



Laura Jane Musser and
Family Papers.

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Dear Laura Jane -

I'll have to change
your lesson on
Tuesday to 11:15 -

as Dr. Amundsen will
have to take his lesson
before ten in order to
reach the hospital
by 10:45.

I'll give you another
lesson sometime in
the afternoon.

Goodluck to you
on Saturday.

Love -

M. Irene Johnson

432 Redgewood Ave.
Wingsboro, Minn.
Apr. 23, 1933

Dear Lottie:

Just two weeks ago today I was up at your home enjoying a wonderful visit. It was certainly fun, and I think of it often.

It must be gorgeous up there now with spring approaching.

We had a lovely Easter and knew you did too.

I was fortunate to get an invitation to the Symphony last Friday evening. The program was two of Brahms' symphonies. Did you happen to be there?

I had a very busy week at school, and so have been trying to keep up over the week end.

Last Thursday I had my Service Committee here for supper. It's a group of

twelve awfully nice girls.
We're trying to do different
things to help the school.

Last Thu night we had
a big Girl Reserve banquet
at the Y.

I hoped to see Patty
Westlake there, but I guess
she couldn't come.

Tomorrow mother's going
to see Ann at Rockford,
and maybe in two weeks
Daddy & I will drive down
to bring mother home.

From now on I'm going
to try to practice the
piano two hours a day. I
find it very hard to get
that much time in with
all the other things to do.
Well, I've actually

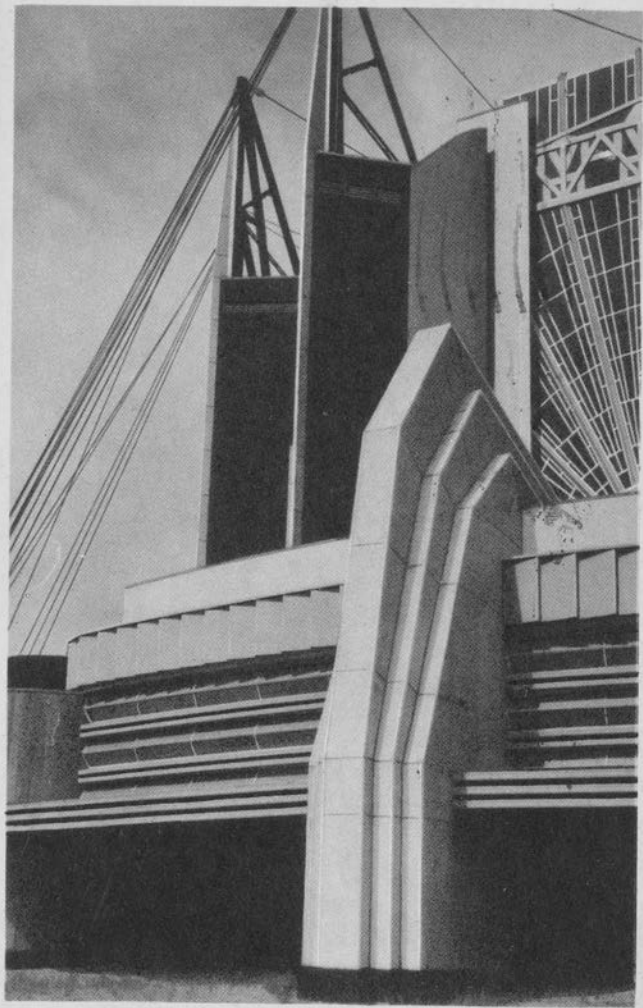
hought a roll of Kodak films
so maybe, I'll have a picture
for you some day if you
really want it.

Please say "hello" to all
your nice friends whom
I met.

When you come down
to Minneapolis next, please
call me up, if you have
any time to spare so that
maybe we can see each other.

Please give my regards
to your family, aunt and
cousins.

With love,
Ray Avery



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5 PM
1933

Dear Latsie:

I'm at a Girl
Reserve Conference at
Northwestern University
and am having a
grand time. We are
going into the fair
three times. It is
certainly wonderful.
There is a lovely swimming
beach on Lake Michigan
a very refreshing place
to go in that weather.
Love, Kathryn Avey

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POST CARD



Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls,
Minnesota

432 Ridgewood Ave
Minneapolis, Minn
July 29, 1933

Dear Lotie:

Yesterday I was out at Lyman Lodge & saw Mary Alida who told me that you wanted a letter from me - so here goes.

Well, I certainly had a grand time at the Conference at Northwestern. Being on Lake Michigan & so near to Chicago & The World's Fair made it just grand. Are you planning to go to the Fair?

I happened to be out at Lyman Lodge because all the girls who attended the Conference had a reunion there. We had lots of fun, had a picnic, and a good swim in Minnetonka. Minneapolis lakes are so bad that it was nice to swim at Minnetonka.

What are you doing? I suppose you can find plenty to keep you

busy at your lovely home.

Are you planning to go up
to Meriville at all?

June Menager was at the
Conference & so I got acquainted
with her. She told me something
about a 2 weeks in August
where there was going to be a
Reunion or something. She
said Patty W. was up there
as an assistant counselor, rather
counselor in training.

It's been quite warm here the
last few days.

Have you been bicycling
much? Everyone down here is
getting the old bike out & fixed
up. I had mine fixed & went
for a long ride around two of
our lakes, ending up with
a picnic & swim. It was fun.

well, I guess I'm sort of
run out of nerves, because
nothing much happens around
here with everyone away on
vacations.

Please write me now,
because I want to know
what you are doing.

Please give my regards
to your family.

Lots of love,

1 Kathryn
P.S. Please call me up if you ever
come down to Minneapolis.

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Dear Hotsie,

I am so glad to hear that you are enjoying the artidge school as you evidently are by your last letter. As you see, I am on the train returning from Chicago where I have been for the last two days and have enjoyed myself immensely. How did you like the fair. I thought it quite grand. All day Saturday and Sunday I tramped around, and looked at the different buildings. Sunday I stayed around, and watched them light it up. I think probably it is the most interesting thing I've

seen for a long time. I'm
sorry I haven't written you be-
fore this, but I lost your
letter with your address on
it, so I had to find out
what it was, and this
took quite a while as I
forgot that Penny had it
so I wrote and asked
Carolyn what Mary's ad-
dress was, and thus found
out yours.

Are you coming home
for Thanksgiving? I don't im-
agine you are, however, if
you do, be sure and tell
me if you will be passing
through Minneapolis so I

May want to meet you some
way. It seems such a long time
since I have seen you.

With love,

Choda

P.S. Excuse my writing, but the train
leaves so!

September 15, 1933

my dear Lottie,

Rhoda is back in school now so I am writing this note with your dress, a glove of Mary's, and a bracelet which I think belongs to Mary - It was a shame you both had to leave so hurriedly that morning. We wished you could stay longer, but were glad you could visit us as long as you did -

I imagine Mary leaves pretty soon if she has not already left when this reaches you - I hope you both have an excellent year at school. Perhaps we'll see

you Christmas vacation again -

Love from both
Rhoda and myself.

