

Hongkong, March 12th, 1966.

Dear Grandchildren  
~~Barbara, Jeanette~~ & Billy Boy.

Grandpa is lazy. He doesn't like hard work. Grandpa is smart. Most of the time he sits in his chair doing nothing except to read and smoke, but always dreaming of ways and means to do things better, faster and simpler.

For example. He has many grandchildren living in separate places thousands and thousands of miles apart from each other. He enjoys writing them letters. But, writing separate letters to each one of them takes a lot of work and lots of time. In order to save labor and time, he just types a single letter intended for all, and makes as many copies of it on carbon paper as there are grandchildren. The only extra<sup>work</sup> he does to the letter is to vary the names separately. As you are reading this letter now, all his other grandchildren will be reading the same, word for word.

A lazy man does not mean that he never works. It is only that he dislikes hard work. He seldom works with his hands but he is always working with his brain. He thinks and dreams of how to avoid hard work. Seemingly doing nothing, his brain might be brimming with ideas of how to save time and labor in doing such and such a thing. For instance, carrying water uphill and downhill and from the well to the house is hard work and slow. The lazy man thought of the idea of using pipes and pumps to bring water to the house. Now we have water for our instant use by simply turning on the tap. The Chinese in olden days got their water from a distance by using sections of bamboo as carriers. Likewise sewing and knitting is hard work. It was a lazy man's dream that we now have sewing and knitting machines. Walking and travelling is strenuous when going places. So, the lazy man invents the bicycle, motor car, railway train, steamers and planes. Writing is also hard work. The lazy man invented the printing press and the typewriter.



All modern conveniences and labor saving devices that we are enjoying today are results of the lazy man's dreams. They are an answer to satisfy man's love of laziness, for hatred of hard work and labor exertion are common the world over. A lazy man is a thinker and a dreamer. It is to these thinkers and dreamers that we are thankful for our progress, discoveries and great achievements. We owe them a great debt.

Laziness is not entirely a bad habit. People sometimes feel a bit lazy oft and on. When you feel lazy, do not forget to exercise your brain by reading some useful books for self improvement, unless you are dreaming of some new inventions. By this means, you could turn a bad habit into a profitable one. Yes, Grandpa is lazy sitting all day long doing nothing. Though not working with his hands, he keeps his brain active, thinking simpler ways of solving his many problems. Some of <sup>his</sup> ideas are sane and workable, but some are terribly impractical. His greatest disappointment is that in spite of years of deep thinking, he hasn't discovered a practical way of making easy money. He continues to dream of winning the sweepstake at the races.

We are fortunate to have a new servant now. She comes from our own district, Chungshan. She is capable and knows how to go about her work. She is a better one than the old servant we had before. Grandma, like me, is lazy. Our housework had been neglected since we lost our old servant more than a month ago. Now the house is kept clean and looks presentable. We are happy.

I hope you are all well. Give my love to Mommy and Daddy.

Yours with oceans of love.

GRANDPA.



17th October 1966.  
11 a.m.

dear Mabel & Ed.

Mr. & Mrs. Chan Wing Gee arrived this morning. Y.M. Leung Chuk Yin, Lee Ying Poon, Tsui Siu Ting were among us to greet them at the pier! We are glad to see them back again especially Mrs. Chan Wing Gee who is looking well.

I want to thank Ed for the box of cigars. I am smoking <sup>one of them</sup> as I write. Many thanks for Two packages from Mabel, one for Ah So and one for King Seng.

Kwong May Club members are going to give a ~~welcome~~ dinner of welcome in their honor which is also in honor of Y.M. The dinner is also a send-off affair for Sherman Kwan who is ~~an~~ member of the club. We are killing 3 (or 4) birds with one stone. The dinner is to take place this coming Thursday, the 20th.



at the pier this morning we had a  
light refreshment together with the new  
arrivals. In the course of our conversation  
we had a brief report of about you people  
and friends. I was amused to hear that  
Lily gave up her job as dress saleswoman  
after (2 or 3 days working only)

Just received a cable from Kwok Hing  
announcing the birth of another daughter, -  
a 6 1/2 lbs baby. Both you're + baby are doing well.  
Lovingly yours.  
Chen.

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Sender's name and address

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Kwan May alumni. Hk.  
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[ca. 1966]

What did I do in 1964?

Well, I left home on Jan 26 and went to Ketty and David's home in San Diego, Calif. with Amy, our first granddaughter. She had been with us for 9 months while David and Ketty were in Europe for David's sabbatical leave. After Amy had got acquainted with her parents again I came back home in March for our US citizenship papers. Then I rushed back to San Diego for Ketty was expecting her second child. They got a baby boy on April 11 and they named him Eric. He is a very cute and beautiful baby and I enjoyed him very much. When Eric was only 6 weeks old I had to hurry to Buffalo N. Y. because June was also expecting! So I flew there on May 27. June's baby boy, Matthew, was in a hurry so he came several hours before my arrival. He is a nice, beautiful, big baby growing steadily at two ounces a day for about four months and then he slows down a little.

