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Family Papers.

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Miss Laura Jane Musser

~~Little Falls, Minnesota~~

% The Barbizon Plaza

West 58th Street

New York City

Sunday
15 April

dear Louise-

I have long been wanting to answer your cordial Christmas card to thank you first for the lovely hankie enclosed and also for remembering me, but had mislaid your address and have now recovered it.

Certainly much has happened since we first latched together at luncheon almost a year ago. I am optimistic that there will shortly be an end to the conflict and that the conclusion will bring about a humane relationship between countries.

The proposed rehabilitation plan for returning military has many merits. While all the details have not yet been worked out, the need for re-establishing men whose careers were interrupted is glaringly apparent and with proper opportunity offered by the government, along the lines successfully demonstrated by Canada, there should be little chaos resulting from the influx of so many thousands of men into industry once more. As we have heard here the plan is to stagger the numbers so that fairness is shown to all. It will be a tremendous

job and one in which I hope to have a part no matter how small. Free enterprise, with limitations set by law to prevent monopolies, will not suffer and a fairer distribution of income is hoped for.

Shortly I shall begin my 3-hr. walking patrol of a large ground school of buildings. It is a lonely vigil with only a flashlight for company indoors. Out of doors however there is the sky. Orion is familiar to me as I have watched its progress across the sky these many months and now find it appears far in the southwest about 10 p.m. It is a friendly sky on clear nights. The droning

of planes at night
is another welcome
sound.

While I readily admit
that military discipline
is hard to take at times,
I am feeling that this
experience to me is priceless.
There have been great
men here with whom
it has been a pleasure
to work. And of course
there is the occasional
one who is small and
selfish - greedy. Men
under stress re-act in
many ways - and those
under their charge
feel the brunt of
any displeasure. No.
I do not favor military
control - but for the
time being I am happy
to be needed here.

Helen



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Miss Laura Jane Musser
Barbizon Plaza
101 West 58th Street
New York 19, N. Y.

Eula B. Hayes
260 Genesee Avenue
Englewood N. J.

March 11, 1944

Dearest Laura Jane:

I was indeed more than glad to receive your letter, for I've tried so many times to reach you by telephone, there, at the hotel. But always, the girl will tell me "Miss Messer does not answer."

Such an energetic program you set for yourself during the next couple of months! I suppose I shouldn't look forward to being able to see you before the end of April...

Speaking of April, I'm suddenly reminded that I shall be having another birthday -- will be 27. My, but time flies fast; I should really get busy on that "husband-hunting" program you spoke of in your letter. Smiles. Sorry to learn that you, too, have thus far been unsuccessful. The only important boy friend I had is now in Italy, so my situation can be summed up at a glance.

I've not seen the "Song of Bernadette", but am eagerly looking forward to seeing it very soon. I did see Bette Davis in "Old Acquaintance", and, as usual, she did a superb piece of acting.

Write again soon, for always I enjoy hearing from you.

With love,
Eula

Dear Laura Jane,

I received your letter some time ago and I'm terribly sorry I didn't answer sooner - but I'm very slow when it come to answering ~~my~~ the letters I receive.

I'm so sorry I took so long to thank you for your very lovely Christmas gift, the Perfume is delightful... my mother wishes to thank you too.

I still don't like Detroit very much, but I like it better now than a year ago. Goodness! but it's hard to believe I've been here a year already. I miss everyone in Little Falls so ~~very~~ much.

I've met another girl in school this year who didn't go to "Resford" last year and I'm sure you'd like her. Her name is Marilyn Osbrinck ~~and~~ she's quite short and has black long hair (even longer than Mary Siegle's was.), she wears

glasses & is awfully cute. She has a lovely alto voice and loves music. I've been telling her about you and she would like to she you very much. I'm in the Glee Club and so is she and we had one good old time (I sing alto too).

When the opera "Bitter Sweet" was in Detroit she and I were going to see it but then I had to get the flu!! Laura Jane, do you know if Miss Anderson is having a concert in Detroit this year? If she is we both want to see her. Of course I told Marilyn about the time we went to Minneapolis to hear her! (I won't forget that as long as I live!!)

