



Laura Jane Musser and
Family Papers.

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Miss Laura Jane Mason
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New York City
of the Commodore Club

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota



Dec - 13th - 1940

Dear Helen

Christmas is only a little over a
month away and we are looking forward
with so much love in our hearts to
our precious daughters soon coming.

Mary and baby will be here on Monday.
Mary will meet Roger in the city
the 24th and they will then come home
will be here for Christmas Day - I
don't know how long Roger will be
home probably only for the day -
Mary wants to be with him 2 weeks.

in Jan - Wish you were going to
be able to stay and help on with
the baby -

Today it is 20 below zero -
Real winter - Daddy & I had a wonderful
time in Kansas City with Aunt Laura.
She is so brain and never on my
seldom goes very far from home -
My one was grand to me and they
all love Aunt Laura so dearly -
It was like spring there - A coat
was too warm if one walked -
Mr. ~~Sam~~ Mary C. and Al is their
new home which Aunt Laura

from there and it is lovely and they are
my happy -
You will adore the baby - She is beautiful
and so adorable - She almost sits alone
she is so strong - I notice such a
difference in her I am sure -
I sent you a nice mailing for your
Maud & happy Thanksgiving - Did you
receive it?

Yesterday I introduced the rubber monkey
club - so now we are - My son & son
to it - No this -

Our Mail



VIA AIR MAIL

Miss Laura Jane Wasser

605 West 115th Street

New York City

of the Parnassus Club

1 Little Falls - Minn.
November 12th 1940



Lotus Dear -

I have just finished bathing
and feeding the baby and have taken
some morning pictures of her in
your basket. She did look so
precious and now I have put her
to bed in the Nursery Room and
have been listening in on her
and I just wish you might hear
her talk to herself. She is acquiring
many new voices and sounds -

Yesterday we had the worst
blizzard I have ever seen - The
drifts are so high that no one
can drive in or out - Mary and

Roger was to have driven² up yesterday
to get Sarah but of course they
had been warned to stay off the
highway. - Now the telephone wire
has been so Mr. Caldwell talk to
her - I had imagined she will be
coming up on the train but I
don't know - Last evening Daddy
and I were sitting there in
the library when Mr. Wheelock
Whitney of Ft. Clark called saying
he with three other men had been
hunting and had gotten as far
as here but could go no farther
but two of them were unable even
to get rooms at the hotel &
could not take them in which

3 Gave in ad - they got a cat mill ago today &
made it into a pattern & with a delay train —

Now you starting as to you not like what I
 just received yesterday. ^{So they have} ^{called it down}
 by mistake - so if we explain I would own it. I believe -
 I shall say so. I know just how much you expected
 the Johnsons as did I and never again will be
 for anything but a good one. ^{perhaps} - I certainly
 never wanted to demand you to say more - that -
 they I should you is to have you when you
 could not but you were told to say you wanted

to. - As to your⁴ Colored friend
You can never hear me say
one thing that was not pleasant
about them and I do for you
have had a wonderful experience
with them - It was just when
you wanted to visit them here
I felt they might not enjoy
it the way you thought they
would and of course Daddy put
more keenly than I did - You
do want me to express myself
freely as I want you to, for
it's only in the exchange of
ideas that in both world and
will enjoy each other to the utmost.
As to Claude S. I suggested that

idea just because you said
 once or twice you were lonely
 at times and aside from that
 there was no reason - I am
 my sorry now that I did but
 still admire you so much
 but I can't for your point - do
 you want me to tell her or
 do you want to? You are
 perfectly right about your getting
 so much from your New York
 life and from now on I shall
 never make a suggestion -
 So much for that - Remember
 Love Daddy & I always love you
 more than you possibly can
 realize but when you say

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You are not happy at home m
are just disappointed, m don't know
that & reply for m want you to
be happy about my thing - m all,
and to relate, get off the ladder
at home and leave the control
m should have but I guess that
is because m don't understand - Let's
look deeper into each others real self-
and let's forget and forgive all
that has been unpleasant in the
past and stress the joy m have
had together - You are so full
of love and beauty and sympathy
for others, and as I told you before
you left, I shall never let my
ire blow off the lid any more and
from now

Oh I hope you will find me a sympathetic mother
an understanding and appreciation companion - and
I both will certainly give you, as you suggest, a
chance to show in the next few years what your
appreciation really is -

Ulayne Taylor is home again - Poor dear they have
found a spot on her lung so she has to stay in bed
a year - The Dr. feels she worked too hard - and
didn't get enough out of doors - I haven't been to Am
her but will go soon - I guess they haven't told anyone

What the trouble is - She will
 soon come that though, I am sure
 in much less time than a year.
 Dearest son to you -

Mother -

My son to Maude - I am so glad you
 so admire her so for she is
 a grand person - and she has
 enjoyed being with you tremendously
 and thinks you have a fine mind -

This letter couldn't get off and
 here it is Wednesday - the sun is
 shining and all is well - we are
 still unable to get in or out with
 cars - Many lost their lives in
 the storm - it was fearful -



Miss Laura Jane Musser

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New York City

J. H. Parnassus Club

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Nov. 6th 1940



Dear Lotie.

