letter hope you
get it safe

Dec 19th 1942

Dear Ruth

Received your letter of Dec 12th
also Bill for Coffee Pot Stoves
and others. Many thanks for
everything you & Earl done for
us during your busy time, must
be just now and thank you
again for Boots Pot and stove
everything satisfactorily. She is very
glad to have those things -

I hope you find some Boots
for ^{me} even woman's type only
to fit me also for Yamamoto's
daughter. I am glad to know
you are busy on glove business
for Christmas -

you have such cold weather
over there now and snow too

I have experience before when
we were in Minneapolis temperature
goes down 26° below -

foot ^{want} Mrs Hirabayashi said
She ~~have~~ heavy stocking and
Thank you for mention it
She want 2 pairs of Wool (Pure)
Color as near to sample her
Size 9.

She sent you some apples
and piece wood (same kind
I sent to you other day) She went
to mountain and got it
I send you money order \$10⁰⁰
for Balance and other things

Wad

I am glad you took going to Methodist
Church which Pastor is Dr Smith's friend
I understand Dr Smith will be
here in Carter in January.

I like to have pair snow rubber
like attached picture and of buckles
shoes size 7. This is ~~same~~ Catalogue
but Montgomery has too but I have
no Catalogue here.

about Catalogue I wrote to you
last letter. will ^{you} get one and
send to me

Here is balance of Bill \$3⁸⁰
and some for my boots
and over shoes tell me
how much and I will send
you rest of money.

I wrote to Paul about Boots
I hope he can get it for me
in case can not get it
buy Woman's Boot fit my

Christmas eve 1942

Dear Ruth & Earl

Received Notice from Post office for the Insured Package, I went to office got it 6:30 Pm since I was on duty to night. I have open it at 11:30 Pm We found following things -

5 Calendars. 3 Packages Cookies
1 Pair Boots 1 Butter Scotch
4 Package Soap some Nuts
1 Box Candy. 1 Jar Cream
1 Pair Slipper 2 Pairs stockings
3 Cake Soap.

Many thanks for nice gift specially my Boots I have been suffered muddy weather now I can walk with dry foot Mother & Elsie also thank you for nice things just few line let you know we received thing in Christmas eve. Will write again soon.

I hope you have nice Christmas.
With best wishes

Bob

over

I still like to have rubber soles
without shoes ^{on} like Mrs Hirabayashi
Please try again, ~~please~~ (women's feet)
Also for Ruth Yamamoto Brato and
Mrs Hirabayashi's stockings.
When you have time to go to
store. I am no hurry my soles
since you gave me nice one
forgot about Montgomery's Catalogue
Thank you very much for sent
me one it is very handy for us.

After.....days, return to

F. J. Nomura

W. R. A 32-1-C

Must be

TWIN FALLS, IDAHO.



Mr & Mrs Earl Tautava

1725 James ave

St Paul, Minn

Hunt Ida Dec 27th 1942

Dear Ruth

I received your Present on Christmas Eve & later Christmas Morning. Thank you both for sent us many nice things. we are very glad to get those things you don't know how that boots do me good one I got from Portland (short boots) leak both foot & have wet feet nearly everyday. Now I can walk dry foot. Same time I like have some more boots wear without shoe trying to get from army by Paul I wrote him other day but will you ask him when you see. Many thanks for Calendars I gave to Mrs Hirabayashi & other friends they are very glad to get that since hard to get here, if you have one or two more please send us again. I am glad you received tree & like it, some time I will send you some more, wish you happy new year
dad over

Did you get Mrs H's package?

Hunt Ida Jan 7th 42

Dear Ruth

Received 2 Packages of Calender

3 small & 7 assorted size.

Many thanks for sending me
those. I have divide to the

Friends they are very glad
to have it since we can not
get those nice one in here.

How are you both?

Did you received Mrs Hira
bayashi's Package?

We are all here - Mrs Abe
Came here from Tule Lake
to visit her mother. She came
to our apt other night. She said
Paul & Morris both of are married
Paul & wife will be in Camp
Savage Pretty soon.

