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FAMILY
LETTERS
1938

After 5 days, return to
MRS. R. D. MUSSER,
608 Highland Ave.,
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.



Mrs Laura Jane Musser
No 454 Apartment No 8A
Riverside Drive.
New York
N.Y



Cheyenne Wyo. Oct. 19/38
Los Angeles Limited

Dear Sister

I am again a tourist
on my to Casper to be gone from
home for about a week.

Uncle Otis' death was not only
a calamity for his family & friends
but also a real business mis-
fortune for me and a great finan-
cial one for his family also.

I will do all I can for
Chuck Marian & the boys while
I am at Casper.

Thaddeus is at Boulder a
student in the University of
Colorado. He has joined my
fraternity and I am glad
he left off.

We have had such a fine week
to see Chuck Jane & Sally &
they will leave for home next

Nick and we will miss them.
Mary & Roger spent last Sunday
with us. (Mr & Mrs Roberts & Louise
Roberts also came for Sunday.
Louise has a darling daughter &
is a lovely mother.
Mary has been rather lonely in
Minneapolis - which seems to
be different from what you
have experienced -

We all did enjoy ^{reading} your letter
about your trip to West Point &c
& your meeting so many girls
of different races &c.
Mother & I will be quite alone
this fall & winter but the time
will rush along with rapid strides
for we will have much to do
in many ways. Will see Mary
quite often.
We are very much worried

about the Election. If for Oregon, some gain
many fine citizens will leave the state.
We had hoped to say things constructive.
I have been pleased as the record. The Union
of our North West team is making -
I had not see the Union-Mecklenburg game but
doubt not. The work done with Mrs. Mrs. Hart-
man. The spirit yesterday in St. Paul with Sarah M.
Hall & Schuman is good and now winter will
come but with rich home weather with Park
Road it ought to be very comfortable even in
religiously weather.

We will miss our Lottie very
very much all through the year
of her fulling Instruction but
at Christmas we will welcome
her with open hearts and arms.
I think I wrote you of the fine
time we had up in Worcester
Down City & when Cousin Edith
& Dorothy visited us.

Mr. & Mrs. Lamborn purely entertained
us royally on Iowa City our week
a number of fine ladies & men.

My Fraternity Chapter gave me
a honor and for interest taken in
the Chapter.

We do miss your many letters
later than to write as
often as you can

Thank you

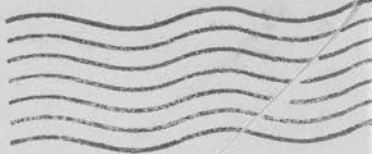
Father

Father.
Hope you like your work
Instructor &c. We know you
will make a grand success
in your Musical Course.

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R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Oct. 5 & 28.

Dearest Lottie.

Mother returned home this noon
and I am of course most happy to
have her home again.

She was sorry to leave you but we
know that if you have a task to perform
whether pleasant or otherwise you know the
will to do it and I am sure you will
adapt yourself nicely to your surroundings.
We miss you a lot and think of
you very often every day; looking forward
with much pleasure to return at Christmas
time. It is very cold & cloudy here today
the first touch of the fall weather.

Our house looks fine with its green
roof. We leave home at 8³⁰ tomorrow.
Thursday for Muscatine when we will
meet Aunt Laura, Aunt Jane & Cousin Sally.
Friday we will go to Iowa City after luncheon
I will go to a dinner of my Fraternity;
home at 6 PM. At 8 PM I will join
Mother & Prof. Mrs. Lambeth at the One Angle
Club & will stay until 10³⁰ PM &

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R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Then go to Muncie.

Saturday Morning we will go to Iowa City & meet Prof & Mrs Lambeth & in the afternoon we will go to the football game & then we will dine with Mr & Mrs Lambeth & spend the evening & night there.

We will return about Tuesday eve with Aunt Jane & Polly.

Mary seems to be having a fine time in Ind.

May room with a Miss Van Eersa of Crook Minn. later on.

Dearest love from all
We are so anxious to get
your letter
Love, Father,

[Dec. 19, 1938]

THE CURTIS HOTEL
MINNEAPOLIS

John Doe.

Has just come in from an all day shopping
orgue and am rather weary but not having heard
from you in two days or more thought I would
send you an air mail tonight for I do want
to know whether you received your reservation
and whether you are leaving on the 21st or
earlier and when to expect you - I thought
surely this morning there would be a letter
but the Postman only led one from Margaret
Taylor and Alice -

I suppose you are very busy getting ready
to leave and wonder whether you are going
back to Mrs. Miller, which of course I hope
you will do, for then you can get away
from people which Virginia Lewis said Mrs.
Wiley Isabel left ^{International House} there, then Mrs. to much
doing constantly and difficult to work -

but this is your year and you must have
to decide what is best - I shall pay Mrs
Miller four smokes in advance anyway because
that was our agreement -

I am counting the hours until you arrive
for I can hardly wait to see my precious
little girl - Mary and Roger are having dinner
with us tonight - We are going up tomorrow -

Grace Anderson was having about Marion
Andersons vic about as you do and
I told her you and she would have
a grand time talking about her. I am
looking forward to learning her in January
I believe the 17th too had her concert
couldn't have been when you are home -

Aunt Laura and Uncle Ned spent the week-end
with us and we had a wonderful visit.
We went to dinner at the J. B. Hotel
yesterday - They drove down last night and
the Aunt Laura at 8 o'clock this A.M.
Daddy is now taking a treatment for the

THE CURTIS HOTEL
MINNEAPOLIS

has had a hard time to throw off his cold
and I am sure Dr. Jettis can help him -
Aunt Sam left this noon for Skutumpah and
Ales for Kansas City -

