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Dear Josh and Esther

Now it is the time when I have to work at Osaka. But the world is becoming smaller and smaller quite quickly, and I would like to see you and like to talk within near future in Japan or somewhere.

Your country captivated me but it was you who made my stay so pleasant and so fruitful. I am grateful for your many kindness during my stay.

As for my recent life, I am starting to fight with some buisenesses which are accumulatted to be solved: mainly for collection of some instruments for experiment, incubator, autoclave, Petri's dishes, and so on., and hoping that this kind of work will finish <sup>within</sup> no more than 2 monthes. One of pleasant thing is that Mr. Yoshinobu Sugino, a young and promised graduate student of this Lab. will work with me. I would very much like to hear about many things in Palo Alto.

Please give my best regards to Dale, Chary, and people in your Lab.

With best regards.

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