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Dear Lee:

I got some further particulars that might be of interest to you. One of the captains at the air base told me that there are three bases near Pecos, anyone of which it would pay you to look into so far as traveling east is concerned. El Paso is the biggest of these. Wink is only 15 miles away from you, and from what I have been told a great many of the planes that leave there come to the New Castle Army Air Base. Midland is about 75 miles away from you. The Operations Officer is the person for you to contact. These fellows here speak very enthusiastically of the possibility of your utilizing this service.

## Dad

The blizzards in the west must be responsible for the fact that your airmail letter written last Tuesday did not reach us until today,- a week later. So I did not receive it in time to get off any roses to Julia for Valentine's Day. I have to go in town tomorrow so I will get her something and drop her a line explaining the delay.

The summer uniforms can all be gotten at the N.C.A.A.B., so don't worry about them now.

Bruna Castagna, of the Metropolitan Opera, gives a concert in the Playhouse tonight, and through the kindness of Mr. Wyatt Bernice, Charlotte, Mary Ellen Goldey and Mary Elizabeth Davis have been given tickets. I am sure it will be a thrill for all of them.

I am busy this morning getting daddy ready to leave for N.Y. I hope he has a chance to relax as well as attend meetings while there.

Many married men are scheduled to leave this month for the service. Mary Johns' husband goes next week. They have two children, you know. While Bernice was practising for Brahms Requiem last night we visited at the parsonage. Mrs. Johns says that Ben will be home for his spring vacation while you are here, for three weeks I believe.

Lots of love.

Mother