November 27, 1942

Valdosta Fire Department Valdosta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Just a line to thank you for your prompt and efficient service last night when the fire broke out in the boiler room under Converse Hall.

For several months, I have been trying to get a priority rating from the War Production Board that will enable us to complete our new heating and hot water plant, and it may be that last night's fire will help us!

With all good wishes and again thanking you, I am Sincerely yours,

FRR/ar

September 16, 1944 Dean Phillip Davidson Vanderbilt University Nashville, Tennessee Dear Phillip: Many thanks for your nice letter telling me something about Miss Stella Harlan. Unhappily, we are not going to be able to take her at this time. We are full, pressed down, and running over. Perhaps Miss Harlan can attend some country school like Agnes Scott for the fall quarter, and come to us after Christmas! I am still hoping that our paths may cross soon. Sincerely, FRR/bw

Mr. T. Clark Vann Vann's Hardware Abingdon, Virginia

Dear T:

No horseshoes yet.

Sincerely,

March 25, 1943

Dr. Frank R Reade, President, Georgia State Woman's College, Valdosta, Georgia.

My dear Dr. Reade: -

Filly aware that you have mostly women on your faculty, I write to you hoping you have a position on your staff for me, for with reduced enrollment and reduced staff, you may need teachers with a broader education and experience to take over wider fields.

While I consider myself basically a biologist I have had an exceptional training in physical sciences also, in several American and European Universities. My undergraduate work was done in agriculture, and I still have some standing as a horticulturalist among men of that profession (Ask Dr Orlando White. Blandy Experimental Farm, Wniv. of Virginia). My zoological interests are insects and invertebrates in general, protozoa more in particular. I have taught college chemistry and physics (and psychology) courses in standard colleges in my earlier years.

At New York U. I gave most of the academic and technological training for nurses, some of which I am again giving here; particularly desirable work for a woman's school.

Dr, Mary McDougall of Agnes Scott knows me very well, but for authentic credentuals from a Nobel-prize-winner and other world famed notables, address:

Mrs Alice P Sells, Placement Secretary,

Columbia University, N. Y City.

Dr Ivy Lewis of Virginia knows me casually, chiefly in connection with my position at American University, D.C., for some twelve years.

I hope you may have a position for me.

Very sincerely

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VIENNA PUBLIC SCHOOLS



C. D. CHAMPION, Superintendent

Vienna, Georgia

January 16, 1945

Registrar, GSWC Valdosta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We are always anxious to follow our students during their early work in college. We will thank you to give us a report on the students from our school on academic work and on general attitude. They are:

> Mary Nell Brooks Celeste Champion Joyce Moon Lucile Slade Mary Tharpe

We are also wondering if our students measure up to the upper half of the usual college freshmen.

Very truly yours.

Vienna Public Schools

Mr. C. D. Champion Superintendent of Schools Vienna, Georgia

Dear Mr. Champion:

Thank you for your letter of yesterday in which you inquire about the fall quarter grades of your graduates now members of our freshman class. I am glad to list these grades for your information:

Name: Brook No. of Qr. Hrs. Carried: 15½		A CONTRACTOR AND A SECOND	Slade 17	Tharpe
Art:Drawing & Painting B		C ,		C+
English: Composition Education: Intro	C+	0+		C+
History: World Civiliza C+	В			
Home Ec.: Textiles		C		C
Humanities: Workshop in English & the Fine Arts-			D	
Music: Piano	0+			
Music: Voice C+	C	C-	C+	B
Science: Diological Sci			В	
Social Science: Community				
Background of Family Relationships			C	
Speech: Public Speaking C				В
Hiology: Human Biology	C			

It is difficult to make generalizations about students on the basis of one quarter's work. However, I may say that the average on all courses taken by these five students is slightly better than C -- our average grade here. An average grade of C is expressed by an average quality point standing of 1; C+, 1½; B, 2; A, 3. The average quality point standing of these five students on all courses taken is 1.209 -- not quite half-way between C and C+. As far as their attitude is concerned, we have no complaint to make; in fact, as Miss Carter, their resident dormitory head, expressed it, when I asked her about them, "They are some of the nicest girls we have."

We sincerely appreciate your interest and are happy to be of service to you personally or to the Vienna Schools in any way possible. Come to see us when you can.

Sincerely yours

Mrs. William M. Thomas Registrar

February 27, 1942

Lt. Phillip von Weller Commandant of Cadets Turner Field Albany, Georgia

Dear Phil:

Horace Caldwell tells me that you really are the young men who was at Tech when I was teaching there, that you even remember me, and that you were not killed in an airplane crash a couple of years ago. It must have been a near kinsmen of yours and, sorry though I am about him, your loss would have been more personal. As I remember it, I even offered up a little prayer for your wicked soul.

I am most anxious to see you again, and would like to have you come over to Valdosta and talk to our girls! Meantime, may I inquire whether or not you are married? I need this information for our watchman!

The point of this particular letter is that I have recently heard a tall, tale which I suspect is a plain lie. On the day after the President asked us all not to repeat stories that might do damage, a woman told me that a woman had told her that her husband had told her "a man from Albany" had told him that a British cadet at Turner Field had said publicly that the American flag should have another stripe on it, and that that stripe should be yellow. Immediately, so the story runs, the American soldier leaped upon the British cadet, beat him into insensibility, and the cadet "now is dying in an Albany hospital".

This sort of thing disturbs me, --- that is, the repeating of the story, even if true, disturbs me. Suppose some silly English boy did make such a remark, --- is he speaking for Great Britain? And is not the story, true or untrue, just the sort of thing that our enemies would like to have spread in the interest of stirring up bad feeling between us and the English?

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It so happens that my father is an Englishman, and that I thought it was the Japanese who attacked us at Pearl Harbor. I should like very much to know if this story has any foundation in fact. Probably some slightly inebriated lad failed to recognize a sentry's command: If the above story is not true, I propose to track down the man from Albany and get you to have a fierce looking intelligence officer drop by to see him.

With all good wishes, and hoping to see you soon, I am Sincerely yours,

FRR/ar