



Laura Jane Musser and
Family Papers.

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Monday Oct. 10.

Dearest Lottie.

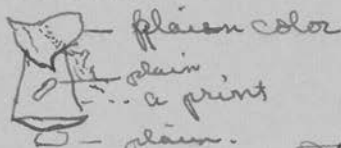
I was so sorry not
to have been home so I
could go down to see you. I
would I love to and it was
so darling of you to think of
me. I wouldn't have been
able to go ^{though} even if I was
home because I've been home
all week with a cold ~~and~~ ^{and} Daddy
thought I might get more.
I bet you had a circus
with the others.

Does Mary like school this year. I promised to write her but I've been doing so much work for school that I haven't had time.

There's really nothing to tell you about because you've probably heard all the news from Cal.

I ~~have~~ have gotten very ambitious (spelling) lately.

I am making my self a quilt for my bed. It's got sun bonnet babies all over it - as - 



It sounds

~~really~~ terrible babyish

but it's really not going to be.

3.

How is every one in Little Falls? I hope you family is fine give my love to them.

Alvin is having someone out while I'm writing this and it really seems impossible to even be able to get on as far as I am in the letter.

How are Helen & Gale. I suppose they won't remember me the next time I see them at least they didn't know me the last time.

I just heard from Ray today and that means a letter to write.

4. We are moving in town
Wed. so every thing is thrown
around any which way ^{and you} ~~so you~~
have to wad through everything.
It's just a big mess.

You'll have to come
visit me this winter. I
can't wait until I see you. it
seems as if it's been years since
I was last with you in the
cabin. When we get settled
in town then I will have you
down. How does it seem
to be a senior.

Best Love

Marilyn

P.S. Do write me soon, and give
my love to everyone.

Thursday, Feb. 4 -

Dear Latsie .

Per usual I have the same excuse for my delay. I really have been very busy.

Last Friday night 6 of us had dinner at Carolyn Belcher's before the Northrop dance. I took Bill to it. Annis and I stayed with Carolyn all night. I went to a luncheon and theatre party Saturday afternoon. That night Bill took me to a Chi Psi dinner-dance. He pledged Chi Psi. I slept all Sunday morning. ~~Ann~~. Steve, another boy, & I had supper at Annis's. Then I studied. Exams were last week. Got an A in Latin, B+ in French & English, & B in Algebra — I was quite encouraged seeing as I'm trying for Vassar.

Tomorrow I'm going out for dinner and to the rehearsal of the Senior play to be given April 8th.

We rehearse every Friday night. Saturday
Marty Shaw is giving a bridge party.
That night Bill is taking me to the
Athletic Club with a bunch of
kids I know to dance. It's about
the only respectable place to dance in
town. Sunday Bill, Steve, Dennis,
Pete Thompson (Jim's roommate last year),
Elio, Carolyn, another boy, & I are
going sliding. We're going to Elio's
for supper. (Isn't it nice Bill's learned to
dance?) I had a nice long letter from
your cousin, Jim, about a month
ago. He makes me mad, because
he's so slow in writing.

Marty writes me almost twice
a week, so you can imagine how
much I've heard from her. Steve
still sends her specials, and calls
up every time he hears from her.

How's your swimming coming
along?

Please give my love to your mother
and father, and do write soon -

With much love -

Richie's address is:

650 Parsons

Des Plaines, Illinois

Puppy

2374 WEST LAKE OF ISLES BOULEVARD
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Friday, March 4

Dear Leta -

I have just 3 minutes to write in so am hurrying as fast as I can. Bill, Carolyn, Steve, Dennis, Chuck Butler, Pete, Elie, & I are going sliding. All of ^{us} ~~the~~ girls are spending the night at Elie's. Tomorrow we have to spend most of the day collecting ads for our Tatler. Bill is taking me somewhere tomorrow night. Sunday I'm going to church and to Saint Paul all afternoon.

I'm really so busy, and with the work at school it's almost too much. I have to

plan and take chapel every
Wednesday. It's certainly a job!

Carolyn is here with me. She
stayed for dinner. I had a letter from
Mary Wednesday, and one from
Jim about two weeks ago. I haven't
had time to answer either yet.

Don't worry, but this is all
for this time. Give my love to your
mother + father -

Love.

Paddy

II time with lots of parties etc. It certainly was good that she could come down.

I can hardly believe that I leave a week from tomorrow. I do hope that Ted likes Vassar.

Have you been having a good time since you've been home? I have seen quite a few of your friends here, and also hear that Patsy Westlake was

Monday, Sept. 12

Dear Marie -

I suppose that it is about time that I write you. I happened to run across another picture of myself while cleaning out my drawers - and remembering that you asked me for one, I am giving it to you.

Mary and I have been having a wonderful

III up to visit with you.

We had a picnic
subber at Carolyn's last
night, and roasted weiners
outside.

You must be sure to
write me while in at
school, because I have
visions of being homesick.

Whenever you come to
Lafayette, be sure and let us
know -

With love.

Patsy



Dear mother,

How glad I was to hear your lovely voice over the telephone and to think that you are coming up to see me this week. It seems too good to be true - and to think that I'll see Mary Ann and the Hatchell girls. Why it seems incredible. I was too bad that I couldn't speak to Mary wasn't it? But then I'll be seeing her this week.

Yesterday as usual was a dull day. Nothing much to do - except read and write.

Now mother I want to have a purely confidential talk with you

about my councilor and Pave. I will
tell you right now that I don't understand
them and evidently they don't
understand me. That's all I can say.



Take my councilor for instance.
She scolds me for the least little thing. For
instance if I put my pillow on her
bed when I'm making my bed, she gets mad
at me and if I come in with wet feet
(from swimming) she gets mad at me all for
no reason whatever. Then she says I take
things and all that which isn't true. She
doesn't even try to be nice to me. I certainly
am nice to her at any rate. When I don't tell
her my troubles, she gets mad at me.
Then take Pave. I thought she was
nice but she is a very mean hearted name at least
for me. When I'm sitting at her table with my
lunch on (all the girls do it) she gets mad
at me ^{and she doesn't say a word at} them.
When I ask her any thing she
gets mad at me and all that. So now
PLEASE tell me what

To Do. For heavens sake. Please
help me and tell me how to act
This is an urgent request
for I'm beginning to feel like
an outcast. If this keeps on I may
not want to stay the full season.

Well mother hear my confidential
talk is over. I simply had to tell you
so good bye till Sat.

Love to all and you

Larrea Jane

My dear Laura Jane,

When Santa's dear helper gave me a pretty boy at school, I knew it would contain something nice, and I wish you might have heard my exclamation when I saw it was a compact. I'd been apologizing for my old one and had remarked that I hoped Santa Claus would bring me a new one. So you see, Laura Jane, now I believe in Santa more than ever, and my appreciation is most sincere.

You have worked so diligently this semester I hope you're having a happy vacation and forgetting that school exists.

I told you how much Mother enjoyed you in the Christmas play. After seeing it at school, I confirmed her expression that "Laura Jane was splendid". Your characterization was excellent and although I sat in the last row in the assembly room I heard every word. However, the part was contrary to your genial, generous nature.

I hope 1932 will be a happy year for you.

Sincerely yours,
Alice Dougherty

Dear Lotsie,

Well I finally am getting down to brass tacks and am writting to you. Well I feel much better and am over my one and half month cold, thanks to your dear mother and my own. I wish I could of seen more of you when you were home, honestly Lotsie I waited so darn patiently for my dad to come home and tell me when you got home and here I turn out with a case of sniffles. I thought your girl friend was swell in fact I liked her almost better of any of them.