Tell Mr Matsushita thanks
for letter. I ask Paul about
Barto if he can get it for me.
Weather here kind mild but
soon the cold weather come.

I saw Oregonian yesterday -
Portland had high water last week
& still increasing now. Eugene
& Albany have very high water
lately people lost home.
in Portland around Kent
have flood up too. any way
weather is very funny this year
here in Center supposed to be
very cold right now but only
25 or 30 every day. we are lucky
to have this kind of weather.
With best wishes

Bob.

Hunt, Ida Jan 8th 1943

Dear Ruth.

Many thanks for nice Calendars
All friends very glad to get it
indeed, yesterday I wrote letter
to you to ask you that have
you received Package apples
which Mrs Hirabayashi sent
to you on Dec 21st by Spl
delivery, and I forgot to ask
you in the same day I sent
letter with money (\$10⁰⁰) to cover
balance of Bill \$3⁸⁰ and
money for Mrs H's stocking
& my boots (Extra one beside
you sent me in Christmas)
I did not hear from you

since, let me know whether
letter reached or not.

I got letter from Emi this
morning said they are well
and both children growing
big especially Davey have
nice red cheeks and
everything. I am going to
ask her to send me some
snap shot since we are
allowed to use Kodak in
center, How is the Paul?

Emi said Howard is collecting
some reference from Portland
friends to prepare in case
some job come up and
get out.

with best wishes
Dad

Hunt Ida Jan 11th 1942

Dear Ruth & Earl.

Received your letter Jan 6th and very glad to know you both well also Paul is fine we are all well here too. I thought Eric has sent letter long ago. but she did not, I will tell her write to soon as possible. about Howard Emi wrote to me few days ago & said Howard gathering reference from Portland & dear contact for getting ready to go out from Center to get job. I will write to him to day to answer you right away.

Last Friday wrote to you about money order which I sent to you Dec 21st also Mrs H. sent you apples is it reach you?

Many thanks for such trouble about my hats. If you can get women's hats of size 8 (may fit me) send me one. Same time please send Mrs H's wool stocking which I wrote to you

in letter of Dec 21st

How is weather over there now? I
suppose very cold now and hope
you are well prepared.

We have unusual warm weather
last week no rain no snow but
getting little cold this morning
expect some snow soon
Hope you are well & happy for
coming year will write to soon.
Please let me know about apples
& Money order

Dad

Elvie just come home & tell me
she is also getting clearance from
government, (Washington) we all made
application to get Permit for release
from Center, as soon as we get permit
will let you know, its take 2 month -
we can not get out unless permit
come

Hunt Sea Jan 15th 1943

Dear Ruth.

Please send us following things
when ever you have chance to
buy in store:

- 6 yark $\frac{1}{2}$ " Elastic Black ^{as sample} ~~(sample)~~
3 " " " white
4 " $\frac{1}{4}$ " " "
3 Card Bobby Pins regular size
6 Hand Towels about 10 cts each
2 Card Embroidery Crewel Needles
2 " Assorted Sewing "
2 " Pins

Shipping labels

I received letter from Paul yesterday
said he has Promotion and made
him Sergeant. I am very happy to
hear that we are all very glad
this information.

Received letter from Howard this mor-
ning said Davey Judy & Emie all
Caught Cold & Confined in bed. Weather
is very Cold over there now.

I suppose you have experience d
bitter Cold weather in your place
too. Be very Careful of your health.

We are having warm weather some
thing unusual (40° this morning) we
are very lucky to enjoy this kind
of weather. Hope this find you both
well

P.S I am still waiting your letter. Dad

x about money order which I sent Dec 21/94

I received your letter of the 10th inst.
and in reply to inform you that
the same has been forwarded to
the proper authorities for their
consideration.

I am sorry to hear that you
are not well, and hope you will
soon be able to resume your
usual avocations.

I have the pleasure to inform
you that the same has been
forwarded to the proper
authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. [Signature]

Aunt Ida Jan 23rd '43

FRANK J. NOMURA
726 RODNEY AVENUE
PORTLAND, ORE.

Dear Ruth.