Your letter wishing me a
happy birthday came while I was in
Muscatine. I thank you for your
good wishes - We left Muscatine
last Sunday - 4 Mts. ago today ~~and~~
left for Muscatine and enjoyed being
with Aunt Laura - She was very kind
but had her moments of depression -
We sat around listening mostly to
Campaign speeches and we enjoyed
Cobb and Al Smith more than any
others for now though they were
my induction at times they were
mostly quite humorous -

I guess I wrote you that Mrs. Rich-
mondt met us & of course drove
back with us. We spent Sunday with
Mr. & Mrs. Rogers - The baby changes
so fast that I can't see her - She
is so adorable and getting to be a
little Church. She knows her Mother
now and talks and laughs at her
when she sees her - They drove
up this morning and Sam left
Sarah with us until next Monday -
I think the baby knows they are gone
for she cried steadily for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour -
now she is asleep - How you
will love her and she you -

Last morning on Sat. 12 for a buffet
supper and several more came in after
to listen to Election Returns -

Perkins will be President for another 4 years - It probably
will be all for the rest but we can wait two more years
he is young & he keeps on growing better -
It is quite odd now. Will try and get in a walk before
the baby wakes - I could go down to Paul's room
to see a program at the Musical but tonight they say
this is my good - One group of children and Scandal &
Several others -

I do miss your Sunday letters - I see my letter
from how I can get news - I forwarded a letter from
Marion Means who probably is asking you & no news
in New York to the 15th but no news to - We have had

Have beautiful weather up & now -

Uncle Wanda sent me some beautiful
flowers for my birthday - Alice
a bed jacket. It was quite like
Christmas so many beautiful gifts.

I'll Wanda I appreciated his birthday
letters and will write soon -

You don't write of Mrs Schuyler &
Phillips or Bertha & Edith - How is
Hilda and there are some things here
from Adelaide - do you want them
sent on or shall I keep them till
you come home for Xmas?

Daddy had to go to the city today
to attend a meeting of mothers for
Carlton - A least full of love
Mother -

Nov. 1st 1940

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Dear Darling -

Here here is my fourth letter
to you and only one little red dot
letter from my little napper - Did you
get my air mail letter from Casper?
I am beginning to think they didn't reach
you for you have never neglected
your Mamma and Papa this way -
We loved each other so much before you
left what are you feeling so sad about
or is it just because you are so busy?
Now I am my little now than anyone else
except your Daddy in the world and I just
can't understand what it is that has come up.

We are now at Aunt Laura's - She feels very
lonely but is my brain. Of course she has
to break down one in awhile but that is
necessary for the strain is so great -

I left the 30th and brought Mrs. Ritchie
with us for she longed to see the
her family who are still living here -
She is such a lovely woman - Always
looking for the best in my one. Is staying
with her sister -

Aunt Laura's house is all two up. Paints
and decorations are my order - The only rooms
we can sit in are the back bedroom with the
two beds and her bedroom and the back
living room down stairs - It does not have any

body down finished - I am so glad the new
things are so far the more to be happy -
I am so glad in the hospital and the two
Colonel Smiths that it seems as that as I see -
He is my good in my way and a splendid
son -

Yesterday being my birthday I celebrated
at home by having a birthday cake and
had several and then had dinner - All courses
with salad etc, punch & water. It was
so cut - Aunt Laura gave me perfume - Betty gave
Mary & Roger a book - the girl at home the address
book - the cake - sandwiches - Regine took the
three places - Three from around at home & Mary.

Letters, a lovely Card table cover Bert & Hester
Flowers Miriam & Raymond situs - A beautiful
birthday dinner at Bea & Robert Jackson -
into Cakes & Cuddles - and a short over radio
message from Laura Jane Mueser which
came when I was resting sending her
love - In fact your thoughts and mine
are never far apart - My precious
Maggie - How I should love to see you
this minute and you must feel my
spirit following you to your classes
and it is rubbing you so softly!
Not pinching one bit - My toes are
still turned down!

Wanda Smalley writes how much she
loves being with you and what good

how you have talking and what a cooking
good mind you have.

So write me how your compositions
are progressing and your other several
subjects -

We got back from Cooper last Friday and
I stopped and got Aunt Bobby - Her knee
hardly bothers her at all - Of course we
talked over everything pertaining to our
life together so many years ago -
She loves you so much and both she
and I are so glad of how much they loved
visiting with you and of how thoughtful
and darling you are - We spent

Sunday afternoon looking at moving pictures
of you and Mary when you were little
girls and you were always laughing or
smiling and Betty said - "My three
children certainly had a wonderful
childhood and I will always be a
beautiful memory." You certainly earned
the name of little "Sunbeam" which
Aunt Mary gave you -

I had a "Tea" for her Saturday and
tried to have all of those she used to
know but many were away - Mr. Patchell
and Mary were there and my pleasant
Mrs. Patchell said "When I was I am told
the she and Miss Smalley were going

together I said "Well I guess you no longer
think you need looking after I think it just
to have her but I am afraid she has no business
and Miss Patchell laughed and said "that was funny
for there is no wickedness in that is there
said I guess you are thinking Miss Smalley
has to have them out of her hands - so you
the Mrs. Patchell didn't mean it for she said
how she would like you to be wicked
so you were - Well I guess so having a
difficult getting turning around it was
troublesome - so they don't want to go to school
and they worry if they possibly can -

We are going home Monday -

Mary & Roger are going to Abby Beecher
Wedding a week from Saturday but are
leaving for Chicago Wednesday and Sarah
will be with me. I wish you were home
to help me take care of her -

A least full of love and I trust I will
get one of your interesting letters soon -
Devotedly -

My love to Maud & Remembers me to Mother -
Your friend who knows me -

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



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605 West 115th Street

New York City

C/o The Parnassus Club

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LITTLE FALLS, N.J.



