



Laura Jane Musser and
Family Papers.

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Little Falls, Minn.,
February 28, 1936.

Dear Laura Jane,

Yesterday Dad went to Minneapolis on business, & when he came back he brought me the lovely pen with which I am writing this letter. It is a Sheaffer life-size pen, the best style that the company makes. It is a desk pen, black with one gold stripe, and has a pale green marcell base. I was overjoyed to receive it, because I have always had a poor pen, and didn't expect a good one until college. So you may expect better looking letters from now on, Laura Jane.

Little Falls seems so dull during this long, cold winter that I can hardly think of enough to make a letter interesting. We have been so patiently awaiting a break in the weather that we might have some sleigh rides. The Girl Reserves have everything but the

team are sophomores & we enjoy life together. It's lots of fun to see a chum play for the glory of his school.

Casualty you have heard of the amateur contest of late sponsored by the Methodist Church. Everyone was invited to participate, & selections could be either sacred or secular. It caused a great deal of interest, & the program was very delightful with many really exceptional offerings. Mr. Van Dusen acted as Major Bowles & was very clever in that part. The Quince Hay (4, in a quartette) won, singing "Lamplighting Time in the Valley." Their reward was the opportunity of singing their number over U. S. C. N. in Minneapolis, which they did winning much favorable comment. The whole affair was very

weather, yet I wonder if we'll ever have our party. Skating & every other outdoor sport is impossible, and that fact cuts down the joy of life considerably.

Tuesday was a busy day for us... The student council finally consented to popular desires & sponsored a sunset dance from 3:30 P.M. to 5:30. The admission was 5¢, and they had hired a reasonably good orchestra. Nearly all students came, & we had a grand time. I didn't get home until six, then at seven I was back to school again to see the last home basketball game of this season. We played Paul Center & won, 30-18. In the preliminary, ~~we~~ sophomores have an especially good time, for nearly all the hay in the B

pleasant, & I suppose there
will be more such programs
in the future.

Laura Jane, is this letter
boring you terribly? I do
wish there were something
to relate, but there doesn't
seem to be much. As soon
as plans for spring
music are made, then there'll
be lots, but until then,
nihil est! - But I almost
forgot to tell you that Marion
Farson, mother, & I heard
Ruth Glenczycki play on
Feb. 12. She was marvelous -
so much better than last
year. Miss Johnson sat by
us, & she was frankly
amazed. It seems impossible
that one so young & small
could be so surpassingly
perfect! Write soon!

Lovingly yours,
Marion.

501- 3rd St. S. E.
Little Falls, Minn.



Miss Laura Jane Musser,
c/o Monticello College,
Goodfrey, Illinois.

Little Falls, Minn.
Jan. 13, 1936.

Dear Laura Jane,

Aren't I the worst
kind of a correspondant?
Not even to write until
now to thank ^{you} for the
darling pin! Everyone
adores it so, and
now my friends call
me "Diamond Jim"!

School. school (nuts).
is in session again!

beautiful, harmonizing
voice parts. Perhaps
you know it.

Mom and Dad gave
me a new pair of skates
for Christmas. fancy ones.
Now don't get the idea
that I can fancy skate!
Absolutely not! But
I'd like to learn. We go
skating nearly every
warm night and have
grand times.

I'm so terribly busy with
my studies and then
playing for everything
besides. The glee clubs
are just beginning their
contest pieces, the one
for Senior High Girls'
is just terrible. I mean
to play. It's in six
sharps and the work
ahead of me in getting
that thing ready. It
is Strauss' "Serenade".

I hope that you'll
write to me. Laura
Jane, and I promise
to be better! That was
one of my 1936
resolutions.

Thank you again
for the pin. I just
love it! (This doesn't
sound strong enough,
but use your imagination.)

Yours lovingly,
Maxine G.

Tuesday, Apr. 7 '35

Little Falls, Minn.

Dear Laura Jane:

Typing personal correspondence and putting it on paper in such a fashion isn't what one would call "according to Hoyle;" but at the present moment it is convenient. My fingers are too numb for legible handwriting.

Now that I have opened my letter with a not-too-bad paragraph, (introductory paragraphs in first letters are always damnably difficult), I hesitate in writing what I feel for fear of doing it too clumsily.

I think I have acquired a very good friend. It isn't often one finds another person whose intimate thoughts and expressed philosophy of life are almost identical with one's own. But when it does happen it gives tremendous opportunity for the very finest kind of friendship, and that is very rare and precious. It can be easily destroyed, and whenever I encounter a situation that demands tact and a certain amount of discreet delicacy, I usually make a mess of things.

So with a little less beating around the bush I'll just say that I enjoyed our walk and little discussion far more than I can say, and I hope you will not find a little reciprocity too difficult.

There is a little old man who visits me almost every night. He walks into town from his home in Little Elk and spends the wee hours of the night sitting on

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a stool talking to me while I work. He talks well, but is a bit too much inclined toward the monologue. Despite this, he has much to offer in the way of diversion during the night. And he likes to talk because I appear to be a good listener. He calls himself a philosopher and poet, though at one time, years ago, he was a newspaperman and later a lawyer. He was graduated from Columbia cum laude in the 1900's and has traveled in almost every country in the world, doing it knapsack style. So there you can perceive a fertile background for some interesting monologues.

Among the things he says, I particularly remember this: "You, my boy, can be whatever you want to be. An engineer, a banker, a writer, a doctor,--anything you like-- providing you are willing to make the sacrifice. But you will never be personally adequate or really successful in any field without utilizing in your progress the power of good."

The real meaning of his words was hidden for some time, but after he had elaborated on that statement I caught on--and it has some connection with our talk several weeks ago. As a financial success the man is a washout, but intellectually and morally he is successful in some degree. I will grant him the benefit of the doubt and admit that to my (immature and middle-western) mental outlook, he is indeed a philosopher and a poet, henceforth a success.

I have decided to finish school in the next two years if it's the last effort I make on this earth. I shall probably have to wash dishes or wait on table during the school months and peddle dust mops in the

summer, but I'll be damned if I'll let myself stay in a rut much longer. And what is a better example of eternal damnation than a lifetime job that makes demands on only the senses of hearing, seeing and feeling? Forgive this little outburst, but recently I have become too easily self-satisfied, and what I'm really doing is begging for a little encouragement to prop my feeble show of ambition.

I feel that this letter leaves much to be desired, and I hope you do not find it too inadequate a beginning.

Let me hear from you when you have the time and the inclination to write, but to spare you embarrassment, I beg you never to write me a "duty" letter. I find nothing more mortifying or disturbing to the peace of mind than having to write a letter from a sense of duty! So--take your time, and let me hear from you whenever the desire is spontaneous.

Cheerio. . .

B.

P.S.

Next week at my sister's wedding I shall wear formal dress for the first time. Do you suppose it will add just a little bit of badly-needed poise to the bearing of RLT-?

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1508 LARRABEE STREET

CHICAGO, ILL.

Sunday Afternoon

Dear Laura Jane,

I received your most welcome letter Thursday afternoon and was surely glad to hear from you. The more I think of the matter, the more I realize how unfortunate I was in not being able to be in Chicago the day you specified.

Thanks, heaps for the invitation to your Prom, I surely hope I'll be in a position to be there, but here is the situation as it exists now —

Beginning May 1st and extending throughout the entire week our school is sponsoring a "Diesel Exhibit." Now, a certain group of students, unknown as to identity now, will be asked to assist in "putting the show across," if I may use such a slang expression. The faculty will announce their names

next Thursday, so you can readily see that until that is done, I will not be in a position to assert myself definitely.

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I guess school-work really should come before pleasure.

