

Friday A.M.

[1950?]

Dearest Louise,

I'm sure you are happy to be on vacation, and that you are getting some rest. Or, are you?

When do you plan your trip? If so, then you are lining up your wardrobe, and making all the necessary preliminary steps which a trip like that requires.

This leaves us fine. Last night was Commencement at Sylvia's school, and we are all quite tired. She sang with the choral group, and that meant a great deal of rehearsals, etc. The Operetta was last Friday night and we really enjoyed it.

So really, this is the

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first free day Sylvia has had
in which to relax.

I had thought I would
have been in Louisville before
now, but there wasn't any-
thing urgent enough to
warrant a trip.

After I learned that Bowmer
was claiming the whole estate
because Catherine and I are
not blood relatives, I felt
that we would be fighting a
losing battle.

Another reason I didn't
come is because I didn't
want to stop at Catherine's, and
she might be hurt if I stopped
with you or at a hotel. My
reason is that she is quite
nervous and would talk
all night. I'm inclined to

have high ^{3.} blood pressure,
and I didn't feel up to
listening to all that mess
over and over again.

I wrote and told her that
I had done what I could
while aunt C. lived, my
conscience is clear, and
now I can't worry too much
over the outcome of things.

Louise, please do me a
favor. When you talk to
Catherine, try to calm her
down by explaining to her
that aunt C. made her choice
when she married, and it
would be hard for us to
fight the Ky. laws.

At one time I was will-
ing to go into a thorough
investigation, but she

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feared unpleasant reactions,
so I discarded that idea.

I have put in a few
cancelled checks hoping to
get back a little cash.

My friend, Dorothy Binford
spent a couple of days with
us. How we did enjoy
her! Belle Hendricks and
Lil Gregory had her to luncheons
and Bea Foy took us all
to a sea-food dinner out
on the Lake Erie Pier at
"Captain Frank's".

The Jack and Jill Senior
Night's are going to the regional
Conference in Detroit on
the 20th. Sylvia can't decide
whether she wants to go or
not. Have you heard whether
Minnie Alta and her teen-agers

are going?

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I'm sure the A U picnic was a big success. Am still sorry we couldn't get there. Do write me about it.

We do hope to come to Ky; a little later when Catherine calms down a bit. She will simply have to adjust her thinking and carry on from here. She didn't pay too much attention to Aunt C. thruout the years, and I'm a bit surprised at all the commotion now.

Anna is fine and continues to be quite busy with her sewing. She wanted to come to the Derby, but couldn't arrange it. Do you know anyone

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who is coming to the
N. A. A. C. P. meeting in July?
Big plans are being made
for the delegates.

The Masons had a big,
successful meeting, too.
At Christmas time the Omegas
are meeting here.

Do write soon.

Rave,

Ravie

school teachers she is too busy. I don't see how she managed alone. I wrote Anne Gavin and I am wondering did she receive it. Also Julia Russell McClain. There is a sales woman in one of the leading stores here that looks so much like Julia. I do hope Mr. Crume will see after Nannie Crume grave. I tried to arrange with one of the boys Nannie knew but it did not work out so I do hope he will. Altho I am sure he is busy with other interest now. Tell all our old neighbors hello and our friends. Take care of yourself and write when you can. Sincerely yours
Christine

900 E. Front St
Plainfield N.J.
[1930?]

my dear house,

I have owed you a letter for quite some time. Spring came and we were so anxious to get our yard in shape I had to put everything aside. We are on a corner and that makes our back yard a front yard. So I had bushes dug up and I cut down bushes, took up bushes. The former owner had too much. Every one says it looks so much better I like it. There are a few more things to do to it and we had the front walk fixed

and a new drive way to the garage.

I know Louisville was a gay place for the Merby and William being there added to the gay spirit also. We saw the race on T.V. did you have any Company for the Merby?

School will soon be out and I know you will be glad in a way. The schools there will close sooner than the schools there, so much time is lost in very cold weather here. So that time has to be made up. Nan Mason has been going to school, extension of Rutgers and she has finished that up. Like all

900 E. Front St.

Plainfield, N.J.

1950.

Miss Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Haverhill, Mass.



