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Miscasset, Maine
September 1, 1932.

Dear Mother and Father,

I hope this finds you both
feeling better than when you
wrote the last card I received.
I'm sorry you got held I
something at the fair that didn't
agree with you.

This is my last day here. Daniel,
his mother and I leave for Danbury
early tomorrow morning, expecting

evening lake to make some definite arrangement. I can of course get up by train if you have made other arrangements.

We went to Portland yesterday to view the eclipse. We had planned to go to some place with J Sebago Lake but on reaching Portland it looked so cloudy & the week that we decided to stay where we were. We went up on the Eastern Promenade overlooking Back Bay. It cleared off nicely and though it was a bit foggy we had a grand view of the whole show. I'll tell you about it in detail when I see you.

to make the trip in one day. The exact time of my return to Cassackie is indefinite yet. I don't want any travelling on Saturday. They have asked me to stay at the farm until Monday. If Grace is staying over with you until Tuesday I have been thinking that you and she might like to drive part way to meet me. I should have my two bags so that unless you brought the luggage carrier not more than three if you could come, but I think both of the bags would fit in the carrier alright and I should like to have all of you come. I shall call you on the phone Saturday

On Monday we had a fine
trip to Blue Hill near Ban Harbor
which I shall also write later.
On Tuesday Donald & I had
lunch with the Beetleys at
Brookbay Harbor, having a
fine swim first and a good
walk afterwards. We are going
down there again this after-
noon for a swim after which
we shall look about the town.

I have had a good vacation
here and shall be sorry to
leave, but shall be more glad to
get home and see you all.
Love to all,

George.

Merrill South

Exeter, N. H.

September 17, 1932.

Dear Mother and Father,

I have just had breakfast and shall write you a few lines before starting in. I reached Boston on time and made the 5:10 train for Exeter reaching here 6:44 - or rather 5:44 as I must live now. It seemed strange to see Harvard from the train & try to realize that

There is a very good looking
flat top double end desk, a
gateleg table, Windsor chair,
wing chair, over-stuffed
chair and (!) a couch, the
latter two in green. All the
furniture is quite comfortable
and I am very much pleased
with it. And there is also a
large and rather good looking
book-case. There is no rug
so yet but I believe there is
to be one. The study is al-
ready provided with over-
draped curtains but I should

on reaching the station I
should not go out there.

Mr. Hogg met me & took me
to his apartment where I found
Mr & Mrs Rogers. Shortly after-
noon I came up here to see
what had been done. Only part
of the furniture is in yet
and things are standing around
all over so that there is no
resemblance of home yet but
it promises to be very nice
when arranged. My study
furniture is, as Mr. Hogg said,
very nice. It is dark maple,

like to try the others behind them. As soon as I get a tape measure I shall write you the correct measurements.

The bedroom furniture is not all in yet so I had to sleep in one of the boys' rooms last night. The bed-linen & towels are all furnished as are also the blankets & bed-spreads.

That would seem to complete the list at present except for a rather cheap pair of unders.
Betty told me I could use

her antique brass ones this
winter. Donald was going to
bring them up & I can't decide
whether I shall write him
not to do so.

The dining halls are not open
yet. Mrs. Hagg gave us supper
last night and breakfast this
morning & has asked me for
dinner this noon so you see
I shall starve. They were
very much pleased to receive
your greeting.

There is a faculty meeting

and that all else is going well.
I've decided the bath room
should be cream! Love to
all

George.

Thought nothing to speed of
tomorrow. Wednesday the boys
arrive, get settled & assigned
to classes. Classes will begin
on Thursday or Friday.

All of my boxes are here except
the two which I left in the
gymnasium, - I shall get
them this afternoon.

Now out to mail this, buy
a few necessities, such as soap,
find the man who has my bags
& them to unpacking.

Hope Harold is feeling better,

Had
a
letter
from
John
W. - will
send
soon.

Catspach, N.Y.
Sept. 23/32

Dear George -

The week has been so full
and has flown so fast, that here it
is Friday again and next a week
since you left. Was glad to get
your letter Tuesday and hear of
your safe arrival and hospita-
ble welcome by your friends here.

I judge from your description
that your P rooms will be very
cozy & homelike when you get
them to rights. I have not yet
had a chance to work on your
curtains but will not be so
rushed here next week. I sent
your laundry and a box to-day

and hope you hat will go thru
without damage. I did the best
I could with shirts but find it
is not very easy to iron some
of them on account of the way
they are made. Some of the wrinkles
seem to be in between the layers &
no way to remove them. Probably
an expert could do better. I missed
your union suit & don't know yet
what because of it, unless you had
been wearing one of it's. The little
trawl sacks were used to me, and
I did not know if they were yours
or Eva's - return if not yours.

Had a card from E. - will enclose.
H. was O.K. Monday & went to Coxs
in Catskill - returning to Albany that
night. We plan to go up Sunday

morning, so he will not be down to-
morrow, I suppose.

Jessie came Tuesday to help
we can a bushel of peaches. It
took all day with the other work
and I had 23 cans. They were
not as good as they looked, nearly
every one specked, some too soft
and not all free stone. We have
some of our own I'm going to do up
next week. Wednesday was wash
day & we were getting along fine
when at 10:30 a car rolled in &
we stopped Anna & Ann
here way home from Roby Park.
They staid to dinner & until about
2:30. That day Mother had a
call to drive a truck on State

Road work for A. King - so I got
him an early lunch & he went
away. But he quit next day
as the truck was not in fit
condition to drive. So he has been
working on the north roof slope
the rest of the time - probably to-
day will finish that job. Getting
drier & drier - pa has begun to draw
water as we all sweat out. I had
thunder & lightning one night but
not a drop of rain. Sold forty of
the hens on Wed. & at night pa & I
caught them & took up to Hammarling
that was the end of a perfect hatch day.
Hope you are getting accustomed to
your new surroundings & work and
will like it more & more every day.
Was glad to have you home. Will come
the days now till next visit. Love,
Mother.

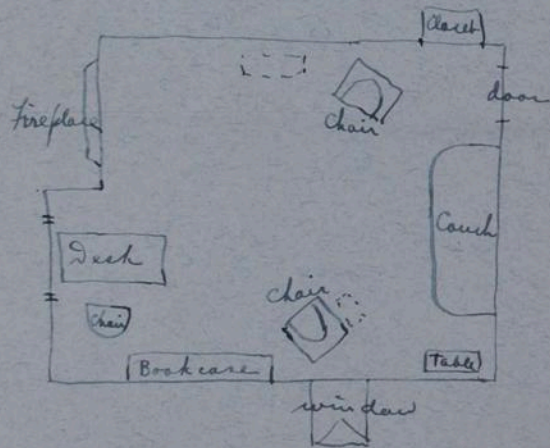
Phillips Academy
Box 171 Exeter, N. H.
September 23, 1952.

Dear Mother and Father,

Before I forget it I shall ask you
to notice my change of address.
I have taken a box at the
Academy postoffice so that my
mail should go directly there.

School has begun and I have
had my first classes this morning.
I have five courses, all different.
Please Geometry T. W. F. S. at 9, 1st year

came to my aid Tuesday evening
 & worked out a planing of my
 furniture, pictures and rugs
 which makes my study very
 attractive. Here is the plan.



The dotted lines represent small tables

algebra M. T. W. T. F. at 10, 2nd year
 algebra M. T. W. T. F. at 12, Trigonometry
 M. T. at 5:30 and Solid geometry T. F.
 at 5:30 - a total of eighteen hours. I
 have been fortunate in having no
 Sôdash classes. None of them has
 more than fifteen students and
 one has only eleven. First classes -
 the algebra ones - went off very
 well this morning. The boys seemed
 quite smart and were all very
 attentive.

I am quite well settled by now
 although I still have quite a bit
 of unpacking & sorting yet to do.
 Mr. & Mrs. Hagg & Mr. & Mrs. Curwen

to be acquired. My own maps
look fairly well & I shall let
them serve unless the school
sees fit to furnish me with
one.

My beds came Tuesday. They
have coil springs and hair
mattresses. The latter are any-
thing but comfortable yet -
they will need a considerable
amount of sleeping on to
make them so.

The dining hall opened Wednesday.
It is quite crowded, 120 taking
their meals in it. It must be

so far this year and longer
unless the new dormitory is
started soon. I have a seat
at the Hogg's table. The meals
are good enough but nothing
exciting. We have no drink
at noon but water - at breakfast
coffee, and if one wishes a
pint of milk and at supper
another pint of milk. I have
managed to get away with
most of my milk so far.

Tomorrow afternoon Mr + Mrs
Hogg, Scott, the Cylichman, and
I shall set down to Boston

I shall want the others, however.
As I measure them ~~for~~ ~~the~~ the
⁽³⁾ windows, they should be 48"
from bottom of hem to top
of rod with a ruffle about $\frac{3}{4}$
wide. I guess that is about
the way Mr. Hugg measured them.
You might make the 48" a bit
scant. Don't hurry about them -
it has been and still is so
warm here that curtains seem
superfluous.

Now out to do a little shopping.
Look up Leatt and take him for
a short walk, back to prepare

after an early lunch to try
to see "Green Pastures", the
negro play. If we fail in that
there will be plenty else to do.

I had a note from Donald
this morning saying that he
had given up driving to Maine
to get Betty. The Bowdoin
proposition more or less fell
thru so that it is hardly
worthwhile to take as expensive
a trip.

With regard to my curtains I
have rather decided for the present
to let those in the study rest.

my first lesson in Solid
Geometry and then to class
at 5:30. Doesn't that seem an
odd hour? But they say
it is one of the best. The
boys have athletics from two
until four and get settled
out by 5:30.

Hope all is well and that you
are back feeling fine. Why
haven't I heard from you?

Love to all

George.

P.S. Please note whether you get
this letter on Saturday. It should
leave here at 3:30 this afternoon. 9.

Cassackie W.P.

Sept. 29/32

Dear George-

Another work has flown
I know not where. Have just finished a pair of four curtains and I am going to send them for you to pick up. Before I do the rest, I tried to follow your directions exactly and will be very sorry if I made a mistake. I found the best way to get them exactly even was to count the squares and that is what I did. I wonder if you have heard from Eva. We had a long letter yesterday. She is having a good visit and also got some shopping done with Miss B. at Grand Rapids. She leaves for

Baltimore on Sunday.

Milton is still coming every day and there seems to be enough work ahead to keep him busy some time yet. We were blessed with a good shower yesterday morning, after several days of south wind. We have surf water now for about 2 weeks, Pa says. - To-day Pa set out the pelony plants also some others in Cold frame. Had a sudden change in weather to-day and it is very cold, quite likely to freeze to-night - Pa has just picked some ^{Fabia} ~~is~~ so nice too bad it must freeze.

(Must listen now to Hoover as Pa has the radio on.) The speech is over and in a few minutes Roosevelt will be on the air.

Well, the roof is finished and this morn'g Pa & W. have been pulling up the

partition in the back cellar under
the kitchen, roofing the kitchen porch
fixing barn gutters etc. etc. etc. In
between M. draws the wood around
& splits it up - He has a quantity of
big pieces piled in cellar for the fire-
place. At present we are burning up
the old shingles & so have kept com-
fortable. I am not having May
this week at all. Am not ready for
the house cleaning as various things
must be done in preparation such as
cleaning stove pipes. She cannot come
to-morrow & we are going to Halcott
on Saturday. Harold is coming to-
morrow night & stay here as we will
not be home till Sunday afternoon.
The dresses I've sent for came last
week but were out of proportion in

Every way so I returned them. Per-
haps we'll get to Baltimore later
and then maybe I can get one.
Pa has been honored with being
entrusted with the money business
of the Hawers Home next Wed. His
own work day so I'll probably not
go up except to eat. The next day
I may go to Kiskatom to the annual
Miss. Convention - Pa said he might
take the day off & later we over.
We went to Albany Sunday & attended
Service at the 1st ^{Presb} Church on Pearl St.
After dinner we all went for a walk
across the river. Auntie was about as
usual. She was shaken last week at the
news of Mrs Drake's death. A week before
she had spent the day with Auntie in
her room, home from Salem Mass. York.
The radio is going again so I'll
have to quit - guess I'm thro' anyway.
I hope you are getting on OK & will like
your boys & your work. Love
Dorothy Weston.

Phillips Academy Box 171
Exeter, N. H.

September 30, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

After such a busy week it is
hard to collect ones thoughts to
write a letter. I hope that in
time things will settle down
but until now it has been a
mad rush from one place
to another and from one task
to another. It is the policy here

to me. It portrayed the negro's idea of creation, and the subsequent history of the world down to the crucifixion. It was biblical, of course, but the interpretation was colored thruout by the daily ^{lines} ~~life~~ of the negroes. By the way, have you yet seen the play I told you not to miss? It was "The Barretts of Manhattan Street."

Sunday afternoon Jack, i.e. the Hoff, took several including myself for a long ride north & east of here talking Parliament. Since then most of

to get boys into classes was or less suited to their abilities and this entails many shifting at the beginning of the year which can only be carried out by conferences, special exams, etc.

We went to Boston last Saturday as planned though we were able to get off before lunch which we had in Boston. Three of us went to the show while Mr.

