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Houston - Texas.
2-20-30.

Dear Louise:

I am sure you will be surprised to hear from me and especially since it is coming from this city. I have often planned to write you ^{and} thank you for your kindness in sending that wonderful box of cake. It was great. I have waited a long time to acknowledge it but I have been moving around so fast since Xmas. I have been very delatory about social letters. You, I think, understand that my intentions are good.

For four or five weeks, we have been holding our Regionals. Mr. Haywood ^{and} I are out here together ^{and} we have had quite a successful time of it. You know we seem to pair up very well - on trips of this kind.

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He says I seem to approve of what he does
whether it is "consistent or inconsistent"

He shall be leaving tomorrow a. m. ^{and}
I can write more in detail from Atlanta.
Certainly thank you for your kind thoughtfulness
in sending the case. Did not get chance
to make good my promise to you
about making the visit before I was
called away from town - However, I
intended to keep my promise:

Regards to Prof. Mathews as you note.
Super Camp - Hello.

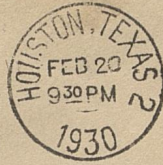
Sincerely,

Walter H. H. H.

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Handwritten scribble



ADDRESS
YOUR MAIL
TO
STREET AND
NUMBER



Miss Louise Mathews.
2121 W. Cleburn St.
Lawsonville
Ky.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
April 2, 1931.

Dear Miss Matthews,

When I submitted my Major
Honors thesis to Dr. Heyberger this
afternoon she told me of your doing
graduate work on the same subject.
I am sure you are having an enjoy-
able time in studying Edmund Rostand.
I think that he is certainly an author
worthy of intense study. I have
found the small amount of work
which I have done has been most
interesting and only wish I might
have had more time to devote to
it. However when one is pursuing
an undergraduate course one un-
fortunately finds time limited.

When Miss Heyberger asked me
to what I attributed Rostand's popularity
with the American student I was
tempted to say "It is that 'je ne sais
quoi' or to become more American
that 'undefinable something' signifying
the spirit of his work. However on

becoming more analytical I have discovered one or two main points to which I attribute it.

I have interpreted the "American student" as those belonging to the college age - the youth of the nation. Rostand in his works has an appeal for all youth. It is in his aspiration toward an ideal, toward heroism, character and honor. College students admire glorious emotion and heroism. In Rostand's characters we see all the qualities of a hero, not only a hero of deeds but one of character. Rostand's heroes are examples and we readily take them for ideals such as they are. In the American mind there is a certain distaste for moralizing on the part of others. If we care to moralize it is for ourselves and we prefer to do our own thinking. We are perfectly capable of recognizing an example of an ideal but we prefer to justify that ideal according to our own standards. Rostand has understood the value of reflection; he has provided the ideal with all the glamor of romanticism; we provide the realism in reflection.

Another powerful appeal to the American student is the tremendous enthusiasm displayed in Rostand's work. The American student is enthusiastic by nature and by

inhesitance. He disliked the blasé attitude of some writers; the passivity of their characters. He greets with delight the enthusiasm for Bastard for all that is great and noble in the soul. He approves of the pure and noble sentiments of his characters. He likes his characters because they laugh and not just smile; because they struggle and do not waver. He admires them because of their persistence toward a goal and if they lose he is convinced that they have "played a good game" and this to him is no small tribute.

I hope my viewpoint upon this question may be of help. I wish you greatest success in your work.

Sincerely,
Helen G. Buchanan
1564 Third Ave E.
Cedar Rapids
Iowa

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1/28/21.

Dear Louise -

Mr. Lease was in my office today and naturally I had to make many inquiries about Louisville and you and the folks. I feel terribly for not acknowledging your very kind letter of not long ago - excusing the matter that was troubling us. The claim - However - I hope you will pardon that oversight.

I have heard some interesting ^{and} surprising news about you - Mr. Lease did not tell me, but you know how news carries - I am very sorry I did not get up to Louisville last summer. I had planned a trip to Cincinnati and then I had to go in the opposite direction - Ettaise Milton told me that

II

you would 'possibly' come down
this way and I was hoping that
you would be here when I
returned - but I found out later
that you gave up the trip.

How is Mr & Mrs Tucker -
Ote & Harie and wife? Do you ever
hear from Mr & Mrs Roy -

Supt Haywood - is wishing to
go to the Florida Conference at
Jacksonville - but sends his regards
to you and parents. The all are
very grateful to you for your
many kindnesses to ~~us~~ while we
were in Lawrence & for the genuine
interest you have in things

Atlanta life -

Mr. Leake is waiting and I must
close this note - Many things should
like to say ~~if I~~ ~~could~~ ~~write~~
Write me a line ~~if~~ ~~you~~ ~~can~~.

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1/28/31

Mr. F. Louise Mathews

Lawville

N.Y.

Kindness of
Mr. J. Lease.