Aunt M has a grand time this vacation!
Please write me when you leave New York -
A least give me a line and remember
me with best wishes to Mrs. Miller -

December 19th 1938 -

affectionately -
Mother

Air Mail
VIA AIR MAIL



1938



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MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LINDEN HILL

LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA



[Dec. 11, 1938]

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LINDEN HILL

LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Forever my precious - How are you
this beautiful Sabbath morning?
The first thing when I woke up
my thoughts fled to you with my
feeling of love and understanding
and a prayer that all was well
with you -

There hasn't been a minute of
the day when I haven't wished I
could be with you and show you
that deep feeling of love that only
a Mother can feel - There I think

of your being unhappy for a
second I can hardly stand it
but I ~~have~~^{must} always be to tell you
my understanding of situations
which may of course be wrong
but its only fair, and together we
should be able to work out your
difficulties -

As you grow older and are more
mature you will realize one can't
jump too hastily to conclusions -
Take time to send out thoughts of
love to the divine in every one and you
will find life much easier -

M, Daddy and I, are still confined
to the house - This cold certainly
has stuck - Although I did go
out too for a few minutes yesterday
when the sun was high -

I do hope your arm has entirely
healed - If you would get a tube
of Merthylate and rub over the
spots near the infection perhaps
you will be able to stop the boil
from coming -

This is Tracy Mutter before breakfast

the birds are singing and all is
so beautiful around and in just
a short time you will be home
again and how happy we will
be - My little Hoppy Hoppy
Zwei und zwanzig und vier
Monat~~en~~ und sieben Jahre
alt! I love you love you love you

Devotely -

Dec-11th 1938-

Mother -

Love makes from today till to Xmas -

[Dec. 11, 1938]

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LINDEN HILL

LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Lotsie, My precious little Daughter.

How I longed to be with you and
help you last evening - Instead I had
to pray that Our Heavenly Father
would guide you and fill you
with this spirit of harmony and
love - It is always our fault if
we can't be at peace with us - for
we are endeavoring to settle things
the way we want to settle instead
of doing it in the Christ way -
Always know that if someone is

upset with us it is our fault -
A young person doesn't feel that
way because they sometimes don't
realize that their words have hurt
and no matter then, what one does
to fix it if the hurt is still
there - it would be jolly to learn
and go to International House
with that feeling in your soul -
One never matures until one has
learned to conquer ones self -

Mr. Miller knows that this is the
first time in your life you have

be thrown on your own and she
Naturally feels an interest in
those you go into as I would
in her daughter were the positions
reversed -

About this race problem - Both Daddy
and I feel that there are wonderful
Colored people and wonderful Japs &
Chinese and Indians but we also
feel as Brokers Washington did that
the race should develop as a race
and to a power in the world
as the white race is - but not to

intermingle too much - for if there
are inter marriages it means results
in happiness and therefore to kind
and helpful but choose your friends
amongst your own race - Perhaps

Some day you can go as a missionary
or teach in a coloured school but
please as long as m ~~at~~ Lin don't
choose for your closest friends those
of a different race - We are giving
you a wonderful opportunity to
meet a cosmopolitan group and
m shall always long and hope
that you will have the personality

and wishes to pick those who are able
to give you a broader and more idea
of what life shows to on this world -

Daddy has just heard that I have
coughs and said to feel the same
way - I stay awake all night -
He both has been miserable and he
also knows that your infection has
been a very tacking thing for you
so if you want to come home at
once he shall be so happy to have you.

He & Mom love you both so dearly and
are so devoutly anxious that this

Year will be one of the most ^{most} ~~best~~ ^{best} while
you two are here -

The Concert must have been beautiful
All looking forward to hearing her
in January - In Minneapolis -

How so interested in hearing about
Mrs. Ingers' pleasure at the improvement
you are showing and also what
Mrs. Cronin's said about you in
the ear training class -

We can hardly wait for you to
get home - My little Hoppy Hoppy
But Morant's and Sax's tagger
Zwei and Zwanzig Jahre Altes Tochter

Mr. Jensen said to send the check,
book the same day I wrote, but he
is sending another - He may not
have just the correct address on -

Mrs. Avery was here Wednesday and
gave some "Book Reviews" at the Art Club
and she stayed here. She certainly
is a charming person and said
how very much Mrs. Avery liked you
and thought you had a great deal
of ability - It couldn't go out that m.
but had Mr. Mrs. Thompson, Dr. Mrs. Caudwell
& Mrs. Hartman for dinner -

With a heart full of love and
appreciation for our precious
Helen - and know that our
Congress all - "It never fails"

Devotedly - Mother -
December 10th 1938.

December 5th 1938

Very precious -

It was such a delight to be able to talk to you Thursday m or night rather because in the first place I was anxious to know what kind of a holiday you had had and also wanted you to know that m. didn't go to N.C. and it seemed so long since m. had had a letter from you. It was two days to be exact. What you tell me about boils under your arm does upset me and to sure to put mercuriolate on constantly to keep them from spreading - Maybe

that is what the Dr. has suggested.
But that is how we kept him from
spreading also the way we stopped the
Siege Daddy had been having when
he returned from the West a few years
ago - Does it make you feel sick?
Goodness I shall be glad when you
get home - It seems years since
I left you on Oct 3rd in the Station.
But what a wonderful experience
you have had this time -

Your letter came yesterday, Sunday,
so we feel greatly rewarded for
going to the P.O. - We didn't go to
Church because we both still are staying

is on account of our Colds. It looks
as though M. Malcolm is able to get
away this mch. Fiddle -

Mrs Stanley Arvey is coming Wednesday
to give her book Reviews at the Art Club.
She will stay with us -

