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Feb. 26?

Sun. Eve. (26?)

Dearest Family.

It is almost time to go down to the prayer group but I can begin this anyway. I believe I told you that we are reading "The Man Nobody Knows." and the girls like it immensely. We are reading "Christ the Executive" now. It makes a fine discussion book for a Sunday evening prayer ~~book~~ group.

This has been a very happy pleasant and busy week. Have stopped working on Saturday mornings now till after the debate which cuts down my work 5 more hours - but I have to do it to be fair to the task I've undertaken. Of course it means paying out more - till after the debate which is the middle of April. Has

father sent my Feb. allowance yet. He hasn't mentioned it and I need it.

This week end has been dollar a day down town - Can you imagine me in a purple hat. Well - I bought a lovely quality of purple hat for a dollar. Its a smart little shape two - and everyone likes it. It will be fine to travel in Spring Vacation if I go anyplace. and if I don't go to Milwaukee - I'll feel compelled to go to Akron - They'll disown me if I don't pay more attention to them. - and I don't blame them.

Your box came Sat. morning ~~after~~ and I was so glad to get the records & the candy & clothes.

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The "vic" has been away all this week - over at the infirmary - one of my little Freshman friends is over there. So when these records came I took them over - - - - I haven't any place to keep the records - and I wonder if it wouldn't be a good idea for you to send me one of your record books - then I could keep them together you could send me a couple more records then - when you sent it. I appreciated the one - underneath the mellow moon "so much because I know how you folks like it. - I like the instrumentalones especially.

Was over to see the girl the early part of this afternoon - played the records and

4/ read to her a while - and she appreciated it so much. Am sending my laundry home Mon. morning. The sandwich enclosed was delicious - even tho it was sort of hard. Miss Gould tasted it and liked it too.

As I said before this has been a very pleasant week. Kam Sing Sun does not live at Luccocks any more but out in town - in a large home - a couple blocks from the campus - where she is working for her room and board. Mrs. the family there went to Columbus for the week and when Kam Sing told Mrs. Root - Miss Root said she ought to have some

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to stay with her and asked who she wanted. — so I've been down there every night except Friday — when I was at Holden over night with Mildred Cabut — a debator & darling girl.

Well — there is a radio at this home where Kaus is staying so you can imagine what fun we had. Last night (Sat. nite) we had a wonderful concert till 1:30 (?) from W. T. A. M. Cleveland. We also had Chicago & N. Y. dandy. They have a lovely home — beautifully furnished with pretty lamps — a lovely big fireplace and a comfortable davenport.

I went to sleep listening to the radio on the davenport - They have a darling dog & I had so much fun with it

Friday night she insisted on having a little party. She wanted to ask the two Chinese fellows in school & insisted on my asking someone - so I didn't know who else to ask but Bob. We had radio & had some cute guessing stunts and then popped corn over the fire. It was really lots of fun. - But I went to Holden all night to stay with Mildred - as the man of the house had come home for the night.

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The other nights we tried to study. Has my report come yet? I wish you would send it to me if it has. I haven't got one myself.

Bob took me to the B.B. game last night and wanted a date for church. — but I very frankly told him no — because we were having enough dates all at once. — He is taking me to the gypsy party Thursday. I wish you had sent the bandana — handkerchief. I love paper bandana for a costume.

I sent at that cute picture on the red cross poster

8/ of the girl and boy on the sled & tacked it on the wall above my dresser. - and I saved the poster of Santa - I can't use it next Christmas.

Friday afternoon Mrs Johnson - of former Pres Johnson's wife gave the loveliest Tea for the girls debate team at her home. She is Irish & a perfect dear. Mrs Leach - Mrs Prof Cummings - Mrs Althouse & Mrs Miller (our debate instructors wife) - were all there. It was fun! I feel so incapable of it all. - Its a lot of work but grand experience.

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You asked about Kam. She is a chinese girl who has never seen china. ~~She is fr~~ Her home is in Hawaii. & her mother & many sisters and brothers live there now. She came over from Hawaii with a missionaries family & went to Northfield seminary for prep school. - She is educating herself - to teach perhaps in Hawaii. She's an interesting character - & is liked by everyone. She looked beautiful Fri nite - with a new dress on & - her hair parted in the middle with braided rolls on either side.

10 She isn't going to be a missionary. She's just here for education as far as I know

Do you suppose you could send me that wooden griddle. That would be handy for my gypsy costume — I hadn't thought of it! — I s'pose you'd have to send it special so I'd get it.

I wish Dad was here so we could talk over the children going to school — !. It wouldn't be a bad idea to apply for both of them — for Esther should apply now for a room in Hoover — I can do it for Ed. two if you wish — because if she comes next year — she could have a choice room in Hoover if I do.