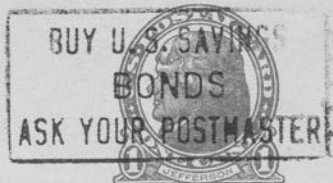




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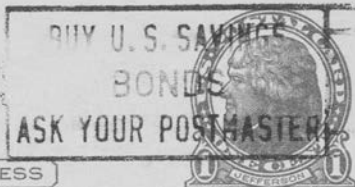


THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls,
Minnesota.

you + Sun. - Dear JG:
times, you each sent me one -
"Guess who?" And both colored -
I have them on my kitchen wall &
you can see them when you come
again. Today, I'm having a spud
& coffee party. I take them
tenderly & well + serve Matwell house
(against all Schuyler rules, I'm sure!)
Spend Valentine up there - I sure
got a how Jim & I lunch here.
+ good raw cake in the shape of a
heart, studded with pecans - fine!
C - is still singing on Long Island
getting a little for it - too little.
He deserves more but he loves sing-
ing. I have a friend June, a back-
fiddle player at Carnegie youth-
group. It's fine to see her there.
The fiddle weighs 65 lbs. There
she is only 20 - from Phila-
delphia. Today is full
of sunshine + cold.
Drink, saturate, flush +
drench yourself with
vitamins + you can't
even catch a cold -
anyway. I believe it.





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser
% Palmarus Club
60 5th West 115th St.,
Manhattan.

Fri. I have been
I.G.M. but "I have," no
reminder shown for
me. But Sat. am
at 11 I expect to
go to Carnegie Hall
to see the Free
orchestra backwards
(on stage in reverse)
my girl friend
June will play her
harp fiddle there
me - The Chester
(if he's not working)
& I, meet in front after
So, take it easy, later -
Love - S.P.





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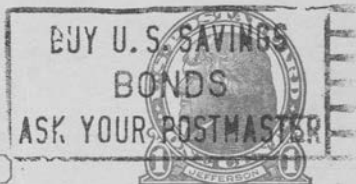
Laura Jane Musser
605 West 115th St.,
c/o Parnassus Club
nyc

Dear L J - I shall
try to get the plug,
with bracelet off in
mail today - Tues.
but please do not
expect me out in
this icy weather -
Put an extra "M. A."
today's "Times" in, too,
you may wish it -
we'll throw out
in the spring tea
lala



With - best love,
SJP

215 W. 16th St.



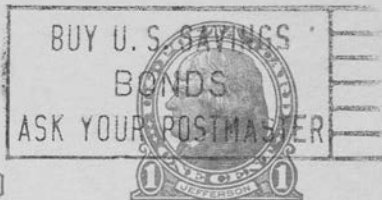
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Laura Jane Musser
46 Parnassus Club
607 W. 115th St.,
City.

mon - Tied up Tues
at the Skeptic Club Dinner
3 East 35th St. Dr. Goldwater
& party. I'll not be near
the Times that I know of!
want your paper man
get it if you ask him?
Hurry up before the price
goes up! Let time
pass - well wake up
some day

Love - Edna Porter

Chester says give
her my best -
E.P.



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Laura Jane Musser
605- W. 115-
% Pennassus Club
Manhattan —

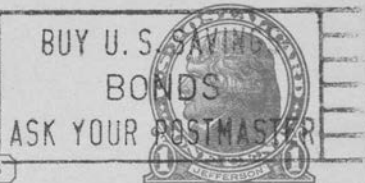
Today is painting
+ busy with P.D.S. Geo.
is away somewhere.
I saw them on the 14th
th - hate going up
it's too far for Mex
up hill

Try Tues. here till
10 P.M. at B's from
10 to midnite - or
Fri. or Sat. the same -
Right on 14th Sub. 7th -
Can't come to 116th -
not in town. mood -
can't explain but
I get that way
happ 33 years I per-
makes me that way.
Ha! Love - S.P.

