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Family Papers.

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Oct. 22nd 1945

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

My precious Lettie -

We are certainly a lonely Daddy
and Mamma. - This morning Daddy's
cold was not too good so I called
Dr. Fred - He has no temperature
and only congestion in his throat
& head - but I have persuaded him
to stay on the chair and have put
him to sleep reading "The Empty Tree
Cave"! This card came to you this
A. M. - so hope it reaches you
alright - The new girl DeLores Super
came this morning and seems like
a nice, happy person - Pertrude

Can show her about the work and
I think perhaps the other girls
Marion Ziehe will come later -

Hop you are not too crowded
going down or too late into the
city. Know you had a nice 3m.
with Aunt Laura - M. M. so lonely
and tired went to bed at 7 P.M.

Have to take the cream down so
must stop writing -

Be love you devotedly and are
glad you wont be gone too long.
Have a grand time with Hilda
and give her my love -

Thine awaiting anxiously for your
card and letters -

Oh a beautiful day. Hop you are nice meeting
the "Anti-Slavery" and other societies
are missing the "Young Men's Society" yet.
Sincerely,
Mother -

Can show us about the work and
I think perhaps the other girls
Marion Zilke will come later -

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going down as too late into the
city. Know you had a nice morn-
ing. Aunt Laura - & Mr & Mrs
and tired went to bed at 7 P.M.

Have to take the cream down so
must stop writing -

Mr & Mrs you devotedly and are
glad you must be gone too long -
Have a grand time with Hilda
and give her my love -

They await anxiously for your
card and letters -

It's a beautiful day - Hope you have nice weather
The "Ant. & Christian" and other appendages
are missing the "Loring" they usually get -
Devotedly -
Mother -

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608 Highland Ave.,
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
% Miss Hilda McCoy
Rust College
Holly Springs
Mississippi



MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

Nov. 6th 1945

Dearest Laura Jane -

Well at last a letter and such
a nice happy one - Am sorry you
had such a time about getting a
room but even though the room
you have at the Empire hasn't
a bath, its a room and thats
something and as long as its so
clean and good service I know
you can put up with it - Have
forwarded all of your mail to the
Baldorf - So trust you have received
it - Can't understand why you didn't
receive the one I forwarded at once
to you at Holly Springs - Baldorf

And next last Friday I to you as
well - He had been appointed on a Committee
to meet with some of his Partners to
visit different lumber yards in the West.
He didn't want to go but finally
I persuaded him to go for to Chicago
I enjoyed being with his friends - He
was coming from his cold
but wires he is fine and having
a nice trip -

I went to the city on Sat. spending
the morn - and with Aunt Laura. and
had a lovely time - The first dinner
at the Kings - Sun. we went to the Meth -
Church and it was packed but they gave
us 2 good seats - Dr. Barnes is most
inspiring - We had had a late breakfast
so we went to a movie Frank recommended
Mildred Pearce I believe - It was a

horrible one - I felt such a bad load in our month
there & the kids for dinner & again to the movies
the father "my fine acting" (Denny & Co.) -
That is the big movie too - looked at your
cost and I like it - they had better for you
I come in and try it but I am of all that
night - so I tell them you would go in
upon you return from the East -
that such a nice letter from you after
the first visit and well but you and
the said how much the enjoyed being with
you and that you are coming the next day
for dinner & the movies - So Billy is gone
to Chicago. He does get around - He means

And next last Friday to you a
mch. - He had been appointed on a Committee
to meet with some of his Partners to
visit different Lumber yards in the West.
He didn't want to go but finally
I persuaded him to go for to always
enjoy being with his friends - He
still was coming from his cold -
but wears the 40 pins and having
a nice trip -
I went to the city on Sat. spending
the mch. - 2nd with Aunt Laura. Asst -
Had a lovely time. The first 30 - dinner
at the Kings - Sat. on went to the Mch. -
church and it was packed but they gave
us 2 good seats. Dr. Barnes is most
unfailing - We had had a fat breakfast
so we went to a Morris Frank recommended
Wilkes Pearce & taken - It was a

horrible one - Left such a bad taste in our mouths.
Back to the hotel for dinner & again to the Morris
"Lon Fellers" my Jim acting Runny & bed -
Went to the Plymouth Fur Co. looked at your
coat and I loan it - They had written for you
to come in and try it on & so if all was
right - So I told them you would go in
upon your return from the East -

Had such a nice letter from Lynn after
her first visit and walk with you and
she said how much she enjoyed being with
you and that you were coming the next day
for dinner & the movies - So Billy has gone
to Chicago. He does get around - 26 tomorrow

You are to have ~~much~~^{much} with June -

Am glad you had such a nice
visit with Hilda - Am sure I would
learn to think much of her if I knew
her better -

What a time you did have about
tickets for Marion's concert - It was
a shame they couldn't go to "Carrousel"
I fear they won't be able to come here
either if she has such a heavy schedule.
So she is going to Europe next summer -
Well I must say I don't envy her -

Wabber little girl must be exceptionally
bright with such a high 'I-2' - Or
is only 5 visit she?

