St. Martin's College, Lacy, Wash. Nov. 27, '08

Dear Brother,

Well old Pal I hope you will overlook my waiting so long before writing but then you know how it goes.

You no doubt had a swell time last night, Gee; say but I would like to have been there; I laid in bed awake till quite late thinking of the time you people were having, and I would imagine that I could see you spin around on the floor. I doun't think of the good old times and of the times I could have if I were there or else I get the blues and a kind of home-sick. I am going to stick it out if possible, or if I don't get canned. Ha! Ha! But I would not forget to tell you of the good meals we had yesterday, actually we had the best Thanksgiving dinner I have ever eaten in all my life, we had most anything you could wish for and I even had a piece of turkey. In fact we get good grub all the time.

Well; I didn't get through with my letter before supper, and right after supper I played billiard and just now got through and will try to finish your letter although it may be bed time before I get through.

Say kid; with whom does the <u>Kid</u> run around since I left? Would like to have been with you the night you went to Uniontown, I bet you had a swell time; did you see Clara? I sent a postal to her while here & she answered it pretty quick, I was surprised to hear of her so soon & by the way she writes I don't believe it's just <u>all off</u> yet, but think there is a little show for me; if I would want to take it. Ha! Ha!

I sent out a lot postals already, and to most of the kids up there and received answers to most of them. Just bought twenty more today and don't expect to have any left by the end of next week.

Suppose you are chasing around the same as when I left & by the way, what is Barney chasing? How are things running by this time? Are you going to go out working & if so, where at? My letter is most all questions as I don't know any news but am anxious to know all about affairs at dear old Genesee.

I may go to Olympia to-morrow afternoon to try to get some material for the public debate on Dec. 22. The question is: Resolved that capital-punishment is justifiable; in which I have got the negative side. I am sending a photo of the two principals for the occasion, the name of the kid is: Allen Kistler, known by the name of "Babe," at school. He is a pretty bright lad. Was at Olympia last Saturday to see a foot-ball game between that town and Tacoma, the score being 11 to 0 in favor of Tacoma; it rained very hard that afternoon, making the grounds all one mud & water; some places the water was two & three inches deep & say it was fun to see them roll around in that water. I borrowed an over-coat & it was soaked through after the game & just as heavy as lead.

Will try to get a diploma in book-keeping and if I do, I don't know whether to try to get a position at Spokane or to go back to the ranch.

I got a letter from Peter to-night and he sent me something that indeed will help me out as I was dead broke for some time. Did Pa get any bills sent to him as yet from here, and does he even say any-thing about it or any thing else in regard to me?

Don't be surprised if I tell you that this is Saturday, as I didn't get through last night before 8:30.

Got permission this morning to go to Olympia this afternoon, to look up some material for the debate.

Last week we had examinations for the first quarter of the term and I had the second highest average in the college. You saw the report that was sent home I suppose.

Did you hear of Gladys of late? I wrote a letter to her and did not receive an answer as yet but she sent a postal telling she was quite busy but would answer.

Has Genesee got a foot-ball team this year? The foot-ball season is over with here and the college has organized a basket-ball team, and have a game dated for Dec. 5, at Shelton.

Can you dance the two-step and roller-skates by this time? If you can then dance it for me with the <u>Kid.</u>

News being very scarce, I must close hoping to hear from you in the near future. I remain,

The same old-kid,

A. P. L.

Mr. Henry Lorang, Genesee, Idaho.

P.S. Bob Page, a jolly little fellow, sitting just in front of me drew this picture of me on a negative & made a proof from it & told me to send it to you. Ha! Ha! it's quite natural isn't it?

P.S.² Tell Crystal I am anxiously waiting for an answer from her.



Albert Lorang is back row on the right. With a tie.

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