

116 W. 129th St.  
New York

My dear Marjorie: --

I went to call on your mother the other afternoon and she told me about your starting in at college -- I really meant to [have?] me in to see you before you left, but the days slipped by and no opportunity seemed to offer until last Wednesday -

It is too bad that you are off campus, but still I have

heard more than one girl say that she was really glad she was not on campus Freshman year for she felt that she became better acquainted with the girls in the college where she lived than she could have become with the girls in one of the dormitories.

Now a week seems just about the same as [...] to me -- I was so shocked this summer to hear of your father's death -- It doesn't seem possible even now. Not many changes are being made in the school organization - I have a perfectly enormous Latin I class - 33 - None of the eighth grade people are taking Biology this year but are all starting in [with?] the languages and some of them are pretty decent - I have two sections of History this year, one Roman and one greek - I suppose I have 43 or 44 in that including both classes. [Virgil?] remains small and select

numbering five in their year Caesar is larger than usual and Cicero a little smaller than usual - I really wasn't so very sorry to get back to work - This has been a hard summer for all of us, I guess - Rosalind, my sister was sick much of the time and we took turns staying home with her, as she couldn't go out for five or six weeks --

Your mother tells me you are beginning to worry about your work. Don't do it -- Just prepare what you are told to do and your marks

will look out for themselves - Don't stay up all night and don't worry. I feel like a grandmother giving you all this advice, but you see I know what it is to start in at college and try to do well enough not to disgrace my family, for you see when I started I hadn't any idea that I had brains enough to go through without being conditioned at all -- But I did, and you see that is what comes [of?] just going ahead, doing the best you can, go-

ing to bed early and taking plenty of exercise. By the way, go over and see Mrs. Law - she lives in the first cottage of that road that goes across to the Lake.

[Diagram: Mrs. Law  
Lake  
Mrs. [Flagler?]  
Main road]

You tell her that Hazel Ware sent you and I think she'll be nice to you - Mr. Law is the chief engineer at the college and a very nice man and I often used to [run?] over to their cottage. You try it sometime and see if you don't like it -- Well, it is getting late and I must go to bed -

You need not answer this letter if you are pressed for time. I'll [run?] in and see your mother and Georgia once in a while, and get the news about you from them.

I'm perfectly sure that you'll get along all right and I told them so the day when I saw them. Now take a little time to play -- Don't work all the time --

Sincerely your friend  
Hazel A. Ware

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