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Dear Son: Dad has just finished writing you and I thought I had better add my bit.

Just now we are listening to a broadcast by Earl Long. You know he went into office on a land slide. He promised everything and is trying to fulfill his promise. How? Well by putting taxes and more taxes on everything - Two cents tax increase on gasoline - more sales tax - higher severance tax and every other possible taxable article. The people are complaining bitterly - but to no good - All gasoline stations in the state closed one day in protest - but no good - Amos things promised were \$50.00 per month to all old needy people - bonus to all ex-service men that would pay you and Bobby \$250.00 - Now they say the bonus will be voted on but the taxes are being raised so I say pay the bonus. One good thing he is not raising property taxes or at least not yet -

Must refer to my last letter a bit. You remember the story I wrote you about the couple having a baby in a foreign country and the baby being refused admittance to the U.S.A. - Well Dad did not see the article and he told me I

must have mis-read the article as he did not believe such a thing could be true. Well I was sure I had read it but sort of wondered if I had mis-read it. Well I began to ask others if they saw the item and no one I asked had seen it. I then decided to go to the library and look in back issues of the papers and see if I could find it and re-read it. Well I looked through all May issues but couldn't find it, I then told the Librarian what I looked for and she had read the article and remembered it, however neither of us found the article - I laughed and told Dad I knew you and Cecile sort of shook your heads and said "I guess Mother thinks she now has a sure thing to get us home." Well I have often said that if you stay and get your education as planned it will not be because of me but in spite of me - Sorry you have a problem Mother to worry with - seem to be breaking all good resolutions constantly -

We saw Nat Allen yesterday. He said his Paris friends had been here visiting him and are now in London - He said he will call us for your address soon so he can write you their address so you can look them up -

I have a ride to New Orleans tomorrow. Bobby is between terms and it is a good time to visit them while he has no studying. Dad will come down over the week end -

All my love
Mother