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Arlington, Va.
23 March 1947.

Dear Doris: The radio is playing "It might as well be spring!" and today really seems that way, tho' when we got ready to go out for a little jaunt this afternoon, Dad had on 2 sweaters over his gray flannel shirt, a heavy overcoat, muffler and wristers! He shed most of the extras when we left the car by the canal to walk up to Plummer's Is. The boat was stuck in the mud so we just tramped over to a frog pool and sat down and listened to the chorus a while. Spring beauty and veronica are out, we were surprised to see. It is quite mild tho' cloudy, and as if it might rain. I hope it rains itself out and that next week will be a real springy week. Dad said if it ever got so we could control the weather, it would be an awful mess, with farmers wanting rain and other folks, picnics.

Bobbie Wms has her Randolph Macon youngster hanging about. - he is really an awful little shrimp. Bobbie is very conspicuously cleaning the family car in overalls, all for his benefit. She and Janette are very thick. Poor Mrs Wms is all swelled up and her husband goes around with a hangdog, discouraged look.

Helen called up to go to see the Biennial Exhibit but it doesn't begin till next Sunday. She is able to get about a little now and said she would come down & lunch at the Mellon on Wed.

Now, do plan your trip, get the things you need together, your clothes etc. and don't try to lug too many books. Dolores called up - she has had a grippy cold all the week & not worked much. I told her I would let her know when you were coming
Love, Mother

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