

NEW HAVEN  
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Hi Joshi

I got your nice letter a few days back. Thank you very much. I read it through twice just to be sure that all those nice things you said really referred to me. Thanks once again. How have you been getting along since you wrote the letter? How is the Programming course coming along? Has Dhanaraj given his - much advertized i am sure - seminar?

I got back from OTTAWA a couple of weeks back. I left the place a day before the congress - not intentionally, i assure you - so i missed meeting all the INSTITUTE Crystallographers, including the PROTEIN Crystallographers. I had a nice time at the School, in addition to attending the "Scientific Sessions". The city is a very beautiful one, and might have been more beautiful but for the humans hanging around there.

The lab here is very well equipped, as one might have guessed. We have two PDP 11's in house (128K and 64K) as well as a VAX/VMS. It is also rumoured that the University has a IBM 370/165 (1024K), but believe me, i have not found it necessary to go to the Computer Center at all to look at that. We also have a Graphics System, consisting of an E and S Picture System with the FRDDO Software. There are in all 12 terminals to be used by about 15 people (not including the Graphics). The Graphics system is driven by yet another PDP, this time an 8.

The boss here is a nice guy (truthfully i should say he has been nice thus far); he gave me the Air-Fare. But i have been unsuccessful in persuading him to let me do an M.S. in Computer Science as i had planned. He said quote it will lead to a conflict of interest unquote. And after a little while i ran out of arguments.

I have a colleague here who likes to read KAFKA in original German -doing things in the raw, as you might say. If i were in the habit of wearing a hat i would certainly take it off to him.

The city of New Haven itself is a rather small place, but they do have a Shakespeare Repertory Theater here, with reasonably good plays.

Yours, Affectionately,

*Kitti.*

P.S. This letter is made on the VAX Text Formatter routine on the assumption that you -like me- believe in the aphorism (i am pretty sure it is called an aphorism, but please do check) that the "Proof of the pudding is in the refinement".

*Kitti.*