

Monday, October 11, 1943

Dear Lee:

We had our first frost this morning and some of the flowers, especially the marigolds, show it. We are having our annual Field and Track meet tomorrow, - Columbus Day, so I hope it is not too cold.

The \$25 bond and \$45 in cash came Saturday morning, and I will deposit the money the next time I go in town. Neither daddy nor I could quite understand about the receipted bill for lodging and meals. Are you charged for them, and if so how much are you getting a month to be able to pay out that much money, and still send home a bond and \$45?

We were thrilled Friday evening when the telephone rang and we found Shirley on the telephone, but Bernice was not home. She had stayed in town to have supper with May, for she had to be at rehearsal for the senior choir. Only daddy, grandmother and I were there for dinner and we were feeling rather down and lonely with all of you away, then Shirley called and we all felt better. She certainly did sound very, very happy. She thinks her two room mates are tops and says school is getting better and better all the time. I think when she left home she was not at all sure that she was going to like it, and we are so glad to learn that she is getting along so well and is happy, too. Daddy says he might drive us up to see her this coming Sunday, but we haven't said anything to her about it.

Under separate cover I am sending you numerous clippings today, concerning the world series, football games, Senator Bridges, Taylor Hollingsworth, etc.

Polly Jacoby Cody and her husband were in church yesterday morning and had their baby christened. She certainly is a darling child.

Daddy, Dr. Johns, Mr. Montgomery are out on the golf course this afternoon. Daddy is dieting, - after a fashion, trying to cut down his waistline.

That box of cactus has never arrived. If you ordered it sent you had better check on it whenever you have the chance.

Maybe you think Christmas a long time away, but it will be here before we know it. Please give us some suggestions as to what you would like us to send you. You spoke of Indian relics, etc. you saw in Phoenix. Don't go spending much on any of us, but if you want to get something out there for your sisters I expect they would be pleased with some of those silver Indian bracelets or rings if there are such things there.

Lots and lots of love.

Mother