Carolyn.

Nov. 27, 1933

Dear Holie,

It was nice to hear from you again. Your letter sound as if you are having a perfect time at school. I certainly ~~am~~ jealous of you.

Last Friday night they had a dance at school, and it certainly was a lot of fun. They had a swell orchestra and all in all, I figure it was the best dance Northrops ever had.

We only have three days of school this week and one of those days has already been spent. I'm looking forward to a lot of fun, and certainly hope I have it. I might give a bridge party and

right for several of the
girls in my class at
school, and mother
girl I know is giving a
party so two of the
nights are accounted for.

What will you do
over Thanksgiving. Be
sure to let me know
when your Christmas
vacation starts, would
you?

Well, I simply must
get at my studying.
Write soon, won't you?

Love,
Linda.

summer I think
I will be able to
have company.

I feel so small,
you are a graduate,
and I am merely
a junior to be. But
I'll get there some-

time I hope.

Are you go-
ing to the
Upstate fair
this summer?
I'm not sure
whether I will
get there or not
but I want to.
Will be
waiting a lot
of years there

Come and visit me
this summer. It
is going to be harder
to entertain this
summer because
of my father, but
by the end of the

already see &
will tell you
an answer.

Love

Phoebe

Dear Hossie

I hope you don't object to the stationery, but I'm in french now, and don't care to pay attention. It is Monday, and an exceedingly blue one, at that. I'm disgusted with life in general. So sorry I did not write you sooner, but I'm making up for it now by answering you almost immediately. This last week-end I spent down at Carlton with Carolyn, and I had a grand time. I'm feeling a lot more cheery than I was earlier this morning when the first part of this letter was written.

Are you coming home for Christmas vacation this year?

Well, to get back to the last week-end. Saturday night I went to the homecoming dance, and Saturday afternoon I went to the football game which Carlton won with the grand score of 18 to 6. They played Min-

all and it was supposed
to be a team which
would be very difficult
for Carlson to beat. Friday
evening I went to the
Pop Fest where they had
some chess and silly plays
brackets by the students and
after that they had a movie.
I wish I were going down there
to school instead of dear old
Northrop but of course that
is impossible. Ray Wood-
worth was down there
spending the week-end
with another girl. She en-
tainly is a lovely girl, isn't
she, Hotsie? I rode up to
Minneapolis on the bus with
her.

It is very cold here
now, in fact it has been
snowing quite a little the
last few days, but it all
melts almost as soon as
it reaches the ground.

Well, I've come to the end
of the page, so will have to
close

Love, Rhoda

Please do send
this paper & the
pencil.

of nineteen years of age. Ruth Larson, Clarence Larson, Irene Koslosky, Floyd Green, Edward Fortier and some other kids besides this Iky is in it. We haven't practiced yet but we start Monday.

I've seen a couple shows lately which are, Beauty for Sale, The Kid from Spain, Turn back the clock and a few others.

I've not been going out with any boys but I see some of Gus Hurley while he is in town, but he goes home every time I see it. Well, here's saying that I know you are having a "marv" tour and you are meeting a lot of kids. lucky. Well, honey, say Hello! to Mary and be sure to think of me and write to me after
Love M.G.

Saturday

Travest Laura,

This is the second letter I've written you, the first one wasn't sent and now the gossip is old. How are you? How do you like your school? I love you from the bottom of my heart. By the sounds of your letter you had a marv of a trip. I can imagine you did.

His town is just as dead as ever. The only thing that happens here is football games. We have played Long Prairie, Alexandria, and Detroit Lakes. We won from Alexandria and Long Prairie and lost through fumbles from Detroit Lakes.

Tuesday we play Saint Center and so I suppose Shirley is

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glad, she says she has so many friends there so I suppose they all will come up.

Friday Oct. 13th, S.F. plays St. Cloud. I am going down to see the game. I hope to have a good time.

Well, I suppose you know all about what has been going on, because of all the letters you receive from Little Falls so I am just repeating the gossip. But I can say I got the lead in a play "Spooky Tavern" which is going to be given at the Harvard Theatre Halloween nite. Am I glad. Oh ho. The part's quite a honey. I am suppose to be a college girl

so fashionable
girl. I got my
costume today. I
feel so silly in
it though, because
it has a hoop to
it and everytime I
sit down, it
flips up. Rather
embarrassing, I think.

Well, I have to
study now.

Love Phoda.

Dear Lolsie,
Thank you
so much for
writing and
also for sending
me the darling
valentine. I didn't
send one this
year, and I feel
a little guilty,
but that was
one thing I thought
I could cut down
on, this depres-
sion you know?
Ever heard of it?
I'll bet

you are surprised,
getting an answer
from me so soon.

Do you ever
listen to Ed Wynn?
I'm listening to him
right now. I don't
get the point to
most of his jokes,
but I guess that
doesn't matter.

I am starting
music lessons
again. I have
not taken for 2

years, you know. I don't
know how I'm going
to get along, but I think
I will survive.

Next Saturday night
I am going to a mas-
querade dressed as an

It to go to boarding school.

When I think of boarding school, I always associate "midnight spreads" etc. with them.

I'll be seeing you at Christmas time.

Your loving friend,

Hazel

P.S. Mother and Crystal are the only ones home and they wish to be remembered to you. I am sure Gladys would too if she were home.

Little Falls, Minnesota
October 19, 1933

Dearest Leta:

Thanks just "oodles" for your welcome card and letter. It was sweet of you to remember me so soon.

I suppose you think I have forgotten you but I haven't because I have thought of you every day since I received your letter. Now I'll state my alibi. First, I haven't had time to write as I've been so busy with all my lessons, and second, I've been waiting for news to accumulate.

Cystal and I both play in the band so we go to all the games. We also went to the St. Cloud game ^{last 7th} and we won!! The score was 7 to 6 in favor of us. Wasn't that "keen"?

III by jumping out of the boat! I heard a "thump" on the table and I swiftly ran to his rescue. Ahem! He survived but died the following week. Boo! Hoo!

I hope you won't be kept awake by Jewish celebrations any more.

I'm glad you like the school and the girls. I hope you have an enjoyable time this year.

It is Teacher's institute today and tomorrow so that why I'm writing to you instead of next Sat.

I received two letters the same week as I received your letter. They came at the beginning of the week and yours in the middle, and I haven't answered their letters yet so I'll have to quit for this time.

Write again a Tell me how you are holding at school. It must be romantic

IV Last Sun we went to Beninlar, (our family, I mean) and had a good time. We stayed at one of our friends for dinner and in the afternoon we went riding and saw the most beautiful scenery - the leaves were all colors.

I got my report card yesterday and I'll have to be satisfied. I got 4 A's and 3 B's. A in Eng, Latin I, Am. Hist. and Gleeclub. B in Soc. Prob., Mo. Hist. and Band.

O h! Lotaie, half of the boys in our Latin class are on crutches. (There are two boys in our Latin class).