Poor Mildred (Burton) certainly had
a hard time with that major operation.

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Am surprised she is up and around
so soon but I guess they advise
that to keep from having ~~adhering~~
shall be interested in hearing about
what you did at the Broadway Tabernacle.
For Mrs. Belsky -

Wish I could be there to hear you.
How lovely Katherine Bacon's Recital
must have been - I do love her playing.
Sorry to hear about Mr. Newstead's eye -

Wonder if George & his mother have
found an apartment as yet. Don't
forget about a birthday present please.
It will be a grand one to have you
home again - I do miss you terribly

Wish I were going to be with you in
Pittsburgh to see the 3 darling
babies & say nothing of seeing
Mary & Roy too. Know you must
have a grand time. Hope Sarah's
eye winkers can come back. Please
be anxious to hear my little things about
them all -

Have been spending the morning in
bed writing - Hope you received
my wire this morning - Sent it last
night as soon as I returned from
the city. Am going to church at
Addis this noon so must get
dressed - It is a lovely day - Aunt
Laura was fine & took to have you

met too -

Am my birthday & see girls some of them
from Jack's same dressed up not much at all.
And they sing & then I asked them to sing
happy birthday & we danced they did. Really
fun then & all over and they said
they would be back again soon!!

My love to you & Bill and all of you
I wish them to be so - Sweet love

and me to be happy when you are home again.

Sincerely
Mother -

Wish I was going to visit you in
Pittsburgh & see the 3 Darling
babes & say nothing of visiting
Mary & Ray. Know you will
have a grand time. Hope Sarah's
eye sickness can come back. Please
do any work to hear my little thing about
Hewell -

Have been spending the morning in
bed writing - Hope you received
my wire this morning - sent it last
night as soon as I returned from
the city. Am going to Larchmont at
address this noon so must get
dressed - it is a lovely day - Aunt
Laura was fine & took to have you

met her -

On my birthday 6 little girls some of them
your pupils came dressed up with masks etc.
and sang songs & then I asked them to say
Happy Birthday to me which they did. Daddy
gave them a little something and they said
they would be back again Xmas!!

My love to Jim & Billy and all of your
friends whom I know - Dearest love
and miss to so happy when you are home again.
Devotely -
Mother -

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805 apt.

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Little Falls, Minnesota

Oct 29th 1945

Dearest Letter -

Well at last a ^{Card} ~~Letter~~ from
you - You assured me you
would send me a post card
from Chicago but none came.
However Aunt Laura had received
one from you so we knew you
were alright - I saw yours came
yesterday just a mch from
the time you left - I forwarded
letters and a dir from Billy
and wrote you too - but no
mention of any receipt from
you - I do hope you

had your Portfolios returned -
you had so many things to
look after I don't wonder you
shipped up on one piece of luggage.

Has just returned from the
Beauty Shop and found this letter.
From Mrs. Belong which I will
forward in this air mail -
Know you are having a great
time. Needless to mention how
much we have missed you. I
called Billy and he said "not
to worry that he would find some
place for you to stay". He
certainly is most dependable - Daddy

Has pleased with the envelopes of postcards
from Memphis from you. He may
learn the better part of this and go to
meeting on the next coast. I do so
shall go to the city & he will come home
and take some treatments - He has a new
girl before supper. He is very strong
and does his work beautifully - Stronger
postcard and is coming soon for her
husband so on his way home -
Parker and Barbara are coming ~~soon~~
on Friday - He will have been before
Monday and has the front circle clean

had your Portfolio returned -
You had so many things &
lost after I don't wonder you
shipped up or one piece of luggage.
Has just returned from the
Beauty Shop and found this letter.
From Mrs. Belaby - Which I met
forward in this air mail -
Know you are having a great
time. Reaches to mention how
much Dr. Linn missed you - I
called Billy and to send "not
to worry that he would just come
place for you to stay - He
certainly is most dependable - Daddy

Was pleased with the envelopes of postcard
from Memphis from you - He may
leave the latter part of this week for a
meeting on the West Coast - If he does I
shall go to the city to be with Aunt Susan
and take some treatments - We have a new
girl Dolores Super who is very smart girl
and does her work beautifully - Imagine
Portrude will be leaving soon for her
husband is on his way home -

Pauline and Portrude are driving down
on Friday - We all have been taking
steadily and have the front circle clean

Aunt Laura Came up Sat. and
left last evening.

Little Sam painted Helen's
face with glue! Sarah plucked
all her eye lashes out with her Mother's
tweezers - I guess you knew that.
We are continuing to have glorious weather.
Yesterday had the Adels & Barbara
also the Woodworths for a
pleasant dinner - All inquired
after you - Barbara said "Oh how
I would love to travel like Laura Jane"
Don't know how long you are to
be with Mrs Kimbrough - I am her my best
wishes and hug the little girl from me.
A heart full of love - Always
Devotedly - Mother -



Miss Laura Jane Mueser
Litch Falls
Minn.

