

Thurs - Oct 21

Dear Ken:

I've been planning to write you for some time, but you know how it is. I have been quite busy and shall explain later. Just now let me thank you for the book. It is one I've wanted to read for some time - in fact ever since it was so popular some years back - but never got to it. If I don't read it now there can be no excuse. I thank you for it, Ken, and I'm curious to know why you kept thinking of me as you scanned through it. In due time I expect to learn.

The book arrived while I was on a trip home. Did I tell you when you were here that I had permission to go back for a visit? Or maybe I hadn't received permission yet at that time. At any rate I went home from the 2nd of Oct. to the 16th. It was awfully short, but well appreciated. Naturally, I visited Talisin as well.

I brought some tools back with me and now I'm in the midst of a building project in my room here. It sort of gets in a fellows blood I guess and one seems always to want to fix his room and make it livable and comfortable. I'm putting folding doors on my clothes closet and some shelves along that same wall. Also plan to take the mirror off that dresser and put it on the wall amid the shelves, eliminating those "fancy" curved prongs which support it now. This will probably be all I can manage at present, for the new semester begins around Nov. and I managed to wiggle in as a special student for a couple of courses. I almost didn't get in because of my record, but I believe that if one

has connections almost anything is possible. Through Bob May's mother I met a professor in the Architecture Department who really got in and pitched for me. But this is enough of my activities, Han. I want to know about you.

Did you find the things you were looking for? Jobs, land, people, and etc.? How did you like David's (~~etc.~~) wife? And how were things when you got back to camp? I sure hope you can get out of it for good soon.

The weather here remains foul. I've even had snow already. But at times it can be quite nice, and since it is the time of year when the leaves are turning all these gorgeous colors there are spots that are quite beautiful.

And right now, Han, while I'm telling some of the pleasant things about A.A., I'd like to again thank you for your visit here. It was a big lift to me, and at a time when it was certainly needed. I have enough friends and connections around here now to keep me busy (as busy as I wish to be ^{socially}) but at that time I was dying for someone to talk to.

I must close now. Hoping to hear from you, I am always

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