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Saturday morning

Dearest Lee:-

It was wonderful to hear your voice last night. What a pity that daddy was not at home either time!

I know this is the opportunity for which you have been working and planning so long and I also know that you are ready for it. I would not hold you back if I could. I am proud of you. I know you will be conscious of a Presence and Strength other than your own in these coming days and that whatever comes you will be able to meet. You are always in my mind and on my heart and so I can hardly say that I shall be thinking of you more. We shall keep sending you letters even though we may not be able to hear from you for sometime after this week, and one of these days you will be getting a real "shower" of mail.

It was nice having Julia with us for a while last night. While waiting for the second call to come thru she, Shirley, May and I tried to do some bridge playing. None of the girls know much about it, and I don't know a whole lot but we had some fun out of it, nevertheless.

A call came from Fred in Camp Butner last night- before Shirley got home from choir practice- saying he was getting a ride by auto as far as Washington today and thought he would be in Wilmington overnight.

I am mailing you the overseas cap today, so it ought to reach you before you leave Gulfport. We haven't been able to get any pictures of the pup "Pilot" lately because we can't get any films. These pictures were taken when the puppies were about a month old. Naturally Pilot has changed a lot since then. We'll send you pictures from time to time, whenever we can locate film.

I'll write to you more the first of the week. This is Mr. Hamm's weekend off so I have plenty to do in the office this morning.

With all my love.

Mother