What a grand time you did have
Thanksgiving and I am so happy
you enjoyed the Panguinetti family.
So much. They certainly or Mary did
a lot for you - I laughed at your
going to sleep at the Movies - your
usual performance - I hope you

You don't do that when you go to
hear Marion Anderson! She doesn't
sing in the city until the middle
of January - She certainly follows
in your wake as you do here -

I should love to see Mary's family
for the must be lovely people - Mr. S.
is a real Italian isn't he for they
are always taught to do everything in
the line of cooking - I can imagine
how delicious the home cooked dinner
tasted to you -

Mary and Noel were such an enthusiastic
letter about you and said how much

the Taylors enjoyed having you at
their home in Cambridge - How
it nice you could see your Monticello
friends at Wellesley -

When Mrs. Miller acknowledged my
check she had such truly things
to say of you it made my
heart rejoice - You are surely
treating my me as I would wish
and I can't tell you how happy
it makes me -

How kind of your Indian friend
to give you the fellowship and

I imagine she likes to show her
appreciation in some way for all
that you have done for her. If
I have an opportunity to go to Mill Lake
I will endeavor to find some trinkets
for your friend Mrs. Higaki but may
not be able to if the winter weather
begins. So far it has been like
late fall. Scarcely any snow -

So you really feel you are
getting somewhere at Millard with
Mrs. Quinn - I am so thankful for
that - It always takes a few months
to really get anywhere with a new teacher.

I gave my Art Talk last Wednesday
and my one was my kind in what
they said - I had worked hard so just
repayed for all of my effort -

Am happy to do found there was
nothing wrong with Betty and that
she was only tired - One has to be
my careful not to take too much
sleep for when one is tired one
has no resistance -

With a heart full of love for my
precious sister Mary Mary
and Daddy joins me in sending love
to you - In two weeks you need to come home

Devotedly
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Sunday Nov 20 1838

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LINDEN HILL

LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

My Precious Kate.

I was so thrilled and delighted with that Excellent letter you wrote conveying your warmest Greetings for me in commemoration of my first day Anniversary of many moons. Then the day afterwards I received your gift. Thank you, my beloved daughter. I will put this card away in my travelling bag so I will have some sweet words to read on my trip. Cousin Charles & I wrote us of the fine visit Margaret and he had with you. ~~They were~~ so pleased with Mrs Miller and thought you were fortunate to have such a fine New York home. Mother is writing you a long & cozy letter so I will close, with my dearest love Father.

November 20th
1938

Lottie Darling -

Ja, Du bist zwei und zwanzig Jahre
alt und fünfmonatig und fünfzehn Tage!
You are my precious little Noppy and
how I do adore your letters and never
before tell you as much as I do
appreciation and I do thank you for
that. I feel years younger because you
are so happy and that is the best way
to repay us by getting all you can,
the best of my thing to advance you
spiritually so that you will be able

to give of that to others - Those who
have seen you recently speak of
how they notice your happiness and
how fast you are maturing and the
fact that you are becoming more
sensitive to others feelings is a grand
thing - You perhaps will never show
any irritation with those who haven't
had the chances you have had such
as Claudia and such like! Your
friends certainly must be my fond
of you as they always have been
to give you so much good advice
for it is only as we all develop

Self Control that we are Masters of any
situations. Daddy is also so Tuffy and
we know that a grand Companion
you will continue to be -

Am interested in hearing your
reaction as to the political situation
in New York State. and also Hitlers
terrible treatment of the jews. It is one
of the worst Calamities that could ever
happen in a civilized Country - Hitler
will suffer just retribution - I wish
as Mrs Wundt does that the german people
would not tolerate this if they could issue

a protest: but their hands are tied.

What an interesting day you must have had visiting the Dodge place - Do you remember the Dodge girl who sat next to me going to Europe and who knitted by the hour, reading at the same time?

I still haven't found out where Marion Anderson is singing - Will send you the program as soon as I know - It was funny to learn of her sister singing with a jazz orchestra -

Well sure you must have enjoyed the Huttigs - They spoke of how well & happy you are and they liked Mrs Miller so much - How nice to hear N. 1).

Visit you. Did you enjoy her as much
as you formerly did?

I received a long letter from Miss
Coy and she spoke of how much she
had enjoyed being with you. -
You will be happy I know to hear
Miss Howell in the apartment -

The McVearys are here for dinner
today and we had a nice visit with
them. Patricia sang so sweetly. - Think
some day she will have a long voice
We are having a snow storm, the first
practically this fall. - We have had a

Beautiful day too - I played golf yesterday
and I was too warm with a jacket -
Please tell me about what you

are studying in piano - Why aren't
you taking Composition? What else
are you studying at Juillard?

Please answer my question about collecting
albums - or is there anything else
you would rather have?

Ellery is bringing the Crosby girl home
for Thanksgiving - I imagine in his
car the Sandhills & Fred Adels. Are
you going to to meet Mary Sagmeister?

The Choir put on a silly little skit
Last 3m. in the gym - There has been
so much going on I have a difficult
time trying to study my subject ⁱⁿ Pictures
for the Child Interest Club -

Am miles from today due to Christmas
and can hardly wait to see you
and can you come again —
I expect to Mother -

Remember me to Mrs. Miller - Miss Cory & the
Bryghams - I wish Betty would write to me -



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LITTLE FALLS

MINNESOTA



Nov. 9 - 1935

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

My precious Lotie.

Ja, see bis neu and zwanzig
Jahre alt und sehr tugend! So does that
sound natural?

