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Dear Lee,

Boy, does it feel good to relax! All last week I had midyear examinations at school, so was practically dead by the time the weekend arrived. We get blue-books, the same as college exams, which are pretty stiff. I passed all of mine, but not with ninety's. Most of my marks were seventies which satisfied me. History and French were my best subjects.

Last week Mother went to Atlantic City for an executive meeting of some sort. I was here alone with the two Grannies, one of which, Jones, is laid up for a while with the grip. We lived on fried egg sandwiches [sic] and sphaghetto [sic], so all were relieved when mother arrived home. I'm still eating her salt water taffy.

One of the reasons why I didn't get much studying done for my tests was that Shirley arrived home last week accompanied by two of her dorm-mates, Timme and Collie. We did the town, seeing Winged Victory and Meet Me in St. Louis, both of which you shouldn't miss. Saturday [sic] night Dar came out and we played cards and gabbed until the wee hours. You know how Dar can gab. She told us that Kenneth Moulds (Ruth Millar fame) was home last week and looks swell.

Mother wrote letters to all of your crew and has so far received three answers. They were all very nice letters and your crew sounds super. They have all mentioned receiving Christmas notes from you.

The knitting craze has hit Shirley and me all of a sudden. I caught it first and had completed one pair of gym socks when she arrived home and it overcame her. She's now starting socks, while I'm on my third pair. We'd both like to knit some for you, but khaki wool is almost unavailable. If we see any, you'll be blessed with some hand-knit socks, and you'd better wear them. I'm also knitting a purple sweater and if your wool is unobtainable I might [might] knit you a sock and sweater set out of that. Would that be all right?

Joke: Why is a crow?

Answer: Caws.

Last week the Junior Chamber of Commerce presented an all-star show in the armory to build a recreation hall for the noncoms at the Air Base. Some of the stars featured were Jessica Dragonette, Jane Whithers, Joe Louis, and Gypsy Rose Lee, who presented her compleeeeeete act. Wow! It was a pretty good show and the net results have paid for one half of the hall.

Well, pardner. Keep 'em flyin'.

Lots of Love, Bernice