



Laura Jane Musser and
Family Papers.

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Please forward -



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Box 2268..

Tucson, Arizona.

January 21. 1939.



Dear Cousin Laura Jane;

So sorry not
to tell you how much I
enjoyed your card and note
at Christmas while you were
home, but I was too busy
to write!

What a wonderful
time you are having and I

do hope you enjoy your work.

We have had a strenuous winter, so many social activities and club work but a busy life is a happy one!

 Dorothy is working on the Regional Zoning Committee, trying to keep Tucson sweetest.

She is also on the Board of the Little Theater which she enjoys very much. They are putting on "It Can't Happen Here" the latter part of January -

We have had two lovely musical treats. The Curtis Quartette which was

wonderful, and The Don Cossack
Choir - do not miss it when it
gets to New York - you will love it!
they sing and dance - are most
gracious and Educated Russians
in exile, they headquarters in
Paris -

Hope to see you again next
summer, your family are very
dear to us - Shortly finish me
in love - Please write me again -
your loving cousin Edith,



Miss Laura Jane Musser.

The Parnassus Club

West 115th Street

New York City,

New York.

Box 2268.

Tucson - Arizona,

Dear Laura Jane—

A long way from
Minnesota and the happy
Mussers—

Am wondering what
sort of a winter you are
having, please write me a
letter—

We are both well, busy
and happy— Lovingly joins
me in love and a holiday
full of cheer and happiness

Dorothy—

Cousin Edith,

[Mrs. William Mussers]

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls
Minnesota



James M. Taylor
The Choate School
Wallingford, Conn.

THE CHOATE SCHOOL
WALLINGFORD, CONNECTICUT

September 13, 1939

Dear Lotsie:

At last the end of summer school draws in sight, and my delight is positively juvenile, and far too obvious. It has been quite a grind; besides, I'm anxious to start my regular work and assume my new duties.

The other night, Saturday, I took a bunch of boys to the movies, and we saw none other than ye "Wizard of Oz." I really enjoyed it very much although it was admittedly not up to the book. There were efforts at modern colloquialism which were absolutely inane. On the other hand, I was completely captivated by Bolger's "Scarecrow." I don't believe Baum could have done better had he done the casting. I loved the music and didn't feel that it hurt the story any. A real "Oz" fan would have omitted the modern touches, but I think the picture was quite adequate. You have doubtless seen it too, and I shall be much interested in your opinion.

I certainly enjoyed my visit with you, this summer, short though it was. I did have a feeling, though, that I might easily have been the straw that broke the camel's back.

I've never seen a house so near to bursting. You and your family simply had to walk with care in your halls just to avoid trampling down the various members of the human race who were all around you.

I invaded Casper on my way back, so the Walkers had to hide all their silver and take up the bathroom rugs. Dick was just recovering from his operation, but I imagine that I probably set him back again, about two weeks. Actually though, he was coming along in grand shape.

Dad's reports on business at home have been much more encouraging than they ever used to be. I do hope he gets a break, now. There was a very bad forest fire this summer, but he apparently pulled through in better shape than we expected.

Love to all the family + Millions of good wishes to Mary ~~to~~ + Roger !!

Love,
Jim

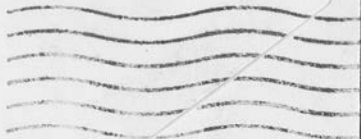
P.S. Hope we have better contact luck, this year.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
~~Little Falls~~
~~Minnesota~~

454 Riverside Drive
New York City

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Dear Lotaie -

We did appreciate
your telegram so much -
It does help to feel and
have the thoughts of those
who knew and loved
Mother - and I know it was
a blow to you, too - It still

seems absolutely unbelievable -
but she will never really
leave us - and it was
the way she wanted to go.

Dad's simply wonderful -
It keeps all of us.

We're going to keep the
house as it is - going
in weekends.

This is just a note
to bring our love, Hattie -
I find I've still not the
address of the Friellard -
or your apartment - so
I've sent this to your home
to be forwarded.

Much love,

Sally.

Jan. 30th



Miss Laura Jane Meuser
~~Little Falls,~~
~~Minnesota~~

Box 115th Street
Parnassus Club
New York City.

~~Please forward~~ ~~to~~ ~~Miss~~ ~~Meuser~~

1410 Pacific Terrace

Klamath Falls Ore



NEW YORK, N.Y.



