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Dear Folks,

I thought I would try to get off a quick line before I get started this morning. The last two weeks have been hectic! I have been putting in about 10 hours at the office 6 days a week and then meeting social obligations about 6 nights a week also.

This last week for example found me trying to keep up with 11 new IUS's, our local help, the old IUS's, working with Lao language teachers and preparation of materials, meeting with contract representative from Washington, plus the transportation, housing and personal problems that occur each year about this time.

During the evenings consider Toastmasters International - installation of officers, Golf Club Meeting - 3 dinners for contract rep from Washington and two dates with Ida.

During the week before that, I was helping the Ventana Little Theater Group as stage-set crew. That took several evenings and lunch hours to get the set ready for the play.

Received a short note from Japanese family as well as short letters from Teri and Karen. Am hoping to get time to sit down & write them a letter but don't know when.

Enclosed is a new job I just got - Board of Directors for the American Association (LAA)

The aim of the LAA is to strengthen the cultural ties between Laos & the USA. It is attempted by the following activities:

- a. sponsor activities of other organizations with similar aims
- b. educational programs - culture, history, language
- c. library activities
- d. lectures, exhibits, concerts, broadcasts, etc
- e. publications of books, brochures, books.

& better get back to work now.

Weather - fine

Health - great - 160 lbs lean & mean

Situation - busy

Problems - normal ones plus possible housing  
change - may be moving 6  
miles out of Vientiane to the  
NATIONAL EDUCATION CENTER

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