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(yellow 8 1/ x 11 folded small, typed all typos Collis. Double-spaced but I used single, sorry.)

Nov 9 1931 (by hand)

Dear Ma [In last letter, Collis berated the family, no letters for two weeks]

Hope my last letter was not too caustic; you replied in such haste and out of the regular order. I did not see that a package or two as waiting for me until you wrote but I now thank you muchly. [Common term, per Maisie]
The cookies are none the worse. Perry and I get a bottle of milk every nite and eat some sort of cookies. Hydrox are too expensive in small quantities so we have had none and your present was therefore ~~swell~~ a luxury [by hand]
cuz you know I like nothing better than those. The pants rack is up and in use. [Collis still loved them til he died, I would say.]

Tell Gret I am perfectly willing to tell her any news of this town but every now and gthen I have to have some encouragement. Else/ continually [by hand]
provides home no.2 in all ways. Concerning Xmas she says that of course funds are lacking and that Leel will of course be coming back to Boston to see certain friends and therefore they want to be there when she returns, to see her [Gret was AA-see below.]

for no other chance will they have, ^whereas Gret will be returning soon after xmas. Tis no more use to try to budge them west than you east.

O yes thanks for the promp allowance.

Deb parties now number ten; going to Pinny's tomorrow, Gret.

Benny, Jane and I finally went to a rotten Barrymore movie, after a very nice dinner at the Hutchins. I told you that?

Koopy dame down to the Dartmouth game in a brand new Ford two had [Koopy?]

door phaeton. Herb Sise and she and nother girl and I ^ made a nice tie at the swell victory and his house for supper and then at the Copley [I go to Copley for RR mtgs]
dancing. There I ran into Chuck Doer, Wakefield, Ann Winton, Winefred Wittman*

whom I have not seen at all this fall, and Becky Byers, as well as meeting
elder brother Al Sise and Finacee

fiancee [by hand]

(over)

some 70 miles [by hand]

So I drove a wonderful car ^ for a day, and had an easy time of parking
police [by hand]

and driving on a N.H. licence, for they^ cant be bothered with stopping
or tagging dartmouth cars. Saw Teen and the kids.

[Teen Joe Dodge's wife.]

Hour exams are all over, but I have heard no grades as yet.

I feel pretty good about them, no qualms, but I suppose there is always
chance for improvement. I have to start studying for the F.A. divisional
exam on the saints and mythological characters, on which we are to be test-
ed on the sixteenth. 1 hour exam [last three words by hand]

I hear Margy Jane Durham is a freshman at Radcliffe. Perhaps I shall
look her up.

[Durham?]

Gee Whiz thanks for these nuts too, I just saw Perry eating one,
and realized you are to be thanked for them too.

Much love /s/Cog

*Chalmers at Blake knew a Doerr and a Winton. Wittman must be related to Otto of Kansas City?

Maisie notes 6.Jul.09

Yes, thank you muchly is a common saying. . Don't know Koopy or Durham.

Gretchen was staying with Aunt Agnes that fall, at age 18. In reading my notes Aunt Agnes was always
taking care of kids or people..when someone sick, or having baby, or you name it, they were packed
off (by train I presume) from K.C. or wherever to stay with AA & UB. AA loved to feel helpful and
caring (and worrying about Esther's rickets or Cog's ears or whatever.)*

Just why Gret was with her those months I don't know. Perhaps just before going to college
(Bennington) or during one of their odd college breaks for students to pursue their music interest, but
that seems very unlikely. But not at all unusual for someone to be staying with A.A. for a few months.

In 1927 HPN baptised Joe Dodge and then married him and Teen in Boston 10/26/27. (Sorry
don't know Teen's full name). But obviously Cog drove the wonderful car up to Pinkham where he
saw Teen and the Dodge children (but not Joe apparently).

I knew Wally Doerr (my age) VERY well** for years following my trip with him and others
with Experiment in Int'l Living to Mexico, the start of my junior year away from BMC.(1941) He and
brothers very Mpls.

Glad we're now in chronological order. M.

*Chalmers stayed with AA a couple of times at Blythewood, pleasant enough.

**I'm not enquiring further!