Tuesday afternoon
April 25, 1944

Dear Bernice,

I have time to write a word or two between P.T., supper, and night flying.

Yesterday I passed my B-17 instrument check. Tonight I will be checked out for night solo flying and tomorrow afternoon for day solo flying. I will then have a total of fifty transition flying hours to my credit and the chief flying requirements passed. Finishing phases of this transition flying will be solo instruments, dual and solo formation, dual high altitude, dual bombing and solo cross country. The rumor is strong that we will get a long cross country over Saturday and Sunday. I only wish that Wilmington was within range.

The Wilmington Journal is coming regularly now and I enjoy reading it.
P wish you would relay my thanks to the Grace Young People for the Easter candy they sent me.

My roommate just brought the evening mail, the Journal and a letter from Mother. Last week P received a letter from Wilmington, postmarked 1:00 A.M., in less than twenty-four hours.

Mother mentions that Grandma had her 72nd Birthday yesterday. P wish P could have been there for the celebration but please give her my best wishes.

Billy Jim Tawes is now in infantry training at Camp Pickett, Virginia; Bob Tassel at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. They were yanked from ASTP engineering training. Send me the addresses of J. Bright and Bill Hyde if you can.

Ask Dad about my suitcases: are any matching G.I. pair coming? Are any gaberdine or tropical worsted dress suits coming? P just want to know so that P can plan to purchase what P need here. We get paid next week.

Yours,

Lee