To
Lotsie de Patsie
Three thousand miles away
(But not at all in spirit)
We say hi ho! Good Days! *

I suppose you're getting settled
But it must take quite a while
After all the past excitement.
The todos and turmoil.

a letter from your Mother
Described the wedding fully.
It sounded all quite perfect.
Said you looked simply bully. **

From beginning to end, outside & in.
Bride and groom, attendants - all
Could it have been more beautiful.
(I saw it in my crystal ball)

I imagine you're happy to get
Reorganized once more
and back in the swim again
of the musical life and score

(* It's nearly night.
Patsie's absence? Right!
Unless the parts
know it)

** - Bully means lovely.
STA Dictionary

as you find it in New York.
Hope you've found a nice place to dwell
That you're having lots of fun
And all is well!

your letter last was elegant.
We're well and flourishing, thanks.
Dad's in the city - Auntie at home
and in Marshfield he's plotting pranks.
I'm deserted quite at the moment
But planning future moves.
What are those things
« Called grooves?

My successor has arrived
To take over in my work.
I rather hate to give it up -
This leisure I don't shirk!

It has been fun. glad we were here -
and we'll be back and forth quite a lot.
It's two sixty seven miles driving
(not straight for two in a spot)

The country is stunning.
The coast very grand.
Rugged and Main like.
Few beaches of sand.

Must have been "What do this thing
called love" at that point!

Auntie and I motored over
one weekend - Dad couldn't go.
'Twas certainly good to see her -
He is a pretty nice Joe!

He'd join me in love
To Hotsie de P.

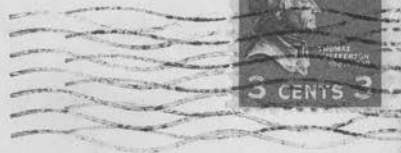
If he were around.
Much comes from me.

Do let me in on the news
When time permits.

It is amazing
The way it fits!

* These words were composed to the radio's
about which I had not the say.
So the rhythm fits the "Three little fishes"
In spots. to the "Green Hills Faraway"!

And best ever, Hotsie,
Sally.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
~~Little Falls~~
~~Minnesota~~

454 Riverside Drive
New York City

Oct 8 C





Lotsie de Potsie of Julyard

Greetings from an atrocious bard!

(But bard she must - despite the Muse

Whose favors she is e'er refused.

And, too, despite the fact that she

Is owed a letter from L.de Potsie)

And now that you're breathing the Muses real air

Wilt thou descend to ^{my} simple fare lair?

Rhetorical question p I see you fit both

Places indeed - and I am not loth

To hear of your life in Julyard

So take the hint and do try hard

To find a ~~see~~ in your busy(daze) days

And into your hours let me gaze.

In the meantime I've gathered you're having fun

And manage to get a lot of things done

Which is elegant, swell and snazzy (to be

Shakesperean in my descrip. quality)

I'm woiking now at the lumber mill

A regular sec'y. - and will be until

Lester de Pester is located perm.

At least I will if its oke by the firm.

We will live in a cabin of three little rooms

As soon as we gather our kettles and brooms

And tables and chairs and other accout

Rements needed to have a nest cutey - sans doute!

We had a grand trip and a wonderful time

From Klamath to Little Falls all was sublime.

Mother and I and our trusted V8
We saw and did much that that made a real fete
From September to Nov. - and the best of it was
Visiting with the fam of my Laura Jane couz!
They were all fine and perfect to us -
You could go a lot farther and find a lot worse!
(Rhyming and typing are really two things
That should not be combined for perfection flings)
But I'd be ashamed to work on it first
For I'd have no excuse for all rules to burst.
But you get the idea that we had lots of fun
And the social affairs kept us quite on the run -
Had some nice glimpses of Mary - and Rodger met
Whom I like a great deal - but we missed you, U Bet!
We saw the Gillespes - In fact, spent the night
in Missoula - Then on with our flight.
I must really be on with my invoices now -
Do drop me a line! With much love, et comment!

I enjoy you the music you're hearing -
Have your records of Marian Anderson.
Love,
Sally.

Nov. 22nd



Miss Laura Jane Messer
Little Falls
Minnesota

1410 PACIFIC TERRACE
KLAMATH FALLS
OREGON

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Dearest Lotie -

I meant to do something
Christmasy with the enclosed
and I simply am too rushed, but
in sending them on as I think
they might amuse you - Mary too -
I found them in going thru
all things & was quite tickled -
Mary wrote she had a good
visit with you - Love to all
your family and yourself - Hastily
but lovingly,
Sally.

