



Gratia A. Countryman and Family Papers.

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Delta Gamma Central Office
50 West Broad Street
Columbus 15, Ohio

1949

To you who have been a Delta Gamma for more than fifty years--

you are a very special part of our fraternity. We are proud of you and your high ideals, your thought and faith which went into Delta Gamma to make it through the years an outstanding women's fraternity.

As the twentieth century reaches its half-way mark, we who have not been members for quite so long, wish to honor you and your half century of service and devotion to Delta Gamma. This year, to mark our annual Founders' Day in March, we plan to present to our half-century-plus DGs a golden anniversary certificate.

To do this, to cover completely and correctly our half-century roll, it is, of course, necessary to verify addresses and memberships in alumnae organizations. Please let us know if this address is correct in our files, and tell us which Delta Gamma group--if any--you will be with on Founders' Day. If you are unable to attend a Founders' Day celebration, your golden anniversary certificate will be mailed to you.

Just drop a line to Delta Gamma Central Office, 50 W. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, with this information. Not only are we anxious to make any necessary corrections in our files, but we enjoy most hearing from our oldest members, of their activities today and their memories of active chapter life.

If possible, we would like to have this information by January 25. Thank you so very much for your help.

Sincerely yours,

Roberta Abernethy

Roberta Abernethy
Executive Secretary

AMM



Jaycees

★ MINNEAPOLIS JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

February 24, 1949

North American Life & Casualty Building
Hennepin Avenue at Groveland Terrace
Minneapolis 3, Minnesota

Miss Gratia Countryman
3243 France Ave.
Robbinsdale, Minn.

Dear Miss Countryman:

The Minnesota Junior Chamber of Commerce feels singularly honored in announcing to you that the people of Minnesota have selected you as one of its ONE HUNDRED LIVING GREAT.

This decision was based on the opinion of thought leaders from all walks of life, such as business, labor, professional, art, educational, political, social, veterans, religious, and others. In addition to this all mediums of communication possible to encourage public participation were used, such as state-wide newspapers, magazines and radio.

This has been a State Jaycee project in honor of, and in connection with, Minnesota's Centennial, and you as one of the Hundred people selected as Minnesota's Living Great are invited as guest of honor at Minnesota's birthday party on March 3rd, 1949, at Coffman Memorial Hall at 6:30 P. M.

In addition to this, a book will be released containing a picture and short story of each of you, which will be not only of historical significance, but will serve as an inspiration to our youth and, in fact, to everyone.

The names of the One Hundred Living Great will not be announced until the morning of March 3rd, 1949, so we are asking you to respect our secret until then.

If you wish you may bring guests, but we should know at once. A card and reply envelope are enclosed for your convenience in making additional reservations. Please confirm your attendance IMMEDIATELY.

Yours respectfully,

MINNESOTA JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Allen Heuerman
Allen Heuerman
President

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MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL DINNER



THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1949
COFFMAN MEMORIAL UNION
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

PROGRAM

Toastmaster	MR. TRES. GOETTING <i>National Director and State Advisor to Centennial Committee</i>
Official Centennial Song	LYLE REGAL <i>Author of My Minnesota Home</i> Accompaniment, Vavro String Ensemble of South St. Paul
Invocation	REVEREND CHARLES N. PACE <i>President Emeritus Hamline University</i>
"The Homesteader"	<i>Produced by KUOM</i> <i>Narrator</i> MR. ROBERT BOYLE
President of Minnesota Junior Chamber of Commerce	MR. ALAN D. HEUERMAN
Centennial Queen, MARY DUREY	<i>Introduction by</i> MR. RICHARD A. SACKETT
Birth of Our State	MR. BERGMAN RICHARDS <i>President of Minnesota Historical Society</i>
Minnesota Citizen	<i>Introduction by</i> DEAN J. M. NOLTE
Centennial Message	GOVERNOR YOUNGDAHL
Introduction of 100 Living Great	<i>Introduced by</i> MR. ROBERT BOYLE
Community Sing of Minnesota Centennial Hymn (To the tune of "Sun of My Soul")	MR. ROY A. SCHUESSLER <i>University of Minnesota</i>
Reception of Guests	

MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL HYMN

CHARLES NELSON PACE

Our fathers built their altars here,
They called on God their work to bless,
With valiant heart and song of cheer,
They faced the lonely wilderness.

With axe and plow they built their home,
With Book and Cross they built the State:
The wealth of forest and of loam
Combined to make their labors great.

We venerate their hardihood,
The dreams they had, the work they wrought:
How for integrity they stood,
For sentiment and noble thought.

They built far better than they know,
Amid their loneliness and fear,
A century now brings in view
The stature of the pioneer.

And we, the children of today,
Partake of this rich heritage;
Oh, let us strive the debt to pay
By greater deeds on History's page.

Beside the altars of the past
We raise new shrines, and consecrate
Ourselves, while truth and virtue last,
To serve the welfare of the State.

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My
MINNESOTA
Home

Words and Music
by
LYLE REGAL



1849.

The
MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL
Song

.1949

Made in U.S.A.

MY MINNESOTA HOME

Words & Music by LYLE REGAL

Arranged by W. Kroepfl

Mod^{to}

Chord progression: Eb Cm Eb Cm Eb F7 Bb+

mf with expression

Chord progression: Eb Eb+ Eb6 Gm Eb6 Eb

The first wild birds are wing - ing to the south - land; The

Chord progression: Eb+ Eb6 Gm Eb Eb7 Bb7 Fm Db Bb7 Bbm7

breath of ear - ly aut-umn scents the air, I'm filled with rest-less long-ing for my

Chord progression: Fm F7 Bb7 Bb+

home - land; The land of sky blue wa - ter calls me there.