You asked if Jimmy has done any of his stunts lately. Well, he has done so many that I couldn't name them all.. For Christmas he received a big brown Teddy Bear from "Santa Clause", and he calls it "Toby". I wish you could see him with it. Whenever he goes he takes Toby with him, even outside, and, of course to bed..... Well one night when everyone was sleeping

peacefully - all of a sudden my mother was awoken by a scamping around, she couldn't imagine what it was so she put the light on and went to Jimmie's bed but he wasn't in it. Then all of a sudden Jimmy stuck out his head from under the bed and said "Heeh! I am Moam, Taaby walled out of bed & he was dedding told." Of course then my dad was up & then Jim had to go to bed with mother & dad - he loves to sleep with them but they don't like to sleep with him so much.

Yes, Laura Jane, I met Hilda McCay when she visited you in 1941, and some day when I have time I shall go and see her. I thought she was so nice when I met her, and she's rather pretty too, isn't she?

Well goodbye, and let me thank you again for the very lovely gift & I hope I shall see you soon.

Love -

Bernadine



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Miss Laura Jane Musser
101 West 58th Street
New York City
New York

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Bernadine Zak
14380 - Crescent Dr.
Detroit, 23,
Mich.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
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Not in Directory

RETURN
TO
WRITER



Mrs. J. M. Taylor
2002 P. St. N. W.
Washington 6, D.C.

2002 P. St. N. W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dearest Lotze,

You I know all my arguments henceforth about my good intentions for letter writing will be to no avail! By this time you are no doubt thoroughly convinced of the hopelessness of the case! That you are not also thoroughly convinced that I didn't mean to write is my one hope! And - even that is a little weaker & grows weaker daily. I do hope you know despite our not having told you by letter, how happy we were to have seen you & been with you here this Spring. I am only sorry that my days were full with working so that I could not be with you then. I should have liked some long talks & wanderings through art galleries together etc. However - another time will come I know - for we will make it - and we will find time to do some of the things we only talked of.

As for our lives here - we seem to be busier every day. The new nine-hour day order increases our day to ten really, so that by the time we take the long bus ride to and from, our work day is literally from "dawn to dark!" Lucky

we like our jobs!

My work has been especially interesting lately as I have been doing more & more free hand sketches of terrain - mountains, rivers - towns, etc - around which the battles rage. My material must be gleaned from aerial photographs, old maps - manuscripts from battle areas and sometimes even captured material - all of which is highly interesting - though hard work.

Aug. 5 we celebrated our 1st Anniversary - and it was a completely happy day for us. I can now proudly say that I at last know most of my "new family" - and that my happiness has only increased in knowing each of you.

We love hearing from you; - both have commented on the fact that your letters are very interesting aside from the fact that any news of you will always be interesting to us. We loved the candy - our enjoyment of which I should have told you earlier. Sending it was very thoughtful & I can assure you it was much enjoyed.

Remember our Amusement Park night & - that we hope to have other pleasant times with you. Jim sends love & says he will write soon. With much love to you,
Lynn



154 Miss Laura Jane Musser
~~608 Highland Ave.~~

9 Barbours Lane ~~Little Falls,~~
West 58th Street
New York City ~~Minnesota.~~

3820 1/2 Goldfinch St.

San Diego (3)

Cathy.

vase, "Thank" you a million
Laura I love it. I wish you
could of heard my sister and
Mrs Kunnet say, It was a
big surprise a beautiful one
I was happy that Angelina
and Mrs Kunnet were here
at the time I got it. Laura
you are a very dear girl to
send us a beautiful gift.

We had a lovely Xmas I
was happy that John was
home this year a year ago
he was in camp.

