

Chicago, Mich., 22, '18

Dear Burgess:

Your letter came to hand. I am obliged to you for your proffered hospitality. But I could not have managed to be there except on Friday night the 29<sup>th</sup> when you must have been away. Besides as it turns out I am not to my way. I would not want to visit Harrisonburg and not all the more so take dinner on that as I said it is impossi-

We we might accommodate  
you and Mrs Burgess - if you  
do not need too much room.

On third floor, which consists  
of my library, a large bed-  
room, a bath and three  
wards may be available.

It depends a little upon what  
one of my students now  
professor in the University  
of Cincinnati does. He expects  
to take his doctorate here in  
the summer and he asked me  
for the lower floors of  
the house for the summer.  
You might let me know

how you feel about it and when I  
hear from him, I would say just  
how things stand. There are no  
arrangements for housekeeping  
except on the first floor - though  
it is possible a little alcohol heater  
might be used for making bread-  
fast. But as I say nothing can be  
determined until I hear from my  
friend -

If I should ever get down  
to Harrisburg, I should want to  
look into General Paces' library,  
and the nephew perhaps say a word  
to him about it; but not too  
seriously, he is very touchy about  
his books, I understand.

Give my regards  
to Laid Guard  
when you see him -

Yours sincerely  
William E. Dodd