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typed letter

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15 HOLWORTHY HALL  
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

Feb. 14 1931

Dear family;

Thanks for letters valitines and  
checques. You are right mother, I over looke  
d the first 25 dollars you sent.,so that you  
are now ahead on the food money.

(Sic)

(sic)

Many htings are enclosed, all of which shoul  
d be interesting.My grades are not as good as  
they were last year at this time or at finals  
but considering that I am living with perry and  
Otto both of whom are going on pro as soon as  
the dean finds out their marks unless they have  
a drag or ^good persuasion. Goodge has been working f  
for the Crimson, and was just initiated. Now we

[See below]

[Probation, prelude to dismissal]

[We met Goodge in earlier letter,  
still not identified]

(to back)

are all planning to reform.Rog got 3cs and a D  
so far, I have been told.so there will be no 5  
dollars paid by either of us.

[Roger Lee]

Here is the main news;I am now a candidate  
for Business Board of the Lampon, and must  
get subscriptions,adds and work around the offi  
ce. You must of course be my second Victims (fo  
r Ihave allready sold a subscription to Dr. Mi  
ner.I shall go at allrrelatives friends and acq  
uaintances. You are expected to subscribe for fo  
ur years-10 dollars. I have to get 1200 dollars  
credit before I can even be eligible to electio  
. Uncle Bill , I shall pester aggin, not you, in y[Collis' letters did reach the Hallowells, per Maisie]  
your household. Allsuggestions of people will  
be welcome. Imagine me selling adds but I try m  
most any thing once.

[Dr.Miner-not identified by Maisie]

[Lampon subscription blank included.]

[Given artistic ability, why go selling ads?]

I still swim. We evidently shall be living

(to inside of four-fold)

in Smith Halls next year unless by some good fo  
rtune we get into another house via the waiting  
list. Swell thing to look forward to.

That was quite a swell Valentine Miasie,

all hand made. I think that some-body that is living with you now sent me one too. I got three in all. The four days I had for vacatin were spent at Dudley raod, chopping wood and ~~sp~~the sleeping and coasting. I saw no operas while they were here, and feel a bit guilty, but they should not come during examination time. *Saw Topaz with Gret.* [hand-written. Topaz, I think] I shall go to the Dartmouth hockey game with Uncle Don, Ranny and Jan tonight. [Ranny Hubbard identified in earlier letter]

What with Glee club, 4 3rs. classes, sitting in on another ( Flemish painting ) and swimming, I have 28 hours per week not counting studying and working for the Lampoon. So I am a busy mantoo much so.

Hows your job faring Dad [Gratuitous question, or some real concern?]  
Have you heard of the Grotin scandal? if not write to L awry. [Groton scandal?]  
Love  
Cog

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Grades (on a postal card Feb.11 1931, mailed to 15 Holworthy Hall)

handwritten

ENG.28 ----- C+  
F.A. 2C----- B  
GER. A ----- C  
HIST.11----- C-

stamped Douglas S. Byers

[I can't remember how I got my grades, officially. Maisie, how did BMC hand out your grades?]

### **Maisie notes**

20.April.2009

Chalmers: Goodge appeared some letters back and we never knew who that was. Yes, probation for Perry & Otto. Don't know Dr.miner. Yes Collis' letters would have been read to Hallowells. Collis is saying he won't ask Uncle Bill to subscribe to Lampoon, but will ask Aggin (Aunt Agnes) to subscibe this time. Charlie D. wonders if Topaz was about a famous Jewelry Theft that was written about many years later in a film Hitchcock directed postwar. I gave much detail about Ranny Hubbard in previous letters. I would think Collis would have had true concern about CMH's job (no money, just shares etc.) As Charlie D. says Groton has had MANY scandals over the years; I don't know what this one was about. I would have to go into our attic to find how my grades came, probably from the Dean's office. Horrible to have to go out and get subscriptions!