Hoff attended to some business. The play was "Green Pastures" and its nature was a surprise

my time has been taken up with
getting ready for classes, correcting
papers and attending meetings.
Tomorrow afternoon I go with
an instructor named Schoecraft
to Plum Island, near Newburyport,
for a walk on the sand dunes
there. You may remember we
saw them from a distance
while going there I spent
on our way to Maine in
July. I shall be glad to see
a closer view of them.

I had a note from Danell
this morning saying that
all plans were changed and

that he and Betty have taken
an apartment in New York for
the winter at 223 E. 50th St.

I can't imagine what persuaded
Betty to stay over here, nor
what financial upset has made
it possible for them to live
in New York.

In wandering if Eva has
come back to Cascadia or has
gone straight to Baltimore.
I hope you have had some rain
since you wrote and no longer
have to draw water. We have
had practically none since I

as long as I can.

The two packages came in good shape. I think you did very well with the shirts - so far as ironing was concerned - but as usual they were some- what messed from packing.

Well this is all now. I must go out and look up a cobbler to fix me a pair of shoes in which I can take a walk. My best ones are too good and not well enough broken in for a long jaunt.

Hope you are well & happy.
Love George.

(over)

have been here though it was damp one day and a little rain fell at times.

My "rug" came yesterday. It turned out to be made to order to fit the room with a small margin of the floor showing. Its margin of the fibre corduroy effect, is a sort of fibre corduroy effect, a blackish brown. It is not down yet but I fear I shall dislike it very much. It must have cost quite a bit and it seems a shame for them not to have had my reaction to it before having it made. But I shall put it down and stand it

P.S. I shall wait some laundry
tomorrow.

I saw Prof Saunders at the play
last Saturday. he didn't know I
had left Harvard. I was able
to get Morris on the phone,
but Miss Hays was apparently
out.

9.

Phillips Academy, Box 171
Exeter, N. H.

October 7, 1932.

Dear Mother and Father,

I reserved this afternoon for writing you a good letter but my plans have gone astray. I met one of the new instructors at lunch and afterwards he wanted to come up and see my room. I had no idea he would stay so long as he did, - nearly all afternoon. So now I have less than an hour left to write

week. She seems to be very happy in her new apartment. I am glad she will be living a more normal life this year - I didn't like the idea of her eating alone & seeing people so little.

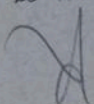
I also had a letter from Dances from New York. They are very much dissatisfied and are leaving there as soon as possible. There are radios blaring away on all sides of them from daybreak till midnight. Fortunately they did not sign a lease and are forfeiting only a month's rent. Where they will go I have no idea.

you a letter and prepare for a solid geometry class. Consequently this can be little more than a greeting, but I shall write more this week-end.

First let me congratulate you on your thirtieth anniversary. May you live to see many more of them and may they be happy ones. You know you can if you will only stop worrying & stop having so many things to do. I enclose a little gift which brings you my love. Please spend it for something you especially want.

I had a nice letter from Eva this

Life is getting more settled here every day. Eventually I shall become regulated so that I shall have quite a bit of time for my own reading. Mr. Sistrup, Jack and I go to Boston tomorrow afternoon. Jack will have some business and I shall take Sistrup about while I do some shopping. I also hope to see Maria for a few minutes.

All for now - glad you have water again. The curtains are ok. but I have no rods yet. I have to get a special type - I shall try in Boston tomorrow. Love to all
Gage. 

MRS. M. B. VAN SCHAACK
ELMSHADE
COXSACKIE, N. Y.

Oct. 10/32

Dear George-

Have been trying all week to get a letter off to you but the days seem so full and night comes before we know it. I have just finished pressing the curtains and have them ready to pack. Hope they will not get too mussed in transit. In spite of all my care I did make some mistakes. I rectified what I could but not all. You will notice some of the hems are stretched on the bottom; that is because I forgot at first to double the hem but I do not think the stitching will be noticed. To-day is the first we've had fire in the kitchen stove it is quite smoky but very clean. Mother is still working away at odd jobs - spent one day digging out an old apple tree & has been splitting it up - Pa works with him afternoons. So we do not get out very much. I want to keep busy but don't seem to accomplish much. There has been much butting

away & sorting of things - have been getting
ready today for Marycetta to do some
house cleaning down stairs to Morrow.
Will probably move down to front bed-
room in a few days. Plan to go to
Pittsfield Saturday afternoon for over Sunday.
H. talked of going to Utica to Morrow
riding out with some fellows.

Glad to get five letters & thank you
for your kind wishes also the very sub-
stantial gift - I will try to hang on to it
till we get a chance to go somewhere & get
something we want.

M. has been rather blue this week - his
time here is drawing near the end & he
does not know just what to do. Pa will
probably keep him as long as there is a
job for him.

Had Ma is so pleased with her new ar-
rangement - hope it will continue satisfactory.
She has a house warming Sat. night.
Melba is going home now & I'll send this
to be mailed. Lovingly,
Mother

Phillips Academy, Box 171
Exeter, New Hampshire.
October 12, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

Glad to get your letter this morning.
I hope you didn't look too hard for
what I promised to write you in
addition last week-end. It was so
crowded that I didn't get down to
writing. I went down to Boston
as scheduled but had only an hour
and a half to shop so got practically
nothing done. Arriving here again
at about seven I stopped at the
new Inn to have dinner with Mr.
Scott. I didn't get away from there

Lake Minnetonka and around it.
It was a very beautiful day and the
foliage was at its best. It was too
hazy to see Mt. Washington but we could
see the nearer mountains plainly. I
wished you could have seen the ladies
of the place where we stopped for
lunch. She was French but spoke
fluent English though with an accent.
She was dressed in riding breeches
& shirt. She and her husband had
been four times around the world
and had collected such a mass of
junk of all kinds as I have never seen
before - it was distributed about
the rooms and some of them were
so crowded one could hardly turn
in them. But she served us a good
lunch in great style and seemed very
glad of some conversation. They

until after nine and when I got
home I had to hurry about to
get ready for my advisees who
were coming in at quarter of ten.
Many of the instructors here make
a practice of serving light refreshments
to their advisees on Saturday
evenings after the moving picture
show is over. Last Saturday was my
first time. I had eleven of them in
and they got away with a gallon
of cider and a ^{couple of} dozen doughnuts. I
had set no time limit on their
staying though afterwards I wished
I had, especially since the first time
sets a precedent. They stayed until
eleven o'clock.

On Sunday the Hays Mr. Scott and
I started out at 9:20 to drive to

own several hundred acres about
there and apparently run this place
merely for the sake of having a
variety of visitors. We had and
I rode in the rumble seat all the
way - it was not cold - in fact was
very warm part of the time - but
on reaching home I was ready for
bed, my face burning from the
wind and sun.

This Sunday I shall be up in the
mountains again going with two of
the new instructors to climb Mt
Chacoma. You will remember that
just three years ago this Columbus
Day I climbed it with Sam. We shall
leave here at eight reaching there
in about two and a half hours. It
is only 80 miles. The trip up and
down the mountain takes about four
hours so that we shall probably

be back in Exeter by supper time.

Tomorrow I go to Boston again, going down at ten o'clock with a couple cabs and driving down and coming back with Jack in the evening. I hope to be able to see Marine and to do some shopping. I talked with Maris on the phone last Saturday. He is planning to come up here for a few days soon.

Donald & Betty have left New York and are back in Danbury. Betty will go to Europe after us, sailing on the 21st. Donald will stay in Danbury this winter.

The first set of grades is due on next Wednesday so that the next few days will involve making lists, giving them and marking them. We have no printing accommodation

Here and each person has to take care
of getting his own exams written or
printed. I have made two sets on
the typewriter using carbon paper
but have to do each exam three
times to get enough copies. I shall
try tomorrow to get a hectograph
in Boston.

Thanks for the ballot application.
I shouldn't want to miss the
opportunity of voting against
Phil Goodwin - or would you rather
I didn't - absentee ballots are
not private. Let me know about
this.

I hope you have a good time at
Pittsfield. Remember me to Junie.
Love to all,
Gaye.

Oct 17/32

Dear George-

I hardly have time for a real letter as I am going out at 3 and want to rest some before driving. Pa thinks I ought to answer your question as you haven't any too much time for returning ballot. The election district is No 3 - I don't know if you remembered that - Eva did not. In regard to the Congressman - Pa says to do as you like - it would not make any difference to him or his job. For my self, I would not vote for either one - in fact, I sometimes have a custom not to vote at all but probably will - it is the worst mess ever and results can be "a hen or a rooster" whoever is elected - Why, I didn't mean to say so much on that subject.

We are having a rainy day - plenty of water now but the custom still holds and I am again trying to use up the water &

got it empty. Mother came after
lunch & they are going to work in
the cellar this afternoon. Yester-
day Joe took me up Street & we got
Bessie at school & I went home with
her - Pa came to supper. This was
the first real visit there since before
grandpa was taken ill last Spring.

We had a pleasant visit in Pittsfield
but the weather Sunday was far from
pleasant. Saturday was ideal - we
left here at 3.30 going by way of
Chatham & Lebanon & reached there
about 5.30 - The foliage was not
as brilliant as two weeks ago when we
went over the Mts. When we came
out of church, it had been raining &
was dark & wet all afternoon, so we did
not go for a ride as we intended to do.
We ate at Jennie's home & slept at Mrs
Manning's. Jennie is very well & appear-
ing happy in her small quarters. Mrs

Manning has aged very much since I saw her in June 1929 on our way over to Cam Bridge. Jennie Manning is unusual - quite a nuisance. We did not see any of the other folks. K.B. Miller's wife Muri in Medway and old Mr. Calman is confined to his room - will probably never be any better. The Berkshire hills were enveloped in fog but at no point on our homeward drive did we encounter fog on the road. We reached here about 6 but had to go to W's for the key - found it up there. At last I have the curtains up in sitting room - had Margaretta clean this room & the 2 bed rooms down stairs last Friday. The curtains look nice & I am much pleased with them. Hope Louie arrived O.K. & Lou found them satisfactory. Yesterday we moved

downstairs - it is handier but I
confess I do not like the room as
well.

I wonder if you had favorable
weather for your trip Sunday - I
was not raining here but not especially
pleasant Howard said. Harvins
heard any more of that Barnett
play - I look in paper every day for
it. - You do not seem to be rest-
ing very much - better relax more
on Sundays.

Auntie is about the same. She
has discharged Van Hoesen & going to a
heart specialist in Albany - Harvins
seen her in over 3 weeks but will have
to try to go up soon. As H. Parker came here
for Sunday, I don't like to go up then &
other days he is busy - but the jobs are
nearing completion I guess. Most of you.
Lovers, Weston.

October 21, 1932.

Dear Mother + Father,

It is raining again! It started to rain Monday evening and didn't stop for more than a few moments now + then until last evening. And now it has started again this afternoon. It has already rained six inches this week. Fortunately all the land hereabouts is sand so that there is no mud even with

750 feet with about 2800 ft to climb. The scheduled time for the trail we took is three hours but we made it in fact two hours. We really went faster than we should have. Fortunately we picked probably the easiest trail of all although that was quite steep enough near the top. We had a knapsack which we carried by turns. It was my turn for the last third of the way up and I was glad the trail was no steeper. I had never carried a knapsack before and it took me a while to get

a dampen, but a great deal of sand manages to get tracked in, even up to the fourth floor.

I am sorry you had such poor weather last week-end. We had it clear weather on our trip but we did have beautiful weather for the mountains are as lovely, if not lovelier, in fog as when clear. We ^{three} started from here just after eight and were in Chacoma, eighty miles away, just after ten. We had some toast & coffee there and then started up the mountain, the top of which was clothed with fog. We started at an elevation of

used to it. We stopped for a few minutes on the way up for a bite of chocolate & a drink of water. The fog was still in fog when we reached it and a cold wind was blowing. So we stayed there only a few moments starting down for a shelter in which to eat lunch. We had gone scarcely twenty five feet before the fog began to blow off and the whole surrounding country was revealed. It was one of the most magnificent sights

I have now seen with miles
and miles of brilliant autumn
colored carpets spread before
us. Charama is sufficiently
isolated so that one gets a
view of huge valleys spotted
with lakes. Although the more
distant mountains were veiled
by haze those within fifteen
miles were visible, range upon
range. We had a light but satisfying
lunch of sardines, crackers & coffee
which we had brought in thermos
bottles.

We came down by a different
& more precipitous trail winding

be so expensive. I ~~went~~ over to
Cambridge to the Beechley for
supper staying there until after
nine when I had to leave to
meet someone in Boston with
whom I came home. I shall
go down again tomorrow
with Jack just for the after-
noon. I may have to buy a
fuxedo tomorrow. I have been
invited to a dance at the new
den for next Saturday evening
& in decent respect must go
though I have long since
forgotten how to dance. My
last attempt was at Danbury

in a spiral about the upper
part of the mountain with open
spaces every quarter of a mile
or so, so that we saw the view
from all sides. We got down
in fact two hours and were
home again shortly after six.
I wasn't nearly so stiff as I
had expected to be though I did
feel the effects for several
days.

I was in Boston last Saturday
and got a few things bought -
all small knickknacks, however -
I shall have to purchase a
table or two and they seem to

on my first visit there. Jack
has offered me his dress clothes
but I doubt if they will fit
me, - I haven't tried them on
yet. After all I shall have to
have a suit eventually and the
sooner I get it over the better.