Mrs Laura Jane Musser
612 West 115th Street
New York City

% Farmers Club -

Casper - Wyoming -
Oct. 19th 1940

Solsi Dear.
What a

What a grand surprise -
A letter from you forwarded
from home - first one from my person
taken in two weeks - of course I have
known you would be busy starting
with your heavy schedule but when
I ran along with you as the train
was leaving ~~that~~ you assured me,
I would get a letter soon - I do hope
it won't be two weeks any more but if
it is difficult, I will understand -
I have enjoyed Maudie's letters so much
and to hear of Lou happy she is with
you makes it doubly happy for me.
The visits of Lou darling and thoughtful
you are of her and of how much she
enjoys her visits with you after
breakfast and when you come home

for a little while between classes -
Now referring to your letter to Papa
where you mentions that your friends
insinuate that I sent Maude and you
to look after you is absolutely untrue.
My idea was solely to have a home for
you where you could bring your friends
and have them for meals and have
some one there who would be congenial
to you and I didn't do a thing about
it until I took up the matter with you
and you thought you would enjoy it
so if you don't, please be frank.
Tell Maude and say that after Xmas
you would rather be alone. -

I am glad the boys arrived safely
I told Pauline to put olives & pickles
in and she sent some cookies she said
there was very little doing socially at
home - but plenty of meetings - Anne

Ed Geo - Maude and I - I don't know Margaret where she
Shirley asked us for dinner - Maude refused but her card only
once twice for Ed. He also knew you so and now my love
for Mary says - this Sunday you just don't know how much
on the you and our predicted joy is when you are happy.
The lady just the summer now a bit difficult when you have
that you dislike but I hope and pray I will never see you again
as it is the best of - she one beautiful thing in this must be
forward to the future - enjoying my music on the left
enjoying the best of the future of such a time and being that
which is the real thing - enjoying - the - together -
badly had to come out to the two things in every way -
not the O. F. Parker Co. and to meet on to come into this so

I packed up Tuesday and Mr. Mc
in the afternoon. Bobby has to have
come up this morn but I called her
and told her I would get her this
next Friday - she is leaving for the
West the 3rd so she will spend a
few days with us -

Roger and Mary were with us last
morn - and of course the blessed baby -
she is growing fast - Roger looks so
wonderfully at her and says "Oh I love
you so and you are such a beautiful
baby" - then Sarah smiles and gurgles
+ coos - she is so adorable - Mary was
thrilled with the beautiful dress you
sent her from Marshall Field - Rogers
letter must have been late -

Aunt Maria looks well but she still
has much trouble with her 'plumbing' -
I am so sorry for her - she just said

as she left for the office "it would
be grand if I could get on being
so bathrooom conscious". She can
only go a little while when her Hedder
Lute is so - I imagine like yours did
when you were abroad - Only she has
had to sit up night or day for 6 years.

You must have enjoyed the symphony
and know how I would appreciate
being able to go to all of those
Wonderful Concerts - You didn't mention
any of your friends - How did you
find the Schuyters and Edna and
~~Edith~~ & Bertha & Nellie? Maude liked
those whom she has met very much.
What did you do about the piano?

Mary was saying you could buy
a baby piano for about \$250 by
paying so much down a month
and then you could sell it when

You leave N. Y. that M-F, & Sam as
buying one that way. It might be
worth while looking into -

Don't forget to go to the "Closters"
some day - I am sure you will
enjoy seeing it -

We heard Mr. Frank Horton the other
morning make a Campaign speech.
He is running for the House of Rep.
in Washington - It was fine - He had
a list of over 700 people who are
Communists on the 5th Column or some
out-servic activity and are connected
in some way with the present leadership
of the present Administration. I
and all are happy that the "Poles"
are gradually showing more and more
for Wilkie - Every one is impressed

with his honesty and ability. Roosevelt has said that if he
should win a year or so he will resign and head the
News to Maline - Now I shall be glad when it is one
Yes to his news is more encouraging and it does not
do though it does tell him about our business -
Now I can now expect to visit - I hope to talk with you on
before next to a real visit but you - It will be some
next winter - About November would be in as the paper -
My brother Walter and himself on the 12th your friends after
know me - Margaret Hilly has a darling baby girl
Arthur Hilly is 8 1/2 lbs - But as fine - A heart beat of her
for my darling "Mother" Hilly got - Beautiful Mother -



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% The Cornucopia Club
New York City

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

October 4th 1940

Lester Darling -

Delighted to receive your wire and
Maude's postals - I should love to see
you on your boat and know you are
as cozy as possible - Am anxious to
hear how your boat like the Apaches
and has Maude done any cooking as yet.
It would be such fun - Sort of like play
keeping house -

Daddy and I couldn't bear to come
home after you left. The house is so
lively in almost grief for ~~Maude~~ Maude - (my
pen drops ink my so blue) - R

think and talk so much about our
precious "Little Woffles"

The gloves came from Marshall
Fields and thanks a lot for attending
to that for me. They are just the
kind I like but they are too small
and will send them back for a larger
size -

A postal came from Juliaard the
day after you left saying that you
were supposed to have your physical
exam on Wednesday - the day that
you arrived - Did you have it?
I am so anxious to hear from

You and Maude about my things - How
about the piano?

My day since you left I have been
stumped - Wednesday night Club at Mrs.
Mendons - Wednesday, Child started Club
at Mrs. Tingley's - and forming Musical Club
Child Reception - at Mrs. my nice - Mrs.
Hullberry is Pres. - He gave a good talk
Mrs. Byron also spoke - I told what we did
to you I was Pres. - He had seen the
From Residents Board - Mrs. Byron said
the was so disappointed that you left before

the opening of the Club because they
wanted you to play - ~~There~~ was
singing and four people read
a play called Rosshild - They
served refreshments afterwards -

Thursday was Church Club and
Mr Blanchard asked me to talk
on the local situation of Church
Work - which I did - That evening
a Red Cross Meeting - and so it
goes - Tomorrow evening we are giving
a duck dinner for 12 - Longley
Woodworths - Hartmanns - Holts -
& Mr Sundahl - My duck is full



HOTEL NEW WESTON
34 EAST 50TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.