San Diego, Cal.
Jan 9, 1944

Dear Laura Jane:

Here I let a week go by
since your grand package
came, a week ago yesterday
on Sunday Jan. 2 sec we
had Mrs Kunnet and Angelina
for Sunday supper, we
were thought eating and
having a game of cards in
the living room. As I

Did you have a nice Xmas? I could just picture you on that day. I'll never forget the lovely Xmas's I spend at your home.

Laura I hope John and I will have a home of our own some day and I won't be working so I'll have a little time, and have you spend some time with us. How I would love to have your dear Daddy and dear Mother come and see me and have a meal at our home.

I wish you lots of luck in your new year.
Love Helen

happens to be setting
forcing the door I heard
a noise looking up I saw
a man walking away I
wondered why he didn't come
in so I went out to see
and found a package from
Anderson's Minneapolis, you
did have me wondering while
opening I wondered all the
time who was sending us
a gift. Well I soon found
out Laura Musser a beautiful

N. Bowen
353 W. 117
N. Y. C.



UNITED STATES POSTAGE
TIMES SQUARE
STATION
2 CENTS 2

Miss Laura Musso
Barbizon Plaza
59th at 5th Ave
N. Y. C.



353 W. 117 ST
N.Y.C.
Feb. 6th, 44

Dear Laura,

I received
your lovely gift last Tuesday
and it gave me such a warm
feeling - it was so totally
unexpected. You have
been so kind to me and
I must confess I have
been very negligent not
acknowledging gifts etc -
I seem to be one of those
persons always saying
manana. Please forgive
me, for I know that
it has at least annoyed
you at some time.

We loved having you.

for dinner, it is a treat
for us to have company, ~~for~~
~~xxxxxx~~, we seldom do
for one reason & another
Hope we can see you
soon again.

Take care of yourself
Love Nellie



Miss Laura J. Munser
Barbizon Plaza
6th Ave. and 58th Street
New York City

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E. B. Grant
319 West 75 St.
N.Y.C. N.Y.

February 8, 1944

Dearest Lama,

Truly I haven't
forgotten you, and
have had the thought
in mind to phone
you constantly.

For two weeks now
I have been working
at nights and
sleeping during
the day which
makes things
rather complicated.

I'm very much
disturbed about
my not thanking

you sooner for your ever
so lovely gift from your ~~mother~~
mother via yourself! You
have taste and thank you
ever so much. You know
whose picture will be put
in the other compartment!

This will be a mild
shock to you, Laura, dear,
but I'm leaving for the
West coast this Saturday. I'm
so busy packing, straightening
my things out and waiting.
I'll try my utmost either to
have lunch or dinner with
you before I go.

Please forgive my
getting in touch with you sooner,
dear, I'm sure you'll understand
as I the above!

Ever my love,
Ester



STATION 3¢ 3¢

Miss Laura Jane Drusser
Linden Hill
Little Falls
Minnesota

J. Newsstead
260 Riverside Dr.
New York 25

260 Riverside Drive
New York 25-
November 19th

Dear Laura Jane -

You were so sweet to
bring me those charming
little handkerchiefs - and
I'm just sorry I couldn't
have been there to see
you when you brought them.
It was so lovely of you
to think of me, and I want
to thank you very very much.
Since Kleenexes are
not quite so easily pro-
curable now as they used
to be, they are certainly
a welcome gift - (even

though I think they're
almost too attractive
and dainty to do very
much nose-blowing in to!

These week-ends at
home are so nice though
they seem to rush by
awfully fast. Saturdays
are spent in Schirmer's
looking over material, - or
practising - or shopping, -
and Sundays are spent catch-
ing up on sleep, - and getting
another week's clothes in
order! Still, - I'm enjoying
it out in New Canaan, and
I know the "progressive" set-
up is "good experience"! ^{Joan Newstead}
Please remember me to
your mother, and I hope you'll
soon be back in New York.
Love, Joan.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
608 Highland Ave.
Little Falls
Minn.

Dec, 27, 1944

Dear Laura Jane,

Just dropping a note in
thanking you for the lovely Christmas
gift.

I have enjoyed the holidays
very much being home. I sure
miss not living in town though so
am going to try + get in on Friday

for my bowling league.