This week has been extremely
busy with all the duties incident
to the first marking period.
Every time a grade of E is
given the instructor must
fill out an "E-slip" explaining
the reason and the boy's
prospects for improving. I

gave fifteen E's out of a total
of seventy-one grades. My own
advisees however got only two
E's. They were all in last
evening to receive their grades.
Some of them were quite dis-
appointed. I had to scold
some for their poor showing
which was largely due to lack
of effort.

And that's about all for
this week except for the dinner
on Wednesday evening for the
treasurer, Corning Benton -
the man who wouldn't give me

a mantelpiece. The dinner was
a testimonial to his many
years of devoted work to the
Academy. It was a jolly affair.
One of the instructors reading
an original poem relating
Mr Bentons' career - extremely
clever.

As I have been writing it
has cleared and stopped raining.
Now I must study a bit
before the 5:30 class and then
out to mail this and to class.
Love to all,
George.

Cassockie W.V.

Oct. 28/32

Dear George -

Meant to write last night but got side tracked. What a mess the political situation is - I'm glad when it is all over. We heard Smith's speech on Monday night - it was terrible - just a rehash of 1928 - did not listen last night but want to read what he in talked on.

You will be surprised that I went to Newburg Monday evening returning Tuesday night late. We attended the late end of the State W.C. Convention - heard some good talks - the best by John A. McSperry

Penn. Sec. of Agriculture & one of
the first to repudiate Hoover's claim
on the 18th amendment. If every
Voter in the country could hear the
facts as he presented them, there ^{could}
be no ^{more} question of the benefits of pro-
hibition. His statistics were all
taken from the federal records at
Washington & were not mere hearsay.
We had a nice room with a young
Southern couple and were treated
with the Southern hospitality we have
heard of but never before experienced.
Tue. afternoon we were in the
procession of over 100 autos that drove
to West Point & enjoyed a fine organ
recital there in the beautiful Chapel.
The banquet was held at 7 in one of
the finest public School buildings

we have ever been in. Speakers were
Mrs Ella A. Bogle and Dr. Peale
recently installed pastor of the ⁴Middle
Collegiate Church, N. Y. We left at
10.30 reaching home by 1. Margaretta
came back with us - just 70 mi.
Have not attempted much since
as naturally we were tired & have
been getting settled out. Margaretta
is here to-day. Mabel & Jessie
are going on a trip to the Adirondacks
& will leave Bessie here -
they may start to-day. Bessie has
been home all week with a bad cold
but not really ill.

Community was shocked this
week by the disappearance on Sun-
day night of Walter Inwood's 3rd & 4th boys.

They evidently went in the latter car
which is a ranc shackled old thing
and took all their clothing. Nothing
has been heard from them since
& I guess no attempt is being made
to locate them. If they do not get
in jail, the exposure & hardships ^{they}
will have to endure, will be good for
them & make them appreciate home
when they get back, if they ever do.
I feel sorry for Lammie & Mrs. Delf-
they are heart broken.

We are having much dark weather
do not see much sun but not very cold.
Bessie has just arrived - She coughs almost
continually.

We enjoyed the account of your
trip & other doings. More later.
Loveingly
Mother.

BEER PROSPERITY VIEW HIT AS SILLY

Poughkeepsie, secretary; Mrs. Fanny Root Danser, Kew Gardens, recording secretary, and Mrs. Fronia G. Allen, Albany, treasurer.

Pennsylvanian Addresses State W.C.T.U.—Albany Woman Is Treasurer

Newburgh, Oct. 24—(AP)—John A. McSparran, Pennsylvania's secretary of agriculture, addressing the New York State convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union tonight, classed as "silly" statements that the restoration of beer "would relieve the depression."

"There are probably 12 states that would allow the sale of beer and to produce a tax of \$300,000,000 would require every family in those states to drink 1,700 pints of beer a year," he said.

McSparran called the "beer business one of the poorest economic businesses in the nation, using only 78 persons per \$1,000,000 of investment, while ordinary business uses 318 persons per million dollars of investment."

"Certainly," he added, "it would be silly to take any of our money which is all too scarce at best and use it for such an uneconomic business."

Other speakers were Prof. W. J. Reagan of Oakwood Academy, Poughkeepsie, and Andrew McCampbell, federal prohibition director of New York.

Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, New York City, today was elected to her sixth term as president of the organization. Other officers named included Mrs. Lulu C. Walker, Oneonta, vice-president; Miss Helen G. H. Estelle

Phillips Academy, Box 171

Exeter, N. H. Oct. 28, 1932.

Dear Mother and Father,

It seems a long time since I
have had a word from you but
that is only because your letter
came early last week, I suppose,
although it always seems a
long time between your letters.
Still the days go very rapidly
and it is hard to believe that
it is Friday afternoon again.

unsuccessful. I also failed to get the Tweedy, - they had just left for Rockport. Morris had tea with Jack and we just before we left to come back. He was planning them to come up here this Sunday morning for a few days. Since I have had no word from him cancelling the plan I reckon he will come. Exactly how I shall keep him amused I don't know - I told him to bring plenty of reading along.

I have lost my plane yesterday

Next Wednesday will be winter - only six and a half weeks from then until vacation. The leaves have fallen a great deal this last week and it is beginning to look like early winter. But it is still not very cold and of course the buildings are always overheated. With my small windows it will be more of a problem to keep my rooms cool than to keep them warm.

I was in Boston last Saturday and tried again to get Mrs. Hayes on the phone, but I was

had when I took algebra in
Cassockie.

I shall go down to Babylon with
Jack tomorrow for an hour or
so. He is going down to meet a
teacher from Neclagan who will
lecture here on Sunday evening.
Tomorrow evening I shall have
to dress me up in Jack's fusteds
and tie me to the faculty dance.
I think it's a great waste of
time on the part of all of us
and a great waste of money on
the part of those giving it.

Hagg loaned me cups & saucers
a coffee pot, etc for us to have
coffee afterward.

My ballot has come but in
reading it over I find scarcely
a name I can attach to a
personality. I have made no
decision about voting for
president as yet, every day
makes it more difficult to
vote for either Hoover or Roosevelt.

There is one thing, however, I
shall vote on - that is the first
amendment which should be defeated.
There is plenty of power already

When Jack got his traps out last
week we found that we had
chewed a hole in the knee of the
trousers. He took them straight
over to be re-woven but hasn't
had them returned yet. I'm
rather hoping they won't return
for then I shall have an excuse
for not going though I shouldn't
care to broadcast the reason.

Last night the Hagg were
out for dinner so I took the
opportunity to invite three
of the young bachelors in for
dinner. Since I have no dishes
or other implements yet this

granted for developing the
state parks - this amendment
is calculated to let in all sorts
of objectionable concessions. Vote
against it, please.

And now to mail this and
to close again. I enclose some
new stamps - the Penn stamps
are very beautiful, I think.

Love to all,

Jeays.

P.S. My telephone number is Exeter
834-W.

P.S.
I have
advised Eva
to come home
for a rest & get
braced up again. Her
state now under the
treatment

M. B. VAN SCHACK
ELMSHADE
COXSACKIE, N. Y.

13 Nov. 1922

Tuesday evening

Dear George :-

I am enclosing
a letter received from Eva today
the contents are not very
pleasing. However I thought
you ought to know just how
condemned are my feelings.

It seems to us that the present
arrangement must cease, and
that she better go it alone.

It is just impossible for her
to get along in that way.

We are perfectly willing to give
her enough pure money to

buy all her meals. Now the
thing is how to make her
feel that she must change.
Maries is writing her tonight
and I feel that you have
more influence with her
than any one else. Now when
you write her you can use
your judgement whether or not
to mention our sending the
letter to you. We has read
between the lines that Ruth
is a very selfish person. Eva
wanted to entertain us for
Thanksgiving and Ruth informed
her that she was entertaining

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been here. Whether she has
written to Miss Doyl she doesn't
say. Things are improving about
the camp here. Melba and Jessie
are in Adirondack for a few
days and Bessie is staying
here. She is very good but
keeps us busy. Harold went
over to Boston with Dr. Van
and unless they have returned
today are not back yet. Dr.
is very sensible and went
over for observation. We have
plenty of rain nowadays. The
kitchen still leaks some but
we have plenty of water.

Washed to day. Margaretta will
come a jabi Saturday. What
a lot of ballyho there is over
the election. I suppose we will
all have to have pcytters to
mow the grass in the streets
if Roosevelt is elected. Have
only listened to a few of the talks
/ soon at Des Moines Rodawell
at Portland Oregon Norris at
Cleveland. Coolidge at New York
and last night to Baker
at Brooklyn and it was a fine
talk and no ballyho dur more
interested in Eva than I am in
politics This is all I guess
Love Mother

"OF" or "BY"

ANY return to legalized liquor would mean a return to control *by* liquor, not control *of* liquor.

Present conditions have not entirely solved the liquor problem, but the 18th amendment outlaws the legal liquor traffic and denies the illegal traffic all cooperation of state or United States.

Before prohibition local and national politics were controlled *by* the liquor traffic according to their own statements:—

"With regard to elections, Nov. 8, 1910 . . . there were 27 state campaigns in which we (U. S. Brewers' Assn.) were interested and we won substantial victories in all except one."

Memo. case U.S. vs. U.S. Brewers' Assn.

"During the last two sessions in Congress over 200 bills adverse to our interests have been introduced . . . only one passed and that went through with our assent."

U.S. Brewers' Assn. report, 1910

Before prohibition when the country was a checker board of wet and dry states, the LEGAL liquor traffic scorned dry state lines (and would again if given a

November 4, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

Your letter came this morning enclosing the one from Eva. It was a bit of a surprise for I had had no inkling that all was not so. However I am not inclined to worry over what she writes. As she says, she has been thru harder situations than this one. But it seems to appear that ~~her living with Ruth~~ is hardly the right person for her to live with. If Eva were less sensitive, more dominant & more insistent on her rights she would be able to get on, but she holds in and lets her resentment pile up until

would be glad to help out. I
rather doubt that she is on the
verge of a breakdown, but if she
is & one can make sense of it in some
way, then she should give up for
the rest of the year. However, I don't
suggest this possibility to her. Whatever
happens, don't worry, the difficulty
will dissolve in time.

I was somewhat surprised Tuesday
evening on coming home from
a Pinefar rehearsal to have Mrs
Hoff come up and say that Harold
and Dr. Sam Harsen had been in
to see me. They came back an hour
later & sat down with their coats on
despite my asking them to take them
off, so that I assumed they were
staying only a few minutes. They
later removed their coats but said

it is too much for her. It is certainly
best and probably necessary that she
terminate her arrangement with
Ruth. I shall write her and tell
her so & try to persuade her to
move as soon as possible. As far
her coming home I'm not sure that
that would do her a great deal of
good - it would put her so far behind
that with her conscientiousness she
would be handicapped for the rest
of the year. If ~~by~~ⁱⁿ planning to move
at Thanksgiving time she ~~would feel~~^{felt}
that she could stay on where she
is until then, I think it would be
best for you to go down there & get
her settled in a new place. I would
love you plan to be there at least
four days & see to it that she get
a good rest and change. I know it
would be a bit expensive but I

nothing about staying all night
until nearly half past eleven. The
Kays had long since gone to bed so
that I couldn't get the use of their
guest room - consequently couldn't
put them up for the night. I should
have been glad to have Harold stay
but since they had to leave so
early the next morning they decided
to go together to the hotel.

Morris did not come last week
as he had planned. He telegraphed
that he had been "failed" and wrote
that he had to stay in Boston to
try to see T. S. Eliot, the poet, who
is lecturing at Harvard this year.
Morris has resigned from the paper
he has been working for and is
now writing special articles for
the Boston Globe. He may come
up a week from now.

I found the party last Saturday
a frightful bore. Jack & I didn't get
home from Boston until after
nine so that I didn't reach the
dance until after ten which
shortened my time there, much to
my liking. Tonight Dr Perry is
having a reception for the faculty.
Jack is not going so I shall dress
up again in his suit & tie my-
self once to the principal's house
for another two hours of sitting
in a boiled shirt. He is to have a
monologist to entertain us.

Tomorrow I shall go down to
Boston. I shall go with a student
who is driving his father's car back to
Boston, and who, according to school
regulations must have an older person
along. I shall come back with Jack.

the names for the second marking period came directly afterwards.

I mailed my ballots on Wednesday, voting for Thomas. I voted for only two or three others for rest of the names meant nothing to me. I feel it is going to be a close election, something like 1916. I shall be glad when this week is past and the historical & musical addresses are ended. By the way get hold of Al Smith's *Thru Outlook for November* & read the article on Technocracy.

And now to mail this. Then to head down stairs with the Richards and back to get ready an exam in solid geometry.

Love to all,

George.

The students have their one dance this term tomorrow night. For those of my students who aren't going to it I shall have some refreshments about ten o'clock. I was invited to go myself but see no reason why I should. Sunday afternoon just before supper the first scientific movies for which I have been arranging will be shown. The films have just arrived by express. One film shows the development of power, heat, steam & electric, and the other the life processes of an amoeba. Jack & I shall have a private showing sometime before the regular performance.

