

been home from
school with sore
throat & cold, &
Frances too, is stay-
ing in, tho' she
hasn't much tem-
perature. Our cook
stayed home 3
days & I cooked
& Delia carried
trays! My repertoire
nearly ran out.

Feb 17th 1935.

Dearest Eya -

This is your
birthday & I've been
intending to send
you a telegram, or
a present - but haven't
been able to get
downtown. Mary's
birthday slipped by
too - Edward has

I called up an agency
+ they sent us a real
good cook - Jim afraid we
shall all get fatter
tho' if she stays any
length of time.

I am awaiting with
interest the various re-
ports from P. G. &
the estate quarterly ^{statement} tho'
I am trying not to buy
any thing, as we have
only one year more
here, + it isn't very good
sense to branch into
new frigidaires, cars
etc for so short a time.
Brad is beginning to be

birds across the road
a few days ago.

Edna Hobbs & Col.
Horace Hobbs came
down to Wasting-
ton last week. They
have new orders to
sail April 26th for
San Francisco & San
Presideo. They seem
glad to be going. I
imagine it is a
very nice station.

interested in his boat
magazines again.
I suppose in another
month, the river
will be full of small
craft.

The snow is off
the ground for the
first time in a
month - The birds
have been singing
for some time, I
counted 11 red

I hope you have all kept
well this winter - Did
Betty leave her tonsils
out - I had nice letters
from Louise & Francis -
Will Gordon be graduating
from medical school
next year (1936)?

I was interested to hear about
Susie Ford and Pherson
going down to Florida.
I expect that it costs a
good deal to launch a
new actress, during these
days - tho' Mr Moffat
says that the depression
is over. Food prices have
gone away up here our
bill at the market & grocers
was forty percent higher

You have this
Summer - You said
in one of your
letters that you
had 34 head left,
after your sale
last fall.

Edward has
the radio on listen-
ing to the usual
programs of comedy
performers - Sunday

than this time
last year.

Have you had
any offers for
the River Road
property, as your
father? Do the
A. Coxs live out
there, on the River
Road in winter?

How big a herd will

evening - Jack Denny,
Joe Penner - Eddie Cantor's
etc.

You all must feel
quite a small house -
cold this winter, with
Francis & Louise away -
Are they all coming
home for the Easter
vacation?

Best love to a happy
Birthday -
affectionately
Grace.

WASHINGTON, D.C.
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1521 CONNECTICUT AVENUE
COPELAND BLDG

Secretary of War

~~1250~~
~~1486~~

~~Turkey~~
~~Robert~~

~~Association~~

Mr Geo. E. Woodruff
111 West Crosby Ave
Parisville -
Ky.

Hope Betty and Gordon are
well and want Gordon to be careful.
Love to all
Mary.

P.S. Tell Miss Fern to lock all
of the bed-room doors, as we always
do.

Hope you have a good trip in
Chicago

Nov. 29th
1939



Dear Edg.

Just arrived on time after
a pleasant clear trip on an air-
conditioned train. We are waiting to go
to meet Louise and see then will
Francis what train to meet us
at New Haven.
We have ^{two} bed rooms, sitting-
room and bath, all very prettily
furnished - we probably only have
our breakfast here, too.

1.
3715 Idaho Ave.

Washington D.C.

July 21st 1934

Dearest Ezra -

We were so sorry
to hear about Francis.

I hope that he is im-
proving daily, and will
be all right again
in a few days.

I'd pay to take one's
time though, about
getting up - I'm always

2. thought, and not
try to do much for
a while afterwards.

I am enclosing the
cheque for your insur-
ance money. The
arrangement at the
American Security was
that they would
place the right amount
to my chequing ac-
count July 27th so I
dated the cheque ahead.

3.

This will be a hard
summer for you with
Francis operation and
sending three children
to college - If you
need any thing - I can
arrange to have some of
they capital savings trans-
ferred to my checking
account & send you
some.

We are having a
very hot summer here

4.

I suppose that you are
as well.

Brad has just started
out on another week's
cruise down to Clava-
peake Bay - Col Hol-
stead is going on his
boat ^{"The Wolf"} & Brad is taking
three on his "Saucy Maid"
another boat the "Dux et ^{water}"
is going in the "flotilla"
I guess you would call
it.

Brad is disgusted with
me for not wanting
to go on the longer cruise,

57. General Holcomb's wife
likes it as much as
he does, and so does
Mrs Patton as much as St. Col. Patton.

This group that
is going now, are all
men.

St. Col. Synch is having
a lot of publicity
lately - There is a
picture of him in the
Literary Digest July 21st
+ nearly every week
his picture is
in the Washington
papers.

6.

Glady's signal hasn't
come down yet, but
expects to.

With best love to you
all -

affectionately -
Grace!