When Miss Satterburg gives us false and true tests, Leo Hunley takes out a coin and when he flips the coin and its "heads", he writes down "true". If its "tails" he writes down "false". Did you ever try this method? I haven't yet but I may.

One night my goldfish drowned and died. He had tried to commit suicide!

Wednesday

Dear Laura,

Ask me, if you don't think I answer your letters fast. I received your letter this morning and I am answering it already. I am ashamed of myself for not answering your last letter quicker but the play took a great deal of my time. Even though I would like very much to tell you about Little Falls I can't say nothing has much happened.

Saturday Little Falls played their last football game and they played with Staples. It was just freezing so I wore my skin suit but my feet couldn't keep warm so I came home. The score was 27-5 in our favor, I guess. That evening was the Senior Party and I went with Leo Hurley. Was I thrilled? Oh no! I like him just as well as ever but I don't think he cares for me. I never danced so much in my life that night and on top of it I spilled a glass of punch down the front of my dress. That was nice too. Well, after that we went to the K.C. Hall and went to that dance. Warren Hurley, Leo's brother, asked me to dance.

He's the one that is the teacher. I had never even said "Hello" to him before and so I could have been knocked down with a feather. It was fun though.

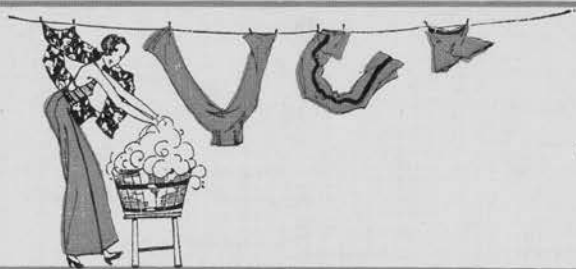
Skating has started in Little Falls and so I guess I'll have to take out my skates and polish them against the ice a little bit. I don't believe I'll be able to stand up but if the ice is warm, I'd just as soon stay down.

Tryouts for the Senior class was last nite but I don't know who got the parts. I only wish when the Junior play is put on that I get some part.

Well, darling you must think I am pretty gabby, talking and talking but not saying anything, but you knew me before and so you know that's my nature. So I think I have to quit now.

Be a good girl and don't do anything I wouldn't do. So with Loads of Love I wish you a lot of luck and loads of fun.

Margie



Just a line—

Sunday

Dearest Sadie,

There is that better? I like it better too but I just got in a habit of writing Laura and I always want to write it. How is the old dear? I am fine except for a cough. It isn't bad though. Whenever I get to French class it always seems worse tho because then she doesn't call on me to read. Ah I must.

I heard you are coming home Friday. I can't hardly wait. Just think I haven't seen you for about 3 months.

I bet you had a keen time during Thanksgiving. You always do when you are with Jim. It's such

a nice kid.

Last night I went to a party with Leo Hurley again or rather as usual my I am seeing quite a lot of him and this home hired a piano player, a banjo player, and a violin player and we danced. I had a marve time but I am kinda sleepy.

One night last week I went to the show with Earl Miller and I saw Footlight Parade.

You saw it didn't you? I think the show was just darlin'.

That's about all I've been doing lately except going skating and to Basket ball games. I have ^{to} do quite a lot of studying too and can't you see me studying? Last six weeks I got 3 A though out of 5 subjects. If I work harder I might get on the Honor Roll as it is I am just on the Honorable Mention. Well Honey I gotta quit but I'll be seeing you soon. (Be good) M.S.

What a cast eh? Well, last
nite we had a party after the
play and so I am kinda
tired, so I think I'll go to bed
about six o'clock. It's about
5:30 now tho so maybe I won't

Well, darling, how are you
and your surroundings? I told
you all there is to tell about
our town except that's cold
and I just saw one show this
week which was - Too much
Harmony - I also saw Eddie
Cantor in the kid from Spain
and Charlie Chan's Greatest Case
a little while back.

I guess this isn't very
interesting but I will let you
know that I haven't forgotten
you and I hope you write
sooner and I'll answer it right
away - Loads of love to you ^{all}

Wednesday

Dearest Lottie,

I suppose you think I
have forgotten you, but I
haven't - I have been awfully
busy, darling, with school
work and play practice, but
now our play is over and
I am in a way sorry but
I can sleep in peace for awhile.
For the last three weeks I haven't
done anything but go to play
practice and stay up until
11:30 and 12:00 o'clock. The
before last and last nite
were the performances. I guess
it went over O.K. (so the town
said anyway) maybe you would

like to know about it. The
name of it was Spooky Tavern
and the characters were:

Sam Hacker (owner of Spooky T.) Harold
Ploof

Ghost Woman (who haunts S. T.) Ruth Rye
Lucy Hacker (a spiritualistic medium)
Lone Karlosky

Joyce Wingate (a resourceful college girl)
MaryAnn Larson

Howard Wingate (her younger sister)
Ruth Larsen

Bedelia (their colored mammy) Isabelle
Kalikier

Ralph Channing (a Dr. in love with Joyce)
Ernest Le Doux

Troy Tanner (a Jr. in the ~~first~~ ^{last} dance fix)
Robert Moglein

Willie Wargle (a stuttering freshman)
Clayton & Eliz

Blackie Simms (a henchman) Louis Vasaly
(Jr.)

Barone (a creeper) Walter Grimes



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Joseph Pike

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CARD

ADDRESS.



WESTMINSTER ABBEY stands on what was in early times the Island of Thorney. The present building dates from 1269, and was finished in 1735. The Shrine of Edward the Confessor, the Coronation Chair, the magnificent Chapel of Henry VII, and the tombs of many Royal personages, are of special interest. The Unknown Warrior's Grave is in the Nave of the Abbey.

London, Aug. 11
Dear Laura Jane

Westminster Abbey remains
as one of my most interesting
experiences. The poets' corner
gave me quite a thrill.

Tomorrow we begin our
voyage homeward. I hope,
the Atlantic will be less
treacherous than the North Sea
which we just left.

The gifts from your mother and
you have been very useful and a real joy.
Love from Ruth Settleberg

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls

U. S. A. Minnesota

I'll have two lessons anyway, & one orchestra rehearsal. Don't you think he'd better get real well to stand such a dose of my playing?

Well, Lotsie, I'm so glad you came over, although I was so ashamed our own messy house. Too much Christmas, I guess.

Will see you Tuesday.

Love,

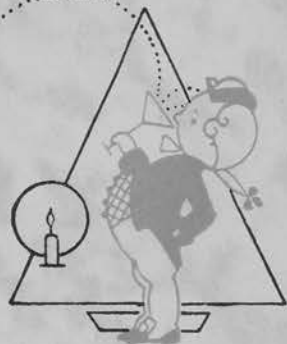
Jane Johnson.

Just dashing this off!

Dearest Lotsie,

Seeing the "Expecting a reply!" with lines underneath on your letter I suppose I had better make some attempt before next Tuesday.