Mr. Mac
VIA AIR MAIL

Mrs. Laura Jane Wilson
Little Falls
Miss



HOTEL NEW WESTON
34 EAST 50TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Sept. 14th 1940

Dear Darling -

Such a girl can't wait
to your Mauna. I have written twice
to you & Daddy together and each day
I can hardly wait to see whether a
letter from you has come. Now I
have that hope. I will be home on
Tuesday noon. "Provided permitting"

Well this has been a grand
vacation but I am really in need
of hours of sleep! Daddy once

tell you about my visit with
Mrs. MacMillan and of how my
delights I found her, especially
of course because she said such
grand things of you and of
how you are an asset to the Club.
How you are liked you so much
and how if you undertake to
do anything one could know it
would be well done etc etc -

The rooms I saw were nice -
The big living room & 1 small
bed room & a tiny kitchenette -
A Mason & Hamlen piano baby

Grand was in the room where she lived
you could see for 2 months - it
must be over it - I mentioned the
fact that it would be nice to have
an apartment so you could interview
your friends - He said "Yes" of course
but asked ~~just~~ ^{rather} "No" because of the price
You he said was right about them
I said that of course would be no colour
then but that you would be just the
same your next London friends etc and
other girls and then she said that

Would be alright - Well I can
tell you anything when I come
home - If you can decided not
to have Mrs Smalley I will
fix it up with her but if you
want her or to try it out for
a couple of months that's O.K.
I want you to be satisfied
and not feel burdened at all
or under obligation in any way
to Mrs Smalley - She would expect
nothing ^{except} to be happy with you
in the manner you wish to live.

Margaret & I are about to start
out to see the fair - Betty Bingham



HOTEL NEW WESTON

34 EAST 50TH STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Will meet us there and
bring us home in his car -
Betty & Uncle Phyl had
dinner with us last m

and on way to a movie - I mean
Destiny. With Margie - my good -
Tonight I am having Carl & Edith
for dinner & then the theater -

I miss my little waffer awfully
and will be happy to be home
again - Margaret sends his love
and says to tell you what a
happy time she had with you.

This is a gorgeous day - I am
so delighted you had such

A splendid report from Dr. Hunkins.
I went away feeling I had never
seen you look so well & happy
& pretty!

I cannot say to you and Daddy
and my love to the girls —
Sincerely —
Mother —

WELDON HOTEL. GREENFIELD, MASS.



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Mrs Laura Jane Musen
Little Falls
Main.

Aunt Maud & I came
here for lunch today
and have had a beautiful
drive over the Mohawk
Trail - I hope to be home
a week from Monday -
Love to you & Daddy & Mother



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Little Falls

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Aug 23rd / 1940

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Lotus puccoon -

Not a word from you but
I am sure you arrived safely or
I would have heard - and I am
sure you are having a grand
time -

Ever since I am thinking of
her and wishing her all of the
happiness in the world and then
look forward to meeting the young
man and know how fine he is
as she has chosen him for

her husband -

Life goes on for just the same. Except to do nice ones Darling lots but we are happy when she is happy - Will be at the station with open arms to receive her when she returns on Sunday -

Mrs Bradley is here and she is so dear. We are having a nice quiet time visiting and reading - she is such a comfort

And I know it too in the time we haven't need to substitute us, just as we do as the Bible - No doubt to know by I you and step on the land and a long wait with you about here you.

I have just been to the hospital to see an Electrocardiogram of my heart and my blood count taken and I find I am 100% / 100%. My cells are makes me feel perfect but probably was I will see the doctor with.

Mrs. Wogor has asked us for
Luncheon tomorrow. which is dear
of her - She does it all alone
and I don't see how she can -

Yesterday Mr. Tish has on a drive
to Mullins - He got behind about
100 Mex. Guard trucks and the chieft
was frightful - but after that it
was beautiful -

A heart full of love to my
precious father - devotedly
Mother -

of mail which will soon have to
be attended to -

The men are digging up all of
our gardens and putting fertilizers
in the bottom and black dirt on top.
Just a box of work for some time to
come. Everything is root bound and
needs to be transplanted - As Helen
and I have to be on hand to see
that it is done right -

Daddy is going to Cooper next
week. I don't know I shall go

For there is so much to attend to at home -

Your letter I got off to day after you left - the other things will be sent as soon as your bags come back needed -

We had a very bad thunder storm during the night and day into the morning but now it is beautiful so will go out for some good for "I must have my exercise!"

Tell me any last thing you two do - and the Maude I

shall also be forward saying hearing from her -

I am you my darling after now how I can replace and so left and saying that you and Maude will have a grand year together for Maude is my dear to me too - We can certainly had a long and beautiful friendship.

Don't forget if you can have some to go to the St. Charles on 190th St. -
Barrack Drive - Streetly -
you don't know how much I can about the habits - 11/1

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

June 9th 1940

Lotus Darling -

What a relief to receive your
Nre this morning for I had no
idea where you were. You
spoke in your last letter the 21st of
May probably visiting Mary S -
Margaret T. Ross Campbell and
Mrs Kimbrough - no addresses
and that you would leave N.Y. -
the 30th or 31st so we had no idea
where you were! I have just
called the station and your reservation
will be thru the 15th 1401 Half St.
of Mrs Kimbrough - Now I do hope
a letter will be forth coming

Arrn & tee of your peregrination!
I couldn't know in you on
your birthday - We are getting my
Angons to turn you home and
now you must to turn under the
17th!

