

THE POTOMAC SCHOOL
MCLEAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY
VIRGINIA

APRIL 11, 1955

DEAR LAURA,

I AM SO HOPING THAT BETSY IS BETTER BY NOW AND THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO LOOK FORWARD TO A TRIP EAST NEXT SUMMER AND FALL WITH SOME DEGREE OF PLEASURE AND REASSURANCE.

I AM MAKING UP A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR NEXT YEAR AND AM, THEREFORE, WRITING TO ASK YOU IF YOU COULD COME TO US ON ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DATES, AND IF SO WHICH YOU WOULD PREFER.

OCTOBER 3RD, 5TH, 10TH OR 12TH.

WE WILL, AS WE HAD ARRANGED THIS YEAR, PLAN FOR A LECTURE BETWEEN AN HOUR AND AN HOUR AND A HALF, TO BE FOLLOWED BY A TEA PARTY. WE ARE ALSO HOPING THAT YOU WILL HAVE THE TIME TO TAKE A FEW PICTURES OF THE SCHOOL.

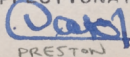
AS WELL AS THIS, SETH AND I ARE, OF COURSE, HOPING YOU WILL STAY WITH US FOR JUST AS LONG A TIME AS YOU CAN MANAGE IT.

I AM ALREADY FEELING HEARTSICK AND HOMESICK TO THINK THAT I WILL NOT SEE OUR BELOVED NEW MEXICO THIS COMING SUMMER. NO DOUBT ENGLAND AND NORWAY WILL BE EXCITING BUT CERTAINLY NOT THE SAME.

I CAN'T BEAR IT THAT CHURCHILL HAS RESIGNED, CAN YOU? BUT HE DID IT WITH SUCH MAGNIFICENCE THAT I AM ALSO GLAD THAT THERE IS NO CHANCE THAT HE MIGHT BECOME ILL AND PETER OUT. I AM SURE HE WILL COOK UP PLENTY FOR US ALL TO THINK ABOUT WHILE HE IS PAINTING IN SICILY.

GIVE MY LOVE TO BETSY AND WITH SO MUCH TO YOU, I AM AS ALWAYS,

AFFECTIONATELY,


PRESTON