Dear Sally how are you
to-day. I am sick.
to-day. Mother
is fine Helen brought
me some lovely flowers
I am going to school
to-morrow.
Genevieve read me
a story to-day
I had story Mother
read to me to. Taddy
and Dick are here.
With love Laura Jane
Mums o o o c c c c c

Dear Sally,
I am sending you these
pictures of Jim.

Mrs Williams is visiting
us. Tell Sarah Maude
that I saw her Mother
the other day.

Give my love to Sarah
Maude.

Jim said I should give
my love to you.

Love from Mary Musser.

Mother is
going to have a
party of 20 tables
of cards this after-
noon. We have a new
radio.

Love from Mary
Musser.

Oct. 18, 1924

Dear Sally, do you
like it at school.
Laura Jane has been
sick for two weeks
but she is better now.
Have you gotten over
your cold. I hope you
are well. I go horse
back riding ever
afternoon. Jim is out
with the horse this
morning. I am going
to send some
pictures to you.



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Dear Laura Jane May-
Trent to
Thank you for
the lovely music-
box + The Vic-
tor. I'm en-
joying them both
very much.

I do hope you
come to see me
soon again so that
we can play - I
now have a nice
new black "doggie"
named "Pete".

I'm
Polly

P.S. - My mother helped
me write this.



Miss Laura J. Musser
454 Riverside Drive
New York
N. Y.

APR 8. A.

Mrs R. J. Atkins
1240 West 64th St.
Kansas City Mo.

February 6th '39

Lotsie dear:

Was so glad to hear from you when you returned east and also to know that your Christmas remembrance was satisfactory. I did not know what in the world to get for you so well and I thought you could better please yourself by having the cash.

Your Parents have been here and gone, the time was so very short but we had a fine visit. Did not do anything in a social way because your mother seemed to want to be quiet, and I took her at her word. Next time I hope to have them meet some of the friends in Kansas City.

We did have the Norths in for Sunday dinner after attending the church service.

The weather here is like spring. no snow, and the sun shines most of the time. We need moisture, the ground is very dry, so some snow would be a good thing or else rain.

Mary C. is trying to reduce. She wants to lose ten or twelve lbs. Well, she is on a liquid diet and can't have any fun with food at all. Of course she has solids every fourth day or so. She is keen to go to Florida to visit a girl friend who was married in Nov. and if she goes in bathing she wants to be just so. Well, I am sorry that girls go on so rigid a diet

for some times their health is impaired and it takes a long time to come back.

Saturday we listened to the opera from New York. 'Aida' and the voices were most beautiful. The tenor was one of the best I have heard in years.

We have some pretty good concerts here and the Philharmonic is doing much better this winter. You certainly have wonderful opportunities to hear and see the best in all lines.

Do you see much of your cousin Betty? Tell me about the young gentleman friend who has been nice to you. What happiness are you getting out of your music this year? I like to know all

these things and think of you
in pleasant surroundings.

Expect to be in Muscatine the
first part of next week. Bud Hattig
and per Hakes Margaret will be
there for a day or two.

Am anxious to go to Minneapolis
and get some spring clothes.

Before every thing is picked over.
Now that your mother and father
have given up their Honolulu
trip, her new clothes will be all
in readiness for spring.

In order to get this mailed, I
must hurry. So goodby dear,
and good luck. Do write to
me when you can.

Lovingly
Ann Laura



Miss Laura J. Musser
Little Falls,
Minnesota.

1314 Mulberry Ave
Muscatine Iowa

[Aug. 26, 1939]

Lotsie dear:

Your letter thrilled me and I am more than happy that you thought of me and wrote. Trust you will write and often give me thrills.

I came to Muscatine almost two weeks ago and have been doing my usual tasks. Uncle Will spends the week ends here and that helps us both. Mary Catherine was here for four days then went to Columbia Mo. where she has some interest in the building of the new sorority house. Seems she is one of the committee who has the problem on their hands. The house is to be finished by the time school convenes. Suppose there will be a house-warming.

Do hope you will be fortunate in securing a good place to live in New York. Guess International House is more or less bound to house foreign folk and no doubt have all space taken. Know how disappointed you are but dear, some times these disappointments work out for the best in time. At any rate you will be where you can have the best musical instruction and where you have opportunity to hear and see the best in talent. That means much to you I am sure.

The Stein family landed in New York yesterday after a rather doubtful trip, not knowing when the ship would be ordered to return to Germany. Oh! I do hope and pray that you will not get into war. It is such a

welcome ~~thought~~ after 17 months. And this time it is taking women too. It is too horrible to dwell upon.

