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Miss Gainor Roberts
206 S. Willomet
Dallas, Texas

Dearest Gainor,

I certainly hope that your Grandmother improves and also that you don't get stuck in Oklahoma. I sure would like to be there and go to Martha's party. I know they'll all have a good time. I haven't had a letter from Joe all this week and I generally get at least one a week. Maybe it'll come to morrow

Oh! That dinged old Rice – state game sure made us all feel bad for awhile. Gainor, State was ahead when the game first started; one point on a foul. They were behind all the rest of the game until 1 ½ minutes at the end when on a foul and a free throw they got one point ahead. If it hadn't been for the dance, I don't know what would have happened. We danced until two o'clock. When we came back out to school about fifteen of us got the night watchman to let us in the kitchen. We ate all the refreshments that were left and then went to bed 4 o'clock.

For some reason or other I have had the blues and have been homesick ever since Tuesday. I just got over it when I got your letter, thank goodness.

Last Wednesday night we like to tore things up around here. We have a night watchmen who thinks he's a whole lot more than he is, and he talks just like a girl. About six of us started hurraing him and talked just like he did. Well the crowd kept growing. Do you remember those guns I told you about. Well they are kept in an empty room just across from mine, they keep the door locked but some of the boys crawled in the window and got six guns. Two of the boys got at one end of the building, two at another and then one on each side in the middle. They crazy watchman tries to follow up the fellows that do the shooting, so when they all got ready, they shot one at a time and the old watchman didn't know which way to go. When he started making his rounds they poured water on him, and about every five minutes those boys would shoot those old army rifles and then all of the boys would just hollow (sic). We kept this up until 11 o'clock and when he went in his office we roped his door, and kept him in there until after 12 o'clock when the chef came over and let him out. We had all gone to bed though. The next morning the Hall committee got buys. I was visited by the chairman and of all the fibs I told an I had to keep a straight face thru it all. When he left he said your excused "Dutch". I had to beat it and tell some of the others what I had told him so we wouldn't have different stories. Everything came out all right. One of the boys was caught up with and lost his job as waiter. They will suspend us from the Hall from here on if we shoot any more guns and are caught.

You know I have completely forgotten what that German was if you write it back I'll see if I can translate it. I'm going to find out what all that C.E. Etc. was or ----- . Tell Miss Mary that she sure knows how to make candy and, honey, you sure does know how to beat it. I haven't gotten over that yet. It sure was good.

I hate to think about it but in two weeks, finals will be here. The second term ends on March 18. If I get thru all right then it's only two and one half months till packing time. I'm already getting excited.

I am sending your program of the Soph. hop along with this letter. You told me one time that you didn't want me to take every other dance with you, so I didn't do it this time. You know there is always a way to beat the bird around the bush.

I have been rooming by myself for the last week. My roommate went to Brownsville last Sat. (190 and hasn't got back yet. I helped him pack his suitcase, and it was one more sight. He got a telegram at 7:00 after the 7:30 car and 9:30 train. He'll come pumping back about Sunday morning.

Well, I hope you have a good time Friday night. Save me a dance cause I sure want it.

Mia finla liebe

Otto

P.S. I happened to find the newspaper clipping after I had written all about but you can see that they are both practically alike.