

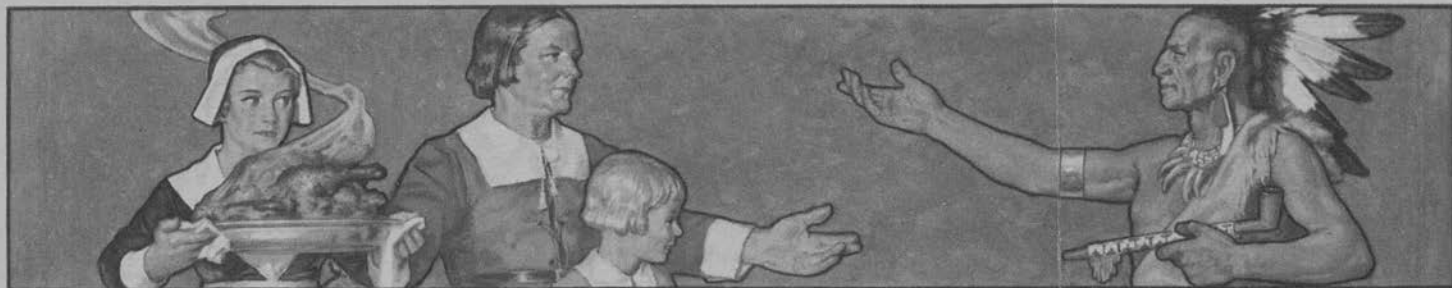


Laura Jane Musser and  
Family Papers.

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MISS LAURA JANE MUSSER,CARE PARNASSUS CLUB=

605 WEST 115 ST NYK=

MAY YOUR THANKSGIVING DAY BE A HAPPY ONE DADDY AND I WILL  
BE THINKING OF YOU AND WISHING YOU WERE WITH US TO  
CELEBRATE IN JUST FOUR WEEKS YOU WILL BE HOME FOR  
CHRISTMAS WHICH WILL MAKE US VERY HAPPY OUR LOVE TO YOU  
AND MAUDE=

DADDY AND MOTHER.



Mrs Laura Jane Wheeler  
608 Highland Ave.  
Little Falls  
Minnesota

at Iowa City - Lunch at the  
Lamberts - An exciting game  
Iowa beating Indiana 13-7 -

Dinner at this home that evening  
 and more cards - Then yesterday  
 morning we came to Aunt Laura's  
 to be having a lovely visit -  
 William & Raymond & also Cora  
 and Mr. Deatke here in the evening -  
 This eve. Bess & Robert Jackson have  
 a dinner party at the hotel &  
 card at this home afterwards -

We will leave here Wednesday morning so will get home that night - If you want to drop back with us that will be fine so who ever takes you down can return when they want to - I miss my "Hopper" so much & will be so lousy to see her Wednesday about 4:30 or 5 P.M. at the Camp - Try me

Has inquired about you & Bob & is remembered - I said in

Muscata Iowa  
Nov. 3 1941

Lotse Darling -

This is the first comment  
I have had to my say since  
we left home but I have been  
so happy to have talked to you  
and to learn that you are  
fine and all is going well  
at home - I was delighted that  
you arrived home Sunday is  
time for me to talk to you.

Now for my story of the days  
since leaving you last Wednesday.

We took the Kings & their car  
and then to the Curtis where we  
spent the night leaving about  
9:30 for Duronport. It was a  
restful trip - very gloomy day

my aunt and charming company - this is going  
to learn tomorrow for Portland where a short time  
and will spend several weeks - the first evening  
they took us to a large & beautiful club house  
for our dinner - then back to the house where the  
first showed us movies of this trip & introduced  
which were very beautiful & interesting - Friday 25<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday next to stop city and it proved all day -  
Mrs. Peck took me to a sewing club at one of  
her friends where there were about 10 women -  
we had lunch and a delightful afternoon - that  
30 - we played cards - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> to the same

but I read slept and rested  
Daddy did the same - we had  
our lunch in Deborah - and  
arrived at the Pecks about 5:30.  
They have a beautiful home  
on a hill with lovely trees  
on their grounds - Had to walk  
(my pen keeps dropping ink - am  
sorry) up about 50 steps to  
their front door - They keep one  
maid - A very large hall and  
large living room - A room  
room as large as our library  
and Dr. Peck has a lovely big  
library - A beautiful dining room  
& a pantry as large as ours  
and a kitchen about like ours -  
Then four large bedrooms and  
baths - Dr. Peck's mother about 90  
lives with them - is just large