1701 Druid Hill Avenue,
Baltimore, Md.,
Dec. 26, 1931.

Dear Louise;

I'm hastening
to thank you for the stock-
ings. They were a timely
gift - with all emphasis
on the "timely." You know
my last pair ~~was~~ ^{was} - well,
to say the least, ^{disre-}reputable
in appearance. I was try-
ing to hang on to them
until Christmas for I was
sure somebody would give
me some.

Your mother's cards
were very beautiful. Thank
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her for me, please. My cards
have never been unpacked. The
baby has been sick and I just
didn't have the time to
address them.

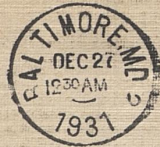
Mamma is getting along
real well. She went down
town - milling around in the
crowds buying Christmas presents -
which, if you know Mamma,
is a good sign. She looks
fine! I'm going to have all 7
there here for New Year's dinner.
Haven't I some nerve? Ha! Ha!

Aunt Julia is sort of poorly -
up and down. But on the whole -
she is remarkable.

Well - best wishes for you
all for the new year.

Yours,
Joe

Hannah
Glosters
Murray



Miss F. Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville
Ky

Mrs. J. W. Lausey
1701 Grand Hill Ave.,
Baltimore, Md.

248 Boyer St.,
Wayton, Ohio,
June 5, 1931.

my dear Louise,

Although we haven't met
I really feel as I know
you, as mother spoke so sweet
of you.

Mother said you were
going to Canada this month
to school. If it is not too much
trouble please write me and

(3)
Please send me one of
yours. Write me when you
have time.
Mother joins me in sending
best regards to all, I am

Your new friend
Rona Smith

(2)
also send me a catalogue of
the U. up there. I am interested
in pharmacy and art.
I understand that you
are a French teacher. I am
taking french next year,
which is my senior year.
I have already passed in
two years of Latin.
I'm sending you a little
cheap picture of myself.

The company promised to order some more. And I went to the Loop yesterday to find that they were unsuccessful. I decided to do without one, but a particular occasion has arisen - a wedding on the U. of C. campus. I want to wear my white dress & shoes, I have the white gloves and purse and feel that I need the Jacket to complete the costume.

It is the wedding of the new president of Shaw University. Both he and his bride are graduate students at the U. We (Fred & I) are to go afterwards with a very small party to a wedding supper at the Vincennes Hotel.

I'm dreadfully sorry to have to ask you to keep your promise about sending the coat back. And

Dear Louise;

July 11-1921.

You can't imagine my regret when I rushed up to your stopping place about 15 mins - or more after you had gone to the station. Truly, it was a case of Murphy's Law. I regretted all the more, because I failed to meet you at the station the previous evening & I was afraid you would think I did so intentionally. The "Y" has not yet forwarded me the telegram. I suppose some of those dumb bells on the desk misplaced it.

However, I was happy to have seen you the brief minutes in Cincy. Had I known that my stay was to be prolonged a week, I would have made a trip over

to Louisville earlier in my stay
 & then returned to Cinicy.

I am glad you are enjoying
 the French School. Judging from the
 envelope sent me, you are
 eating, sleeping and actually
 living French for these few
 weeks. In case you must find
 it interesting.

I got back to the office to find
 things okay - but a number of things
 pending my return - hence I have
 not written earlier. Even now, I
 cannot do justice to social correspondents.
 I do want you to know how
 glad I was to see you in Cinicy.
 I apologize profusely for not meeting
 the morning engagement as planned.
 Aside from Mospleus. The R.R. time ^{and}
 city time helped to confuse me.

Supt. wanted to know all about
 you & the Louisville folks. Of course, I
 told him. - Hastily yours



Miss Louise Mathews
Royal Victoria College
McGill University
Montreal
Canada

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

RESIDENCE PYTHIAN TEMPLE
10TH AND CHESTNUT STREET

July 27, 1931

Miss Louise Matthews,

McGill Univ.

Montreal, Can.

Dear Louise:

Many thanks for the Postcard. Will keep it for a souvenir. Glad to be thought of. Am having a fine time resting.

Yes, Mr. and Mrs. Leake and Miss Parks and I motored to West Baden and Evansville and had a "scrumpious" time and I am wondering how the news reached Canada. Oh well we to will have court when you return.

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Mrs. Leake her worst has
your mother up I also made
a flying trip to Lexington
last Friday to be guests at
a picnic given by the dif-
ferent insurance companies
and had a fine time. I
have spent the greater part of
the summer here, and even
tho' the weather has been
unusually warm, have en-
joyed it very much. I am going
to your sanctum sanctorum
to night to play cards, and must
win, as usual. We are trying
to keep Mrs. Matthews from
getting lonesome. Have lots to
tell you on your arrival
about Lexington.

PHONE CITY 3968

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Hurry and Come Home
Your real Pal,
Bullard

C. ALEXANDER BULLARD
PYTHIAN TEMPLE
TENTH AND CHESTNUT STS.
LOUISVILLE, KY.

July 27, '31

Miss Louise Matthews,
McGill University,
Montreal, Quebec

15394 West 37th Place
Los Angeles, California
January 5, 1932.

Dear Louise:

Your thoughtfulness is one of the many pleasant memories I shall have of the year that has just closed. Jane Emma and her parents thank you for the latest reminder of your friendship and wish for you and for your mother and father a happy New Year.