Received your letter of 19th and very glad hear from you, I have worrying so much since I did not hear from you so long beside Cold weather hit your town you might be sick or some thing happend. I had dreamed too. any way I am very happy to know you are well (Yesterday I wrote to Paul asking about you too) I understand you have bitterly Cold weather. we have few Cold day goes down to 10 below but turned to warm & very mild weather now. one thing you can not have same weather for 2 day's changing all time. Fortunately we are all well so don't worry. Your letter stated Earl called to Washington. Is it D. C. ? and what kind Position he got? Elsie will write to you soon, Tell Paul I got letter from you when he call up. I got letter from Howard. said 30 below zero over there too Enni & Children had Cold hope

are better this time. He said he wrote to you
other day. I am glad you received letter
money order also apples. Many thanks for
buying Mrs H's stockings. I will write to you
again when I receive your Package and
show to her samples. I will be very glad if you
find best for me but no hurry any time you
have chance also weather get better when
ever you go down to Minneapolis see if you
can buy one burner Electric plate line
sent us before this is no hurry either.
With best wishes.

When Earl is going to Washington? hope
he have good luck.

Dad

Hunt Ida Jan 27th 1943

Dear Ruth

I received 50 Calender on Saturday 24th and Thank you very much. I gave to lot of friend of mine they are very glad to get them.

I received your letter ^{of} 21st on Monday 26th and glad to hear weather is kind Moderate. I am sure you have more cold weather yet so be careful both of you not get cold. We are very fortunate to have such mild weather here. record here always cold + bad as goes down to 30 below.

Your Package has not come yet but I suppose come today - I thank you very much for your trouble in such cold weather.

I understand Earl went to Chicago he is back. Did he go to there on business?

~~Since we can not get them in~~
~~here so easy~~

Jan 28

2

I wait all day yesterday for Package but did not come, This morning I got notice from Post office and I received this after noon. and find everything in Box as your letter. Many thanks for your trouble, Mrs H like stocking well & she want 3 pairs more - beside Mercerized Cotton heavy stockings same size 4 Pairs, (Mother want same than 3 pairs, color little darker ~~same~~ this sample you sent us). Towels all right what you sent us but she want Plain Hand Towels she want to Embroidery on it mother's stocking size 9. those Cotton one cheap kind 35-50 cts per pair. Money for these things I send to you ^{afterward} & things you sent us Total 5.81 and Postage 73 6.54 I owe you 24 cts.

How is Paul lately? Other day Geo Marumoto came here with wife she was very nice girl. I was thinking about Paul to get married in St Paul if he find some one suit him - I understand lot girls

working in family line Marumoto's
wife -

Mrs H's cotton stockings is same
color of her wool one

Thank you again for Everything
specially nice chocolate Candy &
gum we enjoyed very much -
Mrs H is here I gave her Caramel -

She thank you too.
will write again soon

Dad

Howard sent me Center paper
and I find they have 28° below
zero 2 days.

Hunt, Ida. 2-2-1943

Dear Rust.

How are you both? I got letter from Howard yesterday said they are fine, Having nice weather & childrens able to go outside to play. I am sending some Omacin which Mess Hall gave us yesterday also some Hood river apples. and I enclosed Money order of \$10.00 for Stocking and Towels and so on, Next time you buy me some Tooth Powder (any kind maybe Dr Lyon's) and Ant. Flannel Pajama med size cheap kind will do. How are the weather over there? we are having nice weather here last week. Snowing this morning will abate soon again.

Dad

Hunt Ida Feb 6th 1943

Dear Ruth

Received your letter of Feb 1st and
Package contains 1 pr Boats for me
1 pr for Ruth Yamamoto also Elastic
Bob pin and Crochies - Magazine
Many many thanks for sent us
these things. Boats is fit me
just right. Ruth's one little large
but she wore heavy stockings so
it is all right Mr Yamamoto was
very glad to get (we gave to her
for present for Mrs Yamamoto Knit
shirt for Elsie) - I am very thank
ful to you which you have done
for me while you are busy and
such Cold weather shopping all over
the town. I know it is very much
trouble for you but since we
can not get those things in here.
I sent money order few days ago I
am sure you get it by this time and
I know it is not enough to cover
the bill will send some more

town and I hope Earl get some thing
to do and help each other. Donot
hesitate to ask me. I can send and
help you each month if necessary.
Mother and I received money of
clothing allowance few days ago
ammount \$20.00 for last 4 month.
we like to help you little expense
and herewith send you \$10.00
by money order (this is not money
for things I ask to buy for me) so
buy some thing for yourself.

