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My Sweetheart,

I received two letters from you this morning; lucky me! I shall try to answer them right now. Darling, I love you.

It would have wonderful if I could have been with you when they they had that party for you. I guess your friends know what a fine gal I have too. I'll bet little Dodo just sat blushing; how about it? And that Bengt had better not still be in love with my gal. Of course, I have to congratulate him for having such good taste. You little dope, I love you. Ha, and I know you blushed when they spelled my name. And boy, am I ever glad that you promised to come. Oh, how I wish I COULD have been there. And HMMMMMM, those refreshments. Yum, how I like to eat. I feel sorry for those people who had to look at my picture. They must have thought, "what a dope!" But you had better not say that. If you do, I'll just take you over my knee and give you a good paddling. Did they really think that I am handsome? Honest, I think so too. Like I said before, we have a lot in common: you love me and I love me too. Hey, you had better keep away from the fellow - the one you had that last date with. He can never take the place of Bernie, and you know it. Darling, it just couldn't have been anyone else but us two; I'm sure that is the way the Lord planned it. Like when I was in combat, I almost got killed; but almost is like a million miles. So it is with us: we almost didn't come together again. But almost is like a million miles for us too.

Darling, frankly I am worried about your parents in China.

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Don't you think they should come back to the States? Personally I think it is too dangerous for them to remain much longer. Tell me what you think about this. Perhaps they could go to South China for missionary work. Or I am sure they could get a fine church in the States for a few years, till the situation in China improves. I don't know, but if they need a place to stay, perhaps they even could stay in the house at Dad's farm. They home there is rather nice. It has furnace heat, running water, inside bath-room, etc. Well, let me know what you think.

That silver platter sounds wonderful. Be sure to thank them from me for such a wonderful gift.

Darling, about your going to New Jersey, please understand me. Sweetheart, I don't want you to go there just now. I realize they are good friends of yours; but if you do go there, it will delay you too much. I want you in my arms as soon as possible. I am sure they will understand. Perhaps some day we can visit they there. New Jersey is a long ways from Chicago. If you do not get a train for Chicago as soon as possible, you may not get one. The trains at Christmas are very crowded. If you don't get here in time for Christmas, I don't know what I'll do. Darling, you MUST come directly to Chicago. No visits this time.

Darling, if I were wealthy, I would meet you in New York. But it is costine me a lot of money to pay your way over. I shall not have a cent left. I must work at Christmas. If I went to New York, it probably would cost me another \$60, which I do not have. So, the only thing to do is meet in Chicago.

My room-mate, Bob Nielson, is calling me to walk to school with him. So must leave. By the way, what hand am I to wear my ring on

All my love, *Mae Cox*