How sorry I was to hear that you and your mother have been victims of Dame Winter. I hope you have entirely

recovered from her rude caress'.
In this balmy weather, it is rather hard for me to remember that other parts of the country are experiencing zero weather. But perhaps I should "brag" about this section in a whisper, lest I anger the gods. You have read, no doubt, of the most recent catastrophe that visited the surrounding suburban districts of Los Angeles, as a result of the great rainfall which lasted continuously for three days.

Louise, do you remember those dishes I was trying to get by sending my laundry to a certain company. Well, at last, I have them. They came the Saturday

before Christmas. Some wait, eh?
But they are quite nice, after all:
there are sixteen pieces consisting of
four plates, four cups, four saucers,
and four berry bowls. Oh, my kitchen
is quite "dressed up". I've even painted
those two atrocious chairs, about
which I once had the nerve to
be on the defensive. The joke is
that Herb still insists upon covering
them completely with newspapers.
He doesn't trust my painting.

Now they are an apple green and
entirely transformed.

And now to Herb himself. He
lives even farther away than before
by a few squares. He's still on the
east side of town. It seems that the

people with whom he rooms, moved and he moved along with them. The new place, he says, is much nicer, but very quiet. That is, the people work out and there is no "G" nearby to which he can go when lonesome. By the way, he was over a few nights ago and said that he was going to take Mrs. Georgia Harris to a formal dinner which her club was giving. I suppose he told you about it. I don't know how he "handled" the menu, for he has been restricting his diet lately — a little indigestive troubles, I believe. As a result, he declares that he has not cut into the fruitcake you sent and

consequently won't give us a taste. He says nobody shall have any until he does. That was a week ago. Personally, I believe he had eaten it all then and offered that as an excuse to his interested friends. Perb is looking well; his complexion is especially good. I'd like to borrow it.

In order of importance, I suppose Jane Emma comes next. Well, the little rascal still has not a tooth in her head. I am enclosing a snap of her, taken about a month and a half ago, when she was eight and a half months old.

Saturday -

Louise, I stopped to get the snap,

was interrupted, started to tour a
moment ago, and am finishing
this in the car without the snap.

Will send it next time.

Lovingly,
Auth.

Jan. 5, '32

UNIVERSITY BOND

Tuesday a. m.
[1933?]

Dearest Louise,

Bravo! Girl, I was mighty glad to know you are in Los Angeles. And in summer school too! That's fine. Am sure you are having the time of your life.

Truly enjoyed your letter. Quinn and I had a big laugh over the description of the Japanese celebration. It must have been too funny.

Again we laughed when you mentioned your increase in weight. I've gained quite a bit

myself, which of course, amuses our friends.

A newlywed is always the target for much teasing.

Have been constantly on the go. Haven't been able to stay at home a night for the past two weeks.

Henrietta Herod surprised me with a visit the other night. She is the Clinchman's guest, who by the way, entertained for her Saturday night with a cocktail party. Sunday night, Blanche Johnson also entertained in her honor.

Jim Darsey was nice to Henrietta and she had a grand time. Her lovely chiffon dresses were as stunning as usual. Shall tell you all about them

when I see you.

Talked to "Bud" this morning. He had a big time in Chicago and was elected to an office.

Maria's ^{Rid}sister, Harriet, is a friend of Ruth Ella Carey. She tells me that the latter is leaving for Atlanta the first of Sept. for a visit. She has been buying some pretty clothes, and is all excited about her trip.

Quinn and I didn't make the big Tournaments because he got a "Charlie Horse" in his leg and had to take things easy for a week or more. We compromised by taking a trip to Toledo where

we had a delightful time.
Then too, we hope to go
quite a bit next summer.
The Alphas meet in New
York while the Dental
meeting is in New Jersey.
That sounds very interesting.
The National Tournament will
probably meet at ^{Hampton} ~~Waltham~~.

Maudie went ^{to} the Pan
Hellenic meeting in Pittsburg
where she saw Ellis and
Maxine who showed her
Aline's gorgeous presents.
Said she had never in her
life seen such beautiful gifts.
Did you see the Wedding
party in the Courier about
a week ago?

Saw Irene Catalan Sunday.
She is as young and peppy
looking as ever. Has a

5.
young boy friend about
whom she is quite fond.
I hear that she and Mr.
have been separated
(not occupying same room)
for more than a year.
It seems to be generally
known here.

Henrietta says that she
and Valia should like to
get an apartment this
winter since the Pattenmores
have decided not to have
boarders any more. If
they can't find a suitable
apartment then they will
probably live at the Packs.

Give my regards to
Herb. You kids should
go ahead and tie the
old knot. It's really quite
wonderful. I feel like
a different person since

I've had a husband to concentrate on.