They have such a beautiful home here and
Mrs. Peck is a wonderful house keeper - Only
1 maid who is most efficient - Mr. had dinner
last m at a Club and then cards here - Dr. Peck's
Mother lives with them is 90 years old & very alert.
The P.E.-Os gave a luncheon for her yesterday P.M.
Tonight dinner here and tomorrow after breakfast
Mr. drove to "Starved Rock" stay until Tuesday
back here for the night and home Wednesday -
Hope the Hazel Scott Concert was a success -
and that you all enjoyed it. Mr. misses you
both so much but will soon be back - Will
call from Minneapolis - Mr. May has to spend
the night there for the train doesn't get in till late.
My love to Pauline & Patricia & me
in yourselves - Devotedly - Mother - Hatched
in the front to dress alive -

Ever so much

Oct 13th 1948

Dearest Lottie & Alice -

This is a gorgeous day and we
are up and have had breakfast and
have made our beds and now a few
minutes to drop a line to you two

Our bus trip down was comfortable
after we left St. Cloud but up to them our seats
were in the back and mile over the wheel
Frank met us and I took the hats to Harold

and exchanged them for two I know you
will like - A black tailed & a very pretty
rose^{orn} with birds! Aunt Laura & Jim had lunch
with us at Youngs also Helen King - I had a
treatment which kept my back and then
in four days to a movie at the Century - In
Jim & I had a game of pounce while Aunt Laura
& Daddy played Double Dummy - In early Friday
and Frank took us to the train - Had breakfast
on the Zephyr - Edwin & Kay Davis and their
daughter Betty got on in St Paul so we
had a nice visit with them - Betty age 22
is on her way East to find work in N.Y.
or Boston - Social Welfare - They are inquired
about you folks - Fred Davis the 19 year
old son has signed up for 4 years with
the Air Corps - Which upsets them - They were
spending the week-end with Fred in Iowa City -
We all got off at Savannah where Ray Peck met
us - Had a beautiful 20 mile drive here -
Dr Peck had the Pine Torch with your picture
in it Sister & I haven't seen it yet - He & Mrs P -
were so interested - At Browns they had disinterred
Piney Woods and Dr Peck had given a talk there
too and when they came home bought a second
hand piano for the Blind School - A little blind
boy was so anxious to play & the piano was
so poor that the keys wouldn't work -

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Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

Nov-16 1945

Lois Darling -

I have been spending the day in bed for had such a pain in my lower ^{left} "tummy" from yesterday P.M. all night - So this morning had Dr. Fred - He said it was either cold in the muscles or strain or gas - He latter I think but couldn't go to Grace Woodward's Luncheon -

It was worth much to me to talk to you the other morning - That perhaps you might be at Margo's. If you hadn't been then was going to try New York - I trust you had a grand time both with Mary & Roy and those darling babies - Grace & I hoped you were going

to home for her luncheon today and
was so disappointed you are not here -

I finally sent for a ticket for the
Marion Anderson concert and was able
to get one just back of you - It came
today - Will be so happy when you get
home - It seems like months since

you left - Are sure you have had
a lovely time and nice change -

Sally will perhaps be here next week
haven't heard for sure - but there is a
letter here for her from Jim -

Last week Dad & I spent with the Kings
and Aunt Laura and had such a happy
time - Aunt Laura leaves this Sunday
for Muscatine - I fear if she stayed
longer - Frank can hardly learn he is

so busy we can't get out a N.C.

Daddy was so delighted that you were
going - He said just what I needed - He feels
very especially - He tells brother boy too if you

I am smiling to think of my little sister
to Jordan - Carolyn & Betty Butler - you are
a precious daughter to remember we will love
truly yours -

My sister came so early now -
Believe left last Sunday for Cal - Heard the other
husband are going to be - they soon out - the
told me she had thought they were good - that
they went in - she had heard it just as the boys
outback of the garage - I was backing out and the
cher and had it when suddenly not to turn into

to home for her luncheon today and
was so disappointed you did not see -

I finally sent for a ticket for the
Marion Anderson Concert and was able
to get one just back of you - It came
today - Will be so happy when you get
home - It seems like months since

you left - Am sure you had had
a lovely time and nice change -

Sally will perhaps be here next week -
haven't heard for sure - but there is a
letter here for her from Jim -

Sally will send me sheet that the Kings
and Aunt Laura and had such a happy
time - Aunt Laura leaves this Sunday
for Muscatine - I fear if she stayed
longer - Frank Carr would learn to

so anxious to get back to K.C.

Daddy was so delighted with your birthday
gift - He said just what I needed - the key
ring especially - The little leather box too is fine.

