



Laura Jane Musser and
family papers.

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R. D. MUSSER
LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

June 21, 1954

Miss Laura Jane Musser
The Buckingham Hotel
101 West 57th Street
New York, N. Y.

My Dear Laura Jane:

Aunt Laura came the last half of last week, and George Schaust came also, for a two-day visit. After Aunt Laura attended to some things that she usually looks after, we had a longer visit from her, and I will soon be alone again.

I hope you are having a grand visit and that everything is coming along as you anticipated. You surely have given Patty Yoerg a grand trip. We hope you will have many interesting things to tell when you return.

Things have not been going extra good here for me. We have had lots of rain and it has been very quiet with so many people out of town.

All join me in love and good wishes.

Affectionately,

love
Your Dadd

RDM*S



In the flower shop - when I get
 from, I think we can go
 to the lake for a few days -
 I've seen several of
 my friends in the trip. I think
 much more with them
 than I may and of looking
 the day - all along and
 about you, & to no day in for
 me -
 Keep well, and keep
 away -
 With so much love,
 Hilda H.

6/24/54

been on the whole pleasant -
 not too hot as yet -

Wish you had been with us
 in Washington - you love historic
 spots so much -

Daddy Darling;
 Thank you so much for
 your letter. It was so good to hear
 from you. You are so often in my
 thoughts. We have been very busy
 which is the reason you haven't
 received a letter before this. Pat
 is a lovely travelling companion,
 and it was such fun taking
 her around Washington, Boston,
 and now, New York. It has

It was nice Aunt Laura
 could have been with you.
 Too bad she couldn't have stayed
 longer. You speak of being
 lonely. Can't you get out now &
 then? It would be good for you,
 and give Pauline a little rest.
 Have Ed take you out for
 drives. It's too bad to be cooped

from:

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MIAMI 35, FLORIDA
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Mailing Address:
Post Office Box 1932
MIAMI 1, FLORIDA

- 11/28/59 -

Miss LARA SAMP MESSER
Little Falls -
Little Falls, Minnesota

Dear Lara Sane -

The Wonderful Article, Yes Story, In
The Minneapolis Sunday Tribune of 11/15/59, Was Sent To Us,
By Our good Friend, George Green, Your Writer (Knowing
Full Well, Sarge, WAS BORN & RAISED IN LITTLE FALLS) - Believe
Me, You Impressed Him To No end, As You Always Have
Sarge & I, therefore, this Note To You -

It's Too BAD, He Could Not "emphasize" To
The fullest extent, the Pattern of Charity You've Always
Followed, the many things very few people know about -
Perhaps, He WAS AWARE OF IT, But, Thought IT Not Advisable -
Let's Hear From You - Loads of Love & Good Wishes,
From "Sarge" & "Hub" *[Signature]*

USE WATER

Box 1952

and 12, Florida



AIR PAR AVION **MAIL**

Miss LAURA Jane Musser
- Linden Hill -
Little Falls, Minnesota

MR. AND MRS. LESLIE HOLMBERG

Box 45

ATWATER, MINNESOTA

Nov. 14th, 1954

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Highland Avenue
Little Falls, Minnesota

Dear Miss Musser:

Enclosed herewith you will find my check for Five Dollars for which kindly mail me two tickets for the Marie Anderson concert, which I understand will be given in your city, Nov. 27th.

Mrs Linne E Bomgren was kind and told us of this concert, and that you were selling tickets to folks outside of your city for \$2.50 each, so kindly mail me two.

I am enclosing my self addressed stamped envelope.

Yours truly,

Mrs Leslie Holmberg

[Found on
envelope with
this letter]

Sincerely,
Luella Pratt

Kind invitation to
meet her.

