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Dear Burt:

A lot of water has gone over the dam since I received your good letter of June 8th. However, I want to tell you how delighted I was to hear from you and to get your very fulsome report of your travels and your trials and tribulations.

I wrote John Bunn after having heard from him that our budget was cut somewhat and I am afraid that we will not be able to hire either one of the two men - Pike or Voorhees. Miss Uln resigned due to the fact that she desired to take the matrimonial step. She went to California, you know, - or do you know? It was then necessary for us to hire someone to take her place and that entailed an increase of \$400. The deans objected strenuously and it was necessary for us to take that much money from our men's physical education budget. Therefore, not being certain whether the army is going to get John Cress or not, we have to await the draft board's classification of him some time after July. If we keep John Cress then we cannot get a full time man due to the cut already described. I am playing against time and trying to shape up our program, but the fact that we are going to have Henry Shenk at least gives us a silver lining to a rather dark cloud. I may get some scholarship man who desires to work on his master's.

I feel in the mood to write you a very long letter and give you the background on a lot of things that have happened and that are happening, but we are having a dance in the Union Building tonight and it is necessary that I give some attention to that.

It has been as hot as blue blazes here the last week. Yesterday it was 97° with humidity up in the 70's. You can imagine how people suffered.

I will promise to write you a longer letter in the very near future and tell you a lot of things that I would enjoy sitting in a cool spot and telling you. However, I do not want you to get the wrong conception of this dance tonight. A cool wave pushed in and it is much more pleasant. It has been cloudy most of the day and we have engineered things so that we shall have sixteen fans and three big blowers in the Union Building. I really believe it will be a delightful evening. Our class in Community Recreation is doing the honors so I expect it will be well done. Miss Zipple is giving gratuitously four gallons of punch, and since we have