I have given five exams this week and so that my time over Sunday will be taken up with correcting them. And next week-end will be

[Nov 8, 1932]

Tuesday night -

Dear George -

Your letter and check
quieted me this noon when
I arrived at school. I needed
the check to help my conscience
bear the burden of having
just purchased a ticket to
hear Fritz Kuebler next
Monday night. I understood
the man to say the cheapest tickets
were \$2.75. However, Peggy says

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that can hardly be said that I must
have meant those were the
cheapest ones left. I have one
in the middle of the front row
balcony and you may think of
me realizing the dream of years
there Monday night. I've always
wanted to hear Fritz Kreisler and,
though I am too ignorant to be
a critic either pro or con, I shall
enjoy myself, I am certain. I
feel extraordinarily extravagant to
spend that much money in these
hard times for my own pleasure.
Now that I am conferring sins
of this sort, I'd like you that

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I am taking Peggy to with Pat and the Fiddle
to narrow night. Ruth, her brother and
sister-in-law and two girls whom Peggy
and I ^{as well as Ruth} know very well were going and
asked us to go along. Poor Peg is down and
out financially, and I persuaded her to let
me pay for her ticket, for, of course, she
couldn't go otherwise. She has been a
particular blessing to me lately and I felt
I'd like to do something for her. Perhaps
I should have wanted to see something
more worth-while, but I was taken with
the idea of going in a group and feel the
need of being gay alto-gether - Ruth is having
her brother and her wife here for dinner
to-narrow night and, as Peggy says, we
may as well go as we'll be left with all
the mess to clear up.

After this long prologue I'd thank you
for the check which I shall try to use
wisely. I shall always be as extravagant as
I've been this week, I hope. Had I told you
I bought an ironing board for \$29 and

Source of last month's check?
You'll laugh, for you know our
^{paper} governing board is one of my
pet pieces. We are sending
our laundry out and have only
the blouses etc to run for the
flat pieces come back all ready to
use.

Your good advice may seem
not to have had time when I
told you that I don't think changing
my lining arrangements would be
a change for the better. In fact,
I am sure it would be a decidedly
unwise move. I am far more

Comfortably ⁵ situated than I
was last year and as I look
back on living alone I wonder
how I did it. Of course, were I
to do it again I'd try to eat with
someone. However, I am
quite content with this arrangement
and feel sure that it is not the
cause of my nervousness. Ruth
is not, of course, an ideal apartment
mate in some ways but she is a
bracing sort of person ^{with} whom to
live, and Peggy makes up for
whatever Ruth lacks in doing the
work. I have decided to ~~stop~~

Coming home ^{regularly} at noon. I believe that this
hurry does ^{more} harm than the walk does
me good. I shall come home once ~~or twice~~
week to break the monotony of fasting lunch.
On the other days I'll take a lunch and
then work about the garden on fine days and
in the green house in stormy weather.

I don't know what Mokes & Fisher
plan to do about Thanks giving, for I
haven't heard from them since I wrote
that I didn't think meaning would be a
wise action. If they come, I hope they will
decide not to try to make me change my
mind for that would do no good and
might make it unpleasant if Ruth
thought they thought coming with her was
not good for me. She will be entertaining
"Glossy" and probably won't know we exist.

How about the blankets - I'd be very
glad to have them as soon as you can
send them. We've had only one night when
I feel the need of more than we have now,
but more such nights can't be far off. I

Have asked Elizabeth Skalicki to
feel free to come here to spend
the night, whenever she must
be in town late. She never never
came but I'd like to be prepared
with extra blankets for the living
room couch.

I think I didn't write you
about my courses. I am taking a
3 hr lecture course in the
Fundamentals of Genetics. The
professor, Dr. Jennings, is a
world known authority and is
head of the Biology, or better
Zoology Department here. He

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is a fascinating lecturer and I thoroughly believe could make a cat set up and lecture to a tale about chromosomes.

I am taking Dr. Johnson's Botany 3. - which is a two year course and which will therefore run over into at least part of next year, for he started 1st last February. That consists of 3 lectures and theoretically 3 hours per week lab, but in reality much more time than that is required to do the course in even a few functioning members. I started to do Plant Physiology

laboratory work but may not continue
that. It must be done sometimes. I'd
as soon do it now as later if I had
time, for Ruth is the instructor and I
think she is a good one. At any rate she
is anxious to get things out of the stock
room and give advice, which is more
than has been said of her predecessor.

I am feeling much better, though
I am not doing full time work. I
believe I'm getting along the best I can
without joking to Dr. Johnson, for
he may say much and remember little
of what he says, whereas, if he thinks I
am incapable of doing his work now
he will never again think I am capable.
Such a perverse memory as he has!

I must stop and put this in the box.
I hardly think you'll get it to - narrow but
there is a possibility of that, I suppose.
Please forgive all the mistakes for I haven't
time to look it over. I love you much and
shall be care free. I'll send word again soon. Ever

Monday night -

[10 Nov. 1932]

Dear brother -

Please write a note immediately and tell me what candidates from President down are dry. No joking, I don't know anything about the state candidates and please like to vote for the drier of ~~not~~ the dry. I shall have to send my ballot not later than Thursday morning and had better send it Wednesday night. I suppose one ought not to vote unless one is informed but however that may be I shall trust you to choose for me. I almost hesitate to vote against Phil Goodwin for executive ballots are apt to be broadcast. Perhaps I shall not vote for that office at all.

This will be a lovely night about town, I suppose. Ruth and Peggy have

same to a party, to which I ^{also} was invited.
I haven't felt at all well for over two
weeks and didn't think it the better
part of wisdom to get all tired out going to
a party as lovely as this one promised to be.
It is to be given at a cottage 17 miles from
here and that in itself isn't desirable,
for no matter how tired I was I'd have to
wait until the crowd came home.

I am sure I don't know what ails me.
I have every reason to be happy and am
happy. This way of living is so far superior
to the way I lived last year that I begin to
wonder how I enjoyed life then. I had two
bad spells week before last for which I cannot
account. We don't stay up late and don't get
up until 7 o'clock. For the past two weeks I've
gone to school only half a day most of the
time but, of course, I can't keep that up, or
Dr. Johnson will demand an explanation.
I have no difficulty in sleeping. Indeed, I sleep
well at night and am all tired out by

I have a good appetite and try to eat things I know will be good for me. Goodness knows, I am not reducing. I have gained back all I so laboriously lost. I really am stumped, as you would say, for there seems to be no earthly reason for my being nervous. I start to cry and don't even know why. I can look back at many periods in my existence when I had far more reason to be upset, and Goodness knows, I've lived through lost year quite happily, when things were much harder than now. I've written to Dr. Currier to ask him to give me a tonic or something to steady me. I have the utmost confidence in him and, if I don't get along, better, perhaps he can recommend me to a doctor at the clinic here. I certainly hope I am not breaking down. I see no reason for it. I felt very well in Holland, just as I did at home, and left there with happy memories and ^{some} new clothes, all of which ought not to make me nervous. I did enjoy very much Laura but I wouldn't have stayed in preference to coming here, ~~so~~ I am

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Some I haven't even a sub-conscious longing
to be anywhere but here. I am thankful to
have even this sort of a job when so many
people with far more education than I are
without any sort of work.

~~What~~, I don't want you to worry, I
told you this because I promised not to
make you think I was getting along well, when
I wasn't.

Yesterday morning Peggy and I went
to church and came home to find the
roast chicken burned to almost a cinder.
I had stepped it and put it in the oven
to bake before I lay + and told Paul to
put out the fire if she were out, and to
baste the chicken if she stayed in. Gloomy
was here and apparently love was more
engrossing than cooking. We just wanted to
have chicken for Gloomy, for Paul would
we must have it for him, and, after all,
we can't be vegetarians every Sunday. It
was a lovely chicken and, although the whole
affair was very funny, I wouldn't help
indulging in a little secret exasperation.

Ruth is a good cook and I know having
one's bean here must be exciting, so I couldn't
pay anything, had I dared. I might do the
same thing.

Yesterday afternoon I called at the
Skalds' and had a very enjoyable visit.
On the way home I stopped in to see Miss Potts
and Miss O'Connors for I do love to see them
and it is hard to see them except on Sunday.
I saw Miss Goddard at church and promised
to go call on her this week.

I ~~got~~ ^{received} the \$1.19 from Jane Bryant without
any difficulty. The letter had been sent unforwarded.
Apparently I stuck it in an envelope intending to
look up the number, ^{or file} and either I or some one else
traced the letter. The woman said she was glad I
stopped in to get the refund. She had no record
of the second letter.

Now, about your proposed or postponed
Thanks from my visit. I should love to have
you and I don't want you not to feel
welcome. If I could wanted to come here
and Jack's might get a room outside and

on the junks. Peggy could sleep on my cot
and Ruth on the couch in the living room.
Of course, I confess, it would be as pleasant
for as convenient with Ruth entertaining
her beau and I you at the same time, as
it would I had planned. With the
bathroom at one end of the house and the
bedroom at the other, it is hard to manage.
When some one is entertaining in the living room.
However, I am sure we'd have a good time
and could forget the inconveniences. Ruth is
thoughtless and selfish and she might
make us all feel ill at ease, but very likely
she will be so absorbed in gloomy that she
won't care what we do. Peggy and I stayed
away from home Saturday afternoon
and nearly all day yesterday while she
entertained gloomy, hence she ought to
be willing to "sit on the doorstep" for me.
She is a very attractive person and I like
her immensely, despite her faults.

If you really feel you'd rather not
come this time I shall not be offended and
it may be that a more opportune time will
come. However, if you can plan to come

and feel you ought to take the opportunity now, come. I am a little worried about your sleeping on the porch bed. It is the most comfortable bed we have but isn't very comfortable. However, it isn't any worse than you might get anywhere. It has a regular bed mattress, which is old but more comfortable, I should think, than the ordinary cot mattress.

I mustn't write more now. I shall not take time to read this over for I want to get it in the mail so you'll have it to-morrow. Please love to each one and all sorts of assurances not to worry.

Eva.

Did you get the candy which I sent a week or ten days ago? If Bessie is still with you give her very special hugs and kisses from Aunt Eva. I really meant to send the child something for Halloween but I let time slip by until it was too late.

November 10, 1932.

Dear Mother and Father,

I doubt very much that you will get this tomorrow for the postoffice is closed because of Armistice Day. But unless I write now I shall probably have no time again until Sunday. This is the big week-end - the annual football game with Audover. The game is to be at Audover this year, at half-past one tomorrow. The boys

where I ate this summer & had
same lunch. After that I went
on to see Miss Hayes for a
while. Apparently I have been
unable to call her on the phone
because she is getting deaf - she
says she often misses hearing
it. She is quite well except for
her quaternial stomach trouble
over the election. Her last words
were words of assurance that
Hoover would be elected - I shall
see her on the phone tomorrow
to see how she has survived.

I wrote Eva on Sunday telling
her that I had her letter to you
and suggesting in an uncertain

will go down on a special train
at twelve o'clock. In order not
to miss any classes all classes
will be shortened to forty-five
minutes. I shall go down with Jack,
going by way of Boston to pick up
a friend of his there. We shall leave
here at 9:30 and leave lunch in
Boston. In the evening there will
be an especially fine music, to
which, for the first time this
year, the faculty will be admitted.

I was taken direct to Cambridge
last Saturday & dropped at the
Sears Roebuck store where I did
a little shopping. Then I went
down the avenue to Crest Court

ferme that I thought it would
be better for her to move. I had
a reply from her yesterday. She
wrote a very cheerful letter but
said she was not disposed to
take my advice. She said she
was even as much more comfortable
this year than last and that
Peggy made up for whatever
Rich lacked. So I shall say no
more about it and it is probably
best that you don't. However,
I still think it would be a good
plan for you to go down there Thank-
sgiving time and see just how
she is and see to it that she

gets some sleep and change. From
her letter I should say there
is no cause for undue worry on the
part of any of us. I am sure
Peggy will keep track of her & take
care of her.

This will be another busy week-
end in addition to the game for
it is the end of the second marking
period. I shall have five sets of
exams to correct again.

We have had another drenching
rain - I have never seen such hard
rains as we have had this fall. The
grounds about the building are
as the builders left them and

when it rains it is inevitable
that the stairs & hallway get dirt
in them.

Now I must away again. First
to collect the films for Sunday
science movies from the express
office & then to class. Jack's
daughter & a friend of hers are
going to the station with me in
the hope of seeing a train - I
never saw a girl so interested
in trains.

Love to all,

George.

Catsackie N.Y.

Nov. 11/82

Dear George -

I wonder if you have had a reply from Eva. She says she is much better & does not intend either to come home or change her mode of living. Perhaps we will go down for Thanksgiving - you has not decided definitely but says, "I suppose we can." It would be o.k. if Ruth would only go home but she insists on staying there to entertain her leave. If she does not change her mind we would have to room somewhere else which would not only be more expensive & inconvenient but not so much satisfactory to either Eva or us. I am sure

I feel as if we ought to go & look
over the situation anyway & per-
haps we could go better at this
time than later especially if W.
gets busy at some work. He
has not been here much lately.
He came back from Uto. Mon-
day - was away 10 days - He was
here $\frac{1}{2}$ da Md. & is here to-day. We
have had a real flood again
Wednesday night - the people
voted "Net" & they have it but it
is very mixed to what they'll get
later, I suppose.

