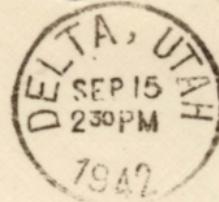


Miss Yonehara  
3-8-45  
Topaz, Utah



Miss Yuni Domoto  
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Granada Relocation Pro.  
Granada, Colo.

Sunday

Dear Yuri,

How are you Yuri? How do you like Manada now that you've been there for awhile?

Here I am somewhere in the central part of Utah spending my first Sunday and feeling somewhat lost so far away from home. Topaz Utah is our home and it was named after a nearby mountain peak and located on a level sandy stretch of ground with mountains all around us. the nearest town is Delta only 16 miles away but once in the camp it seems as tho we are a million miles from nowhere. When I first came in I was so tired and with the rain and all every thing looked so desolate and forlorn but after a good nights sleep things looked much better, I also find the buildings and barracks quite an improvement over the ones at Tanforan and better arranged too, it is divided into blocks and each block consisting of 12 barrack, dining, shower and recreation building accommodating 250 persons. The center proper is a mile square filled with barracks as far as the eye can see, when it is finished it will hold 40,000 persons all the former Bay Region folks that were sent down to Pomona and Santa Anita will join us again, surrounding area of 12,000 acres will be used as a farming project.

We had an informal meeting with the

administrative staff with Mr. Ernst the head of the staff giving us a short talk and answered quite a number of questions for us, the other members of the staff were introduced to us and they were very cordial in their greetings and seem to me very sincere in their efforts to make this center one of the best. Mr. Ernst also mentioned that possibilities here are unlimited and depends only on our abilities to carry them out.

The only bad feature here is the dust but I guess it will get better when we <sup>plant</sup> some vegetation in the ground and oh yes it sure gets cold in the night especially in the morning when we have to get up.

On entering here I signed up as a mechanic and later in the day I received my work order to report Monday morning, I have a very good chance of heading and organizing the shop but I'm just a little doubtful of my ability, now if it was Rototiller I could do it with my eyes closed but this is a little different story. I'll find out in the morning what my duties are to be.

We had a fairly nice trip altho we did miss the best part of the scenery <sup>by</sup> passing thru the Sierra's at night, Mveda & Mt. was mostly desert but did receive a pleasant surprise in seeing the Great Salt lake for the first time. I'm running out of space so I'll be closing so please write, it's always nice to hear from you and also remember me to the rest of the family. As ever etc.