BUY  
DEFENSE SAVINGS  
BONDS AND STAMPS



Miss Laura Jane Musser  
Little Falls  
Minnesota

608 Highland Ave -

Twelve Forty West Sixty-fourth Street  
Kansas City, Missouri



Kansas City

Oct 16, 1941

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Dearst Leta + Alice -

Well here we are - We arrived  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  hour late but we because  
a preacher got stalled on  
the track - He jumped out  
but our train demolished his  
car. He said "Well I hate to  
see my car go - I've had  
it since 1929 and it has  
served me well!" - We  
didn't know anything about  
it until we backed up and  
the conductor said that was  
the reason - Mary + Aunt



Laura met us at the train.  
Frank took our bags and  
Mary brought us out in the  
Buck.

This morning Mary brought  
Sarah on while we were  
taking breakfast and in  
just a few minutes she  
remembered us and wanted to  
sit in our laps. My second-  
she is as adorable as Mrs.  
Looks quite a bit older - takes  
several steps alone but  
prefers to have help -

Daddy & I went back with  
Mary to her home. It is so  
pretty now. She has several

New things and it all looks so homey  
and so good. I like the baby and  
I had the work as for a arm and the  
and the shopping - I met with Mother's  
and could only find it at her sister's  
said I might find it at her sister's  
He has the bag and then it is more  
down on the floor - such beautiful  
with my new - such beautiful  
and speaking at Sun Valley - this  
now - and also Margaret's picture - we  
the the new table we met - Mary  
the to have the dinner brought and

if he gets back - they all  
send their love & wish you  
both were here -

Tomorrow night Aunt Laura is  
having a dinner party at the  
Mallbach Hotel - Sat. Mary Johnston  
for us - Sunday a Mrs. Young  
has us at some Country Club  
and I think that is all - M.  
will be back Wednesday so M.  
will come home with you tomorrow  
if you go down for a lesson -  
Otherwise we can meet as early  
when the train comes in at 8  
A.M. - Hope all is going well  
at home - M. Miss you awfully  
but M. will soon be back -

Know you had a good time  
with the Roberts today - I feel  
so sad to be away when you are  
there Alice - I want to see you

Letter Darling -

Aug 21<sup>st</sup> 1941

It was so long before we had a letter from you we began to wonder what in the world had become of you! Finally one came last Monday and we were delighted to hear what a happy time you had been having - It must have been interesting to drive around and see for yourself all of the things you mentioned in your letter - How happy you enjoyed Hilda and her family so much and I am sure they loved having you visit them.

Needles to tell you how my much  
he has missed you. He has been  
quite alone. Mary went to N.C. last  
Friday and not one word from her.

Rayn just lonely and he had expected  
to come up that week-end but couldn't  
make it so started him to go to N.C.

He took the Fred Hotels to Pine Beach  
for the week-end. Had to stay in the  
hotel and on don't care for that. The  
first night was so noisy he hardly  
got any sleep. It was Sat. nit. and  
young people were coming and going  
till about 4 A.M.

He enjoyed it and played golf and

Pluff board and Contract!

Sarah was so Luffy to me  
when I came back on Monday she  
laughed out loud - so, she doesn't  
walk alone yet but Mary bought  
her some larger shoes and she  
cross to walk if you take hold of her  
hands - It will be several weeks I imagine  
before she tries it alone - I took her  
to see Mrs. Ryan yesterday and for Anna  
wanted to hold her and talk to her but  
she only cried hard and that started  
Sarah crying but they both soon stopped.  
The weather has been delightfully cool -

Yesterday I played in the Munson Cup  
Tournament with Florence Holst and  
she beat me 6 up and 5 to go!

