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### Letter from Sam Hawkins Smith to Martha Smith; December 17, 1944

Sam Hawkins Smith

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Pittsburg Miss  
12/17/44

Dear Martha

Thanks for the clothes - I am writing  
you & Joe that I was in a similar  
attitude of the "boy" who ran away  
from home and spent his substance  
in riotous living and came to his senses  
broke and in a strange land.

He wrote his dad for help and  
further suggested that he meet him  
down under the old bridge, a certain  
night - and bring some kind of an  
old suit of clothes with him,  
concluding his message with "I've got a hat."

You know where I got the hat,  
yes I am very appreciative of the suit -  
but really I am for more appreciation  
of the thoughtful Genovis motive  
prompting the act than I am the  
value of the "rygords" and  
as they are.

Hope you can see us soon  
Lots of love from  
Dad