



Laura Jane Musser and
family papers.

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Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls
Minn.

Linden Hill



I was in the blackout the water

Dear Laura Jane ^{was off all the time too}

What a day

temperature dropped to 65[°]
I tell you the past week has
just been too much for most of
us, I just could not do half
the work I am supposed to
do. I am in the midst of house
cleaning, and I need a few
fall clothes to wear, don't feel
like shopping. I have not had
any vacation yet, but will take
a week in September.

The strike surely plays havoc
with the renting business -

John is still away.

I miss him very much, and I
got scared here alone.

I hope you are well and not
too busy, take it easy, don't
over load yourself with all
the teaching if you don't have
too.

I'm so glad the Rock. wedding
is over, I got so tired of
reading about her being a
maid, I tho't it was such
a monotonous, mode on the
part of the press to keep
on telling this in every
edition.

I tho't the R. handled the situation very well, he earned him self many followers by his attitude.

I hope she will be happy. All this may make her very unhappy, she's used to such a simple life.

I begin rehearsals Oct 5th. have my first performance in Phil. doing Martha in Faust, will be the 100th year - or some such thing, they always find something for publicity.

Well Laura, just a note to let
you know I'm kicking.

I'm getting my bed room
lined up for a house clean and
am going to buy the Beauty
Rest mattress you say is so
good, they have so many makes
now, will have to shop around.

All good to you -

Let me hear from you
Keep well

Best to Pauline & Ed -

Love to you
Thelma



GREETINGS — From "The Penna. Dutch Country"

AMISH Girl cultivating field of corn with team of mules
and cultivator.

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Miss Laura Jane Musser
Linden Hill
Little Falls
Minn

Dear Laura Jane

A week has gone by
and I have tried to
write to you every day
but at the end of the day,
now its nearly thirty A.M.
and here I am.

Thank you for the
beautiful lilies, I do enjoy
them; they came in
good condition.

and all my students
loved them too.

My Uncle passed away
last week, so that
upset me some, my
Pater was a little sad.

We have a little better
weather there part few
days, I will be happy
when the summer is
here again

I hope you are well
and had a nice Carter
day.

My best to Pauline
& Ed.

Love

Thelma

~~John~~ John sends his
"best"



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls

% Linden Hill Minnesota

THELMA VOTIPKA

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Dear Laura Jane,

What wonderful cool weather.
I hope you are enjoying the same.

Mr Dingley called here on church
business but I did not say anything
to him about school you were
going to help with. I thought you could
enclose a note when you sent
the cheque.

I'm on a diet, some work I
tell you, the biggest performance
I have to prepare. but I would
like to lose about twenty
pounds.

I did enjoy my visit with you
so much I played the two records
over I had fun with Russell
and enjoyed the dinner-music
the recipes look interesting.

I love the painting, and so
do my students, it looks so
lovely over my davenport.

I'm doing some house cleaning
doing cupboards and washing
dishes, took me all day yesterday.
but now its done.

Now the closets and my bedroom.
I forgot when you leave for
your Canadian trip, but