I am smelling so sweet after my bath with
the powder - Cologne & bath bubble - you are
a precious daughter to remember us with such
lovely gifts - They it gets dark so early now -
Delores left last Sunday for Cal - where she & her
husband are going the m. They drove out. She
told me she had bought their little Ford Coup. - which
they want in - She had parked it just at the corner
outside of the garage - I was backing out with the
Cher and had to turn quickly not to run into

th soon and bumped into her Ford -
Got Caught under her fender and the
bogo Richard & her husband tried to
unlock the cars but couldn't so had
to call a wrecker to get us untangled.
How ever it didn't hurt either car but
I had to hurry down to the room
where we were to have a rummage sale
in the Church Sat A.M. and it was a
big job to get all the stuff marked
Mrs Mc Nery & Mrs ^{Musky} ~~somebody~~ were helping
me - I was so tired when I was through
and went up to the car and it wouldn't
start - so they had to haul it to the
Chr - garage - something wrong with the
generator - but it was fixed in time to
bring me back from the rummage sale
at 10 A.M. - When Daddy & I left with

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Frank & Bert - Came back Sunday 3rd -
in the pouring rain -

Daddy is looking forward to Double
Dumplings with you so hurry home -

Mr. Hill is eager to hear all about your
trip and about Sarah's Eye Markers -
and Sam & Baby Helen - I can imagine
they all wanted you very much -

Know you will have a grand time
with Barbara - I'm her very love -

Wish the girls to take this so
must stop - I heart feel of love
to our precious daughters -

Devotedly

Mother -



Miss Laura Jane Musser
86 Mc Dougall Street
New York City
c/o Mrs. Fawcett Hale

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Little Falls, Minnesota

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Little Falls, Minnesota

July 25 1945

My precious Lottie -

Mr. Lan has having some sorely
weather and I really don't mind it for
I was frozen for so long - the first
week at the Lake Alice & I hugged the
grates for and Mary & I the babies
in bathing suits would go out on
the beach and have acquired a
wonderful sun tan -

Your dear letter has just come
and I was so thrilled to get it
for it seemed so long since I had
heard from you - I am so glad
your apartment plans have worked
out so well - About your ticket - I
can't remember which road you took
East but think it the N.Y. C. I have
called Mr. Ettinger and he assured I
think he would be able to get you
the reservations but of course has to
know which road - So let me know
at once - Was delighted to hear that
Mr. Gramini & Bulant are pleased

with your work - I knew they would
to for Mr. F. is always so enthusiastic
about what you do -

Aunt Glad you went out to see
Hermann & Aunt Carry with M. T.
but sorry to hear that they were
critical of Mary - She has been so true
and devoted to them and using
her funds which are not much
and her time to help and she is
so delicate - However I know
what a stimulation you were to them.
You didn't happen to think of Bees
Bennett while there I suppose - I
heard from her recently and she
has been so miserable having to
go to the hospital for another operation

I told her I had tried to call her
while with you but the lines were
so busy out of N. Y. had to give it up.

Can hardly wait for you to get
home - Mary & babies are leaving! the
3rd I believe or around there, waiting
to hear about reservations - Alice
has to go to the hospital for a
couple of days to see if Dr. Johnson's

Aunt Laura wrote how happy she was to get
such a lovely letter from you -

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Little Falls, Minnesota

Can help her - We hope Dr. Fred Mont
hears about it for he would be so
kind - and Daddy is so devoted to him.

We are endeavoring to get our front
& back steps painted but what
with Mr. and Sarah & Sam it is a
problem - Sam sat on them yesterday
and of course was covered with paint
as did Sarah and Mr. runs up them
constantly -

Edward B. Woodworth has been
home for a furlough but soon has
to go back for 2 major operations
on his leg - They have told him that
he won't know him when they are
through with him but his knee cap
is entirely gone -

Bert's father is very ill and she
is going down tomorrow to keep
care for him -

Aunt Marian and Thad left last
Saturday - He will be married to a
Denver girl the 4th of August - Her
photos are lovely - with such a sweet

Smile & dimples in his cheeks -

Received a letter from Leo today
and he is in France and feels that
he will be coming home soon -

Margaret & Sally have been in K.F.
and are now I believe on a Campfire
trip in the north of Oregon -

Sarah was so devoted to Thad when
he was here and wanted him to wait
until she grew up to marry him -

You would laugh to see how big
Sarah is and my pretty and so old
acting - When any one asks Sam whom
he loves he always says "G.G."!

