

Devon Hotel, 70 West 55th St.

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My dear Bertine,

Of course I will

come out to Eugene and go over your paintings for you if you want me to do so. I am not sure yet as to the time when I could come for I

have an engagement to go to Toronto for which the date has not been definitely fixed but it will probably be about the middle of June though there is a possibility that it might be in April. As soon as that date is

settled I shall let you know. Would it make any difference to you whether

I came in April, or in the summer or
in the autumn. Perhaps summer vacation
might be the best time unless perhaps
you plan to spend that season elsewhere,
At any rate you can count on my
coming and the only question to settle
is the time. I shall love to do this
work for you and while I am with you
I can make two or three addresses
if you would like me to do so.

You will not need to
make any preparation for my coming.
We can take down paintings wherever
necessary and remove the glass or frames,

Mary has taken the
position of Program Director of the United
China Relief Soc. and we have ^{rented} ~~taken~~ a
small apartment at the address which

you find at the head of my front sheet,
It is a very responsible position but one for
which she is well-fitted. As for me I am
trying by speeches and interviews to do what
I can for China.

I hope that your strength
is bearing up against the pressure of
the years. Many joins me in much
love to you.

Yours as ever

John

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You find at the back of my first letter.
It is a very beautiful picture but we for
think it is well fitted, do you see I am
tripp'g by accident and intention to do what
I can for China.

I hope that your strength
is better up against the pressure of
the year, may find me in a week
over to you.

Yours as ever

John