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Dear Mother:-

I have been so busy this week that I haven't had time to write a line to anybody. Wednesday afternoon we had a Poly Sci exam, and I had to study hard for it. Francis, Bobby, and I are all taking it, and we were all very busy. When we saw the exam, sweat broke out all over us, me at least. It was the hardest exam I ever took in college, and I think that I will get a lousy mark on it. This will probably mean giving up all hope of getting A in that course. In fact, I will have a hard time to get a B. All my studies seem to me to be going badly this year and I am rather disappointed. The French is proving even more boring than the French last year and not as useful. I am going to have to work hard in that too. We had an hour exam in Latin today, and fortunately it was not so hard although I had to sit up til three o'clock last night to studying for it. The history hour exam will be next Tuesday, so you can see that my work is far from a bed of ease so far. I think I did not study thoroughly enough the first of the year and took things just a little too easy. I am certainly paying for it now. So I want to warn you thus early in the semester that you must not expect any such marks as I got last semester. I shudder to think of the return of those Poly Sci papers as I don't think I ever did so poorly on an exam in my life before. One satisfaction is that everyone else is talking about how hard it was, but at least I know when I have done a poor job. So far Chemistry has been all right, and I have been getting 10 in all the quizzes, but of course we haven't had any exam yet and I hear that lots of people go down in them as the course is fairly easy up to the first hour exam. Up to now I have not felt as if I were really

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working hard, but having to study for these exams has got me back in the harness again and I hope to do better. Anyway, you can always be sure that I did the best I could under the circumstances, and that is all anyone can do.

I glad you mentioned the sheets, as I had been meaning to write about them. How many sheets am I supposed to have? I only have four, two on the bed, two off. When the initiation came around one of these was in the wash so there was only one there and that is why I used Bobby's. I have already started negotiations with the old lady to have it mended. Both Bob and I thought we were supposed to have more sheets than we actually turned out to have, so let me know how many I started out with so I can tell if any are gone. I don't see how any of them could have gotten away during the summer as all our linen was lock<sup>ed</sup> in my trunk.

I had to smile, just a bit sadly, when you wondered in your letter where I had spent the Harvard week-end and hoped that I got home safely. As you now know, I spent the entire time in Hanover as I expect to do this week.

I think that it is all fixed now for Francis to get in the fraternity. I did not mean that he had ever been voted on; it was merely some potential opposition looming up, but from what I hear now, everything will be O.K.

Have you seen that results of the Dartmouth presidential straw vote? I guess if it were up to the colleges of America who the next president was to be there would be little doubt. The Dartmouth vote was:

	Students	Faculty
Hoover	1120	38
Roosevelt	255	23
New	274	31

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Please notice that Thomas received more votes both in the undergraduate body and the faculty than Roosevelt. I think this is right too, for Thomas would be my second choice any day - perhaps my first if I were not in favor of Hoover more for personal ~~xxxx~~ reasons than for what he stands for. As you probably know, any economist can tear the high tax/riff theory to pieces in no time although it sounds very good at a casual glance. Do you think Hoover's speeches have caused any change in sentiment in Ohio? I predict that Roosevelt will carry everythin g except New England and possibly New Jersey. It is interesting to note that Mass., one of the eight states to go for Smith in 1928 is one of the strongest Hoover supporters in 1932. Here are some other results of the Dartmouth poll:

	Yes	No	Yes
Federal ownership of public utilities		755	897
Immediate payment of bonus		1600	79
Repeal 18th amendment		<del>260</del>	1230
Enter League of Nations		733	949
Cancellation of war debts		1 056	622
Recognition of Russia		588	1078

The faculty agreed on every question with the students except cancellation of war debts which they favored. I was glad to see that Hoover carried Ohio State by a large majority. In case you don't read the results I will just say that Hoover carried 31 colleges to 11 for Roosevelt and 5 for Thomas. All the 11 Roosevelt colleges were in the South, while Hoover took every college in the East, Mid West and far West except Columbia, N.Y.U.

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and three other small colleges that voted for Thomas .