We didn't get back until the
6th of June - Daddy flew down
from Billings on his way home
& Casper and we left there the
5th Daddy drove back with me
and I was delighted to come
so that - We left about 8:30
Arrived in Pierre S.D. that morn.
Home at 3 P.M. the next day.
We are both glad to get
home - and the place is so

Beautiful - little still in town - Bird's nest lovely
and the drive - my my in fine style - and I should
against up the you would to live -
Mary and Roger come in yesterday and I suppose
we leaving back this afternoon - But are fine!
Mary doesn't look so big large - I don't get
what you a birthday gift for I would rather
get you something you want - I found the picture
Casper the picture you that and I am thinking I
must not show - they are such tiny letters and

Will match all of the rooms -
You are my precious "Mother"
& remembers me so beautifully
on Mother's day -

Your pupils have all been
calling up and coming to see
when you would be home -

Mrs. Pil has left Dr. J. B. to go
to the city and to visit her son
for awhile - It made me free
by and when she called me
for the visitation she might
have come back again -

I have been so busy since
returning that I have had no
time to see any one except
Mrs. Mayes yesterday for

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

a few minutes and my dish
stand is piled high -

Mrs Smalley is in St. Paul
and is coming up for next
Mon - 3rd - Aunt Laura and
Uncle Mel are supposed to be
in the city but I called Friday
night and they were not
registered - so they may not
have come up when they told
us they would -

The War situation is bad but
I still have hopes that "Right
will prevail eventually" -

It is raining this morning

I am not going to church for
I have a black eye - Bumped
it yesterday on a chair when
I dropped over -

Daddy wants me to go to Charleston
with him tomorrow for a meeting
but I doubt if I can go looking
as though I had been in a fight.
Jim is here and will read this

his mail -

Many Many Happy Returns
of the 4th of June and our
dearest love to our precious totos.
Please tell Mrs Kimbrough Love
much I appreciate her kindness
to you and that I am looking
forward to meeting her. The

Just how I am in love with you and that I do hope one
will be able to visit us sometime but his business
and duty - Sincerely - Mother -



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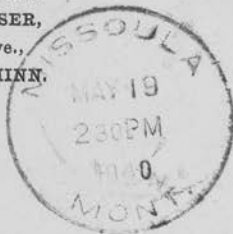
ADDRESS



Aunt Marian and I having a
wonderful trip - stopped in Coos Bay
Alene & saw Aunt Jane home - it is
a lovely spot. Euns & Hilma inquired about
you - I spoke to the 20th talked to Daddy in Boise.
He is having a fine trip to Portland the 21st
Marshfield 22nd met Sally & Leo. Both are fine of the Parnassus Club
Doughy Eureka - I missed San Francisco - Opa
the 28th - 30th & 31st home June 3rd going to a bridge meet-
ing on the 4th.

Miss Lorraine Wheeler
615 West 115th Street
New York City

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



Air Mail

Mrs Laura Jane Musser

% The Parnassus Club

West 115th Street

New York City

Isabel House

May 19th 1940

Wiscoula, Mont.

My precious Lotie -

It was such a joy to get your letter here for I didn't hear from you on Mother's day and I think that the first time since you have been away that I have had a message - So your letter here was a grand welcome -

I do hope your composition was accepted and that all of the things you have undertaken will be successful - I do love my Lotie so and do appreciate all that you are attempting to accomplish

and my night and morning I pray
that all will come out as you hope.
I left home last Tuesday morning in
the pouring rain and I had such a
lump in my throat when I thought
of leaving Daddy — but he also left
the same day for Cloquet and then
on Thursday he left for the West.
He will be gone all the time I am away.
Other wise I wouldn't have left him.

Aunt Marian flew up from Cashier
and met me at Billings looking so
fresh and pretty and then we left there
about 3 P.M. Arriving at Bozeman
in time for dinner. Aunt Marian

had a friend bring on a bunch about 100
miles from Bozeman whom she had met
in Dakota when she was there. She
called them and found she was in the city.
Mrs. Coe is a Conits and has written for
the Saturday N. Post. is a delightful person.
The next morning we drove out to this house.
And had lunch. The sheep were lambing
and you would have seen so many lambs
as I was to the thousands of lambs.
Just born ready for their mother's milk
at the point of experience. We drove here
in the afternoon and arrived at 8 P.M.

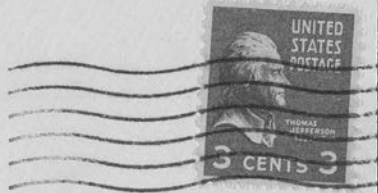
The Gillies are just grand people
and has done so much for us -
A luncheon of 50 women at the Country
Club for us on Friday. That night
a dinner party here for 20. Saturday
a luncheon down town given by a Mrs
Murphy - Her husband is Pres. of Paul
Bank. Last night another dinner
here and card afterwards - Today we
are driving out to Hat Head Lake
for the day - Some Club is giving
a picnic - Open house here this
morn. - We are leaving tomorrow for
the Coast. I am anxious to see
Sally who has just had an operation

then to San Francisco and home by
 way of Casper and home by the
 3rd. My I am counting the days until
 you get home. you say the 8th.

I am not sending you a birthday
 present for I don't know where
 to send it so will wait until
 you return and then you can
 have what you want.

