

Saturday Feb. 12,
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Dear Virginia: -

I have enjoyed wearing the faculty scarf which you gave me so much. I used it quite a little while I was gone. I had a fine trip, both coming and going to Y. R. the ride was a little rough over the lake but aside from that it was just as smooth as it could be. I didn't have time to call you when I came in last Thursday as I came to the bus station at 5 to 4 and the bus left at 4:10 and there were too many people using the booths. I came home at 6. And found Daddy and the boys getting ready to go to Rowlands for supper – so I staid home, unpacked and washed all of the soaking dishes. There were three oatmeal [?] soaking. Talbots had invited them for dinner Tues. night and Smiths Wed. night so they were really well taken care of.

A week ago yesterday – Friday – we went to Bay City for the bridal dinner which Uncle Wall and Aunty Carla gave – they had rooms at the hotel so we staid there Fri and Sat. night. The wedding was beautiful – 5 bridesmaids and 6 ushers including the well known foot-ball player Chappias. The men wore striped trousers and coat away coats while the girls wore mid-Victorian [Beriad?] gowns in a soft blue with trains and carried deep red carnations. They also wore halo hats of the same material as the dresses. The maid of honor carried pink carnillias. Ruth – the bride – had a beautiful slipper satin with a shade of blue gown very long train and carried white carnillias and an orchid in the center. We went to the Country Club for the reception which lasted until quite late then back to the hotel where we talked until mid-night- the next day after brunch around 11 we packed and left for Ionia. That day was Carla's birthday – so we had a birthday supper at their place – I had [bot?] an elaborately decorated heart shape birthday cake which had Happy Birthday on it – of course. Vicky and Chrissy were there too so we had a gay time – all of the boys were there except, of course, Hugh. And she got a blouse slips and powder for gifts- Monday we went to Grand Rapids to get my plane reservation for Thursday and to do some shopping. Tues – I went to [Lousing?] with Walter and called on Lucille, held her new baby, and saw Susan, Ant and Maurine came in for a short time – Wed. Labie and the kiddies came up for lunch and we made all blankets for Vicky's Christmas doll and valentines in the afternoon for Vicky – and that is the way the time went. Yesterday I spent the day cleaning and putting things away here in the house and ironed.

It is time to get at that so I think I had better close. Daddy had a letter from Dorotha – She comes in Sat Feb 26 – said she wanted get in touch with you and you can make plans with her about meeting us after the concert.

Much love –

Mother