Saturday, May 8, 1943 Dear Lee: -Summer is here! At least it seems that way today. Yesterday the thermometer went up to 86 and it must be that warm today, too. I spent over three hours in the garden yesterday, and as a result got a good coat of sunburn. Our tulips seem to be petering out. Do you think they are too They are just beginning to bloom, and from the looks of the plants I think some will not bloom at all. They just seem to be sending up leaves. This evening Helen Wehrle arrives to be with us over the weekend. She is to speak in Grace Church School tomorrow. I expect Grandmother Minker will be out here for dinner. Daddy sent some ice cream today, for we will be killing two birds with one stone by celebrating mother's day and my birthday together. Wish you could drop in on us. If it is like this tomorrow I expect there will be a good crowd out to see the Blue Rocks. I guess daddy will be too dusy to go, however, for he is scheduled for two speeches, one at 2 and the other at 3 and then after that we will all be ready for dinner around 4. Following that the girls will go in to church, where the young people have a dinner at 6 followed by a talk by Mr. Ellendale, the man who addressed the gathering in Grace Church a few years ago. I have forgotten whether it was scouts or High-Yers. Our housecleaning is about over and I am trying now to make Shirley a dress for the Junior prom, scheduled for next Friday night at the duPont Country Club. On Tuesday I have to go to Elkton and on Friday I will be in at the church from 10 to 3 or thereabouts. Our ministerial conference begins Wednesday. Mr. Wright is to be moved from Silverbrook I think. It's too badyou missed Claudia, for I think you would have liked it; but I suppose there will be similar things coming along for you boys. Do the regular students at Nebraska U. stand on for the summer, or will they soon be going home for summer vacation? News from Afrida surely sounds good today and I hope we can keep right on into Europe this summer, Shirley says your copy of The Echo has been mailed to you so you should have it by this time. Did you receive daddy's letter with the pictures? I had only one copy of each made until I saw whether they all were good. Do you want me to have another print made of each one, and if so do you want them sent to you or kept here for you? Of course we haven't

any idea who the boys are, with the exception of Bill Hyde, so please enlighten us, - especially your sisters.

Now I must stop and get some supper ready. Bernice is working in Crosby& Hill's today, and will not be home until after 6.

Love from all of us and I hope you are having a pleasant weekend.

Mother