Tomorrow Daddy and I are driving  
to the city for the day -

M. will be so happy to have you  
home again - Am sending this to  
U. Y. in hopes you will receive  
it - I shall be anxious to hear what  
you decide to do about returning -  
I do think it will be fine if they Mr.  
Keastead and the others feel it would be  
better for you to wait to enter in Jan.  
The record you wanted returned with  
your notation was attached to and I will  
enclose this answer - Remember

me to Mrs McMillan and the  
others -

With a heart full of love  
for my little Nipper - Has a  
grand time at Mrs Chamberlains -  
shall be away soon to hear about  
Alice & Martin & the boys -  
Devotely -  
Mother -



VIA AIR MAIL

Air Mail



Mrs Laura Jane Musser

605 West 115<sup>th</sup> Street

New York City

% The Parnassus Club

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Had you better say something  
about your room then, so on April 17<sup>th</sup> 1941  
I'm all place to go?

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LITTLE FALLS

MINNESOTA

Letter Darling -

When the mail came this morning  
I looked at this letter and called it  
"Daddy just going down stairs -"  
Letter from Father. And when I opened  
it alas! it was from Betty B -  
Thanking me for how things I sent  
her baby. It is astonishing how much  
her writing is like yours -

Now I can hear from Carl &  
Edith saying how much they enjoyed  
being with you - of how much you  
are and then they cared about Father

You and Bess Bennett and of  
course the Concert - Well you certainly  
got much joy to many as always -  
Bess wrote to of how much she  
enjoyed it - In less than a week  
you will be home and I can hardly  
wait - Thursday I sent your Sunday  
boy back to you and hope it  
reaches you in time - I yet  
don't know just when you are  
leaving - Is it the 20<sup>th</sup>? We are  
having such cold weather - It feels  
like Nov - but after a week or two  
I am sure we will jump right into  
Summer - We can't do much planting

until it does warm up a bit for there  
is ice every morning.

I do hope and pray my precious  
that you are feeling alright again.  
Daddy is leaving the 19<sup>th</sup> for a  
Religion of his class at Iowa City  
then goes to Casper - then home for a  
few days and then West on his annual  
tour - So on this one has been terrible  
but will have a nice cozy time together.

Last Thursday eve. I gave a "Epic Review"  
of the "Valley of Decision" by Marcin  
Davenport before the Literary Section  
of the Musical Art. They all were  
fine listeners and said they enjoyed

it - Am glad that has been done and  
now I shall have more time for knitting  
and gardening -

I went to the city yesterday for my  
final "check up" by Dr. Fractauer and  
he said I was alright but to go  
back to him in 3 or 4 months to  
make sure nothing started. Regina  
and Bert - Clea & Stella went with me -  
we all had a busy day -

A letter from Mary - the first-writer  
lying down - She said now the baby  
is a handsome little fellow and is  
up to weight at birth - She is nursing  
him but he demands more so she had  
to start on the Spoonula again -  
She goes home today - Say - she wonders

Whether you received the wire or she  
hasn't heard from you yet - I wrote  
her today that you had been ill  
but that you were thrilled over the news.  
I hope you don't get too worn  
out with your packing - Perhaps  
you can get some one to help  
you -

Alice writes Drew will be home  
for a two week furlough the 25<sup>th</sup>  
after he leaves she is coming home.  
Little Sarah at first was a bit jealous  
of her baby brother but now she is 100%  
in his estimation but the other day  
she saw him nursing for the first time

and she was furious - She went up  
to the bed and she said my Cross  
"Hey you stop Eating my Mothers  
Stomach!" She must be adorable  
and is growing up so fast -

This M. M. have dinner with the  
Hartmanns at the hotel also Jo Burton  
will be there - The Hartmanns maid  
is leaving - It is almost impossible  
to get help now so m. for my  
lucky in having 3 such lovely girls -

Pauline manages so well with the  
gathering in hardly 15 m. meals on  
are returned -

Joe is back - He told me at first  
he was going to work at the Paper Mill



because he could make more. I nearly  
collapsed - It would be impossible to get  
any one who would understand as Joe  
does. So I finally persuaded him  
to stay and I would pay him a  
certain amount every month from my  
own pocket book. So he said he would  
stay - He is such a marvelous  
worker -

Well my precious little daughter I must  
stop - You will soon be here so  
this will be my last before you come.