I just came back from Minneapolis - I couldn't make the usual mileage (that is in speed) - because the pavement was



so slippery. I saw one accident, which although tragic for the owner, had its comic side.

He evidently had ^{had} some cases of eggs in the back seat. There were broken shells all over the running board, & egg was running from all the cracks in the windows, & doors. It certainly will be a hard clean-up job.

My teacher was still ill. He's been seriously ill for two weeks. I called up his pupil.

Dorothy Womrath, & we practised our respective concertos from 12:30 to 3:45. Then we both went over & visited Mr. Fenyes. This was his first day out of bed. He was quite disgusted; rather peaked looking. We tried our best to cheer him up. We declared we would send him jig-saw puzzles to keep him busy.

Next week I want two or three lessons to make up for those I've missed. I know

M. IRENE JOHNSON

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Friday Evening, November 17, 8:00 P.M.

Lullaby		Old Tune
Soldiers March		German Folk Tune
My Fiddle		Old Tune
	-George Richards-	
My Kite and I		Russian Folk Song
Gentle Bee		German Folk Song
	-Sally Hanson-	
The Toy Dancer		Blake
Polly Put the Kettle On		Old Song
Across the Brook		Blake
	-Vernon Benson- <i>5 years old.</i>	
Evening Winds		Old Tune
Susie, Little Susie		German Folk Song
	-Phyllis Lund-	
Criss Cross		Williams
The Band is Playing Dixie		Williams
	-Gordon Carlson-	
Scarlet Poppies		German Folk Song
Up and Down		Krantzler
	-Patty Hammond-	
Cradle Song		Blake
Laughing Waters		Blake
	-Ann Thompson-	
Spring		Blake
Rondino		Rogers
	-Patty Ervin-	
The Tea Party		French Folk Song
Soft Music is Stealing		German Folk Song
Bells at Evening		Phillips
A Close Chase		Blake
	-Gail Storlie- <i>very talented.</i>	
Grasshoppers Dance		Goodrich
	-Ann Ervin-	
Romance		Adapted from Armand
Follow Me		Masters
	-Barbara Lovdahl-	
Hornpipe		Lee
A Little Song		Rogers
Rolling the Hoop		Carter
	-Nancy Gale-	
Cotton Tail		De Leone
Musette in D		J. S. Bach
Sur la Glace (Arpeggio Waltz)		Crawford
	-Joann Lovdahl-	
Viennese Waltz		Mozart
In the Breakers		Crawford
	-Virginia Riley-	
Rage Over a Lost Penny		Beethoven
Dark Eyes		Russian Folk Song
Russian Dance, Hopak		Thompson
	-Jane Gale-	
Rondo in G		Diabelli
In Germany		Thompson
In Italy		Thompson
	-Aleen Wilson-	
Prelude Op. 46 No. 22		Heller
The Knight of the Hobby Horse		Schumann
Prelude Op. 28 No. 7		Chopin
The Race		Burgmuller
	-Hortense Zeis-	
Waltz in A minor		Grieg
Puck		Grieg
	-Katherine Prem-	
Sonatina in F		Beethoven
Warriors Song		Heller
Butterfly Waltz		Friml
	-Doreen Conner- <i>won much applause.</i>	
Where the Cool Moss Grows		Helm
Harp Etude		Heller
Prelude in C minor		Chopin
Consolation in E		Mendelssohn
	-Leola Savage-	
Contra Dance No. 2		Beethoven
Minute Waltz		Chopin
Scherzo B flat		Schubert
	-Earl Bohm-	
Tambourine		Rameau-Thompson
	-Jean Hammond-	
To Spring		Grieg
Minuetto (from Symphony in E flat)		Mozart
	-Willard Conner-	
Solfegietto		K. P. E. Bach
Mazurka Op. 68 No. 1		Chopin
	-Maxine Taylor- <i>was ill.</i>	
Grand Piano		
Weber Recital Hall		Courtesy of the Weber Music Company.

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Wednesday evening.

December 6, at 8:30 P.M.

You and your friends are invited.

Program

Organ Fantasie and Fugue in G minor

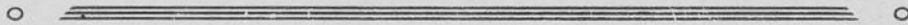
Bach - Liszt

Sonata Op. 111, C minor

Beethoven

Sonata Op. 5, F minor

Brahms



Thursday Night

Dear Lottie,

It was so nice to hear from you. I'll try to answer questions first.

It is very difficult to explain Mr. Haynes' method on paper, Laura Jane. It is not only his method ~~other~~, but also that of the famous English teacher Tobias Matthay (I think I spelled it wrong). We do use some finger-work, but it is controlled by the arm. The finger-work which is used is not the high-stiff action - known as the "hammer-stroke". The arm and wrist are used as levers or pivots to guide the fingers to their respective notes. This relieves tension and unnecessary stretching. The fingers must be firm & yet completely relaxed. This produces a feeling of "floating" over the keyboard, - it looks as though the fingers sort of "drip" out the tones instead of "hammering" them out. Speed comes with a number of keys played in one "impulse" or arm movement. The arm carries the fingers over a certain number of notes, - depending on rhythmic accents. (I seem to be getting in deep water). Anyway, sometime ago - in some Etude, Fauré wrote an explanation on the whole thing. I'll try to find it & will send it to you, if you will return it later. (I don't know how much it will mean to one who doesn't know the method.)

I'm sending the recital program. Rosemary was to play also, but Mr. Larson happened to select the same night for a school orchestra band concert.

I'm giving my recital Dec. 6. Am enclosing a notice. Will send you a program if there are

any to spare.

I saw Golda last Sunday. We both attended the Sunday Symphony concert to hear Mrs. Elbogen, Viennese pianist, play the Mozart Concerto. She played very well.

I have taken a few lessons from her - & find her quite different from Mr. Feagles. However, she has something to offer, and I shall take some more lessons. She has a nice personality.

Golda didn't enter the contest. By the way, she likes Mrs. Elbogen very much.

Did I tell you that I was taking a course in Harmony. There are only two (maybe will be three) in a class - one hour long, so we have plenty opportunities to recite. Today I spent 3 hours & 15 minutes on an assignment and wrote 630 chords. My neck got quite stiff.

I'm going to Minneapolis tomorrow for a harmony, and piano lesson, and for the symphony. Mr. Omandy is to conduct a mixed chorus & symphony in the Verdi "Requiem". It will be a grand affair, and I expect quite a thrill.

I suppose you had turkey with all the trimmings today? Hope you didn't eat too much.

Well - I'll most likely see you during vacation. I expect to bring some pupils to Little Falls to hear Golda Rozoff play.

Write again.

Love,
M. Irene Johnson

December 10, 1933

Dear Laura Jane,

Just a note! Am also sending a program. Elda ushered for me.

I understand your mother was there also, but had to leave before the encore.

I don't feel that I played very well. The Bach & Brahms went quite well, & also the second movement of the Beethoven; but the first movement of the Beethoven sounded terrible to me. Anyway, your mother can give you the full reports.

I'll be glad to help you in any way I can during vacation. I come up on Tuesdays.

