

Atlanta Union;

Atlanta Ga.

Feb 28 - 1918.

My dearest mother :-

No doubt you have expected this sooner but I have been rather busy with lessons work etc.

Dont know any news just now. The package came O.K. The waists are very pretty. Which was from grandma?

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great chorus from all
the schools gives some-
thing at the auditori-
um soon. The glee
club concert etc.

Don't know a
thing. Please whis-
per stamps.

Excuse writing

As ever

Louise.

My average was 84.

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You made a mistake
and sent one of your net
boudoir caps and the
brown waist of yours,
shall I send them
back?

I like the waist with
the black belt, I think.
I'll have to mend the
little one with the
lace on the collar.

Lots of big doughs are
coming off soon. A

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Mrs. W. B. Matthews,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville,
Ky.

wants me to play on
rhetoricals but I
dont know whether
or not I'll know my
piece.

My polish etc came
O.K. Thanks.

Love to everybody
Lovingly,
Louise.

Atlanta Union,
Atlanta Ga.

Mar. 31-1918

My dearest mother:—

O you dont know
and never will know
and never will ^{under-}
stand how glad ^{I was} to read
in your nice letter
that you were sending
me a cake. Talk
about good that's what it
is. I certainly like
the candy also.
I have just written

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The folks (college girls)
have gone on a
picnic. I didn't go
as it rained a bit
beforehand and I
was in no condition.

Went out to A.C. to
the game yesterday.
We won.

I don't know any
news. Miss Clarke

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to Miss Goodall and
thanked her I mean
and sent her a
crepe & 'chine h'd chf.

Mr. Chipley's flower
came. I shall
write him tonight.
Some were dead but
they were fairly fresh.
I wore one to church.
We had a beautiful
service.

PS.

Miss Ware said she wrote
you a long letter this A.M.
Pres. & Mrs. Ware enter-
tained the Senior - Junior - Sophs
Friday night. We had a very
nice time, played games,
had charades, and some.
They served lemonade or² lunch
and cake. It was^a very nice
affair.

I'll do what you said
for Miss G.

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Atlanta Ga.

Mar 31, 1918

Mrs. W. B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville Ky.

Pls is not in school. I don't know how
soon she will leave for Camp Dodge.

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rooms with a girl
from Augusten,
William Henderson, a
very sweet girl.

Went by Ophelia's
she was O.K.

Earle has been in
the hospital where he
had an operation.

Johnny Raiford is
here says he has an
honorable discharge
but I have my doubts.
Bill's friend Mr.
Coleman is here.

Love to everyone.
Sincerely, Louise

Atlanta Univ.,
Atlanta Ga
April 7-18.

My dear mamma:

First let me tell
you how many pine-
apples are on the corset
cover. Seven in the back
and eight in front.

Congratulations on
winning the debate.
Fish is trying to leave
the ranks of the defeated.

We had a lance
for the debaters out to
Mrs. Cater's, that is

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"Sing" was married,
married a classmate
of hers.

It was too funny
it was raining ^{as it} as
we came back. He
said he didn't want
my Easter bonnet
spoiled, all the while
I was having inward
fits you know. Every
thing was O.K. and it
still looks as good as
new.

Wilhelmina

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the college boys gave
it. We sure did
have a good time. Bill
and I really cleaned,
"captured" the Howard
debators. Hers is a
foreigner, looks some-
thing like Uncle Knox,
mine is a Washington
fellow of a type similar
to Dr. Graves, but not the
same ways. From the
people he knows he is
some "big dog".

He told me that

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

\$ 20.20

Atlanta, Ga.,

4/21 1918

RECEIVED from

Louise Matthews

On account of dues to school, as follows:

Board and tuition

\$ 16.70

Tuition

Music

\$ 2.50

Lab

\$ 1.00

M. W. Adams, Treasurer.

By

M.

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1918

Mrs. W. B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut
Louisville, Ky

A. U.

Atlanta

April 8-18.

My dearest mother:—

I mailed you a letter in the last mail but as I did not send you the Easter card I am writing again. The reason I did not send it was that I didn't go down town nor did I send. I would have to send a number of cards. Besides I wrote to you on Easter Day. Please don't be angry.

I want to congratulate you upon your activities. O you social service. That's what,

Our chaplain & his wife have a son, 9 1/2 lbs their first child

Let Mamma please
 dont play Mrs. Rush
 and mention to
 Miss Evans, the Du
 Valles or any of
 them ^{or anybody} what I
 said about captiv
 ing "the debaters"
 I find that ^{well} ^{rejoicing} ^{has come}
 little feeling over the matter.
 They know a mem
 ber of Louisville
 I wouldnt want her to know
 that enough of it to mention it.
 people. I love it.
 Tell you little
 things but I dont
 like to think you
 are entertaining them
 S. O. 's etc besides it

sounds conceited. So has been
 to camp up to

I am indeed

have gone.

Well its getting near commencement time. Just think you will soon have your daughter with you.

I guess I'll close as I don't know one bit of news. Please give papa the whisper, I am going out now and borrow a stamp. Give it gently but firmly.

Lots and lots of love for you all.

Lovingly,
Louise.

Atlanta Union,
Atlanta Ga.

April 14-1918.

My dearest mother:-

I was as usual delighted to receive your letter. I am sorry I can't tell you anything about Mr. Estes marriage, but I will try to do so in my next letter.

I am glad you enjoy your war work so much. I only wish I could have seen you in the parade. Our boys are to be in a big Negro patriotic parade Thursday.

Well I went out to camp Gordon yesterday. We were invited out by one of the Vns. Mrs. Brown took us. Of course she is a mess but we certain-

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admitted that he didn't act fair.

Mamma when Rev. Walls comes down let him bring a suitcase and take my winter coat back home.

The campus children gave a very nice little play to-night. Alce Ware plays the violin very well indeed.

Well mamma dear I don't know anything to write now so I guess I'll close.