Wishing you a Happy New
Year & thanking you again for the
sweet smelling sachets.

Love Celia



Mrs Laura J. Musser
Little Falls,
Maine.

Scott

400 Manhattan av.

N.Y.C.

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Kaura:

Thanks so much for our
pillow slips and for those
cute rompers you sent the baby.
I am going to return the
knitted pair for a size 5
instead of 1 (which is
too small). It was so nice
of you to remember us all.

Mary Kuras!

Carol



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Miss Anna Jane Warner
The Barbizon Plaza
6th Avenue and 58th Street
New York, New York

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Erster B. Green
1174 Pacific Avenue
San Francisco, Calif.

March 1, 1944
1174 Pacific Avenue
San Francisco, Calif.

Dearest Laura,

When you last heard from me, I had suggested having lunch with you and had the best intentions of getting you by phone. However, I gave only one week's notice to the Lab and left immediately the following Sunday the 13th. I had only 2 hours of sleep a day, really rushing to get to S. F. before Guy arrived. (He hadn't come in, his orders were changed) I was just swamped with packing, marking, clearing myself of the Lab. job & formally required by defense employers. I became ill toward the end of the week, due to over strain and nervous indigestion. That with war conditions, I couldn't make any "dates" because I waited around for the Railway Express mail, and worked continuously.

until I left 10:35 p.m. Sunday evening.
I do hope you'll understand, dear.
I had no intention of slighting you.

The trip I intended I was to take by bus!!
There weren't any train reservations and
Jay was very sympathetic that I be
in Erics. He made the trip in
5 days with no stops over on my
part.

More servicemen were travelling -!
When I arrived in Erics, I spent
almost \$1 phoning for a room in a
hotel and there just wasn't anything
to be found. I finally found a
room and that was found after
3 hours of walking around. I hadn't
had a bath for those 5 days and
did I have B.O. !!! The soap &
water was never more welcome!

The room situation in D. F.
is simply terrific! There is simply
no apartment available. The appeal
over the radio goes out daily to have
or get in touch with proper
authorities to help these unsettled
people secure a room or apt.

At present I'm down in Los

Angella, visiting my mother. It's
 certainly fun being here. From
 one end of the days the other
 I'm just swamped with work and
 taking care of my little nephew &
 niece. My little niece is so
 haisterous and tom boyish. Her
 independancey, well I just can't
 get used to it. My nephew was
 born premature and was trying
 to get him into shape and my
 mother and I stay up all hours
 of the evening and get up anytime
 from 3.30 A.M. on. By the end
 of the day I'm simply tired and put
 out.

While in Calif., I haven't
 seen much of their famous
 Calif. sunshine, and I'm still
 looking for it. It's been raining
 here and for the present I have a
 cold, and am trying my best to
 get rid of it.

San Francisco is really a small
N. Y. For a while I knew only
4 places around the city. The Post
office, the Forean church, the bus
depot and the place where I live.
Now, of course I have added
much more to my wanderings.
Grisco, I find is terribly hilly, but
really hilly!! I find that I have to
use lithinment to rub my sore
spots out. And walking up hills,
I'll probably end up by using
a cane!



Get my love and do write me.

Love,

Father

Mrs Eleanor Bue
11 Salem Street
Wakefield, Mass.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
The Barklyon Plaza
101 West 58th St.
New York 19,
New York.

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11 Salem Street
Wakefield, Mass.
March 14, 1944.

Dear Laura Jane -

Please do not let my tardiness in writing discourage you - I've always found it hard to get at letter writing.

Both of us would be thrilled to see you at any time. We are never too busy to see friends. It will be such fun getting acquainted all over again after these seventeen odd years.

Just let me know when you can be here and we will meet you at the station. Both of us work until 5:00 every evening except Sunday - so if you could arrange to come in during our free time it would be nice for you, I'm sure.

