

to do some very necessary work. I was far behind in my office work, and although Milton, Isabel, Tom Van Cleave, Jr., and Mrs. Van Cleave went to the game I stayed here. They asked me to go along, and I had practically decided that I would, but the press of detailed work made it imperative that I stay. Mother did not want to go, saying that she would rather save her money and spend it on the needs for the children. I do not share her viewpoint in this as I know you will agree with me. I think the children are entitled to their share, but it is just as unwise for a parent to spend all of his money on the children as it is for a child to spend all the money on himself or herself. Measure and proportion makes proper balance. I will never feel that I have spent any money on the children but the money that I wanted to spend freely and cheerfully, and I will never feel that I have handicapped myself unduly "rendering unto Caesar the money that is Caesar's."

So I want you to have a fine, happy, beneficial experience at Pennsylvania. I thought you spoke very wisely when you said that you wanted to attend an opera, and I have it in mind that I want you to see at some time before you graduate a world's championship prize fight. It isn't worth much only just the experience of seeing groups together. Isn't that an antithesis - a grand opera and a prize fight? But again it is that measure and proportion.

But I must stop and drop a note to Eleanor.

With much love and anticipation of your fine future success, I am

Affectionately, Your dad