With many thanks - I love you.

Your devoted Mother -

Huntley Meyer is married to a girl in Texas

Minnesota

*Air Mail*



Miss Laura Jane Musser  
Holly Springs  
Mississippi

To Mrs. Hilda McCoy Rust College.

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

[Aug. 11, 1941]

Mrs. R. D. Musser

Little Falls

Minnesota

Dear Darling -

I was very happy to get your  
wire for it didn't come until  
late afternoon & I feared the heat  
had gotten you! The trip to Memphis  
must have been boring but it is  
interesting to see the kind of country  
through the middle west. Am happy  
it's not too warm there. Our  
Hilda's family are delightful  
people - All know how happy  
you are to meet them -

Well today was Sarah's birthday -  
A beautiful day and after dinner  
we took her high chair and all  
of her presents onto the terrace  
by the dining porch and took  
pictures of her eating her first  
birthday cake - She was so cut-

Saturday, Mary drove to the city  
to attend Sam Hughes sister's wedding  
and Mrs. Taylor had added - Regina  
and we were in cards - Mr. Stigard  
called after 10. M. - I was - 76 -  
Yesterday I had the Hartmanns

and Henry on the dinner - Mary returned  
at noon - I had a nice afternoon &  
Mrs. May's came in and played out as -  
in the evening you the best I can so  
happy you are having such a lovely visit.  
P.O. paid yesterday afternoon but not  
May's but I shall and made a 5-8!  
After we finished the 9th we had just  
4 minutes to meet the train Sunday  
arrived on but it being on the 2nd  
section we were in plenty of time -  
The Green Room Friday fine and

Say the new office looks so nice.  
Aunt Maman was very disappointed  
that you didn't go out with Daddy.  
He flew from Bellingo to Casper  
and back to Bellingo again.  
Daddy misses his job of playing  
poker for you! and I miss my  
precious Leta and not being  
able to crawl into her bed on  
the porch -

This isn't much of a letter but  
wanted you to hear - My son & Wanda  
and Sally send love when she wrote -  
Be sure and Mr. Alice when you expect  
to arrive so that she can meet you

Wednesday I am having a luncheon  
for about 16 which will include all  
of the guests visiting friends -  
The fair is on and Pauline took  
first prize on nearly every thing  
she took on which naturally  
pleases her -

Claudina told me yesterday that  
she and Marcel will be married  
the latter part of October - Oh Dear!  
Well welcome a Lord & Sigh to dear!  
You loan your Chick book so you had  
better pay it or you will lose your chance

to Charge this -

Have a grand time and be  
well & so happy when you get well.

A heart full of love -

Dorothy -

Aug 11 - 1941

Mother -





Laura Jane Musser

Little Falls, Minnesota

939 Edgehill Rd.  
Jacksonville, Ill.

Hello there! Just thought  
I would send you  
a line





To tell you I got here  
And Mother is fine!

P.S. Dad is doing all right, too.

Name

Truman Harold Edward J.

Arrived

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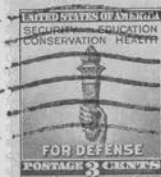
Parents

Mrs & Mrs J.H. Edward

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Ft. Tark  
Minn.

