

33 Hamilton St.

Potterdam, N. Y.

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Dear Prof,

It has been a long time since we contacted each other, but you probably learned of some of my activities through Dean Klentz, with whom I have been in fairly close contact in the past year.

When we last communicated with each other, you said it would be possible to postpone my financial obligation to Wagner until I felt I could meet it. The army has been playing games with us long enough and this has created a great deal of maladjustment and consequent expense. My change of position from Washington to Public Health served us well, though it was inconvenient. I have been able to fulfill the qualifications for an H. W. Degree, but I cannot share a degree until my account is settled there.

This fall I accepted a teaching position in Potsdam, New York for several reasons. My family has made every endeavor to create further havoc with my life and I desired to remove myself from possible further contact. It is not ideal to live with in-laws, and I could not tell you the many complications such an arrangement creates. Now I am settled in the St. Lawrence Valley in a modest teaching position at a modest salary, but I find life much more pleasant here. I believe it will be possible to resume payment of my obligation, which I believe amounts to \$277 - as soon as this transition is completely effected.

You can imagine the cost of transportation of an apartment of furniture 400 miles today, if a one-way train ticket costs \$10. per person. If anyone

tries to tell you the faith of charge cost
of living in this part of the country, don't be as
naive as I.

Enclosed you will find an application for
a Teacher's license, which is essential to the
security of my present and any future
teaching positions. I would appreciate it if you
would have someone fill out the appropriate
parts of the application and forward it to
the Bursar of Teachers College, Columbia
University, where the process will be completed.

Enclosed you will also find a
few small pictures of Susan Lane, the
first of the Harold, Helen Hammond clan.
These pictures were taken in June of this
year. Since this time she has
developed considerably and now has
quite a bit of hair.

Helen is in good health and
sends her best wishes to you and
all our friends at Wagner. If you
find time, I should enjoy hearing
from you. Love ties later.

Ever your sincere friend,

Harold Hammond.

P.S. I'm moving next week (this apartment is
too small for us), which accounts for the
difference of address. Let me know about
costs of transcripts and I'll send you
the money immediately.

Hal