



Hayes, Louisiana  
May 27, 1939

Miss Kathryn Mastersen,  
Lake Charles, Louisiana

Dear Kathryn,

I wish to congratulate you. I am very glad to know that you have gone on to finish High School. I am extremely proud to note that you are the valedictorian of your class. I have always had faith in your ability, and power of application. I don't think that you are finished yet! There are, as you know, many goals yet to be achieved! Nothing would please me more than for me to receive a similar invitation, coming from the university, or one of our fine colleges. Keep on trying, Kathryn, and remember "There is a way, when one tries hard enough".

Instead of trying to select some gift, which you might like, I am sending you money. Take this, with my best wishes, and use it as you wish. I am proud to have once been your teacher, I remain:

Yours truly,

*Earl C. Jordan*  
Earl C. Jordan

P.S. Would you send me Adolphine's and Guendolyn's address in the enclosed envelope. Thanks.

E.J.