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Virginia Brainard

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Oak Hall
Iowa State College
Ames, Iowa

Oct. 20, 1941

Dear Mother and Daddy,

Your letter came just half an hour ago. I was shocked to hear of Roger's death. How did it happen? And then I grieve because sometimes don't suit ~~me~~ me. I guess I've got a lot to learn.

I interviewed Bernard De Voto Wednesday afternoon at 2. You've probably heard of him. He's a graduate of N.W. Mother. He's a noted columnist, editor, novelist and critic. He was editor of the Saturday Review of Literature several years ago and now conducts The Easy Chair in Harper's Magazine. I know all this by heart as I've written the publicity for these lectures for the past five weeks.

On Thursday I interviewed Major George Fielding Eliot, one of America's foremost military authorities. I don't suppose he's ~~as~~ a non-interventionist, by any means, but he's a very famous man and that's good enough for me. He wrote the best seller "The Damnable We Watch," which the March of Time filmed and has done a

The cookies were wonderful. Thank you very much.

great deal of radio work, including an analysis of
last minute news three times a week.

The Daily Student put out a 12 page Homecoming
edition and I had 30 inches in it. I am going to
have my students sent home beginning today and
please really read them as they reflect what the school
is really like much more than I can in my letters.
Any stories that have anything to do with the
English and Speech Department, the Home Management
Dept, Debate and Sketch Magazine (student creative
magazine) are my stories. I've now had 204
inches printed in ~~four~~ ^{four} weeks. I don't get any more
than a C at mid-term, tho'. Its practically a fixed policy
to give just C's at mid-term. Quite a few of the kids have
had D's and F's on their news stories - mostly for
misspelling and other inexcusable mistakes but I've
managed to escape those and get a fair sprinkling
of C's and B's - which means I'm getting along all
right but nothing spectacular. Of the girls, I have
the best beat on the campus, I think, but I only got
that because I'd had a little experience.

But I still do not know how to budget my
time. I make out schedules but nothing happens.
I sent you my program - every afternoon, 1-6 goes to
journalism. Can you work anything out?

Love,
Virginia

All these handwritten special delivery letters are from Marlow's letters. I've written her twice
and been reamped in the three or four long letters (15 pages and 5 postcards). I've got alot to tell you about
his family in my next letter.