A world of love to you my
 darling and have a grand time
 on your way home. Lovingly Mother

Hester Dale an Darling
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Mrs. Laura Jan Musser

605 West 115th Street.

New York City

9 Parnassus Club / Hasheer House

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

March 13th 1940

Lola Darling -

Your letter has just come and I am answering at once. I have just called Mrs. Jettie and she has all 4 tickets. They are 1, 2, 3, 4 in Row B - I think now we will drive down about 4 P.M. so that I can go to Child Interest Club and then although Mary and Roger want us for dinner I think it would be too much for Mary so we will have it down town - then perhaps you had better drive

back with us and you can go down
in a day or two later on with Mary.

We are having an old fashioned
flegyard now for two days and it
looks as though it would continue
through today -

What interesting time you do
have my day - I am so thankful
your swollen gland didn't amount
to anything -

This is just a note for Jim
is taking the mail when he
leaves. Please write to Roger.

and Mary thinking that for the service -
22/15 Humboldt Av S. - and for their
visitation for dinner and explain me
that not to call for in the evening so
late from her -
Sweet love - Mother -

Just a note and you will be home -
Can hardly wait. Sent 2 photos.

Yesterday and you can see the difference
from the one she made - I'm the
big one. Took the girls off here
so we may meet to take the first.

Saturday —

THE CURTIS HOTEL
MINNEAPOLIS

Dear Darling —

We came down last m. to attend the Symphony Concert. I best was to have sung but I had a cold so didn't perform but will next Thursday m. - The Symphony was beautiful - Beethoven 5th & the Dvorak (?) (pathétique) and never have I heard a better performance. - We stayed here because Mary has the guests - Margaret Co. and Walter & Alice Burton - Mary had lunch with me and said you had written a darling letter. She is planning to have you in a few days and is looking forward with joy to seeing you -

I went into Macy's today and ordered flowers for Marion Anderson with your card and Mrs. May said she would get something appropriate and have them at the Auditorium that night. They will be sent up after one of the songs - So I guess everything is attended to -

We with the Harbourns are going to the Ice Carnival tonight - Can hardly wait for Wednesday -

a heart full of love - Affectionately -

Mother -
Saw Emily Paulson on the street - She is
working in the Sports Dept. at Young - I believe
is going to be married this fall - Asked my
particulars after you -



Miss Laura Jane Musser
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New York City
Parnassus Club \ Haskees House

THE CURTIS HOTEL
MINNEAPOLIS

May 7th 1940

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

My precious letter -

Your letter came at last and I am
more than relieved to hear you are alright
now if you had had the "flu" for which
I was ~~my~~ sorry. I can't bear not to have
you joining our top of the world all of the
time, but I guess that is impossible - But
I do pray and hope the cough is gone -
If it doesn't go soon please go to the Dr -

Wish that I could give you the ability to earn
so much at your benefit! Are you unable
to do anything yourself on account of your
illness? I am so eager to read the article
you wrote for the Club paper - Don't forget
to send it to me - Put it on your desk now!

This morning I had occasion to call
Aunt Maud - she has invited me for lunch
on Saturday - and I spoke to her about
sending something toward the Mt. I had
but she said she had received a letter
from you and she had sent hers long ago.
She was sorry to wonder like to have had you
get the benefit - I don't know of anyone
else for most people haven't any thing themselves
to thought to give any away -
I'll send it just splendid you have
been asked to submit one of your compositions
for the Contest - My Lotter - your Mamma
and Papa are so proud of you and
all that you are doing in school.
Nearly best!

Ellery came up yesterday to spend

this morn. - He looks well and so far sent my
bag. - Probably she has such a large frame
she has no trouble finding places? now -
I am glad really too soon to the you. - She
wrote such an apologetic letter I was sorry
she thought I was provoked for I meant as
well - I know how terribly busy they are so we
never get - the fact my bags are not nearly
long enough to do all that I have planned.
This morn I have changed the good intentions
but I expect to go to Cooper & send from
Friday and after a short visit there, take Aunt M.
to Worcester to visit the Phillipses for a couple
of days - get back to Cooper for Mrs. Graham's

the 29th getting home about the 3rd
on 4th of June. I want to be here
when you get back so if you spend
a couple of days in Washington that
will make it just right.

Last night Daddy and I had a dinner
for 12. The Allendorfs, Stern Simons -
Hartmanns - Mullers - Gladys & Mary -
They stayed until 12 -

I have to go out now to play in
the button tournament with Mrs Bares -
A luncheon at 12:30 - Dupicate P.M -
Smorgasbord at the Church tonight and
that's the way it goes. Now they are
so much stuff - the family all send

Love -

Last week Joe, Jim & I planted 62
trees on the golf course! and
gave a few trees on the place. Our
tulips wait to ~~get~~ for a couple of
weeks. I don't like to go when they
are in bloom -

Can hardly wait for you to get
home - your Darling how I do
love my precious Lotus -
Devotedly
Mother



Miss Laura Jane Musser
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Mrs Laura Jane Musser
605 West 115th Street
New York City

% Parnassus Club - Haskins House -

April 27th 1940

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Take precion -

We are back again after having had
a most delightful time with Aunt Laura
and Uncle Will in N.C. I have never
known such hospitable people as all
of their friends - a luncheon every
day and sometimes dinner on the
same day - usually at a Country
Club and Cards at their homes -

We left Wednesday Evening after a
most beautiful luncheon at a Mrs
Nelsons & Cards - She has an enormous

Home - Mr Husband calls it his dream
home because from the time he was
14 - and worked for a family of
Physicians who had a large home
built around a Pato he bought it
land that had of a place - three
families have lived there - He reckons
and his wife's two sisters & their
families -

Mr found all well when he returned -
Joe is busy raking the front lawn -
the grass is gradually getting green
but no leaves are out - Mr need
rain and today it looks like it -

