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Mrs. Don Carlos Peete,  
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Dear Alice:

I was happy to have your letter written from Mercy Hospital. There is one thing in my mind that I have not clarified, and that is - should I go ahead and make these dates for Jinny Jane, or wait until I have a conference with Dr. Peete and you?

We are having a street dance here next Wednesday evening. This is "liberty" night for the sailors and I could get word to Leonard F. Thorne (that is his name) to be at the dance. That might be an incentive to Sammie Lou to make the trip with her papa and mama. It is going to be outside, in front of the Chemistry Building, and we are going to have a twenty-piece band so the dancing will be good - especially when we are going to augment the concrete dancing floor with plenty of cornmeal and bran to aid the gliders and the jitterbugs. Really, it will be a very fine dance and if you will let me know whether you can come or not, we will make the necessary arrangements to have young Thorne present.

Now, seriously, it might be better for us just to correspond if you do not want to come down, and you could let me know when we could have a conference with Dr. Peete. If he has objections to a sorority I would be glad to talk with him regarding the benefits that a student derives from belonging.

Personally, I think Jinny Jane would make a fine sorority girl and a substantial one. The sororities place a very high standard of scholarship on their members, but of course there are always some who never study much, but the majority of them make exceptional grades. Please let me know before Wednesday so that I can take care of the Thorne matter and also let Bess know that you are coming. I would be glad to have all the conversation in the presence of Bess because I am sure she would be very glad to help, and I would court the discussion in her presence. She is very level-headed in setting out the benefits and drawbacks of a sorority. I am sure she would be for the sorority in the development of a serious-minded boy or girl.

Now, for the book binding. It is wonderful of you people to do this and I want you to know that I appreciate it. Any way that it is done will be exceptionally pleasing to me and I am gratified at your many kind-