

June 13, - 10:45

Dearest Patricia:

The first evening is over. We have a crowd.

Over 90 students camping and about 60-65 teachers. We will use six teachers for the five days, so out of the topics covered everyone will miss one. They have some choice but partly not because limitations on trail groups influence the situation somewhat.

Beautiful as this country is - you wouldn't like it right now. There is snow everywhere - the season is retarded by at least 3 weeks and winds blowing off the snow have had us shivering except when we are in heated rooms. Trouble with the stoves in the cabins meant that few of them got started (they burn kerosene) until after dinner. It took the whole time of the evening meeting for ours to get our cabin warm but it is comfortable now. I have a boy from Humboldt State as a cabin mate. He is a friendly, good-looking young fellow - forestry major. Evidently a fairly good student too. He showed me his notebook for a course in dendrology (tree study) that he has completed. It looks like an excellent piece of work. The bit of incense cedar enclosed is to ~~delight~~ delight you with its fragrance since you

can't be with us on the school this year.
Camp High Sierra is in the Canadian zone with
Jeffrey pine, red fir & most distinctive of all -
quaking aspen.

Nancy Stutzmaier Stewart & her husband
will handle the Juniors for us here. It was
nice to see her & him again.

Again I had a good day driving - no abrupt
starts, no sudden stops, & no hazards either
to me or anyone else in spite of the fact that
there was a fair amount of traffic. I came
via Sonora Pass - 1st one to the north of
Tioga & actually faster though a little longer. I
like to come via Sonora & go back via
Tioga. The Highway Commission is working on
widening parts of the Leekinning grade on the
Tioga road as it is closed occasionally for an
hour or two. Took a number of pictures today as
didn't get in till 4:00 PM. Views up to the top
of Sonora & one down pictures of the snow
fields (no place deeper than 10 ft, & mostly only
2-5) & a place where melt water roared out of
snow fields to fill one of the small feeder streams
to the Tuolumne River. Also some of the east flank
of the Sierra to show slopes with snow. Hope they all
come out well.

I miss your smiling face - The school doesn't
seem quite the same, but - the carnation came
all the way fine & I have it over my head above my
cot. It freshened a lot when I put it in a jar of water.
Write whenever you can. I'll be looking for your
letters. And I'll have lots to talk about when I get back.
See you soon (3 weeks - maybe) - Love as always Carol