Milbur seems determined to go ^{into}
some sort of business for himself - his
continualy harping on this has been

source of annoyance & worry to us
both. He says he will not look for
or take a job but wants to work for
himself. Last night Harold
held his first Court in Haas' garage.
He had C. Sharpe stone robes on a
number of W's deblons but they will get
hardly enough out of ball to pay expenses.
But it has been good practice for him.
The sun has just come out but the
hills are very dark & foggy still.

We went to Catchell yesterday ^{mainly}
for my quarterly visit to Dr. Bennett.
We came home on the new road
& widths are completed most of the
way & it does seem like a shorter &
more direct way.

Went to Albans Monday afternoon. ^{Pa}
Had some business downtown with

No. 8 Spencer Franks & then went to
Selman where he staid to supper.
I spent all the time with Auntie.
She was in better shape than I ex-
pected to find her after having
8 teeth pulled - She was tog again
next day - I more to come out,
Kearold rode home with us & went
back Wed. a. m. on bus. He stopped
here a little while last night after
his business up street. He seems
surprised that the people won't pay
their just debts.

Pa has mailed Jan insurance policy
Yes. Goodwin won out - tho' he is for repeal
he in some way, got his name on the Law
Preservation party, so got votes of 2 parties.
However he will be lost in the Dem. Congress.
Must get drinner now. We have venison - W.
did not shoot the deer, but brought it home
for Ernest Smith who did, shoot it.
Love - Mother.

Catsack Kill
Nov. 17/13

Dear George -

I ought to go to bed but as I am going to Albany in the morning, I want to have this ready to mail to you. I am going either by bus or train whichever I can get and may do a little shopping, & call at Ho's office before going up to Auntie's. Pa is going up to a Grange Insurance meeting in the evening - they have supper just as at Y.W.C.A. - so I will come back with him at night. I can hardly spare the time to go but Auntie almost begs me to go see her, so I try to when I can possibly make it convenient.

Harold came down Saturday evening as usual - he attended the Hamilton-Union Game at Schenectady in the afternoon.

We went to Orange Monday night &
Tuesday evening & I went to a Union
Rally at 2nd Church - Marguerite
came down to stay all night as yester-
day was wash day. Last evening we
attended a supper in chapel. I
have your clothes all ready to wash
in the morning - I had to stuff the
empty space with newspapers.
Why don't you send pajamas? 2
The enclosed cards are all Dr. Radford's
Era since Nov. 7th - no reply since
I wrote we planned to go down next
week. I hope she has not been having
trouble again. Unless she writes
for us not to go down, we will go
probably Tues. afternoon if I hear
from Grace so as to get there Wed.
before dark, if possible. Mr. & J. are
coming here to stay. I am not
getting much pleasure in anticipation
as I wonder first what conditions we'll find.

However, I will probably not write
again before coming unless we decide
that too. So you can send a card or
letter in care of Eva.

Milton has been here 2 1/2 days this
week and I say he does not think
he will need him any more at
present. Today he started working
on our telephone line - a job that will
take several days, trimming trees,
straightening poles & setting some new
ones. - After that I don't know
what he will do.

Ten o'clock is striking & we must
get up early so I better close. - Francis
& wife are here till Sunday - saw them
last night - they want you to go see them ^{in Leg...}
William & Delp returned Tues. Sadler & Wiser they
got as far as N. Carolina.

Lovingly, Mother.



RED CROSS
ROLL CALL
-JOIN-



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. August B. Van Sledright
Cassockie
New York

Friday P. M.

There isn't much
news except that we
have had one dry day
since election. I hope
our centers are free for
I hate to think of all
the water going to waste.

Dam going to the dentist
in the morning. He is
guaranteeing my teeth can't
stop rotting. It is only
6 weeks since I went.

Much love and
a better later.

Erna

November 18, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

It occurred on me today that Thanksgiving comes this next week rather than the following week - the fact seems to be slipping away very fast. I suppose a week from today you will be in Baltimore - I hope so. We shall have only one day of vacation which I suppose I shall spend right here. About half of the boys go away but of course the dining room stays open.

morning feeling very uncomfortable.
I had only coffee for breakfast
& then went over to the infirmary
for some medicine. I met my
first two classes but after
that had to give up & came home
& bed for the rest of the day.
I felt fine the next morning
but developed a head cold that
afternoon which lasted only a
day. The cold seemed to be an
invariable sequense of the stomach
trouble. There are two doctors always
available whose services are entirely
free - in fact one is expected to
use them to the utmost to keep
feeling up to scratch.

They will serve us a regular New
England Thanksgiving dinner with all
the trimmings.

There has been an epidemic of
intestinal flu (or what appears to
be that) here in the school & now in
the town this week. At least half
of the students & faculty have
been sick with it. People began
getting sick Sunday afternoon and
since all the first ones have
their meals here in Merrill Hall
it was at first supposed that
there had been something wrong
with Sunday's dinner. But when
it spread over the whole town
they decided otherwise. I escaped
until Tuesday, but woke up that

Mr. Hagg & I rushed down to Boston
last Saturday morning having
just enough time there for him
to meet an appointment & to
get a bite of lunch before
rushing back to Andover for the
football game - even so that we
were a few minutes late. It
had poured the day before
and also had rained a little
Saturday morning so that the
field was very wet & was
soon transformed into a mud
puddle. But it wasn't very cold
& the sun shone brightly all
afternoon. We had the satisfaction
of winning 6-0. That evening

There was the usual celebration
after a victory over Anderson out
on the athletic field - a big bon-
fire with the new bag in
pyjamas which the old bag
tried to keep off of them. It
lasted about an hour being
facilitated by the welly men.

I hope you won't take Milburn's
entreaties to start out in busi-
ness again too seriously - at least
to the point of underwriting him.
I'm sure his doomed to failure
and could hardly hope to come out
of a second ~~venture~~ venture as well as he
did out of the first. Besides
there are too many businesses in

out. They have been up for
some time & look very well
indeed. They seemed to be quite
a bit shaker than what I
had expected but that was all
to the good for they stay clean
longer if they don't touch
the window sill.

9.

America now without adding to
them - there just isn't room
for any more until better times
come.

Now I do hope you have made
your plans to go to Baltimore
this coming week & that nothing
will prevent you. Plan to go
early & stay late & have a
bumper good time - but be careful
on the road.

Best wishes for a happy vacation
& love to all.

George.

P.S. I believe I have never written
you how the cabinet turned

Cascadia U.S.
Dec. 1/32

Dear George-

I was just thinking about going to bed when I remembered I had to write to you. I know you are anxious to hear about Eva but really there is not much more to tell you than you already know. She seemed to feel very good all the time we were with her and was not nervous on any occasion. They have a nice apartment only I wish Eva had one spot she could be private in if she wanted to. Peggy is a dear, homely, as can be, but we liked her so much. She is a safety valve of life even to Eva and we realized that she is really the one that keeps the ball rolling. Ruth is a very attractive girl and nice pleasant but a little high brow - evidently has always had her own way & insists on it now as a rule. She is of herself,

ed aspirating at times but we really
don't think she means to be and neither
does Eva - She has always that of No. 1
first and doesn't seem to realize
that occasionally others ought to be
considered. Now Peggy does not mind
this at all - it rolls off of her like water
off a duck, while Eva boils inwardly.
Yet Eva will not admit this is the
cause of her trouble - She cannot
be persuaded to make a change now.
Miss Boyd wants to see the Specialist
in Grand Rapids & he sent a prescrip-
tion for a tonic, which I forget to take
morally, tho' I think she'll do better & we
urged her to try it. He said if she does
not improve she ought to see him
at Christmas time. But she is so far
behind with all her work she is con-
sidering remaining down there at
least part of the time to try to catch
up some. She wants to know if you
intend to be here all the vacation or

If you are going away part of it - She
wants you to be here when she is on
nice visa.

We left home about 2 Tuesday &
reached Leania at 6 - Left next
day at 8.30 crossing N. J. to Trenton
and driving around Phil. stopping
for most an hour in Valley Forge. It
was dark before we reached Bathuzone
so it was not very pleasant trying to
locate St. Paul St. with the lights &
traffic but we got there about 6 &
dinner was all ready. The 3 girls
had all helped & it was very good -
Sweet potatoes & ham, celery, jelly rolls
etc. Iva made pumpkin pie for the
next day but Ruth insisted on having
it that night. We had a lovely large
room with twin beds - it was very similar
to the one we had in Beverly - front
room, second floor in same house.
But it was noisy on account of bottles

cars - we got used to them by time we left. Thursday we went to Annapolis taking a lunch which we ate on the banks of the Potomac on the Academy grounds. We had the Chicken at night - we took it up from here & Eva stuffed & roasted it in all. Friday was like a beautiful Spring day. We started early (8) driving thro Washington + you + on to Mt. Vernon 18 mi further. This is a place well worth visiting. You must go there sometime. Washington certainly knew nothing of depreciation on that big establishment. It was
We had our lunch and ate it in the car before starting back. It was about 2 when we drove into Arlington Cemetery - saw the tomb of the Unknown Soldier & the outdoor amphitheater where the services are held. Then to Lincoln Memorial - a beautiful tribute to Lincoln. We went to the top of

the Washington Monument in elevation
it is bigger & higher than Benken Hill
& one gets a view of the whole city.
Then drove the White House and
over to the new Cathedral where Wilson
& Devoy are buried. This has been in
building 25 yrs. & is not yet half com-
pleted. As we were guided thro' we
could not come out alone, so it was
dark when we started off again. It
is a very hard city to drive in as there
are so many points where 4 or 5
streets cross & at night the signs are
not readable, so we had some time
to reach the Capitol - We had passed
it in the morning but it is more beau-
tiful at night with the flood light on it.
After getting some supper near by we
started back - I was very tired & lay
in back seat all the way. Saturday
we went to Lane Bryant's where I bought
the only dress they had that fitted me -

It is a black silk - not just what I
wanted, but I simply had to have
one now. I forgot to say we stopped
at the Lab. on Thurs - saw the Botani-
cal gardens & the Jamaica Specimens.
Sat. afternoon we drove around Batt.
Thurs & went to market with E. who is
the main housekeeper. Went to hear
the noted Dr. Kirk in Pres. Church on
Sunday & left after dinner. We saw
little of Ruth as she was out taking
her friend from U. of P. in Phil. We
met Dick and think him a fine fellow -
that is Pej's friend.

Will tell you the rest when I see you.
Had a novel experience at Auntie's. She
& her broster are a quaint & odd couple.
Pa got quite a kick out of visiting them
& they were tickled to death to have us there
but it is no place to stay long. Weather
has been very good here - also where we were
& we saw plenty of ice skating on our ride
home. Delaware was full of floating ice.
Now I must get to bed. Hope all is o.k.
Have a planned for Chris mas yet - will let you know
I must say this

December 1, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

Your two cards were received and I was glad to hear you had a fine trip and had extended it to include a full week. I shall be interested to hear of all you did & saw and particularly want to hear how you found Eva.

Mavis came on the train Sunday morning and stayed until Tuesday evening. Mukerji, the Hindu, was here over the week-end seeing to the

disciple of Ghandi and to have him explain the feelings of India & its religion which seems to mean as much to him as it ever did despite the fact he can look at it against the background of all civilization.

On Monday afternoon I took Morris for a ride along the beach. When he found we were at Rye Beach he wanted to look up a family he knew there. We found them and they invited him to come & spend Tuesday night with them. We played bridge Monday evening, and on Tuesday I took him over to Rye Beach where I stayed to dinner & then left him. He has no job and no money but

progress his boy is making in the school. Since I have the boy in class, I had met his father on Saturday. On Sunday morning Morris & I were out walking when we met Muberji out with the head of the English department. The latter having an engagement he turned Muberji over to us for an hour. I have before now stood in line to get a seat to hear him speak so I felt it quite an opportunity to have him alone for an hour. He seemed to feel that we might be interested in hearing him talk about India & its religion and accordingly proceeded to do so. It was most interesting to talk directly with a

seems to be quite cheerful with it all.

Tomorrow afternoon I take the
boat to Boston where, with Mr.
Rogers, we shall attend the winter
meeting of the New England Association
of Secondary Schools & Colleges.
There will be a meeting in the afternoon
and a dinner in the evening. On
Saturday I shall go down again
with Mr. Hoyt to attend the winter
meeting of the Mathematics Teachers'
Association.

I am giving tests this week-end
and from now until the fourteenth
shall be involved in a continual
round of getting papers corrected
& term marks calculated. When I
shall get my shopping done I

don't know. So far I have succeeded
only in buying my seeds.

We had some very cold weather
last week-end which froze a good
deal of the river making ice two and
three inches thick, but today it is
very warm again and everyone is
going about as in summer. New
England certainly has a curious
climate.

I hope you were not too tired from
your trip and that you didn't find too
much to do when you returned. Love
to all,

George.

[Dec 5, 1932]
Monday Evening

Dear George -

For over a week I have planned each day to send you a long very letter and now I am sitting down with merely a "thank you" note in mind. That is because I feel I ought to work on my journal club report and not because I don't want to write you "a young book".