Well darling I haven't as yet gone skating and you know how wonderful I am everyone just loves to skate with me, bash humbug! why you would take advantage of me just when your girl friend was around to say such a thing and I to preserve my entegrity couldn't make you swallow each and every word. You little soe and so. But there'll come a day when little Delores shall also put in a few words edge wise and make little miss of a Miss Musser or Cusser swallow those words.

Oh, dear Lotsie if Mr. Ahles would only condition his speeches in those short mornings in business college. For the last three days he has talked for two hours and ahalf. He raves some time so that he just about chokes and then he has to drink the water cooler dry to bring down his temperature. What a man, what a man.

Lotsie I have never thanked you enough for those loads of nice wearing apparal (sp.) that you gave me before I went to school Lotsie do you know I got so many compliments on that dress, shoes underthings, oh everything that I can never fully tell you how much I really enjoyed wearing those articles. Lotsie in other words your just "tops".

or

I am so darn busy here all time that I can't think and that boy Warren is just the biggest tease that ever lived and shall live. Heavens but he is bright the brightest student in the Cathedral High School thats something. Helen the little girl is very nice a little spoiled but still very nice.

O by the way before I forget to ask you how is your beloved music teacher getting along? I hope here health is of the best. How is Miss Cusser and Miss Bulrick, is that the right pronounciation, getting along with their petty little understanding. Oh nos don't tell me that you her and your self are really in terms.

Well I can't write worth a darn so I tought I would type this letter to you and my what choice I have for stationary marvelous. And my spelling supherb. That last word looks like ruburb to me.

My nonsense has just about run to its limit so hoping to hear from you looking forward to seeing you Christmas

Oceans of Love

Your St. Cloud

Correspondent

Delores



Sunday -

Dear Lotrie:

How does it seem to go to school again? I'm glad we don't start for a couple of weeks. I had such a keen time in Little Falls that the city seems positively dry. I guess there won't be much doing until school starts. By the way, the name of that music is "Les Deux Alouettes" (the 2 larks) by Th. Leschetizky. When you

see Mary Ann or the Gatchells
tell them I will write
and ~~the~~ I will write to
almost anyone else who
writes to me first. I
have started to make
a sampler. Have you done
any more on your dress?
I saw Ellen Brown and
Ann Avery at St. Marks today.
Say hello to Mary for me
and thanks again for the
very nice time. I will
write again when there
is something new.

Best love,

P.S. You'd better ask
Mary Ann & the Gatchells

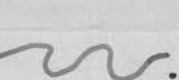
to write first because I
don't know their addresses -

Riley -

Dear Laura,

I got your card a few days ago.

We were down at your house playing tennis and Delores gave us your new address.

Saturday we went riding and I drove the car (it was Aunt Merrie's car). It sure was fun. When I drove it in the morning Aunt Merrie, Helen Maule, and Lil were in the car and I almost took them in the ditch. I got in some loose sand and the car went like this . but in the afternoon I had it up to 30 and didn't go in any ditches.

Little Falls won two ball games from St. Cloud. On Saturday we played down there and beat them 6-0 and Sunday

they came up here and got defeated 11-9.

The kids went swimming yesterday afternoon and may go again to day. It's hotter than Dutch love to day. It rained again last night and I'm afraid it will to nite.

We are going on a picnic to morrow down across from Lindbergh's farm. It is the Sunday school picnic.

Lil and I are sending you a few little gifts which we hope you enjoy.

Lots of Love
Mary Latchell

P.S. In case it's hard for you to read small writing you won't have a hard time reading this!

Friday
11

Dearest Latsie,

Well how is the 15 year old?
How does it feel to be that old?
Well I'll know in one month
two weeks. Happy Birthday!!!!!!

You certainly must be
having a marvelous time.
I bet Vermont is lovely. All my
life I've wanted to go there.

There isn't any news except
that I've been swimming every
day since June first. The water
is simply wonderful.

Today, Margaret Woodworth,
Mary Hatchell, Linnea Storm and
I served at the golf club luncheon.

Outside of a few embarrassing
moments such as almost
spilling coffee and ice cream
into prim ladies laps everything
was without mishap. You

Mary as dear. Be sure you
give me a ride & I'll give you
a ride in Marks car the next time
he comes.

Mary Anne was at the library
this afternoon, searching for
mystery stories. I tried to find
her some I've read but they were
all out.

Shall my darling this must
be all for I have 4 more letters
to write.

Give my love to your mother

I love you loads.

Just/
Helen

have an advantage over me now
because you are travelling and
can find something to write
about while I am at home with
nothing out of the ordinary
happening - so you can well tell
I have no news.

Last nite, daddy took Goldie
and me to "Skippy". It was awfully
cute.

Monday -

Marksie was here over the week-
end. He danced a lot and he
tried to teach me how to
chord popular music on the
piano. Also, Sunday I drove
his car 10 miles - thru town
etc. It was great fun.

It is awfully ^{nice} ~~nice~~ that your
mother is going to give you and

Dear Lotise,

I'm so glad you don't think I have such a bad temper. Though a very good friend of mine told me you told her that; also that you still think I mixed you, Helen, and Goldie up with Isabel. I'm sorry you still think that about me because I didn't. Helen, Goldie, and Lorry all say and know I didn't. I guess theres not much more I can do as everyone can think what ever they like. He always have been such good friends. I believe in my friends and most of them believe in me. I wish you would!

Last night I went to Miss Voasberg's dance none. It was very good so many pretty costumes. This morning I went to drum corp practice. My, but it was hot work! He are to play in the Convention so we've got to work!

It was so hot yesterday we nearly burned up. It's not much better today.

Congratulations, Editor of the Meriwitt. I'm sure it will be a big success this year. Too bad you lost to the Cardinals in your game fete. Better luck next year.

I'm going to Scout Camp next Sunday and will be gone for a week or two. So many of the kids have gone to the lake. He're going as soon as I get back from Scout Camp.

Mother has promised me that I

~~in~~ go to Cass Lake next year. I am so glad!

Isabel said in her last letter that she hadn't heard from you for ever so long. She asked me if I had and I had received your letter two days before so of course I said yes. She said she'd like to hear from you.

She may come up for the Convention. St. Cloud is sending a boys band. A boy by the name of Bud Brigham is in it she said. (I guess you know him quite well)

I haven't seen your sister since she came home. Funny isn't it?

I'm going to the library today some time I hope there soon good books in.

A Circus is coming to Little Falls the 20th. He may come in for it.

There are soon very nice looking soldiers in town. He go up town and I sit in the car and watch the people go by while mother shops. Say hello to

Marylin for me, will you?

Will you ask Marylin to write and send me a photo or send it by you?

Lots of love

S Shirley

please write soon.

We've just come back from
riding with Omer Ettinger in
their new Airflow. It has a
grand radio in it & is it
nice! Omer is so crazy. He's
that big tall boy with the
huge feet - you remember.

Tomorrow my brother is
coming. He has a new car
too. Also tomorrow is our
bridge club picnic. It's to
be out at Lake Aft at Buzz
Wetzel's cottage. But I can't
go to that. I'd rather see
my brother. I haven't
heard from you ^{for} so long.
I know you're busy that



Friday

Dearest Leticia,

It's such a perfect day. I just
have to write you. Also, here's the
picture of the family. We couldn't
get Judy to hold still - otherwise she'd
be on it too. This letter will have
to be all questions, because I
haven't any from you to answer.

I just wonder how everything
is working out for you. I'll bet
it's all just fine - now isn't it?
And it's just a little over four
weeks - and you'll be home!

Sonite is the Prom. Clayton
wants me to go with him.
It'll be nice for a change.
Last night - Buzz, Jimmy, Fred,
and I saw Ruby Keller in
"Go into Your Dance". It was so
cute. I think Ruby Keller
is so darling. but I can't
stand Al Johnson.

