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Ferris School for Boys

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Wilmington 99, Delaware

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Dearest Lee:

We enjoyed reading your interesting letter to daddy, written last Sunday. I take it that as yet you have not been with a crew but that your crew will be made up at Lincoln. I expect you will enjoy being in a place like Lincoln for a change, where there is something more to see than desert and where you may have a chance to do and see a few things if ever you have a few hours off. I am glad you will be leaving New Mexico before summer. Is there any chance of a furlough before or after Lincoln?

Summer time is really upon us it seems. Yesterday was the warmest May 4 on record, so the radio announcer said this morning. Last night I slept all night with only a sheet over me.

Bernice has left,- Mr. Van Brundt drove her to Paoli to catch the 10:11 from there this morning, and she will reach Williamsport shortly after 2. I hope she doesn't have to change in Harrisburg, for she doesn't know much about traveling by train; but I guess she is old enough to be learning. At the present writing it looks as though daddy and I may drive up to Carlisle Sunday morning and meet Bernice in Harrisburg at 5 on Sunday; but of course, knowing daddy as you do, you realize that our plans may turn out to be entirely different.

I got your bracelet from the jeweler yesterday and I'll try to get it off this weekend. I will also send the links which were taken out, in case the bracelet is not the right size and you have to use them at any time.

I must go in town this afternoon to get material to be used in the play. I have been able to borrow flags of some of the allies,- England, France, Russia, etc., but we will have to make flags for China and Australia. That's to be Aunt Margaret's job.

I just called Mr. Hyde and got Bill's address. William A. Hyde, Jr. (Pvt) 13095129, 805th TSS, Bar. 1004, AAFTS, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota. Mr. Satterthwaite is out of the office so I'll have to get Jay's address later.

The lilacs by Washington cottage are out this morning. Those tulips in the rock garden bloomed beautifully this spring. The red bud bush on the campus and white bush next to it are also out, and the dog wood [is] beginning to burst forth up in the woods.

Folks realize that you are busy so don't worry too much about your

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correspondence. Love from all of us.

Mother