I am so glad you had that milk - and we
were going to visit Mrs Kimbrough - it was a shame
the Cherry blossoms were blowing off - I see
I think of how beautiful it was last
year when we were there and what a
ground milk we all had together - even
if we didn't agree as to the goodness!
The meeting you attended must have
been very interesting and no doubt
Lena heard the talk - it was so quiet
all experience it must have been - Our
glad you enjoy this talk so much,

You seem to get to so many
interesting affairs and how do you
like Mrs Rogers and Mr Andrews?
I wonder how these Mental Physics
differ from the Los Angeles Cult?
How dear of Adelaide to send those
two lovely Lemons - Am sure Mary
will love the one you are sending
her and she will need something
large by that time - and it looks
she will love too - You are such
a darling thoughtful girl -

Mrs Gillespie met me once at
Mrs Little recently and said she

had received a letter from Mrs. Carey in which she said that she had seen us at Irgo that day and then she enclosed the sheet in which she spoke of us - I will enclose it here for its nice sometimes to know what people think of us -

I have a dozen or more letters to write and a book-review to get ready and finish my Tuesday luncheon for the Gay Club - Daddy and I are going to drive to Casper about the

middle of the month and then he goes
West for his marriage and I shall take
Aunt Maria to Missoula to visit
the Phillips for a few days - We
may then drive out West to An
may then drive out West to An
Sally. She has just had an operation
in Portland - they took out her
appendix but she also had a
tumor (not malignant) in an ovary,
removed - She didn't tell me about
having it before for fear I would
worry and I would have - She
is getting along nicely and I

Am so thankful -

I guess I can tell you all of the news
- Aunt - saw Mary a few minutes when
he passed through the city - she looks fine
and they will soon be moving - There
the new house is being painted etc
will come up here and stay -

A least few of the for my darling
Lottie - How are the symphony seasons
coming along? Also the music. (Phonograph)
I hope I could hear heard Phillips as
the memory context broadcast. I am

Inclosing here a Check for \$25⁰⁰ for
the Metropolitan Opera Fund - If you
will write at once to Aunt Laura I
know she will send you \$25⁰⁰ also
for that fund so you should get
Credit for it but write her at once.
I will send it directly Devotally -
to her - she has been ready of - Mother -

Had to open the letter, forgot to put
in the Enclosure -

Kansas City Mo. — April 19th 1940 —

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Letter Junction -

Your note came just before we left
for here and we were both so happy to get
it and I know all is going well with
you - We were anxious to get away
for a short time to sit down and
get away from tomorrow if we can -
They are all in control at the Fundables -
Carm was spending a week or two
with her father and will go home for
a rest and then return for a few
weeks - J. B. is fine and he and "kies"
are getting along very well - Spring

is here and it is so beautiful - Green
Grass - Daffodils are out and the trees
coming out. It will be sometime before that
happens at home but I love it any way -

We arrived here Tuesday night 9:45 - Aunt
Laura and Uncle Ned were down to meet us
and both took us to bed and we are having
a grand time - Yesterday we drove all
day in the Ogish mountains. The Red Bird
Dog was just coming out
and the dog had been just coming out
but the dog was out yet - We
saw the Bagwell dam on the Ogish River
and it is amazing the number of miles
that are flooded - it has made one
of the most beautiful lakes in the
otherwise barren country and now

The friends flock here from all over the State -
Today we are going out for lunch and tonight
to the hotel for dinner - I just called
and the bird and the family - Tomorrow
then will be lunch and guests here tomorrow
- Sunday night to supper at 8:00 pm
- my day something - I will leave
for home Wednesday - getting back some
time on Thursday -
Then the sailing to West to come home
after the funeral and after that next morning
at all but the time is so happy -
The subject is having the year enjoyed

The more Rebecca - Hope to see it
Soon -

Daddy is having a nice time with
Uncle Ned - Mary C. is home and busy
all of the time - She inquired after you
& Mary - Must get dressed right away.
A heart full of love. Aunt Laura
sends hers too and Daddy would if
he were here - Devotedly - Mother -

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Mrs Laura Jane Musser
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New York City

April 10th 1940

Lottie Darling.

We certainly are having a hard time here and so sad. It helped to get your wire in the city right on down town on Monday - and so thankful you had a nice trip east. Was pleased to get your wire from Chicago. Then kept waiting and hoping for one from N. Y.

Saturday morning I had been out for a walk and was just coming into the yard when I met Mary driving out. She said Daddy called that 'Amy' is dead or dying - so come up at once - which I did. It seems Amy had been to the Fred Holst and Bolander's and seemed fine - Had long visits both places. Then she met Daddy just coming

out of the office going home for dinner -
He stopped and they visited and joked
and he went back into the office and a
Man came running in and said "A
Roman dropped dead on the walk outside
and I am calling the coroner so fast.
Daddy went out and there was Amy -
He got down and held her head and
kept calling her to come back. Her
false teeth dropped out and he put them
on the sidewalk beside her. It was a
terrible shock for him but he didn't know
she was really gone - then he had to
carry the sad news to Mr. Faudale -
Well it was terrible for I was afraid

that he would take his life - I got Emma and said
"Hurry you come right down stairs - Mr.
Roman dropped wrong, don't make it harder -"
So he came down and in the time he
dinner refused to admit it. Then in that out
and got a lot for him and to himself - then
they had taken him. As a Captain and took him
home - had to call Carmine long distance and
I found she would do too - then Olga - then
gave Emma and I just better about him - then
Mills was two and stayed right there & helped.
~~At~~ was wonderful for the last Mary last
Gone all surprising was - He helped us -
the funeral was Monday at 9:30 A.M. -

Right after lunch Daddy Mary & I drove
to the city to "reconf" - Patty Nicolai
drove down with us - We came back
last morning - Han has nothing of you
all day -

