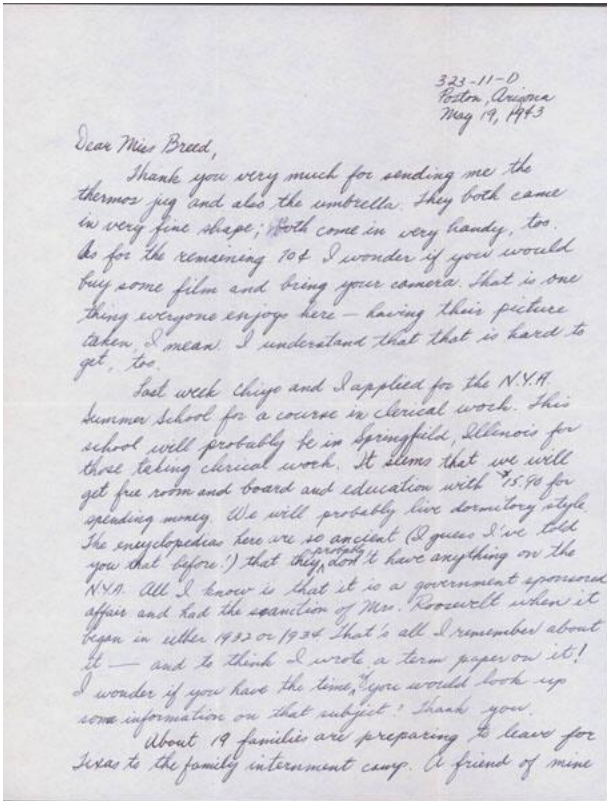


# Basic Detail Report



## [Letter to Clara Breed from Fusa Tsumagari, Poston, Arizona, May 19, 1943]

**Date**  
1943

**Primary Maker**  
Tsumagari, Fusa

**Medium**  
paper, ink

### Description

Transcription: 323-11-D/Poston, Arizona/May 19, 1943/Dear Miss Breed, /Thank you very much for sending me the thermos jug and also the umbrella. They both came in very fine shape; both come in very handy, too. As for the remaining 70 c. I wonder if you would buy some film and bring your camera. That is one thing everyone enjoys here--having their picture taken, I mean. I understand that that is hard to get, too./Last week Chiyo and I applied for the N.Y.A. Summer School for a course in clerical work. This school will probably be in Springfield, Illinois for those taking clerical work. It seems that we will get free room and board and education with \$15.90 for spending money. We will probably live dormitory style. The encyclopedias here are so ancient (I guess I've told you that before!) that they probably don't have

anything on the N.Y.A. All I know is that it is a government sponsored affair and had the sanction of Mrs. Roosevelt when it began in either 1932 or 1934. That's all I remember about it--and to think I wrote a term paper on it! I wonder if you have the time if you would look up some information on that subject? Thank you./About 19 families are preparing to leave for Texas to the family internment camp. A friend of mine visited her father and mother-in-law there, and gave a very interesting account of it. The accommodations sound very good--a stove, a living room and bedroom with furnishings. Each family is allotted so many coupons per week to purchase food, and each person is given \$10 per month. It sounds very good, but the only things wrong are that once one goes in, he may not be able to get out; and also letters are censored. Escorts to Texas are supposed to arrive here today, and those who are leaving expect to go by next week. This is the first group, and all the fathers are already in Texas. The rest do not know when they will go because the fathers are not there yet. My father is still in Louisiana and at the present time has told me that I do not have to go to Texas unless I want to. /May 24 (already!)/Gosh this heat is really something terrific! You'd better prepare for some mighty hot weather! Yesterday it was 130 outside! We can only go to bed with 1 sheet on--nothing else!/Early this morning the first group left for Texas. I hope they have a nice trip and like it down there. This, though they call it a "family" internment camp, is really the beginning of the splitting up of many families. Young boys and girls are rather reluctant to go. One mother left today leaving her two sons, ages 19 and 17 here. How soon they will be able to join the folks is unknown. It really is a shame, but this is just the beginning of many family separations./ Enough for now. Please take good care of yourself and be sure to be able to "take" this heat. I hope you enjoy it here./ Sincerely,/Fusa Tsumagari ;1 letter and envelope from Fusa Tsumagari to Clara Breed.

### Dimensions

H: 10.5 in, W: 8 in (sheet) H: 3.5 in, W: 6 in (envelope)