Yes, Elda played the "Nocturne". Why don't you have her play it for you?

Mrs. Eliazova's method is not quite the same as that of Fenykes, but she plays very relaxed, so in that they are the same.

Rosemary was to have played her two contest selections - Mendelssohn "Andante & Rondo Capriccioso," & Chopin "Polonaise in E[♯] minor."

I thought "Little Women" was a grand production. Very sad, but very elevating. Katherine Highman deserves a medal. She was fine.

No, I haven't heard Ruth Speneski. (I don't remember the spelling, either), & I don't suppose I shall unless she comes to Minneapolis. I've read a lot about her.

Fritz Kreisler will solo with the symphony sometime in January, I believe.

Yes, I love the Franck Symphony. The N.Y. Philharmonic broadcasted the program

last Sunday, & this Friday I will hear it again under Prmandig's direction. He also conducted it last year.

This afternoon I heard Gabrilowitch with the N. Y. Philharmonic in two selections: - the Mozart Concerto in D minor, & the Weber Concert Piece in F minor. Both were played with great skill.

Jascha Heifetz plays here December 22. I'm waiting for his concert. He is so perfect.

Marlys Logan started with Mrs. Elbogen now. She likes her also.

Mrs. Elbogen gave a recital the night after mine. She plays very brilliantly, and her soft work is lovely. Many symphony members attended. Gilda was there, too.

We, Mrs. E. & pupil, each received two "comp" tickets. Otherwise prices were 50¢, & \$1. 00.

Well - I must get busy.

I'll see you during Christmas.

Love -

M. Irene Johnson

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August 10, 1933

Dear Laura Jane,

I just had my lesson. I spoke to Mr. Fenyes about you, & told him that you were planning to take one or more lessons. He will be very glad to have you come — only be sure to write him early so he will be there. He has changed his days to Tuesday & Friday only. He said that you should just tell him which day (& date) you are coming, & he'll arrange to take you when you come. It will be better to set a definite time — say about 10 o'clock. Let me?

I told him you would play the "Irish Air from the County Derry" & "The Swan", & you were bringing with you the Mendelssohn "Capriccio Brillante", Mozart "Fantasia in D minor", Duran "Palse Arabesque", & Beethoven "Andante favori". He will select from these — so bring them all along.

Mr. Fenyes would like very much to have your Mother at the lesson. — if not the first time, — at one lesson anyway.

When you write specify whether you wish a half-hour or an hour lesson. Be sure to do that!

Now remember, he is very nice, doesn't get cross, won't fuddle you or throw books at you, — so don't be frightened. You'll like him just heaps.

Write and tell me all about your lesson.

Love,

M. Irene Johnson.

P.S. I carried Rosemary's letter to Minneapolis, so
will include it with yours. Will you see that
she gets it for sure? I'm saving on postage.

If you wish a lesson from me - be sure to
write in plenty of time - & address it to my
home (723 - 7th Ave. S.E.).

By the way (I'm having all sorts of ideas
at once.) - Mr. Henry's may go to Chicago the
last of August or first of September, so get your
lessons "in" real soon.

Oct. 25, 1933.

Dear Lottie,

Thank you so much for your letter. I'm glad that you like Farbridge. I imagine the place grows more interesting each day. Your trip, initiation, and subjects sounded very interesting. You'll have to write and tell me more about your experiences.

How goes the piano? I wouldn't worry too much if the methods are somewhat different. I don't suppose there are any two teachers who teach the same way. Your teacher now maybe able to help you in a different way, yet produce the same results. Do write and tell me what you are studying, methods, etc.

I can't go to Vienna. I am disappointed of course, but am not lamenting my "unfulfilled plans" too much. I just couldn't raise the funds. I shall work hard & save, & see if I can go later on in the year. Of course, if Germany & France start pulling each other's hair, I shall be happy to be in the U. S. A. I wouldn't like to go over & get "inessed" up in a war.

However, I'm keeping an eye on the situation, and am continuing my plans for study abroad. (at the same time). This looks like proopreading on a news column.

Rosemary didn't place in the contest but received a very fine score. One judge gave her 96, & the other 91 - but the third judge rated her too low, so that her average fell below the other "top" contestants. However, we weren't disappointed. I felt that

she played just as good and better than some of the others, & her next trial may prove more successful. The girl who won first was excellent, & but the others weren't very good.

The symphony concerts open this week, & I'm waiting anxiously for all the delightful music that I shall hear this season. Mrs. Scott has selected some very fine soloists. The pianists are Artur Schnabel, Inge Hess, & Walter Driesching; violinists: - Jascha Heifetz, & Fritz Kreisler; Vocalists: - John Charles Thomas, and Miss Stuckygold - those are all I can remember. Anyway it sounds decidedly thrilling.

Mrs. Elbogen who is taking Mr. Feagans place started her duties this Monday. I shall take a few lessons from her, but not regularly. I'd rather work up everything I've had, & besides if I'm going to save money, I can't study too. I shall also work up on harmony, music history etc. - and prepare for the Minnesota music exams later on in the year.

My pupils are preparing for a recital to be given some time in November. I'll send you a program after they are printed.

My Minneapolis recital comes sometime in December - either the 6th or 9th. I'll have to find out, won't I?

Now I must go uptown and teach.

Do write me again, and I'll answer.

Best of wishes -

Gret Mary.

Love -

Sune Johnson

608 Broadway East
Little Falls, Minnesota
December 10, 1933

Dear Laura Jane,

You cannot know how happy I am that you are continuing your studies with the same fine zeal and enthusiasm which characterized your work with us.

We are genuinely pleased also to hear how much you enjoy your new friends and that you are finding pleasure in several activities. Our wishes

for you are many and align themselves with your most cherished aspirations; hence, we are always glad when a letter brings word of your growing interest in new responsibilities.

School here is as usual. Perhaps I might suggest a few items of news concerning the various activities:

Our basketball team played Wadena Friday night and lost with a score of 23-10. We would undoubtedly have wanted our team to score higher, but we have to concede victory to Wadena as the only just thing, for their players surpassed ours in ability.

The student council is sponsoring a Courtesy Week beginning tomorrow; therefore, should you, at any time, step inside the building, you would find posters, mottoes, and placards of all kinds adorning classrooms, corridors, and the office. There will be Homeroom programs, assemblies with talks, and class discussions in keeping with the plan throughout the week.

We have just finished the Elizabethan Age in English IV and have begun to

read Milton. I was pleased with the unusual interest displayed by the students in the reading of extra plays by Shakespeare. Many read 3 and 4. I hope they will now enjoy the great imaginative power found in "Paradise Lost" and the melodious quality in the lyrical poems of Milton.

Perhaps you remember the Public Speaking Unit in English III? Periods III and I are now in the midst of daily appearances before the class, and really some students actually come forth with interesting and purposeful talks, delivered in true, persuasive manner. We, however, still hear an occasional sigh of relief ^{from the one next in line} when the bell calls the period off and the agony is delayed another day.

