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Title: **1934-01-15_Dot-to-Ells**
Provenance: **From Dorothy Jean Clark Chamberlain, who was given a box of courtship letters by her mother Dorothy Smith Clark.**
Letters written from Dorothy Smith to Ellsworth Clark from 1932 to 1934.

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Salt Lake City

Jan. 15/34

Dear old Cronie!

(street car) 9.40 PM 10 33rd So

I was going to be naughty and write you a line in school tonight and then old Prof. looks up & starts lecturing & I had to listen. Then I arrange my water colors and in the process of arranging & disarranging I my water bottle [drawing of a bottle] tips and spills into my lap. I jump up - a la woman offers a rag and the nice foreign boy across the aisle offers his sympathy as the same mishap had earlier previously happened to him.

Anyway I got away with a sketch of the teacher & the class pest (both men) which I will send you later. As it is I can't draw on the car & the originals are on a big pad. I'm just beginning to get the most out of school now and I certainly enjoy it.

Did you get the books intact? Last Sun. 14th your Father and Mother called on us just before church. They had an old album with which they had collected fetched from some relative so I saw your dad's baby picture and showed him some funny ones of my Mom & Pop. They all look funny to me - so serious & unnatural. Your Dad was in dresses standing with feet crossed leaning on a table.

Am returning the snaps you sent. They were certainly good especially the rear view of E.M.C. and cross section of the day's wash. Not bad I guess you'll be worth my while if you can manage that well.

Tell Elder Howell his pies look delicious and also that I would like him to teach you to be an equally good baker as I really do like pastry and we need one baker in the family. Teh Relief Society here wants to know if you too will take (fill) a pie order for their next banquet (Mar. 17th). You're likely to get overworked from now on.

Oliver sold one of your Eng. books (cost 1.00) to -- Andrews which is being used this quarter. Rec'd .65 for it. Shall I keep it here or forward or give to your folks. I thot of doing the later but waited to ask you first.

Say Evelyn W. last week. She is taking a Beauty Course now. Isn't stepping much about as lonesome as I am. Fred sent her a Xmas card with a note: "Are you still too busy?" But she has not answered. The meanie!

Haven't seen Very since last Tues. I suppose Romeo has returned to Montana broken hearted.

Everyone is mean to the boy friend around here 'cept me. Guess it's 'cause I feel obliged to. After I once tell a man I love him I just daren't go back on my word so it looks like I'm hooked for life. But don't count your bushes before the chickens come home because a woman may at any time reverse her intentions or attentions. Until you give me a little more definite reason for jealousy I'm doomed to be true so please mister don't keep me in chains like this.

Special Note: "Old man offers self to young girl as social companion"

Don't tell me you haven't heard the latest dark, heavy, non-bearded, romantically inclined make tries to convince sweet, innocent, hard-working dateless maid that she is overworking her dainty self, that she should relax occasionally and take in a show with him.

She: "Weekly? Heavens no! School 3 nights mutual another & only 2 nights left to follow personal interests"

He: "Just occasionally then? We both need rest and change." No one need know."

She: "What? Me seen by friends with another man? Contrary to my convent training. I would never, never do."

Big Bad Wolf: "Maybe a wrestling match then?"

Sweet Young thing: "Couldn't think of it - unless, perhaps Olive was with. And even then - maybe - Gosh it's time I was off to school."

And so the proposition is suspended. Please, dear teacher if he a right good pupil will you tell me what to use to frighten the B.B.W.?

(Explanation) I called at the B.B.W's den to show him a [sketch of painting] I was dabbling out for him.

Olive went to church with me Sun. night. Calvin Rawlins addressed us on value of spiritual & mental gain in our youth.

Talked to Joe S. in front of store last week. Said among other things that he had lately been commissioned of Lon. H. to give regards to various of his lady friends. I sniffed boo hoo for I had myself rec'd a card from him (no return address). A salutation before verse read "Lil Girl" and signed 'Lon'. Not a personal verse either. It 9card) surprised be me but called forth no pulsation of the heart.

Connie's eldest sister has arr'd with 2 children from Wash. for a visit. I may get to see her (supposed to be a beauty).

Tues 16th 12 PM.

Dearest: Have been to Mutual Scout show & have been writing diary & account. Seems like I seldom get time to thing of these things.

Sweetheart I love you and desire so much to help you even it if its only through my own honest living and preparing myself for our future together. May God bless us in our plans that we may keep our eyes single to His Glory for it si the man who can stand steadfast, tho alone that will 'outweather the worst!'

Ever yours-

Dorothy.

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