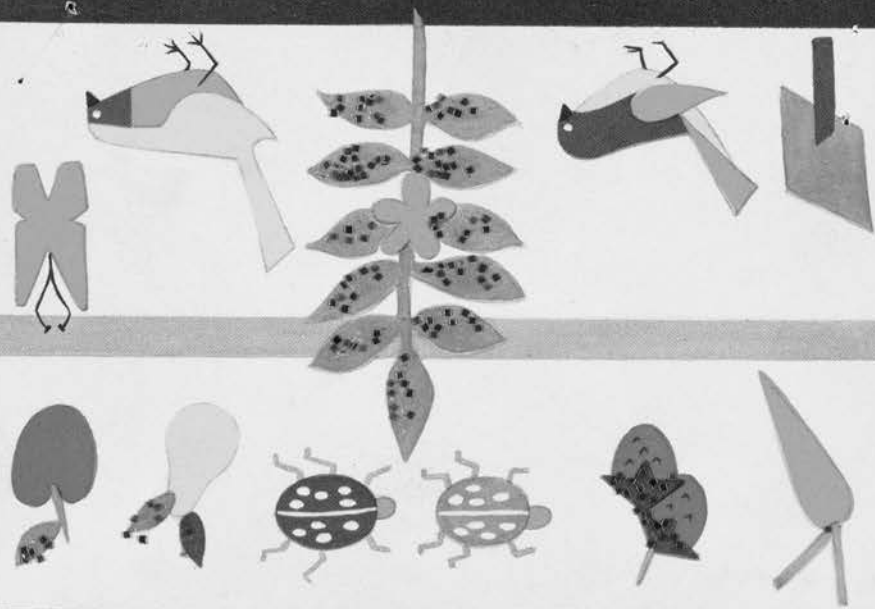
THELMA VOTIPKA

I hope you have a grand time
I know you will, we did
enjoy ourselves so much.
A good place to buy blankets
around Banff if you need
them.

Well my dear hope all is well
with you -

lots of love

Thelma -




Hallmark

Dear Laurajane
Thank you for your letter
I'm so glad you are going
to take a trip. I'm sure
you will have a great
time.

I had lunch with your
friends in Boston.
They are two charming
people, and we spoke
of you, your ears were
turning red.

now for some time.
Will my dear have
a good trip and
we will see you when
you get here.

Love & Bon Voyage

Thine

John sends his best

The tour for me is
over, I just had the
two weeks from
now on its a rat
race, so I'm not
sorry, only the
salary for five weeks
is missing.
We do not go to Mexico
next season, Oscar
tell you the reason



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Miss Laura Jane Musser
Linden Hill -
Little Falls Minn.



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Little Falls.

Linder Hill Minn.

January 7, 1959
Dear-Laura Jane

Thank you for the books
perfume and the plant.
John thanks you too.

We had a quiet Christmas
John was busy and tired
so we did not attend
many parties, the weather
was wonderful no snow
but nice fresh clear
day.

Things move along

perhaps he takes ym
bag and watch.
Really come Costa
not live in her in
N.Y.C.

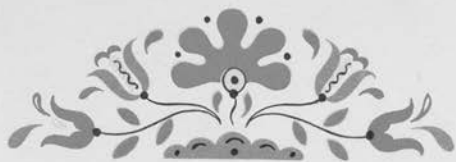
Hope ym had a
nice holiday with
ym good friends
at home!

Much love and

on the same way.
we had more officers
in the hotel so that
gets more scary.
They have a new way
to hold up. The officer
comes close to ym and
spits something in
ym eye. a kind of
foam. while ym
scramble for ym

old

all good luck for the New Year to ym



This little Pennsylvania Dutch baby is snug and protected, beside the fireplace, in it's hooded cradle. Years ago some young father made it for his first baby. He built it with loving care and built it last. Since then many generations of happy babies have occupied it. In many a little church, in the Dutch Country, you can find such a cradle in the outer room, where baby can sleep, while mother joins the congregation. *es*



[1887-1971]

MRS. ANNA D. OLESEN
718 EAST FOURTH STREET
NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

Dec. 27. '39.

My Dear Miss Musser:

Pardon, please, this intrusion
on your privacy. I read the fascinating
article about you & your activities some
weeks ago in a twin city paper. I read it over &
over with nostalgic memories - & a
little pain of yearning for other days -

My husband went to Cloquet in 1909 as
School superintendent. He lived there for
14 years. Lived thru the great fire which
took all that we possessed.

Yours dear sweet mother - gracious

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Thing sent me Plato's works - Emersons
works. books she knew I had lost & that
I loved.

I lectured & travelled extensively
in those days on one of my appearances
at Little Falls was, your dear mother's
guest. We walked together among the
trees of the grounds & how we talked &
talked & exchanged ideas. You were a
baby then.

