

Washington D.C.  
May 30<sup>th</sup> 1915.

My dear Mr. & Mrs. Heane:

Here it is Sunday morning - and the letter that I hoped each day last week to write you is just starting out. However it is still early - before breakfast time - and there is always hope that one may do better. We are having a good deal of dark damp weather and

still run cool - though we are  
living in daily expectation of  
the arrival of summer.

I sent you a Post on Wednes-  
day - with an account of the  
drill - We went on Tuesday  
after noon and the day  
was ideal - we sat through  
the drill of five companies  
before our own company came  
on the field.

They were all as alike that  
I could not have told George  
if it had not been for his  
splendid long legs.



We were especially proud<sup>3</sup>  
when Luigi's company took sec-  
ond prize - ordinarily one is  
not pleased with second prize  
but the boys had drilled under  
such great difficulties all  
year being scattered over  
the city in different build-  
ings - that we really thought  
they had no chance at all.  
Asst. Secretary of War - Brecken-  
ridge reviewed the boys - and  
he added greatly to the scene  
with his aide in full uniform.

Mr. B. is one of the handsomest  
men one could see anywhere  
and it is said is as good  
as he is handsome.

I wish you could have been  
with us. He took little Charles  
Buchanan - you remember  
him - and he was such a  
delight.

Breakfast is over - the children  
off to S.S. and I must hurry  
and finish this before going  
to church.

Mr. Hamaford our young minister,  
is going to Boston tomorrow



He will be<sup>5</sup> there three or four  
days and will stop at The  
Y. M. C. A. in Boston.

I have asked him to call on  
you and as he is to dine with  
us today he can tell you just  
how we are.

It is about S. A. steamers -  
I wrote you that we would  
sail from N. Y. May 22<sup>nd</sup> -

I learned a few days ago  
that that sailing was cancelled  
and the next one will be  
June 12<sup>th</sup> providing it sails!  
I called up the P. O. Dept.

and learned that a U. S.  
vessel would leave Norfolk  
Va. last Wednesday morning  
but she was bound for southern  
Brazil and I doubt if any  
mail on that steamer would  
reach Mr. Rose before leaving  
Bahia.

I am now sending my letters  
to Rio care American Consul  
General -

I do not think it will do  
to send mail there after June  
12. I think I will send mine  
on to Buenos Aires. - The steam-  
ers are even more irregular -



if possible? Thank you.

We had a lovely afternoon  
with Mrs. Luce, her mother and  
Phillip - and then had dinner  
with Mr. Luce.

They have a pretty place  
and a wonderful rose garden.

Unfortunately - we had scarcely  
reached the house when the  
rain came down in torrents -  
and continued until after  
dinner. We arrived home  
at 10.30. I was thankful  
that Mrs. Deane did not try  
to go out - after I took the trip.  
It was very lively and

would have seen too much  
for her.

The Lucei are dear people  
and I am so glad to know  
them - and they are such  
ardent admirers of both of  
you - Mrs. Luce says Mrs. Deane  
has the gift of the understand  
ing heart - and so she has.  
You are both too dear for words  
and we all long to see  
you again - I feel sure you  
will come next winter.  
Think of those good sleepy  
nights - the lovely walks



and every<sup>9</sup> thing else.  
By the way Mrs. Slemmer,  
we have been going to market  
in a "jitney" and it is  
great fun. The jitney starts  
from our door, goes down  
18<sup>th</sup> St. - over through S. - to 17<sup>th</sup>  
down 17<sup>th</sup> to H. - through H. -  
to 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  - Penn. Ave. to 19 - 19<sup>th</sup>  
down back of the White-House  
and all through those Parks  
to 7<sup>th</sup> & the Ave.  
It takes just 12-min and is  
delightful.

We had a cablegram from  
Mr. Rose Wild - saying he  
had arrived safely at Bahia.  
I cannot even guess when  
we will get a letter.

A gentleman asked me  
this A. M. - when we had a  
letter and how soon he would  
be home? I told him he  
had just arrived. People

have queer ideas of distance.  
We are having great Pan-  
American entertaining  
here now.



Dinner is over - and we  
have said Good By to Mr.  
Hammaford.

He has just told us he will  
be sent to Japan the coming  
winter.

We are all quite well  
and send our dearest love  
to our dear dear Lillian.

Sincerely

The Little Rose.



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