CHORUS: Slowly with Expression

mf *Eb Eb dim Eb Cm Eb7*

To the lakes of Minn-e-so-ta, Nes-tled in the vir-gin for-est,
When the i-cy grip of win-ter, Frees the land locked deep in si-lence,

mf

Ab Ab6 Fm Ab Bb7 rit. Eb6

When an In-dian Sum-mer mir-rors Na-ture at her best;
When the snow-clad for-ests from their sleep be-gin to stir;

rit.

a tempo Eb Cm Eb Abm6

In my cab-in snug and co-z-y o-ver look-ing wood-land wa-ters
And the fresh green coat of spring-time buds and blos-soms by the lake-shore,

a tempo

F7 rit. Abm6 Bb7

There I want to hide-a-way, in sol-i-tude, and rest;
When the birds' re-turn, I yearn to go back home once more;

rit.

My Minnesota Home-4

a tempo Eb7 Ab

There con-tent-ment stills my wor-ries, Lifts the strain of life's mad pat-tern,
Oh, the laz-y days of sum-mer, Lakes'neath sun-ny skies of az-ure,

a tempo

C7 F7 rit. Bb7 Bb9 Gm Bb+

Mends a wear-y heart, as pine-clad shores I roam,
Shad-y glades by streams where tum-bling ra-pids foam,

rit.

a tempo Eb Eb dim Eb Eb7

Syl-van scenes in sun-set col-ors, Fla-ming in their au-tumn splen-dor
There's no place this side of Heav-en, None so gift-ed with en-chant-ment

p a tempo

Ab G7

mf Call me to my Minn-e-so-ta home.
As my Minn-e-so-ta lake-land home.

mf

My Minnesota Home-4

allarg. - p

Vi - sions of it's match - less beaut - y, *f-p* Call me to the lakes and *ff-p p-pp*
 When my span of life is end - ed, Take me to the 8 - - - - - for - ests

allarg. - p

rit. ff-p p-pp

Chords: Eb, Eb7, Ab, Abm6, Eb dim, B7

1 a tempo

Call me to the land I love, My Minn - e - so - ta Home.

rit. molto

a tempo

Chords: Eb, Cm, Fm7, Bb7, Bb+9, Eb

Interlude

8va

Chords: Eb, Cm, Eb, F9, Bb+7, Bb+

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p Let me dwell for - ev - er, in my Minn - e - so - ta *ff* Home.

p

Chords: Eb, Cm, Fm7, Bb7, Eb, Eb7, Fm7, Abm6, Eb

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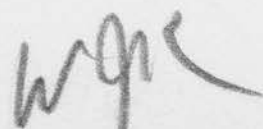
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The Minnesota Centennial Committee
and the Minnesota Junior Chamber of Commerce
cordially invite you to attend the
Minnesota Territorial Centennial Birthday Dinner
Thursday, the third of March
One thousand, nine hundred and forty-nine
at half after six o'clock
Coffman Memorial Union - University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Please present
this invitation
at the door

Informal

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'W. G. C.', is written below the word 'Informal'.



The Young-Quinlan Co.

ATTIRE FOR GENTLEWOMEN

MINNEAPOLIS

March 7, 1949

Miss Gratia Countryman
3243 France Avenue
Robbinsdale, Minnesota

Dear Miss Countryman:

It is a satisfying feeling to be a part of the great State of Minnesota that can point to such outstanding women as you.

And the fact that the Junior Chamber of Commerce did "point" to you is just and well deserved.

We want to join the thousands who feel as we do that the honor was richly merited and say, "What a wise selection!"

Very truly yours,

MAURICE L. ROTHSCHILD
YOUNG QUINLAN CO.

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LRP:ds

A Testimonial of a Grateful State

On Occasion of Minnesota's Territorial Centennial

March 3, 1949

The Minnesota Junior Chamber of Commerce

IN COOPERATION WITH THE

Minnesota Territorial Centennial Commission

DESIGNATES

Miss Gratia Countryman

AS ONE OF

The One Hundred Living Great of Minnesota

*Selected by popular balloting among the people in recognition and
appreciation of unselfish contribution to the progress of the State.*


JULIUS M. NOLTE, *Director*

Minnesota Territorial Centennial Commission


ALLAN D. HEUERMAN, *President*

Minnesota Junior Chamber of Commerce

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY
ST. PAUL 2, MINNESOTA
PERRIE JONES, LIBRARIAN

March 15, 1949

Miss Gratia Countryman
2502 E. Superior
Duluth, Minnesota

Dear Miss Countryman:

I hope Mrs. Banning gave you my message following the Centennial Day dinner at the University. I wanted to speak to you myself, but you were so surrounded with people that I decided I would try to get word to you in some other way. You know, of course, how delighted every librarian in this state must have been that you were the one chosen for this honor, and I was tremendously happy to be there myself to hear your name called out and see you looking so well and so pretty. We are very, very proud of you and nothing could have been more fitting than you should have been included in the 100 living great and that you should be representing the librarians.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Perrie Jones', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Perrie Jones
Librarian

PJ:s

Augusta M. Starr 1774 Fremont Avenue South Minneapolis 5, Minn.

Tuesday, March 22
1949.

Dear Miss Countryman:-

You may be interested to know the sketch of your life has been written, typed and sent to the Centennial Committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Before writing it, I telephoned to the John North who had signed your letter from the Committee, to ask him how long the sketch should be. He replied that three hundred words was the limit. That, you see, would be very brief-

So, with the help of the various biographies and the newspaper clippings, I tried to ^{choose} ~~choose~~ the three hundred words that would best convey the information wanted. That limit of words certainly allowed no opportunity for personal anecdotes, as suggested in the letter.

Do you send in your picture to the Committee now? or later when the sketch is sent to you for the final revision? By-the-way, I noticed in the paper last week, the death notice of the artist who painted your portrait, August Klagstad.