Sunday

January 6, 1952

Dear Miss Mathews,

Received your wonderful letter when I returned from my slight Christmas vacation. I was glad to hear you received my cards and everybody is fine at school.

I didn't do much while in Louisville because I was working at the Pendennis Club. I did see some of my old classmates here and there. I saw Deborah Wallace at the Armory one night and I saw some more on the street.

Semester Exams start the 21st so we have to really buckle down and study. They shouldn't be too hard, but the easy ones are the ones that get you. I hope this French Exam will be as easy as those you used to give us. (smiles) The only thing that worries me is Chemistry. That's one subject which really makes you scuffle. I remember some of the boys and girls said that they don't want any English and Mathematics, well, here at Morehouse you have to be able to read and interpret what you are reading, and be able to figure. To me Chemistry is Mathematics, French is English, and Social Science is English, So if you aren't ^{not} up to par on your reading you are way behind in College.

I don't think I explained this to you, but

there are three levels for a college student. The first level is where the student is reading on a 13+ level. If he is reading on this level he takes a full load of 17 hours. If he is in the second level he takes a reading course and only takes 16 hours, omitting his language. If the student is in the third group, he is reading on a 6 or 7+ level he omits his language, and takes two courses in reading. I'm glad that I am in this 13+ group, but it isn't a picnic in this group. We have to subscribe for the Time Magazine, Life, Fortune, and the Atlantic Monthly. There are articles in there which we have to read, discuss, and make reports on, so as to keep us reading on a 13+ level.

Here at Morehouse we are allowed three cuts in all of our classes which meet ~~three~~^{thrice} the week. If the class meets once the week we get one cut etc. You get a double cut if you cut two ^{days} before or two days after a holiday. We also have 7 chapel cuts a semester. I have used up all my cuts now I am waiting on the second semester so I can get some more.

We won't get anymore holidays until Mar. 27 when we get a week. I guess that's when I ^{will} come visit your class and see how everyone is at school. Sometimes I wish I was back at central then

I realize
^ that there something ahead in life for me,
so I just forget and go on doing my work.

During the vacation I forgot to get some
of the school kids addresses, and I would like
to write them a long letter. If it wouldn't trouble
you, would you send Lela's, Helen's, Deborah's,
Winsett's, and Wiggins, please, and tell them I
haven't forgotten them, it is just I didn't have
their address. I'm sure going to tell the other boys
what they missed.

Even the grades are lower here than in
high school. Here 91-100 is A 81-90-B, 71-80-C
61-70-D, and all under that is failing, so
it isn't so bad down here in Atlanta. The only
bad part about it is, that every morning I wake
up ~~together~~ and turn on the radio, on comes
"Dixie". I'm so tired of hearing Dixie I don't
know what to do.

Morehouse played their first two home games
Friday & Saturday nite. They lost the first one to
Morris Brown 56-57, but defeated Alabama A & M
71-43.

Well, that's about all, and excuse the writing

P.S.

I hope you receive this
letter, because I am sending it to the address on your envelope.

Yours Truly
Joe Drummell

Joseph Brumme II
Morehouse College
Atlanta, GA.

Jan. 6, '52

Miss F. L. Mathews
2121 West Chestnut
Louisville 11, Kentucky

4514 St. Georges Ave.

Baltimore 12, Maryland

August 2, 1953

Dear Louise,

Your letter was received during my last week at Stevens Point. I am glad that I was able to find you July 5th after arriving in Madison without notice. These six week Fellowship periods are crowded with so many activities that one seldom knows how much open time he will have. Sorry it started raining almost as soon as I returned to the campus. Maybe we shall have better weather next time we meet. I am glad that you enjoyed the summer session at the University of Wisconsin. I enjoyed my Fellowship with the Hardware Mutuals.