I know your maternal grandmother
& your mother's sister, Mrs. Huntington Taylor.
She & your mother were two of the

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word. Yours is surely a great
heritage. I can feel the rare, warm
friendly atmosphere of your dwelling
as tho' I were there. It is what I
knew among those Cloquet people
& the charm your mother brought to
her home. I loved those people I
knew in Cloquet. They were so good to
me. So may I share that respect &
home I felt for them with you -
I assure you I am so happy to
meet that gracious charm

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in you as I read about your life
the development of your property -
Your father I knew & admired too -
I loved his sense of humor -
My heart's love to your dear
mother & father's daughter -
In memory of those other days -

Yours. Sincerely -
Anna D. Olsen



Mrs Laura Jane Muraw,
Little Falls -
Minnesota.

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most beautiful women I remember &
always so gracious. How I loved &
respected them. They were real
aristocrats. Your mother told me
how she met your father at Cloquet
when he came to a board meeting at
the paper mill. By the way, the group
of leading people in the Mynster
mill the paper mill were out
standing in dignity & ideals. They
formed a rare group of aristocrats
& I mean that in the best sense of the

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AIR MAIL
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Miss Laura Jane Messer
Little Falls, Minnesota

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May 12, 1959

Dear Laura Jane,

We were so terribly sorry to hear of your father's death. I know how attached you were to one another. Please accept our deepest condolences.

We love our new life in Asia but right now all of our attention is centered on our second son who arrived just three weeks ago. He is lovely - healthy, alert, and due to ample domestic service he is all pleasure and no work for his proud parents. Clifton III has assumed new dignity in his role as big brother; and is expecting (in the immediate future he thinks) to teaching Bruce all that he is learning in first grade.

It has taken the six months that we have been here not to react with the gaping amazement of the tourist as we go about Singapore. Now we accept as quite natural the Chinese streets cluttered with pushcarts and clotheslines; cows wandering unchaperoned along any highway; trucks loaded with foul-smelling rubber or pineapple or durian, a delicious but also foul-smelling, dearly loved fruit; costumes of every cut imaginable as well as some beyond my imagination; and so on. Though Singapore is primarily Chinese it attracts

people from all over Asia consequently we are also getting a good insight into other Oriental cultures right here on the island. Thus far we have seen the celebrations of Chinese New Year, Indian Dewali and Thaipusan, Moslem Hari Raya, and the grand welcoming of Prince Phillip.

Big Clif is enjoying his work enormously. He is a Field Representative for a private foundation of John D. Rockefeller III which makes grants to the Universities for various projects all over Asia. During February and March Clif visited Thailand, Vietnam, Malaya, and Indonesia; and next month he goes to Laos and Cambodia. These are the countries in his area. Now that the baby is here I am very much looking forward to joining him on some of his trips.

How have you been? Have you visited New York this year? I know you are busy with your music. We would so love to hear all about you, so if you get a chance please do write.

Clif sends ~~you~~ his very best to you.

love,
Dolores

MRS. MORRIS L. KOHN
3908 SHERIDAN AVE. SO.
MINNEAPOLIS 10, MINNESOTA

[Postmark:
Sept. 20, 1939]
Sunday

Dear Laura Jane:

When I went down to Northfield on my annual trek to help write up the students for their linen and laundry for my brother's firm, Musser Hall reminded me of your family and you.

And a few days later I saw your name on the list of Board members of the Minneapolis Symphony Ass'n. I was thrilled to see you getting the recognition your lifelong interest in music warrants, not to mention your always encouraging and generous financial help to those students who might need it. I am sure you will bring constructive and worth while ideas to the Board activities.

It's been so long since we had a visit - sometime when you know ahead when you are going to be in the city, either phone me or write, and if possible at all, would like to have you lunch with me - somewhere down town that would be convenient to you - and get caught up on the past.

Am enclosing a syndicated columnist's column about our Bob, who was just elected National Chaplain for the American Legion. Since he is only the 3d Rabbi elected to this office in the 40 years existence of the Legion, we feel that this is fine recog-

niton - and his congregation evidently thinks so too as they urged him to accept the office, and take all the time necessary travelling to fulfil his duties. Of course he does have an associate rabbi, so they could be generous.

Hope you had a pleasant summer and are enjoying life. With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Sadie F. Kohn

Please return the clipping.