I wish we had enough

rooms in our apartment to ask
friends to sleep here comfortably.
As it is, the best we could offer
would be a very lumpy rented
sofa - so remember, I warned
you! I will guarantee a little
humble home cooking though!
(Bridie's cooking as yet!)

Please do answer again and
tell me you aren't disgusted
with me for not answering
you sooner. Whenever you can
visit us - you are only too
welcome, Laura Jane.

Sincerely -
Eleanor



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Linden Hill
Little Falls
Minnesota

Janette Hughes Gryn
2347 Walbran St
Phila., 46 Penna

August 28, 1944

My dear Laura Jane:

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I am acknowledging your note and gift. It seems that at times like these befriending from unexpected sources such as yours means the most. I can't think of any words to tell you how I felt when Alys told me of what you had done. You will never know how much your note did for me at the time I needed hope most. You should be very happy for only a person with genuine feeling for others could think of such a lovely gesture.

However, I am going to get Marcia a gift, a toy she can have after the quarantine period. I know that the idea will please you.

I shall be looking forward to seeing you the next time you are in Philly. (I have seen you before at a party).

Thanking you with all my heart,

Yours gratefully
Jeanette

N.E.
306 Second St. - Minn.
Little Falls, N.Y.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Barbours Playa
101 West 58th Street
New York City 1
New York

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February 13

Dear Laura Jane,

Yesterday it was 25° below zero. This afternoon it melts. Last week we had a surprise visit from Tony, who is being transferred to Norfolk. The snow came as soon as he arrived, and he was happy about it, although he was chilly all the while. It's been a long time since his last experience with snow. 1937 is seven years ago. It was good to see him.

Your opinions of true satirists prompt me to remark that I have always felt that Lily Tom must be an example of "fame by political pull." I can't bear her off-key singing. Yes, Ormandy is wonderful. I've always heard that his Minneapolis musicians resented his temperament — your comment about his subsequent "softening" coincides.

Yes, I agree with you in lack of enthusiasm for ultra-modern music, with the exception of my lone experience with the Shostakovich 7th. I heard it's premiere in Minneapolis at Thanksgiving of 1942. Being in the horrible mood I always feel after teaching, I enjoyed the thunder of that music. I think that even in a calmer mood I could take interest in that drum solo.

Lillian was home for the weekend, and I dropped in for a moment. She is still very thin, but happy and sanguine as always. She thinks I should go down to the Cities to find work — I have been improving my physical condition, am getting my nerves under my control, and feel the surge of ambition again. I am not ready yet — haven't decided what to do anyhow.

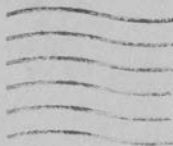
Julie still seems happy as a WAC. Personally, I thought so spoiled a child would find it hard. I'm afraid I made a break today — Mrs. G. asked why I don't join, and I replied that I like to work, and what I've seen in Daytona convinces me I'd go berserk just sitting around that way. I should think before I speak.

Your remark concerning Poe, who was not understood by the people of his time, is true of so many great minds. But it is sometimes hard to judge great contemporaries; many heroes turn out to be crackpots. Even Christ was reviled in his own time. Wilson was hated. Washington's death caused many people to dance in sheer joy. Who was it who said that the heroes of any ^{successful} revolution would be criminals if the revolution had failed?

The American Constitution was never meant to bring democracy to the common rank and file. Our antediluvian "electoral college" system is proof of our need for revision of some sort. But then, good does come, occasionally, from a bad system. After all, Lincoln was far from a majority of popular votes — the electoral system brought him into the presidency.

The Russian problem bothers me. Are they really planning to make a separate peace with Germany? These anti-British, anti-United Nations "Prawda" tales might be the prelude to a split. It seems hardly possible, but people find something ominous in the Russian silence concerning their war plans, etc. And there are many

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Mrs. Robert J. Phillips
112 - 8th St. S. E.
Little Falls, Minn.

Feb. 29 - 1944
113 - 8th St. S.E.
Little Falls, Minn.