When in the city we drove out to see the
new house Roger has bought. It's a very
pleasant home near the Minnetonka Club
that Mrs. Mary had come up to talk
to us about it. They have down stairs a
large room - dining room + kitchen - An
Amusement room down stairs and 3 bedrooms
on the 2nd floor a nice bath room and
some large closets. They will have to
move soon - I hope you have written
them. I miss you so much -

Looks precious - I tried my utmost
of your vacation -

This morning we had a golf club
meeting at Mrs. Bares - She was asking
who had charge of the Entertainment
Comm. for the Junior - Mrs. Amundson
spoke up and said "Laura Jane Musser
and she did a grand job! She
only one who said, and did turn
in some money and it would have
been more except she had to provide
prizes" - So your work was much appreciated.
This is really the first Spring Day and

I went out alone and played 6 holes of
golf - Made 38!

Am going out now to make awhile -
The turtles and daffodils are up -
So hope I will have a letter soon from
you telling me all about your trip
and what you have done since getting
back - Dr. Holst and 'Lester' are getting
along nicely and Marion has gone
back to work -

A heart full of love - Mary and
Rogers and how much they enjoyed
having you with them -
Devotedly Mother -

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HAVE HAD NO WIRE FROM YOU SINCE ARRIVING NEWYORK THANKS FOR
THE CHICAGO MESSAGE MRS LUNDAHL DIED SATURDAY MORNING PLEASE
SEND WIRE TO 2215 HUMBOLDT AVE SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS FATHER AND
I WILL BE THERE UNTIL TOMORROW MISS YOU VERY MUCH

MOTHER

LUNDAHL 2215



Mrs Laura Jane Mueser

605 West 115th Street

New York City

Parnassus Club

Mrs. R. D. Musser

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Little Falls

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Minnesota

Little Darling -

Your letter not came yesterday in
reference to taking the two little girls
down. Now I could take you the down
and leave you at Marys and bring the
little girls home with me for I can't
stay all night. Mary and Roger
have been looking forward to having
you visit them and if you spend
Thursday and Thurs. nit with them
and I would send down for you
Friday. And maybe Mary would come back

With you and Roger too or you stay
until Saturday then and come up with
them - For Roger might not be able
to get away until Saturday - You
are they are so disappointed you didn't
visit them at Xmas so that would be
fine and then you could be home the
rest of the vacation - We have to
hurry Mary now until her baby
comes !!!

I think it a good idea for you
to come right home on the 20th - I
can then go to Child Interest and can
at 4 and we will have dinner in

to city and go to the concert - I will see
about your ticket and check when I go down
next week - Perhaps couldn't go down - You
are are aren't you able to take her car out
just - the appreciated your letter -

I heard from you and
can hardly wait for you to get home -
Sincerely - Mother -

March 8-1894



Miss Laura Jane Messer
605 West 115th Street.
New York City

Parasurus Club.

Mrs. R. D. Musser - - 608 Highland Avenue - - Little Falls, Minn.

March 7th 1940

Lola Darling -

We just loved your letter of Mch-2nd
and you are certainly having a
very interesting and busy life every
day - Your marks are certainly
wonderful! and we are so delighted
you are doing so well - Mary said
"We I certainly am glad for you
that you have one bright child!"
Of course I told her we are proud
of both of our daughters! How you

had any lessons with Mrs. Herrens
as yet?

I haven't done any sewing for a while
"What's Is" but am starting to knit
an affghan - Mary is knitting sweaters
and caps which are darling - So
Mrs. Kimbrough is expecting also -
You will tan your hands full

looking after so many babies!
It will be interesting to visit her
on your way home this June.

Was interested in hearing that you
had heard that list piece played
by a good pianist - Maybe

You are right about the little but now
that I think of it I guess your mother
and the piece for to be learned about the
Foster's being abroad? the storm and
the 8th June's shadowed on the picture and
the the screen - Calm -

How pleasant I find Mrs. Saxe through
interviewing - she will be able to meet her
afternoon - you will tell Mrs. Schuyler
that I can hear interviewing too. I noticed
that it will be quite interesting too and
if I could I think I am Schuyler being the

Force back of that. He certainly is
doing some construction work through
his papers and his contacts -

America is a land of the free
and I am glad I am living here
and in no other country but it
takes many many years to
overcome many of our prejudices
and stupid mistakes but one must
have vision and try individual
work constructively -

Am glad you enjoyed Dorothy
Maynor again - I shall enjoy hearing
her again if I have the opportunity.

You will have quite a scrif book
that you will have so many autographs.
Betty's Beauty Shop is the "Hatscher"
or something like that and is on
54 East 57th Street - They will cut
your hair and give you a fine
permanent. (Mrs. Ida)
Telephone Plaza 3-5020-

Last Tuesday I gave a reading
of the "Man Who Came to Dinner" here
at the house. There were over 60 here
and I did it for Mrs. Byron who
has a Drama Club here. They all

started to enjoy it - After the first
act we served refreshments and
gave us a chance to lie down & rest.
The thing that tired me was standing
so long - My legs ached a long
time after getting to bed -

I will let Mary get some flower
material for you for a home cost
when she goes back to the city -
She came home Monday and looks
so well - Is nice and plump
but that's all - Is prettier than ever -
She is looking forward to seeing
you on the 20th? Jack has been

sent away for a couple of months so
you don't see him & I fear!

Hope your family boy arrived O.K.
Can hardly wait for you to get home,
Mary and Daddy would stand there
hoping they are here - the girls just
love to get your letters -
& wait for my presence

with daughter - servants -

Mother -