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[1933]

A SUMMER LODGE
ON LAKE FAIRLEE

SHANTY
SHANE

ELY
VERMONT

Saturday, Aug⁴ 27

Dearest Eyre -

It was such a lovely surprise to have Mary & Gordon drop in upon me up here in the Vermont hills. It was very hot the first two days, they were here, but to - night, we had a very welcome rain, that has cooled the air, & laid the dust.

It has been unfortunate

2.

in that Edward has
had to be in the
hospital, ^{in Hawaii, 20 miles away} due to a
gland swelling under
his chin, resulting
from an impetigo
on his lower cheek
& chin. It necessitates
my going to Hawaii
every day, to spend
some time with him,
& I haven't been able
to join Mary & Gardy
in their trips out
from here. They took
me over to Hawaii
yesterday, & after seeing

3.

A SUMMER LODGE
ON LAKE FAIRLEE

SHANTY
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VERMONT

Edward they drove to
Plymouth to see Coolidge's
home & to St Gaudens's
home, & then camp
back to Hanover & bro't
me back with them
to Shanty Shane. I
certainly appreciated the
drive. I have been
so sorry not to have
a car up here this year.
Frances has enjoyed
her season at camp
& is anxious to stay
another week, so hasn't

4.
joined us yet, Ed-
ward will be out of
the hospital next week.
He had a big time at
camp until he got
these spots of impetigo.
He learned to swim, &
jumped off the high diving
board, ~~and~~ threw the volley
ball 57 feet, further than
any of the other juniors,
became quite a batter
at base ball etc. It's too
bad to have had his
summer fun curtailed.
Ellen Mary loves Shanty
Shaw, & has been enjoying
it very much.

5.

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VERMONT

Mary & Gordon seem
to be enjoying their
trip. Gordon drives
well & carefully & is
so considerate & thought-
ful of others, I am
so glad to have a
chance to see Mary
& him.

I am glad that
Francis is getting
over his hard time,
& hope you will
bring him by our house
on your way to Andover.

6 I hope Louise isn't
dieting to excess. I
think that young
people need all their
strength & she isn't too
heavy. Make her eat lots
of green vegetables. And
that makes one thin, ^{thin} ~~thin~~
and losing strength, ha!
Advice from Aunt Grace!

I suppose Betty is queen
of her little domain still.
I am so glad that you
kept Simonia, the nurse. She
seemed so nice.

Brad sent me your
letter from Washington with
the note enclosed → your
birth day letter came yesterday
I hope that you will have

7.

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ON LAKE FAIRLEE

SHANTY
SHANE

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VERMONT

a successful year
with the farm. - The
farm looked so lovely
last spring, & the
little calves were so
pretty & the herd of
cows were beautiful
out on the hill sides.
I thought it made a
very fine sight.

Brad has been making
himself a boat this
summer. It will be a
small cabin cruiser,

8.

where he finishes for
fishing & hunting trips.

Brad's sister Gladys
& her husband Lt. Col. Syde
spent their months of
enforced furlough that
Army officers have to take
without pay, at 'Peiping'
China, & lived on less than
a hundred dollars. Living
is so cheap in China.

Best love to you

all -

Grace.

3715 Idaho Ave.
July 27th 1933.

Dearest Ezra,-

I am enclosing the
cheque for \$5,000.⁰⁰

to pay your invoice
& hope that it reaches
you in time.

The American
Security & Trust Co.
are redeeming ^{to-day} one of
my real estate mort-
gages that are in my
agency account, so

that you can have
the cash when you
get this letter.

We had a break
in the last five days
oppressive heat spell,
+ yesterday to-day and
pleasantly cool, that
raining.

Byad has gotten a
month's leave + may
go for a ten day trip
his boat - I don't ex-
pect to go with him
tho' as it seems so con-
venient ^{a boat} with the children
along - we may go away
when he is back for two weeks

rest of us plan to go
on September the 14th -
I've been somewhat
worried about the
infantile paralysis situa-
tion, and think it
best to stay up here as
long as possible, as we
shall have to go
through New York on the
way home - I hope by
the middle of the month
it will have subsided
quite a little. There ~~has~~^{hasn't}
been any right around
here, but some, not
far south, & East of us. -

August 5th 1931 -
Shanty Shore
Ely - Vermont.

Dearest Mary & Syra -
I had an interesting
long letter from Gordon
yesterday, & was glad to
hear from him. I've
been wanting to write
for a long time, but every-
thing has been disorganizing
this summer. So many
of us, in this little
cabin. Brad went down
on August 14th and the

I am thinking of motoring
down in two days to
New York & taking the train
from New York to Washington
& letting one of Brad's nephews
drive the rest of the way ^{to Washington} - Bob
Synch is at the Hobbs, I think
in Fort Hamilton, & could do it.