Dear Laura Jane —

It was ~~so~~ nice to hear from you and to hear all about your interesting activities. You do have lots of fun, don't you? And I think it's wonderful that you've been able to hear more of Marion Anderson's singing. I still feel pretty unhappy to think that I had to miss her concert in Mpls. Perhaps the next time she has a concert in Mpls. I shall be able to hear her. I certainly hope so!

Bobby and I are well

and since our attack of
flu at Xmas. time we've
had no more "bugs" at
our house. Bobby is
growing so much - you'd
hardly know him now.
I'm sure. He isn't walking
yet but is creeping and
pulling himself up on all
the furniture. He is into
everything - pulls all the
pans out of the cupboard,
everything out of the drawers.
I've had to put away
most of my favorite knock-
knacks and ash trays.
Nothing is safe from his

praying fingers - and I do
hate to keep saying "no, no"
to him all the time. He
says a few words - da, da,
mama, baba (for bow, wow and
bye, bye) na, na (for ~~no, no~~).
He's such good company
for me now. I don't
know what I'd do without
him with Bob away. And
last week Bobby had
his first hair cut. He
really looks like a regular
boy now.

Bob is still a long
ways away from us - still
in the South Pacific and
was in on the Marshall

Islands offensive I believe. I'm afraid that it will be quite some time before he'll be coming home on a leave. I do hope that it won't be too many months more, though.

Patty and Judy are well and, of course, we see them nearly every day. Judy has grown so much and gets cuter every day. She talks quite a bit now, too. I see Vera Felix occasionally and her little Karen Sue is getting to be quite a little girl now. She's a dear child.

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I wish I had more news
to tell you. Laura Jane, but
I don't do much that is
exciting.

Do write when you have
time. I loved hearing from
you.

Lovingly.

Mary



Miss Anna Jane Musser
The Barlison Plaza
101 West 58th Street
New York City
N. Y.

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S.B.P.

801 7nd St S.E.

Little Falls, Minn.

Dear Pottsie -

Again you got out of town with the speed of a P.T. boat. However you do it, I shall never know. I called you one day to invite you over for dinner on the following Sunday and was told you had left the evening before. I was having a few in-house Kiesel and her husband, Johnsons, and a couple of the "war widows", and I wanted to include you. At that time I got your address from one of the girls and before I got to write it down I couldn't remember whether it was 78th st or 58th st. So. I was doubly glad to get your letter. I felt like such a dope - forgetting that way, that I hated to call back. That's the story, and I hope you won't think me terribly rude for not writing you before to thank you for the lovely Christmas gifts you sent Kiki and me. She loves her dress - it is a dear, and the nightie you gave me is a honey. You know, after you are married you just don't get fancy adornment for yourself, so it's always a most acceptable gift. And I was thrilled that you thought of it.

By this time you must have heard that Helen had a $7\frac{1}{4}$ lb baby girl January 12th. I had a note from her written in the hospital, but I haven't heard anything since. She is getting along all right though. And didn't have too bad a time having it.

A week ago Bernard and I went up to Gull Lake for a wk. end of winter sports. It was lots of fun - though pretty cold for sleeping. However, we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, and ~~are~~ looking forward to another outing soon.

Weren't you to make an important decision at Christmas time? I'm anxious to hear how it went. You looked so cute the day you came to see us, and it was so nice to talk to you. Next time you come home, let's plan to spend a full day together, shall we? I'll put you to work in the kitchen while I'm getting the food together so we can talk and talk without interruption. Okay?

We kind of wanted to get to the symphony to hear Rubinstein a week ago Friday, but Bernard

couldn't get away as Mervie Cornwell was ill and therefore an ^{it was} impossibility. It would have been nice, and I hear the concert was lovely.

Your life sounds so interesting, that I always find myself a little envious. I'd love to be doing some of the things that you do. Have you seen Mme Gaubert again?

Bernard is all through with his bath & shaving, and I must write my mother. She'll begin to wonder what has happened to me.

Please write again. Your letters are swell! And I do enjoy hearing from you. But next time you write tell me about Jack. It sounded like such a good deal when you told me about it that I hope things go as you want them to.