Yes, Mary Ann Black is married. She seems so young to have to assume responsibility. But I expect in the early days girls were quite young when they became brides. Mary married a few weeks I understand he is well fixed in money matters.

Am planning to come up for a few days perhaps Thursday and will see you then and have a little visit. Your mother says she needs me, I don't know how much she needs me, I am rather useless, but I will come if she wants me to. From her Mary and excited you all are

and how very happy Mary is.
I will no doubt get the germ
too.

Well, dear I must go to work
and with heaps of love
to you and the family.

I am your loving
Aunt Laura

Aug 26-39

Sunday P.M.

Lotsie darling -

I guess that
you are very happy that
this past week is over
and that you are finished
with your exams. Both
Drew and Jim had them
this past week and said
they surely were hard
exams. But as I remember

the good old school days they
always were that way at mid year
and the finals. I had a lot of fun
last Sunday night rehashing the
good old school days with two other
Walker girls. One I hadn't seen since
I left school in '18. The other girl
I saw for the first time eighteen
months ago. So we got the old
memory book out and each of us
could tell something about the
different girls. Lucy had seen more
of the girls than we had for she came
from Boston and had lots of news.
She has four children two girls and two
boys. Henriette has two girls and I my
two girls -
Martin is coming along grand and good.

better than I've ever seen him
look. He's going out tonight
on a business trip until
Friday And I'll surely miss
him like the very dickens for
he hasn't been out since the
first week of November.

Drew came home for the
week end and we have to
go down and have a little
session with a nose & throat
doctor for his nose is in bad
shape & dreadful cold right

now. If it isn't one thing
it's some other thing. Has
been laid up with a bad
cold. Jim is full of the
old dickens and always
on the go all of the time.

He, Jim I mean is coming
along just fine both in
health and in school and
that's a lot to be thankful for.
He snapped out of that
spell of asthma soon as
all that awful fog cleared up.

And the good old Ben came out.
Past week we have had considerable
rain some time during the twenty
four hour and its been snappy but seem to.
I know you love being in New York
and are doing grand work in your
music in sum. Only wish I could
pop up and see you but simply can't
afford it -

I think its grand that Mother and
Father are going on the trip with Cousin
Margaret and Cousin Beliff. Those four
always have such a good time together.
I reckon Mary is happy to have Roger
there in Minneapolis and guess there
really isn't terribly much studying done.
No doubt she will be taking that fatal
step this summer or fall. Or did she still
say no at Christmas time?

Must stop now darling so
Martin can mail this for me.

I'd dearly love to see you
Lots of darling for I'm just so
terribly lonely for you all.

Lots of love

Affectionately

Alice

Jan. 1. 1939

Love darling -

Many

Many thanks for the precious
handkerchiefs you sent me. And
how I do adore pretty handkerchiefs
and these you sent are truly
beauties.

Our Christmas was very
different from all our others
for Martin couldn't go down

stairs so we put a little tree
up on the Card table and put
our presents around that and hung
the stockings on my chest of drawers.
But it was a happy one for
Marten was home with us and
getting better. He up and about
a little each day and is on that
soft diet altho he said he was
getting to the point he felt as tho
he'd turn in to an egg or a custard
or bowl of soup.

He was about to have a fit because
he couldn't get down and shop for
Christmas and my stocking. But the
little friend of ours did it for him after
he told her what he wanted. Two
beautiful nighties and a lovely black
bag and perfume. Also got the things
for my stocking and Marten and Jim
wrapped them up and had a big dinner -

Little old Jim is in bed with
asthma and feel perfectly
rotten but hope after the rest
and good night sleep that he
will be. O.K.

Know that you love being in
N.Y and going on with your
music. How about sending me
your address and writing
once in a while.

Many thanks again. Love
dear for the lovely handker. With
lots of love - affectionately
Alvin



Miss Laura Jane Messer.

608 Highland Ave.

Little Falls

Tex.,

216 Purnson Rd.
Atlanta, Ga.

Fri. A.M.

Laura darling -

I truly did
enjoy your letter and do
hope you'll write more
often. I answered your letters
and can't remember stand
why you didn't get them
Now even lets try it again
and hope we have better
luck.

At the present time I don't

know whether Jim coming
or going for Jim trying to
get the boys ready for school.
Its like pulling teeth to get
those two into town to try
clothes on.