Just between me two, I hope I'm not selected as one of those who is on the committee, for I surely do enjoy your company, Lotsie.

I suppose this complication will make things inconvenient for you, but if you so desire, I'll let you know immediately how matters turn out.

Thanks again so very much for the invitation.

Hoping to hear from you soon and possibly see you in the near future, I remain,

As ever

Jimmy

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Thursday Eve.

Dear Laura Jane,

Well, I found out today how things stand at school, and the result is just as I feared, I am one of the committee that must be in attendance throughout the duration of the "Diesel Exhibit." So that cheats me out of a marvelous week-end which I hoped I might have been fortunate enough to enjoy with you.

I hope this delay hasn't made matters too inconvenient for you Lotsie - I really couldn't answer for certain any sooner.

Thanks, heaps, for the invitation, it would have meant so very much for me to have been able to attend as your guest.

Well, until another opportune time may allow my seeing you again, I guess I'll have to say good-bye.

Please write whenever you may find a spare moment.

Sincerely,
Jimmy

James Butcher
Little Falls, Minn.



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Mar. 31 - '36

Little Falls /

Dear Laura Jane,

I suppose that by now you have a very definite impression as to the sort of person I am - well, Lotsie the situation was all quite unavoidable, for it so happened that I was on my way home at the time I was to see you. I'm so sorry things had to turn out that way, for I enjoy your company so very much.

I received your letter this morning, you see it was forwarded from Chicago back to Little Falls again. Our vacations just missed being of such duration that would allow our being to-gether too - it seems as if things one desires most never turn out to his advantage.

My vacation ends the 10th of April, so I'll only be able to see Helen one day too. Things seem so very dull around home after being in a large city sometimes I wish I were back again.

I sincerely hope that we may arrange a meeting sometime in the near future which will turn out successful and not interrupted, such as the last one.

Until such a time may come, I remain - Sincerely,
Jimmy Butcher

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO

James Butcher

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Tuesday Eve.

Dear Laura Jane,

Well, here I am tardy again, as usual, in my correspondence. It certainly is hard to assimilate myself again to the routine of school life after spending such a perfect week-end with you. I don't know how I will ever be able to repay your kindness in asking me to be your guest for the week-end. I shall always remember those two days as being the most enjoyable of my life away from home.

I certainly do envy you in being able to attend such a marvelous school and being amongst such a select group of young people.

My trip back to Chicago was much swifter as compared to my going away. It only took us 5 hours to make the return trip. One incident of special interest was the nature of the rivers, why without exception, they are all flooding their banks. In fact, in one place particularly the water was almost up to the rails and at first the engineer doubted his possibility of attempting

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a crossing—but, much to our relief, the passage was made without difficulty.

"Lottie" will you do me one more favor? I wanted to write your mother to express my thanks for the help she gave me, but as you know, her present address would be undeterminable, so if it wouldn't be asking too much, would you please express my appreciation for all she has done for me, that is until I can see her or learn when she will be at home in Little Falls?

Well, I really must do some intensive studying tonight so I'll have to close now. Thanks again so very much for all you've done for me. I hope I may ~~be~~ expect a letter sometime in the near future.

Sincerely,
Jimmy

AFTER 5 DAYS RETURN TO

James Butcher
Y.M.C.A. North & LaSalle
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Godfrey, Illinois
Monticello College

Thursday Eve.

Dear Laura Jane,

I certainly have a terrible habit of leaving everything go until the very last minute, I only hope this won't be too late.

I've just learned that the train I am to take is a local and it will stop at Godfrey. I believe in your last letter you mentioned that you expected to meet me at Alton - I hope this will not inconvenience you in any way. This train will arrive in Godfrey approximately 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday.

Until Saturday at 4:00 then I'll bid you goodbye -

Jimmy.

P.S. I'm looking forward to a most pleasant evening. —

I hope you will pardon this paper, I was in such a great hurry that I began writing on the first paper I found.



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MAL

February 21, 1936

Dearest Lizzie,

Am I embarrassed, honey!
While looking through my drawer
this afternoon, I found a letter
that I wrote January 15, 1936.
Do believe me, darling. When
I say I will write promptly
when receiving yours.

You really are a very
lucky girl. How is your music,
honey? I heard your Mother
was to see you. Oh, such a
dear. You were in a concert

Do you hear from the Hatchells?
or any kids in town besides
Shirley?

The weather man has
certainly over stepped his
welcome! Dooey. Besides freezing
one ear and having my nose
frost bitten, I am ok.

Truthfully I think
old man weatherman will,
or has rather, been putting
forth a cold shoulder.

I am afraid to step one
"little piggy" outside of our
front door — and I don't
intend to.

or something, weren't you?
Little Falls is deadlier than
usual. Since Christmas I
think I have gone out six
times. Which I will gladly
repeat, were boring incidents.

I did attend the President's
Ball with Doug. The rest of
the time we only met over
to Tompkins etc. to dance.
Marge gave me a birthday
Party. which was very nice.

Larry has asked me
down to the Freshman
Frolic. But I don't know
whether I shall go.

Well, honey, I want you to
write immediately so that I
can show you that I
want to write to you.

Be good! and every
time you see your friends -
think of me.

Yours -
Maryann



Mrs Laura Jane Muses

Monticello College
Gadsden,
Vt.

MRS. ALIDA GILE
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Feb 27-1936

Dear Lousy Jane

I was so pleased

to get your letter it was so
dear of you to write me, saying
to hear you had a cold, we have
had such a cold, aint it
yesterday a big Blizzard, could
hardly see a coast the streets
with all the terrible weather
I haven't been out of the
house in weeks and get

times of the house, I miss you
Mather & dad, to hear the trip and
to see you, I always feel homesick
when they are away although
I don't see them so often when
they are here just knowing
they are here and I guess
feeling it is a Nathan home
you all are so dear to me,
I never see any of the girls
used to when I stood with
you all young ladies now?
Mary Abigail is old the 2 and
Cider it very much?
Lots of love, work and study

they lose it all, and lose a
good time, I lose young people
and like to be whose they are,
so much life; what would she
waste be with out them?

I shall lose to hear you come and
see me with your family
when you are home and we
can meet to gather

with love
Alida gile



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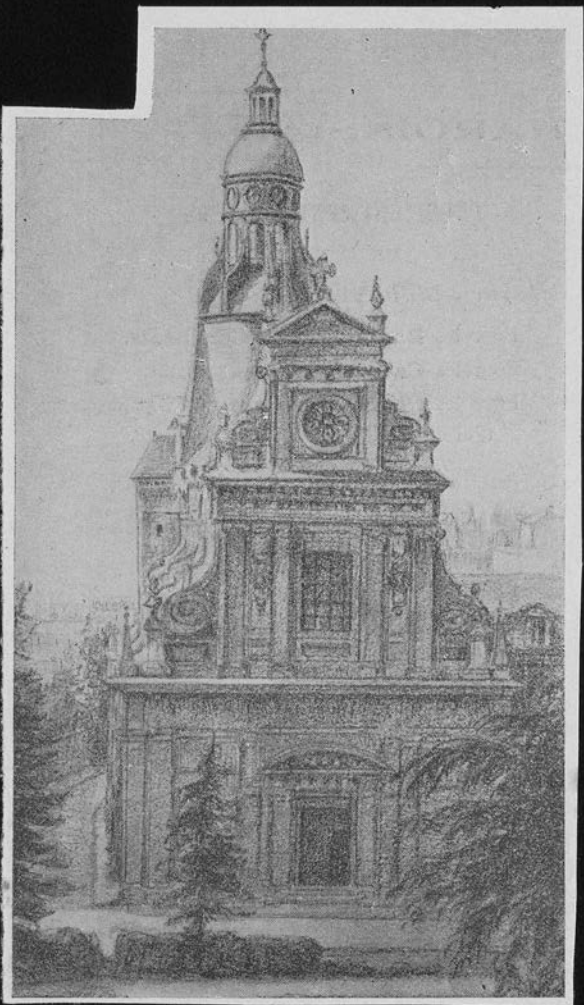
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(Lescher)

France





Jendredi 30 Avril 1936.