He really is awfully cute and
doesn't get into mischief hardly at
all - but he simply won't go to sleep
at night if his Mother won't right
near him - There isn't much to write

about for there is nothing going on -
Tomorrow we are driving to the city
just for the day - Mary had expected
to spend a few days with Mrs. King but
Mrs. K. has been so busy with the agitations -
A heart full of love to my darling
& write to me as soon as you can - Devotedly -
Mother -

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Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

June 26th 1945

Forgive my precious -

I can just a few minutes I drop
you a line - I can just finished
dinner and I go in a few min-
to the service at the Pine Glen Park.
Mr & Mrs Williams - Mr & Mrs Peary came
this morn - My heart aches for you my
Darling and how I wish I might
be with you now - Am sorry
you can't had any winter words
with Aunt Maud for she does love
all of us and has written me
two or three times and always with
a loving thought of you so my
advice is not to write any more -
She said she had returned the check
you sent back which she had given
you for taxi fare - that she felt
my chagrin about your having
to pay the taxi for she had

Always told them to not tell the
Jes from his guests. He's just as
well never to mention anything
like that - I know you. Do what
you think is the right thing to
do but my advice is to never
mention anything which would
reflect on any ones hospitality.
For it only arouses their ire -
and then one gets no where -

Our dear Ted died yesterday or
rather Sunday M- at 6:30 - so
M are my much overwhelmed
and Pauline takes it my hard too.
He was full of Cancer so M are
thankful he doesn't have to suffer
any more - the funeral will be next
Thursday - I have my head and
heart so full I am almost dazed.
And how to tell you we happy
almost finishes me but bless
you so devotedly and do wish
you would come home - I have

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a boy full of things in fact 3
boxes - China - picnic silver
linen etc so if you really don't
need any thing I won't send them -

Be slow in giving up your room
at the Waldorf - For if you don't
enjoy living with Fess & his mother
you wouldn't be able to get back
at the Waldorf - Am sorry to hear

about the cough you spoke of
having trouble - The man seemed
my nice and polite - the baby darling.

Billy wrote me such a nice
letter and always speaks so lovingly
of you. I have to run now

and to come home if you possibly
can for I can't leave you unhappy
there - All of my hearts to you
you my precious - Devotedly
your kisses

o o o o o o o o o o Mother - o o

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R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

June. B 45

Dear Sister

I am enclosing an air mailed letter from Adelaide Martin which I know you are very anxious to receive. We are getting along nicely at home but it is lonely without Mother & you also. I miss my "double dunny" with Mandy. We have cloudy and rainy days continuously. Have to have fire in the furnace. & be comfortable. Our very good and faithful Ed is in a serious condition. He is at the Edith Hospital Mpls. at Dr Johnson & Dr Greys direction. The operation either for a gall stone or stone on a bad infection in the pancreas will be performed next Tuesday and I am praying the outcome happy & praying his life will be spared. It was such a wonderful blessing to hear Chads voice over the phone & especially to learn that he was not suffering from a bad injury

or insufficient food & brutal treatment
was thrilled that I had will soon see
his beloved Mother & Grand Brothers whom
he has not seen for years.

Mother and you must have had a
most delightful & ^{interesting} time at Miss ^{Hubert's}
home & also with Aunt Mary -
You both. I know how had a glorious
week together I am so anxious to hear
all about these most enjoyable &

notable visit.

Aunt Laura has not been well the
past today or so. Dad called with
her doctor away. She is feeling much
better now. Alice is so kind & thoughtful
and is a great help. ~~at the time~~
She sends a great deal of love to
you & Mother. Wish you were coming
home with Mother very much. So happy

that you receive your letter.

I am "head over heels" with an
accumulated amount of work to do. I
will clean it up before the end of the
month unless we are off right after.
Mother returns from NY ^{with} ^{her} ^{signature}
with dear love & affection for Mother & you
your Daddy.

Did you see
any of the
family
are to come here.

Peace

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Miss Laura Jane Musser
c/o Mr. Baldry - Astoria
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New York City

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aft 17 B.

Home, Saturday March 30-46.

Dearest Lottie.

Well here we are at our good
old home again after 25 days of traveling
4050 miles by sea and overland. Aunt Laura
twice on the down & up trips. Alice and Jane
in their new home & spending two nights and
a days with Margaret & Charles Hattery. in addition
time to be just two weeks at the Edgewater Hotel.

Hotel, Edgewater Park - Mass.
Aunt Laura Alice Jane Dorothea & Margaret
& Charles H. & the children all spoke so
nicely of you & inquired about your health & the
very kindly. But it played his new record
Magical Moon &c. Aunt Laura & Margaret
He had dinner parties for us so we had
to be pepped up all the time to meet & visit
with our friends & new acquaintances.

We wanted to visit Tracy Wood on our return
but we could not find the entrance to the
place just south of Stor. Mass.

But Lottie, you see you would have
be thrilled to have been with us when we
visited Monticello College. There has been
a new President there for yrs. Dr. Young.

very nice but not quite as formal
 as Dr R. ^{was}. There are 350 girls students there
 & some very nice girls. Dr. Crafty Allen
 a sweet girl from Omaha took us around
 until some one came rushing into the
 reception room & exclaimed "why Mr Mrs
 Musser how glad I am to see you &
 how is dear Laura Jane." It was Mary
 Falkenberg. - She is ~~as~~ I think ~~as~~
 Secretary to the Pres. She told us a lot

I have been so busy since I started this letter that
 I was unable to finish it as I had hoped to do.
 You of course recall that pretty little summer
 house where you had picnics. They have refreshments there and the students
 do not go to that little summer house across
 the road like you used to do.
 There has been many fine new improvements
 A new Faculty Home for the Teachers. The old
 President's Home still remains, with its
 inside shutter. Mrs. Weed the Dean,
 when you were there married one of the
 Trustees & lives in Alton.
 I wished many times that you were
 with us at Monticello.