I do thank you for the money and I shall try to spend it wisely. I ordered a ^{scientific} German dictionary to-day after trying ^{in vain} to borrow one Saturday. I want to translate at least one German paper before I give my report. I've intended all along to buy a dictionary of that sort but kept putting it off when I had no immediate need for it. Your money will pay the bill.

Maybe they have written you that I may not be home at Christmas

time. All things considered I ought to stay here and accomplish whatever I can in the way of back work, some of which extends as far back as last spring. I realize that in two weeks I couldn't begin to get caught up, but I could make some much needed progress under conditions more conducive to work than I find now. I am so nervous I find it hard to work in a room with several other people. At Christmas time several of our department will be away, I imagine. You know, of course, that I dislike not to go home and every night I think I shall have to change my mind, when I think of not seeing you and all the others. I realize that you may be at home next summer and that our spring vacations may not come at the same time. Mine runs Mar. 26 - Apr. 2. The possibility of not seeing you for more than a glimpse in a long, long time is almost too much for my sensible resolution to work during vacation.

Ruth will have Glossary here from

December 21st-24th and after that she
 will be with him at his home in Watlington,
 Conn. Peggy may go home, though she
 hasn't decided. She wants Duke to drive
 us down for a day or so but I don't favor
 the plan. It would be a hard trip for
 so short a stay and I think that, if Peggy
 were ^{to be at} home only a day or so, her people would
 try to persuade her to stay. That would
 put me in an awkward position. If just
 Peggy and Duke went, they could stay near
 early. Of course, I'd love to see Peggy's
 home and people and I'd like to please
 her for she has been very dear and patient
 with me all year. However, I shall not
 encourage such a plan. To go home for
 two days would be an extravagance and
 an exasperation as well, I fear, for I would
 be almost impossible to come back and
 settle down to work. I am quite of the
 opinion that I ought to stay right here
 in Ballinvar and work when I am
 able and rest the remainder of the time.
 Certainly P. S. J. would feel more kindly
 toward me, if he saw I was really trying.

I am in the first stages of a cold. I've done everything I can think of to ward it off but I fear it is beyond that. It started with a bad sore throat and has gone to my head. I spent all of Saturday afternoon in the dentist's chair and, when I had a sore throat that night, I thought it was merely irritation from my teeth. I must go next Saturday from 10-1 and then I hope some more will suffice.

Saturday night we gave a bridge party. At least Pegg and Ruth gave the party and I helped. There were three tables of bridge, one prize (a plant "acquired" from the greenhouse) and wine (us!!) and gingerbread with whipped cream and coffee for refreshments. I put the gingerbread in the oven at 10 o'clock, hence it was served piping hot and was very good. Since I was out all afternoon I escaped the ordeal of cleaning the apartment.

Pegg and Ruth have gone to a "normalizing" class organized by a friend of mine.

On the flea of a cold. I can't afford to spend one night & a week that way so I'll have to endure being too fat in spots.

I had a very happy visit with Mother and Father. When you see them they will tell you all about it. I am very glad I had ^{enjoyed} the room downstairs, for the beds were excellent and that was a blessing to Mother in particular.

We didn't go shopping except to get Mother a dress at Lane (Byrants). I hope you will like it as well as I do. We didn't try to go in the busy downtown section on Saturday for there are always mobs of people and shopping is a nightmare.

I must write you Christmas plans soon. Will you be at home to shop or will you do all of yours in Boston? I must write to Jessie not to think of giving us anything at all. She needs all she has for necessities, though I suppose she will feel obliged to give to her own relatives.

Have you heard about Bessie not getting along ^{well} at school? I felt quite ^{upset} when Mother told me for I fear

The Jan child will get an unpleasant
complex. I think she is merely shy. I am
sure that, if I hadn't had you to spur me
on and fight my battles, that I'd have
appeared stupid the first few weeks. I don't
know whether it would be wiser for her
to stay in school or go home to a life of
being nagged all day. Marie Jones told
mother that Berrie doesn't say anything and
doesn't seem to know what it is all about.
Surely she is not stupid.

I must not write another word
except to punch love to the dearest boy
brother in all the world. I'll write
a jam soon.
Eva.

My report is December 15. I am
remembering the work done on Water
Conduction in some submerged Plants. I
don't know how I'd have nerve enough
to stand up there and talk when I burst
out crying over nothing but there is no
alternative. I can't ask you to be excused
hereafter. Giving myself a black eye for ^{the future}

December 15, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

I was sorry to hear by your
letter on Friday that Harold has
been ill. How often it seems
that the good of your vacations
is defeated by extra work when
you get home. I hope you won't
plan to do too much ~~preparing~~
for Christmas but will take this
little time before then for some
rest.

I have had a letter from Eva in

writes her along this line & then she
will do as she wishes, I hope. If she
doesn't come home, however, I
think I shall plan to go & spend
New Year with her going down on
Friday & coming back to New York
on Monday, from where I shall
go to Danbury for Tuesday, &
then back to Exeter on Wednesday.
I hate not to see her at all and
I should like to see what I can
find out about her health & progress.

I was surprised ^{Wednesday} ~~Thursday~~ morning
to have a telegram from Danes saying
he would reach Exeter that evening.
But later he sent another ^{part saying}
his arrival until ^{Thursday} ~~Friday~~ afternoon.

which she said that Peg had
asked her name for Christmas.
It is very difficult to know what
she should do with her vacation. She
says she thinks she ought to stay in
Baltimore & work & perhaps she is
right. At least if she feels that way
her coming home would only do
her ill for she would feel all the
time that she ought not to have
come. If Peg were to stay with her
or if she should go to Peg's for
Christmas her holiday wouldn't be
desolate and although she wouldn't
get all of her work done she would
probably get enough done to make
her feel more confident. So I shall

Cambridge I spent the morning visiting
about Cambridge, seeing people I hadn't
seen since the summer, Sam in particular.
Then I went over to Boston & took
Raymond Tenney out to lunch. We had a
good talk, settling the problems of the
world. Then I should have done some
shopping, but after seeing the crowds
in the store I hadn't the courage to
go in. If possible I think I shall
try to go down this Wednesday.

I hope you have told Jessie that
she must not think of giving us any-
thing for Christmas. She has all she
can do with what money she has without
that.

I'm sorry you had that unpleasant
experience in Philadelphia. If the
man is insured you must certainly

should get a settlement, and I should think that in any case he would be liable since he was drunk. Better get an lawyer after him.

The calendar tells me, mother, that Tuesday is your birthday. I send you my love & best wishes for a happy day and wish you many more to come. I am breaking tradition this year and not sending you a stationary. Instead I have instead a small book which I hope you will spread for something you want.

Now I must write something to Eva and then to bed, for tomorrow will be a heavy day with marking of papers & making of grades.

Love to all,

George.
P.S. Do not return laundry.

Codsarville
Dec. 14/32

Dear George -

Your letter received yesterday - glad to get it and thank you for check which I will use when I decide what I want. Harold is better and went back to Albany yesterday morning. Pa and I went up after dinner, did a little shopping and then to Aunties to supper. It snowed here Sunday but not enough to bother traffic. We came home slowly last night as it snowed just enough to bother driving - today is clear & bright. As we did not get to the stores till after 3 & left before 5 I did not accomplish much. My feet gave out & I walked with difficulty to him so was glad to get

If you have an opportunity to
look at Calendars you might
buy me a couple - one for Pa
and one with "Sunshine & Cheer"
for Emma S. Eva said she
wanted a book, so if you know
what she'd like & have the
time to get it, I'll be glad, for
I don't seem to have much
chance to shop around.

After dinner - Pa is ready to go and I
do not think of anything else of
importance now. I think it will
be quite alright for you to go to see
Eva if she does not come home.
She has not given a definite settle-
ment yet & probably has not really
decided. - Love,
Mother.

December 16, 1932.

Dear Mother & Father,

Just a few lines & this busy day to let you know my plans. This is the last full day of term and will close this morning and a long family meeting this afternoon I shall be glad when it is past. We must decide at the meeting this afternoon on the fates of serious boys - whether they shall be allowed to return or not. After that grades will be

will be two short classes tomorrow
morning followed by chapel at 9:30.
The special train for Boston will leave
at 10:15 and after that silence.
Practically everyone goes away - only
six boys stayed last Christmas &
they were all put in the same
dormitory.

I haven't decided yet whether I
shall go to Boston tomorrow or
not - I have a few bits of slapping
I could do outside of the district
area. I shall go on Monday however
& leave the crowd. On Tuesday I
shall drive Mrs. Hagg down while
Jack takes Margaret on the train -
a special treat. I shall stay Tuesday

given out & I shall have a busy time
with my boys finding out why
they haven't done better - though as
a matter of fact most of them have
come through better than last month.
This evening there will be movies
for those who have to stay until
tomorrow for early classes, and
after the movies card singing in
the quadrangles - Unless it cools
up it will be a chilly sing - the
thermometer was down to zero this
morning. And after that I suppose
I shall have to serve them something
to eat & drink at the final picture
of the term - I haven't just decided
yet whether I shall or not. There

night somewhere in Cambridge - probably
at Miss Hayles and shall leave for
Albany on the 9:25 train. That will
get me there in time for the evening
train to Coxsackie, - the train reaching
Coxsackie at 9:56 if all goes well -
otherwise on the 6:36 - according to
the time-table I have at hand.

I have had no word from Eva since
I wrote her so I have no more plans.

I think of nothing more which must
be said just now & since I must wait
this night off I'll close. Love to all,

George.



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NEW YORK

January 3, 1933.

Dear Mother + Father

Just a word while Doreal finishes
dressing to let you know that all is
well. I left Eva yesterday afternoon
just in time to get here for dinner in-
stead of leaving in the morning.
She is getting along fine now and
will be alright by Thursday. Her
fever was gone when I arrived and she
had only to rest and clear up some
inflammation in her throat. She was
up part of the time but got a good
deal of rest. She had not been out
yet - in fact had not yet been dressed.
I had the doctor come again on
Sunday to see if he could stop her

coughing. He said she shouldnt
cough for she had nothing to raise.
~~He~~ He gave her some medicine for
her cough and when I left she had
practically stopped coughing.

Ruth came on Saturday night and
got meals for us on Sunday & Monday.
She was most affable & amiable and
according to Eva quite suited her-
self. She took me over to see the
university yesterday morning and
from that I saw little of Baltimore
except the shopping district Saturday
afternoon.

This is an old, old hotel and the
writing table here is so shaky I can't
write more now. We leave for Danbury
this afternoon and I go on to Exeter
tomorrow morning. I hope all is
well at home.

Kindest regards from
& love to all,

George.

Catskanie, Ore.

Jan. 5/33

Dear George

It seems ages since you left. Was so glad to get both your letters & hear about your visit to Eva. It was unfortunate she was ill for several seasons - but I'm sure you "cheered her up a bit." I'm glad Ruth was so amiable - I knew she could be if she tried - fortunate "Gloria" was not around. Had a long letter from Eva to-day. She said she was going out yesterday & expected to go to school to-day. I hope she is strong enough to resume her work and will not have a relapse.

The news of Coolidge's sudden death this morning was broadcast over radio. Who would think that he so calm & slow, would pass out like that & only 60 yrs. old.

Everything has run along here as usual - Margretta came Saturday & we cleared away the tree and straightened up generally. Went to church twice Sunday - at night a Union service in 2nd Church. Milton's folks were here Monday and we had a stuffed chicken & all the necessary accessories. Harold left night after supper. He was supposed to start for N.Y. Tuesday morning at 6 with Mr. Oliver. Had a card from him to day from Hotel Commodore - next to Grand Central Station. He said the court case was to start Wednesday & would take about three days - quite an experience for him. Milton brought Bessie here at noon yesterday as he & Jessie were going to Albany. We drove to Ashens to see Miss Brandow. Milton went to see Auntie about selling the big wood lot - he has a probable purchaser but as of old, she values it too high. She was just going out for a ride & Milton said she looked like a ghost but was as lively as a cricket.

He came to-day with the car to Barber's garage to straighten the body. Bertie came back with him for a little while - She is not going to school for the present as there are several cases of scarlet fever in town.

This is the work of Praying in our Church - we have not observed it in several years. Pa & I have been the last two evenings - Mr. Bosch asked Pa on Sunday to take charge Tuesday night - the other leaders were Doak, Hopkins & Quist.

I have not had any more accidents but still feel some effects from those I had last week. However I am very much alone & kicking myself for not home only by going to shop - I did laundry but kept some books & socks for next time. Love Mother.

January 6, 1933.

Dear Mother + Father

Glad to get your letter this morning. I was glad to hear, mother, that your accident hadn't proved serious. I hope its effects are all gone now.

Donald + I went to the museum on Tuesday morning as planned. We stayed so long that we had only time for a sandwich for lunch. I had almost to drag him to

We caught the first train out of
Boston which was packed with
Essex + Andover students. I had
to stand nearly all the way here.
Jack had failed to get my
letter so wasn't at the train
to meet us but we found some-
one with a car and consequently
didn't have to walk with our
bags.