Katherine Cornell is playing in "Romeo and Juliet" and in "The Barrets of Wimpole Street" in Minneapolis next week. Several of us teachers would like to make arrangements to spend the week-end in the cities and see the performances, but

as yet no definite decision has been reached. Personally, I shall regret missing either of them.

Raymona Gerhard's piano numbers at Musical Art last week were lovely. Her touch on the keys brought out beautiful tones. A short program was given by her in the Episcopal church following that in the hall. There, too, we sat strangely silent while she passed from one beautiful selection to another. I was reminded of my experience in the cathedral at Cologne—there I felt a real exaltation in spirit as we quietly entered its long aisle in late afternoon. Dusk colors from the richly colored windows of medieval beauty and shadows made mysteries of color and shade amid the high arches and among the great columns leading to the chancel. There seemed to hear music though there was none. Really it is such fun to live over again some of the impressionable hours of last summer. For instance, the scenic drives on the Fierka and Grimsel passes in Switzerland with a magnificent view of the passionately white Jungfrau at Interlaken; or

Notre Dame standing silent and dignified
against a spectacular background of ^{bursting} fireworks
on Bastille Night; or the massive ruins
of the Roman Baths rising high into a deep
blue sky making one aware of the impression
Shelley might have had when he ^{there} got his
inspiration for "Prometheus Unbound"; or
the sudden burst of song from a
nightingale while we viewed the latter
poet's grave in the Protestant cemetery even
as the setting sun tangled crimson
light in and out of the branches of
overhanging trees; or the strong sense
of security one feels on the sea, away
from the unrest of the land; or the
grip on one's emotions in the Poet's
corner of Westminster Abbey; or the
magic beauty seen when white light of
the sun comes through clouds and makes
a fjord of Norway appear like a region of
mystic splendor — but this was
an unconscious digression which
might continue for some time. Forgive.

I have had good letters from Buzzy, Carol Arngquist, and Helenore Krogh. Buzzy, at the University, is handling a somewhat heavy course in excellent manner. Out of all the freshmen in chemistry, he received the highest mark in a mid-quarter test. Louis Savage has an A average at Hamline University, he writes. Carol is kept extremely "busy" in business college, but, as she says, enjoys every minute of her work. Helenore has gained much in weight after living in Mohn Hall at St. Olaf College and she states that her contacts with new girls have been unusually interesting. She has met a girl from Madagascar - Helenore, you remember, came from Madagascar where her father was a missionary.

The senior class play is well under way. The setting and theme is more romantic than ^{those of} plays of recent senior classes. The plot resembles "Smiling Through," having a glimpse of the past in Act II. Goldie Johnson is leading lady and Paul Peterson, leading man. Both are capable.

Now, Laura Jane, length must cease or I will weary you; hence, I close with love from ^{your} ~~your~~ ^{eternally} ~~eternally~~ ^{settleberg}

If one thing you can be very sure and
certain that I will help you in every possible
way that I can and that I shall love to do it.

Will you let Mary for me that all of
1 to 13 Vassar applicants under Vassar at
once without any question or worry and
that Camille Hayward won the regional
scholarship for the middle Atlantic States
of '37? Also that Miss Lloyd has been
awarded a fine scholarship by Radcliffe
on her word? Clarissa Wells and
Rose Virnius under Smith all right and
Peggy Tieffen has made up her mind to go to
Cambridge, too. Rosemary Evans
still hopes to go to Sarah Lawrence. Leonora
Wheeler has been there and so has Mary Fadden.

August 28, 1933.

The Hartridge School
Plainfield, New Jersey

Big Wolf Club
Tupper Lake, N.Y.

Dear Laura Jane:

It was delightful to have your
enthusiastic letter about school and
all that you wrote about your work
should be a great help.

Vassar requires 15 units, so-called,
for admission. In the work in our upper
school English, when completed, counts for
3; Latin through Virgil and Adonias Prose
Composition, 4; French through the Senior
class, 4; Algebra, 2; Geometry, 1; each

branch of history, 1; each science with full periods of laboratory work, 1; and the history of art, 1. Every applicant should have out of this collection: 3 units of English, at least 2 units of mathematics including geometry, 5 units of foreign languages, and at least 1 unit of history. Our girls usually choose for the remaining 4 units at least 2 more units in French and Latin, 1 more unit in mathematics, and 1 more unit in history. Sometimes they take 1 unit of science & 1 unit of art history instead of extra French or history.

If your school does as good work as ours in the subjects you have had, I shall think that you had completed satisfactorily—

English, 2 units; French, 1 unit; mathematics, 3 units; History, 1 unit; Latin 3 units, if you have had the Roman Latin prose composition. This, of course, pre-supposes that you have good teachers. I have sent to you above for you need no list I can ask leave, if the College will accept it.

You can choose with us what you would like to take. If you want to try English I. and French III. and Latin II. and a science, that would give you 4 more units. Perhaps you took a science while laboratory work was your previous school?

As soon as I hear from you, I will write you again. On the occasion you might let your mother and Mary help you with the question of requirements and they can ask any question I see you like, if I have not made things clear.

The Hartbridge School
Plainfield, New Jersey

Miss Brewster is quite well again. She
probably knows that Polly Taylor's mother
resides here early in the month and that
they are all (the Taylors) in Spuyten Duyvil
together. My nephew, Lieutenant Strong,
wrote me from the Philippines that Ellajos
Taylor's death had been a tragedy for the
whole post as every one was devoted to
him. I don't wonder.

Forgive me for asking my letter to you
so full of messages to Mary.

With love for her and for your mother, I am
Cordially yours,
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Dear Laura Jane:

would it be possible for
you to come on next

Saturday at 9.30
in the morning, instead
of Friday, or at 1.30
Sat: afternoon?

Please drop me a
card, and let me know.

I will be ~~the~~ very
glad to see you. Sincerely
Gabriel Tanyer

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got rid of her cold and is
out of the infirmary. It
certainly is grand you two
girls get along so wonderful
and sure you are a lot
of comfort for one another.

Will Lottie write me
again as we do love to
hear from you girls so much.

With heaps of love

Pauline Helen + Marie.

P.S. Your daddy, mother, Mrs Landberg
and Mrs Holst went to the city today.

Little Falls Minn
Nov - 10 - 33

Dear Laura Jane -

We received both your letters
and were so happy to hear
just how you are getting along.
Sorry we didn't write sooner
but neighbors of us are good
writers so we keep postponing
it.

Were so sorry you were
sick but thank you are all
O. K. again. It was so grand
your mother was able to
speak to you the other evening
and find out all details.

It won't be long and both
you girls will be home for
your Christmas vacation. We
are patiently looking forward to
it. Haven't seen hardly any
of your friends since you are

gone. But expect you hear from
them quite frequently. We just
know you have made many
new friends and enjoy them
as much as your old ones
here. It certainly is grand
Miss Hartridge is so nice
to you and hope you still
like your roommate as much
as from the beginning. ~~Where~~
do you keep Golda's picture?
Expect under the pillow most
of the time. La la — Ardon's
you favor her any more?