I say I guess the Ohio boys have sailed as I haven't heard from Prepin over three weeks now and some other companies at Camp Stuart

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ly enjoyed ourselves. We had supper with them, chicken, dressing, rice, gravy, sweet potatoes, slices of tomatoes, celery, white bread mince meat pie, ice cream, apples, bananas and candy. After supper we helped behind the desk, then they drilled for us. After that we went into the auditorium where they were singing. We got back late after ten, certainly had some time.

We had our game with Morehouse yesterday. One of our men knocked a home run in the last inning and the umpire wouldn't give it to us so our boys wouldn't play. Even the Morehouse boys

F. L. Matthews
Atlanta Univ.
Atlanta, Ga.

AP 1918

Mrs. W. B. Matthews,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Atlanta Miss.

Atlanta Ga.

April 28 - 1918.

My dear dear mamma: -

I was very very glad to receive your letter. I really intended to answer sooner as I promised but so much has happened that I simply couldn't. I am sorry to hear that papa has been sick. I do hope he will take care of himself and be O.K. soon. Tell grandma I say take care of herself too and you do the same. I had a nice letter from her the other day.

Now as to slippers. I think I can manage to make out until I come home; but if I find that I just simply can't, I'll write and let you know. I prefer bull leather. No, I haven't heard of any sales. I'll be so glad to have my coat and taffeta. I only wish I had them now. I want my coat to

match my hat and that will be pretty. I think I want my dress to be blue and white checked taffeta, I don't know yet though. You are very very good to me.

Earle Nash is in Town. He looks fine and Mrs. Nash is truly happy. You know he is her heart.

Well the barn social was last night. Willie and I wore pint aprons and hair ribbon.

O yes the fellow Mrs. India saw me talking with was Bill's friend Mr. Coleman whom I told you was in Town.

Now mamma, I don't want you to say anything about what I write you now. Perhaps you have heard me speak of Georgia Campbell. I have her on several snaps. She was Sopb, a W. C. A. worker, a choir member, a very sweet girl and a very fine "all round" girl. When the girl had the baby here, the whisper started that

Georgie was also pregnant, but no one believed it. Georgie cried about it and went to several of the teachers asking advice. Well anyway, she continued to become fatter ^(editors fat), she was always rather stout and lately her legs began to swell and she stayed away from the girls. Anytime one might find her off by herself praying etc. She was a good girl, if she did make a mistake. Well Thursday night Mrs. Rush called her and questioned her, she reiterated that she was O.K. and promised to undergo an examination the next morning. She had suffered with gastritis (pardon spelling) and some thought that was what was the matter with her. Well Friday morning she worked before breakfast and then came up. She was seen in the reading room in her raincoat, and that's the last

anyone knows of poor Georgia. She disappeared. Later they found a note which she had written to her roommate saying that she had gone home and to send her trunk. Some believe she ^{was} killed herself as she so often said she had rather be dead than disgraced. She is not at home. Her people have come (mother ^{uncle} and stepfather) and are frantic and searching for her.

Last night while we were in at the social, she is said to have looked in the window, all dressed in black.

Several claim to have seen her and one of the boys chased her but she darted up a dark street and he lost her. The boys chased and hunted late last night. One boy has found some people who say that they have seen her and that she said she was from Chattanooga.

She wore no hat away and took nothing with her so far as is known. It is the consensus of opinion that she is crazy.

There are two theories which I have heard as to whose it is. One that it is her fellow's who ^{visited her just before school} was devoted to her and who called as late as Saturday. He swears that he has never been so intimate with her, is nearly crazy so they say and is searching everywhere for her. The other is that it is her uncle, who is a young doctor, was educating her, gave her everything as she had a stepfather who did not get along any too well with her mother. She was crazy about her uncle, adored him seemingly. Some contend that that is why she swore she was innocent and shielded the man. At any rate it is very very sad. Her uncle is up and was also here the day before she left. He was to be present at the examination and apparently knew nothing of her condition.

jokingly

for when he saw her he said in
Dr. Burney's ^{and before everyone else} presence, "Ain't
she big and fat. Look at her
man."

Whose ever it is, it is a sad sad
case. We are all heart broken. Every
one loved Georgia. She was apparently
one of the nicest girls here, always
deported herself as a lady.

Now mamma please dont
be over alarmed. I have told you
this now because I knew you
would hear it before I got home.
Dont say anything about it, and
dont get excited.

Miss Peyton sent me a
beautiful combing jacket this
week. I shall thank her for it
to night. Virginia Wimlish
is in town for the week end
looking good. She sent love
to you.

A. H. won both games from
Luskegee.

Lovingly Louise.

Some of my most
intimate friends are
frustrating wish you
dont make a joke or so.

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AP 28
1918

Mrs. W. B. Matthews,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

How is Papa?

Atlanta Miss,

Atlanta Ga.

May 2. 1918.

My dear mamma :-

I guess you will be surprised to receive another letter from me. Well I don't guess you will object, will you?

The girl about whom I wrote you has been found. She went immediately to her aunt's in a little country place about fifty miles from here. Her people phoned that aunt but she gave no satisfaction later they found her there. They say as yet they can't make Georgia talk. The child is not her fellows. Everyone is pretty sure of that. Even her people have come to the conclusion that it is her uncle. Not the doctor, I was mistaken his brother who was sending her to school.

We have had another tragedy. Yesterday a girl was run over by

Earle has been in town but I fear she regrets the manner
in which she has treated him. He sent love to you.

Q. Louise

The driver was colored had an underdeveloped intelligence named Chandler by name. Arrested on charge of reckless driving out under \$500 bond.

an automobile just crossing Mitchell to the campus right at the gate. She was with another girl both saw the car at the same time one Louise Gordon stopped forward, the other Lenora Jordan backward. The man could not stop he was going so fast, would have had to run over one they say & so ran over Lenora. It was very sad. She was thrown up on the hood, down again, run over and dragged a piece. Her legs were broken, neck, gash in head and sides. She never regained consciousness and died three hours later. The accident took place at a quarter to six. Her people were ^{at midnight} arriving.