Thanks again, darling, for the exciting gifts.

Much love, always -

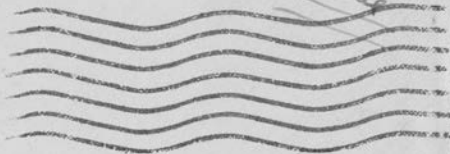
P.S. for an exciting Sunday!
Kiki and I spent the day
cutting out paper-dolls. Absorbing?

—Billie.

Hubert Walther - L3/c - U.S.N.R.

32nd Spec. Batt., Hdqts.

N.C.T.C., Davisville, Rhode Island



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Miss Laura Jane Musser

% The Barbizon Plaza

101 - West 58th Street

New York City (19) New York

Friday - 7/21/44 - 10:00 A.M.

Dear Laura Jane -

This is just a little note to Inform you, that I called you several times In between trains In New York City on Wednesday, on the way back to Camp after spending a wonderful Ten-day Leave with Sarge In Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Herb's hoping everything is perfect with you, as usual - If you have time, I would appreciate hearing from you, as Sarge is, and always has been, very fond of you -

Sincerely, Hub Walther

Feb. 27 -

Dearest Laura Jane,

At last I have found time to get some of my writing done, and I have thought of you so many, many times.

First of all I want to thank you so very much for the Xmas gift, and you always send me such wonderful things, and just what I need most.

I have ^{been} down to Virginia to visit Huck, and he has been home a few times - My how I miss him. He looks just fine, and likes the Sea Bus very much. of course he gets very lonesome, but we hope it will be over before he longs.

How I wish I had known you were in Chicago - I would have to have seen you.

do without them.

I hope to get to Little Falls this summer, & hope that you will be home. When do you plan on going home? We just must get together.

Do you had the flu to? I was very sick for a week, & I know it's no picnic. Just about every one has had it.

Hub asks about you so often, & wonders how you are. He is always so interested in my friends. I only wish you could see him. Of course I just think there is no one like him.

Have you played any bridge, or have you been to bridge? We never forget the game we had the last time I was home. We play every now, & then.

How pretty the stores must be in New York now. How I would love to be there, & just look in each one. Are you

It takes me just $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. to get to Chicago from Kenosha - If you come again let me know, & I can meet you. Besure now. It would be so much fun.

I don't know if I told you in my last letter or not, but I'm doing my bit for the War effort to - I'm working at the Nash Kelvinator Corp. here in Kenosha as one of their inspectors. It's very nice, & interesting work. Of course Hub is very proud of me, & happy that I have such nice work. It helps to keep me busy, & it's really what I need.

We have such lovely friends here in Kenosha, & they have been just wonderful to me. It seems I'm never home for dinner in the evening - I'm always dashing here, & there. I really don't know what I'd

getting many new spring clothes?
I want to get a suit, and a few
things, but just things that I
will get a lot of wear out of.

Well my dear, hope to hear
from you soon, and I promise
to do better next time - Take
good care of yourself -

Sending my love,
Dargie

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Dear Laura Jane,

I was so happy to get your
nice letter, & thrilled to death
about seeing you in Chicago,
& being able to attend the
wonderful Concert. Now this
is what I want to know, How
are you going to dress so I
know what to bring? - Be
sure to tell me - Also what
time I should come down to
Chicago. I no doubt will have
to stay over the night of the
Concert so shall I write
ahead for a room? You can

Call me any time after 4:30 in
the afternoon, and my ~~number~~^{number}
is 2353-9 -

I'm dashing this off in such
a rush hope you can read
it -

Well my dear, I can't
wait to see you, and hope
the time flies - Be sure, and
answer, so I'll know all -

My love to you
Laroge

Mrs. K. M. Bue
11 Salem St.
Wakefield, Mass.