Babe ^{to find} & I went down to
Mpls. last Friday. We ate
at the Rankin (I like to eat
there) and there we saw

"Stolen Harmony". It was quite
good. Babe got some new
clothes - but I didn't. We
wanted to see "Beide & Haulenstein".

Well, darling, I've
completely run out of news,
so I'll stop and let you ask
some questions.

Love you always,
Helen

and the jrs. the seniors. won
17 to 15. Friday I went to a
tacky party at one of my friends
house. I won a tin cup for
having the funniest costume.
and also a china horse & some
dogs on a hunt. Saturday I
went to another party. We saw
a play at the Subert which was
very good. It was a collage play.

A week ago last Saturday
Mother brought Charles home
because he was sick. He has a

March 21.



The Boys' and Girls'
Own Book Club

Dear Laura Jane

I am very sorry
that I didn't write you
sooner, but you just don't
know how busy I've been.
Last Tuesday night I went over
to Fommi's for supper. We went
to the basket ball game at
school. It was against the seniors

a running ear and a cold.
He is much better now though.

What have you done for
your vacation? Today I went to
a movie with "Cal." We saw
Alien the doctor. It was a neat
movie.

How is your family?
Is Mary home. How is she?
Say hello to Mary for me.
Have you been with the
Satchells or Mary Ann much?
How are you coming along

with your swimming?

Tell Lil etc. that I
may write them soon so
they won't have to be over
come with the fact that I'm
writing them!

Write to me soon
and say hello to your family.

Loads of love

Marilyn

P.S. Please don't mind the writing
but I'm in a hurry to eat.



Dear mother,

Well, here goes the daily letter.

How are you this windy day?

I suppose your hands are full with Alice and the boys. I should think you would never want to set eyes on boys again.

I haven't done anything pretty lately. Same old routine as ever.

Last night the we had a game called kick base ball. That is, when the ball is thrown to you, you kick it instead of bat it. I made 1 out and 1 score. It was loads of fun. We are going to play it next week for camp points.

I am so happy up here. I could wish for anything more than this.

Tell Mary Deertainly am glad "Puffy" is
coming up. I think she is the
darlingest girl. Not sophisticated one bit.

Wather do you suppose it would
be all right if I had Marilyn (Puffy's sister)
up the same time Mary has "Puffy"?

She certainly is a cutie kid.

There isn't any thing more to tell
so will close.

Lots of love
Laura Jane

P.S. Please
Send
my
Diary
and
Auto Graph
Book

And also
Please write
if you have time
remember your daughters
love to hear from you.

Tuesday- Aug. 29.

Dear Lamma Jane,

I'm so glad you enjoyed your lesson with Mr. Fenyes — that then, I told you ^{that} you would! You'll have to tell me all about both lessons when I see you. I'm sure you'll enjoy your second lesson twice as much as the first.

It was nice that you could hear Golda play, & also observe her lesson. She is working on some very difficult selections.

Is your Mother back yet? Will it be O.K. if I come up next Tuesday, September 5th? I would like to talk about teaching in Little Falls; and if your Mother isn't home, maybe I had better write to her.

If I come Tuesday — it will be about 10 o'clock. Maybe I'd just better say that I'll be there unless I get word to the contrary! That will save writing on your part.

Wishing you heaps of good luck on your second lesson.

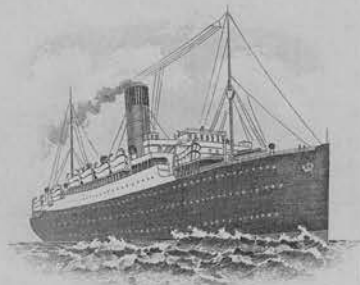
Love—

M. Irene Johnson.

Breathlessly I said P. K.
You said "Only one way &
under the water we went.

P. K. looked all around
and went away again.
We came out and looked
like drowned rats.

We started running
as fast as we could, but
when we stopped where
do you think we were?
In the Gulf Course and
A. L. B. was coming
to meet us. We started
running and she called "
hold on wait for me".
If you can catch us
we'll wait for you,
I said, and away we
ran.



ON BOARD THE
CUNARD
R.M.S. "AUSONIA"

Dear Laura Jane,

I am so sorry not to
have written you before,
but I have been so busy.

I want to thank
you for the lovely book
you sent me, it is the
best story I have read
for a long time.

Are you wondering
if I have been sea-sick?
Well I have not! Thank
heavens.

We have had fine
weather so far, except
for one moderate gale,

and the waves came up to one of the decks.

I have spent most of my time playing deck-tennis. It is a lovely game, but quite different from real tennis.

It is played with a rubber ring, and you must return it any way, but underhand. I like it so well, that I am bringing a set home with me.

We are having tournaments in the different games, and I have entered in all of them.

Mother and Daddy have written your mother, to thank her for the lovely roses. If she does not get their letters, thank her for us all, as we enjoyed them very much.

(Personal) Have you had any dreams lately?

Have I! And How! So I will tell you one, in brief.

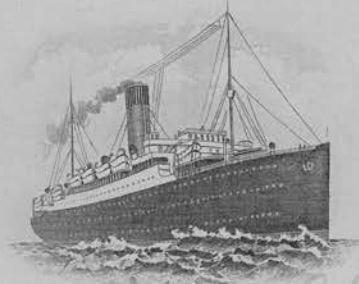
One day in June, you and I were playing in your swimming pool, when Helen came out with a yellow slip for each of us; this is what it said,

Dear Children
I must see you at once
will meet you at the Golf Course.

Please hurry

Ch. L. B.

Like heck I'll go, I said
Same here you said,
she needs us as much
as a fish needs dry land.
We sat down to think it
over when we heard —
Children! Children!
where are you?



ON BOARD THE
CUNARD
R.M.S. "AUSONIA"

We couldn't see where
we were going and we
bumped into P.R.

We were caught and
no doubt about that.

We were taken to
the Club House and
we had the Patent!

How we jumped about!
Soon A.L.B. took them
off & P.K. helped.

Then we had tea, and
went home.

END

Thanking you again
for your lovely book

Lovingly

Shirley Lamb

P.S.

please excuse my
writing but
I can't stop the ship
to write a letter.



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Tuesday

Dear Laura Jane - (ardon the stationery)

Are you having a nice time at camp. Florence
Keller a good friend of mine - has a friend up there - Kay
Dawson - do you know her? If so what do you think of her?

This afternoon I played golf with Mary - She beat
me. We were in town the fourth. Had dinner at the
R. H. Mueser house - We really had an awfully good
time. Later on some kids from Minneapolis came
over. By us I mean Florence & I.

We miss you awfully here.
Write me soon -

With just loads of Love
Billie Berg

This is short & not
very sweet but I'm
sorry,
Dear.



ENGINEERING LABORATORY AT DEARBORN

Private Mailing Card



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Sinden Hill
Little Falls
Main

Mrs. Hilding E. Hultkrans 407 S. E. Third St. Little Falls, Minn.

Dear Laura Jane,

I hope you will be able to come to the
Choir "Barbecue", Sunday, July 22 at 1:30 P.M.
the place to be announced. The picnic is to honor
the Mc Intoshes and Van Kikes. -> Camp Ripley

We will expect a Barbecue poem.

Please call Mrs. Ray at 227 for further
orders. I think she wants you to bring potato
salad - but if not convenient, tell her, please.

Sincerely

R. E. H.

Philosophy Class
Wednesday

Latsie darling.