Now don't go to imagining anything. I tell you because I want you to hear the straight and these people ^{who may write} will probably write perverted facts as they don't know. Yes, I am careful ^{more so} will be. Amelrosia and her husband are in the city.

I haven't seen Daphnia since

Atlanta, Ga
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May 2, 1898

Mrs. W. B. Matthews,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 5 - 1918.

My dearest mother: -

Just a line this time
to let you know I'm
thinking of you all. I was
very glad to hear from
you, that you had forgot-
ten me.

I am sleepy and
have a slight cold but
have taken quinine and
expect it to be O.K. in the
A.M. Don't be alarmed.

Am just back from
the memorial. Among the
deceased graduates were
Mrs Renas Keith Sen-
son and T. S. Lucy.

Lewis Brock. (This paper
doesn't seem to take ink).
Mrs. Benson had moved
to Columbus, Ohio. I
don't know what she
was doing.

Am sorry papa is not
coming down. Will be
very glad to meet Miss Turk.
Thought I would not have
that pleasure till I should
arrive in Louisville. We
are all talking of the time
when we shall be home
again.

Lots of love to all.

Lovingly
Louise.

As for life, it was
gone. In the
Grace Nash
was so sad
she was
fine

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Monday A.M.

Heard from Eloise. We have been talking about her trip to Louisville. The latest is that she will probably come around the 6th so as to be present at Mr. McCallan's "to-do." I told her Ned was to sing and several fiskites were to be present.

The Govt will take over buildings and campus over in July.
(over)

I hear it is to be for a
3 months occupation,
and school will hold
next year.

Cold & this & M.

Alhelmina says
hello.

How do papa &

May 5, 1918

Atlanta Univ.,
Atlanta Ga.

May 16 - 1918.

My dearest mother: -

How happy I have been made to feel today. Two letters and a package from you. Rev Wells came out today just as we were going to dinner stayed only a short while I didn't get to show him anything of the school. He only brought also a nice box of candy which I was delighted to receive, believe me.

Now about the slippers, they are too large if anything they wrinkle over my foot, but the toes fit. While they are probably my number, they don't fit my feet.

will be interested, I am sure.

Mamma I need a pair of black silk stockings. I think I can make my last years black slippers last until I get home but my stockings have just worn out. As soon as you can please send them. I would buy at this end but I need every penny I have and more to get my things off, pay a music bill and for odds and ends.

If you dont get shoes for the shoes what are your plans? I wonder how a nice shirtwaist would do? But you know best. Probably you have other plans, perhaps some -

I don't really need any white slippers though if they had been O.K. I would have been delighted.

You wrote about my getting slippers when I come home. I think I want African brown pumps. The military heels I like are about half as high as those on the white slippers, those on the white being more of a Cuban heel, for a heel as high as that I like the high heel. I can wait till I come home as you planned, if you wish.

Ambrosia was out yesterday with the baby. He is very cute. She told me a lot confidentially which I will relate when I see you and in which you

thing for yourself.

Chamberlain Johnson
Du Bose Co has sep-
arate elevators for
colored and white no.

Prof & Mrs. Geo. Howe lost
a two weeks old daughter
the other day.

Lots of love everyone.

Lovingly

Louise.

Sod had about Albert
and Gene.

Please thank Papa

for the stamps.

My class wants
entertain the seniors to
night at a Jap lawn
fete but it has been
post poned. ~~Don't know~~

I will wear my kimono.

Excuse haste.

Eloise wrote me Ned was
not coming but she would

going to Buffalo etc.
I'll write ask if she
wants to wait.
I don't know.

Just as soon come any
day. From the way
she writes please to

F. L. Matthews
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Ga.

May 16, 1918

Mrs. W. B. Matthews
1720 W. Chestnut
Louisville, Ky

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May. 23-18

Dearest mother:—

Would have written
sooner but you said you
would write as soon as
you heard from me so I
expected a letter every

about 5 o'clock. I like this P.M. source.
mail said well
it will come this
a.m. etc.
Recd check. Thank
Recd package. K.
Waist is beautiful
had quite a joke
about it. In the
opening the card
dropped out and
while I wasn't
sure, I thought it
was mine esp.
since I had not
heard from you.
I tried it on etc.
Will be admired

Atlanta Univ.,
Atlanta Ga.

Mrs W. B. Matthews

1720 W. Chestnut St,
Louisville
Ky.

Don't make any engagements for the last of the week. I am now on my way to my coat. I have not heard from Elvira since I told her about my exercises. You have one of the events on Bills' invitation.

Willie likes her waist very much. She is wearing it today.

Mr. Hershaw is here. Lots & lots of guests. Several of the graduates' parents.

I have been helping with the conference work. Then two exams kept me busy.

Will I'll be with you this time next week.

Atlanta Univ.,
Atlanta Ga.

May 26-1918

My dearest mother:

How are you? I guess you have thought I would never write. I have been very very busy. I suppose you received my correspondence card I sent my winter hats parcel post Friday. I suppose you will receive them soon.

I saw Mrs. India and will take her the

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baby, this one a girl
born dead in March.

Willie was good in
the play. Baccalaureate
was good. Bill
and the others looked
very dignified. ~~Rosie~~ Rosie
Cater is 1st honor
of the college Calpernia
Rogers 2nd; of the
Normals, Hazel Rucker
is second. I'll send
you a program of the

money ² when she wants it
which is in the morning.
4 think.

Went out to Ophelia's
and to see Ambrosia.
I didn't know about
Aunt Ellen's having gone
till you wrote me. A.
said she might be
home tomorrow but
she told her to stay
longer. Did you know
that Bulber was in
camp in Mich.?
Baby & her had another

May 26,
1918

Mrs. W. B. Matthews,
1720 W. Chestnut St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Atlanta N
Atlanta G

Mr. Long also.

ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

May 28-1918.

My dearest mother:—

My but I fear I
am tiring you out
with letters, but I
hope I'm not.

Went over to Spel-
man today to see
Miss Inck. She is
very pleasant and I
like her so much. She
knew Wilhelmina,
Bill and me with-
out introduction.

Now about our
leaving, Mr. Pitts

Atlanta Union ^{Oct 30}
Atlanta Ga. ⁹⁸

Oct 30 - 1918.

My dearest mother: -

I know you have received the message ere this. I sent it just as soon as I could as the Western Union at the station was closed when I arrived.

Well when papa left me on the train I had a lovely journey. Only two besides the Mr & Mrs Watts got on and they soon got off. The Watts were with a body I think.

When I got to Camp Taylor I saw Carrington and two other fellows, also Mr. Blue and Dr. Bond. None of them saw me.

I had some little wait at Danville, longer than I anticipated. The porter a Mr. Harrison the first train was exceptionally nice.

and courteous in every respect. He lives on Chestnut St. He gave me a Herald to read. He also put me on the second train and asked the porter to look after me. Porter no 2 was not so gentleed as no 1 but he treated me all right and gave me a Cincinnati Inquirer to read. The second train was very very nice, two toilets and seats like we went to Cincinnati on, adjustable backs. The passengers were very nice. Some soldiers who I heard say were from Camp Grant and who spent most of their time reciting from a pamphlet on "How to be a Soldier." A very nice settled elderly looking lady who had a pretty little girl five years old. Little girl played with me and promised to come back next week one or two men, a lady who is one of Mrs. Walker's agents.

I was met this morning for that when I arrived by John White.

He is the only ^{college} boy not in the S. A. T. C.
He is underweight, has tried to enlist
& has done all he can. I certainly
feel sorry for him.

Was met in North Hall by
Miss Brown, who is Miss Under-
wood's successor. She seems nice
but as positive as possible. I know
she will be strict.

She had put some one in
my room but the girl did not
stay as the bed is not fixed. Every
thing is in confusion because they
haven't yet straightened out since
the recent departure of the soldiers.
I may have to have a roommate
because there is a long waiting list.
I had a talk with Mrs. Rush she
says she has been watching the
girls & will advise me. Marcia
Brown is rooming with Alva
Brown. Alva's father is dead so she

hasn't come as yet. The girl in here seems very very nice. She is not pretty but sweet looking, young, a freshman and very neat. If I have to have a roommate I may keep her. I am glad to lose Alva for there is T. B. in her family and she is always sick herself.

The S. A. T. C. boys do not eat with us; but ^{we see} ^{little of them} some of our classes are together. I have spoken to only a few of them. They cook well especially McKinney.

We have school ^{now} from eight to four. Chapel at ¹ ninethirty. I am to take sociology and French, a course in War aims I am sure. I wanted Eng but the Govt. does not recommend that but as I have extra time I may take it. Mr. Towns is teaching carpentry.

Atlanta Univ

Atlanta Ga.

Nov. 25-1918.

My dear mother:—

I would have gotten this letter off to you sooner. But I had to write my oration for rhetorical. I haven't it back from George yet, but, I think its very good. My subject is "Propaganda for a Permanent Peace."

I dont know much news. Heard from Roberta today. Elsie was to see me Friday. She is going to spend Thanksgiving in Macon. They are all well and she asked about you. She hasnt heard from Charles since he has been at Fish.

My package hasnt come yet. I

do hope it will arrive this afternoon.
I wonder what it contains. It
seems so long since we were
talking over what you were to put
in, the collar, tale etc that I have
about forgotten the contents.

Did you send the sweater to
Savoy? I trust that you did because
he was expecting to be transferred,
you remember. He is going to New
York to see Helen on his furlough.

Tell me all about the ^{the}
officer's party. You didn't tell
me about Gladys Yarrow's
wedding.

I don't know any news. Enjoyed
Pink's letter.

Savoy asked me to tender his
regards everytime I write. Did he
write to you last week?

I saw Mrs. India the other day. She looked well.

Had a letter from Bill. She was O. K. I heard this morning that when she & Y. came back thru here Dr. Adams said, "Are you married? You went away together and you come back together. Are you married?"

Mrs. Cater was out putting a little girl in North Hall whom the Elders of Sandersville seemed to have placed in her care.

Do you remember hearing me speak of Walter Lee? He was wounded in France.

I must close now. Be good and write soon.

As ever,
(over) Louise.

Please have one of those
pictures made of me.
Harvey + Marshall. Eloise
wants one. I left the
negatives with you you
remember.

Nov 25, 1918

very much. She is quite friendly.
Write immediately and tell
me what you suggest for me
to give Eloise. It certainly was
lovely of you to send me my
clothes I didn't expect them so
soon. You are wonderful.

I am going to try to make
my funds last ~~part~~ of next week
the 4th week - I know I can
make this week, but you can
send the money on as you will
with these facts in view.

Please look in the drawer
in which I keep scraps and get
me a piece of the blue georgette of
the dress I fixed before leaving. I
just want a strip to go around
my waist. There is a piece about
three or four inches wide and the width
of the material. Send such a piece
please without cutting, please.

Now next, people say I have

257 W. 138th St.
New York, N. Y.
July 24, 1922.

My dearest mother: -

Well how are you? I
have just completed a paper
of which I feel that even you
would be justly proud.

I certainly enjoyed your
letter to me. I wondered that
papa won't answer the letter
I wrote him. Ask him if it
is that he doesn't know my
address, he had trouble learning
it. Tell him everyone
inquires of him. I constantly
meet friends of his.

I don't know much news
to write this time. Was at
a whist party saw Mr. Will.
Also I saw Mrs. DuBois

I saw Mr. Proctor the other day. He seemed very glad to see me. I have also seen Lillian & Vashti. Of course Muriel is at Columbia. Saw Henry too but did not make myself known.