~~My~~ time has been devoted

lately to speech-making. On Saturday, March 12, I talked on "Sibley House Neighbors and Visitors" before the State Conference of the Minnesota Daughters of the American Revolution, and on Friday, March 18, I talked to a group of club women on life in Minnesota in 1849 and what is being done to observe the Centennial. Next month, I am repeating the talk about the Sibley House before the Woman's Rotary Club.

So, you see that Satan gets little chance at my fingers. But I am honored at being asked to do something for you.

Sincerely yours,

Gussie Starr.

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M.
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
ORGANIZED 1889

WALTER L. STOCKWELL,
GRAND SECRETARY
FARGO

May 27th, 1949

My dear '89er:-

The 60th Reunion of the Class of 1889 is called for the Coffman Memorial Union, University of Minnesota, Friday, June 10th at 10:30 A.M. Room 355 has been reserved for us.

I am now arranging with Mr. Felver, Director of Food Service for our 12:30 luncheon. This will give us a couple of hours during the morning, and then we can, without doubt, use the time following the luncheon to dispose of any business that may come up and that needs our attention.

I am guaranteeing the caterer 8 plates, though I hope we shall at least have ten of our group present. You men who have wives, be sure to bring them with you; and you girls are charged to bring your boy friends.

While our numbers have not decreased since our 50th Reunion, still we are not so sure about the next five or ten years, so plan to be with us.

Sincerely yours

W. L. Stockwell
Life President, Class of '89

WLS:P

W. 1103 Montgomery
Spokane, 12. Wash.
July 26 - 1949.

Dearest Mrs Gratia:-

Your letter enclosing
clipping of Bessie Laythes death, was
received a month or more ago, also
another from some one else, and
I very recently received a letter, en-
closed, from Lou Hollister. She had
evidently not heard of our friend's
passing, tho' I am sure I sent
a notice to her. However she is
quite disturbed and unhappy, so I
have again written to her. She and
Bessie were very near to each other,
in aims, in work and in sympa-
thetic understanding. I can realize
that Louie feels more than ever alone.
She is being well cared for in the
Home, and she is able to get out each
week to Church service, which is more
than a lot of old people can do. I have
a friend here who had a stroke nearly
3 years ago & can't even sit up in bed.

I go to see her every second weekend
at the Old people's Hospital, and try to
bring her a little cheer. The lot of
the old who have no near relatives,
is indeed pitiful. They do have good
physical care, clean beds and good
food, but no loving relatives to speed
them on their journey. You and I
are more fortunate. You have your
beloved and loving niece, and I
have my cousin Helen. By the way,
Helen is making plans for a
trip to Sweden, and the home of her
Mother. She will also see as much
as she can of Scotland and England.
I shall be along for the duration, and
have a lot of things on my mind
to do. I want to write up my and
my Grandson's family history. I have
a lot of notes and letters going back
to the 1700's and more, but it is scat-
tered in notes & letters & in many
books, and I must correlate it so it can

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be understood by the present generation that I must do and soon. Then there are the ever present Genealogical scrap books of various publications which regularly occupy my spare moments. A vast accumulation of the old Boston Transcript; present and past Hartford Times, and the current numbers of the St Johnsville Enterprise and News. All of these accumulations were left to the Society by his Will, and are now resting on a bench in my front hall. I have cut & pasted eleven of the Enterprise & News & they are all indexed & on the Library shelves. Also an equal number of the Hartford Times, the latter not all indexed. I do not feel able to do the indexing & typing, too hard on my eyes,

It looks like a life time job as
it is, but I really do not spend
more than an hour or two a day.
I am now entirely out of any
outside work. I do attend the D.A.R.
and the Gen. Society, and the
Gold Star Mothers. Once a year
I go to the Delta Gamma and Theta
meeting. It was quite an event
the last meeting, the Diamond
Jubilee. I was the Honor Guest &
sat at the head table between the
past & the in-coming President, &
told them of our early efforts to
found Lambda Chapter. It was a
lot of fun. I expect you know that
J. L. Elliot thing died last spring.
He had been helpless for years and
Ada had a hard life. I talked with her
daughter Rachel in Portland a few weeks
ago. Ada is probably visiting her now.

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I was sorry not to see her but had to come home as my Son-in-law was going to the Hospital for an operation. I did go up to Eugene to see some of Louie's and Cornelias old College friends. Portland is a beautiful City, flowers and blossoming trees everywhere, and lovely homes. You know I lived there for 8 years. I saw our children through High School and well into College before we moved to Spokane. Here I have lived 41 years and am known as a Pioneer, both State & City, and I am a Pioneer of Minnesota as well. How proud we all are of your being chosen as one of the States outstanding

members! Of all the residents of
Minnesota thousands and thousands
of them, to be recognized as one
of the hundred best who has done
most for her State! That is indeed
a climax to a brilliant and
useful career. We are all terribly
proud of our Gracie, God bless her!

With love always from
Van Jefferson - Pinkham

[Postmarked Nov. 18, 1949]

My dear Miss Countryman

To have had the privilege of having three such delightful ladies speak at our D.C.R. meeting was indeed a pleasure we shall not soon forget, but you, dear Miss Countryman were the high spot! It was indeed a treat to hear you, and your fascinating talk on early Minnesota has

made a very vivid im-
pression upon me.

I wish you could have
seen so so I have seen
Emily's radiance as
she introduced "dear
Auntie". I know what a
thrilling occasion it
must have been for her,
and even I basked in
pride and happiness
over the fact that I could
you as one of my very
rare and dear friends -
Sincerely Elizabeth Wood.

Nov. 18-49.



DAUGHTERS OF LIBERTY CHAPTER
DULUTH, MINNESOTA

Dear Miss Countryman, This is

just a note of appreciation to tell you how thoroughly we enjoyed having you as our guest at Mrs Duncan's home last Wednesday. It was indeed a pleasure for us and we did so enjoy the excellent introduction given you by your niece.