Jim starts in Monday and
drew a wool from neck
Tuesday - Have had a
hot spell while trying to
get the winter clothes ready
What could be worse than
being wrapped in wool

black's dressing hot weather.

Frank is still in Detroit and hope
he get home for the week end. He's
just fine - expect more good letters
in his life.

May surely is in our hugs
which these days and know how
happy all must be. Surely would
could be among those present
for the wedding and to be there

with Mother and Father
after you and Mary have
left. But I can't and I feel
just miserable about it.
Write and tell me all about
it in detail won't you.

Dearest Love from us all and
I'm still counting on that
promised visit. How about it

Affectingly
Alice



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Parnassus Club

West 115 Street

New York City

Has Kael Hall.

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

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Lottie dear,

We received your
note and so glad every
thing went well so far.
Know it - will the rest
of the way - after
pulling you on the train
we went to the movies to
see Golden Boy. rather
good - This evening
your mother spent
at her desk with Belle
Alice & I laundress -

this afternoon I had my
hair done you should
see me I am a thing
of beauty - I am left
a cut throat queen of
bridges - Wednesday
we go to the city. I
lunch at Aunt Maude
Alice is about to take
off on Friday & I will
on Saturday -

A letter from Ben
Today addressed to

Mommy Waeken | and it got to me!
Linden Hill he is playing a lot of foot
Lillian Falls ball + they won the 3 games
mini - in a big way - so he is happy
and he says nothing so hard + in training
so all goes well —

very love to you

Auntie —

My dear Lottie

It was good to have such
a nice letter from you and to know
you had such a happy time at
home - for they are the very memories
we cherish the most in years to come
and life is so uncertain - as has
been brought to us in Aunt James
death - it will always be hard
to realize she is not - "coming on
for a visit soon"; she so loved life
and people - and every one loved her
so much - she was always happy
when one thinks back about Aunt
James it is like a book - the end
the book is closed - but one has
always the story + memories to her

what do you gain? - nothing, for in the
end you are both of the same opinion -
you started out with - so keep those
subjects to yourself - and talk about the
things ones you do agree on and there
you are both very happy - and every thing
goes so smoothly - and you know it - and
your happiness is the one thing your mother
wants most in the world - and if you
a girl had it - you have, to do just as you
wish with money enough to do it on -
if you miss it, it's your fault -

Lottie - I fear for your mother if you
should ever excite her - she just could not
stand it - and you just must realize it -
I am telling you this Lottie because I love you
very dearly - and you have come to me - and
I so want to help and feel this to be the one
way we can both keep - - so start right
now - by never even writing some very
unpleasant things - just forget them for
after all in a day or so they are not
my big secret way - if you must tell them
to some one tell them to me - I can
take it without getting up set - start
looking for funny things every day -
+ The funniest I saw in town was a
girl dragging a sled with her paws along
by the leash. the pup just sat - after a
while I said, "you'll wear his paws out," she
said well he can walk there - he's been
doing this for a month - but the next I take

over - How dear and devoted her
family have always been - they will
never have any regrets, and Sally
will have the necessary trifles and fun,
It has been wonderful how very close
the sisters and brother have always
kept through life - and now your
sister is the only one left - she
feels it so very keenly and is very
lonely - and I think the suddenness
of recent changes grieves her
so a lot of thinking - I know dear
you and I have a lot to do in
helping her from now on - and
I want you to make see a promise
that you will never cross her or
argue with her again, no
matter what she says - really

the least of he runs -



I have never seen any thing any
funnier - the dog was so funny
+ that some how reminds me of
Leggie - shes fine -

I was in Denver last week +
on the way home stopped in
Boulder to see Thed - spent the
night at the Bela House - +
a gala night - too - the fr Prom
+ the boys had a big dinner - it
was great fun to see all the
pretty girls and handsome boys
there were about 30 couples -

Have you ever caught up with Dick
he said soon as exams were over
he was going to see you - you two
must meet - there are so many

things to see in N. Y. Don't believe he
has ever been to the Met. Museum -
and as yet has never met the
Brighams -

Then I want you to go to the
Hippodrome - look in the paper &
see the time - & do write me what
you think about Dr Fox - I am
reading it and studying Divine
Science, it seems to give the pure
of mind the courage to do that other
religion does not have - or perhaps
it has but we don't get it - now
that a girl goes fine out -

Don't work all the time with
your music you must have other
interests - too -

It's been a very mild winter it is
really spring like - the skiing has
been fine in the mountains + Beno
is a beautiful skier, but this week it
was too warm -

