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Friday aft.

Lover dear -

Oh, I don't know how to open my mouth to speak - cause it's been more than a week (a week last night I believe) since I've written. Commencement has been such a big one for me, and oh so happy. I can remember when you told me on Dec. 16, 1913, that you wanted me to graduate, - etc. - it seemed you were asking the impossible! But now it has come, and with it has come other things we didn't and couldn't imagine. I'm happy about everything that's happened during those four years. I've made tremendous strides, and it's my effort and desire now not to slacken my pace.

I'm sorry for one thing tho, - and that is that I haven't written to you all this happy week. Now it's all an old story to you, so you've no time to hear me stamp

and have over the same ground.

The play was more fun!! Maybe it meant for me what Sillie's senior play meant for her, and it's queer when both you and I are concerned in both.

Ed, Eva, Brown, Elsie, Rufus, + I celebrated afterwards. Oh, Tom, ~~the~~ isn't it wonderful after a success — you've had the same feeling so many times that you can appreciate. Well, we didn't get home until 2 o'clock. Mother wasn't even the least bit sore — aw, she's the best scout.

Sat. night was SAE banquet. That night the gods were with me again, cause I made a hit ~~worst~~ with H.W. Hill on the toast I gave. Just for that he let me out of a ~~term~~ theme — and was anxious to meet my mother — in everything. It's a satisfaction to get in strong with your major prof!!!

Sun. night after reapers Eva, Ed, Ruf, + I went to the movies. That was a big night too. It was the first time Rufus had noticed my ring, and here I'd been wearing it around

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him for a week. Right away I recommended another pair of glasses for him. Tom, he's so much like you in so many ways. Didn't you ever realize that?

Monday night Rufus and I went to the J. + D. We were too sleepy to be very interested. Then Tues. we two and "Elsie + Brown started out at 4 o'clock to cook our supper. We hadn't gone far when a machine picked us up + took us north of town quite a ways. We then struck out across the hills + found a stream, ^{+ trees} in a sheltered canyon. A big fire the boys built, then Elsie + I fried eggs, bacon, + coffee, + warmed the canned tamales. So that we had beans + cream puffs. Oh, it was so much fun up there. While Rufus + Elsie cleaned house, Brown + I climbed more hills, picked flowers + got back at dusk. They had a huge fire built, so we sat around the fire + told stories, + talked of college days, + of ambitions until 9 o'clock. We're gonna do that sometime Tommie dear!! * * * * *

Wed. - Commencement!! And the world
was beautiful besides. I wish you could
have been here. Friends from all over
town - & out in the state - combined
to make it a huge day for me. Why,
some folks sent flowers down that I
just merely know ~~the~~ enough to say
"how do". Rufus was covered with
flowers & I had my arms filled too.
We had more fun opening the cards
and all. I wanted to wait until we
got home, but Rufus was for doing it
on the campus. He's such a kid!

Aside from flowers, came all kinds of
pretty underwear, books, a tiny mantle
clock, spoons. - Sweetest thing about the
spoons: Mr & Mrs Miller gave me half
a dozen coffee spoons, and Rufus came
with half a dozen of the same pattern.
It was a complete surprise to both of them.
Bob sent a box of candy. So did Frank -
Frank's will last until you can come or
until I leave. My white dress Mrs. Short
made for me is awfully pretty. You'll like it!

that evening Ruf & I had dinner at Kanes.
a big bunch of us seniors had the same
kind of a treat. The dance at the Century
club in the evening was stacks of fun.
Our mothers had such a good time
too. Sonnie, you should see the
combination which your mother gave
me. It's beautiful, - and something
she made. Isn't she a wonder!!!

Mother thinks she's remarkable too.
Along that day came telegrams too. - and \$5.
Then in the evening paper it gave the
election to the Wells High School. "Miss
Ruth A. Pyle" was one of the four.
I haven't heard anything official though.
However, I'm thinking and thinking.
Absolutely Sol is out of the question

and my reckoning. What to do!! Guess
I've told you before, but I don't want to
get married and have you called in a year
or so, or shorter time. When once I step
out, I know it'll be hard to get back
into the current, I'm not afraid to step
out to you, honey dear, if we could stay together.
But it's something which neither you nor I can

in anyway tell.

I must work awhile yet. Wish you
weren't so far away so I could send you a
telegram. Then you'd know imediately
what crippled my pen. Goodbye honey dear
and now I'm loving you lots before
Prof. appears.

Your ole
Sneaky