Your appearance at our meeting completed the Centennial theme and gave us something to look back on with a great deal of pleasure.

Most sincerely,

Anna Brown.
regent.

Nov. 21, 1949

My dear Miss Countryman:

I want to
tell you how much the members
of Daughters of Liberty Chapter, D. G. R.
and I, personally, enjoyed
your presence with us last
Wednesday afternoon.

Your reminiscences were
most interesting - especially
so, told by one to whom they
had personal significance.

We rejoiced in the
honors which have been
deservedly yours and
we want to add our
acclaim to that which
others have offered.

Yours sincerely
Clarice C. Hunt

My dear Miss Countryman, -

May I again express
to you the great pleasure
it was both to meet you
and to hear you talk
at the D. A. R. meeting
last Wednesday² -

I should so enjoy some
time to hear more of your
experiences - for it
would be an inspi-
ration to talk to you -

Sincerely,

Marie D. Hartley

[Postmarked Nov. 20, 1949]

Mrs. Clarence J. Hartley

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1949

YEARS TO GROW ON

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by the
Public Library Friends
to attend an
Open House
celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of
The Minneapolis Public Library
on Sunday afternoon, the eighteenth of December,
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You are invited

Refreshments

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Hennepin at Tenth

The Public Library Friends.
would be honored
if you would serve
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R.S.V.P.

Mrs. L. R. Upham,
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Co 8707

[1950?]

After Fifty Years

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"HELL-O — EV'RYBODY!"

Edna Wallace Hopper scintillates
over the radio,
and we would like to plagiarize
Hell-o ev'rybody in Delta Gamma—
This is your 50th anniversary!

Dear so-and-so:

Amid all the five-year plans and depression
cures . . . not a single person has suggested
a full membership Delta Gamma banquet as
a way out of The Depression — at least for
one evening . . . We think it's worth trying.
It promises

A super-heterodyne picture of D. G.'s
first and hardest fifty years.

A stage show hot enuf to warm the young
visitors and cool enuf to soothe the
most discriminating taste.

TIME . . . April 8th, Friday, at 7 o'clock.

PLACE . . . New Woman's City Club, St. Paul,
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PRICE . . . \$2 (Two dollars). You'd pay it to the
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THE COMMITTEE.

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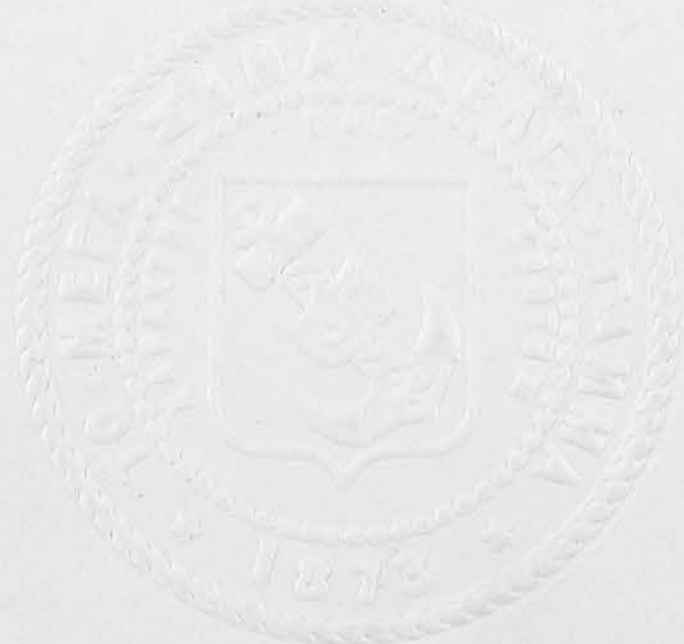
Delta Gamma Fraternity

FOUNDED IN 1873
OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI

*The Council of the Delta Gamma Fraternity has this Founders
Day, 1950, issued this special testament in recognition of*
Gratia A. Countryman
who, having been initiated at
Lambda-1883
has been a member of this organization for a half century.

Edith T. Smith
President

Irene Howell Forman
Secretary



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[1950]

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WE ARE SORRY THAT WE CANNOT BE PRESENT TODAY WHEN LAMBDA
CHAPTER AND LAMBDA NU HONOR A DISTINGUISHED MEMBER WE WISH TO
EXPRESS OUR FRIENDSHIP FOR AND GREAT ADMIRATION OF GRATIA
COUNTRYMAN AND OUR APPRECIATION OF THE HONOR WHICH SHE HAS
BROUGHT TO DELTA GAMMA=

ELSIE FOULKE HANEY

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My wish for your joy
With the following
blends;
Long life, a long purse
And a long list of
friends.

Killie Calderwood

1950

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Gratia Countryman

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30th
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Geoff Breiden

PRESIDENT

Hugh M. Craig

SECRETARY



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NATIONAL SURETY CORPORATION

Walter Cunningham Ellis H Carson
PRESIDENT

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INSTRUCTIONS

When a bond is required in Minnesota call or wire collect your own home Automobile Club or State Association Headquarters in Minneapolis. A Power of Attorney to sign a bond will be delivered to you by a representative of your own Club, Bail Bond Agent or our State Association. When a bond is required elsewhere you should request Officer or Court authorized to accept bond to communicate with nearest AAA Club or Agent of National Surety Corporation. They will arrange for bond as described on reverse side without charge to you upon identification of your signature. For name or address of nearest Agent of National Surety Corporation call Western Union by its local number and ask for Operator 25. If it is impossible for any reason to contact National Surety Corporation Agent or nearest AAA Club, or if you have any difficulty with respect to approval of the bond, communicate with your Club or us for further instructions.

AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS

Hugh D. Craig
SECRETARY

Always carry this Certificate and Membership Card with you. National Surety Corporation has assets of over twenty-six million dollars and more than a quarter of a million AAA members are protected by traffic Bail Bond in this Corporation.



FREE EMERGENCY ROAD SERVICE

**to which the owner of this card is entitled within
five mile radius from Service Station outside of Club area**

(a) In the event it is not practical to put the member's car in running condition on the road, then the car will be towed to the service station rendering the service.

(b) The delivery in an emergency of gas, oil, tires, tubes, and rental battery when available. This service shall also include the changing of an inflated tire from rack to wheel. It does not include dismounting tire from rim, repairing, or shifting tires from wheel to wheel.

(c) Extricating a member's car from the ditch, mud, snow, sand or embankment, and towing it to the service station if it cannot be put in running condition.

Emergency towing service at the Club's expense does not apply when a member has driven into areas not regularly traveled as a public road, such as creek beds, sand, vacant lots, beaches, hunting grounds, or open fields.

Executive Office: Lincoln 0541

Emergency Road Service Garages in Minnesota outside of Club area, see Sparks Magazine; outside of Minnesota, see AAA Emergency Service Directory.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Annual Sustaining



Membership

-----MISS GRATIA A. COUNTRYMAN-----

*Is a Member of the American Bible Society by virtue
of a gift for the worldwide work of translating, publishing,
distributing and encouraging the use of the Holy Scriptures.*

February 14, 1951

Date

Robert J. Taylor

Secretary

Classes of Membership

ACTIVE: \$5.00. Privileges: (1) right to vote at the Annual Meeting. (2) receive the "Bible Society Record" for one year. (3) one gift subscription to the "Record".

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MEMBERSHIP CARD

JULY 1, 1951
TO
JUNE 30, 1952

**THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF BUSINESS
AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUBS, INC.**

NAME Gratia A. Countryman

CLUB Duluth

STATE Minn.

Sarah T. Hughes

PRESIDENT

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The National Federation has approximately 160,000 members in 2,700 clubs in 48 States, District of Columbia, Hawaiian Islands and Alaska.

This membership card on presentation should secure for you courtesies from federated clubs in the United States, and should be presented as means of identification at all state and national conventions and regional conferences.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER _____

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society

OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP CARD

This is to
certify that

1951-52
Gratie Countryman

is a member in good standing for 1951-52

Chapter *H O N O R A R Y* *Tenn State*

Located at

(City)

Minnesota

(State)



Ruth M. Pallas.

Chapter Treasurer

Not valid unless countersigned
by the member.



Young Women's Christian
Association

Duluth, Minnesota

Miss Gratia A. Countryman

Electoral Contributing

Member for Year Ending Nov. 5 19 52

Rilla McCormack

Membership Chairman

THIS CARD WILL INTRODUCE HOLDER TO ANY YOUNG WOMEN'S
CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION IN THE WORLD.

To build a fellowship of women and girls devoted to the task of realizing in our common life those ideals of personal and social living to which we are committed by our faith as Christians.

In this endeavor we seek to understand Jesus, to share his love for all people, and to grow in the knowledge and love of God.

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

Hennepin County Historical Society

1516 Harmon Place, Minneapolis 3, Minn.

This Certifies That

Miss Gratia Countryman

HAS PAID ANNUAL DUES TO JANUARY 1953

Holder's Signature

[Signature]

PRESIDENT

JW3

Kathryn H. Moody

SECRETARY



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

This certifies that

Miss Gratia A. Countryman

NAME

2502 East Superior St.

ADDRESS

is a member for the fiscal year 1952-53

Duluth

LOCAL LEAGUE

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Lina H. Harbo

LOCAL TREASURER

YOUR POLITICAL ADDRESS IS:

Congressional District-----

State Senatorial District-----

State Representative District-----

Ward-----**Precinct**-----

This Is To Certify That

FRANK L. COUNTRYMAN

IS A MEMBER OF THE

MINNESOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

AND ENTITLED TO FULL MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES, INCLUDING SUBSCRIPTION TO THE MINNESOTA, VOICE OF THE ALUMNI

EXPIRES

11/1/55

Ernest L. Haight

DIRECTOR ALUMNI RELATIONS

IDENTIFICATION AND MEMBERSHIP CARD

1. This is a receipt for your yearly dues expiring as indicated on face of card.
2. Membership in the Minnesota Alumni Association is your only official connection with the University. It entitles you to all rights and privileges of membership as well as a free subscription to "MINNESOTA, VOICE OF THE ALUMNI."
3. The Alumni program includes alumni clubs throughout the United States so that no matter where you are there is an opportunity of joining with other loyal Minnesotans in good fellowship and support of the University; it includes college and constituent alumni associations with their own alumni days, institutes and programs; includes the three-day Alumni Day Reunion Celebration, starting on Cap and Gown Day each year, when the 15, 25, and 50-year classes have their reunions; includes the Homecoming celebration at football time; includes University Week with meetings to celebrate the founding of our University.
4. Membership entitles the holder access to alumni records, directories and to all services of the Alumni office.
5. *Most important*, membership entitles one to vote for officers and directors of the association and to participate in the management of all affairs which require organized alumni action.

IMPORTANT: Advise the Alumni office promptly of any change in address or occupation.

Signature of Member _____

Delta Gamma

ALUMNAE MEMBERSHIP CARD

NAME

Gratia Countryman

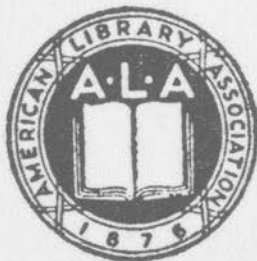
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FRATERNITY TREASURER

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

50 E. HURON ST., CHICAGO 11, ILL.



1953

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EDUCATION ☐

A. A. S. L. ☐

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CHILDREN AND
YOUNG PEOPLE ☐

Miss Gratia A. Countryman
2502 E. Superior
Duluth, Minn.

