

THE POTOMAC SCHOOL
MCLEAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY
VIRGINIA

SEPTEMBER 13, 1955

DEAREST LAURA,

WHAT A JOYFUL WELCOME HOME IT WAS TO FIND YOUR LETTER SAYING THAT YOU WILL SOON BE ON YOUR WAY! I AM ONLY VERY SORRY THAT BETSY IS NOT UP TO COMING WITH YOU.

I DON'T WANT YOU TO DRIVE TOO RAPIDLY AND I KNOW ONLY TOO WELL WHAT A LONG PULL IT IS FROM COLORADO TO WASHINGTON, BUT I DO HOPE THAT WE WILL SEE YOU ROLL IN ON THE 2ND SO THAT YOU WILL HAVE A LITTLE CHANCE TO REST BEFORE YOU START YOUR ROUNDS. IN ANY CASE MR. MORTON, OUR NATURAL SCIENCE TEACHER, WHO WILL RUN THE PROJECTOR FOR YOU AND IS MOST EXCITED ABOUT YOUR COMING SINCE HE TAKES PICTURES HIMSELF, WILL PLAN TO HAVE A REHEARSAL WITH YOU. I SUPPOSE THAT YOU WILL BRING THE PICTURES WITH YOU THAT WE WILL EXHIBIT ^{them in} ~~in~~ THE HALLS, ⁶SO THAT, AGAIN, IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL IF YOU DO GET HERE ON THE 2ND SO THAT WE CAN GET THEM UP ON THE 3RD BEFORE THE LECTURE. BUT IN ANY CASE WHATEVER IS BEST FOR YOU IS BEST FOR US.

ONE EXCITEMENT IS THAT PROBABLY MR. MANGRAVITE WILL BE HERE ON THE ^{2d} 3RD AND 4TH SO THAT THE CHEMICAL REACTIONS IN THE SCHOOL WILL BE AT A HIGH BOILING POINT. IF YOU AND HE CAN LIVE THROUGH IT, I EXPECT I CAN, BUT IT WOULD BE MARVELOUS IF YOU COULD GET ANY PICTURES WITH HIM IN THE ART ROOM.

I AM ENCLOSING A MAP OF WASHINGTON, ON WHICH I HAVE MARKED THE WAY TO US. I AM ASSUMING THAT COMING IN FROM THE WEST THAT YOU WILL NOT GO THROUGH WASHINGTON AT ALL BUT CROSS THE BLUE RIDGE IN VIRGINIA EITHER AT LEXINGTON OR WINCHESTER. AT ANY RATE YOUR MAP SHOULD SHOW

where route # 7 crosses

TYSON'S CORNER, FROM WHICH WE ARE ABOUT 4 MILES. I^N CASE YOU HAVE SOME OTHER PLAN THAT DOES TAKE YOU INTO WASHINGTON, I AM SENDING YOU THE WHOLE MAP. IN THAT CASE MAKE FOR CHAIN BRIDGE, CROSS TO VIRGINIA AND COME ON FROM THERE, ABOUT 5 MILES.

WE SIMPLY CANNOT WAIT TO SEE YOU, THE SOONER YOU CAN COME AND THE LONGER YOU STAY THE BETTER.

Love to our Betsey -

SO MUCH LOVE,

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As the West Va. mountains are a bit grim, it occurs to me that the Pa. Turnpike ~~to~~ ~~to~~ on to Baltimore where you can now pick up the new Express Highway to Washington, may be best. Anyway - we will be waiting !!