Ma chère Laura Jane.

Je vous pardonne au plus vite votre retard. Lorsque l'on est en vacances on ne doit rien faire. Je voulais justement vous écrire aujourd'hui. Je vous croyais malade. Je vois que vous travaillez beaucoup votre piano. Vâchez d'avoir du succès le jour de la fête. Je vous souhaite bon courage et désire vivement que vous réussissiez. Moi j'ai appris le piano aussi mais je suis arrêtée. J'en joue encore quelquefois. Dans ma famille tout le monde est musicien. Mon grand' père joue du violoncelle. Papa jouait du violon et maman et ma tante du piano, ainsi que mon oncle qui jouait très bien de la flûte. Mais il est mort au mois de novembre. Tout l'hiver nous avons vécu dans la tristesse, trois personnes de la famille sont mortes à quelques semaines de différence. Maintenant le printemps nous apporte la gaieté. Vous avez bien de la chance d'être allée à Saint Louis cette ville dont on fait tant de récits. Moi je suis allée à Tours chez maman. Et comme vous j'ai eu un refroidissement ce qui m'a empêché de faire la rentrée le jour fixé. Ici le temps n'est pas encore très beau. En France le beau temps ne vient qu'en Juin. Le premier mai arrive et le muguet repousse. C'est un signe

de chaleur.

Comme vous me le demandiez je ne joue pas au golf. Je joue au tennis. Bientôt ma chère amie vous m'en écrira plus à Blois. Je vais partir à vous pendant les grandes vacances. Je vous enverrai mon adresse au mois de septembre. Je suis très contente.

Votre lettre est très bien rédigée - mais pourtant il y avait quelques fautes. C'est bien compréhensible que vous ne sachiez pas tout. Avec les quelques renseignements que je vous ai donnés vous pourrez vous corriger de quelques défauts. Je joue en ce moment au volant. C'est un jeu très amusant. Il faut être beaucoup nous y jouons à l'école. Ce jeu consiste à lancer un ballon par dessus un filet à tennis - mais il y a une façon de le lancer et c'est assez difficile. Avec le beau temps représsent tous les sports auxquels nous nous livrons à l'école : tennis, croquet, volant, corde lisse, saut... etc...

Ainsi que la coutume l'exige je vous envoie pour le 1^{er} mai, du muguet. Est-ce ainsi en Amérique?

Pâques en France se passe ainsi : on fait croire aux enfants que les cloches de Rome jettent des cloches et des œufs en chocolat, et tous, grandes personnes et, enfants se donnent des sucreries de ce genre. Ce jour généralement est un jour où la famille se réunit aussi pour Pâques étiens - nous dix personnes à la maison - Je vous envoie enfin ma photo - Je vous en enverrai une autre mieux plus tard car, je ne suis pas bien sur celle-ci. Je n'étais pas prête au moment où on nous a pris, j'arrangeais mes cheveux et j'avais

le fou rire! Je mets une croix où je suis. Je suis
avec maman et ma petite cousine. Cette photo fut
prise pendant les grandes vacances d'anné dernière
C'est en Touraine à Rochepierre. La rivière que
vous voyez là est le Cher. C'est un des plus beaux
coins de la région.

Je vous joins également une photo de mon
église, celle où je vais régulièrement, ma paroisse.

C'est l'église Saint Vincent de Paul. Elle
est très jolie.

Pendant que j'y pense voudriez-vous me
dire qui vous avait donné mon adresse la
première fois que je vous ai écrit. Soyez franche
dites-le moi. N'oubliez pas.

Eh! bien j'en ai mis long. J'aime tout
vous écrire. Envoyez-moi votre photo.

Votre amie qui vous envoie ses meilleurs
amitiés.

Bien affectueusement

Jacqueline Guettmann

Parlez-moi s'il vous plaît. Je ne
sais pas ce que je devrais dire pour me
défendre. Je sais que je suis très en retard
pour ma réponse, mais j'ai eu beaucoup
de travail. Vous voyez qu'il faut que je
travaille beaucoup - ma musique. Il y a¹
un grand programme de musique, le
premier mardi et il faut que je joue au
piano, deux pièces - Je déteste jouer au piano
devant une grande foule - J'ai peur etc... Jouez-
vous au piano?

Le dernier dimanche était les Pâques
Je suis allée à Saint Louis avec une de
mes amies. J'ai vu un lieu où il y avait
beaucoup de fleurs. Elles étaient très belles. Les
roses surtout étaient belles. Alors je suis allée
au cinéma - J'ai vu "Small Young Girl" c'était
très bien - Pendant cinq jours j'ai eu un
~~refroidissement~~ refroidissement et je n'ai pas pu
sortir (ou aller dehors). Le temps est si beau
et il fait chaud.
J'ai joué au golf et je l'aime beaucoup
J-jouez-vous?

Voulez-vous me parler au sujet de vos
Lâches. Comment les célébrez-vous en France

J'aime beaucoup ces cartes que
vous m'avez envoyées. mais n'oubliez pas une
photographie de vous. J'aimerais beaucoup
en recevoir une.

Voulez-vous m'écrire tout de suite
en Français. J'aimerais à apprendre plus de
votre langage.

Ma chère Jane.

Je me permet de vous signaler
quelques fautes. Sivez les numéros que
j'ai mis:

1: Vous aviez mis: il y aura un grand
programme de musique et il faut -
Cela n'était pas incorrect mais comme les
phrases précédentes étaient au "passé", dans ce
cas là, il faut mettre: "Il y a un grand
programme.... etc" cela va vous sembler drôle
mais c'est ce qui s'appelle en français le
présent de narration.

2: Vous aviez mis: le temps est si beau... etc... Quand
vous voulez mettre si, il faut que vous continuiez votre
phrase. Par exemple, Il fait si beau et il fait si chaud
que je joue au golf. Autrement il fallait mettre, Il
fait beau (ou le temps est beau) et il fait chaud.



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Mademoiselle J. Guethmann - 12 Avenue de Chateaudun

Valois

(Le Cher)

France

11 Janvier 1936.

Ma chère Jane

Je suis très heureuse de vous avoir pour correspondante. Jamais je n'aurais pu supposer rencontrer comme cela au hasard une amie qui ait mes goûts. En lisant votre lettre, qui n'est pourtant que la première, je m'aperçois que vous avez bien certainement le même caractère que moi. Vous voulez savoir beaucoup de choses sur la France. Cela m'est très agréable, et je m'efforcrai de vous dire tout ce que je sais. La ville que j'habite n'est pas très grande mais elle est très jolie - son château surtout la rend superbe.

la Loire également qui y coule sur une
grande largeur. Je vous envoie des
cartes postales de Blois. Bientôt je vous en
enverrai de Sais, mais il faut que je
m'en procure. Je vous envoie également le
Château de "Chambray" un des plus beaux
et des plus connus dans la contrée du
Val de Loire. Il y a également la Touraine,
magnifique contrée appelée Jardin de
la France. Noël s'est passé dans la joie
pour moi; je serais désireuse de savoir
comment vous célébrez cette fête; nous
c'est comme il suit: Les enfants mettent
dans la cheminée leur souliers, la
veille de la fête, puis le lendemain
matin ils trouvent dedans ce qu'ils
désirent; puis la journée se passe dans
la plus grande joie et généralement
en famille.

