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Hello Doris,

Doris, I am very concerned about your (our) folks in North China. The American government has requested all its citizens to return to this country immediately. They say that later they may not have the chance to return. There is much talk of all the missions leaving China. I don't want to worry you, Honey, but don't you think it best for the folks to leave China too. After all, there is not much left of the mission anymore anyway. Surely they could be saved more effectively by the Lord's church. Doris, maybe if I wrote them, I'd say something wrong. So, when you get into your parents, please tell them that I want them to move to a safer location, will you?

I just got over to the post-office to buy a stamp for

this letter. They close in about ten minutes. Also I just looked in my box for about the 20<sup>th</sup> time today. My mail from my gal all day. Usually on Wednesdays I get a letter, but not today. I never receive a letter on Thursday & seldom receive one on Saturday (or Sunday). But wish I could receive about six every day. As soon as I read one letter, always I want more. Must be love! But, Sweetheart, I shall never be satisfied until the day a big package is delivered to me on the Queen Elizabeth. Now, what a day that will be!

I've mailed a letter to you yesterday. Did you get it? And by the way, if you get mail at the hospital, will they forward it on to you? I believe that box of — I was sent there.

Working, I have been wondering if I am supposed to wear my ring on the left or right hand. Let me know.

Because of the strike, they may  
 make ground ship dock in  
 Canada. If they do this, send  
 a telegram to us in Chicago  
 collect (we pay for telegram  
 when it arrives). In the  
 telegram tell us how much  
 money a train ticket will  
 cost between wherever you  
 are in Canada to Chicago.  
 Then we will send the money  
 by telegraph. Here is Dad's  
 phone & our telephone number  
 (in case you need it).

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 11342 CHURCH STREET  
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Before you forget, write this  
 in Da place further you won't  
 forget it.  
 Now listen Dajie, I want  
 a letter tomorrow or so you  
 fear. A day is spoiled when  
 I don't hear from you. How  
 I wish I could give you one  
 of those loooooong things,  
 ammmmm! But it won't  
 be long now.

It hardly seems possible that  
in a little over a month I shall  
have you in my arms (where  
you belong) to praise the Lord.  
Waiting, I love you.

Sincerely, your  
own hobbit,  
Bernie XXXOO