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Dear Doctor Hartman:

I'm sure that the "House of Hartman" had a very enjoyable vacation together and that they have returned with renewed spirits to watch over their flock at Dickinson.

The first letter I sent was not ready to be sent at all. I began to write you late one Sunday evening but when I awoke the next morning it was in a hurry to get ready to go to State. Of course, I had no intentions of going to State College but when it was impossible for me to find a tutor after learning that the one I had banked on helping me would be away all or the greater part of the summer there was nothing else to do.

State College is a very lovely place but the school is so large and the student body so sophisticated that I'd rather attend Dickinson, I believe. However, the advantages of lectures and concerts are so worth while that it would be educational enough to merely attend them. Summer School was very much of a success. I got a "C" in my Greek and a "B" in the Public Speaking course I took. The fact that I passed my Greek relieves me of taking a re-examination at Dickinson. In other words I'm returning with a clean slate.

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Smith, O. K. - In consequence, we can count on you, Bill,
& James and myself. Now, we must decide
where, when and how and too, what? Certainly
the Carlisle girls will be willing to cooperate
with you on these things. If you can make
a decision as to what date would be suitable
in light of whose cabin we obtain - tell me
and I'll send all our members a card informing
them of the date. I am coming back on the 11th
if you need me any earlier than that say the
word and I'll be on my way -
I'll do all I can to make this one of our
best years.

NOTE - I did not include W. Boston among
our Council members - O. K.?

Sincerely
Bill
Vastine

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