Your Darling letter was most welcome
and you just don't know how Daddy
and I rejoice over your happiness and
the knowledge that you are getting just
what you seem to want both musically
and in your contacts - Your friends
are certainly an international group
and you may find that will make
a difference with any American group

You would enjoy being with, but that is something that you will have to make out your self for I appreciate so much your deep feeling for any of God's children regardless of race or class -

I can't understand why you didn't get my letter for it was sent the same time I sent the check to Mrs Miller and she wrote the same day that you did and had had my letter for a couple of days - Did you 3m receive mine? I told you how I loved the handkerchief and the beautiful flowered glasses which you and Mary sent - You certainly were very thoughtful of your mother

and I do appreciate any thing so much - See me that Miss Swin says I your piano and do too me that you are taking me piano and also that is comfortable - As to buying you priced some from Peruca, I couldn't afford it and the I can't afford enough to want you. Milton says on the floor for your time wait my long at home - Perhaps the could come some other time - but I would go a little store for this life so and for how so different from yours they might not find happy in these a different environment. I do hope you are not knowing any

further trouble with your ankle. -

We are all excited over the Election -
Hessie won with a Land slide so that
everyone feels happy about that.

You spoke of the Radio broadcast a
mb ago Sunday - Yes, Mr Laidall Called
and told Daddy to go to the Radio at
once - A terrible Catastrophe had occurred
in New Jersey - a section struck
near New York and everyone was in
a panic - I went right to the Radio
and realized at once it was a
dramatization of something and then
Dr J. B. Called and said that some-
thing so I listened in longer and

it said "there must be a 100000 people
in New York running to Times Square!
and right then declared it to be a
dramatization of H. G. Wells "War of the
Worlds" — The papers were full of it the
next day — It shows how quickly an
Entire Nation can go wild and of course
I find it is because of a lack of belief
in God —

Did you send my note to Miss Cog?
She certainly is dear to you, I hope you
do for her too — Also for Mrs Miller once
in a while —

I can imagine how glad the Bingham

are to Lan Mayan back - the concert
you took much Pity to must have been
good - Some one else than speaking of
this young violinist recently, hearing
him on the radio -

It is wonderful for you to hear
you can hear so much that is so fine
in music -

Mary is coming home tomorrow forth
with - and - I am going down to get her
and Roger will come up Saturday to the
two each Sunday - She has no classes
Friday or Saturday? This week - the Anglo
Examinations are so much more difficult
at the U. than any she has had

before and she does know that - that
they are objection and her own choice but
objection -

I have heard nothing more about Maudie
Maudie but shall buy my ticket for
the course (Mrs Scott) tomorrow and then
they is able to tell you more about it.

As yet in two weeks so there are -
I played yesterday morning not Regina -
Monday will be Daddy's birthday and Mr.
and young to the kitchen for dinner.
As for what there is to make young
by her constantly - Mr. R. W. Reginaldson must

Daddy to go West with him last week.
In meetings of some of the Companies but
Daddy didn't want to leave home again,
just now — and it wasn't necessary.

Be sure and tell me what you
want for Christmas. What did you
think of starting your Ailors?

A heart full of love for my
Darling "Lotus Pottery" I'm my love
to the Bingham — how do they (as) feel
about Schuman's victory in New York?

Affectionately —
Mother.



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[Nov. 1, 1938]

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

My precious Lotzi ("Mopsy Mopsy")!

My birthday is over and yet it isn't
"Neun und fünfzig" Jahre alt und zinstig!

Your letter was such a joy as all of
them can be and you just don't know
how Daddy and I rejoice that you are
so happy and getting so much out of your
year in New York - You show it has

so many truly friends and that means
too, that you are throwing yourself into
the lives of others and forgetting yourself
which is the only sure means of happiness.
And how I love the beautiful handwriting

You enclosed in your letter - It is
Laud Embroidered - Did you do it? or
one of your friends? The small flowered
glasses you and Mary sent me from
Andersons are on the breakfast table
when I come down and are so lovely -
They can be used for fruit - tomato
juice or water and how I do love them.
You certainly are very thoughtful of your
Mamma and I thank you many many times.

It pleases me so too that you are
trying your work so much at
millinery and like this kind - it
surely is nice of her to take such
an interest and introducing you

to her friends -

I was interested in hearing about your
friends at International House and that you
enjoy the Baltimore boy. Miss Robinson - you
think are making those fine contacts -
but I do think you are wise to stay where
you are and not try to move next semester
for it means so much to her & soon
to yourself as long as you are there all so
much -

What Jane and Sally left for Thursday
morning and then within me in my bag to
let me know they are safe and happy.

the trip. They spent last Saturday night
with the Gellihues in Mussoorie and wrote
of their lovely home and of how my pretty
little Helen is and how fine looking Bob
is - and that they like it there very much -

We have had the most remarkable
weather - Our first frost which usually
comes in September only came two days
ago so that we have been able to pick
flowers from the garden right along -

You perhaps would like to hear what
I received for my birthday - Beautiful
rides - Aunt Jane & Sally - Chrysanthemums - daffs
so large. I have never seen more beautiful
just dozens beautiful daffs Aunt Jane

and Bill - a bowl which looks like
a fish bowl from Alice but is for
flowers - the flowers are put in and
then filled with water - my Tony - two
long China vases from Arlome & Regina.
handkerchiefs from Mrs. Rich - a
beautiful plant from Mrs. Woodward & long
then the usual coffee cake & Conserve from
the Sandahls - a birthday cake from the girls.
So it was just like Christmas - Please
when you write tell me what you would
like for Xmas - Mary has picked out
a beautiful pattern of silver (for the kitchen etc.)

to get started now - I picked out a
beautiful pattern for you at the same
time so that in case you would like
to begin - Yours is King Richard and
I can't remember hers -

How about your music magazine -
There are no new ones - you don't
want me to send all of those old ones
do you? I haven't seen anything about
Marion Anderson to add to your clippings.