I went to Philadelphia for two weeks in July to visit my sister-in-law, Mrs. P. H. Cheng and my nephew, Teddy. I toured the New York World's Fair with my 77 year-old sister-in-law. We had lots of fun. When I came back to Buffalo Matthew's paternal grandma, Mrs. K. H. Lih had come to see him from Taipei, Taiwan. So the two grandmas had good time in spoiling the baby together. Marshall M. Lih, my second son-in-law, had joined the Du-Pont Co. for two years while June was working in the library in the Uni. of Buffalo. Marshall decided to teach chemical engineering in the Catholic Uni. of America in Washington D. C. this Fall, so we had a chance to visit many wonderful places in the meantime.

By the end of Aug. we packed and handed over all the household things to the mover. We, five of us, started a family touring trip. First we passed the famous Niagara Falls to several interesting dams. We went to Toronto, Canada, to visit friends. From there we took a three-hour boat ride to the magnificent 1000 Islands. On our way we visited the campus of the Cornell Uni. in Ithaca where we also visited my grand nephew, Dr. C. Y. Li, a professor in that uni. He has a beautiful American wife and a darling daughter who made me feel old by calling me great grand aunt! We had supper in their home and took some pictures. Then we stopped in Corning and toured the Corning glass museum and factory. The part went to visit my sister-in-law in Philadelphia. Mrs. Cheng was so thrilled to see her grand nephew, Matthew. We moved on to the most beautiful Du-Pont Longwood Garden in Pa. Finally we arrived in Washington D. C. after a whole week's gypsy life! Soon after we unpacked our things Marshall and June took Grandma Lih to the New York World's Fair for three days and I was baby sitting at home. O, I enjoyed Matthew very much. He is a very happy baby. He smiles readily in spite of his milk rash. After they came back from the Fair the two grandmas wandered and lingered in D. C. We visited the Capital, the White House, art galleries, monuments and many other marvelous places. We all enjoyed our trip immensely and our baby was so good, too. I could hardly leave the East where there is so much to see. Anyhow, I flew back home on Oct. 12. After 9 days I was needed again in San Diego for David wanted to go to East to give lectures on physics. So I had to keep Ketty company and help taking care of their two children. Dad, Pauline (a music teacher) and May (still a college student) also need me at home so I came back home on Nov. 15th. On Dec. 23rd David (on his way back from a meeting in Berkeley) will drive four of us to his home for Christmas.

I hope I can stay home in 1965!

Katherine (Cheng Young)



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31 October 1967

Dear Mom & Pop,

I tried to call Saturday night, and spoke with Gloria. Carole & I and the kids returned from Quebec & Montreal last week end. We took the kids to the Expo, and it wasn't much of a problem. The only problem was waiting for a taxi to get home, since the Metro strike was still in progress. During the week at the Expo, there was almost no waiting to get into the exhibits. We had to wait 1-1/2 hours on the weekend to get into two exhibits and they were the Czechoslovakian and the Labrynthe. Outside of these two exhibits, we didn't have to wait much to speak about. We spent five days at the fair. We stayed in a hotel-rooming house type on Longueuil, the south shore of Montreal, which was closer to Expo than staying in Montreal City.

After Montreal, we went up to Quebec for 2 days, and again enjoyed visiting there. They had some really good French restaurants there, and the price for the meals were less expensive than similar places in New York or San Francisco. We left Montreal, and took the kids to Northpole, New York, to visit Santa's Workshop. As we got there, near Lake Placid, it began to snow. It was the first snowfall of the year there, and both Vickie and Matthew enjoyed staying there, playing in the snow. We stayed at a beautiful ski lodge there. Each room had not only a T.V., but had stereo Hi-Fi. The rooms were nice, and for the four of us, it cost \$10.00 a night, since it was off-season. In Canada, it cost us \$15.00 a night for four of us, so it wasn't too bad.

All of us went in the Porsche, and we covered about 1700 miles in the two weeks. The first four days we stayed in Dr. Krakoff's ski lodge in Vermont. We drove around Vermont admiring the foliage color in the Fall. We visited the Vermont Marble factory, candle factories, maple syrup



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making plants, and saw the picturesque covered bridges in Vermont. We have 50 slides on our trip.