Get Timine Feb 10 - Mon.
Letter rec'd.



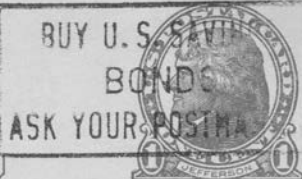
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Laura Jane Musser
~~Little Falls~~

~~Minnesota~~
607 W. 115th St.
% Parnassus Club - City.

Please see "Coronet"
for Feb. P- is p. 45.
I know about Mary
Christine Dun, too.
She did try Hollywood.
This article says no -
Ha! "Coronet" is pub.
in Chicago - if
you can't get it,
somehow I'll get
one for you but
I imagine you say,
I have a Nadia
bracelet for you
from Nadia and
Yours Truly - J.P.
Bestlove.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls
Minnesota.

"MARIAN ANDERSON: A POR-
TRAIT BY HER ACCOMPAN-
NIST." Kosti Vehanen.
(Whittlesey.) March.

Dearest PJ = you've
worded it all beautifully!
never mind, will make up
for it all sometime. So, it'll be coming
not going. Last mon. Times PDS was in
an honor col. in the paper, Justice Black, Jek
Benny + Rochester - as the unspoiled prodigy
+ that's the truth! I'm going to 270 tomorrow
for  Ann Brown is still posing - vile
a letter from Scotland just rolled all
"examined" + numbered. a friend escaped from
Europe - Eugene Bagger - + wrote "Flight from
France" in 1940 N.Y. Harper's magazine
you might look it up in Library +
enjoy it. LOVE.

you & Kosti + envelope are swell!



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser
60 5th W. 115th
% Parnassus Club
N.Y.C.

wed. Dear L & M - In
case you don't know it,
you've been having some
wonderful time! What
with snow weath & today
too. So wait till spring
tra la. Take it easy!

My friend IVA came
out of a 50+ day fast &
is doing nicely. I'm
watching (from N.Y.C.
& she's in Calif.) closely,
nevertheless I write and
hear from her often. (and
manchous, if she doesn't
die). Poor Chester is still
looking for work. He gets
it in spots & it's hardly
enough. Very fondly
(glad you caught
Anne Brown at townhall. So

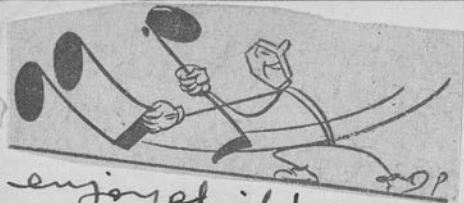


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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Miss Laura Jane Musser
c/o Parmasus Club
607 West 115th St.
Manhattan.



enjoyed it! The last speaker - Stokes - was the
worst of all! He ranted & raved & punched his head / I
wished I could for him! It sounded like a wailing wall -
some one had wounded him by slighting Buffalo! Ha!
Mr. Scott left today! He is a great friend of mine in
the Hard of Hearing League - he was the 1st president in St.
Louis & his sister Mary Porter Scott in relation - is
the present president. Dates way back - knows all of
my friends - most. I may get up to you now
will write again.
With-Love S. P. Hannah for these!!!



STATION 0



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser
Parnassus Club
607 W. 115th St.
N.Y.C.

all I know to MA
book is what I sent
you. It must be out.
"Coronet" for Feb.
is out.

Now, he stands
yourself. Don't rush
I'm down here all
the time - almost.
Don't like this weather.
I'm on the 7th Ave -
too, which is fine -
at nites I sit at 14th -

7th ave. S.W. cor.; at a
dump call Blenheim. Sat.
nites there are amusing. I'm
home till 10 or so & after
expect to be there - Best love -
217 W. 16 - 3rd floor back. E.P.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

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Laura Jane Musser
Worcester Club

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Entz
Fee Claimed by Office
First Address

Sta H 605

Handwritten text on the left margin, partially obscured.

Handwritten text on the right margin, including 'Special' and other illegible notes.