Je voudrais bien recevoir une photo
de vous. Je ne pense vous en envoyer car, le

n'en ai pas en ce moment.

Je vais à l'école supérieure comme vous le savez. C'est une grande école où il y a un grand nombre de professeurs; nous faisons de tout: français, anglais, mathématiques, géologie, histoire, chant, gymnastique, dessin. Le dessin est mon don. C'est du reste mon plaisir favori. Si cela était possible je vous enverrais une de mes peintures à l'huile. Nous faisons aussi de la musique. J'aime beaucoup cela. Je fais aussi du tennis.

Je serais très heureuse de vous avoir en France, et je voudrais bien que vous y veniez. Si cela est possible n'hésitez pas, venez à Blois.

J'ai quatorze ans et n'ai fait qu'un an d'anglais; la prochaine fois je vous écrirai un peu en votre langue.

Très sincèrement
Jacqueline



Mademoiselle Laura Jane Musser
Linden Hill
Little Falls

Minnesota (USA)

Mademoiselle J. Guettmann

12 Avenue de Chateaudun Bois
(Loir et Cher)
(France)

16 Mars 1937.

Chère Laura

Merci de m'avoir corrigé mes
fautes. Je vous joins un papier avec la
correction de votre dernière lettre. Il n'y avait
pas beaucoup de fautes mais je vous les
dis quand même - La guerre d'Espagne
n'est pas encore prête de se terminer
Le général "Franco" remporte de brillants
succès.

Pour la mi-carême il y avait une fête
à l'école. Nous avons eu des pièces de théâtre
et nous avons dansé.

During holidays, I shall go to Blois.
You know that Edward VIII has abdicated

Now she is "Duc de Windsor" - Mrs Simpson
is arrived to day, this morning at
Castel of Caude. Perhaps Duc de Windsor
will go with Mrs Simpson. In France it
rain constantly and many rivers
overflow their banks (Seine, for example).
Do you ~~can~~ ^{know} that in France there will
a great "Exposition Internationale"
I shall go.

Je connais très bien Simone Simon
Je l'aime beaucoup. Je l'ai vu jouer
dans "Les yeux Noirs" ou "Black Eyes"?
I you send the programme Do you
like it?

J'ai beaucoup de travail à l'école -
Je regrette de vous quitter.

Good kisses for my great friend
Lama

—Jacqueline



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CORRESPONDANCE

ADRESSE

N'écrire que sur
le côté réservé à
la correspondance

LEVY ET NEURDEIN RÉUNIS, 44, RUE LETELLIER, PARIS, IMP.

On ne dit pas:

Je veux que je pourrais faire aussi...
mais: Je voudrais pouvoir faire aussi...

Les inondations que nous avons
maintenant ne sont pas si mal
qu'elles étaient le mois dernier.

Nous avons plusieurs orages de tonnerre
mais:

Nous avons plusieurs orages.

(Le tonnerre est ce qui fait du
bruit pendant un orage).

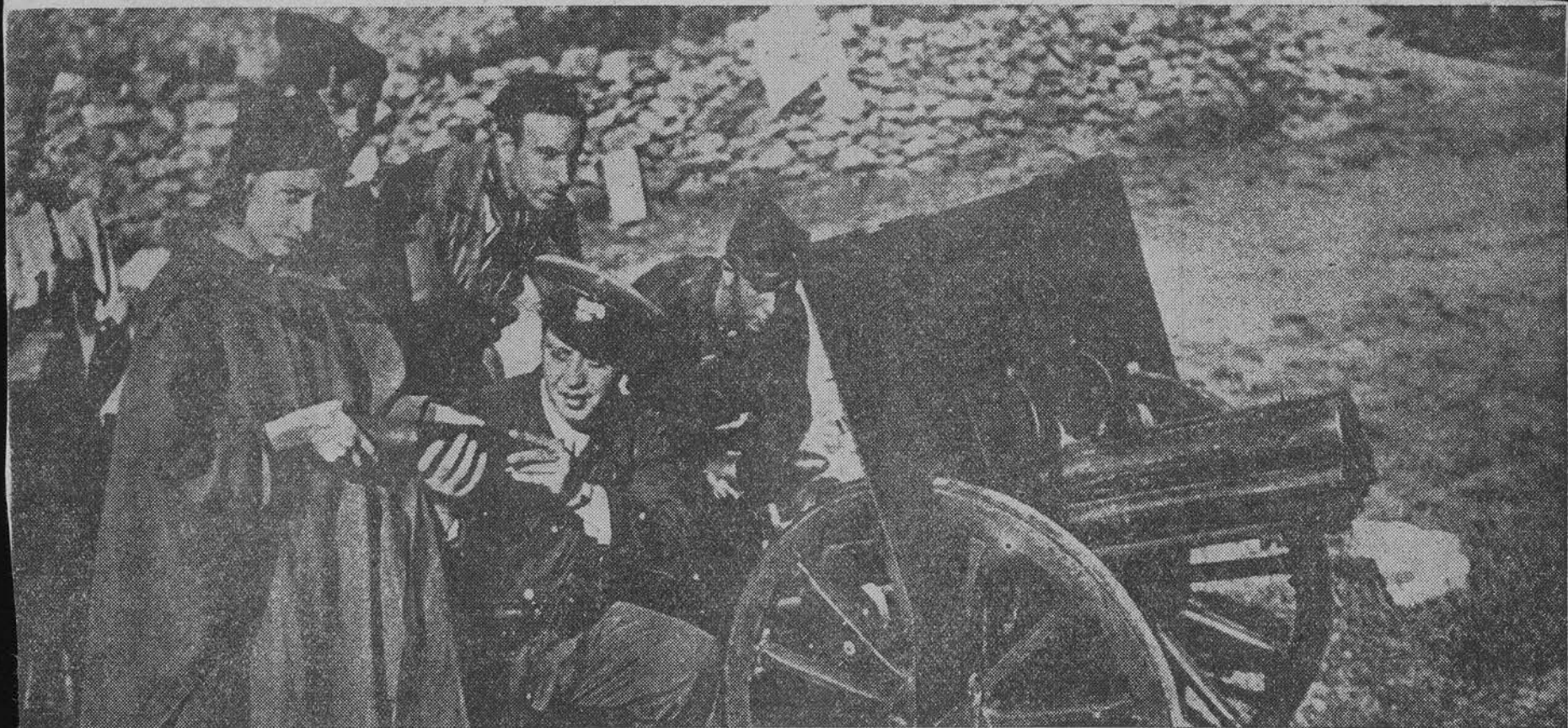
Minnesota où je demeure est couverte
de neige, trois (feet high) sommets

On ne dit pas j'ai plusieurs
à faire. Mais, on dit:

J'ai beaucoup à faire ou j'ai
plusieurs choses à faire.



Souriante, mais prête à se battre dans la Sierra



UNE JEUNE FEMME AIDE LES ARTILLEURS CONTRE LES REBELLES EN SOMO SIERRA



Miss Laura Jane Musser

Monticello, College
Godfrey, Illinois

Dear
USA

Mademoiselle J. Guettmann. 12 avenue de
Chateaufort Blois
(S. et Cher)

France



Samedi 14 Mars 1936.

Ma chère Laura.

Je suis bien contente de recevoir de vos nouvelles. J'ai toujours peur que vous cessiez de m'écrire - cela me chagrinerait beaucoup.

