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My Dear Family,

Happy Birthday Jon! Many times today I have thought of you - of wishing that I could be with you and the youngsters to help celebrate your birthday. I know that you have had a good day and that the youngsters have made it a happy birthday. I hope that the roses were delivered OK.

So far I have received just the one letter from you. Perhaps the mail is delayed - in that case, and based on a fear that there is a delay I suggest that you not send any other mail here. Perhaps I would get a letter if you mailed it to the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo. I find myself wanting word from you - you all seem so far away.

Today has been full and very rewarding in many ways. At 9 AM Mr. Williams, Mr. John Rock and I went to the Philippine Normal College and met President Ramirez (Ramirez), Dean of Instruction Borlaza and Dean of Graduate Programs Tadena. The latter two are candidates for our people. Mr. Rock is in charge of higher education for AID - one of 5 or 6 persons who reports to Mr. Williams who is the director of all education projects of AID - Williams, in turn reports to Mr. Hughes who is the chief of AID - he reports to the U.S. Ambassador here, Mr. Blair. The latter two gentlemen are in the U.S. with President Macapagal (Stew - Macapagal means Mark).

Anyway - we visited in President Ramirez's office for about an hour and a half - then the two Deans took Rock and me for a tour of the college, while Williams went back to the office. We visited the Laboratory School, Child study project (Kingsport), the Printing Press, Nursing Education program, and Learning Materials Center.

At noon the President took the two Deans, Rock and me out to

an authentic Chinese restaurant for lunch. It was a good meal - and I was proud of myself - eating the entire meal, except the soup and desert, with chop sticks! The desert was especially good - Almond Jelly with loaves - a fruit that tastes something like figs. (2)

Mr. Rock had to be back right after lunch but I stayed until 2:30 and visited with the two Deans and the resident. Both of the Deans are fine men and we would be fortunate to have either of them. I returned to the AIO office by 3 pm and completed my plans for the next few days. My schedule is something like this:

Tuesday - Thursday, Oct 13-15, to LAGOOG, LELOS NORTE to meet Mr. Bernardo Santos, one of the candidates, and to see that college and part of the country.

Friday - Saturday, Oct 16-17, to TACLOBAN CITY, LEYTE, to meet Mrs. Obdulio Cinco.

Monday - Tuesday, Oct 19-20, to MACABALAY, BUKIONEN, to meet Mr. Pacifico Ramos.

I am enclosing a small map so you will have an idea where I am going and what part of the Philippines it is in. It is fortunate that a Mr. Juan Augustine of the Bureau of Public Schools, here in Manila, will be traveling with me - he is from Lagoog and his wife and family still live there (he has been here in Manila only one month and his wife is teaching in Lagoog). We will meet at the airport at 6 AM tomorrow and fly to Lagoog. Except we will be flying on every trip to the normal schools.

In addition to the three trips outlined above I hope to make two others - one to Los Baños - where the University of the Philippines has an agriculture extension program in operation and also where the International Rice Institute is located. The other trip that I want to make is to Bogio - "the summer capital" of the Philippines and an area that has been decided to me as being like Colo.

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As indicated, the trips to Los Baños and to Bogis are tentative and will have to be made ~~also~~ around the other schedule. I let you know how these plans work out.

It is going to be good to get out of Manila and to have a chance to see other parts of the Philippines. I plan to leave my suit case and ^{other} clothes here at the hotel - traveling with my brief case and the necessary items in it.

Saturday evening President Ramirez has arranged for a special performance of the Philippine Normal College's "authentic" native dance troupe to perform - in my honor. Others from AIO have also been invited and I am looking forward to the program. He also has invited me to tour Manila with him on Saturday afternoon and if I get work from Toledo in time I'll go with him - this time I'll be certain to take film along!

Well, there you have some of my activities, etc. It will be a full 7 days but it is as I want it and the time will go by very fast (making it seem shorter till I am home).

My love goes to each of you -