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Dear Wak; This is going to be short letter.

Well I bought a typewriter-- this one for five dollars. I saw in a window at Madison and it was labeled at ten dollars. I went to another shop and he had it labeled at \$9.50 but I got it pretty easy at \$5.00

It is a small portable Corona with only three rows of keys but it is very light. I will have to make a case for it - but that will be lots of fun. I will have a place to put papers and envelopes.

We are going to have Thanksgiving dinner tonight. I actually cleaned out two of the five turkeys that we are going to have. They are easier to clean out than the chickens, I think

We are still digging up trees and bushes for landscaping a hillside. It will look pretty good in about eight years. We are only transplanting smaller plants. We go all over looking for these trees and the result is that I get to see a lot of this Wisconsin around here. Yes Yesterday I saw a group of beautiful junipers on a rocky point. Gosh they looked swell. Just like Japanese Bonsai. We will have to go back again. I am going to bring my camera this time. I want to get some pictures of the scenery before we leave for Arizona. Oh, Yes, we are leaving for Arizona pretty soon. From what Mr. Wright said, it will be right after Thanksgiving. I have been working on my room and it is just about half done. I just work on it a few hours in the evening, so it takes a pretty long time. I am going to ask Mr. Wright if I can travel in my 'Jilappy Pegasus'. From what I hear, he wants me to sell my auto and go down to Arizona with the caravan. He would lend me a bantam to go home on. Well, that is what one of the fellows on the landscaping crew heard. I better ask him personally. I like to have the 'Pegasus' because if I get fed up around here too much I like to pack up and go without too much ado. It is so much more convenient to have a means to transport yourself owned by yourself. I am also going to ask him about going home. I want to go home this winter and I don't intend to have anybody stop me.

I am either going to make or buy a sleeping bag for the trip. It will cost a little sum of money. I think I have enough, but to be on the safe side. Say will you look at my bank book? I think I have about fifty dollars left in the bank. I think I will have to draw it all out for this trip and a few things that I may need on the trip. I only need about half of that amount but I might as well have it all with me. I made the other amount last quite a while. If there is, which I know there is, too much trouble to withdraw my account without my presence; I will pay Nick back later when I get home.

I took time out just a little before this line. One of the fellows came in and he was going to catch a couple of horses to go horse back riding. Well, we chased them all over the hills but we didn't get them. They aren't used to being ridden at this time of the year. --- Say do you notice a capital 'V' sometimes instead of an apostrophe, well, that is caused by the difference in the machine that I have now and the one that I was borrowing. It was lunch after our unsuccessful attempt at the horse grabbing act. We had chorus practice after that too. We are going to sing tonight. Some of the fellows are kicking because they have to work in a room at Mr. Wright's residence today. They worked last night late too. He wants to get it finished before he leaves for New York. He is going to leave tomorrow.

Say, I got a letter today from my former boss on Long Island. It was more or less an invitation to go back and do almost anything I liked to do. If it was landscaping, they had some interesting prospects

and if it was the dwarf tree line, they are still working on it a little. If it was fixing houses and working on them, they were about to rent a place with a fifteen acres. It is an old fashion country estate but it has been refurnished and it is big enough for three party to live---the two bosses of the landscaping co. and one of the relatives of the Cooks. Was being offered to be helped to find a job in the contracting line if I wanted to look for one in that direction.

Gosh, what a chance. Some how I want to go home though. Although I felt more alive there than here. Here I feel swell when I get a chance to work on the building or on some part of the room. I do get a bigger satisfaction out of the work that being the head of any landscape crew or dept. Somehow I never felt the planting side was ever to be my ultimate in the way of profession. No matter what I planted, I would always feel no matter how carefully I had done the job, that after the plant was in it was in God's hands--or nature's hands. It didn't seem quite complete until after a year or two when the plant really started to grow. The 'it' refers to the job. Can't tell yet. I may go to New York next year. Gosh, what a world and also Life. By process of elimination I will get what I want to do yet. One good thing is that I can at least do one thing fair enough to make a living.

Say how is everything at home. Yuri wrote me some time ago but I didn't answer for a couple of weeks because I was all afire working on my room. I am building it different from my plan. You fell tired and run down. You do. Take cod liver pills...Yep Dr. Thompson's. No but I guess you will be needing a change. Gosh with the married sisters when they need a change, they get another baby. Maybe that was punk of me to bring such subject up but just the same ---- Maybe I can make you a loom when you get back so that you can go loony--that was bad too. Badd pun. They are starting to work on the loom here now. They had an expert come several times already. The dog gone thing is that they give time out for the girls to learn about the things but I like to learn too but never get a chance. Most girls here can't stick to the any thing long enough to finish it up. Gives me a pain to think about it. Must treat those things with a good deal of humor. But I should think it would be fun--if only you had time to monkey around.

Well this letter is getting too long for a short letter.

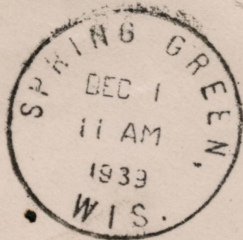
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Until the next time.

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