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Thursday

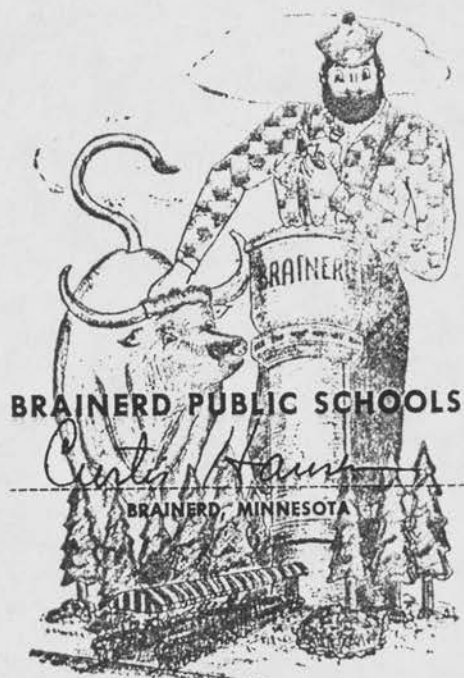
Dear Miss Mueser:

I hope you
will forgive the delay;
but I've been so busy
I haven't even had
time until now to sit

down and write a note.'

Just want to thank
you for giving my parents
and myself the wonderful
opportunity to meet Miss
Anderson at your reception.

She certainly is a delightful
and charming person, and
we appreciated the



1954
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FOREST



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls,
Minn.

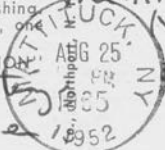


MATTITUCK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y. Purchased from the Corchaug Indians in 1649, this beautiful village situated between Long Island Sound and the Peconic Bay offers excellent boating, bathing and fishing. This is a view of picturesque Salt Lake Village, one of the many beauty spots to be found here.

"COME TO MATTITUCK FOR A REAL VACATION"

Dear Laura Jane - greetings
from Long Island! We
have been here since 1952
and have had a marvelous
summer. I hope you
are well. We missed
seeing you in N.Y. in
May. Did you come there
this summer? Best
regards from Herbert
and Barbara

from B.E. Schmeltzer
General Del.
Mattituck,
N.Y.



SOUTHOLD
325TH
1640



Post Card

Miss Laura Musser
Linden Hill
Little Falls
Minn.

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Color Photo by Min. Price, Northport, N. Y.



[1954]



With the Old Wish

That is Ever New

Merry Christmas

And a Happy New Year

Too!

Dear Anna: I am so sorry to hear about your dear Mother's passing away a year ago! Well dear friend. You know well that prayer is the only consolation

Bea Bailey
1954-1955

left for us who believe in God and
Our Blessed Mother. I'll pray
for her Soul and for you and yours
too. Now your Father needs you more
than ever. He must be very hard on
him too.

I was very ill a year ago - Nov/53
- heart trouble - and thanks God,
I went past it with only 13 days
at the Hospital but it took longer
to walk or rather go out again.
I was allowed to walk just a little
after ten days home and really, up
to this minute I cannot complain
but have to take things as easy as
possible. N.Y.? My last trip, already
2 y. ago. God only knows if I'll ever
be there again. Too cold for me during
wintertime! ^{At winter} whenever you have
time. Best love & good wishes Nena

To GREET
You



Made in U.S.A.

TO OPEN CUT AT TOP



AÉROGRAMME

AEROGram



Mrs. Laine Jan. Müsser

Linden Hill

Little Falls

Minnesota U.S.A.

SENDER

Eirik Dygard.

Fjærland,

Norway.

**MERK! VIL IKKE BLI SENDT FRAM MED FLY, DERSOM DET ER
LAGT NOE INN I ELLER HEFTET NOE VED AEROGramMET.**

SALGSPRIS 60 ØRE

Fjaerland

Norway

30/12 - 1954.

Dear Laura,

Thank you for card and Christmas greeting. I remember you so well when you at the hotel were a little shining Angel while we danced. I never have enjoyed more a dance than that with you.

You had a charming good humor, vivid wit and humor.