Hope you & Earl are well.

We are all fine here,
will write again soon.

Tell Paul buy me some army
Rain Coat size 36 we can buy here
used one for 50 cts but all
large size and does not fit me
tell him I will send money
when he tell me price

dad

over

I do not understand why Paul ~~draw~~ loan
money from you since he get
more than 70 dollars month I
think you ought stop to loan to
him. He get meals free and
clothing too he ought be I have
to ask you loan money, some
time ago he ask me he will send
money if I need some since
he can ~~received~~ ^{draw} some ammount
in advance if family need it
but I told him I do not want
it at all since we get
meal free and earn \$16.00
month. beside I get pension
every month. I do not know
why Paul need so much money.
Last time I ask you about Earl.
is he get some thing to do while
he took trip to Chicago? I know
you are working hard to
support house keeping in strange

I wrote this letter Saturday night
but can not go until Monday 11th

Elsie want send you
five dollars too (She got clothing
allowance too other day) so money
order is Total \$15⁰⁰

Hunt Ida Feb 16th 1943

Dear Ruth & Earl -

I received Package this Morning
at Post office many thanks for
sent us those things.

Package contains as follows.

1 Bag Candy. 5 Packages Gum.
3 Envelopes Soap.

1 Dr Lyon 1 Calox Tooth Powder

1 Toweling - 3 Pcs Stocking for
Mother's Birth day -

6 Pcs Stocking for Mrs. Hirabayashi

Just let you know Packages
arrived. I will send you Bal of
bill when I receive your letter
Thank you again for your kind-
ness.

Did you get money order of \$10⁰⁰
also \$15⁰⁰ and O'Mooki and

few apples which I sent you
other day. How is weather now?
we are having warm days now
and every one fine.
with best wishes.

Dad

Soup and Candy Gum is
very handy for we can not
get Canned or Dry food
stuff after Feb 20th we are
buying few Can goods now
for future use

Freeze up Can goods in here
after Feb 20th

the world is full of love
the love is in every heart
the love is in every flower
the love is in every tree
the love is in every bird
the love is in every man

the love is in every child
the love is in every woman
the love is in every man
the love is in every heart
the love is in every flower
the love is in every tree
the love is in every bird
the love is in every man

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the love is in every woman
the love is in every man
the love is in every heart
the love is in every flower
the love is in every tree
the love is in every bird
the love is in every man

Hunt, Ida. Mar 23rd 1943

Dear Ruth

I received 2 packages this after noon
which contains

1 pr Men's Pajama 2 prs Women's Pajama
3 Packages Macaroni 1 Package Cookies
2 lbs Cheese 1 Package Crackers and
1 Package Candies Cookies & Gum.

Thank you very much for sent us
these nice things - I did not
hear from you for some time but
hope you & Earl is well.

We are all fine here we have nice
weather here now but few days ago
had very cold day went down to
18° above.

This center have over 300 Volunteers
& we had dinner other night, I sent
you menu also Newspaper yesterday
we are going to have fare well
dinner again to night (Turkey
dinner) at 6.30. This center is
top on list for the Number
of Volunteers.

Mr. Sonekawa is very ill and
Mother & wife & children is here
for visit. I expect Emi to come
down too. I have been down
to hospital several times. It looks
very hard to get better this time -
Last week Masashi Michigami
was here to visit his parent. He is
in Army since last March 1942
He looks fine boy, he is stationed
at Kansas, he might go to Africa
soon he said.

