

evening. But Oh! you exams. I'm go-  
ing to have to hide myself studying.  
This may have to be my last letter  
before I go home. If you write to Big  
Quahter & na't tell them I'll come  
through Houston Thursday morn-  
ing, they can find out what time.  
Please write me late this week to keep  
my spirits up. Tell me every tiny piece of  
news & answer all my questions.  
Love Ruth  
Baylor College  
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Dear Mother,

I received your letter  
this morning. I am so terribly  
busy that I shan't have time  
to make the little cushion. I'll  
just put it together so you can  
see how it goes. I think a pale  
blue would look better than  
the darker grey. Su, I won't  
have time to go to town for the  
things I need. I am sending a  
box of the acorn cups. I think  
Mary Markwell & Geraldine  
would each like one, don't you  
why not make one for each of the  
girls. Floride, Rebecca, Dorothy &

Bernico? They don't take long to  
make. I can make some when  
I get home. you glue the little  
cushion to the cap. I guess cotton  
would be better than hair, but  
hair is all I have.

What can we give Esther?  
Have you thought what I could  
give Big Brother and Nat? I'd  
like to give them something.  
Are you going to make Margaret  
a knitting bag too? Does Viola  
knit?

I think your gifts are  
going to be perfectly wonderful.  
I hadn't had the time to spend  
at all, but I managed to get  
it when your letter came. Your  
gifts will be nice because each  
will be something the one who  
gets it will like. I know little  
Nat will be tickled to death  
with the grip; Big Brother certain-  
ly can use the comfort and will  
appreciate it. I know Nat will  
be delighted with the sweater



maybe I could get him some  
kind of a cap to match the  
sweater, or gloves, if he needs  
them. Won't the babies & their  
mamas be delighted with the  
sweaters. What color will they  
be? Mother, I simply don't see  
how you can do all that knitting  
before Xmas.

Did you ask Mr. Will about  
the entertainment? Please do & tell  
me. I'm wild for Xmas to come.  
Wasn't that lovely for you all to  
do that for Mrs. Brighten. Has  
she had trouble - lately. Seems  
like her niece could help her does  
'nt it?

I surely do feel sorry for  
the Hartels. I suppose Mrs. Hartel  
will not have a very happy Xmas.  
I am so glad that my brother  
has not had to go yet.

Mother, I feel sorry for  
Dora. Yesterday was her birth-  
day - she was eighteen - and she  
didn't get one single thing.

She wrote home & told them to be  
sure & write to her cause last  
year she didn't even get a letter.  
Well, Velma wrote the letter (now  
wonder you they couldn't send her  
even a little gift), and it was  
written in such a tone that  
made Dora think Velma only  
did it because she felt like she  
had to. Dora felt awfully bad  
so I told her I'd get you to write  
her a birthday letter, cause  
I knew you'd do it nice. So as  
soon as you can write to her I  
feel so sorry for her. She always  
talks about how different things  
would have been if her father  
had lived. Don't tell any of her  
folks that she didn't get anything  
cause she told them that she  
got a whole lot. She'll tell them  
differently when she gets home.

I have a wonderful surprise  
for you. I'll be home a day earlier.  
Exams start Tuesday & I shall  
leave Wednesday at midnight.  
get home about 9:30 Thursday  
morning. One week from tomorrow  
morning I'll be home. I ain't that





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