Dear LG - The Buddha
Birthday Dinner Party is
at the Hindu Res. Sun at
3 P.M. - one flight up
called "Ceylon Indian"
lasts at least 3 hrs. I
expected you to report
even that - but still come
if you can - LOVE - Ed



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

L. J. Musser
Little Falls,
Minnesota

artist said he has ^{no}
picture now - left it
drift. I could be out
probably for some club
or something for less
than a thousand & I
don't know how much less!
He's charming himself! Had a
lot of pictures in Esquire
you might look that up
in any good library
Report later on photo.

How is the Rev. Meade?
we no hear from him.
What happened - if I don't
think nothing of it I don't
scold him! We all do
little things like that
Get Dec. "Crisis"? Today's
grand! in food article!!
Best love - P

157 N. 14 - N. B. C. S. P.

2 Lg M This is the right
card!



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

STATION J



Miss Edna Porter

~~% Actor's Equity Ass'n.~~

~~45 West 47th Street~~

New York City

151 West 14 St

MO-2- 2410

C.C. Pettit,
- Podiatrist
166 West 125
(Entrance on 7th Avenue)

M.C.P.

Street,
Edgewood

Dear Miss Porter:

Paula has asked me to thank you for
the exquisite card you sent her and for
the compliments as well. She intends to
tell you, when she sees you, about her
friends at the playground: Sparrows and
pigeons.

Best Wishes from our house.

Just that cute & so much
of my mail is so
lovely indeed!

E.P.

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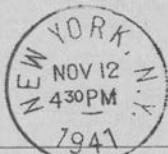
Do you want
to come to the
Buddha Birthday
Party with my
crowd? you're
welcome - let
me know is all.
The full moon of
May (we think it's
the 14th - ha! will
check up on it soon)
148 West 49th St.
1 flight up at the
Ceylon India
Restaurant -
217 W. 16th - Love - J.P.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls -
Minnesota -

Ha! I just mailed
a "special" to you to
the Club. Because
Jody changed the
4 P. M. Sun. date! I
didn't want you on
a chance, looking for
me there. So, you'll
probably get this &
the special together.
Anyway, it'll keep.
~~I am~~ to see the Sr
Fri. the 10th inst.
I am will be in on
that date. I'm sure
he never met them
Before - E. P.



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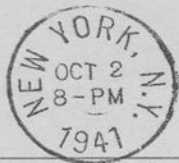
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Little Falls

Minnesota

Wed. Mary Margaret McBride
has Parsons girl on her program.
They are talking about music -
saw Philippa + Jody last Sat.
ata dancing class etc. They rush-
ed off to a "composition" class -
Love - E.P.

Parsons girl is about same big
musical they are young at Carnegie
think -



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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Laura Jane Musser

~~605 West 115th St.~~

~~40 Parnassus Club~~

Linden Hill

~~Manhattan~~

Little Falls

Minn

WRONG CORRESPONDENCE
GIVE CORRECT ADDRESS

Thurs. Darling! Thanks
for adorable communication.
I never even think you
one me a letter, I know you
etc reports, we all do! Nadia
is married to Leslie Cobb
6ft. 2 in. & they live 144 W. 16th
near we! Jane is back, at her
Carnegie Hall youth Concerts.
she class fiddled all summer
at Atlantic City. This Sun.
at 4 P.M. I'll be with the S's
I want you to know
maybe I'll see you there!
an artist friend of a friend
has just come in from Calif.
I'll wear her from Calif.
age tonite. Say, "out in the Vill-"
is no more. I think "Life"
bus. last summer went out of
most did, too. Oh, Boy! Remember?
I'll be so glad to see
yoddy & P. & G. next Sun. and
maybe you, without a tag
Love - S.P.

E. Porter - 217 W. 16



nyc.



