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Saturday, April 29

Dearest Lee:-

Your letter to Bernice came this morning, and we were so anxious to hear from you that I opened it. I guess she won't mind.

I am glad that the Journal is arriving and you are getting the latest Wilmington news, although I confess I do miss cutting out the articles and mailing them to you.

Today is clear and very cool. The Marine Terminal is stuck for manpower and called on Thursday for us to help them out. I don't know how many cars they have piled up there with materials for transport which they have been unable to unload. About 20 boys went over Thursday afternoon and worked from 4 to 10 p.m., all day yesterday, and they want them today and tomorrow. Mr.Jefferies was in charge the first two days, and Mr. Hamm will be with them today and tomorrow.

Bernice went to see the operatta "Patience" at A.I. last night, and afterwards six of them came over to the house for something to eat. I am waiting for an answer on Monday as to whether Miss Turner will present a "concert version" for us here at the school during Spring Festival week. Tomorrow night the Orpheus Club is coming out to give us a concert.

I'll have to check with Mr. Snellenburg about your clothes, as daddy doesn't seem to remember whether any others are coming or not.

I am wondering whether you are now on your cross-country this week. I, too, wish that Wilmington were within the 1000 mile radius.

Joan Tatnall, Nancy's sister, was in the bunch that came out to the house last night. She says Nancy plans to get married after the war and as Fuller (I believe that is his name) wants to finish college they will probably live in Carlisle and Nancy go on to law school while he finishes college.

I've had so many interruptions in this letter writing that I don't know whether this makes sense or not. Everybody is clamoring for boys to cut grass, etc. and we try to please as many as possible. Someone even called this morning to know whether we had boys available to help clean the inside of their church.

I called Mr. Snellenburg and he said that is all he had on order except shoes which he cannot get. So unless you want daddy to get your other clothes here I guess it looks like you get them out there. If, however, you want him to try for something definite let us know.

Love from everybody.