

Corvallis Oregon  
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Dear Mother:

What shall I write about today? I have very light classes this quarter. My morning class really a graduate course is always small and there are six in it. The afternoon <sup>in the Spring</sup> class has seven - no one takes an afternoon course, that has other sections in the morning unless he can not arrange his schedule differently. Last spring when I taught the same course both morning and afternoon I was able to drop the afternoon section entirely and took part of some other teacher's morning work.

It's quite different teaching a small class. I have been accustomed to <sup>almost</sup> 50 to 70 students in a class and now my notes are <sup>too</sup> meagre for a class of seven. It uses a lot more material for the small class. It gives a good opportunity to do quite a little work with them in economic theory along with their history work.

Monday night, Prof (?) Eskine the author of Helen of Troy gave a lecture here but I failed to attend. I heard it was very interesting. He gives a modern human interpretation to mythical and historical characters that many people find amusing. I saw the ~~play~~ movie "Helen of Troy" but it was poor though likely different from his book.

I haven't had a letter for a couple of days but I hope to hear your recovery is continuing to progress.

It's lovely weather today - the first time for days and days, except for occasional bursts of sunshine.

Last night one of my last year's students a professor of ~~Animal~~ Animal Husbandry invited me to supper and I played bridge for the evening. It wasn't very exciting. Has Ellen learned to play bridge yet or does she find literary pursuits more exciting? I can't get up much interest in cards myself.

I send my love to you and the family.

Willie