

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

Saturday Noon

My dear —

This morning in the early mail the postman brought me your letter written Wednesday night. It made me very happy - but the gum was written Tuesday night - I stopped by the hotel on my way to school and it was waiting for me. I read it several times before I finally retired at two this morning -

Upon reflection I thought it best not to send you the long letter I referred to which outlined the problems which were giving me concern. It had entirely too much in it about an unpleasant subject - at least unpleasant in 1934 - Then, too, later developments would make all I said sound very silly. I am about ready to conclude that my letters are not nearly as persuasive and appealing as they should be. Consequently it is frequently that I hesitate to write all I think or all that I want to say. (over)

2 // But when I think of our unsatisfactory telephone
conversations, charged with the expense that "person to
person calls" involve, I'm reluctant to blame it all on
my letters.

My Senators haven't written since I talked to them
and I know very little that you would be interested in
that I haven't ^{told you} ~~mentioned~~. Kelly may call tonight - a letter
from the University today tells me that my credits have
been approved and the schedule worked out for me
is satisfactory to them - Evidently some of the courses I'm
taking here are not offered at Texas the second semester
but they state I can get them in the summer. I'm
very, very anxious to hear something further before the
end of another week. It appears that my entrance
at Texas takes my first semester work here for
granted, hence I probably won't have here until late
in January - If I can do the job, exist and finish
as they have planned purely from the economical
aspect it will be well worth the change - Only I
want a lot of things more than surplus cash -

About the financial angle, dear, I'm sure the
salary will be some less than I'm making here
but much more when the buying power is taken
into consideration - It isn't enough for the two of us
tho' and the ~~salary~~ ^{salary} following graduation won't be. It
is bad to fall in love with a girl who has had some
comforts and advantages but it's worse than bad
to attempt to make her happy with a nominal
salary after marriage. Haven't learned that from marriage
but took a few lessons from a good teacher

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When I was only a youngster ^{Washington, D.C.} honey, I haven't over-estimated what my Bird should have.

Now, dear, a minute on what I'm suppose to take back - 'taken at the flood' etc - I'm sure we care just as much as we did a few weeks ago - What I meant ^{to convey} in that statement ~~to convey~~ was not "that I was glad to have the golden opportunity gone and over with" but to explain in some way that our ~~different~~ approaches to questions were very different, thus creating a question in our minds as to the possibility of a future for each other - That sentence is somewhat involved - This may make it easier - I see something I know I want - I immediately exert efforts to get it - I do or I don't but I try and do my best - You see something you might want - You tear it to pieces in an effort to determine if you should want it - Then you wonder why you want it, and conclude that maybe the desire isn't an "everlasting" one and that ~~it is~~ the "same" thing to do is to wait a year or so, and then if you

⁴ still want it, to decide at that time whether or not you should make an effort to get it. It may be love - it may be a new job, or it might be the purchase of a new car - I try to be reasonably deliberate - I try to keep my feet on the ground - I keep from going off half-cocked, because I realize the personal effect of all ^{business} decisions. "We can make our own floods and tides" but it wouldn't be best for me to decide the way out - then wait a year or two on you to deliberate, only to find he had been caught in the meantime -

A letter from Mother and Josefa this morning. Mother says: "How is the lady-love? Have you heard from her this week? I am sure she writes clever and lovely letters; doesn't she? How old is she? All the details are of interest to your Mother who loves you so dearly." And I'm very glad she too loves you - Outside of your ~~love~~ I want no one to care for me - to admire and respect me - quite as much as I do your father - He has done so much for you that you couldn't disappoint him at this stage of life - The show last night didn't get over with me - I was quite disgusted with it. We drove to the

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Washington D. C. Helen talked until
apartment about eleven and almost two. At my insistence she told me all
about her father. He will retire next year from the
N.Y. Court of Appeals - having reached the age limit.
Roosevelt appointed him to this the highest court in
N.Y. just before he finished his term as Governor.
Last year I met Helen's mother and we spent
several interesting evenings together. The mother
has now asked Helen to have me visit them in Kansas
and if I am here I'm going up to spend a day or
two. One should get ~~some~~ an inspiration from
just a few hours around such a scholar.
If I followed my natural impulses tonight I
would stay in my room and read until it
was time to call you - then I would have a
long sweet talk with my love - read some more -
get anxious to leave immediately for Texas - then go
to bed - But I'll probably approach this
question cautiously - with deliberation - think
about the extravagance involved - and finally
at the last minute run out to the Shoreham
for a few hours dancing with an unbridled expenditure

of several telephone calls - only to make up late
in the morning to start on our Sunday picnic
in Va.

I shall be so anxious to receive the
pictures and Thanks for the Cotton dress.
I'm almost forgotten how you look in
one - 'Cause two months represents
years to me.

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isn't (a letter) - perhaps I'd better stop writing so
Much and often" You of course know what your
letters mean to me, and altho' I live from one
day to another for them, I realize such a course
would only be followed after due reflection and
a careful analysis upon the part of the smartest
most deliberate little girl in all the world -

All my love -

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