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have only one hat to wear.
Now I had to buy a new
one for the blue hat I've
been borrowing from a
friend of mine, is no
longer at my disposal.
Please understand my
point of view.

I enjoyed your letter
and hope you'll keep
on writing more often.

The floods are raging
all through New
England so much so
that we had to call
off the Pocom this
week. and because so

Saturday



Salsie darling,

Where is your sense
of humor? The last letter
was merely meant to
upset you with the
fact that you have
had my hat for three
months and I don't
want it now. You
see I'm on a dollar
allowance and it
makes matters a bit
difficult when I

many boys were unable
to get here. I'm glad
because now we're having
it two weeks after vacation
so I'm going to ask Bob
McNeil - the Yale friend.
I'll be broke for the
rest of the month but
I don't care because
I think I should go so
as to know what a
school dance is like
not having attended
one yet in my career.

Tuesday afternoon I went
in to hear Gasparini give
his farewell concert here

in Baton. It was glorious
and most inspiring.

Tomorrow night I'm
going in to "Tannhäuser"
and I'm looking forward
to it for I haven't been
to one for two years.

I hope you have a
good vacation and
let me know all about
it.

Write me soon -
Dearest Love,
Mary

I hope you understand
now what I mean. You're
so vague most of the time,
it's a wonder you ever
answer my letters at
all.

Thank you dear for
sending me Mother's
letters. I did enjoy it.

Jimmy seems to be a
very fine boy and far
above the run in S.F.

Does he still like Helen
so much?

I think the North

Wednesday



Solmie Darling,

I'm provoked with
you for I asked you
very definitely in my
last letter to either
buy the blue felt hat
from me or send it
to me immediately.
Now I wish you to
buy it from me at
the price of \$4.00.

boys are rather stupid,
too egotistical & shallow.
John has by far the most
prospects but he's at a
difficult age.

Myna Hess played here
Friday night. She is superb
always and I enjoy
hearing her almost more
than any other pianist.

I'm going to be at Reg
in Phillie most of
spring vacation and Bob
(the Yale senior) will be
home then too and he

is planning to give me a
good time. The second
week, and Bill R. is coming
up for a date.

aren't you awfully
excited about going
abroad this summer. I
couldn't stand staying
in Little Falls another
summer, especially
because of experience
with Karl.

Well darling write
me soon and please
send me the money on the
hat - much love,
Mavey

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Sotris darling,

We are once again at
the Radisson and it is
quite a gathering we make
We wanted to have you
leave so the other night
but then we can content
ourselves by realizing
that this is the last lap
of it all.

It was such fun to
see you once again, and
my how your technique
has improved. Really I
do envy you for it

seem that no matter
how hard I work I always
stay at ~~about~~ the same level.

I went out with Dick
last night and we had a
nervy time, getting stuck
in the snow part the
finishing touches on the
evening, so that I
nearly froze my feet
and kept mother awake.

We are going back
tomorrow morning and
I will be glad to get
back to my own little
bed.

Well take good care
of yourself dear and
write me soon.

Much love,

Mary

and what have you
been doing? Was your
vacation nice or not?
I had a fun time
and was pretty well
exhausted by the
end of it all.

We had Prom
here a few weeks
ago and I had
Bob McNeil up -
the Yale friend -
he's so nice and
we're good friends
but nothing more.

What are we
going to do this

Tuesday

Satie's sailing -

How very silent
you've been these
past months. May
I interrupt your
reverie?

I've been trying to
write an English
teen paper but with
Dolly asking me
a few little words
for start beginning
with D, the
atmosphere is not
conducive to study.

summer? I wish we
could go out to a
couch where we'd
meet lots of young
people. What do
you think the family
would say to
this? after all we
are getting on in
years and we may
as well have fun
while we're
young. Your day
will come - saying
is a great force
I've decided -
2 we - penses - ours.

Peg will may be
coming out to visit
but I don't think
her family will be
able to afford it.
Peg W.?

If our
P. Lane with
me very soon -
We get out the
third of June and
then I'm visiting
Daddy at the Cape
for a month -

Dearest love,
M. W.

Please write me soon -
much love,
Marry

Sunday



is darling.

The weeks are slipping
by very fast now and soon
it will be time to go
home for ^{our} vacation.