R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

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We arrived at Aunt Laura's that evening around
Six o'clock and had a fine Supper & Evening
with her.

The next evening she had a lovely dinner
party and we were glad to visit the
dear friends in Muscatine.

We have been on the jump since getting
home. A Dinner at the Church a Card

4 Square party at the Taylors. Right before
last a short visit from Paul Gillespie.
He looks fine and was so happy to be back in
the home town again.

We have a new young High School girl
Merlyn Jacobs. Dorothy Farish ~~was~~ did
not grow dependable or reliable so Pauline
gave her a permanent ban of absence.
I think you will like Merlyn. Dorothy might
have been trained all right if she had not
been so crazy about men. Tough on other girls.

Daloris Pieper is a very capable & dependable
girl as much as any that we could get.

While in Muscatine I saw some dresses
that looked good to me. I just thought

I would surprise you my dear Naudy. I
They are waiting for me. So I must go
I would to have had a talk with you. I
It's felt so badly about you blue blazes. I
I love you
Dorothy

July 25 1940

LINDEN HILL
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

Letter Darling -

Your letter has just come and
I am writing a hurried note to tell
you that I tried to get Mr. Ettinger
and finally did and of course he can
do nothing about reservations until 5
days before one needs them - He said
"Mrs. Mueser if your daughter could
get reservations by way of Miss -
she might be held up all summer
thus - she would be taking a big risk
for they can no compensation about
putting a lay passenger off anywhere
if they need the berth for the returning
soldiers" - so I fear your trip & Mr.
Hilda will have to be postponed until

after the war - We are so anxious to
have you get home but sorry if you
don't & visit Hilda that you can't -
Today is a cold damp day - We are all
invited to go to Sarah Maude for the
day - Walter was in the first part of
the work and wanted to know if you
would come for they wanted you too -

What a terrible experience for Marion
Fishers Cook & her husband - I wonder if
that was one of the couples whom they
were expecting from the West - She
certainly is having her troubles isn't
she - How dear of her to say such
nice things about me - I feel the same
way about her -

I have to go after ice - So can't
write more now - Remembers me to your
family. For the addresses - Will write

them - Paul Taylor doesn't seem to be home - I
have called on several times & the children do
n't seem to play but do answer - He will
probably be back by the time you come home -
Anyway you and I can play and I hear me
you will visit me & Miss - We know
are simply beautiful - such help are just
to James - I least feel I am very precious
to you - I don't know -
Sincerely - I don't know -
Mother -

Will try and get a lot of it - I will
write you and will tell you about it too -

After the war - We are so anxious to
have you get home but sorry if you
want to visit Hilda that you can't -
Today is a cold damp day - We are all
invited to go to Sarah's Maids for the
day - Walter was in the first part of
the work and wanted to know if you
would come - for they wanted you too -
What a terrible experience for Marion
fishers Cook & her had - I wonder if
that was one of the people whom they
were expecting from the West - The
Centenary is saving her troubles least
she - How dear of her to say such
me things about me - I feel the same
way about her -
I have to go after me - so can't
write more now - Remember me to Susan -
Thanks for the addresses - Will write

soon - Pearl Taylor doesn't seem to be home - I
have called her several times to see whether she
would like to play golf but no answer - She will
probably be back by the time you come home -
Anyway you and I can play and I fear me
you will beat me & pieces - Blue flowers
are simply beautiful - Sarah helps me pick
the pansies - I heart feel of love to my precious
daughters - Devotedly -
Mother -

Will try and get a note off to Philippa for her
birthday and will tell Daddy about it too -

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



Miss Laura Jane Mysser
of the Waldorf Astoria
507 1st Park Ave -
New York City -

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

May 25th 1945

My precious Letter -

These are busy days - Spring is really here and that makes us happy and especially that the war is practically over in Europe - No news as yet from Dad - but each paper tells of the prison camp opened up and of the boys being sent home. So I pray and hope M. will soon hear.

