

Dear John (not often I get to write a clear John letter)

Well I guess you would find the place quite different from when you were here last. Also I think it is probably busier. Pet said that our census for the last month was the highest ever. We are averaging between 320-350 pts per day.

Most of them are Takip patients. Many such patients make up about 50% of the total - they just recently were resettled and are desperately in need of medical care. We have started to make daily village ambulance runs. These are hopefully the patients load will start to taper off a little. With that being a concern we are desperate for places to put everyone. At night we usually end up tripping over several.

Last week Dr. Lubinette was doing a nose aspiration on a pt. with plague and stuck his eye with a needle and now has large abscesses in it. She is doing pretty good though now. She really is a little bundle of energy and really enjoys working with her.

6/8 W.F. I started this about a week ago to guess its about time I finish it. We've been extremely busy with our many bus patients. Our daily Village Clinics out there are giving us an even higher census and it seems like it will never taper off. We have been having 3 patients on the respirator at once always and just when we get one off another goes on. We leave here at 7:30 in the AM & don't get back til 8:30 at night.

Joel will have 4 days off to Japan, where she marriage we added 10 bids. We've had a couple (say 2 weeks) a week and as usual the whole group gathers around the injured pt. It will be torture for me to say goodbye but the more bad kind of gone back home as far as using their learned skills Dr. Lubinette & Fren both work in the clinic but they don't really treat all the patients - Lubinette has been doing the pre-natal visit & Fren tends to be cleaner. The rest of the staff seem to have the attitude (and I can understand them) let the Westerners do it. I am not sure how many would do have done to us. We have been having a times with all of our equipment. We have been having 3 people on the respirator at a time and since the only one who knows how to care for a patient on the respirator in our village who has been quite busy with him

Compilation of
dates from late
May to early
September, 1974.

Dates noted but no
postmark to confirm.
Content very similar to
that in 19750305-Peggy
to JWT, so true date is
confusing.

