

Sept. 14, 1973

Dear Lin & George.

We enjoyed your short visit with us and Diane, as usual, whenever a guest leaves, feels so downhearted and lonesome. She says the house gets too quiet.

George, please forgive us for not even noticing the author of the article that appeared in the Audubon Society magazine! That evening when we settled down and really started to read the articles you left with us - well, I was reading a quarter of the page down & I thought to myself, my goodness, this certainly is interesting & I wonder who wrote it ~~So I thought~~ Then I looked up under the title & almost fell over. I forgot Lin had told us that you had written a paper on your study of the green turtle. Boy, you sure put a lot of work in that paper, huh? I gave it to Sol Kaopuiki, who gave me the info

that I passed along to you, and he was fascinated (sp.) with it - he read them all & gave it to Elaine Kaginski, who still has it. As soon as she's finished I'll send it back.

Sol said that after reading it he went to his Father's house & talked to him about the turtles. He said that ~~he~~ ^{it} never occurred to them to look for the turtle eggs - they only saw the turtles. Sol told me that in 1954 he actually saw a turtle egg nest in Polihua - behind the large sand dune near the keawe trees. I told him that you found no trace of turtles nesting on Polihua beach, tho.

His father told him tho of the turtle god (Stone ~~god~~ God) that they saw - he knows the exact location of it but that it must be covered with sand by now. Sol says that one day when he has the time he's going to look

for it - I told him to take a picture of it.
Next time you come over you can go look
for it too. It's a "Dood" like the Fish Dood
they make offerings to when they want fish -
only this is the Turtle god.

We haven't taken Diane to see ~~the~~ Polihua
Beach yet - she was sulking about it after
you went back. But we're having some Kona
weather now so we'll have to wait a bit.

We're still eating the cheese and sausages -
they're so good - the ham's all gone - thank
so much - next time no need, tho. And thank

for offering Jim's services as cook - I
certainly appreciate that! Maybe I'll let
her take over the whole kitchen, ha ha.

Since Robert's been operating the boat
again (they're usually bumping him off
jobs since he has a low seniority - he only worked
27 years for the Company ~~but~~ but since they have

to have a license now - ~~but~~ ^{a couple} of them didn't
pass + one didn't even try - so he bumped
this guy off, for once. He's studying now for
a passenger carrying license, looking ahead
for the time when he might take out tourists.
We can't fight ~~the~~ progress so might as well
let ~~the~~ progress work for us, too huh?

Anyway, getting back to the subject, since
he's not as tired (from the heat mostly) we've
been going fishing more often + made out pretty
good. Next trip, we'll all go fishing o.k.?

Oh, after George left I got to thinking
about the ingredients that I use a lot to do
my cooling with. Well, this package of dry
mix has these ingredients. If it's too bland,
add a little more shoyu. Try it.

Will close here - hope you're not studying
too hard Lin. Thanks again for everything! That
cute little stuffed turtle ^{is} sitting on our TV. ^{fake}
when you have time. Dorothy + Robert