

wednesday 5/11

Dear Mom,

I've been very busy this week, but finally found time to write you. I haven't received a letter from you in quite a while, but I guess you're busy with your job.

Pearl got down here Saturday morning, & I had her out here all afternoon until 10 o'clock at night. Then, Sunday I had open post, & we were together all day. We had dinner, walked around the town, saw a movie, & went out with some friends in the evening. During the week Pearl comes out here every evening for a couple of hours. She's made a lot of friends so far & is never alone. Today, she was invited to a luncheon & card party at a Mrs. Mintz. She was upset from the train ride & change of climate for the first couple of days, but she's fine now.

Since Monday, Pearl & another girl have been looking for rooms, & finally today, she saw a few & took one tentatively. She still has a couple to see tomorrow, & may take one of those.

We're kept very busy here, & things are changing every day. We may complete pre-flight sooner than we figured, & then, we may either go on to advanced or gunnery school. Anything else is possible too, but at the moment, we are

plated to get out of pre-flight in 4 weeks.

How is everything, & everybody in New York? How is your job? I bet you find it a lot different from what you did 20 years ago.

It's very warm down here during the day, because the sun is burning hot. If you can keep out of the sun, however, it's nice & cool because there is always a nice breeze blowing. The nights are always cool, & it's nice for sleeping.

I don't eat very much anymore, because I feel the heat too much when I have to run around all day. I do drink a lot though. We have cold drinks, like lemonade, grape drink, orange-pineapple, etc at two meals a day, & I drink about 5 cups full at each meal. Besides that, I drink ices, pepsi-colas, & water all day long — & perspire.

Well, that's about all now. Give my regards to Grandma, Grandpa, Ciel, Drey, & Al, & let me hear from you soon.

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