We started in again Thursday morning
and are about back in the harness
again. The boys were rather
weary yesterday with nothing
much to say - everything seemed

the train in order to get him
there on time. The train was
packed with students going
back to Amherst etc and we had
difficulty in finding a seat. That
evening we spent with his
cousin and at his sister's. He
and his mother took me over to
Bridgeport the next morning to
catch the 11:22 train. I found
Mr. Scott, an instructor here, on
the train - we had planned to meet
there - he had just reached New York
that morning from a trip to Cuba
and the Bahamas. There were
many Essex boys on the train.

to go over their heads - but they
will soon be normal again. I
have been put in charge of the
study hall from morning a week
from eight until nine - my
first experience with an eight
o'clock appointment. so I have
to get up to breakfast which
I will do.

I found a heap of cards & letters
awaiting me at the post office
yesterday - apparently they don't
believe in forwarding notices here.

All for now, except to thank you
again for all you did during vacation.
Love to all
George.

P.S. Laundry arrived. Will send again on Jan. 20. 9.

Cassackie, W.V.,

Jan. 12/38

Dear George-

Pa has just gone to the
barn to put Fritzie to bed and soon
we will turn in, too. The days seem
to fly very fast and the week end
comes before we realize it.

Harold was not home Sunday
as he did not return from N. Y.
until Monday night. He called
up twice on Tuesday - first to tell
us he was back & again about
some of Auntie's business. One of
her companions for \$30 was returned to
the bank & I told H. to tell Auntie
but he could not make her un-
derstand. She certainly is getting
hit hard lately & I wonder what
the outcome will be.

To-day was wash day - I poor pined it
yesterday as I wanted to go to the Uitz-
ionary meeting. I rode up to-night then
pa took Marguetta home to stop a few
minutes at Wilbur, but they were all out.
Monday we had quite a snow but it was
too solid to drift when the wind came up.
Tues. & Wed. it thawed and to-day has
been very cold. Last night pa went to
the Men's banquet at the M.E. Church &
Marguetta staid here with me & all night.
Had a card from Eva yesterday - she
said she was o.k. but Ruth had been quite
ill with grippe.

I am persisting in reading Mr. Foxley's
book - Much of it is very interesting but
some must be rather waded thro' - partly
perhaps because I'm too tired when I try
to digest it - However I'm more than $\frac{2}{3}$
through.

Life is very much the same here day
after day with an occasional problem
that at first seems unsolvable. The
world economic condition does not seem
to improve and sometimes I think I'd
feel better if I neither read about it nor
listened to the radio speeches & news.
I hope you did not develop the grippe for
certainly were exposed to the germs if there
were any. Edith Doyle came down with
it yesterday after coming for several others

Fannie is caring for her. By the way
Francis wants you to visit them but
he does not know your address to
write to you. He is not using his car now.

Now my dear boy, you will forgive
me, won't you, if I again urge you
to try to give up smoking. I am
more worried about you than I can
make you believe. I know that is
more the cause of your extreme
nervousness than anything else.
I fear you are becoming a slave
to the habit and in time, sooner than
you think, it will re-act on you. It
may appear not to harm someone
but not of your type & constitution.
I cannot forget it and it is a con-
stant anxiety to me. I realize I have
no right to tell you what to do, but I feel
I may still advise. You need not ans-
wer this but, please, try to get free from
this awful habit for your own sake.
With love to your Mother.

January 13, 1933.

Dear Mother & Father,

Friday the thirteenth - but a fine day in spite of it. I had a good walk with Mr. Scott & Mr. Hagg this afternoon and now have just time for a lecture before my 5:30 class. We had several inches of snow on Monday, but a rain Wednesday night has done away with about all of it.

Very little has happened this week except for a lot of work. My labors have

beginning Monday I shall give them three successive exams and the next time Jan, etc. until they give in, - unless I do first. The method is said to be sure to work in time.

I was in Boston last Saturday, having lunch at my father's in Cambridge. They are in a new house, much superior to the last. I saw a number of people I was glad to see but failed to see Sam. I shall break precedent tomorrow and not go to Boston. It will be an almost new experience to spend a Saturday here.

Last Saturday evening I could

still further been added to. One of the mathematics instructors has had to go away for a rest and his work has been divided up among some of the rest of us - rather unevenly. I have a quarter of his boys now to take care of although I shall have only two extra teaching hours a week. But two of my sections have been increased by 25% making them rather unwieldy. In particular my class of devils at 12 o'clock has been increased from 12 to 16. They are as bad as ever if not worse. I gave them an exam two days in succession this week, but that hasn't seemed to chasten them. So

punch for my hay. You should
have seen me squeezing orange &
lemons & mixing them with grape
juice & ginger ale in my back room! I
thought afterwards I could as well
have used Mrs. Hogg's kitchen. She
seems perfectly willing I should use
her kitchen - utensils as I should
be slow in stacking up.

My movies last Sunday afternoon
had a record attendance of 95. But
they were somewhat less good than
the previous ones.

I had a note from Eva saying she
was feeling some better & that her
throat was all well.

How are you getting on with 'Tech-
nocracy'? Love to all
George.

January 20, 1933.

Dear Mother & Father

Friday afternoon again and the week has gone so quickly I have hardly noticed it. That means, of course, that I have had much to do, but it has all been of one character, repeated & repeated. The most important event is negative, namely that I haven't caught the flu, despite the incessant coughing in my face by the boys. The influenza has been full since term started and some boys are kept here during the day and sent to their rooms at night.

bed until noon, taking a long walk
in the afternoon. After that is
a lecture by Mr. Scott on Gilbert &
Sullivan. You know he is the visiting
lecturer in English this year. He
is extremely clever and gave an
excellent lecture illustrating with
examples, some of them most difficult
to sing. They are trying to get him
to stay here permanently but I am
afraid they can't pry him loose
from England.

I shall probably go to Boston
tomorrow for a few hours, but for
what reason I don't know. I didn't
have my harp in last Saturday
night so I shall have to tomorrow
evening. I guess I shall give them

to sleep. The type this year seems to
be mild but persistent, we are being
very sick but most everyone having
a few for several days. There have
been no serious cases. I hope you have
been able to avoid getting sick. In
the Neustans, near Boston, there have
been 5000 cases, a very large percentage.
Our weather hasn't helped the matter any.
Monday and Tuesday were like spring
with sun and rain on Wednesday and
cold again now - the incessant round
of weather in this part of the world.
Last week - and was quiet. I didn't go
to Boston but the Hagg & I drove down
to Haverhill in the afternoon and back
by Newburyport & the coast. Sunday I
took advantage of my only morning
in the week to sleep and stayed in

diluted grape juice and cakes. I wish
the academy had provided at least
a little fusion but-breads. On Sunday
we have Levsteki, the peasant, here for
a concert. It is the one real musical
event of the year. There are many other
concerts but all of them rather poor.

I have had no word of Eva this
week. I hope I shall hear from you
tomorrow that she is alright.

I was able to change the Adams book
for at a value of only \$2.25. The
bookseller claimed he would have to
sell it as second-hand, but I doubt if
he has - it couldn't be sold from a
new book. I got 'Tales of Literature'
a new book on the history of literature
which Douce recommended.
There this is all for now. Hope to have
good news from you tomorrow. Love
George.

Technician is getting
discredited according to
what we read & hear on
radio.

Dear George

Ledsaekie, Wf

Jan. 20 / 32

[Envelope stamped 1932]

This is a very windy day
but bright & clear. Snow & squalls hide
the mountains. Rained yesterday
morning but stopped by noon tho'
it did not really clear up till night.
Pat I went to Albany mainly to
witness Harold's admission to the
Bar in the Appellate Court. Amice
was there much to our surprise.
The performance was short & sweet
and immediately after H. had
to lay down \$5 for the certificate.
But now he is a real lawyer &
what next? Scully & Oliver want
him to open an office in town &
so let's see how he has been looking at

prospective rooms. There is, of course, an opening here for another lawyer, but H. does not want to settle down in a small town. However it may be the best move for the present in view of the conditions prevailing. H. was down to dinner.

Wednesday - went to Catskill & here again for supper. He had the blues that day but seemed to feel better yesterday. - We went to the Public Service Com. about the same business & was there 1 1/2 hours about a new report (similar to income tax reports) that must be filed. I wanted to get out of it but could not - it means so much waste time for nothing.

Last Sunday we went to Wilkes on invitation to dinner. Did I tell you Pa is again S. S. Supt. - he started in last Sunday. I did not try to influence him either way tho' privately I tho't him foolish to accept. but he seemed to think he ought to tackle it again and try to pull them out of the slough of despair where they have fallen. Tuesday Bessie was here all day - we went for a long drive in afternoon making 8 stops soliciting fire insurance. Bessie has not returned to school on account of the flu & scarlet fever in town - there has been talk of closing the schools but they are still open. Mr. went to Auntie's.

to supper yesterday & reached home
at 8.15. Expect to go up again
next Wednesday as pa has another
meeting that evening at Y.W.C.A.
I may go in morning on bus. We tho't
Auntie looked worse than ever
yesterday but she acted as usual.
She had been very miserable for
several days with stomach trouble.
Thompson I staid with Edith - She
was better & got up for a while in the
afternoon. Fannie told me yesterday
she is dressed now & getting along O.K.
Harold has gained the point that
seemed so far ahead & almost un-
accessible, but now comes a crucial
time. It means more money outlay
if he does open up. How much, Scully
& going to help him, we don't know yet.
But both the men seem interested. With
regards new So Au string
Love - Mother

Phillips Headmaster Resigns

Dr. Stearns Gives Up Andover Post After 30 Years

ANDOVER, Mass., Jan. 16 (AP).—The resignation of Dr. Alfred E. Stearns, for thirty years headmaster of Phillips Academy here, was announced today by Dr. Charles H. Forbes, acting headmaster.

Dr. Stearns asked to be relieved of his office because of ill health. He

has been staying at Nice, France. Dr. Forbes will continue as acting headmaster and Dr. Stearns has been appointed headmaster emeritus by the trustees.

Dr. Stearns was stricken early in 1931 and was operated on in Boston. When it became evident last summer that he had not recovered sufficiently to resume his duties he accepted a leave of absence and went abroad. Dr. Forbes has been head of the academy's Latin department since 1922. He is a graduate of Brown University.

JANUARY 18, 1933

TECHNOCRACY STIR SEEN SKEPTICALLY

Chief Sponsor Heckled as He Lectures at Colum- bia University

New York, Jan. 17—(UP)—The furor caused by Technocracy was viewed skeptically today by Prof. Walter Rautenstrauch, chief sponsor of Howard Scott and the Technocrats. He told a heckling audience at Columbia University that "if the market should rise 10 points tomorrow you wouldn't hear anything more about Technocracy."

Addressing the largest audience to attend the weekly lecture on contemporary affairs in several years, Dr. Rautenstrauch outlined the ideas of the Technocrats, then permitted questions from the floor.

This gave Communists and Socialists a chance to ask the steps by which Technocrats intended to make economic changes and the indefinite answers of the lecturer gave rise to boos and hisses.

"What will be the steps in transition toward the overthrow of capital?" one student asked.

"Transition must be intelligent.

January 27, 1933.

Dear Martha & Fack,

Very glad to get your letter this morning and hear that you are both managing to keep well in the face of so much sickness. I am also glad to hear Eas is getting on alright for I had feared she might not be well since I have had no word from her yet. Jim wandering of course may not have caught the flu - I have heard not a word from him since I left him in Danbury, Ore.

beautiful and fascinating dancing I have ever seen. The music and musical instruments alone were fascinating. I could stay for only a third of the performance and left with great reluctance. Characteristically oriental they had no idea of time and made the first intermission a half hour long.

Mr. Hagg goes to New York tonight returning on Tuesday morning. I could of course use his car but I doubt very much that I shall go down tomorrow. In fact it has snowed & rained just right today to make driving dangerous tomorrow. Did I not have to be back early,

cases of flu are gradually diminishing and I guess I am to get off with out having it.

I went to Boston last Saturday and spent all my time there with ^{managing} Morris. He has become editor of a new weekly paper "The Microphone", 'dedicated' as he puts it 'to the proposition that all should be interested in the radio'. It is being backed by a friend of his, and is, curiously, distributed free. They hope in time to make it pay for itself in advertising. We had lunch together and then went to see Shan-kan, the Hindu dancer, and his company. It is the next

Sunday afternoon I might have gone
down for one night, but I should
have to return for one second
movie show this term. In order not
to conflict with other events
it will come right after dinner Sunday.
At 4:30 Mr. Seed gives account of
his Gilbert & Sullivan talks and at
6:45 we have a lecturer on art.
Sunday is hardly a day of peace & rest
here. - I wish it were now so far
one is tempted to hear at least
the good things.

all for now -

Love to all

George

Cossackie N.Y.
Jan. '26/87

Dear George,

This is wash day and this
I'm posting, I'll get my weekly epistle
to you written. I went to Albany
on bus yesterday A.M. - Pa had a
meeting at night in F.P. So I came
back with him. It was a beauti-
ful day. Auntie went for a ride
after dinner while I wrote a map.
She seems to be feeling better than
last week but Mrs. H. seems to
think she is not really much better.
She said she thought she would re-
main there as rents are high all over,
and she cannot stand the ex-
erting either hunting for houses
or of moving. Perhaps it would be
the best thing all around. I saw

little of Harold so he had to go back to the
Ziege with Mr. Oliver at night. He was
rather glum but he always is up there. He
came down Saturday on bus & went to Cats-
kill with N. to search records. He & N. went
again Monday morning & he returned to
Albany on 1.30 bus.

