

Mount Royal College,  
Calgary Alberta,  
Sept. 3, 1933.

Dear Mother: -

I wonder if it will be possible for me to get a little temporary financial assistance from you or the girls. I ran myself very low on funds before school was out and I have scarcely been able to earn anything this summer. Also I have borrowed for our renter about \$500 which he is to pay up this fall but which leaves my borrowing power nil especially as I have also agreed to pay a \$500 note originally borrowed by Selden which he was running the farm. Selden doesn't seem to be able to help me at present.

One principal reason I have been unable to earn much is that I have suffered from a very bad cold for over a month. I got so worried over it that I finally went to our College Doctor who later referred me to a specialist who has been doctoring me for several weeks. My ears were in a very bad way and Doctor Gunn was unable to cure them without an operation, removing the septum bone from my nose. I was operated on last Friday and can't tell yet what results will follow. My hearing however is back almost to normal though I can

scarcely breath through my nose yet. I hope this is going to help me as I have had a lot of trouble with my head and throat all year. I've given up any attempt to sing for a long time and often my throat would make me cough and swallow so I could hardly sleep all night and some days my voice would nearly give out in class.

I had an X ray taken of my skull and kept for the crooked septum and rather large turbinates the bones were nearly normal. The antrum was good and clear and the frontal sinus fair considering the inflammation at the time of the photographing. The septum was bent downward as well as across my nose closing both nostrils partly. There was a large callus on the bone as if [the doctor said] I had broken the bone and allowed it to knit crooked. You know [though I didn't tell him so] I did once think that I had broken my nose in football, but this crooked septum may have been congenital as Selden seems to have had it and Father did also.

School starts tomorrow. I don't know yet when I will be staying as I have felt too miserable to look up a place. The college is on the wrong side of town or I could stay here.

If you or Mary could raise \$25 I'd be very much obliged. My salary doesn't come in till

the end of the month and I have only about \$10  
with quite a few immediate expenses to meet.  
I can pay the money back the end of October.

If you can't do anything let me know as soon  
as possible and I'll try something else.

Our crop is being cut and is a good one.  
No money from it will find its way into our  
own pockets but will relieve a little of the pressure  
on us however.

With love,  
Bill.

Use the same old address for the present.