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Dear Lee:

News here at the present time seems to be rather scarce, too. Your letter mailed on Tuesday reached us this morning- 4 days. I wonder why airmail isn't any faster, - because you are off the beaten track?

The newspaper from the caverns has arrived. By this time you should have your clothes. We took some pictures last week when Mrs. Lake was with us and over the weekend when Shirley was home, but we seem to be having bad luck, for only the enclosed two were any good. At any rate you see me all "dolloed up" in my new Easter coat and hat, ornamented with my corsage and wings.

Aunt Ann is trying to get settled in California. They are now living in Vallejo, which I believe must be not far from San Francisco, and she writes that she is getting a job in the navy yard.

Dr. Hyllihen of U. Delaware died yesterday, having been ill for several weeks. That will cause more complications there I guess. He had done much toward expanding the school in his more than 25 years of service.

The rosebushes and delphinium have been set out. I think I'll wait a few weeks for the cannas. I had planned to spend some time in the garden this afternoon, but it has begun to rain quite hard so I suppose that will have to be called off.

Tomorrow night we have arranged what should be an interesting service for the boys. Through Capt. Flood of Ft. duPont we have secured the picture "Desert Victory". Perhaps you have seen it. As you may know it is the account of Montgomer's 8th Army in N. Africa. Some of the officers from Ft. duPont will put on the program.

Our Spring Festival will be about the 3rd week in May.

We read in the papers of the severe windstorms in the west, and I suppose that accounts for some of your bad weather which has interfered with your flying.

I'll have to send you those addresses later. I find that J. Bright's aunot no longer lives in Wilmington, but in Avondale. I have put thru a call to Avondale but no one answers, and his uncle is not in the office on Saturdays. Also, Mr. Hyde is not in the office today. I'll try again on Monday.

With all my love.

Mather