

Dear Mother:-

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The vacation is over, and I have had a wonderful time. Last Wednesday the majority of the college pulled out, but there ^{well} ~~was~~ still a fairly large number of the students left. About half the fellows on this floor stayed, so I had lots of company. Not the least factor in my enjoyment was the lovely box you sent. I didn't open it until the boys had gone on Wednesday, for I knew if I did there wouldn't be much left for Thanksgiving. The gloves are fine, and just what I wanted, although I will need another pair to wear with my brown jacket. (Not right away, though) The cookies tasted better than ever, and the fruit cake was great. It isn't all gone yet, but the cookies are. All the other fellows on the floor had boxes from home, so we had a fine feed.

Most of my time I spent studying and reading in the library. In this way I got things ^{done} that I never have had time for before. Thanksgiving day Butch and Nort Schooley and I had dinner at Gitsis' joint. It was a nice turkey dinner, well cooked and tastily served. It cost a dollar. The dressing was unusually good for a restaurant. It was chesnut dressing, rather than the sage kind. On the whole the meal was very good, and quite filling. In the evenings I spent part of my time reading, listening to radios, or playing cards with the fellows around the corner. Eddie Williams was here over Thanksgiving, and Butch and I went down to the Psi U house Thursday morning at about 10:30 to see him. However, one of the brothers informed us that Eddie was still in bed, so I didn't get to see him. I enjoyed resting and just ^{doing} what I wanted to very much indeed, and I'm glad I didn't try to go anywhere.

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As per your advice, I am enclosing a letter to Rudy Schenk. I don't know his street address so you can address it for me. I don't think I will write to Mr. Lawyer, but will go around to see him when I am home. It won't be long now. At present, I am planning to leave here Tuesday the 19th. At least it will not be any later than that, so you can expect me in Columbus on Wednesday Dec. 20th. As you know, I already have my R.R. ticket, so I won't have to buy another one now. I think I am going to have just about the right amount of money to last me through till I come home. I am doing some of my Christmas shopping up here this year. Dorothy asked me last year for a sister pin, and I have ordered one. I am getting a copy of the Dartmouth Murders for Janie, and perhaps a book of very funny cartoons for Betty or anyone else. I have already bought some Christmas cards with a picture of Baker Library on them, so that is another thing you won't have to worry about for me. However, there is still the room rent, which I hope I will be receiving one of these fine days. If you need to don't hesitate to draw on that money of mine in the bank, as I don't expect to have anyone up for Carnival.

Last night brought our first big snow of the year, and today the trees are all loaded down with a burden of "the beautiful". It looks very lovely, but it will probably not last long. So far this year we have been having extraordinarily cold weather, but for the last week or so it has been warmer. On Thanksgiving morning the temperature was about 60, but the next day it was around 10. The coldest weather so far has been -5, but it has been below zero several times. It won't be long now!!!

With love,

William

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