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Dear Mother:-

Your letter came yesterday afternoon. Now about the Spring vacation. It begins on March 25 at 12:15 and ends April 6 at 7:55. If I didn't take any extra time, I would have ten days at home, but since I have unlimited cuts, I might as well use a few of them by coming home early or staying late. In that way I can expand the vacation from ten to fourteen days or so. I had selected as a good time to leave Mon. March 21 some time after ten o'clock in the morning when my last class for the day is over. If I left then, I would only miss two recitations in each subject, which would not be too many to make up easily. On the other hand, it may seem foolish to stay in Hanover over Sunday just to attend two classes Monday morning, especially as these classes are my easiest.

Then, too, I have to consider that Dick Coelho has his vacation from April 1 to 11, and this includes John Montgomery and all the other fellows who go to Denison. I could stay the whole time here until March 25 and then not leave until the ninth. In favor of this scheme, we can say that I will have a much better chance of getting a ride with some one at the regular time, and then I could return on the train. I haven't heard that they will be running any busses this time. On the other hand, the work after

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vacation will probably be more important as there is always a sort of let down just before a vacation. That, coupled with the fact that I want the vacation to come as soon as possible, make me rather incline to the first idea.

The only prospect that I have for a ride as yet is from a fellow who is going to Detroit about a week before school lets out. This is just a little earlier than I want to go, and in addition, he is going up through Canada so that I could not go to Cleveland, but would either have to get out at Buffalo or go clear to Detroit, the latter being the best of the two, I think. He will take me for Fifteen dollars one way (I am not quite sure of this. What I was told was \$30 round trip). Another fellow I know is going with this fellow to Detroit, and he is anxious for me to go with him. I am trying to find someone going to Cleveland or even nearer home, but my methods of inquiry are rather limited, and I rather doubt if I find much. You never can tell, though. Let me know what you think about these plans. We have plenty of time yet, and it will help to pass it.

Now let's get this straight. Is it true that ^{from Dean Bill} Daddy gave his letter to Mr. Moninger to read in Chapel? Every letter I have had since the grades came out states that "your father got a letter from Dean Bill about the grades, and Moninger read it in Chapel!" Now I can't believe that Daddy would make such a terrible mistake, and I know that Dean Bill sends the reports to all the various

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high and prep school principals anyway, so that he would know about my grades without having to hear from Daddy about it. I'm sure Daddy wouldn't give it to Moninger because I don't think Daddy is any too fond of him anyway. So please make me sure of my ground so I can refute these wild rumors.

The paper from the American Stationery Co. Arrived Monday. I have already written two letters on it, and if you would like to see it, your next letter will be on it. The same day I bought a ream (500 sheets) of typewriter paper for 89¢. I will use it to write my themes on, and also when I write letters to people to whom I could not write on this paper here.

Yesterday I received a letter from Mr. Wobbecke congratulating me on the grades. He also asked me to look up some old friends of his here that are on the Faculty. I suppose I will have to do it as much as I dislike it; after all, professors usually have enough to do without interviewing a lot of Freshmen about past acquaintances. I wrote a letter to Mr. Wobbecke today thanking him and telling him about the Carnival, weather, etc. And speaking of the weather, it has been darn cold here for the last week or so. Unfortunately, there is no snow, just bare ice which makes skiing exceedingly dangerous and difficult. We are all hoping for snow before it is too late. George Mundt says that they are going to discontinue the rec skiing next week if they do not get some snow.

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In addition to the two fellows from Eddie's dorm that were separated at the end of the first semester, there were eight others in the whole college, making a total of ten. Two of these I knew, one a nice soft-spoken Southerner from Washington, and the other that dumb Hillier who was in my history class. He is the one who made the remark about not being able to remember back to Henry VIII. They tell me that he flunked five subjects. That's doing it up pretty thoroughly, if you ask me. Did the Dean say what the class average was in your letter? It is rumored that it is 1.7, the lowest since the selective process has been in operation. This is food for the souls of sophomores who just revel in it. It is a matter of fact that there are 75 men on probation ~~XXXX~~ for flunking one or more subjects, the highest number so far. Well, the dumber the rest of the class is, the less competition there is going to be.

Eddie says that he can't decide whether to go home or to New York during the vacation. I ventured the remark that he would probably have a much more exciting time in New York, to which he replied, "Yeah, I s'ppose so, but don't know!"

The bursar seems to think that I will owe him \$330 on March 1. Drole, ça.

Just Best my best regards to Betty and tell her I still think of her very often. Love to all you dear, dear folks.

William

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