Also I saw Henry Rucker at the whist party. He looks fine and is very handsome just like Mrs Annie. They say he is a very heavy drinker, and a fine lawyer - That he is doing well.

Hear that Adele Hunt had to leave fish in her senior year. Also Sol says that he was told that Will was asked not to return to Payne. Don't mention these items.

I like Eunice Hunton

and Yoland on the street. I was with Mrs Bibb & Aeolian. Yoland didn't seem to remember me. Her mother was very very cordial and glad to see me. Poor Mrs Blukois looks awful. I have never seen a woman age so. She looks like sixty-odd. Her hair is nearly white.

I hear that Hart was in town but I did not see him. Mrs Blanton's friend Bertha Dickerson of Baltimore is at Columbia, also Eloise Uggams - you remember the other Eloise whose photo Chas. Brannon had.

gained that I look ³⁻well etc. I myself see an improvement but I had to get up so often last night. I wonder if you could find and send some of those blue pills. If you cant find those at home dont bother. I have some there tho I think they are in the medicine chest. Dont be alarmed.

Also I wish I had my fur here. Everyone wears them here and going down to Baltimore I ~~think~~ I will need it. Have you written to Uncle Linc at all. What do you think of the fur situation? I ^{wish I had it.} have not had time to write any cards but will try to get some off today.

O you Carrie - nothing like the feeling that good

Tell Everett his friend DePore is here

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Rosa wrote me that Rev. Walls came to Richmond and spent the afternoon over the phone talking about me. Well I'm glad it was about else I might have had to find a Catherine Woodson.

I must close now. All goes well. I must go to dinner.

Be good.

Love to all.

Thanks again for my clothes. How are papa and Grandma. Louise.

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clothes can give you. I now know.

No Willie never saw the coat to my suit but I described it exactly to her. I would rather there not be one like mine, but I won't grieve. My grey dress is my consolation. I am sorry you told them about it. Let em see when I wear, that's they way she does. You even wrote to Rosa about it. I wish you hadn't.

257 W. 138th St
New York N.Y.

July 28, '22

Mrs. W. B. Harnum
2121 W. Chestnut St
Louisville Ky.

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Again I got B. That means
~~little yet~~

I hope your toe is
not painful now. Be
very careful about shoes.

Louise Whitfield, Dr.
or rather Mrs Emerson's
niece is here visiting.

I have not seen Mayorie
Sheppard yet but hope

to soon. I enjoyed your letter so.

Lots of love for you
all. Tell Papa & Grandma too.

As ever
your devoted
daughter, Louise.

257 - 138th St
New York, N.Y.

Aug. 1, 1922.

My dearest mother: —

I am writing that
this letter may arrive
for your birthday. I
wish I could be with
you but soon, I shall.
Many many returns of
the day.

I have not been
downtown at all yet.
These folks keep busy
and I don't know the
way but I am going
soon. Just think each

Island ^{3 day} Sunday Had a very nice time.

One of the fellows I have met here wrote Granger a note saying that I'm here. Perhaps I'll see him.

I have met Mr Talley's daughter. She is very nice - is ^{about} engaged to Willis. Now don't mention that as they have not made announcement.

I received another paper back today.

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of you has had a birthday since I left, and I haven't remembered one.

Well I don't know any news. I went to see O. yesterday. She was well. Earl has had a bad arm and hasn't worked for sometime. He is better now. Ophelia says she will write soon. The baby is fine and seems very very fond of me. I am crazy about him. I went out to Statten.

I haven't had time to
use one address that you
have sent me. I keep so
busy but I'll try to
write some soon.

Last night was the
first I've spent without
getting up at least three
times. Maybe I'm O.K.
now tho it wouldn't
hurt to have that pre-
scription especially if
Dr. W. attends your foot.

Please don't fail to
enclose the Hair Lonic
prescrip. in your next
lovingly loving-

257 W 138th St
New York N.Y.

Aug 1, 22



Mrs. Q.B. Matthews
2141 W. Chestnut St
Louisville Ky

VIA AIR MAIL



Mrs. W. B. Matthews
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Sunday AM

[25 July 1943]

Dearest Mother: —

It's getting around to a very busy time for me — long assignments of work, a world of vocabulary to learn.

Yesterday was the day of the Chicago Music Festival. My roommate went but I did not. Decided to call on Mrs. Mattie Beasley instead, and to my great joy the program was broadcast from 9:30-10:00. Helen said that I had heard much more than she did because the amplifiers didn't work. It's like derby staying by the radio or going. Well I had a lovely visit. Mrs Mat and Ethel seemed genuinely glad

to go there and to bridge
but it was so long ~~we~~
did not get back to bridge,
but I'll get the book
next time. Have you
learned the honor
count? I hope so. We
both should play a
much improved game.

She - Mrs. Murphy -
tells me that Elgy
Milton has been to her
home in S. C. for a
visit. Guess she was
visiting Jerome.

I wrote to Elsie a
day or so before Josie
came. I steer rather

to see me. She is much better than I expected her to be. Is up and around was just back from a bridge party. Ethel looks fine — has a large stomach.

Mrs. Mat sends you all sorts of love. Thinks I look like both you and papa. Talked about their school days.

Then she newsed me in full. Did you know that Mrs. Addie Henton died on the 22nd of June? Or that Harry Pace died last Sunday? It seems that they took his body to Flushing, Long Island though Mrs. Lovett is buried

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clear. I think she wants to talk about Jean etc.

She said "she's a pleasant person, isn't she?" I said "yes" then we were interrupted. Jean & Andrew took her to camp after-
lunch to see her daughter Sarah, the W.A.C.

A.S. Wilson told me the other day that Ruth Hammons has joined the W.A.C.s. Is it so? Don't ask, but I guess you'd have heard if she has.