Am leaving Cleveland Sept. 1, for Columbus and Louisville.

We are going to drive through.

Am still O.K. physically and in spite of many protests I plan to try to teach one more year. Quinn is quite tolerant and is willing to give me up if I promise to see him every three weeks. Am not sure I can make it that often but shall surely try.

Do pardon this paper but it's all I could find.

It was sweet of you to write me from Los Angeles and tell me all the news. Eager to hear more about Elise's apartment, etc.

Continue to have a good time. Imagine you've attended more political meetings by this time. Don't cripple your wardrobe by putting on too many pounds. See you soon, Louise

is colored population of your city? wanted so much to visit Louisville while in Chicago but time wouldn't permit a visit. If you find time please drop me a few lines in French.

Withing you

A Merry Christmas

and

A Happy New Year

I am yours truly,

Raymond J. Knox

RAYMOND JEAN KNOX
3768 SO. HARVARD BLVD.
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Dec. 11/33

Dear Mrs. Matthews,
Comment va la français?
I wish that I could write the rest of this letter in French but my knowledge of French is so very limited. Do you remember the evening you attended class in French in L.A. and Mr. Jist, the Russian was instructor? You gave us several poems in French

including "la vie est vaine"
also the following —

Un bon vin blanc

"Dans un instant ou vous ap-
pellera un chasseur sachent
chasser peut chasser ce
chat de son chass chassis
Sans son chien de chasse"

Have I written the above
correctly? I gave these lines
to a clerk at my office
and he couldn't translate
them altho he speaks
and reads French. He
was born en Suisse.

I began to think that perhaps
I didn't write it down correctly.
How goes your teaching?

Do you teach French?
I met a Mrs. Walker in
Chicago in Oct. She had
come from St. Paul to at-
tend the fair. In the course
of conversation she mentioned
having lived at Louisville.

I thought of you and
asked if she is acquainted
with you to which she said
"yes." I didn't get to meet
her husband but under-
stand his first name is Earl.
Perhaps you knew of whom
I write? Did you attend
the Chicago fair? I thought
it was wonderful. What

Blood translate

He didn't understand
the meaning

Oct 6, '33

Dear Louise:

You are a damn good Teacher.
The examination was of $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours duration.
Idioms and a chapter of French that
was presented for translation.

Well that's that and I do thank
you - you don't know how relieved I
am to be done with that.

I haven't seen Herf. for some
time now. He will be over tomorrow.
I'm here in the shade - Hat
as the dickens - Jane finds it difficult
as she is fastening they say.

We have been expecting to hear
from you - Hope you find time to write
soon -

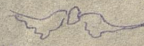
I hope this letter finds your
Parents enjoying all the graces of
life.

I say you are a mighty fine teacher -

Do boy

Not

Tell all the girls "hello" for me.
I'd be flattered to have a
line or so from a Kentucky
fella.

NRA

WE DO OUR PART
(to make "Compound" compact)

Louise

Guess whom I have called upon this
week. Yes, Monsieur Chew! But do not
be jealous, my dear - 'twas a business
call, pure and simple - and I enjoyed
it!!! - In spite of the fact that he talked
about you, during each "intermission". He's
interesting!

So! M. X has passed his French
examination, and we can be average Americans
again - not aspiring Frenchmen.

What's the news around Louisville?
Your letters are as manna - and
we are starved.

I saw Herb this afternoon, and he
told me of Mr. Williams. Too bad!
Jane Emma is as "cheeky" as ever
- and quite as lusty. The little rascal
hasn't a tooth - altho the upper and lower
gums are swollen. We console ourselves by pointing
to the baby next door and the one around the corner,
both of whom are three months older, and toothless. By the
way, Jane has a buggy now - donated by the

Baby around the corner, why had that
fella. Miss my love to grand father and mother. Jane Emma water in
Lancaster, Pa.

J. Max Bond
1589 W. 37th Place
LA, CAL.

Oct. 6, 33

MISS LOUISE MATTHEWS
2121 W. CHESTNUT ST
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

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DAYTON, OHIO

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July 6, 1934

Miss Florida Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Miss Matthews:

I received your application for a position
in the Dayton Public Schools.

I will be glad to file this blank and to
give you careful consideration in case add-
itional appointments are made for the Dun-
bar High School.

Very truly yours,

E. H. Landis
Emerson H. Landis, F.
Assistant Superintendent
of Schools.

EHL:VF

The Hendricks baby was christened yesterday at the Mount Zion Church. We all turned out to witness the event. The Pastor, a young, good looking, enthusiastic New Yorker preached an excellent sermon. Maybe Rev. Ledbetter knows Lim, since they are both Congregationalists. His name is Grant Reynolds.

Met Bud on the street Saturday and we had quite a chat. He is preparing to attend the Dental meeting in Chicago. Says he and Jane probably won't get married this year as she has just reached the maximum in salary and is eager to teach one more year before she gives up her job.

