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Sat. 5:30 p.m.
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Dearest Lee,

While waiting for the girls to come up from the beach for dinner I'll get off a few lines to you. The sun is shining brightly today but I imagine it will be cool tonight. Last night was the coldest yet + we have only one blanket apiece. Gregg, Daugherty + Charlotte are with us for the weekend.

We are all in the itching stage of a sunburn now, but trying to take care of ourselves so we won't blister.

Sunday 3 p.m.

Daddy surprised us by arriving this morning. A boy from Dues, whom Mr. Hamm took back to the school on Tues., ran away again + daddy will take him back as he goes this evening. The girls are on the beach, daddy making a call + before starting dinner I'll see if I can finish this. We are having home-cooked ham, potato salad, tomatoes, succotash, fruit

jello + some cupcakes which grandmother
made. "Dawn" arose in time for 9 a.m. mass
but the rest of us slept until 10. She said
she saw Julia on her way back from church.

Your allmost check arrived before I left
home. I'll deposit it when I return, together
with your money order.

Thanks for your suggestions about gardens.
If I can only get time to carry them thru! My
dist. meeting is Thurs + we must take Shirley
back Fri - or Sat, at the latest. And all of my
spare time in Oct will be spent on United Le. &
Fund campaign. If we can hold off until Sat,
for Shirley's return I would like to be able to
coax daddy to come back as far as Carlisle
Sat. night + stay over until Sunday with the
Shompson's. Did I tell you Harrell is at the
school for 3 wks. before entering Orem. I wish
it had been possible for you to have finished
college but we are mighty proud of you since
you have been in the army and I hope that
the day is not too far distant when you will be
re-entering Dickinson. Our love and prayers
are with you wherever you are and whatever you
are doing. Mother