

[Postmarked Dec. 5, 1914]

Dearest Helen
I forgot to ask for
particulars concerning
our trip this Friday.
Do you want me to
come to Washington and
then start off with
the rest?? Give me the

slightest idea where
the large city of Carlock
(probably not spelled correctly)
is located. Would be
awfully glad to get a
card from you "ex-
plaining" a little
Love
Eve.



Miss Helen Hungerford.
Washington

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Grocer

Punta Gorda, Fla.

12/3/14.

Miss Helen M. Kungasford,
Washington, Ill.

Dear Helen:

Your long and interesting letter was very joyously received yesterday. It has been the best letter I have had from home for sometime. Most of them don't tell me any news at all and not very many write. Raymond Benjamin is the best to write. I haven't heard from Donald or Bob for at least three months. I guess they have forgotten me. Well, I should be perturbed, I can't help it and am I - I am sure I never will forget them. I certainly had some good times around Washington but never realized it then. I thought it was the dullest place in the world and was pretty dull but still we didn't do so bad. You and I had three or four good times together didn't we? I don't believe I ever went with you more than a dozen times and can almost remember every one. I think the first time was a boat excursion to some ^{Cape} ~~place~~ ^{place}. Remember how we gambled in the hold of the boat and how the bartender wouldn't sell me any soft drinks and when we got back to Peoria I believe the whole bunch of boys had 50¢ ^{don't} all together. We went to Thompsons and got something to eat. But most of all remember how we danced. I think every dance during the day except two or three. I never danced so much in my life before. - The next time I think we went to a dance

at Heiple's Hall. The third time we went to Meestamora to a dance in a hack and sure had a good time. Mrs. Goddard was our chap and some chap too. I guess there was two or three times after that, once I know we went to the Danforth Hotel to a dance and I almost forgot our camping trip when you were thinking of some one else all the time and our 4th of July trip which ended in a dance and figure & ride at Al Fresco. All these old times are mighty good to think about now and make me wish I was back again. I hope to come back for a visit at least within a year or so.

Well, you asked me about my love affair. It is progressing alright in fact very well as far as I am concerned but do you know I've sort of had a reaction and don't know as I'm so crazy as I was. You know, Helen, Bebe is pretty hard to beat. I know that she doesn't care the snap of her finger about me and never will and that she doesn't even know how much I think of her. I have never been able to forget her and don't want to but it is so hopeless that I sometimes almost wish that I could forget her and the good times I have had with her. I used to think and still believe that at one time she did care a little about me but she turned against me for some reason that I have never been able to find out. I have dreamed and thought so much about her since I have been here that I can't seem to plan anything without thinking of her and having her as the foundation of my plans. I know that I never will forget Bebe and that she could and does mean more to me than anyone else ever could. All the time I have been going with Bess I have fooled myself into thinking that I had forgotten Bebe

but I know theres no chance. I have been writing to Bebe all the time, not so very often but often enough and I get letters from her every once in a while. She writes very good letters and tells me all the news she knows. I couldn't tell her what I can tell you for the world and if I did it would spoil even the satisfaction of getting her letters. I don't suppose you are interested in this kind of stuff but I am and want to tell someone about it. Did she go to the Movies with you all the other night and did you tell her what I wanted you to? If I had been there I believe I could have told her plenty but when I am ^{or} was with her I never could tell her a thing and there never was anything really personal between us. I never even held her hand a fraction of a second too long and how I wanted to do things sometimes and didn't or couldn't.

Well I have told you a little about how I feel now you tell me all about yourself and your love affairs. I am just as much interested in you as you are in me. Do you go with Neipe anymore? I wish with all my heart that you would. I was sorry to see you two quit and hope sometime you will go back together again. Of course you know your own minds but that's the way I feel about it.