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Miss Laura Jane Musser
The Barbizon Plaza
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15 May 1944

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Dear Laura Jane -

All this month so far I have been waiting to hear from you as to when you could come - and to my horriification, I suddenly realized that I hadn't answered your last letter. I could have sworn I did write it - but I must have been thinking of it so hard. I thought I had! Please do not feel that I have done this to you on purpose, because ~~we~~ certainly have been counting on seeing you once again. I haven't done my spring cleaning yet - so don't be surprised when you do. That everything might be slightly torn up and a few curtains down. Not getting home

until six every evening surely
placé havoc with my meagre
housecleaning & housekeeping
efforts.

I'm still thrilled about my
telephone call with the rest
of the family last night. Both
Hildred & Cedric are home in
Rapid City now and they all
talked to me - even my little
niece! I couldn't imagine
why the telephone should be
go waking me up at 11:30 last
night. I haven't seen my folks
for almost a year & it does
get a little lonesome for word
from them (I mean speaking).

I am hoping you will
forgive my long silence.

Sincerely -

Eleanor B.

C. Hayes
260 Seneca Ave.
Englewood, N. J.

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Miss Laura Jane Musser
c/o Barbizon Plaza
101 West 58th St.
New York, N. Y.

260 Genesee Avenue
Englewood N. J.
January 15, 1944

Dearest Laura:

I've telephoned the hotel, but, unfortunately, was never able to find you in. Such a busy little person you are!

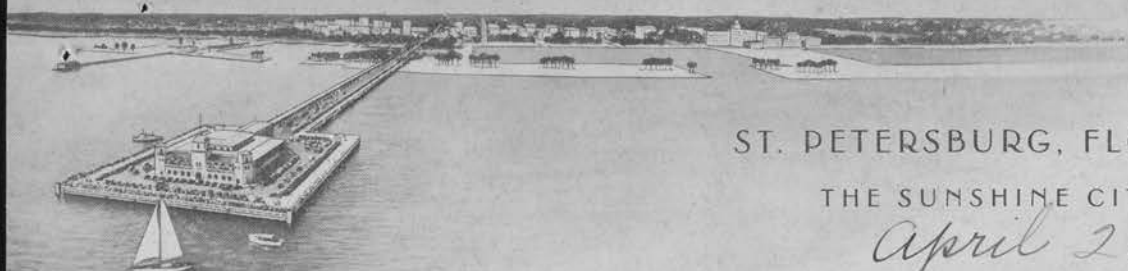
First of all, I want to thank you for my Christmas card and gift, and for my ticket to Miss Anderson's concert. It was so very thoughtful of you to remember me. However, I was unable to use it for on the very day of the concert I was taken ill, and was in bed for a week - had a severe attack of the flu, and am just now beginning to feel like myself again.

That afternoon, my Mother tried frantically to find some one who would use the ticket, but was unsuccessful. If you recall, it was a terribly stormy night, and most people were reluctant to leave here for fear of not being able to get a bus back, the roads being almost impassable. Wouldn't have been me - If I'd been well, I believe I would have walked to New York to hear Marion Anderson.

Do let me hear from you soon, Laura. It's been so unmercifully long since we last saw each other. We have a telephone now and the number is Englewood 3-3205. (Call after six p.m.).

Regards to Pennie when you see her.

Sincerely, Eula



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WEBB'S DRUG STORE

Dear Laura Jane,
Your thoughtful gift
was such a lovely
surprise. Thank you
so much.

I'm glad you liked
the pin. I have made
quite a number (some
as gifts, some as orders)
and I thought perhaps
you could use one.

It is hot here now,
tho we always have
a grand breeze from
the water, and the
evenings are cool.

I have the most
interesting work. My



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children are four years old, and you'd be amazed at the beautiful handwork they do. It is a private school, so I have only about fifteen, and have the sweetest colored girl to help me with them.

Wlad has been so miserable. He has had several bad fainting spells, and it worries us so much. He is getting outdoors some now, tho.

Both Joan and Jack are doing well in school and are so husky and brown.

I'd love to hear from you - about your work, it must be interesting. Thank you again + Love
Marjorie.

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