Our Cooperative concert to night
is well I can't find the paper to tell
you just what. Hope it's good anyway -

Much love to dear dear you
- You can't melt music in her soul
oh. well if it melt music it's
something - or other -
Aunt Bernice -

My dear Lottie -

Just I should forget it - Dick's address
is 8. B. HOLDER - Princeton N.J. do write him
a note -

This has been a busy week for me of
business conferences. Because your father came
out on last Friday - & we had much work to
do - your mother did not come for she has not
been well - is still suffering very severely from
shock of Aunt Jane's death - she had not been
down stairs - when your father left - So be
sure to make it apoint - not to write him
any thing up either - for as you know if it is
up either when you write it - it is all over by
the time the letter is received at the other end -
Don't you think!

Lottie dear if you could have seen how
pleased your dad was to receive such a nice
letter from you & what you said about coming
home - & wanting to be back in it, you

Could easily see what I mean about noticing
the very nicest things - tears came to his eyes
when he read it to me - so much of time
to live - Oh Love, very dear life is so uncertain
& we must never let any opportunity slip
by. To keep us close to each other - you had
done so for you & is so thrilled when you make
the advances -

It so cold, the temp just dropped way down
to 14° below and that's cold too - it rained
up this afternoon to zero and is snowing - which
pleases the Bears no end for the skiing should
be good by Saturday - & he is a swell skier -

Have you seen any Christy hair cuts? I
saw one the other day & it was stunning - do
please look to the hair style of old ladies like
me & tell me what they are doing to them -
for I must be beautiful - or as beautiful as I
can - so tell the country relatives the latest.

Juggie came to the office early this
morn'g - she has to check up on me.
You father has Theda + Juggie's room + you
would laugh to see her run to get to bed
bef' he does - -

My love to you + mule soon
again - Auntie



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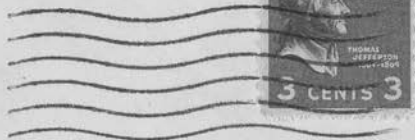


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My dear Leta

It is getting quite spring
like in Wyoming - but the wind is
surely blowing - I would so love to be
in New York now - you need not
wonder how I am doing down here
looking in all the windows - if
the Leta's are away from here
there has not only been a
good laugh - what a sight they are -

This evening paper had the
announcement of our Big line wedding
married a very young chap 21
she has been engaged a little time

seems he was transferred out west
so they hurried it up - but feared
they haven't a cent & that's a terrible
way to start out. Quarantines have been
like the measles in their contagion
this spring - & some of them do so
murder about for they have been
each other so short a time & one
is a long time carried -

Yon freed because Anderson had
quite a time in Wash. D.C. I am
glad she stored up the old D.A.R.s
they are such a bunch of old shacks
in the muds every way -

Had well to leave the 17 for
spring vacation, it will
be great to have Lavinia home

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Dicks vacation starts April 1.
Beers has a week off at Basketball
tournament trees - & I don't get one.
Do some trees get Dick to the
Bughouses - he hasn't seen them since
he was 5 - but it was all his
fault for he could have asked them
over at a special tree & Billy
has been in Princeton & not looked
them up =

Do make more of these nice letters
to your father - they mean so much
to him -
Much love
Auntie



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Did I ever write you that Sara Tyler
was there studying intention decorating
and living at the American Women's
club on 5th St. - if you are down there
it would be nice to look in on her
I am sure she would appreciate it

There isn't much to write about, I made
a hurried trip to Denver last week and
saw Dad on Sunday he had had a
bad throat & looked pretty peaked - & tired
I shined to nursing in the garden but
I just haven't got what it takes he
springs are my only in fact it

just gets Larder all the time —
& at times I feel as tho I just can't
make it —

Did you ever go to hear Emmit Fox?
I bet you haven't — what do you do with
all your time?