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Letter Darling -

I hope you and Helga had a happy day on Friday and that you are not too tired when you got home that night - Daddy wrote that Helga was very generous in giving the girls money - She shouldn't have felt that was necessary - Now if you enjoyed Helga's visit and it made you happy that is all that Daddy & I want is for you to be happy - She is a my nice girl and am glad she could have made you the visit -

I will probably be here a couple of days yet for I am to be letting down - You Sally & Jane

Should have a grand time together - I am so sorry  
to miss any of their visit -

This summer we will have a grand time - I hope  
the family will all enjoy our picnics for we  
must have many of them -

This is just a little note to tell you  
how much I love my Lotus - Please give this  
note enclosed to Helen -  
Devotely - Mother -

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



Mrs Laura Jane Musser  
1240 West 64th Street  
Kansas City  
Mo -



Letter Darling -

Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

Your wire received at Young's Dunsen  
Monday noon and I was glad that  
you had decided to spend the rest  
of the week there for free though  
you didn't feel extra when you called  
I knew that in a day or two we  
would talk better and you have  
so much good common sense  
you wouldn't let anything Mary  
or Roger would say - get you -  
they do too you but sometimes  
other people's ideas are so utterly

different from ours and being a  
free Country they express themselves  
Candidly and open it hurts but  
one has to treat it lightly and  
try and not be upset - Daddy & I  
do love you so, no world gives  
anything in the world for you to  
be happy and never hurt about  
anything - Aunt Laura loves you so  
much too and the world can just  
do as it likes you can't -

Daddy was kind for us to have you.  
can so soon after you had come  
home but I know you will too

being there - How you must love Sarah  
and she you - I can hardly wait  
to see her and probably she won't  
give me a second glance -

The night you called on me  
both in bed for we had to get  
up at 5 the next morning - Knowing  
that on my mind I didn't sleep  
so was rather difficult to keep my  
eyes open the next day - I had a  
treasure in the city and Jim  
took Daddy to the meeting & came  
back for me - It was pouring

but I arrived in time for lunch -  
I sat next to Dr Cowling and had  
a most delightful time with him on  
one side and Mr Horne Irvine on  
the other - Dr Cowling spoke of having  
been in the South and had made a  
point of visiting colored schools  
and of how much he enjoyed meeting  
so many cultured & delightful  
colored people -

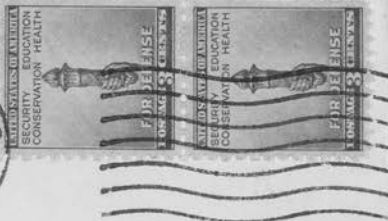
This afternoon I am going again  
with Daddy to the city and won't  
be home until Sunday - He has meetings  
in St. Paul - It has rained almost  
constantly since you left -

Mrs. Wagon and Mrs. Burton spoke  
of how much they enjoyed you  
at the Club that Tuesday and  
of how much prize you have &  
what a series of humorous & delightful  
company you are - Mrs. Wagon  
tried to open a window a few  
days ago and hasn't been able  
to move since - I feel so strong  
in too - All studying dinner & then  
today -

I'm so much too to Aunt Laura  
& Mary & Roger & Lucy the baby  
to me - We will be expecting you

And Aunt Laura Friday or Saturday -  
A heart full of love for my  
precious Alice - Mother  
Dorothy

Air Mail



Mrs Laura Jane Musker  
605 West 115<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York City

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LITTLE FALLS

MINNESOTA



May 29 1941

Lester's precision -

In just 6 Days you did 2  
Lons and needles & say on can  
Early mail - you do write such  
Darling letters and how I do love  
them -

My parties are all over and  
Everything most beautifully and I am  
so glad I was able to do that for  
the ladies -

I am leaving now for the city  
and will have to finish this in

The Car -

Mrs Cochran called to tell me how pleased and happy she was that you were coming home or soon. She didn't love at all now -

You are so dear to make all of these people so happy -

Daddy is coming on Saturday and soon on his to a happy reunited family -

Today is cold and dark. We have had quite a lot of rain in the last few days and we needed it.

it really -

Grand Macon is at Margo's and she is staying - she has two muskies and when purchased to it down to K.C. with him and then she is leaving next week for the East for work.