Laura Jane Musser
c/o Parmassus Club
605 West 115th St.,
Manhattan -

Mon. Dear LG - I went so many
years to so many different affairs -
I'm tired to death of them, even when
it's such love friends -

In a way - I've done my share -
Sometimes, these hectic days I don't
even know what to think. -
Says in this P.C. we are "beginning to
Fascism on the Lease-Lend Law" -
I wonder?

anyway, here's m.a. again from
the "P.S." It doesn't matter if I
duplicate yours — once in awhile
I might discover one you've missed,
such as the Daily Worker, enclosed.
I can't imagine you discovering that —
unless you're in the "Clipping Bureau
Service" for about \$5 per yr —

Let it all drift
Love, as Ever, S.P.

E. Porter
217 W. 16
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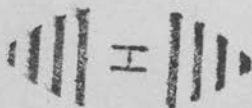
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Little Falls 605 W. 115th St.
Minnesota
Pomona Club

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neighbors!



— JUST THE JOY OF IT



IN THE WHOLE as well as in parts, most people enjoy their thrills and spills vicariously. Be it bridge, backgammon, baseball, boxing, or bartering, the kibitzers, looker-ons, sight-seers, and soft-palmed spectators are in the majority. Not infrequently they inject themselves into the game with ungallant gabble, penetrating gazes, craven epithets, or even vacuous though potent pop-bottles. But on the whole they stand stolidly if not stoically on the side-lines, or they sit expectantly and hopefully anticipating the display of another's daring, cleverness, or stupidity, or they lie languidly lapping up page after page of palaver to feed their fondled imaginations. And thus they would recreate their rut-ruined ratiocinations, stimulate their flaggy feelings into flatulent self-sufficiency, all in order to glut their desperate desire for excitement.

Hiking should be a better way of bolstering body, mind, and spirit. And it is. But an unimaginative dictionary defines it as marching laboriously. Almost everybody swears by the cloistered and fanciless lexicographer; and those who seek recreation suffer it to exist as the zero of sports. Yet once it gets under your skin and into your blood you are rivetted to its healthful hardiness, welded to its wearying wanderings, wedded to its cloying exclusiveness, and forever joyed at its limitless and unanticipated possibilities.

Not that mere walking is not as jading, wearing, and sordidly simple as pasting labels on bulging bottles filled with carminative concoctions. Not that a languid stroll is not as enervating and wearisome as listening to the sappy sermon of a theological student, or the raucous and monotonous

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reverberations of a street hawker. Not that organized parading and militant marching are not as fatiguing as following the utilitarian plow or restraining the muzzled and leashed dog. For these necessary and unnecessary occupations for listless legs are as related to wholesome hiking as automobile tires are to caoutchouc.

Our hobby is hiking as yours is motoring, stamp collecting, golfing, fishing, swimming, travelling, nudism, gardening, dancing, gossiping, poetizing, speeding, sailing, card-playing, proselyting, money-making, or what have you? Trudging along a steep trail, nearing the shelter for the night, we often wonder that these choice bypaths within easy reach of millions of leg-equipped humans are as isolated as a pent-house's promenade. And if we believed that our enthusiasm for the old and abandoned wagon roads, the new and alluring mountain trails, the crude and unspoiled natural phenomena, the coarse and simple manner of living in the open — if we suspected that by telling about our hobby and heartsease it would be interfered with by the unkind conversion of thousands to our way of doing, we would guard our secret joy with the silence of a mummy.

Lest you feel the lure of following us up jagged precipices or down unending slopes through scented paths covered with soft and sere pine-needles, may we urge you to reflect over and over again before you make our experience your very own.

Here's a "nice Village mt" = LEW NEY

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*but another called "Village
varieties" & in in it - La - 5.00*

Got - am -
Dear I -

Goddy is calling
off sun. too. They are
so busy all the time.

But - if you are free
Sun. day eve or wite, come
to my diggings 2 lil flights
up - 3rd floor back. My
name is on the bell below
+ door above with a conbell
attached - now, if you are
busy - too busy - it all
another time I just that, may be - you favor,
Love,
S.D.

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