Went to a luncheon Saturday given by Lula Lee, a teacher here. Her seven other

Aug 6, '38 Monday morning

My dear Louise,
I intended to write you at least two weeks ago, but couldn't seem to get to it.

Hope you and Mr. and Mrs. Matthews are well. Aunt Kate writes that it has been quite hot there. But you usually don't feel it so much because your house is so cool down-stairs, even when it is roasting outside.

Your letter was a masterpiece. Plenty of good news written in an interesting manner!

Through Maude, I've heard from Louisville very often. Rose Ellen honeymooned in this city for a week. She came over to call on me and appeared quite thrilled. I didn't see Jerry. I can't yet recover from the big shock I received when I heard they were to marry.

good time. Maude³ entertained Friday with her typical dinner party. Most of the guests were Western Reserve summer students who teach in various parts of the country.

Octavia and Eva Warfield motored up from Columbus recently and spent a week in Cleveland. They had a wonderful time. Went to a different show each day and a different night club each night. Quinn and I joined them as often as our purses would permit. Octavia said Miss V. Lewis stopped with her during the N. A. A. C. P. meeting and she was delighted to meet such a charming, cultured person. Said she hated to see Miss Lewis go.

Like you, I didn't² know they were even acquainted with each other.

Hear also that Gertrude and Elmo are "One"; now I rather suspected they would marry. Was again surprised to hear of Loretta's marriage. Hamburger (if Eva Jane's judgment is sound) Mr. Hale will make any woman a splendid mate. Remember how she praised him and recommended him to us girls?

Maude received an interesting letter from C. Berry. Says Mr. Wilson is having a grand time at the International House. His "Shadow," (the Guidance Prof.) is also enjoying life.

Maude has a house guest, a Miss Lebolt of New Orleans, who has been in summer school at Oberlin. She is quite charming and I believe the Cleveland beaux are going to give this "Creole Baby" a

Girl I've worn and ~~rewards~~ all my dresses, suits and shoes. Have bought a spectator dress with touches of green on it.

Cooking is becoming a habit now and Quinn declares that he is pleasantly surprised to find me doing so well.

We shall probably spend a few days in Indianapolis at the Tournament. We can't decide on one of three places, Dental meeting in Chicago, National Tournament at Lincoln Univ. or Indiana. Each would be good. So I'm not sure where we shall land.

So pardon this hurriedly written letter but I'm rushing in order to take this letter with me when I go to the grocery store.

Love to all. Louise Montgomery

guests were for the most part teachers and social workers. We had a jolly good time. A Miss Myra Fairfax, one of Dean Lane's ex-West Va. teachers, asked me to tell him hello. She thinks he is wonderful.

Eliza was in town last week for a few days. Had just passed in her French exam. and came over here to celebrate a bit. She and Maurice went by Quinn's office and got my address and spent an afternoon with me. They seem to be very, very happy. He is working this summer at the Union Station. She plans to spend the whole month of September in this city. Eliza, of course, always looks stunning, but to me she even looked more striking in a dark print with the long sash looped in front. She wore black patent leather

shoes and carried a bag to match. They had much fun relating to the how and where they met and courted and married.

The older A. K. A. is here seem surprised and thrilled to hear of Sadie Waniel's marriage. Those who are unmarried all exclaim that there is hope for them! I'm eager to see her again. I've elbowed her at Boule's but never knew her otherwise. I hear that she plans to continue to teach.

In that connection, I understand that Samiuel's married teaches may continue on their jobs. In that case, I shall probably see you in September. The time seems to be galloping.

Married life gets better and more interesting each day. Quinn and I have such good times together. I like his friends very much. They are all very nice to me and have made a special effort to welcome me into their midst.

Our trip to Buffalo was truly enjoyable. We met many interesting people from Detroit, Toledo, New York and Boston. The social affairs were beautiful and showed much preparation and thorough planning. Outstanding among them was the ~~the~~ Hawaiian dance at a big hall which had been decorated so skillfully that it really gave one the "Island" feeling. Fred Clement and his tennis playing boys were at the Tournament. He and I were surprised and glad to see each other.

8-7-38

My dear Louise

I think about
you and your family
but this has been one
year that I just
haven't felt like
writing

There isn't much
going on here but a
few weddings. Seems
as if they decided
on August this year
instead of June. One
of the girls had a lovely

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wedding at our church
yesterday. Lucile Harper
marries Wednesday. I
heard that Iffy Anderson
there was planning to
marry somebody here,
is that so?

The Atlanta School of
Social Work is to become
a part of A. T. and
give a degree.

What is Louise Richardson's
name now. I want to
write to her have also
lost the address.

How's Mary Leake. Her
friend Willie Ramsey is
in hospital had operation.

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Have you been on your vacation? I'm not having one except over the week ends. We motored to Savannah for the fourth of July plan to go to Jacksonville next weekend.

How is your social life progressing. Hope your mother is both well. All the Aunts send love to them.

Lovingly,

Elsie.