My arm is better all of the time but I still have a difficult time getting dressed but Alice is always there to help - Am going down on Sunday for another Zithel treatment - Dr. Foblerich has helped me so much too -

Yesterday Marion came back from the city and bringing Eleanor Ringer who will stay on Sunday - This is such fun and a delightful guest. Daddy is devoted to both Walter & Eleanor. My morning was so full I completely forgot Feed Club - I was was leaving it with lunch at the Pine Edge - Bert

Came on after us and we had just
finished lunch - Well of course I had
to apologize humbly to Jennie but
we all went out for cards so had
a happy afternoon - Jennie had an interesting
guest who has a cottage out near her
cottage on that little lake - This woman
had just returned from South Africa
didn't have much chance to visit with
her - Her husband is an Importer -

Your letters certainly sound happy -
I am so thrilled you are enjoying
your thing so much! Made my reservations
yesterday for the 24th via Pa - so if
Mary & Roger have moved or are out
of their house I shall go straight N.Y.
arriving the 26th Will notify you +
Billy as soon as I know -

I woke up two nights ago with the
first cold I have had in over a year -
so I was a sight yesterday - sneezing
& sneezing etc - There is here for a
couple of days to keep one out. There is a
sweet little girl - she is married
on Tuesday and if the boy doesn't

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Falls, Minnesota

Can't go at once into them. They will
be in Minneapolis and the will have
her baby down there - It comes in Aug-
the concert at the Met. must have
been very lovely - Oh what a crowd!
I think I would prefer Carnegie to the
Met to hear her - Should have thought
you would have been exhausted by
the time you got your friends back
stage - I do hope you are enjoying
your music lessons with Mr. Newstead
& how are your Comp. & Theory coming
along - Next week promises to be a fine
one - I go to the city the 8th & the 9th
Marion & I are driving with Daddy and
the Woodworths to Duluth - Daddy wants
Marion to see the Good Conversion Plant
in Coquet - She will attend meetings -
Poor Mary & Roger are beside themselves
not knowing where they can go at the
end of May when they have to give
up their home - Daddy & I of course

tell them to come here until they can
find a horse - I will have to put
them in the back room and know
you won't object - Ruth comes with
them to sleep - You will enjoy having
them all as much as we will -

Alice of course will be here - She packed
all of your clothes Thursday & I sent
them P.O. Hope everything arrives in
good condition -

Can't write any more for my arm
gets too tired - How glad it will
be to see you the last of the month -
Can hardly wait - In I love my
father more than words can tell -

Devotedly -

Mother -

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



Miss Laura Jane Musser
86 Mc Dougall St.
New York City

% Miss Gwendolyn Hale

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

July 17th - 1945

My precious Letter -

I am going to take a few minutes to write to you away from the Madding Crowd - Yesterday Aunt Merian and Thad arrived, driving, both looking so well - the first thing they said "Where is Feltie?" and we so disappointed you were not here and Thad thought you looked so well and we so lovey in my day - We reached home Sunday 3rd and were so glad to get back for most of the time it was so cold but Mary & babies (Sam & Sarah) loved it. We in the water my day and are so brown - didn't know it needed the cold at all - but it really did us all much good. The food was delicious - The Aunt wasn't there but the Aunt's sister was Cook -

When we returned your letter was here and I was so very happy

to get it for your Mother miss
you so.

Pauline's sister Petrusde
is here and such a happy looking
sweet pretty girl and it makes P.
happy to have her - She does the work
well - Pauline gets provoked at
Mary and Alice at the least little
thing but I guess she can stand
it. In Mary and babies are leaving
the first of August - Mary feels she
must get home for she can't afford
to keep Mrs Brokosch any longer -
Rogus is working hard getting the
new house cleaned up, painted
and walls washed - He thinks that
baby Moll is a darling and so pretty -
She laughs aloud now and turns
on alone -

Alice just had a long distance
from a friend that Martin hung
himself last Friday - Was buried
Monday - He had been on a "buge"
and his stomach ulcers began

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

to be my painful so took a
ropes in the bathrooms - We are
all relieved the poor soul is gone.
He had an apartment with a
Colonel, a friend of his -

We have a man at last to do the
yard work. Chas. Bergquist a farmer.
Oscar is doing Ted's work and my
well too -

If you go to Washington I do
hope you will be able to see Jim
& Lynn - you can tell them how I
tried to get them and was so upset
not to be able to -

How wonderful your work - 3rd Mrs.
Mrs. Klein must have been - She is
such a dear and so charming and
thoughtful of others - She seems to love
you very much - All Laffy your
apartment, living with Furr & her
Mother is such a nice arrangement.
Do you find it difficult to get to you

lessons from them?

Mary and Sarah are so disappointed they want to hear to see you and Sarah wanted so to go with you and especially on her birthday - Mary has found a girl 15 to look after the babies - a Carson girl - Margaret Huebner said she couldn't work for Mary for she had a better paying job with the Red Cross -

Sherman Lewis & Mary his wife are entertaining the 14 square next Thursday - The laundry boy finally came last morn so Pauline sent your clothes also had put on to send - Hope they or it arrived alright.