Finally here is the letter. yours
came. and I was so glad to get it.
I'm so happy you are getting along
well in school. That the Ulrichs
have finally awakened to the fact
that there is such a thing as tact
and understanding. I like school
even less (if possible) than last year.
The people around here are so small
& all they think of is themselves and
their little school. I do like it so
much. But then. I do live there it -
I hope.

First of all. I'll tell you about Jimmy.
I should have written you before. please
forgive me. But time just isn't
the thing I have most of. Anyhow - he
is going to the U of Minnesota. He
went to Chi. on a Thursday & saw
his employer & the man said Jimmy
ought to go to the U & he'd pay for
two years of education for him. It's
just like a fairy story. I'm so glad
his got a chance. So Jimmy
came back to L. F. on Tuesday. I
nearly dropped dead when he called
me. In case you want to write him
his address is 317 - 5th Ave. S. E. Mpls.
He's living with Werners from Little
Falls.

You asked me about Shirley - I
never - or seldom see her. I saw
William Mitchell over in Dayton

last Saturday. She is living with her Aunt Marge now.

I certainly can hardly wait for Thanksgiving. I think I'm going home next Tuesday night & be there till Sunday night. I'll be so darn wonderful seeing you again. Well - it won't be long now. I think

before long. I have to be paying our dear friend Dr. Zittel a visit. My back is just killing me again. I'll be home four times. Don't that awful? The last time was Halloween. Carmel is going to Hamline - did you know that?

I see Billie Brainer at the U. every now & then too. Gredie had lunch with us last Saturday.

Darling - There is the bell & I must rush.

Loving you ever
just
Helen

SOCIAL MESSAGE
Western Union

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LAURA JANE MUSSER=

HARTRIDGE SCHOOL V=

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DARLING AND MANY MORE OF THEM AM ANXIOUSLY
WAITING FOR YOU TO COME HOME LOVE ALWAYS=

HELEN MAUDE.



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WASHINGTON DC VIA QR NEWYORK NY

MISS LAURA JANE MUSSER

LITTLEFALLS MINN

WISH I COULD SPEND THIS DAY WITH YOU HAPPY BIRTHDAY

THE KIMBROUGHS

Dearest Lotie;

I wrote you a long, long note ~~last~~ yesterday afternoon + was going to send it with Hazel, but she ~~was~~ gone when I started looking for her. I had as much fun at the dentist last nite! I only have to go once more and thin in through! I'm as glad cause I don't care about that drilling.

I'm coming over after school + I hope no one else comes over to see you (I don't mean to be catty, sweetheart) but we have to have a regular talk fest 'cause I haven't seen you for ages, + I have to know all about your Mpls. trips just 1 week ago today.

Last nite I studied harder than I have this year. It seems that all the teachers give us assignments at once. I had to go to the library too.

When did we say the concert is? May 6, I think. I have a new coat.

It's a pale + something like yours.

Loisire, you simply have to get
well soon. We want to go on some
hikes + things. Well, I guess ~~it~~ I
will have to quit writing +
listen to history -

So long until 4.

Love -

MRS. C. PLINY BRIGHAM
75 EAST 55TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Dear Mary + Laura Jane -

It was very nice to receive
your letter today and to
know that you are having such
a fine time this vacation.

I thank you both so much
for the strings of pearls - they
are ever so pretty - and every
time I wear them I shall think
of you dear little ones.

It scarcely seems possible that
the vacation is almost over,
and I know how you hate
the thought of coming back

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to school Mary and probably
you too Laura Jane would not
mind a longer holiday.

Betty was sorry to have missed
seeing you Mary and hope
that she will see you soon.

We have seen Margaret and
Joan two or three times - they
are having a good time I think.

Again with many many thanks
for your sweet gift and hoping
the New Year will be a very
happy one for all of you
Affectionately
Aunt Mary.



Dearest -
Laura Jane

How Hocked
I was the other
day looking over
your letter and found
it all ready several
weeks old. The time
whirls by so fast - I
just can not keep up
with it. I can not tell
you how very much
I did enjoy your nice
long interesting letter
just had a feast
reading it over and
over. Intending

but hope to very soon this
is just to wish you the
happiest kind of a birthday
and how I should love to be
with you but my thoughts
will be there. Had made
I remember all your
first single birthdays
and how happy we always
were planning for these
and how clearly you very
first birthday stands out

to answer it immediately
but as usual failed through
lack of time for all that
needs and must be done
every day. Oh! Laura Jane
you cannot imagine my
disappointment and sorrow
when reading that you
might not come this summer
What cruel cruel fate could
possibly have come to
interfere. it just seem
some fate is bound to
keep us from having a
nice little visit again.
Hope and trust plans have
come out better and more
in our favor. I just can
not go back this summer
the way I am tied down
but there is nothing in
the world I would love to
do better. Laura Jane I can
not now write you the long
letter I would like to do

in my mind, when
you had just arrived
and how happy we
all were over the
tiny tiny little speck
of life that had
safely arrived, and
all was well. a
beautiful sunny
Sunday morning
How I would love
to tell you all
about it, maybe
some day, ask
mother will she
ever forget it

or Daddy either.

Well Anna Jane
I hope this your
birthday will be
just full of joy
and I will be there
with you wondering
what you are doing
write me about it
later, and with good
news that you will
be coming. Never got
Marys address. please
send hers to her with
oceans of love and
good wishes. Aunt Bobbie

Wed morn.

Satsil darling,

I just got your letter - and you can imagine how very glad I was to get it - without my telling you. It was so nice + long too. I wish I could write long letters - but I do so very much. you know (sawcom)

You certainly must have spent an enjoyable Thanksgiving. I've been more than tempted to call your mother - in fact I was already to where the mail-man came. I'd still like to - but I'm afraid she'd be busy.

I want to talk to her so much sometimes - but I never get the chance.

Well, I'll tell you what I've been doing - just sitting home reading until last week. and when a friend of ours asked if Galdie and I didn't want to go to Neph.

for the week-end. Billie Hall has given us a standing invitation so we went!

We got there about 6 Sat. nite, and went right out to Billie's. I found out that Jerry Gage had been calling for me all day. so finally he called again and wanted a date. He said he had a couple of blind dates for Lucie and Billie that were pretty nice. so we all went to the State.

Irving Aaronson's orchestra (ever heard of him?) on the stage and "Transatlantic Merry-go Round" as the feature. It was good. The "blinds" were very nice boys. One was from L'Ance Michigan named Curtis Menard - the other from Libby Montana named Jack Roland. So it turned out to be a highly successful evening. Sunday night the boys brought over some ice cream - I made chocolate sauce and we had supper.

We sat around all evening playing bridge + hearts. It was fun. Gerry likes the it very well - and is going to pledge Alpha Delta, I think. Monday - Billie, Gerdie, and I shopped and saw "One Night 3 Love". I liked it very well too. Haint Grace Moore a gorgeous voice! Then Mon. with me came home.

Since then I've gone back to my old routine of sitting, reading and playing the piano. Did I tell you - my brother gave me "Street Scene"? Forgive me if I repeat a lot in my letters - but I never can remember what I've written - and I like to write the little news there is, however. I'll try not to repeat.

Honestly, Laura - this really is very selfish of me to feel this way - but I'm so happily sick of this town and sitting around doing practically nothing. I practise the piano a lot and try to use up my time to

best advantage - but ~~the~~ my
whole life is nothing
more than sitting before a blank
wall. If I can't go away to
school or something next year
I don't know what I'll do. Now -
isn't that selfish? but it's so hard
to feel any other way.

