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Miss Sally Loving Wilson Washington Blvd Arlington, Virginia C/o Copper Kettle Inn

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Dear Miss Loving -.

I returned to G.R. about a week ago and found your letter telling me of the class get together and by this time you must think me quite rude for not complying with your wishes as stated in the closing paragraph about answering promptly but I don't know anything about the mail or anything else until only last Thursday and I am writing now to tell you how much I would have liked to come I have been wanting to see all the "kids" that I knew down there for two summers now but never seem to get down.

I was up in the Upper Penesula for about two months at our hunting lodge on Spur 77 out of Marquette and about 25 miles from nowhere I was up alone until about 2 weeks before I cam home then my brother came up and we became very lazy and sleepy for the duration of the stay. I get very little mail, so the little I did get wasn't sent up, but put away for my return. We have a house keeper now and am trying to manage but it isn't quite the same now but we are getting along rather fine.

Business in G.R. is rather quite but we are doing a little work but nothing that amounts to much we are figuring several large projects that would be worth while <u>if</u> they go through with as planned but so oftin they only take figures and then let things ride without doing anything at that time. However we are not starving – yet!

My dad is somewhere on the Great Lakes now on our boat when and where he is I don't know he is just crusing around with a few friends fishing and taking his vacation.

I hope everything is going fine with you and all the others in the "Copper Kettle" was that it? Do you ever see Miss Baker? I liked her, but then I liked all the teachers exceptionally well. Even Mr. Burke Remember him?

I didn't go to school last year as I couldn't seem to get interested so I'm going to start again in college at Junior College in G.R. this fall it is not away from home and it will be rather nice to do some studying at home again I shall have to have an application and I would appreciate it if you could look at it when it comes as I understand Mr. Vanderslice is not at W&L. now.

I shall write Mary Lou tomorrow but until then won't you please tell her that her supposition was <u>all wrong</u> and that my letter will go more into detail and what does she mean by "list" Baloney I haven't any but I do think she is a <u>exceptionally</u> nice girl and don't intend to loose track of her I like her very much but I'll tell her that in her letter P.S. She has a birthday in August I think but when? Don't tell her I know X?X

Well I must close as this should be mailed with the 5 PM mail and please accept my apologies for not answering your other letter and I promise it won't happen again if I can possibly help it o.l.c.?

Yours

Jack Barnes

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P.S. Bet it's pleanty hot down there! Say hello to everybody