Last week-end I went
out Sat. & Sun. night
with a rifty boy - my
name - Ralph Ellis -
from Wash. D.C. He
graduated from Yale
last year and is now
working ten miles

too.

about the townmaster, I
do think that something a
little more personal
would be more appreciated
by her - really she doesn't
need one.

Friday night Camelia
Otis Skinner was here and
gave some very amusing
monologues. I say I said
but I think Ruth Drape
is a lot better.

Now the family I am
to let you fly home at
8 mos. It would be most
exciting, I hope they will.

from here. Very convenient.
I found out that Karl
3 apple is at H. and
but as yet he hasn't
called me up. I wish he
just don't appreciate
me!

I've just finished
Walpole's latest book,
a Prayer for my Son and
it is a waste of time, and
seems so unlike Walpole.

I gave mother three butter
plates to go with her Milton
set. she thought they were
from both of us and
you order some for her

will probably be in the
C zone. Oh well there's
no use quipping.

I've only taken one
week-end since I've
been back and then I
went to New York.
Somehow my financial
matters are always
a little away.

You must have had
fun trying to get on
the train.

Saturday night I
went to hear Prokofiev.
I enjoyed him
wonderfully and I

Monday



sis darling,

No spanking this time but
a quick reply is my
present punishment for
your laziness.

I feel as though I
have a new lease on
life now that my
yams are over with.
The only two marks I've
gotten so far are
English B+ and
Piano B. The rest

think that although his
music is very modern
it isn't too different.

Bill writes me a special
once a week and he's
coming down to see me
very soon. He is from
Seaburg, Va. but he's
working at 9.50 in
Schenectady.

It's coming out now, but
and constant freezing.
I guess we won't have
any snow all winter.

at this point I'm taking
music lessons from a Mr.
McMann who teaches

at the Boston Conservatory.
He is very fine to think and
I'm sure he will help me
a lot.

Would it be fun to go
abroad this summer. I wish
we could stay over all
winter too. Don't you?

I'm taking Modern Drama
this semester and it seems
most promising.

Write me soon.
Much love,
Mary

teacher said I wasn't
doing as well as I should
with the ability I
have. So I will now
work like a dog and perhaps
a B will be forthcoming.

I had a perfect week
end after exams, and Bill
met me Sat. afternoon
we went dinner.

dancing at the Rainbow
Room where Ray Noble
plays. It's on the 15th
story of Rockefeller
center and a very
city place.

Sunday



Gatsie Darling.

Congratulation on
your very fine marks,
you are upholding the
family name! I am
still very mediocre
as to my marks. I got
one B in Music App. and
the rest C+ and one
D in applied music,
because my music

saw "Call it a Day" with
Philip M. Arriaga and
Gladys Cooper. It was
~~an~~ amusing and well-
done.

Now dear do you
have my blue felt
hat that I lent you
on vacation? I

think Marie packed
it in your trunk by
mistake. If you
want it I'll sell it
to you for \$5.00 otherwise

please send it to me
right away for my
wardrobe is in need of it.

I saw Betty Bridges
in the Grand Central on
Sunday night. She was
waiting for a train to

Poughkeepsie having
just come from Port
mouth Carnival. She
looked very pretty but
not any different than
she did at school. She
sent her love to you.

I've only 9 letters

one letter from the family. What address did they give you to send their letters to?

Have you heard any thing more about our going abroad this summer?

Please write me soon.

Much love,
Mary

to have a gala party.

You might write me
but I'm taking pity on
you as I know you're
having exams this week
and a letter is especially
cheering at this time I
think. See you do the
same for me. Tell me
what kind of a time
you ~~are~~ had at Aunt
Sara's. Have you
seen the Hultigs since
you ~~recovered~~?
Last night I heard

Jan. 26, 1936



Solstice darling,

Vacation seems so
long ago and the weeks go
too slowly. Exams start
the third of February
and I finish on Friday
so I'm going down to
New York that afternoon.
I'm staying with Mary
Fadden, and Sat. Bill
is coming up to New
York and we're going

Patigorsky who is the
worlds best cellist. He
was superb, and a fascinating
person. I'd never realized
what beautiful tones
a cello had or what a
variety of them until
I heard him.

We had a highlizzard
a week ago so the
skiing is every good.

I haven't been anywhere
or done any thing since
I came back. except to
read and play bridge

after my studies were over,
for I need my relaxation.

Read "Conquistado" by
Mac Geish if you can get
it. It is fascinating.

Write soon please.
Much love,
Mary