The MINNEAPOLIS SOCIETY *of* FINE ARTS

This card certifies that

Miss Gratia A. Countryman

is a

LIFE MEMBER

of

The Minneapolis Society of Fine Arts

YEAR 1953

J. Sidney Houston

SECRETARY

Your membership is vital to the maintenance of The Minneapolis Institute of Arts, a free public museum, given to the people of Minneapolis for their enjoyment and use.

The Institute is open each week day from 10:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. except on Mondays when the galleries are closed all day. On Sundays and holidays the hours are 2:00 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.



The National League of American Pen Women, Inc.

1300 17TH STREET N. W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER

NAME Gratia Countryman

ADDRESS 1953

DUES PAID 1-26-53 FOR THE YEAR 1953

MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

OF Minnesota BRANCH

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF AMERICAN PEN WOMEN, INC.

Lilla Wood Daniels

NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Sarah J. Almstead

NATIONAL TREASURER



THE WOMAN'S CLUB
OF MINNEAPOLIS
410 OAK GROVE STREET

HONORARY
MEMBERSHIP CARD

MISS GRATIA A. COUNTRYMAN

Claudine P. Leary

MEMBER

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TREASURER

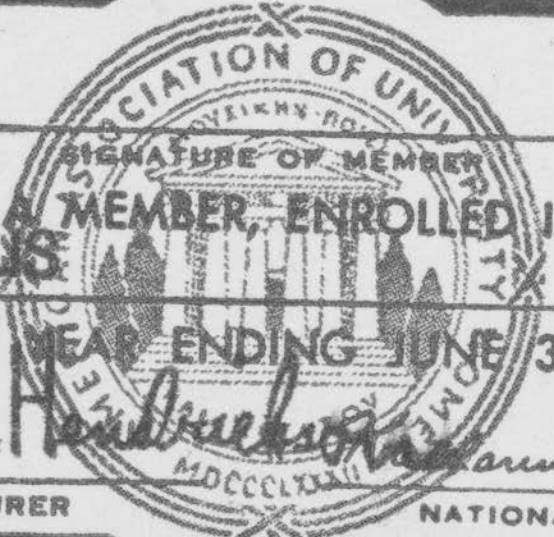
To May, 1954

AFFILIATED CLUBS

Akron, Ohio
Berkeley, Calif.
Boston, Mass.
Buffalo, N. Y.
Cleveland, Ohio
Des Moines, Iowa
Detroit, Mich.
Duluth, Minn.
Grand Rapids, Mich.
Kansas City, Mo.
Los Angeles, Calif.
Los Angeles, Calif.
Milwaukee, Wis.
New Orleans, La.
New York City
Oakland, Calif.
Pasadena, Calif.
Phoenix, Arizona
Pittsburgh, Pa.
St. Paul, Minn.
San Francisco, Calif.
San Francisco, Calif.
Toledo, Ohio
Washington, D. C.
Dunedin, New Zealand
London, England
Sydney, Australia
Stockholm, Sweden
Vancouver, B. C.

Akron Woman's City Club, 732 W. Exchange St.
Berkeley Women's City Club, 2315 Durant Ave.
Women's City Club of Boston, 40 Beacon St.
The Twentieth Century Club, 595 Delaware Ave.
The Women's City Club, 1501 Euclid Av., Bulkley Bldg.
Des Moines Women's Club, 1501 Woodland Ave.
Women's City Club, 2110 Park Ave.
Duluth Woman's Club, 2400 E. Superior St.
Women's City Club, 254 E. Fulton St.
Woman's City Club, 1111 Grand Ave.
The Ebell of Los Angeles, 4400 Wilshire Blvd.
Friday Morning Club, 940 S. Figueroa St.
City Club of Milwaukee, 756 N. Milwaukee St.
Orleans Club, 5005 St. Charles Ave.
American Woman's Assn., The Barclay, 111 E. 48th St.
Women's Athletic Club, Alameda Co., 525 Bellevue Av.
Women's City Club of Pasadena
The Woman's Club of Phoenix, 603 N. 1st Ave.
20th Century Club, Bigelow and Parkman Blvds.
Women's City Club of St. Paul, 305 St. Peter St.
Western Women's Club, 609 Sutter St., Zone 2
Women's City Club of San Francisco, 465 Post St.
The Toledo Woman's Club, 2920 Cherry St.
Women's City Club, 1733 Eye St., N. W., Zone 6
Otago Women's Club
American Women's Club
The Women's Club, 167 Elizabeth St.
Artsa Klubben, 8-10 Norrlandsgatan
The Georgian Club, 1040 Georgia St. W.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

The seal is circular with the text "ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN" around the top and "FOUNDED 1916" at the bottom. In the center is a building with columns. Overlaid on the seal is the text "SIGNATURE OF MEMBER".

IS A MEMBER, ENROLLED IN
MINNEAPOLIS _____ Branch
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1954
A. Loretta Henderson _____
BRANCH TREASURER *Marjorie E. White*
NATIONAL TREASURER

1634 I STREET N.W.

WASHINGTON 6 D.C.

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MISS GRATIA L COUNTRYMAN
2502 E SUPERIOR
DULUTH 5 MINN

AAUW HEADQUARTERS, 1634 EYE STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

The
Minneapolis Council of Civic Clubs
in Grateful Recognition
of

Distinguished Services
Rendered our Community
hereby awards

to

Gratia A. Countryman
this Citation for
Civic Achievement

By Order of Board of Directors

May 15, 1950


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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
50 WEST BROAD STREET
COLUMBUS 15, OHIO

Miss Gratia Countryman
2502 East Superior Street
Duluth, Minnesota

Dear Miss Countryman:

Our fraternity council has established "The Order of the Delta Gamma Rose of the Delta Gamma Fraternity". This is an award which will be presented to only a few of our members. The purpose of the award is twofold; first of all, we wish to pay special honor to our members who have made outstanding contributions to the world through their individual efforts and talents; secondly, we wish to encourage other Delta Gammas, especially our collegiate members, to maintain through the years an active participation in the fields of endeavor for which they have special aptitudes.