It must save him a hull to have
Damon Audusson & what a stage setting!
When do you start home —

Love Aunt Hannah —

Miss Laura Jane Musses
Little Falls
Minnesota



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My dear Tokio

We have sure had a cold snap
and I don't like it - for I do so love that
nice warm feeling of sunshine on
my back - & hate to wrap up
& start holding my hat on - so I
am hoping summer will return
soon too I haven't begun to do all
the things I had intended doing
this summer - there is always the
unexpected to interfere & the
interference is some times so
much nicer & I am just naturally
lazy -

Dick looks fine since his
operation and the Dr. admires his
scar my much says it is "very
handsome" - he still has to be
careful. can't work or lift. but
must read + walk + rest. it sounds
well but he thinks of the days he
used to punching the three o'clock
and Saturday night check - it is
sad indeed -

Had has been working hard
except the three days we drove
James to Cheyenne + on to Denver
Beno has been working too -
his work at Calumet the basement

and as per usual I guess I am the goat for
the change of job looks powerful big & habi-
tuate - 'twould have been less work to do
it every self - but we must learn 'em -
Let's hope the basement comes out looking north-
the 1/2 out. & my disposition & back -

I reckon Mary is as busy as a Wyoming
paw rat. gathering in all her house keeping
equipment - my son the town will start
giving her, "shows," of all the useless some-
things to put some things in, in the ice box -
better show it out first as day after tomorrow -

How goes your thing with you are you
staying on the job and teaching the young
to play the piano - or are you coming
out to Wyoming to see us - we would like
to have you at any time you wish to come
for my love to all the family -

Truly
Auntie -



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Wellesley, Mass.

My dear Lettie

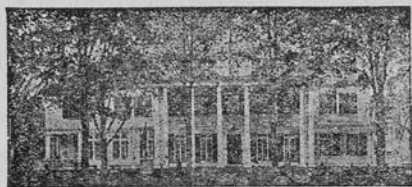
I do believe it is going to
be warm enough for us to wear
our summer clothes here we
get all the way west again -
but we have had a good laugh about
it anyway - & were lucky to have
bought one winter dress before

It's just as home we can't
squeeze you in with us to go home
but perhaps you don't like to be squeezed
we don't mind where it has been
such fun - & how we all have loved
our trip and how darling of your
mother to bring us for it will
always remember one of these
rare & blessed trips -

I hope my thing goes well with-

your work of examining - as I
the exams - I have every confidence
in you and know you will
come through "flying high" as
the boys say - for after all
it's only nothing some what you
already know - very simple!
and if any one knows it - you do
your work is so happy you have
had such a successful year.

We left New York late Monday
evening at Greenwich - all night at
New Haven - Tuesday on to Willsby
yesterday a delightful day enroute
to Salem. Glorious + the beach
when leaving - To see a sun -
This morning looking on the
campus - + it is so beautiful
we are leaving this afternoon for
Springfield - where we will be



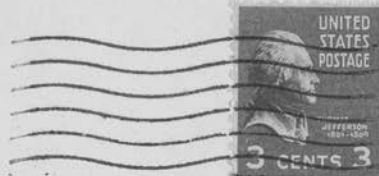
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until Monday when we will
probably do a few miles on
our way west—

Now don't forget to plan
your schedule so you can
come out to Casper after
your guests have returned
for we are counting on you
my dear —

much love

Aunt Hannah



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My dear Lottie -

You see by the enclosed that
we got a little music in the "big
open spaces" - Martini was most
gracious with his incense - & we all
were thrilled - They are having a show
now for next years school affairs for
concerts - Don't know what we will get -

I hope you had a fine spring
vacation & enjoyed having the mamma
& the papa with you - I was sick to
hear they had an accident on the

may go I know it up set your mamma
she has been so up set all month
since Aunt James death - hope she
too had a good time -

Are you returning next year? and
do you like where you are living?

So many has decided upon Roger!
She has had such a thrill over a lot of
them I do hope she has made the right
choice + I am anxious to meet him

As things are now I am + I will
probably see I am for I had them on
to him when we will meet them

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I shall so enjoy being there + a vacation
to Sam terribly tired - presume we
will start about the 9th

Have you been to the fair? + how
do you enjoy it —

much love

Auntie.



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MIGUEL SANDOVAL at the piano

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ANNOTATIONS

NINO MARTINI, in the short span of years since his meteoric rise with his magnificent voice and dynamic personality has won tremendous success and international recognition, in the four fields of vocal art—opera, concert, radio and motion pictures.

His brilliant achievements on the great stage of the Metropolitan Opera House, on the concert platforms of two continents, and in radio are now equalled by his sensational starring successes in motion pictures. Martini's voice on the air is an irresistible magnet that holds millions of listeners spell-bound. He is the only singer ever to have won that coveted broadcasting honor, the Columbia medal for valuable contribution to radio art, awarded also to Leopold Stokowski and Colonel Lindbergh.

A native of Verona, Italy, Martini achieved outstanding success abroad before coming to America, having made his opera debut at the early age of 21 in "I Puritani," in Milan. The extraordinary range of his voice caused him to be chosen for the revival of this work, as originally written by the composer for the great Rubini. Martini was the first tenor since those early days to sing the role in the original key.

