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Mumsy dearest,

And a good, good morning to yourself, or is it afternoon or evening by now? Howsoever, it's still good, huh? Say, I must be a mite sleepy or something, cause this typing is not of the highest order sufficient to land a job, be it? But I did get up for breakfast, after not getting to bed with the chickens, so fo'give the lapses, will you?

Yes, the dinner went off rather well—not quite enough salt in the peas, but we remedied that at the table, and the pie was a big success. I gave them macaroni and cheese, lamb chops, peas, biscuits and pie. Biscuits cooked in a spider, pie fixed in cake tin, and macaroni baked in a kettle and served in a bowl. Oh, the ingenuity when necessary. Then we decided that it would be a shame to miss the good radio programs on the air, and that we could enjoy ourselves just as much there as we could at a show, so we forthwith stayed, listened and talked. The rest of the "family" were studying for law finals, and drifted in and out with weighty problems, pipes in hand. Dick showed me a pep book they send to high schools, with pictures and much glamorous machinery, pointing out, among others in the academic council, Mr. Stockmayer, president of the Junior Class, (better known to you and me as Stocky.) I was promptly impressed!

But I can't seem to get excited about finals, and I should. Of course I do have until a week from yesterday, but I should be putting in every spare minute probably. However, I have done the work every day, and I have a rather general idea of the courses, so I'm not anticipating too much black coffee and sleepless nights! But I probably should be doing some right now, so with your kind...