Do you miss the Maple
Symphony or do you attend
many concerts at school..

We could just see you
eating the bread we send

without a knife to cut it and
butter or any thing. It must
of been a howl to watch
you get away with such
a big loaf. We are glad
you enjoy the brownies.
Suppose you had just a
grand time at the Halloween
party. Hope the Costume
was satisfactory.

We have lots of snow
and its plenty cold too.
Children are sliding down
the hill in the yard.

John and Stan are just
fine and both inquire about
your girls often. Pauline
has a Jack now instead
Henry the plumper.



Minneapolis
Tues. eve.

Dear Lottie,

Percy, Browne and
Betty have just left - after planning
our reunion - which we do hope
you can attend. It is to be this
Friday at the Impl. y. W. C. A. at 6:30 P.M.

We shall have our dinner
served at 6:30 in the Private
Dining Room on the second floor.

Then we have rented the Solarium -
on the Top - for our evening party - which
will last till about 9. This will
cost \$8.75 each - & the girls are
going to wear camp clothes.

Will you let me know - by return
mail - whether or not to reserve
a place for you? I do hope
you will be able to come.

Lovingly,
True

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YOUR LETTER JUST CAME TODAY WE WOULD BE GLAD TO SEE YOU AND YOUR FRIEND
TOMORROW WE HAVE OUR BANQUET IN THE EVENING AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU
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Tues., May 16
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Dearest Lately,

It is terribly late, but it is the only time that I could find to write you a few lines.

The music festival Sat. and Sun. was just grand altho' very tiring; and being in the St. O. Choral Club, I sang in the 1500 voice choir that Dr. Christensen directed on Sunday. It was fun.

I was in "Soul Vibrations", one of the 3 1-act plays given last night. They went fine and were very well received.

I am organizing my class in piano again this summer, 50¢ per lesson. I should be very happy to have you study with me, Lately, if you wish to, and can find time, this vacation.

(call) Please write me or tell Mother of your decision.
Lots of Love,
Phyllis



Okla. City
Feb. 19, 1933

My Dear Latsie -

Please don't think
I am ungrateful
because I haven't
answered sooner -
Your letter was extra
nice and I was
perfectly thrilled in
getting it. - My only
excuse is laziness. -

Haven't been doing
much of any im-
portance lately. - A
few basket ball games.
An independent team

back at our skating rink here. - It was such fun - all college kids who had practically forgotten how. We certainly had an awkwardly good time.

Are you going back to camp? - I do hope so. Who else do you know is going? -

Had an awfully interesting letter from Pinc the other day, but haven't heard from many of the kids of late. —

Do write again when you can - and tell me all the news. —
Love - 'Bo'

I play on, played in ~~an~~ tournament this week-end and won in the finals last night. - We brought home the prettiest silver trophy. - -

School is most interesting this year. I have several classes in archery - one in different kinds of dancing, such as tap, interpretive, folk, gymnastic, etc..... and a number in sports.

You spoke of skating - which reminds me. We had an all-school skating party a while

2858-S. James Ave.

Minneapolis, Minn.

September 3, 1933

Lotsie Dear -

It seems to me fitting that I should tell you as soon as possible how sorry I was about Saturday afternoon. I fear that through my unfortunate planning, or rather the lack of it, you were placed in an unpleasant situation. I did so want to stay with you and shop - and had I only known, my dear, I actually could have done so! When I finally dragged myself home after walking several weary blocks in the torrid sunshine, it was only to be informed by my mother that Betty Copeland had just phoned her regrets in view of attending her aged grandmother!!! Can you imagine how exasperated I was! I am almost loath to make another appointment

with Betty. because such unforeseen predicaments
seem to be so frequent with her. I hope
you will forgive me my seeming
indifference, for I know you will
understand. As a matter of fact I
had no sooner disrobed than one
of the Dartmouth fellows and his
brother stopped and insisted that I
assist them in the arduous task
of mending some bows which they
unluckily broke for their long-
suffering parent. I thought perhaps
that I might be able to see you
in town, so I dashed once again
and dashed down with them. I
say "dash" because never have
I seen them drive below 40 in
the thickest traffic! Alas and alack!
I could see you nowhere. Not
even at the Radisson. I do believe
we drove to every hardware store in
town in search of a bracket and each
place was NRA and hence closed.

III. We finally found one on the outskirts of town and after amusing the clerks with sundry and undignified antics, we made a hasty purchase and departed with sheepish grins from east to west. My friend is possessed of a most unusual sense of dry humor and can keep me holding my sides for hours.

But one unfortunate occurrence was to be followed by another yesterday, for the bridge party which I told you that I was to attend, turned out to be somewhat unhappy. We sat around for quite some time and no one appeared. Finally, Frank 'phoned one of the boys who was to come and discovered that the dear boy was in bed! Imagine how disconcerted our host was!

Well, never having roused a boy out of bed before, I was

IV. game when Frank suggested
my aiding him in the matter.
Away we drove and reached
this home (perfect stranger to me)
and I was presented to the
gentleman in his dressing gown.
Well, he really was quite ill, so
we had our party with only
six - rather a cumbersome numbe-
in bridge, you must admit.

I hope you have taken to
heart all that your tea leaves
indicated. 'Them!' I am sure I
still don't know who my poor
victim will be this year from now,
however, as soon as I find out I
shall send you a telegram.

Don't forget you are to have tea
with me at home when you come
down next Saturday! Come at any
time, just as soon as you can and
if you bring someone with you, they
are welcome, too. Looking forward to
seeing you soon again. Affectionately, Mrs.

Sunday Afternoon

My dear Lotie:

By this time, I hope that you are all settled and happy to be in school again. Perhaps you think that it is really about time that I dashed off one of my usually hasty notes, or then again, you may have been so busy that you have all but forgotten all about me. However it may be, here I am glad to have a "chat" with you once again.

I have now been working a whole month, and can tell you that it has kept me as busy as a cat on a tin roof. Three issues of my newspaper have been published. I have been duly initiated into the company, and have enrolled in the University extension course. Of course, you can see, that there is very little time left for tomfoolery, but I am enjoying myself.

Before I forget, I must tell you

that last Thursday we got the most beautiful
9-months - old English Sheep dog and
we are perfectly crazy about him.
You can imagine - he is from the
kennels - isn't house broken, can't
walk down steps very fast, is not
used to automobiles ~~as~~ anything
else "citified." But he is absolutely
the dearest creature you ever ~~so~~. You
will just adore him.

I was so sorry to hear that you
were so ill, dear, I do hope you are
taking good care of yourself. Don't
work too hard - after all, your health
counts the most.

May Pegan was quite taken up
with you and says she hopes she
can get to know you better. She
is one of my best friends, and
really a genuine person.

Time is going by so fast
that the clock warns me I must
get ready to go to church. Now be good
and don't make eyes at any of
the Plainfield swains.

