

narrower street just two blocks
from The Camellia -

Papa and I went to see your
Grandmother Bernhart and John.
I told them about your French
letters and they were sorry
I did not have them with me
to show them - Grandmother
was so very proud that you
had learned French so well.

This afternoon Mrs. Stewart
took me to see a picture show.
We saw a cute picture with
a little boy about your age
who could dance and sing
and act better than anyone
in the picture -

By the way, the picture
Bambi is coming back. Did
you see it? It is a Walt
Disney picture - I do not
think Papa and I have seen it
so we will see it this time.

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Dear Dorothy: My it has been
a long time since I have written
you a letter. I think of you
each day and think of so
many things I want to tell
you and some way just don't
get at writing -

Papa and I have been so very
happy to receive your nice
letters. You know we cannot
read French and always have
to find some one to read your
letters written in French. We
are so proud of you and your
good work in school. Mother
has been writing how much
you have improved and your
grades are higher all the time.
Has your school dismissed

We are having a big horse show in Shreveport this week. Each day the news papers have pictures of beautiful horses. Tonight is children's night and there will be lots of children riding their ponies and horses in the show. Prizes are given to the best riders.

Frances and David were so glad to receive your letter. They were out here Monday and spent the day with us. We played records of French lessons and all of us tried to speak some words. We did not get along very well. We all decided you were pretty smart to learn to understand, speak and write French so quickly -

All for tonight.
I love you
Grammy

for vacation yet? The schools here have been out since June first. All of the children in this neighborhood are having lots of fun playing since school is out.

Bobby Creel and his little sisters Mother, Daddy and Grandmother are going down to Gulfport next month to spend the summer. They have rented a cottage right on the coast and plan to have a good time swimming -

Mother wrote about you being Godmother to a French baby. I think that is very nice and am sure you are happy to be Godmother - How old is the baby?

Last week Papa and I went to New Orleans to visit Uncle Bock and Aunt Margaret. We surely missed you down there - it seems strange to go to New Orleans and not have you there. Uncle Bock and Aunt Margaret live on

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Dear Cecile: Your letters have been so fine and Papa and I love hearing from you. You know we cannot read French and always have to get some one to read the letter you write in France. Now that Miss LaBlanc has gone home for the summer I will have to ask Mrs. Schaeffer to ^{read} them to me. I surely think you are smart to learn French so quickly - Don't think I could do as well.

Guess what! We have a pet squirrel in our trees - it is not afraid of us and comes right up to us when we are in the yard. It seems to have so much fun running around in the branches of the oak trees - yesterday I had to

laugh at it. It was busily digging in the grass trying to get an acorn to eat when all of a sudden a blue jay flew down out of the tree and pecked him on the head. The squirrel looked up so surprised - I guess he wondered why the blue jay was mad at him, don't you? This evening it was in the branches of the tree by the front porch when he suddenly stretched out and just watched Dad and I on the porch.

Cecile do you remember the little bird you found in Mrs. Schaeffer's yard last summer - you know the one the boys had shot in the wing and it couldn't fly? Well this spring there has been a bird around here with a wing that drags -

Papa and I believe it is the same bird - One evening we were eating supper and Papa told me to look out by the Garage at something running on the ground. I looked. We both thought it was a rat but soon saw it was a bird with a broken wing. It could run faster than birds usually do and could only fly short distances - I believe it had learned to run fast to get out of danger since it could not fly well. It stayed here several weeks and may still be around but I have not seen it lately - Our Robbins are still here and still busily hunting for worms -

Do you remember the "Our Gang" pictures? Well one

is to be made in Shreveport
soon. I in the paper I have
noticed an advertisement
asking for children who want
to try for parts in the picture.
I expect Audrey Lee will try
for a part as she keeps up with
such things. She has been on
radio programs where children
take part.

This summer children are
being given art lessons at
the parks here - Have you
had art in school there?
Surely hope you can learn
art as you seem to like
drawing and do it well. Papa
and I always like your
pictures -

We are having hot weather
now and keep our fans going
all the time -

All for tonight.

I love you
Granny