

P.S. Can't you get a refund on this ticket that I didn't use from St. Cloud to Mpls.?

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1941

Dear Mother and Daddy,

Thanks very very much for the cake and candy. We all enjoyed it very much!! I have a present for you, too. In my first Chem. Test I got 99. We had our first Physics test this morning. I did well but haven't my grades as yet. So I feel fine and very happy about the whole thing. This quarter seems so different from last fall. My work is much more fun and there's more of it. Applied Art is the only class I don't care much about but I feel that way because I don't have any talent along those lines.

Mrs. Richter visited Virginia this week-end and Dorothy's Mother was over two weeks ago – I wish you and Daddy could come down here next Spring. My spring vacation starts Wed., March 19 and registration is the following Monday. I could take my final exams early and perhaps be through by Monday. That's a whole week there. Could either plan be afforded, I wish?

I've gone through all my letters from home and clipped the stamps so they're all here.

Your letter just came, Mother, and I enjoyed it very much – liked the clippings of Marie Fondel. I'll try to mail my laundry bag sooner. I don't think it pays to send it special. This week it came in with the regular Monday a.m. mail.

There isn't very much to write about this week. I don't do anything at all during the week except study. My week-ends are a lot of fun and I do go out then. I've dated up through Feb. 8 already. Future dates include the forester's Hoe-down next Sat. night out at the country club, the Engineer's Ball the next Sat. night and the Apple-Polisher's Ball the Sat. night after that. Last Sat. night I went to a Bowery Bowl at the Theta Frat house- very much fun.

This afternoon Mary Lou invited me over to the Alpha Gam house for a chocolate hour. It was just lovely. The girls are simply wonderful and I'm crazy about them. I guess I'm really more than just a little interested in that sorority but they may not be interested in me.

My "beat" on The Student is going fairly well. It will take time to develop it but I think I have the makings of a good organization. I have a reporter in every hall. They are all grand kids and very cooperative it'll be fun and fascinating working with them.

I'm learning so darn much this quarter along all lines. I feel now as tho I'm really beginning to grow. Through my new experiences I'm meeting many more people and they fascinate me. Nothing else is so interesting. They are all so different and interesting. I guess I feel this way because I'm so darn happy here! I never once contract any of those bad moods or tempers I get into at home. I love my work and the achievement of really learning and also people and my friends and the things we do together. Its wonderful and its not going to quit at

the end of this quarter. I'm not being fooled. I know just exactly what they want from me and I can come across with it, too.

P.S. There's a terrific amount of flu around here, too.

Love,

Virginia