Production - the next 8 hours for pretty much a month I imagine. This is just a line to tell you how I am doing. Hope and love is so much to

Can't come again -

Mary Anne is to be married  
the tenth - Your invitation is here.

Thank you with

a Blof - Mom and Miffy -

Devotedly -

Mother -

Air Mail



Mrs Laura Jane Musser

605 West 115<sup>th</sup> Street

New York City

To the Parnassus Club

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

- LITTLE FALLS -

MINNESOTA

March 26 1941

Taken precious -

Your letter came while I was  
still in bed for a cold I have  
been having and I couldn't keep but  
think about your worries and after  
a bit I thought the quickest way  
to relieve my mind was to talk  
to you - Now I am so thankful  
your eye is better for I just can't  
bear to see you suffer in any way  
and when it comes to your eyes  
which you and we all are so

dependent upon I just Couldn't  
wait to write but had to talk to  
you - Your voice sounded as though  
you had just awakened - my sleep -  
but I was so delighted to talk to you  
and all so my Laffy if your eye  
is alright again - If you do have  
any trouble ask Dr. Hanger for the  
best eye specialist in New York  
and I will take care of the bill -  
What are you want to do regarding  
your piano you do - About the  
meeting with the Newstead group.  
I just thought you would have

sent a Laffy how meeting that two students  
but I know you know that.  
Do a shame Nancy has had such a  
terrible time with her tooth - I do hope  
the rice soon is alright again -  
Mary is coming today and she probably  
is the worst the last of the month and she  
has had the baby to R.C. The baby has  
had the cold which has been going around  
and hasn't been able to eat it. Please suggest  
his doctor in the hospital you can see all  
children in the of the little doctor you can  
see and the little doctor and know you that

The women just bawled about the baby  
and all of your gifts and thought  
the baby very fortunate to have such  
a grand Aunty and so generous -

The ice and snow is going very  
rapidly - your snow image looks like  
this - Almost gone but looks like  
a pointed stick -

A year ago today Mrs J. B. Holst  
died - Is ill today with a gall  
bladder attack - He certainly tries  
to hurt self, poor soul - and is  
very lonely -

You were here a year ago and  
what a happy Easter we all had -



Aunt Laura thinks she will go with me and on my plan to be in Washington on the 9<sup>th</sup>

So Maroon Anderson prefers red roses - that was what he sent her a year ago!

I was so interested in what you wrote about playing for Phipps and how much she and her mother liked your compositions - I shall have them published - No I didn't hear Senator Myis talk - The English are certainly carrying on with remarkable courage.

If only something could happen to blow  
up Nazism! I still hope and pray  
that we will not be drawn into the  
war beyond our financial help —

Yesterday I drove to the city to  
meet Daddy who spent last week  
with Aunt Laura - His grand Loring  
has come again - He was brought with  
Aunt Laura and her friends in Muscatine.  
Bird Bailey was there too - His three  
children have the whooping cough -  
so that means worry for them -

I had a new permanent  
"Will Post" I think they call it -

No lead - Was this even in a class after they  
can transfer to law and connected the  
schools with rubber tubes and has a  
fund is pumped in for 9 min - a  
rubber cap on your head - but a ~~performance~~  
but most successful -

I was written this my first for I must  
go to the train to meet Mary -  
That you are on the train too -  
A heart piece of love to my sweet  
little daughter from her devoted -  
Remember me to all those whom I know -  
Others -

Mrs Bennett has gone to the M. Vernon  
Hospital to have her gas bladder  
removed —



Mrs Laura Jane Musser  
605 West 115th Street  
New York City  
/ of the Parnassus Club

MRS. R. D. MUSSER

LITTLE FALLS

MINNESOTA

Love Darling -

It certainly gives me a real thrill to talk of you for a few minutes with you -

This has been such a tremendous work for me but most of my duties are over for awhile - As I wrote Daddy left Friday last. I forwarded your letter to him so he must have it by now. Was so happy to get your dear letter - Life always has so much of sorrow and m-

