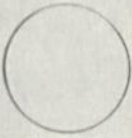


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Dearest Lee:

This is a day which we hope will go down in history as the beginning of a new period, - for it marks the opening of the San Francisco conference. We are all praying that something constructive to the peace of the world be done.

One almost hates to pick up the newspapers these days, for there are so many stories of German atrocities and cruelties to prisoners of war. Now in the world we will ever re-educate this generation of German youth I can't imagine.

The Blue Hocks is scheduled to open at Allentown tonight; but it is raining here and if such is the case there the game will no doubt have to be called off. The home season opens here on Friday night with a game against York White Roses.

Did I tell you that A.I. is using our baseball diamond this year? Yesterday they defeated Boothwyn, 9-4. Charles Wilson, one of our boys, caught. The big smash of the first inning was a three-run triple by Wilson.

Ashmore beat Tower Hill yesterday, 17-11. Walter pitched part of the game and was in centerfield the rest of the time.

Today is Grandmother James' birthday. She is 74 and I hope I am as spry when I reach that age.

Daddy is busy on war bond work. This morning he is in Newark, Delaware City, Odessa.

Now I must stop for some lunch, for I am going in town on the 12:45 trip. On Sunday's calendar appeared this prayer by the late Archbishop of Canterbury: "Heavenly Father, God both of righteousness and peace, have mercy upon the nations now engaged in war. Cleanse both us and our enemies of hatred and covetousness, make us so worthy of our cause, so steadfast in thy strength, that no weakness may delay the victory of our arms and no selfishness mar the righteousness of our peace."

Love from all of us.

Mother

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