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Miss Louise Matthews
~~2121 to Chestnut St.~~
~~Louisville, Ky.~~

Louisville Ky

Aug 15 -

[1938?]

My dear Louie:

I was very much surprised to hear from you yet I expected a letter every day. you know how that is you love to get them but hate to write them.

I am going by to see you mother this morning & return the pie pan and she said it must have been bad because I did not say whether it was good or not. my mistake I thought I did. but I have had so much to think about these last few weeks. that I let it slip.

Mother came for a few days. & of course I enjoyed having her a day. & all the family Pete is just fine his foot is still a bit stiff but we had a little hunting trip together. & I gave him a gun to take home. now if he does not get into trouble with it it will be alright

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Now don't about study so hard
have lots of fun along with it.
Life is so short at best so enjoy
yourself & I hope you will be happy
for the short time you are here at
least. don't worry about mother & father
they are just fine I have called quite
often. so there is nothing for you to
worry about. If you need anything let me
know understand

I miss you lots & please hurry &
come home so we can spend a few
pleasant evenings together. I saw
Lill Stout yesterday & she wants a
game as soon as you get back.

As Ever

Lloyd

Louisville, Ky
Aug 13, 1939

My Dear Louise:

Just a few lines to thank you for the many kindnesses shown me while in Los Angeles. Without you, Helen and her friends my trip would not have been so interesting. I shall never forget your kindness. I guess I will now have to give you the final report on our friend. You and Helen will have to exchange letters on the late happenings.

It seems as if the Streets and Bradshaws stopped at the same place in Oakland. became evidently close friends (you know Mae). Every thing went along smoothly until the last day out.

Mae and I finally got in a blackjack game - limit 5¢.

altho we played 1 and 2 \$.
 One game on Monday was played
 with out me. It seems as if
 they were teaching ~~two~~^{two} of the
 ladies the game - Mrs Blount
 an Mrs Lewis. They played three
 games with out money, just
 to teach these ladies. When
 they started again playing for
 money, Mac was dealt,
 so Mayme continued to tell
 the ladies when to wait, and
 when to be let. Mac said
 (out of the clear sky) "I don't
 beat the whole party", so that
 ended coaching. Now that
 night I was in the game with
 the same ladies - Mrs Blount
 Mrs Lewis - Bradshaw, Nell
 Lewis, Mayme - Mrs Turner
 & Mae. We were all playing
 when Mae entered the game.
 She told Mrs Blount to "wait"
 then Mrs Bradshaw says "We

will have to have an understanding" Mae flew up, face red as her hair "I can take care of myself, I may look like a fool but I can look after myself". Of course I didn't know what it was all about - but I finally found out what happened that morning - so she had to lose that temper and show what was behind it all.

On our trip up the Red Lodge Highway she was entertaining Felle Lewis on what a nice time she would have if she would come to Lenoirville for the Derby. This was in the conversation "I had a party Christmas. A dancing party. I gave each lady a rose and each man a buttonhole. They were in formal attire. I was a very lovely party".

Then, during the conversation
 Nellie said something about
 artist's facts and what not.
 Mae - "I write poetry, some
 of it I think is real good.
 I sent some to a critic and
 he returned it and said
 'you have eight lines that
 rhyme' - I wrote one on my
 sister's Birthday which is
 Christmas when she was eight.
 Here she quoted the poem -
 Nellie said "you are real good.
 I don't write poetry", I wished
 for you.

I talked with your
 mother the week after I returned.
 She said you had decided
 when you would return.
 I went to the Palace of Fine
 Arts. It was a wonderful
 place, but I didn't have
 time enough to see every
 thing and study it as I

would have liked to.

Mary is getting herself ready for the trip the last of this month. I suppose you will return before she leaves.

Have you seen Binice, Stella and Ella? I suppose you will see them.

I must close. Ralph sends best regards

Sincerely
Mildred

ask Helen if the pictures were any good.

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offspring is not here yet. Ruth Bond must be here because Louise had Jane Emma at our church Sunday. The Clem Rogers were at our church Sunday. Mrs. Eltheby will leave soon for N. Y. Louisa Bush is in Los. A. for 6 weeks. I will see her ~~out~~ there. C. L. Thomas Dr. and a party will be out there and back before I leave. We play bridge with the Hapers often. F. K. spent the day with them. The aviatrix from Chicago who flew here as advertisement for the cooking school, was an A. K. A. The Lou. Defender had a reception at the Y. W. C. A. for her. Bobbie & B. Carson represented the Deltas in the line. J. Bell and Myrtle

Box 772
Louisville Ky.
8-9-39

Dear Louise,

I was very glad to get your letter. It was quite newsy. I wish I could have seen Elise and family. I know you are glad your school is out. We have had a nice summer so far as weather is concerned. I havint seen M. M. yet. Mildred told me all the news of the trip. M. M. ran true to form making a fool of herself. I did not go to the cooking school. It was too hot. Elise Keller the directress has married her co-worker Mr. L. Staff. Murray had breakfast for them. They