Enough of that. Now for a little about Florida in general and Punta Gorda in particular. 1st We are coming to the front. Everything seems to be booming, business is good and there will be hundreds of acres of trucks put out this year. We have had one pretty cold spell and the frost caught some of the smaller plants but the weather is delightful now and everything is coming back fine. In comparison to three

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years ago I guess the trucking industry has increased about 4 or 500% in the last three years. If everything works out as I think and am almost sure it will in a short time father will buy a place out from town about two miles right on the banks of one of the prettiest tide-creeks you ever saw. There are about 1500 good bearing orange and grapefruit trees on it and plenty of good truck ground. The land runs right up to a depot at a small place called Acline and I expect to start a little feed-fertilizer and grocery store get the appointment of Post Master and express agent and run things in general. At the same time I want to do some farm work and raise potatoes and some more things as well as to enlarge and develop the orange grove that is already on the place. The creek is deep and we can come to P. G. by boat or by good hard surfaced road. There is lots of money made (and lost) in the trucking business here and I hope to be lucky. If hard work will do it I will be there when the cows come home for I am pretty & tired of working for someone else and if I don't get started for myself now I don't know when I ever will. Write to me soon and tell me all about yourself and the rest. For heavens sake don't say anything to Bels about what I told you for the shock would probably kill her. Will no more for this time; My best to 'ask Bob + help to drop a card on Christmas' everyone'. Sincerely, Jack.

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Miss Helen M. Hengsford,
Washington,
Illinois

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Murphy people

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canal. Then we fished. I caught two - mab we got six. We had all kinds of excitement. While we were eating I saw a snake all coiled up and ready to spring. We yelled bloody murder and Warren jumped out of the boat and wanted to get it and it turned out to be a bull frog.

Our boat sprung a leak so we came back to shore and got some chewing gum and pasted it shut but naturally it didn't do

Winona Lake, Ind.

8/4/14.

Dearest Helen -

Since you were the first one of my Washington friends to write to me, you are going to get the first letter. I got five letters this A.M. and three yesterday. That's going some. I sabella was saying that the camping trip fell thro'. That's too bad but I don't imagine you'd care much about going since Bees has gone to Kansas.

We surely are having a fine time here. I never had so good a time in all my life even better than camping last year and you know that's saying a good deal.

We play tennis every morning. Last week we had a court from ten to eleven and it was right down by the band stand so we had music all the time we played. This week we have a court from

seven to eight.

We go swimming every afternoon when there isn't too much going on. I am so proud to say that I can swim - just five strokes. We have so much fun bathing.

We were rowing from 1:30 P.M. until 6:30 P.M. today. We had a picnic. Warren, Helen, a bird out here has taken quite a fancy to our girls and he took us. We took our supper along. We went shell across the lake and found a little

We expect to start home
on Thursday next week
and will get home after
Sunday because we are
going to visit Bob's friend
at Wheaton and we are
going to take a trip up Lake
Michigan to Milwaukee.

Must close with
bushels of love. Tell the
girls if you see them, that
I'll write real soon.

Yours affectionately
Father.

much good.

We went out on the
Lake again and when we
got to the deepest place
Warren jumped out and
tried to sit on the barrel
that marks the spot. Oh
I was dreadfully frightened
and I turned my watch
ahead and told Warren
he'd better hurry back.

We stayed home this
evening because the Irish
Dramas given tonight
were given once before and
we didn't care for them.

Tomorrow night, "The Lost Princess -
Bo Peep" is going to be given here and
Alice Melhus a great Prima Donna
is going to be here. Saturday night
a man impersonated the characters
in "The Hoosier Schoolmaster." It
was great. Kyle's band was fine
and I enjoyed "Merchant of Venice"
ever so much.

We have a dandy bunch of
young folks here at the cottage.
One night we made fudge. Another
time we made fudge and roasted

corners. Last week we had
a launch party and
took our supper across the
lake. We had a lot of
fun. We generally take
dinner and supper out
but Sunday we all
contributed something and
had a real fancy dinner party.
My, but we hated to
leave Grace go. She left
at 4:30 P.M. as you can
imagine there was quite
a bit of excitement connected
with her departure.



Miss Helen Hungerford
Washington
Ill.

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Washington Ill.

July 9, 14

Dear Helen,

Well, this is the first chance I have had to write to you. Thus. nite I went to Worton & went to the show Fri. Sat. Sun I was with Fred out to Al Fresco. Please excuse this swell paper. I go to rehearsal to-nite in about a half hour.

Will you have a good time ??? the F. outch.?

I had a glorious time, started out Tues. eve & got back Wed. aft.

J.