Je viens d'être malade. Je vais mieux. J'irai à l'école bientôt. Le printemps arrive aussi chez nous. Le soleil se montre déjà un peu, mais cela ne dure pas longtemps. Je suis bien embarrassée pour vous parler des légendes de France car je n'en sais guère à part "l'Histoire de France" que nous apprenons à l'école. Je ne connais pas de cathédrale anglaise.

La plupart j'en connais quelques-unes
qui sont presque des contes mais
qui ont un fond de vérité et qui
sont appelées "Légendes". Si cela vous
fait plaisir, je vous les dirai sur
ma prochaine lettre. N'oubliez pas de
me répondre si vous le désirez.

Faites-vous collection de timbres? Si oui
dites moi le, je vous en enverrai. Moi
j'en ai déjà une grande collection.

Je suis fâchée de ne pas avoir de
photo à vous envoyer. Je tâcherai de
vous en envoyer une la prochaine fois.

S'il y a quelque chose que vous ne
comprenez pas dans mon style. Dites
le moi la prochaine fois. Je vous donnerai
tous les renseignements qui pourront
vous être utiles pour savoir bien le Français.

Je vous écrirai une fois en Français,
une fois en Anglais. Ainsi je saurai
mieux. Cela m'aidera et vous aussi.

Je vous joins la dernière carte
qui me reste de Paris. C'est la Tour
Eiffel. C'est très intéressant.

Je vous enverrai peut-être
aussi une photo de ma
maison.

En attendant de vos nouvelles.

Votre amie

Jacqueline Guettmann



Miss Laura Jane Miller
Onticello College
Godfrey
Illinois

**1402 MULBERRY AVENUE
MUSCATINE, IOWA**

MARY
ANN
BLOCK

March 21, 1936

Dearest "Lottie",

I'm terribly sorry that I haven't gotten a letter off to you sooner, but you know how it is — If I put it off till tomorrow what I can do to-day, I'm forever putting it off another day.

I do hope you have successfully recovered from your illness. I imagine

so, if this letter sounds
rather mixed-up (and I
suppose it does), I can blame
it on the interruption.

I thought your room mate
was awfully (oops! excuse me.
I just saw out of ink)
sweet. I was so glad that I
got to see you — if only
for a little while.

I have an appointment at
the Beauty Parlor, so I'll have
to run.

Had sends his regards.
Fondly,
H. Ann

it would make one rather
"home-sick" to be ill at
school. But it was nothing
serious I hope.

I had mentioned seeing
your mother at Hunt Laura's
one evening. I believe they
were on their way home from
Mexico.

It was grand that you got
to take the Zephyr back to
school, I've never had the
experience, but it would be
quite novel.

I just finished lunch,

The Hartridge School
Plainfield, New Jersey

June 22, 1936

Dear Laura Jane,

Miss Hartridge has asked me to see that you got your Annual, so I have had one mailed to you. I hope it has reached you by this time. If it has not, let me know. The books this year cost only two dollars, which with the postage on yours makes \$2.17. The remaining \$.33 I am sending you herewith in a check. This reminds me to ask you what ever you did with the check for \$2.43 that I sent you last June after you went away. It was what was left of the money you provided for mailing your things home. The voucher has never turned up in my statements, so I think the check must be hiding in your desk. Will you look for it and put it in the bank while I still have so much money? And if you cannot find it I will send you a duplicate. So much finance!

We are delighted that your year has gone by so swiftly, and very proud of your A plus in Music. Miss Schenck is in Europe, but I shall tell her when I write.

With very much love to Mrs. Musser, and Mary, and your dear self, I am

Affectionately yours,

Elizabeth H. Musser

H.B.

1406 N. . Sherida
Minneapolis, Minn.



Miss Laura Jane Musser

~~Little Falls, Minn.~~

*Please
forward
to
Illinois*

*Monticello College
Jody Fry
Illinois.*

September 12, 1936

Dear Lotsie,

The reason I didn't write before was that I was waiting until I got my typewriter so that I could type the letter. I realize that it is difficult to read my writing, and that all the people I correspond with will appreciate it. They may thank my parents, for it is a ~~birth~~ birthday gift from them, and I am certainly pleased with it. The idea of it was to have my school work look neater and thereby improve my grades, as it reads in the advertisements, but only time will tell.

I have done nothing much of interest since I last talked to you. Of course I told you all about the camp I was a counselor at. It really was grand fun and I hope that I will be able to go back next year.

As I glance over this page all I see

or at least, what is most outstanding is the I's. Perhaps it is what is most outstanding, being so small, or is it just that I am an egotist? Let's rule the latter out, and believe the former.

And what have you been doing? Getting ready for school, And that reminds me, our school starts a week from Monday. Now it seems as if the summer were so short, but how many days I kept talking about school, and wishing that it would start.

It's getting late now and I have to get dressed to go out with the man of my dreams. Yes, I finally met him and this is the first time I've gone out with him and I am rather excited.

So Bon soir, and I will expect to hear from you soon,

Love,

Honey



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Monticello College
Godfrey
Illinois

April 19, 1936

Dearest Fatsie,

I am sorry to hear that you are ill. I hope you'll be out of the infirmary by the time this letter reaches you.

The only disease I suffer from, at present, is spring fever. I am absolutely the most lazy and unambitious (?) person in the world. I have a terrible time making myself study.

Yesterday we played tennis outdoors for the first time. There were so many people waiting for the court that we only played one set.

We didn't do much on Easter. We went to church in the morning and went walking in the afternoon. The night before Easter we went to a skating show at the Arena. The chief attraction

was Sonja Henie. She certainly is a wonderful skater. Her skating partner is Jack Dunn, the British champion. He's plenty good, too.

Tuesday afternoon we had our last student symphony concert. It was an all-Herbert concert with ~~a~~ tenor and soprano soloists. It was lovely, but it seems a waste of ability for the symphony to play ~~that~~ Herbert. (Please excuse all the disfigurations - I'm half asleep). Next year we're going to have a series of student concerts lasting throughout the regular concert season. Aren't we lucky?

Did you know that Mary Ann

has a job? She is working in an architect's office. She was out here for dinner last Tuesday.

Our orchestra was to give a concert next Friday but it has been postponed until May 6. It's a good thing for us, because we don't even know what we're going to play. I guess we're definitely going to play Beethoven's Ninth Symphony but no one knows what the other numbers will be. We had our picture taken for the yearbook. I guess I'll have to buy one so I can see my picture.

We had to write a ballad for our theme last week. I can hardly wait until tomorrow to find out what I got on mine.

Mary and I went to the show
this afternoon. We saw "Mr. Deeds
Goes to Town". It was a delightful
mixture of comedy and drama.
I enjoyed it very much.

Well, dear, I'm afraid I'll have
to go to bed - that seems to be
all I'm good for lately. I shall
write to you again soon and
I hope you will do the same.

Love,
Lillian.

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St. Paul, Minn.



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For

Miss Laura Jane Musser

Monticello College

Groffrey

Illinois

Wednesday

Darling Lataie,

First goll - its so hot out here all just stifling. I'm in history class & the lecture is so dry. Oh to be out at a lake!