Those plays must have
been fun to be in. Really, darling,
I'm awfully glad you're strong-
minded enough to not feel
badly (or is it bad?) about not
being in that secret society.
I know ~~too~~ lots of times when
I have had little disappointments
it sort of hurts at first - but
in the long run - everything
turns out far the best. Besides,
personally, I don't like secret
societies either. They're very
unfair - and it's just usually
a small clique that forms
them - and I don't like small
cliques. The girls in them are
usually very self centered
or at least that's what I'll

found in my experiences.
As for the Christmas play - I can
partly see how you'd feel
rather bad about that - but it's
really even more fun to watch
a play than be in it. I realized
all this about playing my senior
year. You know. I just had
such a small bit - it was
hardly a part. So, darling,
don't even think of either
issue - because neither of them
are worth it.

I can hardly wait to
see you - needless to say.
You wrote your letter the 9th and
you said you'd be home
two weeks from that day so
together it will be the 23rd.
Is that right? I've supposed
to leave for Mankato the 21st.
but I'll hurry home as fast
as I can just to see you!

Goldie is going to be in
Wabou, and Billie Hall will
be up here - at least those
are the present plans.

Our Judy has grown up into
a very homely ordinary
water spaniel, so I don't
think you'll be so glad to
see her. I'll give her a bath
and pretty her all up for
you tho.

The Waldorf-Astoria must
be beautiful. I listen to
orchestras from there quite
often. I hope I can go there
someday in years to come.

Well, I must stop
and frost Gredie's cake.

If you find time - please
write me once again before
you come home. What do
you want for Christmas? I
think I know - and I'll get
you just that!

I love you so
Mother

MISS RHODA BELCHER
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MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Dear Lotsie,

I have not heard from you for so long. Did you think that you could not write to me if we moved out to the lake? Well, all you have to do is to write to the same address & they will forward it.

I have been studying so hard for the 2 exams we are having tomorrow & everything is all mixed up in my head. I don't seem to remember a thing. What have you been doing lately? Are you getting ready for exams?

Over the week-end I had
a friend visiting me and we
played 18 holes of golf every-
day. My hands are all blis-
tered now.

Have you ever knitted
any of those hats that are
called Crab-net turbans. I
have knitted 3 and am about
to finish my fourth.

Well, I thought I
would write to you to
remind you that I am still
waiting to hear from you

Love

Rhoda

father may suddenly
decide I had better wait
until next year to take
the boat alone. I have
been stringing along
and heaven knows what
I have been saying. I
hope you will excuse
awful writing and most
boiling letter but it is the
best I can do,

Love Rhoda

P.S. I'm using my
mother's pen because
mine is broken also.

Dear Lotzi (?)

I don't know ~~whether~~
I spelled Lotzi right or
not but I hope I did.

^{where}
~~the~~ do you swim?
I have gone swimming
almost every ~~Saturday~~
Minneapolis Club Pool. One
day² was there with
two other girls and we had
the whole pool to ourselves
because nobody turned
up that day. Exams are
over now and I'm not at

all satisfied with my marks although I know I wouldn't be.

I'm so sorry to hear you have been sick. My mother has been in bed for two and $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks with the flu. She is recovering now though and luckily the rest of us did not catch it from her.

How long do you have for spring vacation? We have one week but that will be a blessing - It seems that all I do is sit home and study and

get nothing out of it.

Are you going to Chicago this summer? I am going out to the lake for a while but I'm in great hopes that I can see the trout there because there has been so much snow which is sure to make the lake deep and cover up the traps sufficiently so I won't be hunting on rocks. You never can tell though, my

very P. M.
Thurs.

Dearest Lottie,

Thank you so much
for remembering my birthday
How did you know? This
sure is starting out to be a
funny summer. My roommate
came home with me for a
week and then she got a
job in Denver so I decided
to look for a job. Knowing
me you probably ~~know~~ I
didn't look very hard but I
think I have one. It's in a
studio in Chicago doing art
work for a magazine. I have
to do some samples and take
them in and the man that
runs it said I could be
sort of an apprentice like.
About visiting you this
summer - you had better

go ahead and do what you
want and then set the date
and I'll come if I can. Where
is it you are going to get a
guest cottage in Wisconsin? much?
if so do you want me to
come to Little Falls or go there
or what. You let me know
and I'll see if I can't get there.
I think you're a peach to
bother with me.

I've been playing tennis
every morning and going
swimming in the afternoon
and you should see my
freckles. wow - no me - all
freckles. I still want to
learn how to play golf. do
you know how? Well I
must go to bed before I
get too tired to undress -
sounds bad doesn't it.
Write soon

loads of love
June



IOWA STATE

311 Mary Lyon Hall
Ames, Iowa

Dear Lottie

I really am ashamed of
myself for not writing to you
but I'll make up for it now.
Dick sends me the school and
Alton papers and I see your
teaching plan this year. I think
it's swell. I sure miss Monte
don't you? Right now I'm sitting
in the lobby of the Home Economics
building selling sketches. The
sketch is a booklet of students
writing, as poems and such.
I just have to sit here till
three o'clock then I have to hurry
back to the dorm and get my
washing done and then hurry

3-

place makes Monty look like a country club. I kinda like it though. They keep you so busy all the time you don't have a chance to get home sick. I pledged Delta Delta Delta and I'm going to live in the house spring quarter. It's loads of fun being a pledge. I have to go over to the house every sat. and clean my pledge mother's room. You ought to come here to school. The only thing is ~~there~~ isn't a very good music department.

I didn't have time to finish this yesterday so I'll try and finish it while I'm in library this period. Last night I was going to study but some fellow called and wanted to go ice skating so off I went.

I have to study Chemistry this period so write soon & please forgive me. Thanks so much for the cards from Europe. I sure want to hear about your trip.

much love
June

2-

over to the Club. we sang at three different services yesterday and I think I've had enough for a while. The last was a candle light service. we sang 8 numbers & walked in carrying candles. It was awfully pretty. Have you been ice skating pretty often quite a bit. They have a grand lake here. I went with a date Sat. nite and he's a hockey player. He just mopped up the ice with me. I was down most of the time. Do you hear from any of the kids at Monty. I've heard from Elizabeth Forrester once but the only people I've written to are my folks & Dick. yes we're still that way about each other. He's coming to my house for over New Year and I can hardly wait. Boy Lotie did I think Monty was hard? Well I was wrong. This

Friday

Dearest Laura Jane,

Honey. I am so sorry
that I missed you Wednesday.
However, it couldn't be helped.
Things just didn't work out.
I didn't know how to get in
touch with you and Thursday
I called a couple of homes -
but with no luck.

My vacation was very
nice - but not long enough.
He wasn't in Little Falls
at all so I didn't have

fun and hope that it
won't be long before we
have a heart to heart talk.

Lovingly.

Maryann

a chance to call you.

Although we have been
unable to get together - I
know things ~~will~~ will be
different.

I haven't time to
write more now — but
will really sit down one
of these days and tell you
all about myself — not
really "egoism"!!

I hope you and your
good friend have much

3 periods

Dear Laura: —

I am so hungry, tired, bored
etc. I am in Science class now and
were suppose to be studying molds.
very appetizing. Mr. Larson is
yowling away above ~~the~~ with
the Senior High Glee Club. How
long will it take you at the
dentist? Isn't it quite hot to
play tennis? Maybe not. Just
think in 28 days you will be
2 yrs. older than I am and
48 days more you will be at
camp. Just think of it.

you said you never got any
letters so I had to surprise
you. Excuse all the misspelled
words. Blanche, who sits next
to me, is trying to stretch her
neck to read this. Can you
imagine. What class do
you have The 2nd per. I wish
I didn't have this one. In the
beginning of this note I said
I was bored but not writing
to you. It's now 2 min to 12
so I think I'd better sign off.
Don't you. I could talk to you

forever tho. Listen, just one
more word, will you give me
gickup + Cal's address. please

The whistle blew

so I must say
Goodbye Darlin'
Meggy

together, and singing
together. I hope we
can do it again, soon.