Dear lady — I do hope you now have got finished much of your education. Haven't you had practice in music? Will you be kind tell me about what you have learned and what job you now have. Have you brothers and sisters? Are both of your parents healthy? I hope you will always be kind to them. I am sure they love you heartily and wish you to become a gentle, good American member of Society. Yes, I should like to visit America. For some years ago I thought of to go. But I have a little farm near the Glaciare — and am not able earn so much money that I can go abroad. I have to live very primitive (nugly) and I do like it. All kind of comforts I am without. Only I do like reading. If you know any very interesting American book — biography — or novel please do tell me the name. I read English Classics now — but I know not many American books. You have the opportunity — you are young and with good health. You must do all you can for to get a good education — and I hope your parents can help you. For a lady like you — the living will be more interesting if you cultivate your inner life so you can be broad minded and look at the great joy in small things. You have a charming nature in America — and should it you like the country life? I am very lonely — do not see other people for weeks than those in my home. But I am lucky when I have good books. Then I am in good company with fine souls. Thank you for greeting! I wish you a good new year and all the best for your future. Yours Erik Øygard



Menasha Wm
Nov 28, 1954

Mrs Margaret Bayle
964 Highland Ave
Little Falls

Dear Madam:-

Enclosed please
find check for \$10
for 4 tickets to hear
Marian Anderson
Saturday eve. Would
you please mail same
to me at Menasha

as we can't get down
two early Sat. eve?
I talked with
George Michelson
last eve in Wadena
& he advised me to
send to you direct.
Thank you very
much.

Sincerely
Mrs C. H. Russell
Wadena

4114 SWIFT AVE
SAN DIEGO 4, CALIF.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls
Minnesota

Dear Laura Jane,

Of course I remember you!
And do thank you for remembering
me. In September we came
to San Diego to take charge
of a small church with a
big vision. We have some of
the world's finest people here
and are really loving our
work. San Diego is a wonder-

Yours!



Thank

ful city. The fine arts are really appreciated here!

I guess you knew Ruth & Wally have a baby girl, Mary Beth? They are so proud and happy.

Best wishes to you
always—
Mary Cover Bowman.

Airmail



Miss Laura Jane Messer
Little Falls
Minnesota

330 Park ave
n. y. c.
apt 2E

Dearest Laura Jane:

Billy and I loved your record -
Kostelanetz is one of my favorites
and your selection was a wonderful
choice - Thank you so much.
I'll always keep the beautiful
little card you attached to the
note - so lovely.

Looking forward to seeing you

in January - Let us know what
day you want your reservation
as the hotel is very busy with
conventions -

Again many thanks to you
dear and all good wishes for
the coming new year to you
both -
Thursday. Love June



December 16, 1954

Dear Laura Jane,

Just a short note to
let you know I'm thinking
about you.

How have you been?

We have all been just
fine. We recently have moved
into our new home and are
so happy with it.

I would so love to
hear from you, Laura Jane.

A Merry Christmas and
a very happy New Year to
you and your father.

Love,

New address: Mary
1520 Ingersoll Rd.
Pueblo, Colo.

United States Post Office

Brainerd, Minnesota

23 November 1954

CLASS

IN REPLYING
MENTION INITIALS AND DATE

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Chm. Anderson Concert
Little Falls, Minnesota

Dear Miss Musser,

Mrs Bill Graham called this morning to ask me to contact you. Enclosed check for three tickets for the Concert. She has her own but wishes to bring the family. Mr Graham's sister was in the St Paul bus accident yesterday and they left in a rush this morning to be with her so I said I could write you.

I have sent my check for the four tickets in my name to American National Bank and we shall attempt to be at the door to pick them up by 7:30.

So glad you are undertaking such a tremendous concert and I am sure it will be a success financially for your group. I met Miss Anderson a few years ago in Chicago and she has a charm I shall not forget. Have heard her five times and this will be a treat --- thanks to you.

Please write direct to Mrs William Graham
523 Grove Street
Brainerd

She has season ticket
wants 3 for concert,
\$checkenclosed \$7.50

Thank you,

Joseph R. Dunn

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Oak Park, Illinois

March 12, 1954

Miss Laura Jane Musser
Linden Hill
Little Falls, Minnesota

Dear Miss Musser:

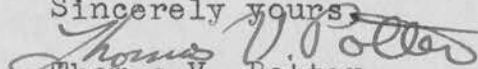
Thank you for your letter of March 3, 1954 in which you told of the First Congregational Church's plan to completely overhaul the pipe organ. Since this is quite a job on any pipe organ, we feel we should tell you that it is very doubtful if this task can be completed by anyone in time for Easter.