We are having quite an epidemic here
of Scarlet Fever. Was shocked here. I saw
Arthur Hallenbeck last and again yester-
day that Sherwood Miller last. It is true
the Health board took some action & closed
up movies, Tasher ball etc. Dr. Alt made
has called Dr. Cooper & others to help him
as flu is also raging. Dr. Fain is in Florida
and has been quite ill - in fact a report
was around last week that he is dead but
that was not true.

Mrs. J. E. has written to me. I guess life
in the flat was getting so lively evenings
that she retired to the lab's study. Not a very
inviting place to spend evenings especially
after being there all day.

Pa has had a legal paper from Phil. ask-
ing him to appear in Feb. 2nd at Court as a wit-
ness against Roginski. He has written to find
out if they will pay expenses - if so, Pa says
he will go.

Bessie was here all day Monday - I did
not feel very well & so lay on couch all morn-
ing and she was very good. But she made up
for it in the afternoon and never wanted
more than she did that day. But I felt

letter after dinner - and went to
George at night.

~~Thursday~~ we went out riding
and stopped to call on Dalps. It
was the first I had ever seen them -
they were quite - pleased to hear us.
On account of the disturbing con-
ditions of the P. D. Dept. & possible
changes, Pa thought it best not to stop
any more for dinner, so now he goes
down but just every day.

This morning it tried to snow &
we thought we were in for a real
storm, but it has cleared off as M.
is hanging the clothes out on line.

H. & Pa have picked out the floor
over Tom's Clerk's office as real good
office if it goes thro' - it is not exactly
flat. But H. is so undaunted - he does not
want to lie himself down to a small room,
but at present there seems no alternative.
Love - Mother.

Please read

Facts Concerning Tobacco

This pamphlet may be used as a program, or as a help for Sunday School and Public School Teachers, or for distribution.

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The
USE OF TOBACCO

*A Personal Letter
To Young Men*

BY WINFIELD S. HALL, PH. D., M. D.

THERE are two reasons why I feel justified in addressing to the young men of our great republic a personal letter upon the subject of tobacco. In the first place, I have been associated with young men for many years in several institutions of learning and have come to know the young American in general, and several thousands of them in particular. In the second place, I have had personal experience with tobacco, and am very familiar with its effects upon the system, from having experienced all of its pleasures and many of its objectionable features. My readers will pardon me if I detail to them some of my personal experience with tobacco.

Beginning in my twenty-fifth year, while a medical student, I smoked one cigar daily for a period of about two years. I have always studied my own physical and mental conditions, and began to observe the effect

February 8, 1933.

Dear Mother,

I ~~was~~ very sorry to get your letter Monday morning and to hear that the flu had at last got you. I hope you have been able to get the best of it by this time and that it hasn't taken too much out of you. Also I hope that father has been able to avoid catching it. I seem to be immune

got back here. Making the
journey so often makes it seem
not so far, and in fact it
seems now that Boston is
little farther away from Exeter
than Albany is from home.

The first marks for this term
went in today and the past
two days have been rackerfilled
with correcting papers & making
grades. I always expect to get
done early but have never done
so yet. My grades were distributed
quite narrowly for very traditional
marking up at Harvard but on
the whole, rather higher than

and am still feeling very well. I
heard from Danald yesterday
for the first since Christmas and
he wrote that he had been having
his annual tussle with La Gippe
and that he had had a pretty
hard time.

I didn't get your letter on Saturday
for I was away in Boston all day.
Mr. Haff was at a meeting in
Cambridge. Mrs. Haff did some
shopping before we had lunch,
and after lunch I took her out
to see the museum. We didn't
leave until five o'clock and it
was after seven before we

the tradition here. I don't let
that worry me for I think
the average mark here is much
too low. Probably seventy per-
cent of the marks will be E's
this time and that seems to
me quite ridiculous for a
selected group of boys. I had
only ten percent myself.

Mr. Scott has invited Mr. & Mrs. Hagg
and me out to dinner for this
evening. It is his farewell gesture
to Mrs. Hagg before she leaves
on Saturday.

I hope to hear from you soon
that you are feeling much better.
Love
George.

Capeackie W.V.
Feb. 9/33

Dear George -

Received your letter to-
day - also one on Thursday. You
see I am on the job again - Got
up Sunday a while - Cough on Mon.
and dressed Loco. but to day is
the first I have really worked this
a.m. I cooked a chicken & made
7 pies for the barequet to night.
I expect to go and it will be very fine
time out since I went to Albany
2 weeks ago yesterday. Yesterday I had
a sore throat and fought against a
bad chest cold till Tues. When I gave
up & called Dr. McGrade - He came
again Friday & Sunday - I have not
had such a bronchial cough since I had bronchitis when

I was 18 years old. He said I was full of
rights - I must have picked up the germ
somewhere. Curiously I had no fever but
I must have fought that off with the bromo
quinine I took for 4 days before Dr. Cane
Guess I haven't told you of the visit of
the Schlicting. On the 27 Jan. just as our
coal was starting we were surprised at 5 P.M.
when they drove in - Herman & Emma, Alice
and a woman (Scott's girl) who takes care of
Emma. We were shocked by the latter's con-
dition - absolutely helpless & out of shape - her
head resting over on her chest. They were on
their way to a Dr. Locke in Dubuque Co. If you
are interested to read about his marvellous cures
perhaps you can get the W.A.R. Monthly for Oct.
last or the Cosmopolitan for last Aug. - both
contain interesting articles by different people.
Had a short note from Alice & then safe ar-
rival at 1.30 on the 29th & Dr. Paul he could
help Emma so she could work. If so, it will
be nothing short of a miracle. They stayed here
all night & left 8.30 next morning. Emma
was so happy to see me but I could not un-
derstand a word, she said - the others had to
interpret. The woman was a life saver as
she took everything as a matter of course &
gave us many a laugh by her Irish wit.
I did not ask them to stop when returning
but probably they will. They had provisions
for 3 weeks and have hired a cottage.
Harold was down Sunday - he stopped
for supper Sat. at 11's as it was Rosie's
birthday. He is very fidgety as he seems to be a

a stand still - waiting for the rooms
down town to be vacated & held up as his
office. It is the upper floor over Toyne
Clarks place facing Main St. Whether
or not this is a wise move remains to
be seen, but there seems to be no al-
ternative. Scully & Oliver want him to
do it & at present he cannot afford
to break from them.

We are having a very good sleep -
much like a blizzard last night but
clear to-day & not much snow fell.

Pa is not to act master to night & we
are glad of it - Mr Bush will act. But
Pa has a part in program, so we will
probably be at Speakers table. - The
Scarlet fever has abated, & all patients
on the recovery.

I judge Jim was atten she has not been
up to her lately, but keeps going. Ruth is
a continuing disagreement, I fear & I shall
be glad when that psychosis ceases. Tell
Mrs Hoff I wish her "bon voyage" - it seems
had time to her to go on late occasions - Pa is
at home - he said home that & Tues. to rest & work. Ruth

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Dear Mother & Father,

Just a note so you'll know that Friday afternoon doesn't pass without my remembering that it's letter time. I hope I shall hear from you tomorrow that all is well again at home.

I suppose you have been hit with the same cold spell that we have had. Wednesday we were going about without coats but on Thursday morning we were all shivering. It takes adaptation to keep well in this climate. Ever wish the other day that

everything was covered with snow
again down there. They seem to
be having more snow than we
this winter.

Nothing of any note has happened
since I wrote before. Jack &
I go down to Boston tomorrow
to see Mrs Hoff 76 around
dinner time. We shall ~~probably~~
meet Mr. East there & probably
go to a show of some kind, getting
back rather late.

I have lost track of when I
should send my laundry again.
I think it is next Saturday. Will
you let me know before then
if that is the day?

Love to all,

George.

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Wednesday P.M.

Dear Walter -

The wind's howling
and the paper curls for
10° above tomorrow.

I hope you aren't having
it too cold as starting.

I am trying not
to worry about you
and hope you are
better by now. If
you need me, you
know I can come

My Memoirs.

I had very glutted
exam this morning
and that's that. I
didn't stay & I slept
then afternoon for I
had a lot of things I
could do here and
I hate to stick around
and talk about a test.
I never could see why
people wanted to
discuss 'em - R Allen
later - Much love
to you + Pa and all the
rest -

Coatsackie, N.Y.
Feb. 16/33

Dear George-

This is a beautiful day
no cold and there is plenty of
snow yet - We had quite a big
blow last Friday night and
not much thawing since.

We went to Albany Gasli-
day afternoon & got home at
11.30 - Jessie went with us &
visited Elsie. Auntie seems
about the same. She has not
been out much lately mainly
because her Volunteer Chariot
Jew has not shown up. She
still mourns over her awful
expenses, especially for Mrs. Lo-
Tuesday we went to Catskill as
I had date at Dr. Bennett's & then
we had supper at Melbours & then

still till bed time. Wilbur has had a very bad cold & cough but I do not think it was flu tho' it might have been. He seems to feel better & is going out but still coughs.

I heard over radio this A.M. of the attempted killing of Pres. elect Roosevelt. did not get particulars - Fitzgibbon insisted on barking at another dog outdoors just at that time. I did not get up till after nine as I was so tired. This is the 3rd day this week I staid in bed late. I do not seem to have much pep since I was sick - Sr. told pa he has to be careful & it may be some time before I'd feel like myself. That "j" is a bad actor.

I am supposed to be at
a luncheon this noon at
the Kaksaka but I thought best
not to go for several reasons.

Hansen's affairs are moving
very slowly but surely, I guess.
Pa meant to see Sully yesterday
but he was not in. By con-
tinued urging and promise
of \$10 the lieutenants in the rooms
are vacating this week, so now
the next step of preparation is in
order. Needless to say this whole
affair has been the source
of much conversation & thought.
For us all to say nothing of
myself & wonder away back in
our heads. However, there seems
nothing else as far as to do but
forge ahead, & take the cause -
whichever, whatever they may be.

Before I forget ^{it,} this is the week
to send your wash, so mail
on Saturday.

Saw in yesterday's paper that
C. Parsons was at Exeter recently.
I am still delving in his book
& have about 200 pages still to
read. Haven't read much
lately as I feel more like re-
clining than reading when I
have the time.

Has Ira said anything to you about
stopping at New Haven on her way home?
Can't plan for anyone to go for her
but she can probably get a bus there
to Albany. -

Will I have done no work yet so
I'd better wash dishes & get some lunch.
Hope all is O.K. & a letter will
be here in a day or two.

Love
Theodor.

Monday, February 20, 1933.

Dear Mother & Father,

Here it is Monday afternoon and I know you are wondering what has happened to me that I didn't get a letter off to you before this. As a matter of fact nothing serious has happened, but certain matters came up on Friday morning which required my whole attention for the remainder of Friday. Then I had to go to Boston early on Saturday and didn't get back until just in time for dinner. I was very tired and wanted to go to bed but

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in the storm that afternoon. We
had ^{an early} supper in Boston & then went
to the boat with Mrs. Hagg. I
felt sorry for her - she looked
& acted like a lamb led to the
slaughter. She had decided to go to
England but when the time came
she seemed to wish that she could
back out. In addition to having
to leave her daughter here she was
faced with the prospect of nine days
of sea sickness - she is invariably sick
during the whole voyage, in fact
she seemed sick as soon as we got
on the boat. We left her before the
boat sailed for it was still snow-
ing and we wanted to get started
for home. We found that they

I was on duty that night and had
to stay up. So I took a rest & then
spent the best part of two hours
buying ginger ale, grape fruit
oranges etc and making them
into juice for my bags. It
takes quite a lot of time to squeeze
two dozen oranges. Yesterday I didn't
get up until noon and had a long
list of things which had to be done
before the day was over. So you
see though I kept you in mind
I had no time to sit down & write
you.

We had the same snow storm
a week ago Saturday that you did.
We got about eight or ten inches. The
Hagg & I drove down to Boston

had closed the road completely -
there was scarcely a flake of
snow on the tumpike and even
on the side road to Exeter there
was only about an ^{we} inch, so, ^{we} were
home in good season.

Nothing of any great moment has
happened since. This week will
probably be quite a poor one in
class. Wednesday will be a holiday.
The Washington celebration comes
tomorrow noon with a speech from
Audover. All morning class will
be shorted to get them there in
time for the speech. So, in effect,
two days are ruined instead of
one. And then on Saturday the
boys have their winter dance.
So, with so much extra to think

about it will be difficult to
get much work out of them. I
shall probably stick right here
in Exeter on Wednesday unless Jack
should get it into his head to
go down to Boston; - I hope he
won't for I should be tempted
to go.

I had a letter from Duncanson this
morning relating his experience
in addressing the Rotary Club of
Bridgeport last Tuesday on Wash-
ington. He didn't want to do it
for he felt that he was scarcely
well enough informed on such
a subject, but his father insisted
on it, and he said he felt bound
to do it on that account. He credited

a copy of his speech which I think quite good considering his short study of the subject. I am enclosing it for you to read. I would like to have it back. I have say that had his father seen it before he gave it he would have objected, but since it was well received his father felt slight about it after it was over.

I hope you, mother will take the doctor's advice and take things easily for a while. I have had no word from Eva about her stopping in New Haven.

Love to all,

George