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A/s 0. W. Maloney, 17058157 70th C.T.D. Albion College Albion, Michigan

Dear Owen:

We were mighty glad to get your letter of the 5th, and upon receipt of it, I had Dorothy call Marilyn and found that she did not have your address and was very glad to have it and promised to write you.

We hear from your mamma quite frequently and not so long ago we had a telephone conversation with her. I understand that they are getting pretty well settled, have renewed old friendships, and have made new acquaintances and friends, and that Eileen is enjoying her work at Holland Hall. I think I have the name right. She seems to be a go-getter in mathematics, is taking stiff work, and doing it well.

Marilyn is a mighty sweet girl and her mamma was here with her when she entered school. I took her and her baggage up to the Kappa House and the hall looked like a reception place for refugees. Bundles and bags with clothing were piled on both sides of the hall from door to door. It reminded me of the time a good many years ago when I had to go to the Kappa House for Blanche and get all of the white robes that they used in their initiation. I said that although I was an oldtimer, I had probably had my arms around more of those robes than any young fellow in town, but robes without occupancy are rather of a hollow and heavy thing.

I think there are quite a good many girls on the Hill, but at the same time there are probably two boys for every girl as we have a big group of soldiers and sailors.

As you are getting the paper, you probably know most of the news if you have time to read it. We went over the top in good shape on the bond drive, all of us doing our part.

It is the fourth day that Dolph has been away looking after the United War Fund Drive in which he has accepted the directorship of publicity for the state of Kansas. He will be home this evening.