Thank you for the
splendid time. I could
have asked for nothing
better.

Remember me to the
girls and my thanks
to Miss Eastridge, please.

and to you, good
luck on those exams
along with a great big
thank you for everything
else.

my love,
Isabel



May 13

Lotsie dear,

This wonderful week-
end I spent with you
is no more. I find myself
once again facing the
realities of my existence.
Some I find are pleasant,
others I find are not. But
I always have with me
memories. For example,
the delightful ferry ride,
the greens around your
school, and all the
dear girls I met.

I loved being away
from the city again. This
being housed up and
locked in, or rather on an
island, is not to my
liking. I much prefer
plains and fields.
It was such fun
lunching together shopping

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1005 MOUNT CURVE AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Dear Latsie,

What day does your vacation start? We graduate on the 4th of June; there are only 10 more school days left and then exams but after that it will be all over and what a relief.

The English teacher we have at Northrop told me she used to teach at Hartbridge school and used to know Mary. Her name is Miss Mercer.

I'm going to see 'The Bride of Frankenstein' to-night; it ought to be spooky. I didn't get to see Frankenstein.

No I don't think I've ever met Earl Shauer
I've been sitting out on our back steps this after noon writing and now the sun has gone down so I can't get tan any more. Remember last summer how red you got then it gradually turned into tan. I've never seen such a lovely day out as it is now; only it's not quite warm enough to

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get very burnt.

I've heard from Penny a couple of times are you still getting letters from her?

There goes a man with a dog. He is always going past our house at least twice a day with this cocker spaniel on a long long rope but never lets him get off his rope.

I hope Lotsie that you will not have an awful time reading my letter because I'm an awful writer and I get that way from writing my assignments down so fast in school.

I have been riding a lot on a ranch about 20 miles from home. They have western saddles there and we go just where we want out in the woods.

Afterwards we have a picnic lunch by some pond with crickets around it or maybe its frogs; I don't quite know.

I'm sorry I didn't answer sooner but you know how it is the last part of school; the studying always gets harder so we can get finished since we get behind in the course of the year. But some work or not I must admit I've been too slow. Please excuse me.

Love
Giskey

January 28th.

Dear Laura Jane,

Maxine informed me that the Transcript published the news of my scholarship at Northwestern University — so you will be somewhat prepared by the time this letter reaches you. The "suddenness" of the event was shocking & I still feel slightly dazed. I'm sorry that I must leave all my pupils, & yet I can hardly refuse such a fine opportunity.

I would suggest either Helen Greim at the Teachers College, or Mr. Fenyes.

And now — much as I hate to mention financial matters — may I have a check before I leave? It will be six dollars. (\$6.00). Address it to my home, & my Dad will forward it should I be gone.

Also, Mrs. Wendt found a pair of glasses at her home. She has called several but cannot find the owner. She wondered if they might belong to you or Mrs. Taylor. If they are yours will you call for them at

117 Fourth Ave. S.E. — (turn left by the State Bank at St. Germain Street on East St. Cloud.) Her name is Mrs. Edwin W. Wendt.

Best of luck to you in your piano work. I'm sorry I must leave you.

Sincerely,

M. Irene Johnson

One May night

Dear Laura Jane,

The low roll of thunder breaks the silenced air. Occasionally, strips of lightning set fire to a broad expanse of dark blue clouds; and always the air is sweet with the smell of rain. How refreshing the gay shower was! For days we have had nothing but dust storms - and a wind untameably strong. Therefore, this longed-for rain carried a double blessing, and we find ourselves relaxing in its after-quiet.

Mentally I have written you many letters, Laura Jane; in fact, frequently turned to you in thought. It was very kind of you to remember me with so lovely a note of sympathy. I cannot tell you how hard the winter has been, how long the days have grown, and how empty hours have seemed. The loss of a father, so truly beloved as ours, because his life

had been unusually rich in kindness, generosity, and counsel, and had been strong in ideals of manhood and real character, has brought deep, deep sorrow. However, we find solace in the beautiful memory we have of him and in the faith that he lives eternally in the Kingdom of Love. Perhaps even now he is closer to us than we realize for that Kingdom lies very near. I am grateful for your understanding note and want you to know that it meant much to me.

School is drawing to a close, hence, many and many a committee plan for this and that. The Jr.-Sr. Prom is May 19th. The setting will again be a garden scene.

The Salutatorian is Hazel; the valedictorian, Joan. The competition was close. Somehow the achievement of Hazel seems the greater since she has had uncertain health so much of the time. Both are to be congratulated. I shall write again soon. I trust you are well and happy. Lovingly,
R. Letterberg



Salzburg, W. A. Mozart's Geburtshaus.

For Laura Jane
Aunt Maud sent this
to you from Salzburg
Austria —

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Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls,
Minn.

Dear Laura Jane:

Expect

you next week then.

Perhaps our first session on Sun., 12/12.

Bring a homeword note-book as well as your music, yes? Greetings to you & the family! W. U.



JOHN Mc E. BOWMAN, PRESIDENT

Laura your dear +
 I loved your letter
 and beautiful Easter
 greeting. Last week I
 spent a few days with Sarah
 moved in Wichita. Kansas
 11921, Pershing Ave her new
 home, it is a dear little
 house and I liked Wichita.
 I will think of you in England
 and Holy Trinity. Love for you
 your mother and Father. Aunt Maud.



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L. J. M. II.

get in touch with your
mother but so far have
failed.

Good bye and hopes for
a pleasant summer -

Sincerely

Bessie Lee

Easter Morn.



JOHN Mc E. BOWMAN, PRESIDENT

Dear Laura Jane -

So sorry if you to send
me an Easter Greeting.

I was disappointed not
to see you to say a final
farewell before leaving
for Europe.

We arrived New York
this morning and
have been trying to



JOHN Mc E. BOWMAN, PRESIDENT

Will you please hand this
to your mother -
Our address until June first
will be J. Bankers Trust Co
27 Old Broad Street
London - Eng land

after June first.
J. M. Seeber
Aigen - Glas
Salzburg
Austria.

B. P. Lee

home. So upon my finding
I could see West Point
for the first time, I,
like my impulsive self,
decided to take the boat
trip.

I do hope this didn't
conflict too very much
with your plans. She
would have had
such fun.

Yesterday, I about
wore my feet out looking
for an evening dress.
My first very formal
party will be next
Saturday. I do hope
it is fun.

October 16

Dearest Lottie,

We always have
difficulty about seeing
each other, don't we?

My trip to West
Point with Loring was
just on the spur of the
moment. I ^{am} terribly
sorry that this was
the cause for our
not seeing each other.

Of course, I didn't
know whether or not you
were coming. All of
the kids were either
going to the Columbia
game or were going

This girl from Plainfield
has asked me out there
for some weekend, so
perhaps the three of
us might do something.

Hoping this misfortune
was not too disastrous
I am,

as ever,
Isabel

Sunday -

Dearest Lottie:-

This is to thank you for the most
adorable bracelet I have ever seen to say
nothing of the darling clip - that came
with it - I love them both, and you were
darling to send them to me. I wore the
bracelet to Soph's party last night and it
made a huge hit - I shall have it
on - and will probably continue to wear
for the rest of my life - I love it so.

about the girl running away from ~~Harbridge~~ - it seems
she couldn't stand it any longer and just had to
break loose & make a get-away.

Miss Wren and Miss Fine came up last
week-end and K. J., Edwardson, & I went over to
the Quincey Place to see - there with huge packs
of cigarettes checked in our hands.

