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My Darling Wife & Sons.

Stand by for a few lines from this side of the good old earth. There is fair weather around here now. A little cool but not so cold the temperature in this area usually runs between 25° and 45°. Not cold if you have a few clothes on but if you have no food clothing or shelter the nights and days are pretty chillie - Down right cold in fact. Lots of men women & children run around barefooted except for a board tied to the foot with two strings.

As a general rule most of the folks have enough to get by with. Barely enough to keep body & soul together - still I suppose it isn't much rougher than for these folks than the Mormon Pioneers had. These folks have hand carts - Ox drawn wagons bicycles - clothing they make themselves.

The less fortunate or more fortunate leave
this world of trial and testing while others
are left to battle the storms of time.
Perhaps some will live to see a democratic
Japan - with freedom of speech. Press -
worship - And the Rich land lords etc -
brought down or the poorer class brought
or given a chance to ascend to the
rights of the rich.

Again the other day we signed some
kind of blank dealing with men with
two children - A blank man or two
certifying that we had to children or were
the father of two children. If this letter
takes as long to get to you as your
letter from Utah has to get to me
and if Roumere are as hot as they are
sound - men with two children will be
on their way home before you read this
letter - But before you jump too high
Remember there are two if's in that
sentence. The letter with Williams
Birth Certificate in it was the last.

or latest letter I received from you. That letter was received by me just 12 days after I sent the radio gram - Post marked 8 January 1946 - So you can figure how many letters I will have in store for me if they ever catch up.

Did I tell you about going to Sacramento meeting in Tokyo again last Sunday - at church were some 120 - 100 G I's and perhaps 15 or 20 Japanese Civilians.

When the S.D.S. missionaries left some 23 years ago there were 125 Japanese Saints - now so far as is known there are in the vicinity of 80 faithful saints left - a few of which hold the Priesthood -

Their homes were destroyed in the Tokyo Raids now most of the Saints are scattered a good deal - a few of them speak a little English. There is a broad field for Missionary work in this

Nation when once the leaders of the church see fit to call missionaries into this nation once again.

Well my sweetheart there really isn't much to be said by this fellow except for one thing. I have said it before but it is worth telling just once more. I love you my sweetheart. Remember - keep smiling - love the boys also.

So long for now with kisses
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