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Dear Mother:-

The letter and the package arrived yesterday, and I was very glad to get them. The tux seemed to fit perfectly and the suit was hardly wrinkled at all. I was sorry to see that the raincoat was not among those present, especially since it was raining hard this morning when it was time to go to breakfast. I had to borrow Bobby's leather jacket. And while I'm speaking of things I need I might as well put down the whole list of things that I have put down from time to time as I was thought of them. Here it is:

Small pocket knife like I had last year, (large and small blade and nail file).

Pencils.

Tweezers with a broad tip (like yours.)

Somehow my toenail sissors were not in.

Leather jacket

Rain coat

Some of the envelopes for this paper. They are in my desk. Please don't send all of them . Just about half.

Well, I went down today to sign up for rec. Francis found out that he had overcut rec too much the first semester of his freshman pear so he has to take another semester of rec. He is quite angry about it. He didn't know what to sign up for, so he asked me to play tennis with him as he is a very poor player. As you know, I never played tennis in my life, but I will do the best Next Ohio Hardware Association Convention and Exhibit, Cleveland, February 17-21, 1931

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I can. I only have to play twice a week and take physical fitness for the other hour. Francis wanted to do that to, but there is a rule which prevents men making up back work from taking physical fitness. I went up and weighed myself today and found I only weigh 144 1/2. This is probably due to the fact that I had a cout on when I was weighed before. Dick Muzzy is 12 lbs. underweight. They tried to get him to take nutrition too but he didn't want to.

The eating problem is as thorny as ever. The first week I ate most of the time at the Caf and Grill. The place has been done over and is quite pleasant to eat in. The prices are more reasonable than the other retaurants. I got breakfast for .25 and the other two meals for .50. George Mundt came around to get us to eat at his eating club, that is, the one where he works. He said the price had been \$9.00 a week for three meals, but that he was going tottry to get the lady down to \$8.50. I said we would try it for a week if the price came down. We went down Monday for breakfast, and after we had eaten two meals there he informed us that he and not been able to get the price down any. So this week's food will cost \$9.00. We just heard of a place where you can get three meals for 7.50. Although it is much farther from the campus, we are going down there next week. The food at George's is excellent, and you can have as much as you want, including seconds on dessert.

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> Everybody is talking about fraternities new. The bros. themselves are madly sprambling for all the men they can get. Dick Muzzy is still in the fence. The Betas found out that his father was a Beta and have been giving him quite a rush this week. Tonight he is going out to dinner with them, and tonight he expects to make his descision. He has not met many of the Betas yet and does not know who they have pledged from out class. The tri-Kap banquet is tomorrow night and he is invited to that too. If he comes everything will be fine. However, the Betas have some fine fellows and I fear for the outcome. They are building a new house, and of course are more interested in Dick's money, of which he has plenty, than in Dick himself. Frank Heath said last year that he would never vote for Dick because he was high hat and too much of a gring, but apparently he has changed his mind.

Last week the A.S.F.'s called several times, practically always when I was out. Finally they found me by calling about 10.30. After talking a while, they left and asked me to come up want to tell them that I was sunk, as Bob doesn't know it yet. So findsort we went up Sunday night and after talking a while and meeting some of the members and some other sophomores, we settled down to a game of Mah Jongg. I had only played one game when Lex asked if I would mind cutting out for a minute. He and two other bres. took me up stairs, into an upstairs room, and sat down.

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They talked about general topics for a minute or two, then Lex said that I had been up to the house a few times and met some of the fellows, and he would like to know how I stood on fraternities. So I told him I was very sorry, but I was already sunk. I went on to explain why I had sunk and sind that I had enjoyed very much the times that I had been up to the house, had enjoyed meeting the fellows, and that I had only the highest regard for all of them. As I remember it, I made a pretty good extemporaneous speech. Lex looked a trifle disappointed, and I really felt sorry for him. He is the nicest one in the house, and if they were all like him I would not hesitate to go. The D.U.'s have been calling off and on, but I have never been in when they came. They leave a card each time saying "See you tomorrow", but I haven't yet. I will not feel so bad to refuse them; in fact, I will take a sort of pleasure in watching Wagner's face when he learns that the last possible sophomore on the lighting crew, one whom Delta Upsilon has singled out as one of its own, had sunk elsewhere.

A very impostant loss to the tri-Kaps occured when Emil
Knudson, the Chevrolet president's son, faied to return to college.

He had not done very well scholastically last year, and his father
made him go to M.I.T. much against his wishes. Atkins, a good track
man whom they had pledged, also failed to return. He, with Chas.

Frederickson from Coshocton, are the only losses we sustained during
the summer. My hands are stiff so I will guit.
Love,

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O yes, I forgot to tell you that I have hardly any money left except the hundred I brought to join the frat. with. If you could send \$200 for tuition + \$100 for living that would last for a long time. WK