Virginia Gattiffe
did not marry Charles

They did not notify his business associates until the body was en route. Guess that was to keep anyone from coming to the house. They say that he grieved greatly over the passing for white and was very lonely in his last days. Mrs. Mat says they did it for the children, that they sacrificed the father for the children.

I don't know much of anything else. O yes. Mrs Josie Dibble Murphy and I went to a South American party on Thursday night. Intended

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Allison, but she married
the home town (Columbus)
fellow. He's a lieutenant at
Fort Huachuca. (Excuse
spelling.)

Please send me some
headache powders in
your next letter. At
least 6.

I can't get over Robert.
No more betting, Robert,
no more betting. I'm
Sonny still around?

Elise is taking me to
a downtown hotel this
afternoon to a big

city wide affair for Paul
Robeson - reservations 1.55
or some such figure.

Its hot again. I think
I'll wear the dark blue
eccordian pleated dress
this afternoon.

Wish you were here!
What was Kaufmans bill ^{of July 13}?
Much love. Write.

again soon and please
dont forget the powders.

Love to Mary Merritt.
sent her a card. Did she
tell you.

As ever

Your devoted,

Louise

Glad you didnt get Billie
any silver at Lemons. She
can wait.

over

Be sure to tell me
what Kaufmans bell
was as of July 1. Also
send the powdering!
I hope I wont need
them but fear I may

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Mrs. W. B. Matthews
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Monday Aug 14-1944

My dearest mother:-

Two letters from you will make any day a happy one. And what with the enclosure I am overwhelmed with joy. I have an appointment to see if I can have an eye examination. It will probably cost five dollars so there I am! They may not do the examination since I won't be here next quarter. We shall see.

Now with the five I can eat and so won't have to miss meals and can probably keep my weight over the 125 mark. The heat seems to have me down from 127 to 125 $\frac{1}{2}$ today. It is terrific ~~out~~ but my room is cool and I always get a breeze by opening the door.

I went back and read your last letters and in one after closing the letter on page three I discovered that you had on page four

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her that it came.

The dress from Simmonds is the dusty pink with buttons down front. \$29 is charged. Tell them I'll come in on my return. It was charged for July and the bill will be due in September 10. The only bills I left are that and Fevy Bros.

Its so hot and I certainly hate it that Mrs Woode didn't fix and get the white sea sucker organdy. I really need it and can't wear it until she fixes it.

I have learned to be a good laundress. Mildred has taught me to use "linit". Its just fine to starch things that need a little starch.

Well I am sending a package by Beo Carmichael. Please take the things out of the bag as it is greasy and may

mentioned² the birthday gifts. I am so glad that you are pleased.

Saturday I went by to see Georgia Davis Blocker. Had a lovely visit with her and her husband. And she served me fruit salad, hot rolls, iced tea, and peach ice cream (home made). I really enjoyed the food as well as the visit. Her aunt who wrote you such a nice letter which you did not answer died and was carried to Atlanta last Thursday. Georgia said that she heard that Mrs. Lena had gone out of business. Can you imagine no D. J. Howard Undertaking Co.?

Henrietta was out with two Spelman girls today. One was Clara Yates, Ma's little girl. She was thrilled to death that I knew her and took on over her.

Louisville can have the dances and parties and what have you.

cause rats.

I did well in my swimming for the first time today. Went almost the length of the pool.

Tonight I go to see Oklahoma.

You told me in a previous letter that Mrs Birch taught in Tuskegee. Please describe her in your next letter. Do you like him also.

I have met a Dr. from Haiti who is visiting several universities here. He met Max in Washington. Ninethen of us here in the House had breakfast together Sunday. It was most interesting.

Well I must close now.

Much love and
thanks so much! Bless
your occult mind. As ever
Louise.

Will you call up Elizabeth Ramsey and tell her that I'd like to invite St. Mrs. Whiting to the dance for the Sigma Gamma Rho's. I haven't heard any thing of my invitations but I am entitled to some. Call Mary Leake instead of Elizabeth. Also if the Birch's are still in Louisville have them invited. I'll write to Mary. I am entitled to send some invitations.

I am so glad that you like Mrs. Buck and am sorry that I won't meet her. Glad too that she likes you.

Sorry about Preston. Mildred is Mrs. Turk. She continues to be lovely to me. When I try to say thanks she tells me just be smart in my work. Says that's what you told her when she was taking library work in Louisville. Had a nice letter from Portense. I got her to send me some cream. Please tell

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International House
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19 August 1927

Friday A.M.

Dearest Mother:—

I was so glad to hear from you. I am glad to know that you are feeling O.K. Thanks for the stamps. I also received some from papa.

Well, guess who is here? "Someone". I have not seen him to speak to him but saw him at a concert last night.

It rained dreadfully last night. I don't see how they can

as many as I want and they are better than medicine and have made me O.K. Wish there was some way to get some to you.

Well I'll send a package or so of things home as I

am to bring jars of pickled peaches etc.

Dear I will arrive before Aug is out, the date depends on my menses. It is rather inconvenient to travel the first days so if

I can't make it before, I'll be a few days later. I'll be in before I go to the hospital. I'll be in before I go to the hospital. I'll be in before I go to the hospital.

I haven't[?] been taking
in everything, but enough
because I don't mean
to wear myself out.

Yes I have been
taking care of my bowels.
I took a dose of salts
upon my return from
the mts. which ^{worked me then} left
me constipated slightly
and with bleeding piles
but since I have
eaten so many fresh
figs that everything
is lovely. I just eat

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play this morning.

The games are quite
interesting Alva Harper
beat Henry Arthur Kean,
I might whisper - to
Kean's surprise. Willie
Lee and C. H. meet the
champs today.

Saw Mrs Young of
Baltimore, ^{formerly of} and her
daughter Louise. There
are any number of people
here. I imagine many
whom I know but
just don't know they
are here.

31 Tyler St
Hampton Va



Mrs. W. B. Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St
Louisville Ky.

