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Dear mama:

I guess you know I have had a full day. - we got our trunks this afternoon so I have my bed full of covers. I got a little chilly today - I wore my corduroy suit - the only light wrap I had with me. Such planning! - - - anyway I have everything now - One thing, I forgot the navy light coat of Bernice - the one we swapped. I guess you expected to have to mail something.

This school is ideal for me - as far as I can tell. I sort of like a prolonged summer conference. The atmosphere has an inspirational effect - When I get started in class work and get acquainted it should be wonderful.

I got the tuition scholarship fixed up - I just signed a note for the amount; and if I enter full time Christian Service it doesn't have to be paid.

The remaining expense amounts
to \$125. per quarter. They will let
me pay that monthly.
I paid 45. That leaves me some.
I'll save what I can of it. I
might take pains next quarter.
I may be out some for the Physical
Examination I have to have filled
by the Doctor; and the other shot.
I failed to get thru my head the
fact they ~~was~~ required a smallpox
~~examination~~ shot if I haven't had
it within four years. It's right on
my examination sheet I've had all
the time - I don't know what
they'll say ^{when} ~~if~~ they find out I
don't have it. Just say go get it - I presume.

I seem to have contracted a little
Sinus - running of the nose since
I came. I sniffled salt water. My
room mate had salt. She has
everything. She's a "Columbia" graduate
from South Carolina - near my age

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a very fine person - so it seems thus far. She plans to be a deacon, or Pastor's Helper. Her name is Edith Lackey. I registered for the following courses:

1 Religious Ed. (Introduction to,) 2 Sociology, 3 Public Speech (in which they train you to read the Bible orally - along with other things) 4 Hymnody, & Philosophy of Missions which makes the 16 hours for one quarter.

I didn't even have to lift my bags coming over. There was a red cap at the train - the Porter carried off the bags. The lunch was very good. I ate all but $3\frac{1}{2}$ Peanut Butter Sandwiches and $\frac{1}{2}$ meat - I still have most of the apples.

The meals are really good. (and I forgot my ink!) - Goodby Scrip!

I am situated in one of the Cottages. It is a good sized house - a lady and her daughter live here. Two of the rooms are used by the girls - 2 in a room - so there are only 4 Securit girls here. The building

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is part of the college unit really -
because the lady is director of the
school. we are right ^{near} at the main
building -

I am really feeling fine considering
the "strain and stress" - we don't
begin classes until Tuesday. -

Classes come on - Tues - wed - Thurs - Fri -
from what they say there is plenty to
keep you busy tho - I can imagine!!
I'll know how to serve tables when
I get thru here. They put the new ones
at it right away I think. It's rather
complicated affair - they have serving
tables at the side - Perhaps if one
~~to~~ tried one could learn!

All my things arrived in good
shape - typewriter & all - I'm sorry I
waited until so late to write.

I worried a little that day - because you
all didn't have any dinner - I
was afraid you wouldn't have time
to look around the store any.
I may not have even told aunt Mary
goodby - You know me!

I felt somewhat blue - just hating
to leave -- for about 2 hours then
I got over that tho and haven't had
time to feel that way since.
There are only 9 from Tennessee.
32 1st year students - 23 2nd year.
(same as fro + Seniors in college)

By the way - I want thru Lebanon.
isn't that sumpin - ? I wish I
had told Russell to be at the train.
He never has called - so I don't
know what he has done.
To think I went right through them
the train stopped for 15 minutes -
trucks + jeeps and soldiers on foot
were streaming by - I was looking -
and as they went two boys - one
looked so much like Russell - it
probably wasn't. I wish I could
have seen him
I'll write again soon -
Love,
Jewell