

Dec. 31, 1980

Dear Harold and Lil:

Apologies for the inordinate length of time it took to produce the enclosed. I hope it doesn't drown you in words. There were problems in writing it -- I had to include enough background to inform people who have no direct knowledge of China, and at the same time include enough current detail to interest others who do. The whole picture was pretty jumbled, besides. I finished a draft about a week ago and did the final typing (none too clean) in odd moments until finishing last night. Had it xeroxed today.

Meanwhile in the middle of November I took on a part-time job (three days a week) obtained through the local county Senior Citizens Coordinating Council, minding the parking lot of a new bank branch (Crocker) in Kentfield. It pays a little more than the minimum wage per hour and brings in enough to make it worth while. But it did slow me up in getting the enclosed together. It keeps me busy and exerts enough pressure so that I use the rest of my time perhaps more usefully than I might otherwise. At the same time I continue doing volunteer work for Hospice.

During all this time you both have been much on my mind, and I have been grateful for your letters which have kept me informed of how you are dealing with your various problems. This in spite of the fact I've not been able to find time to write to you properly.

I'm sending a copy of the enclosed to the Wrones, of course.

All the very best to you both,


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