Not knowing the organ under discussion makes it difficult for me to advise you what course of action to take. However, if you would care to supply me a few details concerning the instrument I would be glad to make recommendations to you. As we specialize mainly in rebuilding older instruments and building new ones, we could not actually do the work ourselves if it is just repairs you desire, unless it happens to be one of our older instruments. Even then we are very crowded for time with the few repair facilities we maintain in this area. However, we will do our best to help you with your problem.

What I would need to know about the present instrument would be its original builder and date of installation, the number of stops and keyboards, and the dates and extent of any major repairs made to the instrument since it was put in. If you will supply this information, I will do the best I can to advise a course of action.

We were very sorry last fall to hear of the death of your mother, Mrs. Musser. We know you are carrying on the fine work she did as Music Chairman of the First Congregational Church.

Sincerely yours,


Thomas V. Potter

Chicago Representative

AEOLIAN-SKINNER ORGAN COMPANY

Dear Friends of the Church:

As many of you know the Women's Fellowship of the Congregational Church is in the process of being reorganized that it may better serve the work of the church and its members. This may take a year or more of "growing pains" but at least we are off to a good start. To date there are three divisions (2 evening and 1 afternoon) which meet once a month for a work and fellowship meeting, and once a month there is a general meeting of all women with a good program.

Every woman associated with the church (so far as it can be known) will be included in one of the divisions. More will be formed as necessary. This is not to force upon any participation against their will but to help keep an avenue of fellowship constantly open. You may decide each year the degree to which you can participate. Shut-ins and inactives are included so that the divisions are responsible for them-visiting them and seeing that they are otherwise helped. Including all of the women of the church in divisions distributes responsibility so that no one person and no group bears more than its fair share.

We trust that you are in favor of this plan and will increase its effectiveness through your prayers and your hearty support.

Some women have signified a preference for a division and are already at work. Others who have not will be assigned to one. If this is satisfactory do feel one of us and come to the meetings. If you have another choice, let us know.

Your name is included in the _____, which meets on the _____ of the month at _____ is Chairman.

Sincerely,

Mrs. G. Ray
President of Women's
Fellowship

Several people told us last year that our "Bazaar Letter" was very helpful and we felt that it paid off in many good donations. So this year we are reminding you again that our Fall Festival will be on Friday evening, October 28th at 7:00. We are asking your help through your contributions to as many booths as you wish. We have tried to list those which have been most successful in past years. Any new ideas will be welcomed. It might help those who are doing the marking if you would tell the cost of materials in the articles you make. Listed below are the booths and women you may contact if you have questions or wish to report what you will bring.

1. Food- cookies, doughnuts, breads, jelly, puddings
Mrs. Enal Pearson
2. Thrift Table- good white elephants, dishes, jewelry, records
Mrs. Kieth Tanner
3. Cake Walk- cakes to be used as prizes
Miss Marjory Skoog
4. Country Store- inexpensive articles including food to be sold for 5¢ to 25¢
Miss Louise Larson and Mrs. A. Schmeckpeper
5. Fancy Work- aprons, towels, cases, stuffed toys, luncheon sets
Mrs. Nels Thompson and Mrs. Pat Kidder
6. Produce- eggs, chickens, potatoes, squash etc.
Miss Pearl Longley
7. Take A Chance on Child's Delight or Mystery Box- articles that an adult or child would like
Mrs. Leo Thompson
8. Novelties- candles, stationery, art work of all kinds
Mrs. David Wells
9. Grab Bags- white elephant articles to sell from 5¢ to 25¢
Pilgrim Fellowship
10. Homemade Candy and Popcorn
Pilgrim Fellowship
11. Lunch - sandwiches, nut bread, coffee
Mrs. Virgil Austin