

Manzanar Calif.
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I was in a letter
folder very neatly
put away! :)

Jimmi dear,

I can't find the letter I
started to you this week! It
isn't in my binder. Nor is
it in Gila - nor is it here
on my desk? Isn't that
awful - Oh, Jimmy, I guess
I'll never get over being
that way -

Tom & I were eating
a cantelope the other day.
I knew I had brought
a little shaker of salt. I
hunted all over for it - We
were sitting in Gila up in the
little park where we go. I
hunted in the glove compart-
ment - in the back of the
car - behind the seat -

So finally we gave up -
 I apologized for not bringing
 the salt - We unwrapped
 the paper around the melon -
 and there, my dear Jimmy,
 was the salt!! I had it
 wrapped neatly in a paper
 napkin and wrapped in
 with the melon so that I
 wouldn't forget it. ☺!!

What is going to happen
 to such a person!

Darling - you know your
 letter came on Wednesday
 This week instead of Thursday
 + I had the week all mixed
 up - I did all the Thursday
 Things I do ☺ ^{on Wednesday} - My P.S.K.
 girls were very much
 disgusted with me & ~~the~~ they
 said if it happened again
 they were going to write to

you about it. 😊 (An idea,
neh!)

Guess what I was doing
to nite! There is some
kind of a festival coming
up that the Buddhist young
people celebrate. I haven't
straight what it is yet -
but anyway it's very
important and everybody
in every Block must learn
six folk dances. I go
up to Block 32 because
Joan Fukuda - is Teaching
She is our president of P.B.K.
since the last election.
All the Fukuhara's were
were down watching -
Even your sweet little
mother..

I learned one &
part of another. It

is fun. But Jimmy, my
feet get so tired because
Japanese people turn their
toes in when they dance.

Saturday

On Saturdays I come
at 9:00 - Jack (here in
the studio) fixed my old
Kodak - so this morning Tommy
& I took some pictures.
We are going on a picnic
and I brought a watermelon.
We took a picture of him ~~with~~
holding it - Of course all this
so that he can send the
prints home to the family.
~~If~~ there are any good - I'll
send some up to you -
Hey! by the way - where are
the pictures you said you
were going to send - ? ☺,

We had our picnic - Betsy,
 Eleanor Thomas, (remembered?)
 Pappa Jimmy, George, Tommy
 + I went.

This time Tommy prepared
 all the food himself. x
 He just has one tiny little
 electric stove, fit on for a
 coffee pot, to cook on -
 And we had a feast!

Betsy, Eleanor + I
 brought a watermelon - It
 was dumped in the creek immediately
 of course. It is so nice to
 go out like that.

Monday -

Did I work yesterday -
 I cleaned my house, cleaned Gila

washed my hair, did my nails,
cleaned my shoes (T.L.) who
I tried! oh - and I washed & ironed too!

Tonite I dance again
& the girls have a meeting.
we decided against the
stunt - we had so little time
and the girls were so busy
with other things -

Jimmy dear, as the time
comes to leave Mangun I
sort of feel sorry -

I love you heaps - bless you.

Your
Wile

Wednesday -
Jimmy, I wrote this first &
then lost it! - I send it even
tho it does not repeat some of the
points of my conversation
in the past letter!
Today I had been all day
me all day because I got your
letter this morning! - A whole
day early! -

I had lunch at the Children's
Village today. My dear, that is
an experience to see! - Every
thing in order & of course
the little kids in order. Their
manners are perfect - they eat
all their food (and it is good
food too -) Mae Ichida is
in charge or has some vital
part in the management I think.
She took me thru the rest of
the building too. She baby
also sweet! - then into the
next room where the five to

eight year old kiddies are.

Permit, Jimmy there are
2 of them I want to adopt
so badly. wish I had enough
money. I'm not fooling - both
boys - they are brothers.

She is in charge of a church
picnic they are giving to the
graduating class - I did some
shopping in Lone Pine for her.

Jimmy and I are going
to the park opposite Block 32
to do some work I have had
piled up for ages. I didn't
have to work at the studio - so
I brought what - I would have
done at home - with me so
we could have the afternoon
together.

Yes dear, I imagine being
with out any girl friends

friends at all is pretty bad.
Funny how a person misses
what one thinks one has, not
the slightest interest in 😊!

But seriously, Jimmy I
know how you feel... But
one of these days that will
be changed. just wait + see,