I think it would be lovely for you to
spend Thanksgiving with Mary Laigneum.
And a mk - 3rd some time with Margaret.
You are so busy it would be difficult
for you to then go to a mk - 3rd Mallix.

it? I am thrilled you will be able to get
away a little early so as to reach home
by the 23rd? We can hardly wait for you
to come home - just about eleven months now!
I think Mary has and she seems
very happy now - so enjoying pretty much
a lot and I know the more of Roger -
they will both be by for next week - and I think
I shall be very busy now for a few months
getting ready for my 'talk' on 'Pectin' at the
Child Welfare Club -
See you out soon for good - This you

Please put Mary Coy's address on
the enclosed letter -

A heart full of love for my darling
lots - — Devotedly Mother -

Nov - 1st / 1938

VIA AIR MAIL

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LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

[Oct. 25, 1938]

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

My precious littleopsy daughter!

Your letters are a perfect joy to
all of us for it looks as though
you are happy and that's the thing
Daddy and I want most in life.
Your work at Juillard seems to
be just what you want and are
glad if Miss Finney is more or less
like Miss Ulrich in her teaching.
You haven't said anything as to
Composition - What are you doing

along that line? - You are so
darling about answering all of
my questions and now your Mother
is sleeping and growing is awfully
because I don't worry about you or Mary!

This is a glorious day - Dad is putting
on the storm windows - Aunt Sam & Ed
are reading and M. Phil is going
to a luncheon at Mrs Hartman's house.
M. Certainly can be gay - My mother
has entertained for them and M.
can hardly look good in the face!
Two or three days ago a blank

And Sam addressed to me from A. Paul. - It
pleased to me greatly it might be from
John M. Mason to this morning I called
him and the people they ran a baby
by the fact. Showing 7 1/2 pounds. It's
by name - John and so it is to forget
to write to the Card -

You certainly are busy all day but are
glad you are now taking me for tomorrow
and hope you are getting the people for
and giving it to all of the time -
The family box came with just the books

am returning it and have put in
Blankets - box Kleenex - 9 pins - Rinses
3 bars bath soap - 2 dresses Scarfs -
Wash Cloths - Towels - ~~bed towels~~ ink-
Kodak ² pillows - 2 black dresses ^{brownies} -
The Lat will be sent & some bath towels -
the pink sweater & brown jacket & Lat will
also in the laundry box -

What fun you are having at your
parties at Julliard and International House.
The boys sound as though they might
be interesting and the Chinese boy whose
father was English teacher to the Youtans
ought to contribute to your interesting
times -

I am sure you also must enjoy

Miss Newell - I would be slow about
making any arrangements to take an
apartment with anyone for you will
not be nearly as independent as
now or as happy as you are
now you have your contacts - all
you want - and have a quiet place
to return to where you are not dis-
turbed - which wouldn't be the case
where you share an apartment with
anyone -

Aunt Jane and Sally are leaving
Thursday by car for home and
I do hope the nice weather lasts

Mr Mel certainly miss them awfully -
Daddy wont be home until Thursday
the day they leave -

Sunday Aunt Jane, Sally & I drove to
Cloquet for dinner and Mrs Nees McHain
Anne & Irving & Ruth me there - Poor
little Anne - She asked my particularly
after you as did Mrs Nees - She can
help with help but it is so pitiful
but she has such a darling face -
She just sits in one position - Can
hardly turn her head but her mind
is very keen - So write her sometimes
She would be so thrilled to hear

from you and what you are doing - She
studies right along and keeps up. She is
years old and my mother - She me
know the pattern give and that is terrible
to except she doesn't make's how she
afflicts other people but so my help and
sally devoted all her own or take to her -
There was a card show show on there
but we can see none -

This time the Mel Nelsons Catherine has been
program - the logo said that this boy
had enjoyed you so much -
I want to say darling sister - Aunt Jane
& Sally send them too - Remember me to the Nees

I do hope her hand is alright now -

Devotedly -

October 25th 1928 -

Mother -



Miss Laura Jane Musser
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Apt 8. Q.

MRS. R. D. MUSSER -



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LINDEN HILL

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LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

[Oct. 20, 1938]

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Forever Darling -

Why don't you write? Don't become
so involved with your foreigners that
you forget you have a family!

The Laundry box hasn't come as yet
so I am not sending anything until
it comes. Don't forget my book people
in Egypt! The express will be paid
at this end!

A letter from Betty telling me of
how happy you are and of how dear
you look which delighted me -

I hope you are getting to bed Early
and also that you are eating the
right things - Have you prepared
your own breakfasts at all or did
you lag in a trifle? Don't forget
to be very thoughtful of Mrs Miller
and I do hope you take her out
for walks or Concerts for you are
very lucky to have such a nice
house to stay in - They are far
and few between and getting th
rarer for so little is a boon for
they are hard to find in New York.
One has to be very thoughtful of
a person like Mrs Miller for

she has suffered much - So too other poor
ladies?
What do you think now! Mrs Anderson
is staying in Minneapolis this winter
so she won't just tell me and wonder
the better music course - so I. Course
I shall hear her too - I don't know
just where - but will find out tomorrow
then I say how season tickets for the
winter -
Mary and Ryan me up last week and said
Ryan wanted to visit to you - did you
the visit time about the others?
Grand name and really so I am on the moon

Constantly something my day -

I am going to see about whether
you can get an absentee ballot so
that you can vote for Thomas - that
was 1500 to hear him last night at
the High School - He was my Jim -
I saw Helen Maude and she was so
happy to hear from you and
delighted you were enjoying your life
in New York -