Vassar continued to grow more intriguing
although - the work is - terrific. Every
week-end I feel the urge to fling
all my books out the window and
have a huge time - there is always
something doing Saturday night and
on Sunday instead of Bible
Study - remember? - we usually go to
the movies - there are so many
adorable little places to eat - that we
always have dinner elsewhere.

Did you hear the great news!

Saw "She Married her Boss" last Sunday which was

perfectly swell —

I must go to dinner maintenant —

Write soon

hop of 1002
Bridge



Friday Night

Sotsie Dear,

I was so glad to hear from you - I thought sorry to hear you were ill. I hope you are better now. I'm writing this home - to be sure you get it.

It sounds as if Julliard is being time consuming - yet fascinating. How I want to hear some of your new compositions! Have you composed much lately? I was interested to hear about Dorothy Maynor - I would like to hear her very much. I'm so fond of Marion Anderson - that if Dorothy Maynor is comparable to her - I'm sure I'd like her!

Oh, Sotsie, I have an assistantship at Smith for

the next two years! I will
teach half of the time - so
it will take two years for
me to do my masters. But,
oh, I'm so pleased about it.
I'll be financially indepen-
dent for the first time in
my life! I won't have to
ask my parents for a cent -
and oh - (it gives me the most
feeling! - I wanted very much
to go to Minnesota - but the
Smith offer came first -
and so I accepted it. I think
it is for the best - since I
would like to be near my
family as long as possible.
But, oh, Sotsie, you don't
know how I'd love to see
Minnesota again! I certainly
fell in love with the place!
And, oh - Sotsie, I've been
elected to Phi Beta Kappa!
I'm really thrilled to pieces!
It is worth all the work
that it signifies! - I just

wrote tonight to President Rohrbough telling him about my assistantship - I know he thought it was a good idea to go ahead with my work.

But enough of my story! I do hope I see you before you go home this summer. It seems such a shame that we are so near - and yet don't see more of each other. But - that's the price we pay for being "lured girls" Ha!

You are planning to go to Yuliahad two more years, aren't you? - Or did I misunderstand you? I hope you are - because I'll be able to see more of you - as a graduated chemist! At least I hope to!

How is everything in Little Falls? How is Mary? - And how is your mother and

your Dad? Would you give
them — all my love?

Tomorrow, Life Magazine is
going to take pictures of the
them. Lab. for Life — so who
knows — I may be in Life
yet!

Well, I must study — but
I did so want to write to
you tonight! Have a wonder-
ful vacation — I know you
will — and. Sotsie — drink
in a little extra of your
wonderful Minnesota and
bring it back to the East
with you for me, will
you?

with love always —
Mary

Monday

Dearest Latsie,

I suppose this will be a terrific shock to you, but I finally got your address & decided to proceed.

I'm enjoying the Cities a lot & have met some lovely people. My specialty seems to be of the Jewish denomination. Oh! Yes Oh! Yes. I had a Jewish boy friend for a bit o'-time, very fine, but his jealousy was unbearable. /sk! /sk!

I miss home terribly, and I had planned on going home for Thanksgiving

3 Collection agency for professional men, mainly doctors & dentists, etc hard managing but of course I have no other choice. My salary is \$5.00 a week. I've been trying to increase my wardrobe, but I've failed miserably in that attempt, outside of being able to purchase a new winter coat.

I imagine your terribly bored, Lotsie with my scribbling, but it does give you an idea of what many of us are doing! Phooey to Franklin Del. Roosevelt,

but I could only get a day² off, & spent it here at a dinner with a male friend & his mother, I do miss you a lot, dear, but it seems I, in one the unfortunate souls, & I am working hard for a sparse lively household. Yes, my education has presented me with a domestic opportunity such as house work. Seriously, I work very hard & have three children to take care of. Their parents are both employed in a business enterprise of their own. They have a

4 Remember, how we used
to make faces at him in
the movies?

I've been seeing a lot
of movies lately, Jimmie
Evans the escort, and among
there are "Spawn of the North",
"Carefree", "Painted Angels", "The
Saint" & a few others. I
plan on seeing "Sing you
Sinners" & also "Dracula" &
"Frankenstein". Oh, yes
I still love mysteries.

I'm writing this letter
in bed, my such laziness.
Not after a big washing, am
I spared!

I must stop, dear, and
please write real soon, very
soon. I assure you of a prompt
reply. All my love, Delores

MARILYNN HELEN GLUEK



are enjoying it.

How is Lil and
Mary Ann - Say
hello to them for me.
Do you find it
had taking up five
solid subjects? I
would think you
would.

We have had a

house all week. Chas
has had Bill Stead. One
of Mother's school friends
son and Cal has been
staying with me.

Extra!

Farm yard news
Blackie the cat has
four baby kittens.
They all look alike.

I am looking
forward to seeing you soon
and thank you again
for the lovely time I had
with you & your family -
Give my love to your
Mother, Father and to your
sister and yourself.
P.S. - write soon
With love - Marilyn

I LIKE THE DEPRESSION

Editorial by

Henry Ansley in the Amarillo (Tex.) Globe-News, discovered and offered for your amusement and happiness by H. C. Cheney of Scribner's.

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I like the depression. No more prosperity for me.

I have had more fun since the depression started than I ever had in my life; I had forgotten how to live, what it meant to have real friends, what it was like to eat common every-day food. Fact is, I was getting just a little high-hat.

Three years ago, only one man of the News-Globe organization could be out of town at a time. He had to leave at the last minute and get back as soon as possible. Many times I have driven 100 miles to a banquet, sat through three hours of bunk in order to make a 5 minute speech, then driven the 100 miles back so as to be ready for work the next morning.

Nowadays, as many News-Globe employees as are invited make those trips and we stay as long as we want to. The whole outfit could leave the office now and it wouldn't make any difference.

I like the depression. I have time to visit my friends, to make new ones. Two years ago when I went to a neighboring town, I always stayed at a hotel. Now, I go home with my friends, stay all night and enjoy home-cooking. I have even spent the week-end with some of the boys who have been kind enough to invite me.

It's great to drop into a store and feel that you can spend an hour or two or three or a half day just visiting and not feel that you are wasting valuable time. I like the depression.

I am getting acquainted with my neighbors. In the last six months I have gotten acquainted with the folks who have been living next door to me for three years. I am following the Biblical admonition, "Love your neighbors." One of my neighbors has one of the best-looking wives I have ever seen. She is a dandy. I am getting acquainted with my neighbors and learning to love them.

Three years ago I ordered my clothes from a merchant-tailor-two and three suits at a time. All my clothes were good ones, I was always dressed up. But now, I haven't bought a suit of clothes in two years. I am mighty proud of my Sunday-go-to-meeting clothes. When I dress up, I am dressed up, and I don't mean maybe. I like the depression,

Three years ago, I was so busy and my wife was so busy that we didn't see much of each other, consequently we sort of lost interest in each other. I never went home to lunch. About twice a week I went home for dinner - at 6:30 o'clock. I never had time to go anywhere with her. If I did go on a party, I could never locate her, and since there was always a "blonde" or a "red head" available I didn't worry much about it.

My wife belonged to all the clubs in town. She even joined the young Mother's Club. We don't have any children, but she was studying - and between playing bridge and going to clubs, she was never at home.

We got stuck up and high falutin. We even took down the old family bed and bought a set of twin beds - on the installment plan.

When I would come home at night, if my wife was at home, she would already be in her bed and I would crawl in mine. If she came in first, it was vice versa.

We like the depression. We have come down off our pedestal and are really living at my house now. The twin beds are stored in the garage and the old family affair is being used. We are enjoying life. Instead of taking a hot water bottle to bed these cold nights, she sticks her heels in my back just like she did before Hoover was elected.