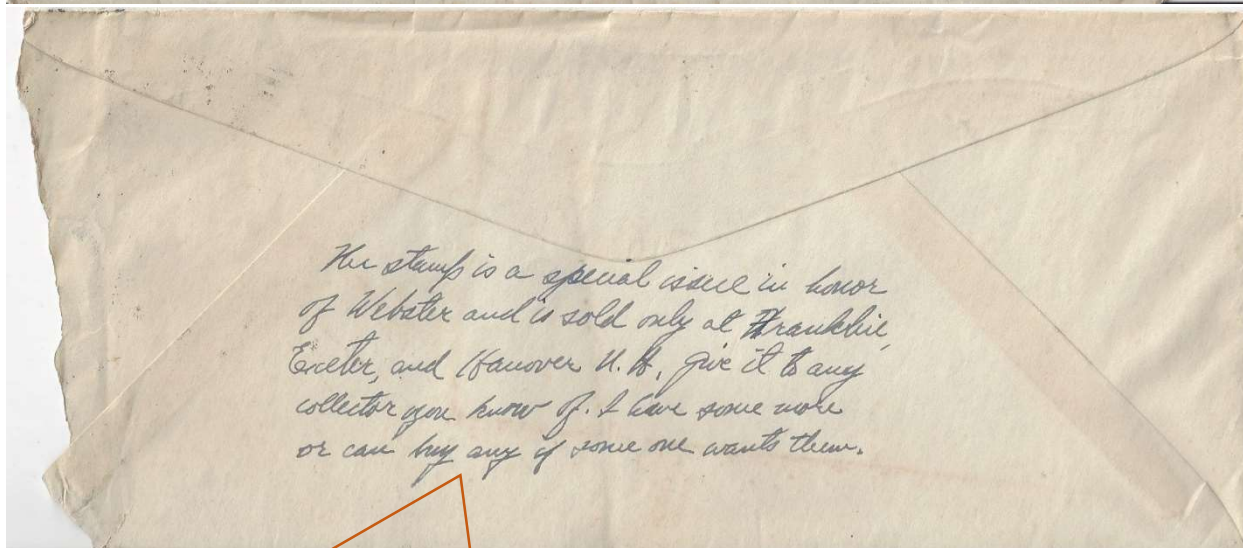
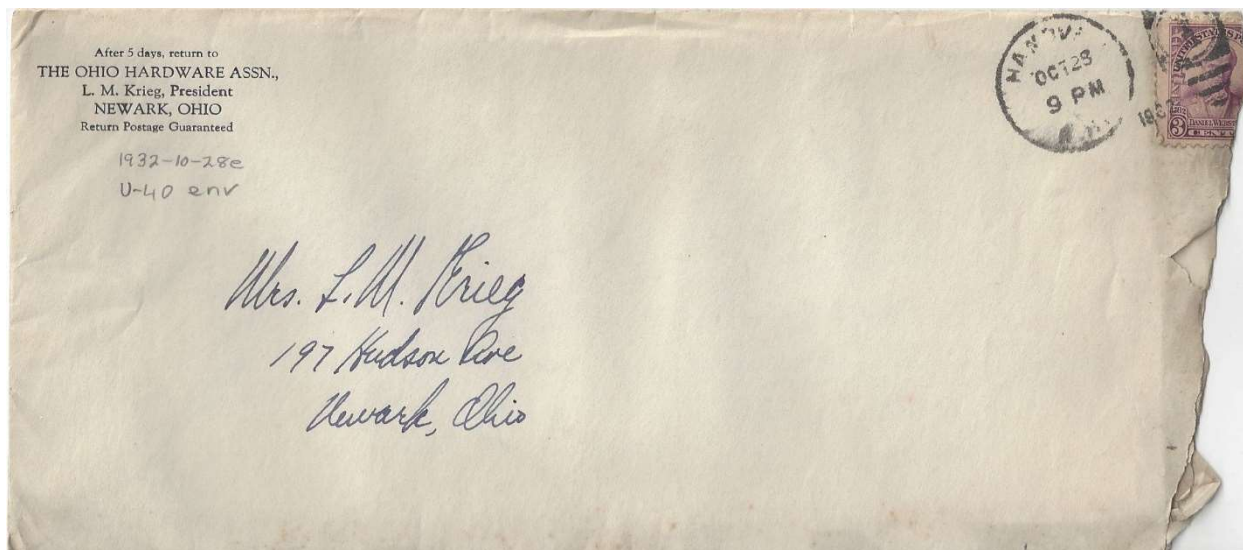
Perhaps I was too pessimistic about the fraternity this summer. what I meant was that until several years ago it had been, with Psi U., the most powerful fraternity on campus, and that it is still very powerful here. Perhaps what made me unduly pessimistic was that I did not think that the present upper house was as good as the 1932 delegations. Last year the captains of three out of seven varsity athletic teams were tri-Ka ps. In addition to this they had other big shots galore such as this Sargent fellow, the business manager of the 1932 Aegis, etc. Since the start of this year I have discovered several brothers present who hold responsible campus positions and several members of varsity teams, especially track and baseball. Well, it's a good house, not the best, but as good as I could do, so that's all there is to it.

You have probably noticed that this is not my regular old typewriter. It is a new silent Remington which belongs to Luke Wilson, a Junior on this floor. Its action is as smooth and quiet as a watch (almost), and it is certainly a pleasure to use it. I don't know why it skips spaces every once in a while. Maybe I hit it too hard, being used to the old Oliver which requires a sledge hammer blow to get any action out of it. Well, I think I have written a good big letter. See what you can do! Love to everyone,

*William*

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