Daddy is in Casper - Will be back
next Mon. Wednesday - Sally & Aunt Jane
are leaving next Thursday - Our flowers
have been so beautiful but expect

th first any right now -

You don't know how I miss you
but how thrilled I am you are so
happy. Please write me all about
your work at jailbird -

Devotely -
Mother

Remembers me to Mrs Miller -

October 20th 1938



Mrs Laura Jane Wheeler
454 Riverside Drive
New York City

Aft-8a -

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LINDEN HILL

LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

[Oct. 14, 1938]

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LINDEN HILL

LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Lois Dearest -

Well if I wasn't Laffy to get your letter yesterday and to learn that you are getting along so Laffely and well - that you like Mrs. Miller so much - and can such good visits together - Your room must be so cozy and are there any other roomers? If Miss Linn doesn't make out alright you can always ask for some one else - As to practicing 4 hours a day - you probably will any way because at home four hours was nothing

to you and my other you would work
6 hours. Perhaps it will be a little
more difficult with all of the rest of
your work. Please tell me what you
are taking in piano and what the
stresses! Also about all of your
other classes. For you know I am
quite interested.!! Are glad you
are singing in Chorus. Did you
have to try out for it? and do
you sing Alto? -

I am also very happy that you
belong to International House and
that you are meeting so many
interesting people and having so

Many Delightful Experiences -

So Marion Anderson is to sing
Dec 8th! Well I am certainly glad
for you for I feared if she didn't
your interest in New York might wane!
As to my going on I fear I will
not be able to for that is the one
I am to be in Kansas City but do
keep me posted as to when she will
sing in the West and where -

You certainly are meeting many
interesting people and will become
quite an Internationalist before long -
You didn't tell me much about Joabell

Lewis - he just nothing - Please tell
me about her and whether you will
see much of her. And glad you enjoyed
Mary Cox - Who is Martha Graham?
And how pleased Betty is interested and
that you are seeing her often or at
least talking to her on the phone. And
glad you are taking them out for dinner!
So you have a couple of new you
hope to see. That all adds interest
to the scheme of Forests! How did
you like West Point?

Your Canadian boy Lucian comes. Don't
forget to put my books in "Joseph
and his Brothers" - Ask you had better
get them for it might break in transit

Will endeavor to send the other things.

Aunt Jane and Sally are in Muscatine with us and its grand having them with us now. We had a wonderful time in Iowa City with the Lamberts and also with Aunt Laura & Uncle Will in Muscatine. All are so interested in hearing about you and thought it a grand place for you to be - Please answer all questions - Oh yes - I must run to Dear Catherine Van Buren last M. - just heard two numbers from the one at the Lindsells in dinner - Mrs. Van B. is tiny - loved

Come to about my neck. I make
and a nice personality with a
my truly Lyric Soprano. Will include
her program - a tall darkly accompanied
her. The Church was full -

Now I must stop - a heart full
of love to my "Gloppy Moppety" -
devoted Mother -

Oct - 14th 1938 -

Mary's address is 2112 Humboldt Ave.
Minneapolis -

Muscatine Iowa.

Oct. 9, 1938

Letter precious -

You have no idea how
happy I was after talking
to you Tuesday from
Chicago for your voice
sounded so "glad" that
I knew then you were
in the right place -

I reached home Wednesday
noon and Daddy & Hebe &

The girls all gave me
a warm welcome. In
the afternoon I attended
Child Interest Club at
Regina and all the
women were so interested
in hearing about your
Loving One admitted to
that difficult institution.
And I let them think so -
In the morning Daddy
went to the J. B. Hotel

To cards and I told Regina & Catherine
to be there also the girls Pauline
Helen & Clara. It was most interesting
to see it is Tuesday morning
Daddy & I too have a good city
in two days and have had a
delightful time - then just returned -
Cous John & Sally arrived Friday in
and in pretty time after their
long auto trip - Sally did most

of the driving - My one here
is so interested in hearing
about your adventures in
New York and think it a
grand performance —

Also that you have such
a nice place to stay.

I did hope I should have
a letter from you here.
But I expect you have
been very busy getting
started with my thing -
All anyone to hear

About Isabel Ferris and
also how you enjoyed
your visiting with Miss Coy.

I talked to Miss Adams
on the phone when I
arrived here Thursday m.
Mrs. Adams seemed so
cheerful - she was delighted
to hear about your being
in New York and felt
it was just the place
for you - Said your

Transcripts had been sent
several days ago - Hope
Julia had received them
and that they were
satisfactory - said how
much she cared for
you etc -

Aunt Laura is fine
and my one here sends
their love -

We are leaving for
home day after tomorrow

So please write at once if you
haven't already -
Reminds me to Mrs Miller
that a least free of
Mortis.
Lately's cold is better -
October 9th 1938.



Mrs. Laura Jane Musser

454 Riverside Drive

New York City

Apt 8A. % Mrs. Miller -

From Mrs R. D. Musser
Little Falls
Minn.

Chicago Union Station
October 4th 1938.

My precious totie - "Nappy" & "Hoffy"!

Here I am back in Chicago
and Oh! how lonely I am but
then again Oh! so happy to know
that you are going to have such
a grand winter and what
wonder if I get to be able to
be there with you - didn't we
have a grand time together and
you haven't been out of my mind
one instant since I left you -

I dreamed about you here -

I hope you are not too tired
to enjoy the evening with me.

Phry - I wonder what you did
and Mrs Betty with you? Didn't
Betty look as though she had
just stepped out of Vogue?
She certainly looked darling -
By this time your trunk is
unpacked and order again
reigns in your room as
it always does - Your piano
is tuned and I do hope
it will be O. K.