Played for a dance in
the eve. Some crowd.
Public. all the kids
were there. Some swell
"lookers" for you Jessie
'Lolton. Some mixed
bunch.

I believe you 'mean bid'
you didn't get anything
over on me the Fourth be-
cause I was wise &
prepared. Ha. Ha. I would
like to see you & will
come up anytime you
will let me. Will tell
you all about it.

What are you do-
ing these days? I'll

3.

but it seems good to get
back. You had a lousy
trip back because we
cleaned the kid's clothes
& they were sure dirty.

Give Ruth my love
& tell Bess, Belle, &
also the folks,

Love
your friend,

Glenn H

Excuse paper & writing

wonderful but
just a little too
warm to suit me
right now. Am
glad I don't have
to go to school
much longer. do
feel sorry for Bess
at summer school.
I will get home
about two weeks
from Friday, guess
she will be here
before then, won't
she?

Everyone here is
as busy as can
be now, with

Dear Helen:-

Suppose
you knew that
I want to see
you while I
was at home
two weeks ago.
Was so disappointed
that you and
Bess were neither
one at home.
but knew you
had a good
time in Peoria.

Quit this weather

work and more than
anything else picnics.
There is one every
day and sometimes
two. I am there with
most of my club work
but have so much
to do ~~on~~ a notebook
yet and then exams
to study for.

Was so glad to hear
that Lawrence was
well again and that
he is finishing out the
semester. So admire
him for "sticking it out".
Was so surprised to
hear about Bob and
Em. I only heard
about it lately. Well!
strange things will
happen. Wish you
were here to go on
the picnic. I'm going
to tonight. Hope it
cools off a little soon.

Lots of love.

Isabella.

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MAY 27
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Miss Helen Hungerford
Washington
Illinois.

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N. Man
Loomington, Ill.

Kid. I can't hardly wait until you get home to tell you about May Meyers and her old "Indian" aunt - its a joke.

Tomorrow is the High School meet in Morton and Loua wants me to go down in the car with Joe Pennewill, Harley and her. I don't care about going really haven't decided yet what I will do.

Washington, Ill.,
May 7th '14.

Dear Lawrence:

Was sorry I didn't get to see you Monday evening. I was so sure you would be home, please don't disappoint us Saturday as we are all very anxious to see you. Bess and I walked down town Monday evening about time for the seven, waited around, watched every one that came up.

questions as I have bushels
of them to ask.

Tuesday evening I was
over at Pennekills
and Glenwood came.
I had the best old
gossip with him.

Last night Bob and I
took a walk, ended
up on Louisa's front
porch. Nothing very
exciting happened.

I don't know what I
will do tonight. I nearly
die of lousiveness when
I stay at home.

from the depot but "no
Lawrence". Glenwood
came and told us
you didn't get off of
the train, and I was
very much disappointed.

I think it will be
fine if you are strong
enough to finish in
some things if not
in all. Of ^{course} you want
to be careful and not
over tax your strength
and get sick again.

It seems ages since
I've seen you - prepare
yourself to answer

what time Saturday²
are you coming home?
I may not get to see
you before Sunday because
mother and I are
planning on going over
^{to Peoria}
Sat. evening to do some
shopping and come
home on the midnight.

well, kid I haven't
any news - have plenty
I could say to you
but I'm not fond of
these one sided
conversations.

Clara is working
at the Central Ill. Light

Be a good boy, dont
work too hard and
come home Saturday.

With love;

Heber N.

* Office, I have a little
chat with her almost
everyday.

I have been raining
like everything all day
today. I'm so sleepy
I can hardly hold
my eyes open its
only three o'clock - two
more hours of misery.

well - must stop
now. Please - please
dont disappoint us
this time.

Have you still
got your mustache?



