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DEAR MOM AND DAD -

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Just thought I would say hi to you and tell you what a good time I have been having. I get so engrossed in different activities that it's not always easy to sit down and write. I have been doing more extensive work lately in the laboratory. Larry has been showing me how to do different types of lab tests and blood smears. I have been looking at cells under the microscope and he has found several women who have had to come in for biopsies or whatever because of strange cell combinations & structures. Many were never diagnosed as having cancer or suspicious type problems but here they have been found because of Larry's thoroughness. I am becoming quite an expert in pharmacology, working in the medical supply house. I never thought I would be so much doing pharmacy stuff but it has all been very helpful to me and has increased my knowledge-ability considerably. I am also in charge of teaching wound care to the treatment nurses, all of whom must learn to debride. Two of the nurses I have taught do a much

better job at debridement than I do and they are also teaching others debridement. We don't have that many wounds that need debriding but when they do - it needs to be done correctly. One of our seniors just made a medicine out of the papaya juice which clears up an oily, broken out complexion. This will be a real winner if we can manufacture this in quantities and begin to sell it.

I have been doing fine - the weather has been beautifully warm with cool showers in the afternoons. I am planting a garden outside the house and find it to be refreshing work. I like to work outside - the physical exercise is good contrast in comparison with the mental work it takes to do medicine.

Well, I hope you are both doing well - Please send the encloses letter to Aunt Louise and Uncle Harry. I can't seem to find their address.

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Love from

Annie & the gang

(John & Kimo both like the
presents you sent. I did, too.)

P.S. I don't know if I mentioned this but if you could send two sets of LA Bella - 6 strings, nylon or cat-gut strings for my guitar, I would appreciate. Two of my strings are broken & I can't play it.