Mrs Miller is so dear and you
will have a delightful time with
her I am sure and I shall
think of your tiny room and
the beautiful view you have

of the Long Hudson River with boats
frowns all over the world flying
up and down - Also the Continuum
Stream of Autos going back & forth.

I left my books "Joseph and
His Brothers" on your table -
Will you send your laundry
boy back with any soiled
clothes or things you want be
using and these books and I will
return it with blanket & Comforter -
and anything else you want
Soap etc -

All you have to do is call
the Amer-Express Co - and they
will come & get it and we
will pay at our end.
Love for some news

Miriam Ulrich is going to marry
a Mr. Wagner in Berlin and
will stay over there - What do
you think of that In a quick
Courtship - I called Miriam this
a. M. - and she told me - thought
it wonderful you were at
Julien's - Said to visit Miriam
of Berliner Hof - ¹⁸ Kaiser Augustus
Strasse - Berlin - Germany -
You had better also put of Mr Wagner.

I have had my lunch at the
Harvey Restaurant and will now
go to a Movie - My how I do
love my film and please write
me as soon as possible of Aunt
Laura in Muscatine - I will.
Write often - Her love letter continues

Wanna-

Remember me to Mrs Miller -
a heart full of love to "one in
a million"! "Total Pottery Muses"
Can imagine how clean you must
be in a different dress!

Devotedly -

Mother -

See Mrs Miller how much I
appreciated being with her and
leaving you in such a
long home -

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

June 23rd 1938

John Darling.

You don't know how happy
I am that you wrote me
such a Darling letter, telling
me everything I wanted to
know. And I delighted you
and Mary Ann had such
an interesting and successful
trip so far, but can imagine
how disagreeable the day
coaches must have been from
Solids to Elysia but so
happy the Oberlin visit

was so successful - & if
you decide to go to Oberlin
that will be fine and think
you talk with the Registrar
was most satisfactory - And
enclosing the only Kodak I
could find - One that Pauline
had in a frame and she
didn't like to give it up - but
I told her I would give her
another later on -

The house was so lonely
after you and Mary left and
both Daddy & I feel like making
and we all feel better to have
again a "Good by" on the

trucks - We made good time didn't we? So on Condon's
get across the tracks at the bridge until you
have no gas and we don't know where to go
before we come to the old road which was
across the tracks - You both looked nervous
and lost & happy meeting there and so on -

Just better -
We had a hard thunder storm the night you
left while left to attend there were nothing
there before - Pleased in my tournament with
him myself and I guess that was what we

So hot and exhausted when
it was over I could hardly
move out of the chair lounge
on the porch all day - Mr
Max to the dinner at the
Club and several asked
after you and Mary and
we surprised to learn that
you had both left. They
all think Mary a lovely girl
and grand for you two
girls to be such good
friends - We played Infinite
Contract afterwards and Daddy
and I were low of the Norths
& Souths - Lucille Brown and
Patsy won the prize as did

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Mrs. Fordahl and Mrs. Sylvestre
In East & West -

Uncle Maxon, Dick, Shad and
Beas got home about 10 P.M.
Shad has flunked in 3
Subjects and if he goes
back it will have to be as
a freshman. Of course he
was very much chagrined.
Dick passed everything -

Marion & Carl were married
Wednesday at 2:30 P.M. and
it was a very simple
service - Helen had decorated

the little Church with pines
and pines - and used the
Cathedral Candles left from
the wedding - the Marion,
looked darling in a sweet
white Crepe dress & veil -

Yesterday Aunt Marion & I
also took drive to the City
and when I was taking my
treatment a hard thunder
storm was in progress and
I felt queer but he, & yet, all,
said there was no danger -

The Barbizon-Playa
Hotel is not just for women

for the men matter -

There is nothing to take this - so much
for the you my precious Alice and Mary &
Margaret - there is so much more to hear about
Edward & Neel - Bertha's -
Mother -



VIA AIR MAIL

W22
Miss Laura Jane Musser
% Mr. Barbazon - Plaza Hotel
59th Street Apt.
New York City.

From Mrs. R. D. Musser

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

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MINNESOTA

MISS LAURA JANE MUSSER
MONTICELLO COLLEGE
GODFREY ILLINOIS

WHEN DO YOU ARRIVE TULSA? AM ANXIOUS TO SEE YOU. WILL MEET
TRAIN IF CAN GET AWAY FROM OFFICE. PLEASE WIRE DAY AND TIME.

SARA ANN

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Love Darling.

Maybe I wasn't happy to get
your note this morning and but
Mr. for my thoughts have been
with you my second since you
left and that Mr. Daddy went
to the Woodworths and I sat
alone at home waiting to hear
from you and at 10 it came
and I could go to bed relieved.
The note came from Solids -
I have to anyone to hear about
your trip and what you did
in Chicago and whether

you are able to get off at
125th Street. Also about your
trunk -

I am sending your laundry
boy with all of your new
shoes and my only silver
fox fur which I think you
will want to use if you wear
your good looking reserped
foxing coat. To do it has
fixed the tail so it looks
like new. Please don't lose it!

