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Dear Bon, I wonder if you will do this favour? I am sending you herewith a set of questions which I would you to answer for me with respect to your High School at Healdtown. I know that I ought to send the questionnaire to your Headmaster but I know that he will be so busy that he will probably not attend to it, at any rate not as urgently as I would like him to. I therefore hope that you will endeavour to secure these figures and this information for me. I will also enclose in your letter two forms, one I would like you to send to Mahlasela asking him to do me the same favour. I do not know his address. With the other form I would be glad if you could get the information from St. Matthews. Still that is not so important as that is a small school. If you were going to be near Fort Hare soon after receiving this, I was going to suggest that you get me the Matric. figures for Fort Hare. If you can do that, please do so and cut out St. Matthews. I am sending a similar form to Oljohn through Bon. I hope he will get me the information from Chalmers. I require this information as you will probably guess in connection with my thesis. I have quite a lot of information, but I think I shall need just such an analysis as the information on that form will give me.

Well, I am now settled at Yale. The name of Yale is not famous for nothing. The University has fine buildings, probably unbeaten anywhere in the United States. I have been to Harvard, and while its buildings are massive and fine, they do not touch the buildings at Yale. The standard of the work is very high. Graduate work here is no joke, and you find these typewriters working almost all hours of the night. In the Education Department in which I am chiefly working there are no lectures. You are simply a long list of books to read and when the class meets problems arising out the reading are discussed. If you are not careful, you may think this means you can have a rest. But meantime the reading keeps piling up. You are expected to write essays on various topics suggested by your reading. These are handed in and are corrected by all the members of the Staff, and sent back to you with destructive and constructive comments. I tell you I have found no small job to adjust myself to this kind of work. Meantime of course your thesis must be going on, and it has to be ready by May 1. I am working on two subjects just now, and will present the one which I think I have done better. The College life is very nice. There is no colour bar at Yale. In all social activities we all join in without any distinction. I live in the university where I have a furnished room and have my meals in the University Dining Hall. New Haven is a large city and we attend theatres, talkies, concerts, etc. any time we want to, Sundays included. Practically every important show which is held in New York comes to New Haven too. Liebenberg is here as you know. Also Miss Dick of Fort Hare, and another Davies of Rhodesia, his father is a Church of England priest at Sea Point, Cape Town. Reuling did not come here, but went to Cornell University instead. I have been to Boston and seen Le Roy there, and so with the Bukkers. Sydney Bukker is a student in the Divinity School here. I have also met Mrs Hicks. I understand Fanini Dube is at Columbia but I have not met him. Columbia is a fine place, but people make fun of it here because of the wonderful kinds of degrees it is possible to get there. I think Miss Dick took her M.A. there. Well, old chap this was not a letter. I'll write you later. Please answer me soon. Where's Lionel? How is he getting on? Are you going home this December. Greetings to the old folks. Same to the fellows I know at Healdtown. With best wishes for a happy Christmas and a happy new year

Yours sincerely