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## Letter from Mary to Family- February 21, 1926

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Sun Feb 21. 1926?

Dearest Family.

Have just finished reading your special, mother and was so glad to get it. It was here for me after church. Sometimes I have received your specials on Monday - early - I believe that those must have been mailed in the afternoon instead of in the morning. It's always so good to hear from home on Sunday. Quite often I get a special from Mary on Sunday, but not today.

2) How dear of Margareta and Ruth. They are such wonderful thoughtful girls and I love them both. I didn't even know they had written you until you mentioned it. I shall never forget what happiness that evening fixed in my memory.

ELAPSE OF TIME.

Jean M<sup>c</sup> Dowell a Freshman just left. She was here with two girls - one of whom is here visiting her this week-end.

Margareta & I are going for a walk very, very soon. It is a marvelous day out.

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Do you would like to have me tell you how my pictures came to be. Well, there were 4 girls here from Columbus who took pictures of all the Seniors, Junior and some Soph. girls for nothing to make a Holden album. Then if we liked them we could order some. Well my proofs weren't so bad and so I ordered some, but they weren't finished at all decently. And all of a sudden she thought struck me "wouldn't they look better if I painted them - and so that's what

4 I did. The picture itself  
the way its torn etc is  
what its called their "college  
panel." and so I painted  
3 of them - sending two  
away for valentines (one to  
you and the other to Mary) and  
keeping one myself. Some  
of the girls are begging me  
to paint theirs. It would  
be quite an undertaking  
but would bring good money.  
I'd charge about 25¢ a  
picture I think.

I'll be so glad when  
spring comes and things  
begin to get nice and green.  
My how this year has  
just flown.

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I've got to get a Spring  
coat if I go away Easter  
vacation - especially if I  
go to Milwaukee. so I  
don't know what I'll do.  
If Brouwers send me a  
ticket to come to them -  
of course I could hardly  
miss such a wonderful  
opportunity. - If they don't  
I really think it's my duty  
to go to Akron, altho I'd  
love to go to Toledo.

I haven't been feeling  
well this weekend -  
rather tired and a cold -  
or sore throat rather - but

6. I've treated it carefully, going to bed very early the last few nights and staying in bed both Fri and Sat. afternoons - not going to supper last night. But today I feel much better.

I haven't been doing so much work in the Tea Room since exams. - my work averaging about 20 hours a week. I'm trying to study more altho I haven't begun on my Greek.

Debate is fine and I'm enjoying it lots. Prof. Miller spoke some encouraging words after debate - to me the other side.

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I merely aim to debate rather than be an alternator.

He wants me to work on a second speech some -

1. "C. P. protects society."

which would bring in the Duke case if it was just right - but I can't see that it is and I thought I explained it to you once.

In the first place  
Ada Duke and her husband  
were not murderers  
themselves - ∴ we cannot  
say that they should have  
been put away - ~~but~~



8 / we advocate C.T. for  
premeditated murders only  
and the parents weren't  
even murderers -

Secondly - the argument  
is weak because the  
Juke family existed in a  
state that maintained C.T.  
all along. Therefore  
our opponents can say that  
they had the chance to be  
executed but on account  
of the non deterrent effect  
of C.T. were not killed.  
They can merely use our  
case then as an argument  
that C.T. does not work.  
Do you see what I  
mean?

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It would be a wonderful argument if these situations were removed. I wish I had one for that second speech. Have you anything on C. P. - as a protection for society?

I heard from J. W. Madden who gave the reference I knew of and one other - I don't know where I can read the material. Our library has no such law journals and probably Wooster has a law library of some kind.

Tomorrow is Washington's  
 birthday - We have a holiday  
 from chapel now - on to  
 chapel Tuesday.

We also have our annual  
 "Juni Live Stop" in the  
 evening. You remember  
 last year I was in the  
 Fresh. Soph. stunts - well  
 I'm in that this year too.  
 - such fun! The activities  
 have begun now and  
 time will just fly till  
 time to come home!

Must write to Mary  
 this afternoon.

Am reading three  
 wonderful books.

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"The Man Nobody Knows"  
"Christ of the Indian Road"  
"Witcherbound in Mesmons"  
all late books.

I think I'll use the  
first in my prayer groups  
now - Perhaps I  
could use "Prayer and Mesmons".  
It might be good - but  
don't send it if you think  
you might possibly need  
it.

Margaretta is here  
Love  
Beau.

Please send me about a doz  
real nice records in my laundry? —  
I love Marys vic now & dis only  
got 2 records — one's the  
"Winter Love Song" —  
How 'bout sending me  
my pinions?