We are still having grey
days and 32 above -
The house is certainly lonely
and how I do miss my

Freeman with her fellows up to 12. M. I bought
to a big night for you and I shall think
of you being introduced between 11.2 -!
Perhaps we can get it on the Radio -
Yesterday I had to visit Church Club at
the Church. There are only about 30 out - there
were no one there for left. We go out
soon for a walk and talk - He is making
up pictures -
I am Melbourne and a day or two since about

Flood me for it is so
much more than you expected
it would be - Please check
it over - You and Roosevelt
had better get together and see
what you can do about this
spending spree! Tell my
precious little daughter you
did it all from Tom and you
made many people very happy -
but I do think when you have
many articles to buy you
must take a pencil & paper
and keep within a certain
amount - for my pocket book
is limited! You can always

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINNESOTA

Now my careful about your
expenses so do keep it
up and try and keep
within your allowance of
\$75⁰⁰ a month - Which perhaps
you can for I am paying
for your room - board & tuition.
That is why I am anxious
for you to keep an accurate
expense account so that
I will always know what
to deposit for board -
I am my best to Mrs Miller

and Maude Coy & Betty B-
will mit to Betty soon
So I did too her letter -
Also my love to Betty & Maude Phyllis.

How I do love you my
Darling Child —

Devotedly -

Mother -

You are so Darling the entire
Vacation - It made us
all very happy -

Jan 6 1938 -

The Ford and Taylor bill is \$1.70
Off so I am making the
check for \$120.59 and

You can take it in to the store and pay the
bill with enclosed check. and show them the
mistake in your statement of \$1.70 - You need
have to take it to the accounting dept.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
% Monticello College
P.O. Box 122

ROSSER

608 HIGHLAND AVENUE

LITTLE FALLS

MINNESOTA

MRS. R. D. H

March 5th - 1938

Lottie Darling -

Just a note for there isn't much
to write about. You just don't know how
I and m all miss our precious Lottie.

I was so lonely going home and how
I did hate to say 'goodby' to you that
afternoon - and Daddy and I have been
jumping any time the phone rang
hoping it was a Mrs saying you
had arrived safely but I guess you
must have forgotten entirely so I
may call you up tonight -

Am spending today in bed - thought I was
coming down with a cold but it gone
now - The sun is bright outside and
Thursday night and all day yesterday
it snowed so it looks so white and
beautiful outside and as though winter
had just begun! - Kate is here
right beside me, basking at my feet
and looking expectantly my few minutes
to Mr. whether I am going to take her
for a walk -

Jim made good time on our return
trip and I had just time to comb my
hair and change my dress and get
on at 6:30. In fact I beat the

schedule -

Am so eager to hear what your reactions
are after the second visit to Northcote -
hope you don't deem the storm but in the time
to love it for I think it is a beauty. Deep
the are about the baby and otherwise well & happy
which - and my precious Mary Sacquette -
Also tell me about the other girl whom I know -
and this dear - and Jim there see my best -
miles -

Did you have a nice time with Dad?

and when did you have dinner? I was so
surprised to find Helen W. and Jim B. at the
table in front of the house - you just don't

Know how much I love my Sisters
and how we have a long trip together!

The girls decided they wouldn't
be swimming - devotedly -
Mother

R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
No 454 - Hartman St. A.
Riverside Drive
New York, N.Y.

R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Sunday Nov. 13 38

Dearest Lottie.

Mary has just left for Minneapolis after having a fine time with us here at home since last Thursday evening when she came home with Mother Mrs. Rosenberg & Mrs. Lunde on a trip to Mpls that Mother made to get Mary.

Mary went looking nice or kept her hair more becomingly. Roger & I came up from Mpls yesterday afternoon & left today with Mary.

We are all so extremely happy over the glorious results of the last ~~election~~ election in many of our important States but more particularly for our deliverance for our Communities and rapacious Benson administration.

No one thought Harold Stassen would win by a very large Majority but his vote kept mounting up and up until it exceeds the ~~former~~ vote for Benson by around 28000 Majority.

All of the Republican Candidates for State office were elected by a big vote and the Warped Labor party lost four Congressmen. So they have only one Congressman left. They still have a Senator at Washington.

Morrison gave a big vote in favor of the Republican ticket.

Re-elected State Senator Miller & defeated any upstartish useless rubber stamp of Dawson's who has served in the State House of Representatives for some time to the injury of this district. Frank Maran is so pleased that Wyoming went Republican and ousted the Real Democrats.

My old friend of mine Frank Horton who has one of the finest deer ranches in Wyoming was elected to Congress on the Republican ticket.

Spad Dawson been re-elected and with the help of a servile legislature (which I long be he did not get) no business man or man with any means could have contemplated to reside in this State for the Machine back of and in control of the Governor Dawson would have secured & taxed every industry out of existence. President Roosevelt can't be so dictatorial with the new Congress that is the result of the recent election and he also can not continue with his profligate spending. A.W.P.A. project is working on a fish

R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

hatchery project which as you know takes in our pond.

They had plans made for a new dam to replace the one Uncle Charles + I put in.

They delay the work on the dam until it has gotten so cold that the ice and winter problems will make a trifling undertaking as much costly one.

The young girls and boys did their early winter skating on our pond but there is no water in it and will not be for some time. So that fun is spoiled.

It is quite true that what is prominent outside the Park Office and a few other things is no body's business.

We do so enjoy letters immensely.

You are surely handling your problems wonderfully well and it is ^{very} gratifying to us to know that you are so accomplished and so

capable. I am sure I would enjoy knowing Mrs. Miller from the fine letter. She has written mother. Ever since I returned from Cooper just

the day after Aunt Jane + Sally I left we have been busy socially & in every other way

Last Night Mr & Mrs Hertmann gave a very nice Dinner for 16 guests.

We had a splendid time playing Contract & I got two beautiful handkerchiefs for a prize. Tonight Mrs J B Walsh & I celebrate our Annual Anniversary.

Mother is giving a Dinner for just our Duplicate Card Club.

It just seems ages since you left & we are counting the days when our Latsie will come marching home again.

Dearest Love
Father.

Mother took Aunt Gae & Jane M & Mabel today for a change for them.