Darling - I did wonder why you didn't write for that long time - but now that you have - I understand perfectly and I'm not the least speck angry. You must be busy. Recitals like that do take so much out of you. There are several girls at the farm who are preparing for recitals - and they're all worn out & haven't time for anything but preparation for it. Oh so glad yours was successful & I surely wish I could have been there to hear you. You'll have to give me a private one this summer! Oh. I can hardly wait for summer. ~~Maybe~~ There won't be anything in particular to do - but that will seem so good. Now that we have the car, you & I can go golfing every day (and lots) & after golf we can take a picnic lunch & will go out to one of the lakes & stay all aft. Won't it be heaven just lying in the sun & talking & talking. Oh. Lataie, we ought to have a perfect time. Daddy is going to California, & you so will have to stay home. Babe LaFond is going to get a job in Niplo & so is Jessie & Mary Ann has one too -

So there won't be many kids in
sawen. As you probably know, Jimmy
has a job. He works all days goes to
school at night. I guess his pretty busy
& he won't be home all summer - so
I'll probably not see him again till
Christmas or so. He was home early for
days when I was - but he came down
here after me & brought me back. He's
so ambitious and has set his goal so
high - I surely hope he succeeds. He thinks
you're pretty nice, Leticia, and said he'd
had a grand time at your high year
dance. He so glad you got to really know
him. I wish he would have been able
to come down for your May formal. We're
having our Freshman formal this Friday.
The boys at this school are so dumb
and the one I'm going with is equally
dumb. Gerdie is going with his best
friend - so it'll help to have her along.

Schoolwork is so piled up for
me. My English thesis is due May 12 &
History Essay & all my Chemistry
experiments May 15. School is out
June 5. When is yours out? I wish
I could come to Chicago to meet you.

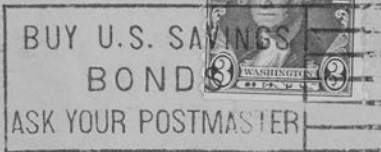
We been home the last five weeks
ends. Last week-end, Mary brother
and his wife were in L. 7. and
the week before - a friend of mine from
school - Allene Howard - had her car

Alone here - so we went home
about 8:30 P.M. Saturday. It was
a great surprise to Daddy - but
he was very glad to see us. We
been going out with Bill Stevenson
all the time whenever we have.
His quite nice - and I wish you
knew him better - but you will
this summer. Oh Fatsie, please
stay pretty close to home. I'd
be so lonely without you. I heard
that Mary Ann had a job with
a firm of architects. She's lucky.
So Bridgie is going to Europe -
that would be the most marvellous
thing I could imagine.

I hope your mother feels
much better soon. I think now
that the hot weather is here & she
can soak up some good old
sunshine, she'll feel much better.
Sun seems to just pour strength
into one. Don't you think?

Well, darling, this is such
a long letter I'd better quit. I
enjoyed your letter so much &
please write me soon.

Loving you ever
Just
Helen



For

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Monticello College
Gadfrey
Illinois

HELEN MAUDE JENSEN

Wed.

Darling Latsie,

It seems so good to be getting your letters again! The snow is falling thick and fast and does it ever depress one - especially when there's been so much grand weather; hence you can see I'm not in a very gay mood.

I'm so glad you like Jimmy. I'd never thought he was a very good dancer, so I'm anxious to see how he's improved. He wrote and told me that he had enjoyed

go to school? I couldn't
get or hold a job. I don't
know what to do. Well,

Last Saturday nite I went
to a Delta fraternity party
with Jerry Gager. We

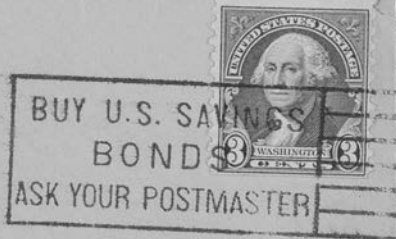
duble-dated with Jean
Westlake and a fellow
from Sioux Falls. Jean
asked all about you and
Patty was along on the
same party. Patty is
engaged I guess and has
quit school. More pecun-
to her. I hope she is in
love. I wonder what its
like. Marj. Wilson just
came in with a box from
home, so right now im
enjoying a piece of fudge.

Do you ever get letters
from home? I never do,
of course, but sometimes my
aunt sends me letters.

The 20th (Friday) is our
all-college spring formal.
Im going with a cute fellow
but I haven't a dress and
can't afford one. Have you
an old one I could wear?
Clothes are such a problem
and I want to get a good
looking spring outfit and
I can't afford that. You'll
be here the 20th won't you?
Im coming home that week-
end if you are. I can
hardly wait to see you!!
Write me.

Love always
Helen

being down at Monte
so much and that
you'd shown him such
a good time and that
he'd met some nice
girls. As far as news
is concerned from my
standpoint - there isn't
much. School is still
very much school and
nothing to go in a flutter
over. Don't ever tell this,
because Daddy is sacrificing
a lot to send me to school,
but I'm so sick of school.
I've never been any kind
of a student. I've never
worked very hard or
had any marks to be
very proud of - but what
else is there so do but



For

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Monticello College
Gadsden
Illinois

- 1632 Summit
St. Paul, Minn.

HELEN MAUDE JENSEN

Monday

Darling Leticia,

Its so cold in this darn
room I can't even write straight.
Im sitting here all wrapped up
in my robe and two pairs of
wool socks on. I' awful.

Can't we write more often?
Ill promise - I have your
letters so. We had our exams
the same week you did and
I was so tired out at the
end of the week I had to
go down to my Aunt Harriettes
to recuperate. It was too cold to
go home. I passed everything -
threw business and got fairly
good marks.

Darling, Im just sick

There's not much news -
only that I've been study-
ing - and plenty. Last
Friday night was a Rock.
Class dance & I got Gaele
a date and we had a
nice time. Gaele is going
to the Minnesota Business
School with high aspirations
of becoming a private
secretary some day. I
spent this past week-
end with her. She said
to say hello to you.

Imagine! I have to
write a 30 page term essay for
history on Charles Evans Hughes &
his so dry. My English thesis
is due the same day & I
don't know how I'll ever

get it done. Worry, worry.
Have you seen the
"Magnificent Obsession"? It
just perfectly grand. I don't
miss it. What have you
heard from your Mother
and Mary? Aren't your
father and Mother down
South?

I'm so glad Jimmy is
coming down to Monte for
that dance and I surely
hope you have a good
time with him. By the way,
have you the negative of that
picture you took of us during
Xmas? If you have - could I
please have it - being I haven't
any picture of him.

Well, I must hit the books.
P.S. Write me! Loving you ever
your old pal
Keturah

about Easter. Our vacation
is from the 9th to the 20th
of April - and here I was
planning so on seeing
you. Can't you stop for a
day either coming or
going from school & we
can have some fun. I
don't know what we can
do - but we usually
manage to find something.
I'd like to have you see
this lovely (phoney) school
and meet all my friends.
I'm sure you'd like them &
I know they'd like you.

Poor Daddy is so
lonesome for me. He's all
alone up home & the cold
weather is so depressing.

East Georgia, Ill
June 18, 1936

Dear Laura Jane:

Your mother mentioned that she thought you would like to hear from me.

Do you remember some of the things we did when we were small? I do. I can remember being to ^{our} your birthday parties, I got a pair of white sand which I still have and I have a valentine you made for me before you ever could write. It is heart shaped and it has your picture on the front of it.

Maybe you would be interested to hear about my brothers and sisters: Clayton is attending the Illinois State Normal University and will have completed a four year curriculum in the spring of 1937. He is working his way through school. There is a large

and husky fellow. Of course we
are all proud of him as he has
no bad habits. He is majoring
in Physical Education. LaVonne
took a business course. She is
the smallest one in our family.
Do you remember Carroll and
how small he was? He is in
his Junior year in High School.
Can you feature a boy liking
to study Latin? He just loves
the study of Latin. Laura James
has grown very tall also. She
has large brown eyes. I took
one year of both Shorthand
and typing in School wish I
would have taken more of it.
I just love to type. I would like
to learn comptometry and the
use of the Dictaphone. I also
like beauty culture work,
giving a finger wave is my hobby.

I would like to hear from
you. Hope you like my photo.