As ever your loving, Oha

Write me soon than I bid you please

the sun is coming
out and makes every-
thing look beautiful.
I have quite a few
roses blooming and
they look grateful for
the rain. It is too bad you
have it so cold back there.
Laura Jane you seem
to feel the cold so much.
Why don't you wear
woolen underwear
that is what the girls
are wearing out here
this year. It is the
latest style, the softest
coziest kind of wool
and it surely is a
comfort. I could not
get along without them.



Thursday the 14.-'33.

Dearest Lettie.

I could not get a letter
out in time to reach
you while still at
school so am sending
this home expecting
you will be there when
it arrives and how I
wish I could close my-
self into this envelope
and go along with it
to spend Christmas with
you it surely and truly
would be great fun.

I can just imagine
what a happy reunion
it will be and how
mother and Daddy will
enjoy to have their little
girls with them again.
I enjoyed your letter
so very very much
reading about all the
fun you had during
Thanksgiving, so nice
that you have Cousin
Margaret and Jim so
close to you. I have never
yet found out if Sally
did marry so was pleased
and if so where she
lives her home and
whom did she marry.
Please tell me when you

write. Laura Jane you
wondered about the
fire No Abbie's home was
not touched, but fire
was very close and she
was quite anxious for
a while, so much of that
beautiful Alta Canada
country burned and
smoking of those beautiful
estates. I think the fire
was only a couple of
miles from Abbie's home
I have not been up
there since so don't
know what it looks
like. We have just had
our first rain of the
season it was a big
rain and this morning



Please tell Mother
I appreciated her
letter so much
and the exercises
for the eyes. I believe
they are helping me
at least my eyes feel
better all times and I
am trying to be as
faithful as possible
with them. Hope to get
a letter out to Mother
soon. And now Lotie
dear I shall have to
close my little talk
with you, for I have
many things to do
to day and must get
started and since I
can not enclose

my self, I am enclosing
my greatest love and
wishes that you all
may have the happiest
fullest Christmas
possible. I often wonder
if Lillian Galchell got
well and strong after
her operation. Give
her my love when
you see her and
please write me soon

with a heartful of
love Aunt Bobbie

My dear Lotsie:

Instead of your taking lunch with me or my taking lunch with you, let's just take each other's the mid-day repast and settle all argument by compromise. As it is urgent for me to attend some things down town early Friday I shall be down all day and can meet you at any time. I shall be at the Dayton's glove counter (by the cut flowers on main floor) at 1 o'clock and wait there until 1:30 for you! In case you cannot or do not make it call me or come out to my home around 2:30. Love, Aunt

2858-S. James Ave.

Minneapolis, Minn.

Nov. 8, 1933

My dear Lotie:

Scold your old pal all you like, I daresay she deserves it. Yes, she is even quite thoroughly ashamed of herself, but none the less, I have such a good excuse that cruel-hearted thought you may be, you will still forgive me. As a matter of fact, I am so busy all of the time that I have owed at least five letters for the past two months. Yours, however, is the only one of which even attempt to answer. There, now, you ought to feel sufficiently honoured.

No, but really, going to night school and working keeps me so busy that I can't even get the paper read. If you asked me at the present moment what was going on in the world I would

be forced to reply that I haven't the faintest idea. I am still enjoying my work immensely. Something new is happening every minute. We are about to be involved in a law suit, from all appearances, so undoubtedly it shall keep things happening all the time.

I am at work every morning by 8:30 and stay there until 5 or 5:15 except on Saturdays when I arrive at 8 and leave at one.

On Monday and Tuesday nights I go to school for two and three hour stretches of German and modern literature and on

Friday nights, of course, I attend the symphony. Saturdays I usually see the Bartons and Sunday nights

I go to a league of young people down at our church. In other words, my time is very well filled, and what little of it is

3/ left, I must devote to arduous homework. Yes, no doubt, you will say that that is a pretty full program, but I still manage to have a good time on top of it all.

Last night daddy gave a solo in Little Falls and enjoyed it so much. Mrs. Burton held a reception for him, too. Oh, and speaking of L. F. I have news for you. Guess what? Alice & Albert have invited me up to their home for New Year! Won't that be fun? Now you can have a supporter for your Clean up Little Falls Campaign once again. I am so delighted with the idea that I can hardly wait for the New Year to come. Fortunately, New Year's Day comes on Monday, so I won't have to be back at work

until Tues. Leave it to me to
figure it all out.

I am so glad to hear you
are enjoying school. After all,
there would be little sense to it
all if you did not take pleasure
in it. Now, don't do too much
and get all worn out as I
used to do. Take it from one
who knows, it doesn't pay to
try to do everything at school
and then have a heck of a
time recuperating all summer
long. Best I get "preachy" &
better stop right here.

When I see you I shall fill
you with tales of the office
that will keep you laughing for
weeks.

All my love to you, dear,

as ever yours,
Olyn

June 29, 1933

Dear Laura Jane:

Just a note to tell you how glad I was to see you those few minutes Sunday.

It's just beastly hot here & I went downtown this morning & that made it seem doubly so. ~~Right now~~ I'm in pajamas & drinking lemonade trying to keep cool.

Mother & I are all alone as Daddy has gone to Lake Benton so we just do as we please most of the time.

Marion is going to Lac Seul Falls for the fourth so

I don't believe there
will be much chance
for me to go up to Aunt
Arline's.

I haven't seen Kay Avery
or any of the rest of them
but Mother is going to lunch
with Mary Gluck Mc Donald's
mother Friday & Gicky &
I may go too.

Do write me please, & if
you come down be sure
& call me up. The first Gile
in the telephone book.

Love,
Mary Alida Gile

LILLIAN GATCHELL
27 BAY STREET
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

October 4, 1933

Dear Laura Jane,

I'm sorry I haven't written sooner but I've been so busy that I don't know whether I'm coming or going. I've just about caught up in my make-up work so I'll have a little more spare time now.

I'm so glad you like the girls at Hartridge. I suppose you have to work quite hard. Next week is the end of the six weeks for us.

I don't expect very good marks this six weeks.

A week ago Monday the Girl Reserves took in twelve new members. Monday of this week we initiated them. It was loads of fun for the old members! The band and orchestra are going to give a concert together on November 17. We have some nice pieces for it - and are they hard! Rosemary S. is going to be in a piano contest at the State Music Teachers' Convention in Minneapolis in a couple of weeks. Golda is in the lower division

so Miss Johnson said that Rosemary was already 16 so she could be in the upper division and not have to compete with Gelda. Rosemary is going to play "Rondo Capriccioso" and "Polonaise in C# Minor" by Chopin.

The football team beat Alexandria 25-0 last ~~of~~ Friday but the week before we were beaten 6-0 by Detroit Lakes. Next Tuesday the second team is going to play Sauk Center and the Friday after that we play St. Cloud, there.

We picked out our class rings last week. I don't know when I'll get mine. I'm going to get a pin instead of a ring.

I guess I'll have to close and do my algebra. I'm so dumb in it that it takes me 6 weeks to do one assignment. I'll write again soon.

Affectionately
Lillian.