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are Indianapolis people. Mac Caldwell Jones (a questionable woman who lives on 10th St. entertained for Murray's sister out to "Abe's" (a new wood house next door to the Simpsons on the River Road. John, mamma, Fannie and I happened to go out the same night. Murray did not introduce us or let us know it was a party. The folks are policyholders and told John about it the next day. It was not in the paper either. Only Billie from the Carson family joined the church. The Boardman joined last Sunday. Also Virginia Howell and her mother. Mrs. Wilson had to go to Springfield to the bedside of Mr. Wilson's aunt,

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who had a stroke. She has been there for some time. I hear she is to bring the aunt here to live with them and they need a larger house. The C.S.C. Club is having a bivouac in Leah Stant's back yard Monday Aug 14th. Prospects don't look so bright. The National Undertakers' convention will be here next week. They will have a boat. Mrs. Williams' boat for the Red Cross was a success, I hear. She has moved across the street. Bessie Banks and daughter are vacationing in the East. The medics will leave soon. Hammons leaving might be delayed because of Orelia's uncertainty. Essel's

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Black represented the H.K.G.
Gladys O'Bannon had a
cock tail party for her. I heard
that Fannie O'Bannon and
Churchill Robinson (Jennie
Liggins' brother) are to be mar-
ried. Isabel Schaefer - Har-
kins is really blooming
now. She looks so much better.
Arabelle & Geo Jr. have moved
next door to the Ramseys
on Grand. The parents had
a reception Sunday for
the visiting daughters-in-law
and sons. I wasn't invited.
Spillman's reception was
about average. His presents
were not so numerous.
Frances Bryant Dr. Mrs. Gay,
one of the Rhoads girls, William
Williamson's brother were in
the line. Lots of people were

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Not invited. Someone took a valuable crystal chandelier from C. H.'s house during his wife's confinement. It was in the paper. I think I am repeating some news. Carolyn Jan-Batey took a social service job in her home town in N.C. Her husband set up an undertaking Co. there. Katherine Blackwell got her job here. Laura Smith got Catherine's job. You seem to know Miss Green the social worker who got a leave of absence. Arabella had her place. She is expected back Sept 1st. Have you seen Bernice Battolente, Ella Lawrence or Stella Shipley? they are there. Beatrice Haller's husband

VII

in Chicago filed for bankruptcy. Alty Anderson won by a land slide over Lee Brown in the primary. Offutt (Rev. W. P.) Blaine Hall and C. F. Page ran for Aldermen in different wards. All made a good showing but I think their white opponents beat them. Swope and Keane Johnson won the Republican + Democrat nominations. F. K. will leave about Aug 20th. She will stay in Washington several days. Mrs. Clem Rogers had a debutante party week-end at the Rogers' at W. Baden. No more news. Write and come soon. Love. Mary

interested in Anderson's campaign. I hear my tall friend borrowed the money to take her trip. Mrs. Brock (E) has moved her shop nearer to Walnut St. Lillian and Chas. are still in Pa. Ruth and her children never did come. I will have the club in Oct. Helen or Bill should have it in Sept. Abbie says Emma might be here for the winter. Prof. Crawford will have an apartment at Prof Russell's next fall with his mother. It seems that his fiancée announced the engagement + wedding date without consulting him. Be sure to tear this letter up. Murray was hostess to the Bings crowd in Blacks. I am writing all this so you won't be so far behind when you return. All send love. Mary.

Box 772
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7-18-39

Dear Louise,

I haven't heard from you but I am writing because I have the time. Everything seems to be going nicely here. I am sure you saw the Ins. group. The American Legion state convention will be here July 23-26. C.H. has a daughter. Mrs. St Clair's mother is here from Washington. Summer School at Municipal is over. Hazel is staying an extra week, resting. The cooking school is to take place at our church again. B. Carson joined our church Sunday. We went to see our church's team play soft ball last night they were good. They played

15th Street Memorial. The Lanes have a new car (Buick). The J.A. Thomas' have one just like it. Broadway Temple's new pastor is Rev Perry from Waterbury Conn. He looks like G.P. Hughes "they" say. Rufus was here 2 weeks ago. Helen is having the C.S.C. tonight. It will end up in a bridge game. Marie Bright will be present. Mrs. Wilson had to go unexpectedly to the bedside of Mr. Wilson's aunt. He didn't go. Thelma Cayne played the organ in her place. The Reddings are here visiting the Murray Wilsons. She weighs about 100 lbs. The N.A.A.C.P. Woman's Committee sponsored a Bingo in Murray's back yard Sat. night July 15th. They had a nice crowd. Christine Mason helped greatly. Murray's sister was there. Lorraine and O'Bannion were together. She and F.K. were at Howard at the same time. The Bingo proceeds went toward helping the crippled children at the Red Cross. Maxine is in her new home at 17th & Oak. Geo Robinson Jr. bought the house next door to Rat Ramsey. Adam has signed up for another year in St Louis. Miss Green will be back to resume her job Sept 1st. Arabella has it now. H.H.Y. seems to be getting on her feet again. She is removing her insurance gradually. Hazel seems in

P.S. Mother and Octavia spent a week-end with us. So you can imagine how busy I have been.