Who has our friends so it takes a  
lot out of us but we have to go  
on living and the only way is to  
try and rise above it and be  
happy for them that they are  
released from suffering -

Yesterday I had a luncheon  
at the Country Club. Cards after  
and then turned to the Church  
where Helen & Jim had gone earlier  
& got ready for the big supper -  
The basement was a bowers of beauty -  
Boy we said Helens flower arrangement

Was so beautiful they would never forget it - The  
meat so good and give a piece of her soul  
to me - the wonderful team the beauty of  
the old it was home, making my heart  
beats with a delicious meat dish  
which my son enjoyed so much -  
Today I gave a luncheon for 32 -  
We had planned it for 40 but  
many couldn't come - It really so  
a joy to do for the women of the  
Church who make so good and so pleasant  
any time I do for them so sincerely -  
I was very sad to hear that the

things you wanted for your hobby  
table but you didn't say where  
As I suppose it is too late - I  
fear one I forgot with so much  
else on my mind - But Betty  
was here for Friday & Sat- of last  
week as I wrote before - and  
I had to divert myself to have  
Daddy bring you and I do like  
him so much - He & Margaret think  
so much of you -

Our flowers are so beautiful now -  
just that is a little over a week  
you will be home & how happy I will



to and Aunt on has a grand time  
together -

Delores has been working for nearly  
two days to help Pauline and is  
certainly so appreciate it - She looks  
so nice now that she has let her  
hair alone - It is very pretty -  
Tomorrow Jo Burton has asked the group  
that they Monday to go to the Lake  
for the day - Taking our lunch -  
Tomorrow too - Carrie Fuddall Nicolai  
who is visiting her father for a few  
days is having a few of us for dinner

Friday Viola Janner has first Club -  
and so it goes. Next Wednesday  
I have 45 members of the Church  
Club for luncheon and then I shall  
relax !!

A heart full of love for my  
darlingest daughter & Companion -  
Devotedly Mother -

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January 8th 1940

My dear and precious Leta.

Your darling and sweet letter came to Mother and me as one of the greatest blessings that could be bestowed upon us.

I found it on my desk when I came home for dinner this noon. Mother had left for a Childs Inter. Club meeting before I got home and while there <sup>she</sup> gave a Book Review on Embogged Heaven. which they all enjoyed.

I of course was so anxious to read your letter but before I had finished the first page my eyes filled with tears and my throat filled up so I just could not go on with the reading.

You were so dear to write so feelingly your love for your grand Mother and also for your Poor Daddy - Your love never faileth; it forgives and forgets. it only see ourselves at our best and it is so understanding and so free from the negative and the things that worry and distress our poor souls. Yes my Leta I want to be just like you have so sincerely expressed yourself I will conquer my impatience my lack of thoughtfulness and consideration for others.

We will have the sweetest and happiest times together and by the jinks nothing is going to get my goat and ruffle my temper.

You have been a real inspiration to me  
I know there is a lot of good in us all & you  
are going to find something good in me, later,  
too. July 11th -

Well here it is the 11th of the month and  
here I am not being busy. Everything seems to  
bunch up at the end of the old year and  
the beginning of this new year.

Aunt Laura made us quite a fine visit  
She is now in Nurseature & will return  
to Minneapolis soon for treatment & we will  
spend a week with her.  
Cousin Margaret & Charles & Betty are in Nurseature  
with Aunt Laura.

Mrs. Uell Ryan had some kind of a heart  
attack a few days ago and she is in a serious  
condition now at the Hospital.

This Affliction Comes without warning to any  
one over 60 years of age and our blood pressure  
has a lot to do with it. I have really been  
worried about Mother at times and dread  
the result of her getting excited or worried.

