

Tuesday.

Dearest little big sis

A wuz most glad to get your epistles of yesterday and to day. About your coming here -- I'd a lot rather you'd come by the tenth of March if you can for several reasons. In the first place, we couldn't have a good time here alone during Spring vacation; everyone goes away, and while its not so bad to spend it in a small house like Mrs W's as I did last year, anything more

desolate and woebegone than these big dormitories when no one is in them is hard to conceive of. I know you wouldn't like it, and even our being together would hardly make up for the gloom. I know that last year I couldn't bear to go inside the campus. Then there is a second reason. Mrs Underhill has invited me to come there, and as Ruth is coming to visit me this summer, I won't be

under too much obligation to them by accepting the invitation. Our vacation begins on the twenty seventh of March and if you came on the tenth we could have three weeks together. I won't have so awfully much to do at that time and we'll have some splendid fun, you see the college when it's at its normal state, and best of all you'll see the girls. Of course if you find it quite impossible to come except during the vacation, why we'll have a good time anyway. How long do you expect to be in Washington? I do hope you'll have a great old time there. Im glad your gray gown turned out so well. Please be vaccinated again right away, all of you. I am dreadfully worried by the small pox reports -- to think that Grace Cavanagh, Mary Micke, and Miss Pomeroy have it,

all of whom I know! It is dreadful! I now take up my pencil because I have betaken myself to a concert by the Hampton Quartette

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which was perfectly great! Composed of four darkies, graduates and representatives of the Hampton Institute. They sang old plantation songs -- here's a sample chorus.

And, 'twas, Jupa[Juba] this + Jupa[Juba] that

And Jupa[Juba] killed a yellow cat

To make his wife a Sunday hat

Jupa[Juba]!

The first two words were said very slowly, the rest very fast to the accompaniment of ragtime hand claps. A colored man spoke, and spoke very well -- he used to be principle of a school in Indianapolis by the way -- and an Indian girl spoke too.

By the way, I got a letter (a peach) from Edio today in which she said EveryMan was coming to Indianapolis. Be sure and go.

I'm going to make

a list sometime soon of things I want you to bring with you when you come.

How perfecting brilling is the news about the Druffiths -- but I'm so sorry they won't be at home this summer. I'll miss them awfully and besides I wanted to show them off to Ruth.

Well, I really must study now so farewell

Slews of love

Peg.

Smallpox reports. When will her sister come
Ruth's coming to visit this summer
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