Hampton Institute, Va.
August 17, 1939

My dear Louise,
I've thought about you often this summer and realize that I should have written you weeks ago, but, as you can guess, I've been very, very busy getting settled in our little home.

I know your summer has been and still is, a very pleasant one. By this time, summer school is over and you are no doubt "doing" the West in a big way. Also, you are probably thinking about returning to Kentucky to make that Sept. 3 meeting.

I don't hear from Louisville often. My relatives write short, to-the-point letters and the only news I get is through Maude. While at Wilberforce last week at the Midwesterns, the J. D. Thomases,
(over)

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The Panes and C. H. drove up to the final matches. Gardner Kean played a good game, but was eliminated. Juanita looked nice and had a good time meeting old friends.

My summer has been the busiest one I've ever experienced. Aside from my new rôle as busy housewife, I have been more or less forced to socialize more than I should have. As a result, I am somewhat tired and am looking forward to much rest this fall when things quiet down a bit. Our home is quite comfortable.

Quinn and I had planned to attend the Dental Convention and then come on to Hampton. After thinking it over, we both decided we were too tired to make both, so we decided to come on to Hampton where we can take things easier. En route here, we spent a night in Washington visiting Howard U. and seeing the high points in general.

We are thrilled with Hampton. It is really beautiful and I am having the good time that you predicted I would have. There are interesting

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folk here from all parts of the country. This morning, as Quinn and I were going to breakfast, we heard a horn toot and it was Bill Massie! Was I surprised! She, Annis Stephens and two other youngsters matored up from Louisville. She says she is having the time of her life. This evening we are all going to a watermelon feast on the campus. Tomorrow night is the big A. T. A. ball which is the final big affair. Quinn and I plan to leave Sunday night for home.

Our trip here was a real treat. We matored through the Allegheny and the Cumberland Mountains which I had never seen before.

We plan to go see Elsie Fields before leaving. We came through Richmond and had dinner at Va. Union University.

Now back to Cleveland for a short chat. I know you've heard that Bud Logan and Jane married. They seem very happy and many of Jane's friends are giving showers, dinners etc. for her.

Jane said she hated to resign but she hopes to be able to teach again after a year.

Maudie Brown is fine. She came over to my house for lunch one day. She has been having her usual dinners for guests.

Minnie Alta Taylor came to Cleveland during the Poultry Congress and spent six days with me. I wasn't quite ready for guests, but she said she didn't mind. Stenson Broadbent who teaches Agriculture, came from Ky. State as a delegate. They had a good time seeing Cleveland's Clubs, meeting other visitors and visiting friends. I was getting ready to go to Wilberforce and couldn't entertain for Minnie as I would have liked to do. She had good looking clothes as usual.

Must close. It's time to go to the matches. Several folk are here from Cleveland and they are coming by the Dormitory for us.

Do write me when you can. I enjoy your letters most of all.

Quinn sends regards. He is truly enjoying his two weeks' vacation. Love to Herb. I know he hates to see you leave.

Sincerely, Louise Sylvia.

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July 1, 1931.

Dear Louise,

I received your letter this morning. Glad you arrived safely and are situated so nicely. I talked with your mother yesterday. She was well and said she got your letter and had just collected \$26.00 on two parleys. We saw your father mowing the grass as we passed coming to work this morning. We miss you so much.

John and I are planning to go to Evansville Ind to see Helen Sat. or. Sun. We also plan to go to the Inter-fraternal picnic. I am glad you had a nice visit in Cincy.

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John had told me about Smith's de-
sire to get back to the office and I
was afraid you had not seen him. They
planned an-outing for you Wed. & Thur.
Do you know what Lucy's operation was
for? Joe de-Int. Johnston says he is
glad he is being moved because he
is beginning to love Kate and is very
jealous of her husband. She says she
will be through her going to the
tennis meet in Tuskegee. Little Kathie
is to do her work at the playground
while she is away. Kate's husband says
if she loses her job because of being
married, he will take care of her, she
doesn't have to worry. It is very-very
hot here. We had a most terrific storm
Monday. Unroofed several hundred
houses & hotels, blew down a big tree in
almost every block, broke windows
and twisted off limbs. The worst storm
in the history of Louisville. I will write
again after the picnic & Evansville visit.
John sends love. He has had a little sto-
mach trouble. I had a letter from Fannie
K. today saying that Hazel Hart was
there for a month she & Idema called and
played bridge late night. Hattie Thomas has
a Mormon roaster. Va. Graham Gope has bobbed
hair. Bebe had to go home. The Dr. advised her
to do so on account of her health. Please send
a little cool breeze down every night so
we can sleep. Much love and good
wishes. Your friend

Mary

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