Love,
Lewen.

Lucy
Wheeler



Mrs. Laura Jane Musser
to Mrs. Huntington Taylor
1425 Pacific Terrace
Klamath Falls
Oregon

no 2
Park Ave.
Hartfield
Mass.



August 6, 1936
Wednesday

"Lotsie" dear,

I am awfully bad I know for not writing you sooner but I have been just too busy. Everyday for the past two weeks I have promised myself to write you but somehow I just haven't had the time.

I may be lucky to be near the ocean but gosh you sure wouldn't know it now. The heat has been terrible

our two summer cottages all summer. We wanted to go to one of them all summer but mother is too busy so we go week-ends etc.

Did you play the piano for the critic you were talking about? I bet he loved your playing, I know I did when I heard you play at school.

"Lotsie" dear, I realize how fully you shall miss Golds. You spoke of her so often that I felt as though I knew her. I was terribly surprised and ~~very~~ sorry that such a young girl should have her life taken from her. I will

here. I practically live in the ocean.

I do hope your mother is all right now. I know the heat must be awful for her. Don't let the heat get you down will you Lotsie?

As yet I have not heard from Ruthie yet. I expect to drive over and see her soon. I believe she is working also this summer. She is a lovely girl "Lotsie" don't you think so?

I have been visiting a lot of my friends and we ^{the family} have been going back and forth too

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one learns to take these things
as they come.

I have to leave now dear as
I have some shipping to do.

Loads of love,
Lucy

P. S. Write soon!

25 Park Ave.

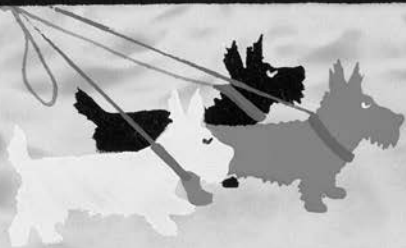
Wabfield, Mass.



Miss Laura Jane Myrner
Little Falls
Minnesota

25 Park Ave.

Haverfield, Mass.



July 10, 1936
Friday

Lotsie dear,

I bet you never expected
to hear from me did you? I
bet you don't even know
who it is writing you yet
do you?

How have things been
for you since you have
been home? I hope every-
thing is fine. Is it very
hot out in Little Falls? I have
not been quite so hot here
at home as I was at
school. I go swimming

deal.

I tell there is nothing else
to say except I miss you and
remember me to your mother.

Loads of love Lotie,

Lucy

Lucy Wheeler

25 Park Ave.

Wakfield, Mass.

every day with my youngest brother.

There really isn't much
doing around here. I have
been making various visits
around to all my friends
and I have had my friends
come and visit me. If you
ever come to Boston dear
you must come & see me.

I would love to have you
come and visit my home.

Your picture is sitting on
the bureau and I look at
it often and wish it would
talk but it doesn't.

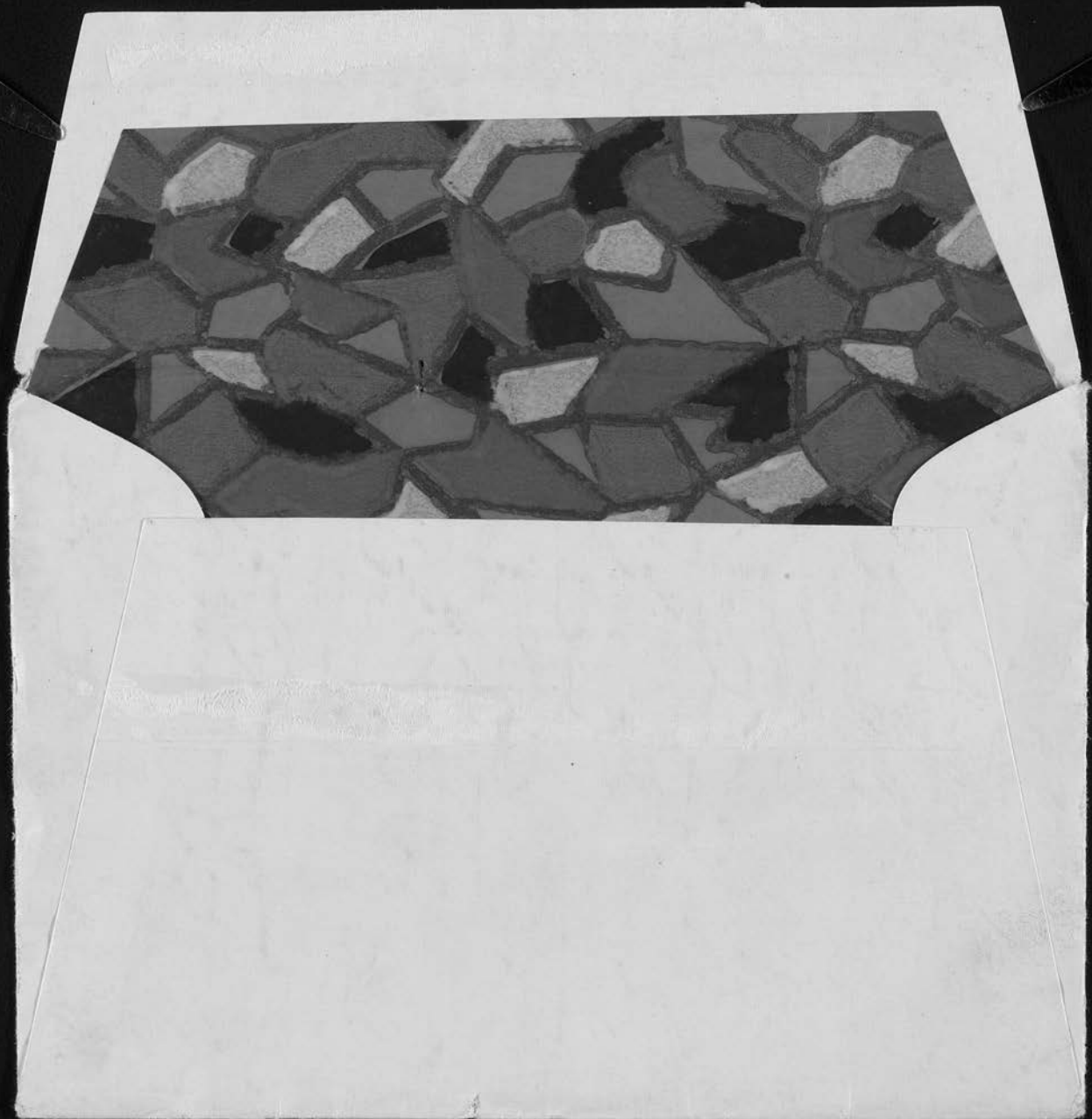
Remember the nice talks
we used to have about the
western and the eastern girls?
I miss those discussions a great

*Green
Wintergreen*



*Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls,
Minnesota*

Miss Lucretia Wintersteen
Box 148. East Peoria,
Illinois



August 25, 1936

Dear Laura Jane;

Time has passed so swiftly this summer that I wouldn't be a bit surprised if you were at home by now.

We have had such a hot summer that it has made lay people out of the best of us, of course I wouldn't want to give you the impression that I am otherwise lazy. Ha!

My cousin and his wife spent ten days here in our hottest weather they returned to Minneapolis just fairly hating Illinois, only to find that it had been just as hot there.

The first of August I worked in a real estate office, taking the place of my cousin while she was on her vacation. It was so much fun. I felt rather important taking dictation

Clayton has just finished a eight weeks summer term at the Illinois State Normal. He is working in a book store at the end and beginning of each semester to earn money for his tuition.

School begins for Laura Jane and Carroll next Monday.