I think it would be
nice if you all could
come up here next summer
& we all have a cabin to
get together - It's a fine place for
children - They all love it
& there seems to be a right
nice crowd of young people
they have a good time swim-
ming tennis & golf - It's all
very informal & awfully nice table
& Campy.
I wanted to get some of you
to come this summer, but
with Frances taking up the
early summer, & the infantile
Paralysis epidemic, ^{later} I hesitated
to suggest your bringing the

just a nice sized
house for us. — not
over large — but attractive
in appearance &
modern equipment,
oil furnace, oak
floors — Double garage etc.
It's on the east street of
Cleveland Park, facing
the Bureau of Standards
grounds, and Idaho Ave.
3715 Idaho Ave. It
is also near Wisconsin
ave. & "Friendship"
the McSane's old playground.

children into this
part of the country.
Brood writes that he
has everything unpacked
& our storage things out
of storage — the radios con-
nected etc. — & likes
the house very much.
You will have to come
on & see it soon. We have
four bed rooms on the
second floor, ^{with sleeping porch} & two
attic rooms, & two
bath rooms. ^{There's} a shower
on the third floor — It

The lovely Desk set came
and I got it Monday. I have
one, and am so pleased
to have it. The children
took the greatest delight
in it, and the dear little
stamp book box - I had to
put it out of sight. I hope
that I can have things at-
tractively arranged at our new
house, & that you will all
come on & see us there
soon. Thank you ever so much
for the lovely set.

I didn't mention my birthday
to the children until the
day afterwards, & when they
found out about it, they de-
cided to celebrate anyway -
and when I came back
from weaving at the Craft
shop, a chorus greeted me
"Happy Birthday Mother, we greet
you, and surprise you on this
lovely day" and on the table in
the center of the room, was one

I was making." Edward discovered some one had given me something he especially prized & he burst into tears in the midst of all the laughing. We had a big time over it.

To-day I took two of the ropes here to Fletch's ^{to their Bi-weekly tea dance} Its right near "Sunset Hill House", where mother ^{on Sugar Hill} & I spent a few weeks ^{of} summer. We had tea out on the lawn and watched the dancing inside a while - It's very attractive there, more than it

impromptu 'Jack Warner pie' of white sheeting & a green pine branch coming up from the middle, and ribbons coming out of it & the ^{children} cards designed by them. I tied to these ^{ribbons} & at the other end the greatest assortment of presents that they had made, & gobbles together while I was out. Frances had made shoe bags & Edward a work bag & Ellen Mary had apparently planned to make something & she said "Does you didn't finish that scarf"

used to be. It was 46 miles
there & 46 back - quite a
trip for me - but I enjoyed it -
I like to drive. I'm anxious to
go over to Folsie Winehesaulse
& Square Folsie, while I am
here & may go next week
The roads are pretty nearly all
fine roads, but we don't do
much driving.

Francis is looking splendidly
now, & Edward is too - and

Ellen Mary - they love it here -
& have a fine time. Edward
helps the man who has charge
of the oxen drive sometimes &
talks of language - there are
quite a number of children.

We passed the Hildrett farm
to-day & I sent Francis some
maple sugar in various forms
for his birthday. I will enclose a cheque
for him too.

I'm not having much hay fever
here -
Best love to all - affectionately -
Grace.

1.

A SUMMER LODGE
ON LAKE FAIRLEE

SHANTY
SHANE

ELY
VERMONT

August 12th 1933.

Dearest Eya -

It was nice to find Mary's letter awaiting me here, when we came els last Monday, from Washington. Ellen, Mary & I made the trip els in two days, as the thro' train arrives at such an inconvenient hour in White River Junction 2.30 A.M. & we should have had to get off & wait there until 7 a.m.

2.

Ellen Mary & I went over
to see Francis & Edward
right away. We walked
from Francis' Camp
to Edward's about a
half mile, & Ruth
Caudenine called for
us, ^{& took us} in her roadster.
She is the manager's
daughter here.

Francis & Edward
both look fine - I hardly
knew Francis, she has
developed so much this
summer. She has climbed a
number of the small mountains ^{nearly}
Edward looked near
the same but was browny
as a berry. He has learned
to swim & do the other boys

3.

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things that they do in
camp - base ball, talks
in council, row etc.
I hope that they may
continue well.

Ellen Mary has been
under the weather the last
two days, and we have
kept to our little two
roomed cabin, but she is
better I think to-day, & we
went up to supper this evening.

We have had a fire going
in the grate nearly ever since
we came. It is right chilly
at night.

We are looking forward to
seeing the eclipse on Aug 31st

4. this eclipse will be about
polar here I think.

I hope that Francis
will be all right &
recover nicely from
his recent ordeal.

I might meet you
& Mary in New York
while you are there if
you stop over, after
taking Francis to Andover,
& go to see one or two
places together! When
do you plan to come on?
Then you could come &
visit us in Washington,
or else come to Washington
first & I will go on with
to N.Y. with you for a
day or two; Do you think