Tu loi sai *Giuseppe Torelli*

Torelli, a violinist and conductor of the 17th century, composed mainly for concerted instruments. But among his manuscripts were found several songs—Tu lo sai being perhaps the best known today. The lyric may be summed up in the following translation:

"Well thou knowest what love thou owest to me, who yearns for thee in vain."

Le Violette *Alessandro Scarlatti*

This is really a sacred song, in which the Virgin is extolled for her modesty, beauty and purity. In flowery metaphor, the song tells us that "A violet always grows among the thorns."

The melody of this charming song shows a surprising similarity to the modern "Violetta" at the very start. Its composer was the elder of the two Scarlattis, famous for his many valuable contributions to the art of music, and father of Domenico Scarlatti, the first real virtuoso of the harpsichord.

Il mio tesoro, from "Don Giovanni" *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*

This melody is one of Mozart's finest conceptions, florid in the extreme and demanding singing of the highest type. The sentiment is such as a lovesick courtier might deliver in solitude, bemoaning the fate that keeps lovers apart. Since Don Juan has pledged both faith and sword to Donna Anna, nothing shall thwart his resolve.

Sagesse *Ettore Panizza*

Poem by Paul Verlaine, translated by Bergen Applegate.

*A great weariness
Falls on my life:
Sleep, all hope,
Sleep, all strife!*

*I see nothing more.
I lose the memory
Of bad and of good . . .
O the sad history.*

*I am a cradle
A hand may balance
In a black cave . . .
Silence, silence!*

Chevauchée Cosaque *Felix Fourdrain*

An impassioned appeal of a Cossack warrior to God Almighty that he make his beloved horse strong and brave to help him fight the intruders into the Cossack pastures.

Je crois entendre encore, from "Les Pêcheurs des Perles" . . . *Georges Bizet*

Bizet is generally known as a one-opera composer, and the world will never forget his "Carmen," which remains an almost unique example of perfect balance between music and drama. But his "Pearl Fishers" also has much to recommend it, and this opera was a favorite with the late Caruso. The selection sung by Mr. Martini may be translated as follows:

*I pray to hear again, bidden under the palms
Her voice so tender and sweet, like a ravishing song.
O, enchanted night—gloriously divine!
O, memories so charming, joys that pass like dreams.*

Racconto di Rodolfo, from "La Bohème" *Giacomo Puccini*

Mimi, the frail but beautiful maiden who sews artificial flowers for her livelihood, lives in the same old rooming house as the hero, Rudolph. She timidly knocks upon the door to ask for a light for her candle. They fall into conversation and when she asks of Rudolph what his occupation is, he answers with this narrative. The tender sympathy of the opening, "Your little hand is cold," the bold avowal, "I am a poet," the glorious beauty of the love motive at the end—all are unforgettably charming.

Blue are her eyes *Wintter Watts*

This song, perhaps the most popular of Wintter Watts' compositions, is written in legato style with good feeling for the climax and has the characteristic harmonies that distinguish Mr. Watts' music.

Old Mother Hubbard (set in the style of Handel) . . . *Hely-Hutchinson*

A modern composer, "tongue in cheek," has set the well-known nursery rhyme to a tune in the old style of Handel who lived more than 200 years ago.

The Floods of Spring *Sergei Rachmaninoff*

This is a gorgeous description of abundant Nature, musically expressed by one of the greatest living composers. It has become deservedly popular with concert audiences.

Quisiera olvidar tus ojos *Albeniz-Sandoval*

Albeniz has been largely responsible for the extraordinary popularity of modern Spanish music. Himself a brilliant pianist, touring America first as a child-prodigy, and strongly influenced by the modern French school, he managed to retain a complete individuality, and at the same time, express the true spirit and temperament of his native Spain in all his compositions.

Miguel Sandoval, Mr. Martini's assisting artist, has written the lyrics to this famous tango in D major.

Princesita *Jose Padilla*

The Spanish words of this dainty song are by M. E. Palomero. It is in the manner of a serenade, celebrating the beauties of the little Princess.

El Trust de los tenorios *Jose Serrano*

This Spanish song in dramatic style has a very striking piano introduction. It is sung in a stately way, ending in true Spanish style. "Tenorios" in Spanish means "Gallant," a dashing lover type—a Don Juan. Mr. Martini climaxes this song in the "D" above high "C."

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