You have been selected for the Rose Award. Your outstanding leadership in Library Science has been recognized not only by your professional associates but by thousands of citizens as well. Also, through your leadership you have directed many women in their services to the citizens of our country. In spite of the many hours these activities have taken from your time you have always been an active member of Delta Gamma. We know our fraternity is dear to your heart and we are all proud of you.

We hope it will be possible for you to attend a Founders Day celebration or the Province conference for the presentation of your Rose certificate to you.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Helen M. Preston
Mrs. Robert W. Preston



State of Minnesota

Department of Education

St. Paul 1

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DEAN M. SCHWEICKHARD
COMMISSIONER

T. J. BERNING
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

June 22, 1951

Miss Gratia Countryman
2502 E. Superior Street
Duluth 5, Minnesota


Dear Miss Countryman:

You will find enclosed three authors copies of Minnesota Libraries.

Your article has aroused a great deal of comment - everyone is so glad that you wrote it.

Best wishes.

Cordially yours,


Russell J. Schunk
State Director of Libraries

3 Enclosures
RJS:GI



enclosed
\$10.00 check.

Sent to Mr.

Leaves July 29 '53

[1953]

RUSSELL L. COUNTRYMAN
779 MANDANA BOULEVARD
OAKLAND 10, CALIFORNIA

July 26

Dear Constance.

Was extremely sorry to
have your wire advising of Aunt
Gretta's death but appreciate your
thoughtfulness in sending it. While
not unexpected and more or less
natural, it is always depressing to
hear of the passing of a noble and
lovable person. She was the last
of my parents' generation.

Will you please use the
enclosed check to contribute to the
Library Memorial or any other

charity or source you may
regard as appropriate.

Anita joins me in sympathy
and in loving good wishes to
you all.

Sincerely
Russell

[1953]

401 GROVELAND AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

July 27th

My dear M^{rs} Buffington:

I write for my sister, Marguerite Wells
who knew and loved your aunt. In
fact Miss Countryman went to Pasadena
California one winter with my Father,
Mother and sister.

Everyone who knew Miss Countryman
loved and respected her.

I had not realised until I saw in
the Tribune this morning what
wide spread good she had done
for the children and silence in
Minneapolis.

Such characters surely enrich
the life of our city.

With deep sympathy for
you poor Miss Wells
and poor me also

Florence Wells Regs.

July 27, 1953

My dear Mrs Buffington
and others of the family of
Gratia Countryman,

May I say that I would like to
express my sincere appreciation of
her work because it was her encourage-
ment and that of a mutual friend,
Grace Meyer then Librarian of the Public
Library at Red Wing, Minnesota, who
gave me the needed encourage-
ment and insight to go on and
take the necessary training for work
as Children's Librarian.

I spent nineteen happy years at
this and felt that I had found my
place. I remember the early years at
Red Wing (then I went to Cleveland to finish
College and take training there). I would

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look up from my desk to see Miss Country-
man coming in, "Thought I'd see how
things are going" or "So glad you have
a Children's Room"; or "Do you like it?"

The children loved her too. We all
did and we shall all miss her, just
as you do. Our sympathy is with you.

Lila M. Stickle

MINNEAPOLIS ATHENAEUM

1001 HENNEPIN AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS 3, MINNESOTA

MARY L. DYAR
ATHENAEUM LIBRARIAN

July 28, 1953

Mrs. Gilbert Buffington
2502 East Superior
Duluth, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Buffington:

It is the wish of the Directors of the Minneapolis Athenaeum that I extend to you their sympathy in the death of Gratia A. Countryman. Although many of the persons now associated with the Athenaeum did not know Miss Countryman personally, they are well aware of her imprint on all of the Minneapolis Library.

During many of the more than sixty years that the Minneapolis Athenaeum has been a part of the Minneapolis Public Library, Miss Countryman was the Chief Librarian and was responsible for relations between the two institutions. As does anyone familiar with the Minneapolis Library, the persons interested in the Minneapolis Athenaeum have high regard for Miss Countryman's professional contributions.

For the Directors and myself please accept this expression of our esteem of her and our sympathy to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary L. Dyar

Mary L. Dyar,
Athenaeum Librarian

Butternut Point

Pegnet Lakes, Minn.

July 29-1953

My dear Mrs. Buffington,

The news of Miss Countryman's death reached me at my lake cottage where I am for the entire summer and while not unexpected it came as such a great loss. She has meant so much to so many of us in the library and I don't believe the work she did there and her influence will ever die out. You have been so wonderful through all her long illness and I hope you are relieved to know she is out of all her troubles. I was sorry I couldn't get down for the services today but did not get the word in time to make the long drive down + back. I shall hope to hear from some of the numerous people attending the services about it. With sympathy to you all in this sorrow, I am
Ever yours, Ethel J. Berry.

4 -parable, you "will have"
your "reward."

I remember your mother
as such a lovely woman,
and your husband! well
he has been wonderful. too
and will be for years
to come to you and
every one who knows
him.

With sympathy and
affection

Leonora Mann

Friday - J. 31 - 53

My dear Constance, —

I don't want
this week to end with-
out a word of sympathy
and appreciation from
one of the many who
came under Gracie's in-

3) me and I did not realize that the parlor offered a chance for all to talk a bit.

