

Harry's case I think it is only a phase, and he will turn out all right.

You are very fortunate in your college friends. To be sure Miss Harvey never gave me much encouragement, but I don't think any less of her for that. On the contrary, she showed very good judgment. Miss Stewart is a very good friend to have, and I think you know my appreciation of Miss Livingstone. I was surprised to hear that she is not universally popular - they must be small-minded people who dislike her. She is so wonderfully tactful for all her frankness, and it is a great loss to college if she has given up running things.

I certainly can't defend myself against the charge of ungratefulness, if I really did say what you say I said. I must have meant something else, or rather I could not have explained sufficiently what I did mean. And yet there must be some truth in what I said, or you would surely know a certain person better than you admit, after all the "unrestrained conversation" you mention.

No, it was not "frivolous chatter" that

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My dear Hazel,

The summer holiday still continues. I got a letter from you last Sunday, and another through the week. This last mail was a good one: I got some lovely letters from you, Mother, my sister Jeanie, and Helen Saxon (College).

There is no news I can give you from here, except that I am still well and having a very good time. All I can do is to reply to your letters.

I am glad you liked the post-cards. It is certainly a very pretty little place, and though we grumbled while we were there, I guess I would be quite content there now.

I rather agree with your opinion of Mr Ponder. He is rather a spoiled boy, certainly clever, but he should be put in his place and taught manners. But then I think much the same of Harry Bell, and I suppose you don't agree with me there. It seems to be one of the faults of our young university to cultivate flippant men who rail at everything and everybody, and are quite incapable of self-sacrifice. However, in

distracted my attention, and yet the
"mighty M. A." was generally in a sad
state of distracted and humility. It
might amuse you and gratify your vanity
to ponder the reason why.

We are evidently getting a weekly
mail again now - I only hope it lasts.

I can quite understand the anxiety
our home folks must be feeling just
now, but you are not to worry about
me, please. Of course I am longing to
get back safe and sound, but even if
I don't, there will be nothing to regret.
I couldn't help coming away! I felt I
couldn't possibly do otherwise. If a
man dies here, his people ought to find
great consolation in the thought that
he couldn't die better. But I'll get
through all right - I feel sure of it -
so we'll just keep on hoping that the
war will soon be over.

Handwritten signature
With love from
Cecil.

P.S. There was an extra sheet of paper in your
last letter, and that just suggested to me that
it would be a good idea if you could send a bit
of paper and an envelope in each of your letters.
It is getting impossible to obtain any here.