Some time ago Mother ask you
to buy some cheap neck pin in
10 cents store when ever you
have chance buy her about
2 of it you know 10 or 15 cts
one she use for her Neck
hope hear from you soon,
with best wishes
Dad

Hunt. Ida Mar 28th 1943

Dear Ruth

Received your letter of March 25.
I am very glad you + Earl are
well and busy as usual. We are
all fine. Emi, Davey + Judy is
here. They arrived Friday after noon.
I went to see them yesterday.
They are looks fine + stay with
ayako (Emi's sister) I am going to
see them again today. Mr So-
mekawa is just about same.
Your Packages arrived and I wrote
to you 2 days ago. Thank you for
every thing. I saw Pacific Citizen
some time ago and I learn you
both working on resettling people
in your town + other places. It is
very nice to help people to find
work. Esther Tarr is working now
for her room + board I heard
from her mother otherday about it
and I think It's good thing for Esther,

I am glad you have had birth day Party
for Mr Matsushita & sent him
nice Present. Tell hello to him for me
I understand you change your work
now. I hope you like your new work
but do not work too hard.

Eather had machi & you enjoyed it
I will tell ^{to} Mrs Torii to day that
you liked it.

I did ^{not} hear from Paul for some
time but hope he is well

I will tell Mr & Mrs Hayashi what
you said & also about Mr Matsun-
yama. This is my day off and
going to church now, after noon
am going to visit hospital to see
Mr Sonekawa & others.

Mr Maeda got hurt other day
(Bus turned over on way to
Twin fall) but he is getting along
nicely. Mr Toyoda also got hurt
he is in hospital now.
Thank again for packages, will
write soon

Dad

Hunt Ida Apr 16th 1943

Dear Ruth

I received your letter of 12th -

I wrote to you yesterday that I received Package and found everything OK and I went to Enni's Place yesterday gave Candy + other thing to Enni and she thank you very much for everything - Mother and Elsie thank you too -

Some time ago I sent Grape Fruit did you get that?

George Burzoi has been taken care by you and Earl - George wrote to Rev Kiyoshi that you both so kind to him and he is very much appreciate and he said everything fine. I will see his mother next Sunday - we are all fine. Enni + children They live more than mile from my Place House we is Block 16-10-7. about 5 or

6 block from Hospital Mr. Some
Kawa is little better now but
Arthur & Emi will stay for while
yet for Doctor said better stay
little longer.

Mother & I will stay here little
while and either you or Elsie
settle down we will come and
get some easy job.

I am working every day now
because one man quit last
Tuesday & can not find
other one yet, weather is very
warm in day time & very hot
in attending bailer now I might
change job later on
will write soon again

with best wishes for you both

It is 15 minutes ^{to} twelve now
I got get up 6 in the morning
so I close - Dad

I have been thinking of you
and of the old days
and of the good times we had
and of the love we had

And now I will stay here
while and when you or I
will be here we will come and
get home very fast

I am not thinking much of you
because you were not here
but I am not thinking
of you because you were not here
and I am not thinking of you
because you were not here
and I am not thinking of you
because you were not here

And now I will stay here
while and when you or I
will be here we will come and
get home very fast

Hunt Ida apl 20 1943

Dear Ruth

Just few line to let you know that
Elsie, 2 Shiozaki boy and a girl
(daughter of friend mine "Tsunami")
4 in Party left Center 11 am
for Salt-lake, There they meet another
2 Shiozaki boy and from there
taking train to Chicago on Union
Pacific, I told Elsie to let you
know in case ^{they} pass through St Paul
~~and~~ (she will wire you).

^{Mr & Mrs} Mrs Sugusai was here and said
They are thanking you both for
taking so much care for George
and really appreciate for your
kindness.

Mrs Torii was here too and thank
you both for taking care of Esther
I ask about Esther's bill of
school, she said she owe

School about \$ 200. but when Esther
left dorm she draw money from
bank and pay to School she havent
got very much left but Mrs Torii
will send some money very soon
If you find her some job it will
be lot of help for her.

Emi Davvy & Judy is fine and
got extension to stay little longer
for Mr Arukawa's condition is
not well enough to children
leave him.

will write you soon again

Rad

Elis's temporary address

c/o Mr & Mrs L C Karaki
4846 W. Fullerton ave
Chicago, Ill.

