Monday, Sept. 13, 1937

Dearest:

Morton wrote this morning a considerable account of the journey, which I did not check. He has a stamp and envelope, with strong encouragement to finish the report tonight or tomorrow. Trip really as decent as could be. I'm got some benefit from alternating between independence and companionship.

Mission House full; so came here without difficulty. This morning 9-10:30 to get ticket in slow and crowded office. Third-class, with Mr. Wilson in 4-berth cabin. ¥38 missionary rate. Then 1 hr. to wait for & get Wilson's baggage for the sake of no jini messages; it hadn't arrived until 11:15.

Trainman closed for day. Bland a little tedious, but passable results.

Shoes 5.50 rubber 1.50. Shoes black; was shown brown at 19.50, finer than necessary. Pen 1.50 passable; any point will soon be ruined. Cod-liver pills 500 for...
¥1.80 (I've worked on the "psychology"). Other small items O.K. eventually. Socks most difficult. Heavy cotton about ¥1 in good store. Got 3p. @ 30 yen out of considerable selection, middle weight. Later saw 3p. @ for 40 yen in coarser but perhaps as useful stuff & got them also. Tried on first lot and second closely similar. Upper fit good. Marked new purchase when at dormitory this afternoon also lifted those that proved permanent. Lunch at old place. Mr. much pleased after finishing meals, went on tour to dormitory. Long climb up hopelessly gilled road with baggage was hard work. Site great for view far out over inland sea, with city & harbor in foreground. Building good. Bedooms, etc. not luxurious, but well provided with drawer, closet & "locker" space (latter with ventilation for sports clothes). Mrs. R. and a few boys around. Saw her a few moments. Donald Gillett (a few days at Nogini) is one of the 4 in a large bedroom with M. Closet, hall adjoining, & good bath, study room practically so. Prefect has room alongside.

Mrs. R. pays about 70 yen a week
for private spending money, stationery, bus tickets on Sunday & spent, and soon.

is customary for boys of that age — but she would have to consult her husband and
for certainty. Practice is to leave very little in boy's possession, preferably not over
10 yen at a time. [But I had already]

passed over the one yen, and M. had about
that much previously. I let things take
their course.] I gave Mrs. R.

$0 for spending money account. If skat-
ing is undertaken (skating starts October
2007), that requires about 40 yen extra,
including transportation, and makes
another story. As to fees, Mrs. R.
professed ignorance, merely knowing
that some bills were sent though some
deposits were made. I had to inform
you frankly what was desired & you id
better write similarly unless you have your
cue from "Calendar." You can get going
to lend a draft for any large amount
charging the U.S. to deposit account.
I have no Furuma check with me and
I don't see that it was necessary or desirable to seek desperate means of paying something today. Mrs. R. said they had wired "O.K." to Tokyo, but too late. I've just been to Mission House to check on any further word from you. By the way, none there, so I'll suppose I've missed nothing.

Walked back to Mrs. Coates' next the main school, trying to get photographic for the haversack, which had torn out badly while on extra duty with Mrs. New Purchases. They were putting down to early suffer, so date the extra port with them.

Distressed that I cannot find the yellow paper sheets of material from North China Daily News Aug 30 etc. which I wanted to copy tonight for distribution to several people here in Japan. If you discover a set, wish somebody could & would type a series. And send one set to R. B. Spencer, Fukunoka; another to Ootsubridge; another to Clarence Gillett at Kyoto; another to Roberts for Nagoya people. In each case a sentence of suggestion that this
might be thought provocative material for selected Japanese of influence, as well as for Western friends. The response from Okano people seems to justify considerable effort on that line.

Here's an extra postcard with Correll's stamp. You know they offered to arrange guides or similar business.

If Syria wants to work more on Japanese, I recommend the Matsunosuke books of the Language School which have been available at the market:
The North China will be maintained for you unless you inform them that you have not received the paper after a certain date, and request them to credit me from that date. I will fix up another subscription somehow if it seems practicable in delivery.

Will think of a couple of days in Shanghai unless it seems desirable to vary either way. Hard to foresee changes of course.
though still improbable, that Japan will not rush action by the Army to Nanjing for a while. I'll live on my Chinese current accounts. I don't think you can draw up to $90 a month in A. E. from salary, but will need to put deposit for anything over that. Do not let your plan to stay in Nomi be unduly hardened or prolong it for the sake of economy. You can & should get a place elsewhere when you want one.

And make the most of the out-of-doors in this good season just ahead!

I did my best to get in few but effective suggestions to Morton.

I'd better be starting along to the boat.

With much love to you and Bobby, and thanks to aunts who helped M. & me.

Yours, 

Earle.

P.S. Here are 5 stamps of 10 c. each.

Marion's commission to destroy a letter is carried out. Have not paid or done anything about Nomi house next season. Thought it your field.