I haven't been out on a party in 18 months. I have lost my book of telephone numbers. My wife has dropped all the clubs. I believe we are falling in love all over again. I am pretty well satisfied with my wife. Think I will keep her at least until she is forty and then if I feel like I do now, I may trade her for two twenties.

I am feeling better since the depression. I take more exercise. I walk to town and a lot of folks who used to drive Cadillacs are walking with me. I like the depression.

My digestion is better. I haven't been to see a doctor in a year. I can eat anything I want to.

I am getting real honest to goodness food. Three years ago, we had a fillet mignon once a week, now we have round steak and flour gravy. Then we had roast breast of guinea hen, now we are glad to get sow-bosom with the buttons on it.

I like the depression. My salary has been cut to where I can't afford to buy lettuce and spinach and parsley and we can't afford to have sandwiches and frozen desserts and all the damfoolishness which has killed more good men than the World War.

I like the depression. Three years ago, I never had time to go to Church. I played golf all day Sunday and besides I was so darned smart that there wasn't a preacher in West Texas who could tell me anything.

Now I am going to Church regularly, never miss a Sunday.

And if the depression keeps on, I will be going to prayer meeting before long.

I like the depression.

1st Stock Broker: Let's go to a show and forget it.

2nd Stock Broker: I would, but I've got a bridge engagement.

1st Stock Broker: Wait a minute, till I drop a note to my wife, and I'll jump with you.

With mother & uncle & the house
to close.
Have my last ball
of J. P. Mueser
P. S. Give her my love & say
I love you

LAURA LANE MUSSEY

Dear Mother,

I am so sorry I can't keep up the
daily correspondence but it's getting to
be almost impossible. More and more to
think about every day. Well - I suppose you
would like to hear what I'm recording
with myself so here goes. Yesterday morning
at 9:30, I played tennis for the second time
since I've been here, I certainly do love it.
By the way I'm in the Intermediate Tennis

Tourname end.

10:30 I went down to the Crafts house and fooled around until 11:15 and then took my eye ex. There hasn't been a day gone by (except for fun.) but what I've taken my eye ex. 11:30 mid. I expected a letter from your mother down but got nothing except a letter from Tillam. Blasher short also wrote me every day (except 3) and her letters cheer me up so.

12:00 dinner. 1:00 next hour

2:00 play hour. 3:15 afternoon

4:30 Crafts etc. After supper we read the Merry and then went

snipe hunting. I just hate snipe. The team who got a snipe first would win a team point. Both our teams got one but as it was a tie, we didn't get any team points.

By the way this mite we had a pajama party. More fun! We danced and played games.

Is "Puffy" coming up to see Mary after camp or is she coming up during Xmas vacation? I am so glad you will let me have Marilyn. Another girl I like is "Patty" Whistler.

Lotsie:

Just after you called I had instructions from the boss to take his car out to his house at 2419 E. Lake of the Isles Blvd.

This is going to be a nuisance for you, as it means I'll have to wait for you there, or I'll never get back down town in time to meet you at 5:15 at the ramp.

Sorry, But it is just one of those things. Kenwood 2389 is the telephone number out there if you can't make it, or something.

Bud.



Dear mother,

Well here goes the daily letter, not much to say this time. I suppose you had a nice ?? time down in the cities as usual..

Yesterday I had my activity classes as usual. In Crafts I'm starting to make a purse. Then exp. & ar. & mud. etc.

Last night we had a round fire and we all had to bring something such as plant or animal and tell something about it. I brought a gold mouse and told its history. Some of the talks were humorous, others were solemn. This morning at 6:00. Everyone in our cabin left on a canoe trip leaving

me all alone Miss from!!!

This morning have tennis etc.

Well mother, as I have
said before, no doubt I can hardly
wait to see you.

Give my love to the family
and keep good for yourself

" Love "

P.S. Remember me to the girls

N.B. Tell 'is' to ans. my letter.
also the girls

P.S. I am giving you a list of things
I would like to have

- 1) Batteries
- 2) mirror
- 3) bloomers (not combination suits)
- 4) under shirts
- 5) another Pr. of shorts
- 6) Some more ankle socks
- 7) A white Bathing Cap (not towel)

Please tell
Daddy to have
his picture
taken.
L. J. M.

8) Some bathing slippers.

N.B. Mary Ann is out at Lake Alexander
with her family I think. That's where
she's likely to be. If she's not home
Margaret Woodworth would
probably know what cottage
she's staying at.

P.S. This letter is written in a
hurry. Please forgive it.

Wed. night

Dear Laura,

I got your letter yesterday and was very glad to hear from you.

Last Friday Lil and I went to Luther League with Isabel and Margaret Locks. Linnea was sick and couldn't go. Then Sunday night Isabel sang a solo and Lil played the violin and I played the piano. This was at the Darling League meeting.

Monday afternoon we had our science test. it was quite hard. Yesterday we had our Latin and Economic geography tests, one right after the other. The Latin test was just awful but the geography test wasn't bad. Lil got "A" in the Latin test, Helen got "C", Carol got "F" so did Ruby, Clare, Gen. H., Margaret Kuffel and Sandy Lieb. Frank Noble got "D" and I got "C".

Lil and I didn't have to go to school today except to get our Comet. Tales. We went about nine thirty and came home about twelve

and this afternoon ^{-v-} we went and worked for Miss Plum and Miss Letterberg. We are having classes tomorrow so that we can turn in our books. All classes will meet in the morning. Then we are going to help Miss Palke in the library to-morrow after noon.

Here are two things which appeared in the Class Mail.

"Frank Robb wills his ability to translate Latin to Ruby Shumerhorn. we are sure she will get along splendidly with all that help." - I think so too don't u'?"

"Minnie James wills her fantastics stride to Mary Hatchell. We are very sure it will be very becoming."

It rained here all day yesterday and most of to-day. Yesterday about six o'clock we had a regular cloud-burst.

To-morrow night is the first band concert and we are ~~having~~ planning on having loads of fun, not with Phyllis Kay either unless she comes along and joins the gang.

Joan Hiroki's brother E. L. died today at the

Vet's hospital in Minneapolis.

Did you know that Miss Knutson and Mr. Michie are going to be married this summer? They have been engaged for about a month.

Well, I can't think of anything more to say and I have to take a bath so the letter will have to come to an end.

Lovingly,

M. K. Hatchell

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Dear Lotsy,

Martha, our maid, told me that you had called. Thank you loads. If it is convenient for you I will take the bus at 10:00 o'clock from here. Am looking forward to seeing you soon and thank you again for asking me. Sorry I can't write more, but I'm in a dreadful hurry.

sincerely yours,

P.S.

That is Saturday.

Benny

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Dear totsy.

I am really horribly sorry that I haven't written you, but you know how I am about writing. Honestly I owe every single person that I write to.

What have you been doing this summer? We motored East for three weeks and had a glorious time. The only trouble was that we had such a short time and couldn't stay as long as we would have liked to in

some places. Day before
yesterday Col got home from
England. I saw her yesterday
and I guess she had a
perfectly marvelous time.

Tommy is still down
in La Crosse, and Gieky is
at the World's Fair.

Where are you going to
school this year? I'm still
going back to Northrop. It
starts the 14th much to my
annoyance. The vacation has
gone so fast.

As there is nothing more
of interest to tell you, I better stop.
Sincerely yours,
Penny

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*This man
is Sunday's paper*



Miss Penelope Paulson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Paulson, was a guest at the fashionable tea dance, which Mrs. Daniel I. Whittlesey, formerly of Minneapolis, gave at Sherry's, New York, to present to society her daughter, Miss Katharine Haines Whittlesey.

Miss Penelope Paulson