Dec 5/62

~~White
Kid~~

~~Nightingale
4 hr ride May 1st
Sat afternoon~~

~~Stop 9:45
to get there
noon~~

Hunt, Ida July 17th 1944

Dear Ruth.

How are you + Earl? How is the weather? we are having real summer now but in morning and after dark is nice cool and we are fine - I am glad to inform you that Elsie received money from Portland W.R.A office last week man hot house Paid \$1000 for down payment beside he paid \$100. also \$60. for 2 month payment, total of \$1,160.⁰⁰ deduct expense of recording, transferring charge also title insurance Co. Its amount \$38.95 net cash \$1,121.⁰⁵ Elsie put in bank with her account. also we got copy of mortgage too. So seems to me everything is all right except George owe us some money for furniture which Paul has sold to some one while he was there I told

Elsie to write George about
this. Emi sent me long letter
& tell me they are fine, Davy
& Judy need tonsil taken out
and hope do not have trouble
in the hot weather

Just few lines to let you know
money has come from Portland.
hope this find you both well
with best wishes.

Dad

I wish you send me one
Enamel ware tea pot (4 cups)
any kind of shape, I ask to
Elsie but she can not get in
Chicago. Cheap kind will do.

Sears' Catalogue



Black cloth top dress Arctics

Men's
\$298
 4-buckle

Big boys'
\$279
 3-buckle

Small boys'
\$245
 3-buckle

- Cotton jersey cloth uppers
- Adjustable metal buckles
- Cotton fleeced lining for warmth
- Non-slip type rubber soles

Uses: For men and boys, city and town dress wear when greatest protection is required. Wear over dress shoes only. Not recommended for heavy duty service. For an arctic to wear over heavy work shoes see 76 D 9200 on facing page.

Men's sizes 6, 6½, 7, 7½, 8, 8½, 9, 9½, 10, 10½, 11 and 12. State size. Shpg. wt., 2 lbs. 4 oz.

76 D 9282—Men's 4-buckle.....Pair \$2.98

Big boys' sizes 2½ to 6, including ½ sizes. State size. Shipping weight, 2 pounds 6 ounces.

76 D 9285—Big Boys' 3-buckle.....Pair \$2.79

Wear over dress shoes only. Order full size larger than your shoe, for men's and big boys' sizes. Example: For shoe size 7, order 8.

Small boys' sizes 11 to 2, including ½ sizes. State size. Shipping weight, 2 pounds 4 ounces.

76 D 9286—Small boys' 3-buckle.....Pair \$2.45

For narrow shoes order ½ size larger than shoe. For wide width shoes order full size larger than shoe.

Chicago Dec 18th 1944

Dear Ruth

we arrived here safe & on time
Jack met us at depot & got home
he said you called him up on
phone last night told him we
left 10:45 train, Elsie & Jack both
fine & very glad to received gift
of everything from you & thank you
very much. We thank you &
Earl for everything done for us
especially thank you & Earl's valuable
time so much every day while you
both working long hours ~~every day~~
all the time. We certainly
appreciate so much.

Elsie is fine but do not know
how soon baby come yet I am
going to take her to the doctor
this time he may ~~tell~~ tell her
some date, just tell you we
are safe & round with best
wishes

Dad

77. Home a
527 - W. Briar Pl
Chicago 14, Ill.



Mrs Ruth Jarbana
218 - S. Waukegan St
St Paul 5, Minn

Dec 20th 1944

Dear Ruth & Howard

Last night 12 m Elsie went to Hospital. Jack came home 4 a m this morning Doctor told him that will be few hours yet, to Baby Come. This morning Jack went back to Hospital 9 o'clock & I was waiting at home for good news, Here he call me up on Phone said Elsie had Baby at 7 a.m. and Boy. both of good health Jack will stay in hospital today, we will call you up tonight but just let you know of it. Tell Paul when

he comes; How is the weather
over there? Here we have
nice sun shine but evening
is quite cold. I suppose
you are still busy as ever
but do not work too hard and
take good care of yourself.
With best wishes + hope you
+ Earl have nice Christmas

Dad

My dear Mr. Garrison,
I have just received your letter of the 10th inst.
and am glad to hear that you are
interested in the cause of the
colored people. I am sure that
you will do all in your power
to help them. I am, Sir,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

F. J. Nomura
527 W. Briar Place
Chicago, Ill.



Mrs Ruth Tanbara
218 - S. Avon St
St Paul 5, Minn

Heint, Ida Mar 5th 1945

Dear Ruth

I did not write to you for some time
but ^{hope} you & Earl is well.