[25 August 1942)

Tuesday

My dearest mother:—

Well I am working
as I have never before
worked in my life. I
have about twenty-five
pages of new material to
learn along with about
a hundred and twenty-five
sentences to write. I have
this much advanced work
and then to review my-
self. The exam for my
course is on the 11th
and I have the work to
cover. He will tell us
tomorrow just when the early

took Henrietta out yesterday.

Did you see my statement? I am down to two dollars. ^{which will last today and tomorrow} If I have anything, send me five please. If not please lend me a dollar or two. Five should last me until I enter 2121 - including tip to maid, taxi fare, checking trunk etc. If you don't have it please let me have two at once just so I can eat until my exam. I just can't accept an invitation to eat out these days when I need every minute for study.

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exam is to be.

Then I'll throw my things into my bag and home! home! home!

Henrietta has her last exam on the twenty eighth. Then she is going to Louisville for the week end. I suppose to relax before convocation. She has worked terribly hard and done a magnificent job. I really have it deep in my mind that she doesn't have an idea that Lois is away. Naomi is here for a few days I have not seen her. She

I'll never cease to be glad
I took this course. I won't
start teaching Spanish
afraid everytime I see a
strange face that I am
making a mistake in
grammar or syntax.

When I come home I
shall get busy with
conversation with Mrs Perez.
Eliza has two Tutors here
for her conversation.

A Frenchman told me
what good French I speak
the other day.

I am feeling well. I
may go over to the hospital
for some bladder medicine
since I have no doctor.

at home and can get the service here free and from the most competent doctors.

Everyone says I've gained weight. I shall weigh soon and see; but I have that plumpness which you told me I lost around last derby time. I hope to retain it.

All this about me. How are you? I left my white turban in Louisville. Do you want to wear it—to the wedding? I think it's in the hat box under my bed. If not it's in my chiffonier.

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Much love to you.
As ever,
Louis

Tuesday.

Dearest Mother

Recd your letter yesterday.
Have had such a good time
Leave tomorrow P. M. at
3: over B. & O. Should reach
home Thurs. P. M. about
2:00 if I make connections ^{at Cincinnati}
If I do not will wire you ^{where I am}
Have reservation will get
in Cincinnati about 8 A. M. Perhaps
Carmille Friserson will be with
me. Dont worry about me.

Am dining with Mrs Hurst
today. Go with Joe.

Love to tell you.

Love to all

Lovingly

Gouise

Dont my teachers meeting Sat.

Any how I'll be there

We will have to take my
eyes to Hazlewood when
I come home.

Doc Leon Tracy Hicks, the
Jordan etc

25-7 W. 138th St.,
New York N.Y.
Aug 10, 1922.

My dearest mother: -

I am writing to answer your letter. Were I in your place I should not go on the board except in the regular way. The victory is yours anyway. I would tho make no exception of myself.

Mrs Hogan is in town and has looked for me but we havent seen each other yet.

Marjorie Sheppard is just like her father I think she has gone home.

Henry Rucker has taken Aeolian out for the evening. I have been writing letters - have written Aunt Ellen and Granger.

I am sorry your foot troubles so. Wish I were there. I ll write Uncle Linc about Saturday.

My teacher says I am doing good work. I am trying very hard.

May Hawes took me to

the theatre last night. I enjoyed the play very much.

Maine Briggs came to see me this afternoon. Do you ever see C. H.?

I am going to send you that record. Aeolian is getting it at cost price \$.52.

Had a letter from papa today. I know you miss him.

Lots of love for all. Love to grandma and above all for your ownself.

As ever
your devoted daughter

Louise.

Saw Yolande the other day she was pleasant. Papa writes that Helen White is going to Baltimore to visit Mother.

Aug 12, 1922.

Dearest Mother: —

This is just a line
to say that I am well
happy and busy.

Have received both
letters + both packages.

Many many thanks! I'll
try to write you a nice
letter tomorrow.

How is your foot?

I went to see Mar-
jorie Sheppard. She is
just like Dr. Sheppard.

Have seen Helen
Willborn. She is sick
but is much better. Is
crazy about you says she

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I am truly the
daughter of Plinkem.
Bark. Smile!!!

Heard from Granger.
Have not had time to
answer. Says he'll try
to run down before he
leave. Is at Bordentown
teaching.

will write soon.

Must go to bed now.
It is late & I've just finished
studying.

Am going to Sols
Sunday.

Will write Aunt
Ellen tomorrow if I
can steal a second.

Had a card from
Willie in Washington

Love to grandma.
Tell her I've met a
lady who lives near
little Wesley at
Livingstone.

Love to papa when you
write. Conise.

257 W. 138th St
New York N.Y. 10032
Aug 12/22

Mrs. W. B. Matthews
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Louisville Ky.

have lots to relate. Aunt does papa return when she is here on as you wish

Helen is better
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My lessons go well of course
this is my week of weeks. I
shall work very hard.

I'll be so glad to see Eloise.
She will arrive Friday the
last day of school. If they
don't remain in New York
too long I'll go down
with them. She plans
to return to Wash with
Miss Annie.

Well goodnight beloved.
I go to buy mosquito
netting. I have counted
twenty in here. They are so
large I fear them.

Saw the museum
today. Love to all
Sincerely Louise

257 W. 138th St
New York N.Y.
Aug. 13, 1882.

My dearest mother,

Business before pleasure
eh? Well now as to money
matters, I have about ten
dollars. I guess Ethelynde
will charge about three for
me to stay over the week
end. I think I could make
out; but Eloise will be here
Friday. Mrs Fannie has asked
me to go to the show with
them which I'd like to but
which would mean two dollars
I am as careful as can be with
my money.

I had a nice letter
from Aunt Minnie. I plan
to go to Baltimore Tuesday.

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very much. We had
lots of fun together. Had
a lovely dinner. Their
home is very nice indeed.

I don't know about
whom Moe was talking. I
think she was filling her
letter. I have been out
but not regularly with any
one.

