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Miss Sally Loving
5817 N. Washington Blvd.
Arlington
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Monday

Dear Sally,

Well, it's not raining and Bancroft Hall hasn't burned down yet but it is true that I'm writing. I know that you have long since given up all hope and added me to your long list of high school graduates who have gone away and forgotten their old friends and above all, their dynamic, robust (to say the least) and ever thoughtful (Hello – Sally) Miss Loving (da [sixteenth note] da [sixteenth note])! No kidding Miss Loving, I've been thinking of you often although I've never written. You know me though Sally ~ Judd and I the biggest procrastinators you ever had or probably ever will have. Enough of this ~ some of the present dope. What's the big news in Arlington? How is the gang, or the remmena (whoa – wrong word) remains of it? Have you seen many of them around. Orv. Was up and I know you saw him a lot so I wish you'd write and tell me all about the boy. I sure missed seeing him ~ quite a mixup on the day he and Mom were coming up I guess cause they never showed up I was really disappointed cause I did want to sort of exchange some of the good times we had together and we really had some! I guess his gone back to camp now but I think maybe if he's still close by in September that I'll drop down and spend a day or so with him.

Well, I guess you're right in the middle of your well earned vacation and although its time for school to be out up here I'm still trudging wearily to classes, and will continue to dig them until August 6 when I have for a months cruise. Then leave ~ wonderful leave from Sept 2 to September 29 ~ almost a full month. At long last I'm a full "Youngster", no more a Plebe and boy, this new rate to wonderful. I can drag now, even eat at the table and do so many things like a real human that I can't believe they're true. Arthur Halsted graduated on the 7th and is now an ensign, Bet Cole is now a first classmen, and Dick Sowell and Johnny McNulty are "Youngsters". As you can plainly see, old W-L is doing right well for itself at U.S.N.A. so far. I always cross my fingers. Well, time to close Sally, got to drop Norma a short note so say hello to everyone for me.

Love

Lee