

Friday afternoon  
April 28, 1944

Dear Lee: —

How 's the flegin' business coming along 'way out there? I heard of several people being scalped by big places out in New Mexico. You couldn't be up to your old tricks, could you Looey?

Hee, it's a beautiful day here! The sky is so clear and blue and I think maybe it might be a nice week-end. It has rained here from last Friday until Wednesday. Here's hopin' anyhow!

Last week-end I went home with mine and two other sophes. She lives in Roaring Spring which is about thirty miles from Altoona. It was all entirely new country to me. We had a wonderful time because we had been having tests all week and it was beginning to show on all of us. Roaring Spring is a typical small town, about the size of Greifeld, I

should think. It's surrounded by mountains but I guess they wouldn't see very high after those you've seen out there! I sang in the church on Sunday morning. Mimi's father is a minister and everywhere I went Mimi would ask me to sing. I sang the "Lord's Prayer" in church and quite enjoyed doing it! Mimi's father and mother were wonderful to us and fed us all the time. That's why we liked them so much, maybe.

This week has been very hectic rushing from one rehearsal to another. We also had to write a theme in Bible. Next week-end is really going to be a big occasion here. I'll give you an outline of what is supposed to happen:

Friday night - Play - "Miss Kiki"

Saturday morning - School on exhibition  
for guests

noon - All out-of-town people  
at our door for lunch

2:00 - May Day

4:00 - Tea at our door

We have to act as hostesses over here

and he is <sup>-3-</sup>Tray Ray. In short, he is  
about fifty places at once. I guess you  
know that Bernie is coming up  
next Friday afternoon to be here for  
the whole week-end. I do hope  
the weather is nice!

Honestly see, this Air Corps situ-  
ation is really getting awful. There are  
only two squadrons left here now and  
one of them was supposed to have  
left three weeks ago. They only have  
a few hours of P.T. and drill and  
then just sit around. Fred is doing  
the very same thing out in California.  
He says they don't have a darn thing  
to do and they seem to have no plans  
made for them at all. Girls that  
write to the other fellows all over  
the country say that the same thing  
is true everywhere. I wish they  
hadn't gotten into such a mess, be-  
cause think of all the time, money,  
and men they are wasting. Do you  
know anything about this or isn't it  
happening in the ranks of the officers?  
Today the boys here played tennis

and baseball all morning and they talk about the tough army life!

The movie "See Here, Quinte Hargrove" is here this week-end. I want to see it because if it's anything like the book it should really be wonderful! Did I tell you that I finally got to see "For Whom the Bell Tolls". It was only here three days and we had to squeeze it in between tests. I think it was every bit as wonderful as they said it was! Ingrid Bergman with that short hair-cut and no make-up looks like a million dollars. She is really a wonderful actress and Gary Cooper did well, too!

We got our English term papers back today. Was I surprised when I pulled on "A." I told you that it had been assigned since right after Christmas and I didn't start on it until four days before it had to be handed in. I really don't deserve it, I guess but I was certainly glad to get it.

We only have three more weeks of school left, see. It doesn't seem possible that I've almost finished my

freshman year in <sup>5</sup>college. It has really  
flown by very swiftly. Bernice is all  
agony about her Junior Term now. I  
can remember when you had yours  
and Bernice was still too young to  
go to dances! It really makes you  
feel old when you think that it  
was four years ago, doesn't it?

I'm just back from shorthand  
class now and I have to run to  
a music lesson in a few minutes.  
I got a letter from Bud and he was  
moved last Sunday to Camp Roberts,  
California. And he's in the infantry!  
He's not at all crazy about it  
but there's nothing he can do.

Well, let me hear how you are  
getting along out there, Lee? I know  
you're busy so don't worry because  
mother sends me all the news. I  
hear you're supposed to be through  
there on May 6. Where to then, huh?

Bye now, Lovey -  
Love,  
Sherley