# **Basic Detail Report**

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Dear Mas: Making portraits of those people you know is a pretty good idea I think. But why 'no girls'? Scared stiff, ain't you? If I was you, ( should use were' if I'm particular about grammar) I would knock the doors of all the quarters where girls are supposed to be in. In case the work turned out lowy, I'd tear whole thing up and say 'I'd come back to norrow ". When you 'go for any particular one, this looks like the best method for you can keep this 'I'd come back' talk go on indefinitely.

QMDETACHMENT,

Sept. 6, 1942

I don't know what's become of our collections of art treasure (junk is perhaps the word) we left in fig orchards. It looks cinch to me, though, that Tonto and his old man got rid of it without breaking their hearts. I'll ask him about it. Thanks for more Pacemaker'. They are

Thanks for more Pacemaker. They are pulling out bunch after bunch, aren't they? Ariz, Wyo.etc. Where in the hell you are going to, Mas? Bazooka state? I wish you'd come to Colo. I think you could if you tell theme that you desire to join your uncle and his family. Toshi hasn't written me yet but my guess is he is already in Colo. Of course, it's up to

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# [Letter to Masaji Iwate from Tatsumi Iwate, September 6, 1942]

**Date** 1942

## **Primary Maker**

Iwate, Tatsumi

#### Medium

paper

### Description

(2) page letter on recto and verso to Masaji Iwate from Tatsumi Iwate at QM Detachment Camp Carson, Colorado, on September 6, 1942. Tatsumi writes that making portraits of people you know is a good idea but why 'no girls', he asks if Mas is scared stiff, feels like a permanent guest in the Army camp, mentions a married soldier gets something like 78 dollars, he keeps 28 and the rest goes to his wife and that it looks like a dirty deal but the wife belongs to the husband anyway, that his girl Mari sent him a long and sweet letter and that she works in the Mess Hall from 6 AM, that Jack Wada wrote to him and that his kid brother, George Wada became a Corporal at Camp Berkeley, Texas, that at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, there is a combat unit composed of Nisei, mostly born in Hawaii.