

Sunday afternoon
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Dear Mother:-

I'm sorry I seem to forget to mention things I am going to do. I always seem to forget lots of things I intend to say when I start to write. So before I forget anything else I will answer the questions you asked. 1. Mrs. Williams heard right when she thought the score was announced as 15-14. Just how this mistake was made I don't know. At no time on the field did we think that Dartmouth had scored a safety, but the ball was near the Yale goal and we think that a safety was prevented by a penalty on Dartmouth. The fellows here at college did not know what to think when they ~~xxx~~ heard the radio score, as they had of course seen the game on the grid-graf and knew that no score had been made according to that. 2. I have not been weighed since school began and do not know whether I have lost any weight or not. I lost 8 pounds over the summer. 3. The heat rash is just as bad as ever. 4. Don't send the capsules as I never remember to take them. 5. When I was home at Easter last year I thought I explained to you and Daddy just what courses I was to take this year. Yes, there are two history courses: History 31, Mediaeval history, and History 35, diplomatic history of Europe 1870~~x~~-1914. In the first I take the so-called "honors" work. This means that instead of going to class three times a week I meet the professor once a week for an individual conference on an assignment which he makes to cover the entire week. The work is harder, as we are covering up to 1500 instead of 1300 as is the rest of the class. He assigns various supplementary reading at times, which the regular class does not have. The continuation of History 31 in the second semester is Renaissance and Reformation, which we were speaking of

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last summer. Perhaps when I come home I can explain more fully what these various things are. If there's something you want to know, just ask me, as I may never think to mention it otherwise.

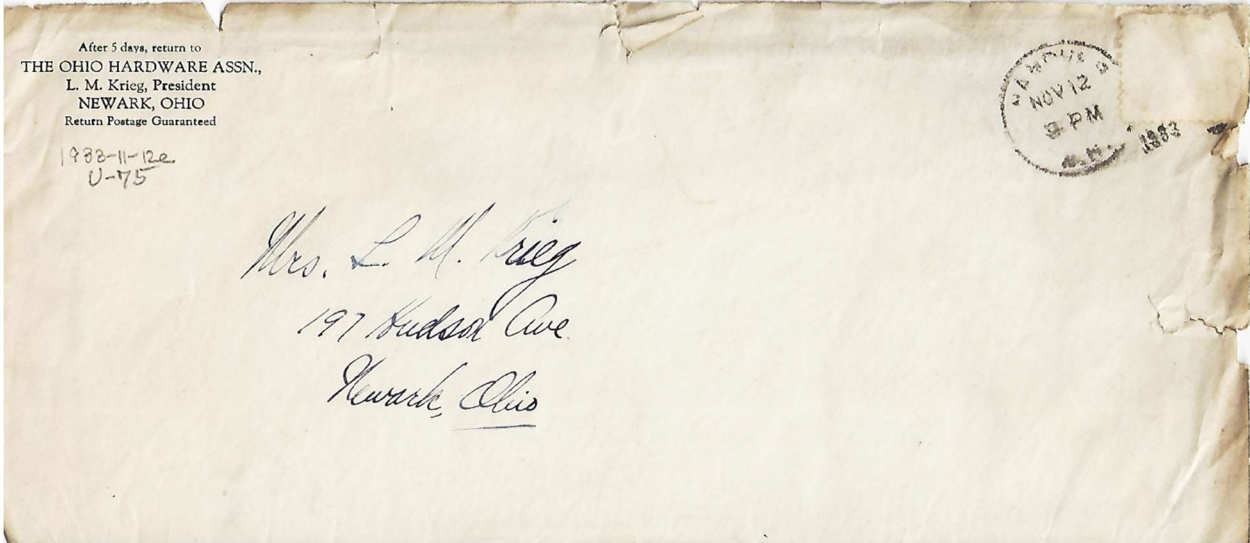
You certainly hit the nail on the head when you said I would be busy during house-parties. Although several of the past weeks have been terrible this one will probably be the worst yet. I will be working on the Players every night this week. Did I tell you that the Electrician had resigned and that I have been appointed to take his place? That means that I am now the only Junior on the crew and am in full charge ^{of the crew} back-stage, while the Lighting Manager, Paradis, directs the arrangements of the lights. On Wednesday I have two hour exams, one in Eccey, which is always hard, and one in poly sci 13, the one I have been writing the papers for. Then the honors work is like an hour exam every week, and this week there is a particularly large assignment. The hour exam in that will be next week, incidentally. Then that German prof. gives a quiz almost every day, so we never get any rest in that. By the time the parties come around I will be a nervous wreck. I often think that if I didn't have to sleep I could get my work done pretty well and perhaps even have time to read the newspaper. By the way, I notice that you did not say a word about the election, and I have been on tenterhooks to know how it came out. I had even thought of asking Daddy to telegraph, but I thought you would be sure to mention it in your first letter. I certainly hope Martin was reelected, as I have been talking to a fellow who knows about the life-saving test conducted here in the spring, and he says they are not too hard. Don't forget to tell me about it in your next letter. The New York election provoked much interest, and we were glad that Tammany was put out.

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I'm sorry to say that I don't quite agree with your implied views on the recognition of Russia. ~~It seems to be a~~ It seems to be a very common fallacy to think that recognition has something to do with approving the form of government or agreeing with the moral attitude of the country. Of course these factors have no place in the question. If we recognize Russia it does not mean that the U.S. favors a Communistic form of government nor does it have anything to do with the internal economic condition of the country, so long as they show a willingness to live up to their international obligations. For this reason the recognition of obligations contracted by previous governments has been the main bone of contention. Since about 1924 the Russian gov't has decided to concentrate on Russia instead of trying to bring on revolutions in other countries, and while they still hope to convert the world to Communism (just like we tried to 'make the world safe for democracy'), they are willing to let nature take its course. If recognition can help end the depression, I am perfectly willing to see it come about. Undoubtedly internal conditions are bad, altho to say that the people died by the millions is a gross exaggeration. On the other hand, did you know that in the State of Ohio, during 1930, 20,000 families were turned out on the street, and that 30,000 were dispossessed in 1931? Yet we do not consider this as casting much reflection on our system of government.

Did you hear the broadcast of the Princeton game yesterday? It was carried by the WJZ-NBC chain, and we listened to the radio instead of going to the grid-graf. It was a good game, and in this case I think the best team won, as compared to the opposite condition at the Yale game. Cornell is coming here Saturday. Please give my love to everyone, especially the sick. How is business? Love,





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