Ferris School for Boys

Box 230

Wilmington 99, Delaware

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Dearest Lee:-

Here it is September which means that summer is about over. Last night I almost fell over when I realized that Shirley is due back in Williamsport two weeks from today, the 15th. School does not open until the 19th but because she is president of Student Council they want her back early to get ready for new girls. She stops work tomorrow. Yes, she has decided to go back and finish her course and if possible come down to Wilmington once a month to take a lesson with Mr. Wyatt. In this way he can keep check on her voice development.

The way things look now Shirley, Bernice and I will be going to Rehoboth next Tuesday, the day after Labor Day, to stay at the Hering cottage at least until the end of the week. I have a district meeting on the 14th and with Shirley leaving on the 15th of course we both have plenty to do. We may go to Philadelphia on Monday to do some last-minute shopping.

The enclosed bill for your income tax came this morning. I deposited \$120. to your credit this week. Daddy said he had advanced you \$30 when you were home and you will remember that I gave you \$50. I wish I could have made the \$50. a gift to you but it was not my personal money but rent money from the apartment that I gave you.

Grandmother Minker left this morning to spend the weekend with Aunt Lizzie and Uncle Henry. She will come out and stay with grandmother Jones while we are in Rehoboth, to look after daddy, for of course he thinks he can't take time out to be away a week, and I don't believe he could "unlax" enough to be in such a quiet place as Rehoboth any length of time.

You have never mentioned New Orleans in your letters. Did you get there the weekend that you had planned to go?

I guess you have noticed by the papers that Doris Maxwell is being married Sept. 9. May is playing the organ for the wedding.

I don't suppose you had a chance to listen to the All-Stars football game on Wednesday night and hear about Creighty Miller, did you?

We had scheduled a swimming meet for Labor Day but because of the cold weather for the last two weeks the boys have been unable to get in any swimming and the meet is called off. One of the Washington cottage boys will go to State Hospital to play against the team there, but otherwise we will carry out the govenment's wishes and make the day a real labor day. We just started a course of life-saving under workers from the Red Cross when orders came thru to the Red Cross to cancel all such classes on account of the infantile paralysis.

Our address from Tuesday until Sunday at least will be Scarborough Ave., Rehoboth Beach, Del. (Hering cottage) We'll write you from there.

Lots and lots of love.

Mother