I am sorry to note that you did not enjoy  
Marion Anderson's last Concert as much as  
heretofore. She is of course the same Marion A.  
but reason and prize and success changes  
Many of us poor mortals -



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We forget from when our blessings come and  
it takes a strong a fine character not to be  
flabbergasted by fate - She M. A. may  
be now at the peak of her success and will  
soon begin the slipping process - I hope not.  
Lately you gave me so many fine things  
for Christmas & do I enjoy them - The Cigar  
Music Box Case - the Toilet Set. & the  
Mother bought something for you that your  
father will like about a half dozen or more bottles  
of oils, vinegars &c - Great for your lettuce  
Salads - We miss you so very much.  
and you also are missing a glorious time  
with our byford and darling little Sarah.  
She is so happy & responsive all the time.  
I never know of such a wonderfully  
even & happy temperament - what a gift to have.  
Yes Kate we will live more for each  
other than ever before in our lives. Nothing  
will come between us to hurt & embitter  
us. We know we can't get along without  
the love of each one in our fine family  
& we will not injure that love in any  
way. I do my best & so will we all.  
Your letters are so grand. Dearest love  
Father.

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Sunday Jan. 26 - 47

Dear Mr. Lotze -

It seems quite a long while since we have had a letter from you and we sincerely hope that you are well and that this epistle of mine has not gotten you.

The past week has been a very busy one for Mother and me.

We had business meeting most of the entire week at St Paul of ~~the~~ many of our active Companies including our Pine Tree Group here at Little Falls. There were some splendid reports made by the Genl Managers of the different Corporations viz Wood Conversion Co. - Makers of insulating products General Timber Service Co. Lumbering & Specialization, Concern & Allied Building Credits Inc. Specializing in Loan on new homes. Mr. Rager is in the employ of the Allied Building Credits Inc. We also saw a new movie ~~Mr. Rager & Rager~~ that our Companies are showing how the lumbermen are conserving the forests and reforesting the cut over lands. So much of the timber in the Western Forest is over ripe and is deteriorating fast & needs to be cut. That was the reason the New Timber Co. sold its timber.



The timber was rotting and we could not afford to build mules to manufacture it. Aunt Laura & Mrs Rob Jackson were in Mpls while we were there and they come up here Thursday & spent the night with us. We had a grand time together at the Curtis Hotel and Len.

Mary left for Kansas City last Wednesday to meet Roger who has a good position with the Allied Building Credits Inc. now.

They will be in Kansas City for another week and are staying at Aunt Laura's home. Aunt Laura will be there this coming Wednesday - They may locate at <sup>Kansas</sup> Wichita a City of 150,000 -

Helen had a birthday yesterday and I gave her a surprise box and a fine Compact Case. Mother gave her a pretty Snow Suit & so was she pleased with all her gifts & so grateful. I have a slight cold so Mother is going to Church alone today.

We all miss our darling daughter so awful much

Dearest love Father.  
Mrs Ryan is still unconscious.

R. D. MUSSER  
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Little Falls. Nov. 19/41

Dear & Precious  
Daughter Lotie.

I had a wonderful  
Birthday Anniversary  
Celebration. Helen & Richard  
Krug were so dear  
and kind to Mother  
& me. We spent Sat  
evening the 13th & Sunday  
the 14th day & night with  
them. We had a very  
delicious dinner on the 13th  
Marian & Ethel M & 3  
other guests were there.  
Sunday I got a peek

Of my presents &  
they were fine.  
Dress from Mary & Roger  
Shirts & ties & socks from  
Mother. Handkerchiefs  
from Alice. Box of  
Cigars from Helen &  
Box of Candy & box of Cigars  
from Beth & Frank  
A monogrammed Box (2  
of Cards playing) - & a  
fover of bed room slippers  
from Regina & Andy - an  
attractive waste paper  
basket from Dr. P. H.  
Leon Pads from the

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and a gorgeous bunch  
 of Mums from Aunt 15<sup>th</sup>  
 Laura. We spent Monday  
 in Niplo & had a busy  
 day - The weather is  
 fine now. Later I do  
 hope you have fully  
 recovered from your  
 fall at Carnegie Hall  
 & that bad punch to  
 your ankle.

I am quite busy doing  
 extra work at the office  
 but I am feeling fine  
 & it does me good to  
 hustle.

Deant Love &  
 Devotion Your Daddy