She Bidds have advised
me to have my blue
georgette dress dyed. I haven't
worn it once blue and have
had many opportunities to
wear it black. When I
get the money I shall have
it dyed. Wish I might
have had it done before I
go on while in Balti. George
tho I know how things are.

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I would leave sooner
but I have washing ^{to do} + ^{important} and as
very much washing, and as
I'll be tired to death with
five exams this week I
simply can't wash iron
and pack and leave at
once. I'd like at least to
look decent when I get
up to Baltimore.

Mr. Peter is coming up
Saturday, bringing a
friend with him. They
are going to take Aeolian
& one to a show.

Went to Sols yesterday
had a nice time. He
has a very nice little
wife whom I like.

257 W 198th
New York N. Y.

Aug 31st '22

Mrs W. B. Matthews
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Kentucky.

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Monday I am to be with Ophelia. Tuesday Mrs Fannie has invited me to be with her and Eloise at Bear Mt. At that rate I leave Wednesday without fail.

Ethelinde is not charging me this week. Also I have dinner invitations so that I have practically no expense. I will stay in Baltimore about three or four days then come home to my mother.

Lots of love to everyone
Thank grandma for her letter
Sincerely Louise

23-7 W. 135th St
New York, N. Y.

Aug 19, 1922.

My dearest Mother:

Both money and letters arrived O. K. Many many thanks. Well yesterday the great day has passed. I had five consecutive exams so you may know just how I had to study. Well I think I came out O. K. and I await with eagerness to learn my marks. They won't be A's neither will they be D's.

Dr. & Mrs McIntyre and Rev. and Mrs Harris have been here to see me. Everett is in town but I have not seen him.

I had paper needed for my O.K. I do not as I had this way I could stay in Baltimore. my clothes are given out at a regular rate.

257 W 138th
New York

Aug 19, 1922

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Feb. 24-1908

My dearest mother,

I planned to write you sooner but as you told me you were sending a package I planned to delay writing till it should come, but it has not as yet so I am writing anyway, still hoping that it may come in the morning. Please allow me to thank you lovingly.

Well, since I last wrote I've been out quite a little. I went to see Mrs. Arnold Wm. She was tickled to death to see me and not had fits. She is having trouble with her hip and can hardly walk. She sent oodles of love to you all. She told me that grandma's tenant Mr. David Brown was buried Sunday before last. She thinks Mrs. Brown will keep the house. I went by the Richards and saw Bessie's baby. She is fine. Bessie said that she was going to send you a picture of her soon. She and Mrs. Annie said they would write. Bessie is worried because her hair is falling and will have to be cut. She doesn't want to appear in Washington with short hair.

Mr. Arnold of So. Atlanta died Thursday of acute indigestion. He is to be buried Tuesday, the funeral being delayed so that the boys in college can get home.

Mr. Douglas had a very good recital here Friday night. Fred is with him. He is a sweet child. Mrs. Fannie is working in Washington. Mr. Douglas said that he would be in Louisville before A. U. closes. So be ye ready.

We were to go to Stone Mountain Friday but the weather was unfavorable so we went Saturday and had a fine time. I am not tired or stiff as yet, I hope it means I am getting limbered up. We ate dinner and supper on the mountain and got back.

8/16/1918
a little before ~~seven~~ ^{seven}. The housewife bunch had a snap made together.

I took Will by Mrs. India's today. We had a very pleasant all. She told me about the surprise birthday part for her at Mrs. Em's. Coz, Mrs. Annie, Mrs. Penn, Mrs. Thomas etc were there. Her presents were white silk hose - Mrs. Rucker - white with window stripe silk hose, Coz; a guest towel. This Thomas person whom I don't seem to know. I don't think its Miss Anne, a handkerchief with two rows of tating, Mrs. Penn. I told the Hints & Uncle Linc were with you. That was about all the Souisville news I knew.

I plan to go to see Aunt Ellen and Aunt Julia if I have time next time. I go out. The last time I saw Coz she said her mother had been sick. Don't you think I should go to see her?

Well how is Souisville? What is the news there? Please write me a love newsy letter and tell me all the news.

I hope you aren't still sick. Do take good care of yourself. Don't go out too much and don't work too hard in anyway.

Did you put that bug in Papa's ear? Tell grandma I appreciate her kindness so about the waist. I know they are all very petty. I hear that Virginia Winkler spent the week end at home. I did not see her though.

Now please write me a long, long letter like this one is, and write it soon so that I'll get it before the end of the week. I love you and lots and lots of love for you all.
Lovingly, L. J. Jones

advice and ordered
soup and cream.
We enjoyed it. The
are no Will. Chillicothe
Be sure to take good
care of yourself and
try not to have ~~happen~~
I miss you so much
I need you to give
directions. Son cannot
do the job as you do.
Will write from
Washington. Love to
mother,
I am
Will.

Somewhere in Ohio.
[1920?]

Dear, dear mother:—

You are now (at five
to three) either eating or
doing the dinner dishes. We
have just eaten some of that
delicious lunch, supplemented
by dining car service.

Had a pleasant trip as
far as Cincinnati with Lola. She
is to do Chatanooga work
in Ohio.

J. Willis Cole gave Rosa
three rings ~~two~~ days before
they married, her birthstone
and two diamonds.

Miss you so much.

Why don't you call on Hazel Street?

Please don't show or read any of my communications to you to those to whom they would give the impression that Mabel's cards & letters did to you. Smile!

I hope you mailed the letter I left behind as I want to see those shows.

Excuse writing. Tell grandma I say I still have the coin she gave me.

Lots of love. Please be careful about eating.

Your devoted daughter
Louise.

Dearest Joe:-

Son and I are on the way with out a hitch. We are near Chillicothe. Just through eating our dinner. Son suggests that we write to you. You will tell that the firm is the paper and allows us to share it with her.

I hope you and Mother are getting on O.K. I love you

N.D.
1920?

Mrs. O. B. Matthew
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