We have been sick little while with
Cold & Stomach trouble but getting better.

I have sleeping car reservation on mar
14th and if nothing happens we will
take 2:30 P.M. ^{train} out Shoshone Ida,
& will reach Chicago on Morning of
16th. I do not know how long we
will stay over there, This time
W. R. A. pays our train & sleepers
and they do not give us ticket from
Chicago to St Paul so we have to
pay own fare, Our freights all
address to your place I am sure
it does not reach till we come

Mrs Torii has been busy and
delaying about C & B thread she made
list for 1-2-3

1 - Perri Lusta Total 31 Boxes

2 - C & B " 18 Boxes
These are on your stock list

3 C & B 11 Boxes
These not on your list but
try to get them when you
ordered above 18 boxes

Here with send you money order
of \$60⁰⁰ for those 1 & 2 total
49 boxes if money not enough
you pay it for me & I will straighten
up with you when I come up;
her address is

Mrs T. Torii Block 34-12-H
Hunt, Ida

out there but in case reached there
before we come please keep in
some place till we come up.
How about house on lake? are you
still have plan to buy that? we
got have some place to put
all furniture and things. Before
I left Chicago Jack was saying that
he would like to move to St Paul
and get job & live. and this time
when I reach Chicago he would take
trip to St Paul with us, I do not
know how he is thinking about now,
He think Chicago is not good place
for John when he grow up and
go to school. - anyway I will see
him in few days & I will let you
know how soon we will be
with you -

How is weather over there?

Here in Hunt very Cold yet.

Our Block Short population and

Closed mess Hall Mar 1st and

have to go to next Block to eat

It is much trouble in this Cold weather -

Mrs Torii will mail Sample Card to you to day -

I send you back stock list in this letter. Hope this find you and Earl well. With best wishes

Dad

Hunt: Ida Mar 10th 1945

Dear Ruth

I have packed all junk and
moved to warehouse yesterday
Total 16 and some more Monday
may be 5 more, all addressed
to your place and sent on
Freight - but 6 Carton by Express
those will be delivered to your
house before we come -
we are allowed to send 500[#]
by Express but I did not send
that much. Sorry to bother
you but put them in Basement
others would not be there
until we come up.

Mr Hasegawa figure on take trip
with to Chicago there on he is going
to Wisconsin -

Tell Howard I received his
letter yesterday and glad to know
all family is well and we will
be there soon

I did not hear from Paul for
while is he come some time?

Howard tell me he had dinner
with you other day -
with best wishes

Dad

Hunt, Ida Mar 12th 1945

Dear Ruth

Finally finished Packing Total
Baggage is 25 Pieces and 6 pieces
sent by Express (M.R.A. Pays) and
rest of them on Freight. Those Express
might reach there before we arrived
will you keep in the order for us.

I expect letter in few days from
Railroad Retirement Board of Chicago
in your address also first part
of April Pension check will
be there if you get them
Please keep ~~it~~ until we arrived
for we do not know how soon
we will be there,
we will see you soon
with best wishes
Dad

Chicago Mar 16th 1945.

Dear Ruth & Earl.

We arrived 9:30 a.m.
Trip was nice this time
we had sleeping car on
Portland Rose we do not
change car at all.
we will rest up little
& be over there soon
Tell Paul & Howard that
we arrived safe.

I wrote to you before
some (6 pieces) Express
Baggage be there before
we come. Please take
care of that, we have
15 pieces here, that we
will take with us when
we go over there.
This time we paid \$8.82
for Excess Baggage and

we have plenty junk I do
not know what to do with
those things. any way Jack
said going with us to
St Paul this time see
about house & things.
will write to you again
soon. Just let you know
we arrived safe.

Dad