As to my plans for the coming year. I plan to come back to San Francisco area after my training here. However, because of my back, I think that the easier job for me would be to work in a University academic position, probably at U.C. or Stanford, and at most have a part time practice. To do this, I have to become, not only a specialist in Internal Medicine, which I am now, having passed my specialty board, but I have to be a subspecialist in Hematology, which I am now, ~~but~~ with a "super-subspecialist" type of training which I am now getting here. The reason for this type of training is that the universities will not consider a physician really suitable unless he has had some type of training which the majority of physicians do not have, i.e. he must have a "gimmic" which no one else has.

Here at Memorial Hospital and the Sloan-Kettering Institute I'm working with Dr. Bayard Clarkson on leukemia chemotherapy and also learning about cell regeneration times and leucocyte kinetics, which will be important in the years to come in terms of treatment of leukemias and also of cancer as a whole. Dr. Clarkson is the leading worker in this country on this field, and he was the same person that John Yu (Connies husband) was working with while he was here. He also spent two years here before returning to Kaiser Hospital in Santa Clara.

So, tentatively, I have not said whether I will be here for another year yet, but am considering it in terms of it making my life a little easier later. As to the apartment, it would be nice if Joe and Gloria can stay there, but if not I think there is a Chinese physician coming to S.F. for a year who has no children, who might be interested in taking it for a year, but again, I hope that Joe and Gloria won't ~~mind~~ ~~x~~ mind taking it for another year...please ask Joe to write and let me know what his plans are.

*— received his letter already!*

Write soon, and let me know what you think of my plans in terms of future work as stated above. Without the training here, a university type position will be a little difficult to come by.

Always, *tm* [Geo]



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Aug 24, 1963

Dear Mrs. Lee,

Thank you for your kind letter. Thank you also for trying to understand our deep and sincere love. I must admit, however, that I felt a little jealous when you wrote, for my family has been unable to accept your attitude towards Tim and myself.

I love your son, as I never knew love for any person outside of my family. As Tim has told you, we have tried, to the best of our ability, to foresee what problems we may or will encounter. I know also that there will be some that I don't understand, for my feelings for Tim (and man) are first as a man and his being, only after that comes the fact that he is American and then Oriental. I make mention of this in relation to your comment about



# the differences in our two countries. With the help of God, we will have a long and happy life together — I can make no other promise or guarantee for the future.

I do still fear somewhat for our children, for our world can sometimes be unjust, maybe because of its own failings. Tim and I have chosen each other and our situation and our children will not have this choice — most other children, we have come to realize, also do not have a choice of parents. We love one another, and each want children. We will, therefore, have children out of love and want — I believe this is the most secure beginning anyone can give any child in any situation. They will be raised in this way and with an awareness of the world surrounding them.

Tim and I love each other and because of this deep love, feel so very bad that our happiness brings hurt and sadness to those whom we love most



# our family and parents.

I know it is difficult for Tim to get away from work and that it will be expensive, but we were aware of this when we made the choice of getting married here. I plan to work in order to help our future, and some of the expense will be made up.

It is important for me to have a wedding in my parish and with some of my family and friends present. I never realized this importance to me before, but I feel it now. I do not mean to sound as though I want to exclude those who are important to Tim.

I also believe that to be married here, where I should be married is right. Going away would tend to suggest that we had reason for leaving, such as we ourselves felt wrong in marrying. This was the main reason for our waiting and not marrying in England. We came home first in order to show our sincerity and to show you all that we did not have to be married



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before we could "see the light" or be  
stopped. I pray that someday everyone  
will be able to see this.

Thank you again for your kind  
words and thoughts. May God bless  
and help guide us all.

Sincerely,  
Carole  
[Chmurzynski]



*The honour of your presence is requested  
at the ceremony uniting  
Carole B. Chmurzynski  
and  
Doctor Timothy S. Gee  
in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony  
on Sunday, the fifteenth of September  
nineteen hundred and sixty-three  
at two o'clock in the afternoon  
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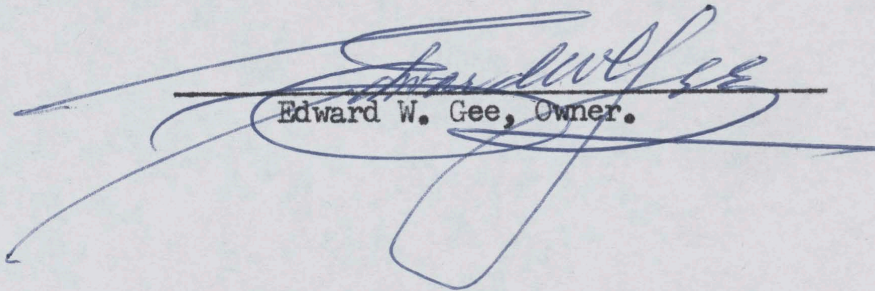
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Affectionately,

Tai-chung and Kloria  
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