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Ferris Industrial School of Delaware
BOX 230
Wilmington, Delaware
Saturday evening [after Thanksgiving]
[November 26, 1943]
Dear Lee:-

I’ll start this letter while waiting for two young people who [are] coming here to be married. They made the appointment this morning and I think they will keep it. Don’t laugh -- I have had people change their minds even after they had set the time for the wedding. And it is proably a good thing when this happens. It’s alright to have a warm heart but along with it you need a cool head. When the cool head asserts itself I’m for it.

Thanks for your birthday greeting and lovely words. I had a lovely letter from Shirley also. It’s great to have such children as you, Shirley and Bernice are, and I’m just looking forward to your continued development and serviceable living -- bringing every conceivable satisfaction to you and even more to mother and myself.

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Uncle Marion, Uncle Roger, Junior and I saw the last two periods of the Bombers-Trenton game last Sunday following our fine dinner together. It was a great battle. Wilmington misses Bush - Hoefer and Musi are good but short, and you know ranginess counts an awful lot in basketball. I hope to see a period or two of to-morrow’s game although we’re invited to Johns’ for dinner and it won’t be easy to get away. However, I think I can manage it.

Mother and Bernice will tell you of the New York trip. I know they enjoyed themselves.

What do you think of the Carpenter family buying the Phillies? Wilmington is pretty enthusiastic about it. Philadelphia ought to be a suburb of Wilmington anyhow.

I am glad you didn’t have to have any more teeth pulled. What is the particular point to tearing out good teeth? I suppose there is some good reason.

Keep up your good work -- and the best to you!

As ever - Dad ~