Hope you had a grand vacation in the West. Every time I hear of Oregon, I think of roses as I am told the roses are very beautiful there.

It was so kind of you to invite me to Godfrey to visit you and I am going to try real hard to get there.

Please pardon the lateness of this letter, Laura Jane and I would be delighted to hear from you real soon.

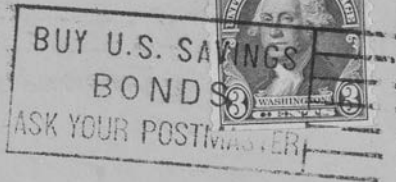
Remember me to your parents

Lovingly
"Luenn"

from her employer. Since it is a insurance office also, I learned how to draw up policies. In my spare moments I could mess around with the typewriter like a child with a toy. The employer told my cousin I would be a good office girl for some one, but nowadays one must have experience to get a position and my age is also against me. Every one wants older help, although at times I feel quite aged.

You asked if I liked music; yes, I certainly do, but I have had no opportunity to develop in that line. To me the music of the typewriter sounds the best, unless you have a noiseless one.

Carroll is working at a Bar-B-Que stand this summer. The people who operate this stand call a plain old hamburger, a "steakburger", and a cheese sandwich, a "cheese-burger". It's all in the name, I guess.



For

Miss Laura Jane Messer
Monticello College
Gadpary
Illinois

HELEN MAUDE JENSEN

Monday

Dearest Latsie,

Yes. really a letter from me.
I'm very much in the mood
for writing you, and I hope it
won't be long before you feel
the same way toward me.

Well, how does it seem to be
back at school? I got down
here Sunday nite about eleven.
The train was late, of course.
Fortunately there was someone
at the station to meet me, otherwise
I don't know how I'd ever have
gotten back to ^{the dorm} school. When
I arrived at the residence - a
spread was in progress - so I
got in an some very delicious
Welsh Rarebit. It seemed nice

wanted to come down
to Montic to see you - and
that he hoped you'd come
to Chicago. That's really quite
a bit for Jimmy to say about
a person because he's quite
noncommittal. What do you
think of him? I think being
in Chi. will polish him a
lot and generally improve
him - don't you? It's fun
to go with, I think.

Oh Leticia, I can hardly
wait for Easter - can you?
Where is your vacation? I
think it's the same time
as ours. I hope so anyway.
We really will have fun
together then, because it
will be warm - and I can

have the car all the time
so we can go for grand long
rides! Remember when we
did that last fall and ate
apples? That was fun.

Of course, I haven't seen
Frankie, but then I never
do. Last week end I stayed
with Gledie at Ardines.
Ardine + Charles went up to
Little Falls, so we were
alone with the baby. She's
so cute. Leticia, I wish you
could see her. You'd love
her, I know.

My room-mate + Margie
Wilson are busy on their geology
rock collections, and they want
the disk. So I'll stop.
Won't you I love you so,
write me? I'll love to. Always
Helen

to see all the girls - but outside of that I wasn't very glad to get back. It's been such a grind - we had to draw a map of Europe in 1815 for History. What cares how Europe looked in 1815 anyway - and especially a medical technician like me.

We have our semester exams the last week of January and I'll tell you - I'm worried. Now you tell me all about yourself!

Jimmy wrote me and said that ~~he~~ he had a very enjoyable ride into Chi. with you and Isobel and even a more enjoyable time when you finally reached Chicago. He also said that he



Sept. 15, 1936
Tuesday

"Lotsie" dear,

Well to begin with
I don't know if you are
back to "Monte" yet or not.
Do write and tell me where
you are. I am sending this
letter home because I know
they ~~shall~~ ^{will} forward it if you
are not there.

You sound as though
you had one marvelous
summer. I do wish I could

"Lottie" darling I think it is lovely of "Gold's" mother to give you some of her music. If I were you I would surely take the music but not play it.

Well my dear I must leave now so I just sign off for the time being.

Loads of love,
Lucy

Write soon.

have been in Klamath Falls with you because I love the country and the beauty of it.

Congratulations my dear for winning first prize at the county fair. I bet you were pleased. I can just see the amazement on your face when the prize was awarded to you.

There really is very little for me to say as all my friends have left for school. I have had one glorious summer and I do hate going back to school. If you should write me after the twenty-third my address will ~~be~~ Rogers Hall, Lowell Mass.



Bayreuth - Villa Wahnfried

Munich, July 11th

Dear Lotze:

We visited at Bayreuth the other day, and were able to get in to hear a dress rehearsal of "Siegfried".

The trip is going well, and we're having a most elegant time. In a week or so we'll go to Switzerland.

Best regards to all the family.

Minna & Homer Ulrich.

Nr 6:07

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HELEN MAUDE JENSEN

Darling Latsie

Monday

Promptness itself! I loved your today's letter so much & I hasten to answer it.

I'm so sorry you've had a cold. This beastly weather everyone's has one it seems. We have been lucky tho, and haven't had any.

I just had the grandest week-end. Friday afternoon about 1:30 I decided I was awfully lonesome for Daddy - so Ethel (my room-mate) & I grabbed the 3 o'clock bus & went up to L.F. No one knew we were coming & Daddy was so pleased and surprised. All we did all week-end was to talk & talk. It seemed so good to see him.

this. Last nite I went
down to St. Olaf to the St.
Olaf-Mac. basketball game
with a Harris Mickelson.
I had a very nice time.
Mac won, incidentally.
You ought to see Harris -
his about six feet two -
has a build like Tarzan.
His captain of the Mac
swimming team and very
honestly but silly and lots
of fun so I enjoy him.

Did I tell you my
marks? 2Bs + 3Cs. Shrimp
not very good - but I was
pretty glad to get them.

I can hardly wait to
see you. Won't we have fun -
even tho we can't be together
very much - we can make the
best of the time when we are.
Can I ride up to L. F. with
you? I'll come up for the

week. and when you're
home.

I am so glad Jimmy
is going to the dance with
you - and I hope you have
a grand time. I always do
when I'm with Jimmy. I hope
you like him as - cuz I
do. I certainly do hope Jim
gets ahead. he has such high
ambitions and ideals. I know
it'll break his faith in every-
thing if he doesn't make good.
Be sure and tell me all
about the evening. won't
you darling? Jimmy's written
that he's so glad he's going.
He thinks you're pretty nice.
Lottie! I saw Frankie last
week - end. We rode up on
the bus together - he asked
what I'd heard from you.
Well sweet, I must hit
the books. Loving you every
always
Bill

Sunday. 7 course, we went
to church. I didn't know your
mother & Dad were down south.
We been wanting to write your
Mother for so long. Where are they
going back to L.F.? You must
have had a grand time
when you went to St. Louis
with them.

Time out - - - - my roommate
just came in from being out
with a fellow & they had an
accident. Gotta hear about it.
Well - no one was hurt - they
drove into the garage door of
the Livery Hotel. I'm glad
I wasn't along. I'm such a
jinx w'd probably all been
killed.

Wed. nite - - - I'm sorry I
left of them - but we had
a spread and I didn't
have a chance to finish

[April 28, 1936]

Mrs. G. F. Waugh

CHESTERFIELD
MENTOR, OHIO

Very dear Laura Jane.

Last night
seems much farther away than
it really is.

And I seem a great ways from
Monticello and even St. Louis.

I enjoyed our yesterday's trip - all
the more for knowing that Mrs. Tobebough
was not going to have to drive back
alone.

Thank you for remembering me

with the candy. I opened it as
soon as I got home this morning
and we all enjoyed it very
much.

Very sincerely yours -

Gene Fraser Waukegan

25 April 1936.

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