H. M. White
2507 5th Ave
Los Angeles 18 Calif.



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Leiden Hill
Little Falls
Minnesota



As Easter dawns anew,
may its beauty and glory
bring abiding happiness
to you

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(over)

An Easter Wish

Dear Laura Jane,

Was so sorry
to hear of your
father's passing.
I hope ~~to~~ you
are progressing
in your adjustment
to your new situation.

Sincerely
Hedra



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Mrs. Moffatt -
Mpls -

My dear Lamma Jane -

It was so sweet of you to remember me and to send me such lovely perfume I just love it and send you many, many thanks.

We all had a nice Christmas together. Peg is home from California but plans on returning either in February or March. Buddy has moved back here to the St. Louis office and Kay is home from school. Anne, Bill and the babies live real near me and are over most every day - They are so cute and were so excited over everything - They really make the day a merry one -

I had a birthday yesterday and the children gave me a wonderful birthday party at the University Club. I was so thrilled I just think it was so wonderful of them -

Well Lamma Jane, take care of yourself and let me hear from you - Thanks again for my grand perfume and all best wishes for a happy New Year -

With love.

Margaret.

Private Mailing Card

Kohn



Miss Laura Jane Musser
Little Falls
Minn

Dear Laura Jane -
That was a very
fine interview and
detailed story about
you - and the photo
also very good -
especially for a news
print.

Hope you enjoyed
it as much as your
friends did.

Am mailing it
to Ruth. Just spent
a week in Des Moines
and had a ^{real} ~~fine~~ "old-
home town" visit. Best
wishes Sadie F Kohn

MRS. MORRIS L. KOHN

3908 SHERIDAN AVE. SO.

MINNEAPOLIS 10, MINNESOTA



Dear Laura Jane,

Again, I want to thank you for making it possible for us to hear Anna Russell. She is truly a remarkable entertainer. I have never laughed as hard and as long. What a tonic!

Also, a thank you, my dear, for inviting me to the reception.

Come see me soon.

Love, Edna Farron

Anna Russell



Miss Laura Jane Nyssen
608 Highland Ave.
Little Falls, Minn.

[1959]

August 29th

[St. Paul]

Dear Anna Lane,

Thank you so very much
for the perfectly beautiful Steuben
cream pitcher and sugarbowl. It
is a joy just to look at it
and I want you to know how
very grateful I am for it.

It will be so nice to see
you Saturday and have you
meet Bob. He gets here tonight
and Walter and Peggy will be
in tomorrow night. I can not
believe September 5th is so near.

With many thanks and love
to you. Elise



Miss Laura Jane Musket
Little Falls
Minnesota

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Dear Laura Jane,

I was terribly sorry
when I read of your
accident. What a
rather thing to have
happen to you on a
trip - so at any other



Wino!

I hope you will be
feeling better very
soon.

Lovingly,
Margie Bennett

January 3, 1959

Mr. Gordon Rosenmeier
Little Falls, Minnesota

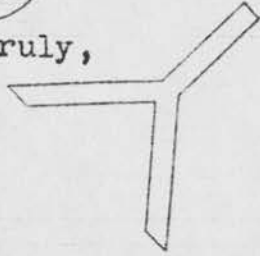
Dear Mr. Rosenmeier:

I am returning herewith the form you sent me yesterday.

There is not much that I can fill in, just the Social Security Tax withheld from Oscar Swenson's wages and the gallons of gas used since Mr. Musser died.

I think that Laura Jane has an income from annuities or some kind of insurance. I remember calling her some years ago about it and she said that she got a small amount - two different checks. I see that she has not listed those.

Yours very truly,



February 6, 1959

Minnesota State Automobile Association
LaSalle at 13th Street
Minneapolis 3, Minnesota

Gentlemen:

Regarding the members insured under your Automobile Insurance, for which Miss Laura Jane Musser will pay the premium, I wish to state that Mrs. Alice M. Davidson is not to be covered. She does not live in Minnesota and would not be driving for the Mussers.

It seems to me that the only parties covered by this insurance would be Pauline Doroff and Laura Jane Musser.

I am returning your statement herewith and if you will have same corrected and returned to me in the enclosed envelope, I will make a check for the amount due.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

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For Musser Household and Payroll Account