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Dear Mr. Whittmore:

You ask my advice about going into journalism. That is up to you. If you want to do it more than anything else, as you say, go to it. Certainly you should learn short hand - that is a tool in your business. You need to learn to express yourself on a typewriter instead of by long hand.

A very good place to begin in journalism is on a local paper. Get a job of any kind - learn how a newspaper is made - what is necessary in making a newspaper. It may be that you cannot get any more than sweeping out the office to begin with. That's all right. If you have your eyes open and your ears open you will see how news is collected - how it is written up. You should be always keeping your wits at work finding things that to you are worthwhile to write about and then writing them.

You will have to do the job yourself. I can be of no help to you. Good success.

Very sincerely

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