It looks like rain again today - Our sweet peas are gorgeous the first time in years - We planted them in the veg garden along the road -

Am so glad that you ~~are~~ coming home soon - Do hope you won't have trouble with reservations

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

Mary is afraid they are going to have
an awful time getting home -
but I think the big Crows will
be coming back later in the fall.
Can hardly wait for you to get
here - My one send love - You
will never know how deeply your
Mother loves you and prays for
your happiness - You are all
that any Mother & Daddy could
wish for - I wish you would send
me the Whites' address - and do
you think of any one else I should
write to - Miki & Carmeen -
Devotedly -
Mother -

My best wishes to Pura -

MRS. R. D. MUSSER
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

June 30th 1945

Lothar Darling -

I am enclosing your Rating Book. The 36 stamp will be good now & the 5 lbs too & last 5 mos - Oh how I wish you were here too. In I am so lonely for you and I am now feeling so depressed. I guess Mr. Tan has to many funerals this mth and I am getting on tired.

Today Mary and Sam arrived and it's grand having them here. I wish you could see Mrs. Sarah's face - just wreathed in smiles & excitement. Last mth she said "Oh I want to be your little girl or Lothar's" from now on! She is such an adorable little thing & you would love to work with her. For she is my responsibility and bright.

Mary said she guessed she would have to be on the train from now on till Sam grew older. In he was so my good on this trip she couldn't believe it.

I sent the boy from Jethro's with Clara

and picnic knives forks & spoons -
to Mc Dougall St. and as yet
your laundry boy hasn't come
but Alice has your clothe (dresses)
all ready to put in & send to you
so Pauline can attend to that for
her. Can tomorrow go well take - its
so damp & cold I would rather stay
home - Roger couldn't can now
but will come some time next month.

I do know you will be loving
with her & her Mother - Am sorry I
couldn't have met Mrs Hale but you
are an excellent judge of character -
am sur it will work out wonderfully -

Went this to go so must close -
Ted's funeral was Thursday morning -
Mrs Finter is feeling very lonely & sad -
will have to get busy so will close -
Give my love to Gwen - Please give me
the addresses of Dr & Mrs Whit - Vicki
(what did you say about her husband?)
& Carmey - With a heart full of love -
Devotedly -
Mother -

Pine Beach Lodge on Gull Lake

July 3rd 1945

Letter my precious daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Madden, Jr.
Route 3, Brainerd, Minn.
WINTER ADDRESS
Pine Edge Inn
Little Falls, Minn.

Your letter came just as I was leaving but I haven't it with me - I am so sorry you are so upset with your poor Mother about that Aunt Maud proposition - I of course feel very sad about it. As to your mentioning her unkind manner I feel it would have been alright to have mentioned it if we hadn't been there as her guests - just to have asked her what was the matter but she is one I never liked to have words with ~~her~~ so of course I always avoided any thing unpleasant. However that was your right to do what you feel to be right - except I am orn sensitive I guess and couldn't bear to hear her say unpleasant things to you -

We came up here Sunday and it was so cold and raining - but Monday better & yesterday warm & lovely and this morning - this evening raining again & cold & damp. Mary is putting the children to bed & I shall have to play cards when I finish this - Dick is quite lame - He left knew my Dad - but being here has helped - Daddy & I played a few holes of golf this morning. Two caddies so we nearly passed out with the heat - How I longed for you & play with us - No boys so far -

This paper is terrible to write on - I wrote to you
just before leaving - Your laundry box hadn't come
nor has Mary's trunk so she is bothered about the
children's clothes - Uncle Jim the fisherman is not here
I've just had 3 operations for cancer & is dying.
Mr. Mrs. King - Haven't been fishing yet - May go
tomorrow - Daddy is going in to town Thursday

and Dick to the city - For a couple of days - Without
Ted, Daddy worry as to how things are going
at home - DeLore is with her mother - I don't
get to see her - We are telling her still stay in
the apartment but Oscar will be there too -

My cottage is full here - The Kings are coming
up Friday for a couple of days - Do hope you
and Gwen and her mother will enjoy having the
apartment together - I am sure you will -

Played the slot machine today and won \$2.50 -
Now Sarah & Sam want to play it - They are so darling
and really mind my loss and how they do love to eat!

They are calling for me so must stop - A world of
love to you my darling and know I am never
indifferent to your troubles but when you are hurt
or worried I just don't know what or how to talk to
you on the phone I am so close to tears - Devotedly -
Remember me to Gwen - all send love - if there is anything else
you want let me know - Mother -

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R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

June 23-45.

Dear Laura Jane.

I am enclosing letter from
Arthur D. Reynold Collector of Internal Revenue
St Paul Minn. enclosing a refund of 40^{05}
together with accrued interest of 9.79
making a total of 49.84 payable to your
order - Please sign the receipt &
endorse the check Laura Jane Musser
& return all the papers to me in a
self addressed and stamped envelope.
I hope everything is going fine with
you & that your new housekeeping & per
severance and companionship will be all
that you desire for

Will write more fully soon.
Our faithful Ted is in a Central Convention.
Weather is fine now Warm & dry -
Mother has spoken of the fine time she had
with you in New York.
Devotedly & with much love
Your Daddy R.