CLASS ROLL

Harold Barnes	Walter Iden	Edna Moore
Elsa Baird	Hope Campbell	Roland Ruble
Leonard Benz	Cherry Leitnaker	Emma Olson
Louise Bartlett	Paula Flynn	Harry Scott
Cleve Briggs	Lee Lockhart	Bertha Perry
Blanche Bridger	Hildegarde Hewit	Frank Wharton
Guy Cox	Lloyd Lynd	Nellie Ray
Edith Bly	Mable Kane	Vern Young
Ivan Donaldson	Maxwell Martin	Esther Reed
Gratia Boyd	Minnie Ledbetter	Mildred Reed
Claude Doughman	Lee McFarland	Cozette Shaner
Della Britt	Clymena Marshall	Hannah Steuber
Charles Fox	Harold Murry	Bessie Thoman
Hazel Bugg	Mildred Meador	Ethel White
Claer Haverfield	Arthur Pefley	Helen Young
Nadia Burnette	Bettie Lou Miller	Helen Tipton
	James Reinhart	

Parsons High School
Class of Nineteen hundred and fourteen
Commencement Exercises
Friday evening, May the twenty-ninth
at eight o'clock
Elks Theatre



Roland Kable

I would tell you all about the initiation and other things which I went through, but there isn't much I can tell, this being a secret organization.

Give my love to Bess, I hope she is feeling alright by this time. Say when did you write that last letter I just got it after initiation. I don't know whether it just arrived or not.

Love to all.

Lawrence.

Feb. 15, 1914.

Dear Helen :-

We are certainly having some weather down here, it is a fright. It is a regular blizzard spell and cold as the deuce.

Well, Helen initiation is now all over. I am an active member of Alpha Zeta Delta of Chi Psi. I have my badge on at present and am some proud of that little bunch of gold and florks, but it isn't that so much as what it stands for.

This afternoon I went over to Urbana with Kibbe and spent the afternoon with his mother and little brother. Kibbe's mother is certainly a nice lady.

Say Helen you know that Hungerford boy, that Leo Smith told us about, he is still here he was around with Kibbe's older brother (Kibbe's brother is a senior & think Hungerford is too. Hungerford and Kibbe Senior are Triangle men. Δ is a professional fraternity here.

How is every body at home? is it as cold there as it is here? (Do you know how cold it is here?)

Let me ask you again not to tell a soul I am coming home Saturday (If I can borrow Carfax).

a bunch of the old allomnae and Chi Psi from other colleges were here for initiation and stayed over Saturday night. (Kibbe & I slept together again that night.

Hopp was down also, he came Saturday morning & left tonight of course he spent the afternoon over at the Theta house with Miss Bennette.

We are going to give an informal dance next Friday night, but I don't believe I will go. It seems as if I need must make a business trip home that night. Don't say anything but I believe I will be home Friday night. (Money matters don't you know

Dear Helen:

Have time to write a letter
so will make this do. Was very
glad to hear from you. Was out
in the woods when I got it and
got letters from Donald & Bessie
the same day and it sure made
me feel good and blue at the same
time. I sure wish I could be back
in Washington for a while. We
haven't been gone long but it
seems like years to me. Went
to a dance Fri. eve at the hotel
and had a very good time but
know that I would have much
more fun at home at your
dances. Will write you a
letter in a short time and
tell you all about wonderful
Ala. Remember me to your folks.
Jack.

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Miss Helen Hungerford,
Washington,
Ill.

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Jan. 22, 1947

Old Hampshire Bond.
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601

Chalmers ave.

Champaign, Ill.
Wed. night.

Dear little girl-

My number is 601 you made a mistake on my last letter. And Lawrence C Smith got it & read it. You had it addressed 600 Chalmers ave. He called me up this noon & I went over and got it. Of course this was not half as serious as the other time you made a mistake in the address.

You are not the only one who makes mistakes I sent 2 letters without stamps & started to mail one to a with out addressing it.

Mamma wrote me last week & didn't have any number she just had the street & city.

Oh I am over the blug now I am going to get my eleven necessary hours. In fact I believe I will get 16 1/2 credits this semester.

See kid I wrote Sunday & haven't rec'd the Dough-Rag yet. I am down to 5¢ I was broke once but some of my debtors came across with the graney. Just so I get some kush by Friday. Well this is just to let you know that my number has not changed.

Hope u find that money soon.
Rite soon.

Your Uncle
Smitty.

Son's Dan & Able Sunday
He is coming over for dinner I heard by evening.

Love to A.P. Tell Lucia that we have had that salad like she made last year, 3 times. Strong & pop her ever again & keep a month full. So long.



Miss Helen C. H. D. S. Hungerford.
Washington
Illinois

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