Wednesday, April 12 [1944]

Dear Lee:

Miss Horner has just been in to pay us a visit. She is home for 15 days, having come up last week to see her youngest brother Jack- instructor of radio in the army- married. She looks fine. She likes her work pretty well but doesn't think much of the deep south,- especailly around Whiting Field, which is at Pensacola, Florida.

After we received your letter saying you had met and had lunch with Watkins daddy called his mother and had a chat with her.

You would have enjoyed being at the meeting of the Men's Club of Grace last night, when Dr. Walter E. Judd spoke. If only we had more men of his ability and character in places of leadership. I helped with serving the dinner and with some of the other women sat behind the curtain on the stage and listened to the speech. The dinner was fine, too,- fruit cup, fried chicken, mashed potatoes, peas, stewed tomatoes, cold slaw, home-made hot rolls, ice cream and cookies.

Bernice spent the night with Marilyn Tisdale.

I did not have time to go to the bank yesterday so am still holding on to the money you sent.

Tomorrow is Board meeting day. It won't be many weeks now before school is over here and all the boys working out of doors. Mr. Arthur is working on a play to be given at the Spring Festival, and Mr. Hanning [is] getting ready to put out another number of the Ferris Wheel. Daffodils are blooming now. The ten rosebushes have arrived and I want Mr. Briggs to put them in for me tomorrow. It has rained most of today so that the soil should be in good shape. Yesterday we planted two trees in front of the house, but they are mere pigmies along side of those that had to come down.

Thursday morning

I waited until this morning thinking I might get a letter from you before mailing mine. I am ordering the News-Journal sent to you for 2 months at Roswell, as you stated you expected to be there about 70 days. We can have the subscription renewed at the end of that time at your new address. We received the paper from the Caverns on Monday. It is most interesting.

Lots of love from all of us.

Mother

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