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Hello Darling,

I have just a few moments before Chapel this morning. Because I didn't find time to write this week-end, I shall write to you now. I just returned from the college Post office & guess what I found. Gosh, a letter from my little Wife. Only, I shall not answer that letter now; I'll save it for tonight.

It was not until Saturday that I went home this week-end. Early Saturday morning I called out of bed & wrote to "Mom & Dad" & Bill. Then I hurried & got dressed for a horse-back riding. We had a real nice ride Saturday morning. Traveled a long way. After riding I went to my room to get cleaned-up & wash the "horse" off me. At one o'clock Paul & Jim picked me up at Bartlett Hall & took me to Chicago.  
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They dropped me off at 20<sup>th</sup> Street + Western Avenue + there I caught a Western Avenue street car (trolley). Took this to 79<sup>th</sup> Street + caught a bus that took me to 111<sup>th</sup> + Western. There I transferred to another trolley, which took me to Hermona St, one block from Church Street. So I was home.

Dad went to Grousetown on Saturday before I got home. Brother Al + his son Ray, + his father-in-law, Mr. Ahlquist, went along. Elaine went over to see Al's daughter, Jean. Aunt Almeda also went shopping. So I was left alone with my homework.

Working, sitting alone on Saturday made me think all the more of you + made me long for your companionship. How I do love you + want you near me always. The time seems to be so long before you will come.

Will you find out exactly when your boat docks? In Chicago they said it docks in New York on December 22.

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You said the 20<sup>th</sup>. Also find out at about what time the docks in New York & how long it will take before you are ready to catch your train for Chicago.

By the way, Paul & June said they believe they will be able to meet you at the docks in New York. Paul, you know, is the fellow from Providence, Rhode Island whom I stood up for this summer. Paul, June, & Mrs. Smith were wanting to fly to New York sometime before Christmas & said they would do it at the time of your arrival. Don't that sound wonderful?

Best just rang. See you later.

all my love  
yours, Bernie XOX

P.S. Bernie said that unless you write him a real long letter, he would not answer you!!