You have been such a wonderful niece - and the strain of illness was of course severe. I trust you will have the satisfaction of a job well done, and like the men in the Bible

2) - fluence.

She picked me out as a helper who would be acceptable to Marie, and let me in after a very sketchy sort of an exam. and was always a fine friend.

I am sorry now that I did not talk to you after the service but a friend was waiting for

Mary Ellsworth

~~Carole George~~

~~Bess Wilson~~

Mrs. Stuhls Grant.

~~Ans. Wm. Grant~~

~~Mabel Eisenberg~~

139 Wall St.

Ventura Calif

~~Mollie Mills West.~~

Wm

~~May West~~

~~Edison Moorhead~~

~~Olea Solheim~~

Mrs Blair ✓

Mrs. Tucker ✓

611 - No 2nd St

(Rusby) ✓

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Mame Stevens

~~Beahm Russell~~

~~Delight Roth~~

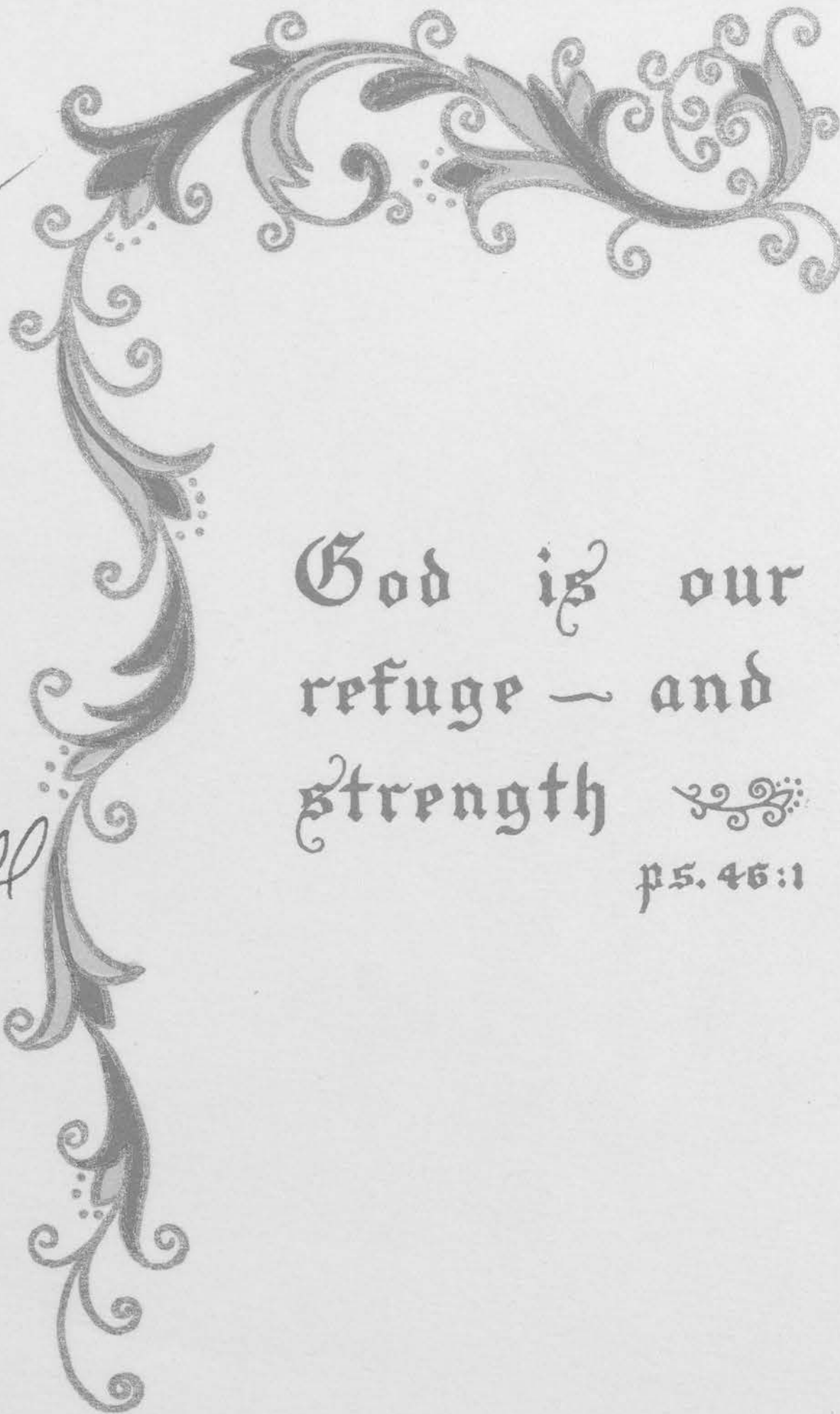
Sprague. ✓

Van Buren

Maudie

Percy Ward?

15 S 12th St
Favessi-Lamont, Inc.
U. S. A.



God is our
refuge — and
strength

ps. 46:1

It has been such
a rare privilege for
us all to know your
dear aunt, Gratia
Countryman. Our
great regret is that
we have done too
little for her.

With deepest
sympathy

from

The Walter Hauser
Family

500 bel sent Mr Leun
Ans. July 29 '53



My dear Mrs. Buffington—

Dr. Hawley and I are so very
sorry that Miss Countryman
has passed away, and we
extend to you and your
family our most sincere
sympathy. You will miss
her so very much, we know.
She was a most wonderful

woman, who was greatly
admired and respected every-
where, and who gave so
generously of herself for
the improvement of her
community.

We are honored to have
known her.

With deep sympathy from
your Delta Gamma sister

Chae L. Hanley.

July 31, 1953

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WESTERN UNION

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JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM RALPH WITH SAD NEWS ABOUT AUNT

GRATIA. PLEASE ACCEPT MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES=

ALTA BLACKBURN=