The president of Wisconsin State College at Stevens Point took Dr. Savage and me on a trip through a number of Wisconsin cities and to his summer home on Kelly Lake the week-end after I was in Madison. We went through Waupaca and Appleton. While in Appleton we walked over the campus at Lawrence College. We went through two museums that you would enjoy seeing. One was the Wade House - a restored inn. The other was the Oakleaf Museum. The Oakleaf Museum has among other things a clock - made, if I remember it correctly, by a lumberman a number of years ago. It chimes on the hour and half hour. While the chimes are sounding a door opens in the center of the clock and Christ appears. Another door opens on his right and the twelve disciples come out to the front (traveling in a

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semi circular path to a door on Christ's left) and the first eleven - one after the other upon reaching the center of the platform - turn and bow to Christ and then proceed to the door. He twelfth, Judas with a money bag, turns his back to Christ when he gets to the center of the platform. Quite a number of people assemble to see the clock. There is a museum, the Payne House - built by a wealthy lumberman, across the street from the Oakwood Museum. We did not have time to go through the Payne House.

We went through Menasha and had a picnic lunch at Neenah on the Wolf river at Lake Winnetago. Incidentally President Hansen had Mrs. Hansen, her mother and an Irish settler in the station wagon. We went through Fond Du Lac and Green Bay and north to Kelly Lake. The Hansens have a cottage on the lake - lake is about 25 feet from the front porch. We had dinner at the cottage and spent Saturday night. Sunday morning we looked at several lakes in that section as well as some of the huge white pine and other trees.

After lunch we went through the Menominee Indian reservation and Shawano on the way back to Stevens Point.

I do not know Dr. Dolightly but Dr. Savage knows him. I think, he said Dr. Dolightly taught at Lincoln U. of Mo. before going to the University of Wisconsin.

Mrs. Penn and two other Negroes made the trip from the University of Wisconsin to the Hardware Mutuals. I think, the companies had a nice program for the class. Incidentally, the officials of the Hardware Mutuals did not

know that they were coming to Stevens Point when you told me about it. They got a letter requesting permission to bring the class to see the companies about two days after I got back from Madison.

Prima Lee has one more week in summer school. Her class ends August 7th. I haven't seen her since June 14th. I am going to Philadelphia on the 5th.

I had a three hour lay over between ~~planes~~ planes in Washington. Eleanor was in the Washington National Airport when I arrived and spent the three hours there. I was traveling through Washington on July 25th, which was her birthday.

We had delightful cool weather in Stevens Point - only seven hot days in six weeks. The weather was cooler and less humid than that in Madison. That cool weather is only a pleasant memory now that I am back in Baltimore where we are having 92° - 94° weather with high humidity.

Love to Aunt Ophelia.

Lovingly,
Wimped, Jr.

Memo

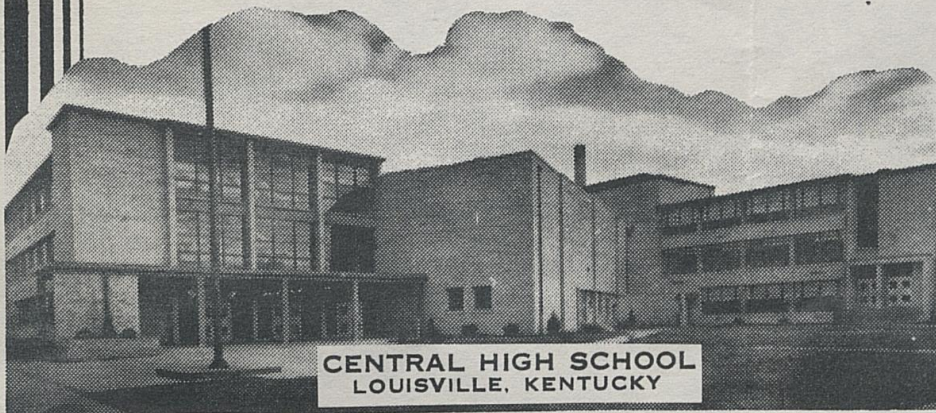
From
ATWOOD S. WILSON
Principal

Oct. 7, 1953

To Miss F. L. Matthews,

I trust that your mother
will continue to improve. We
extended the services of your
substitute to this Friday. I should
^{like} to hear from you Sat. or Sun.
regarding your mother's condition.

We at Central, think of
you ^{often} and are at your
service in anything we
can do. Atwood Wilson



REED NAMED CAMPAIGN CHAIRMAN FOR TAX ISSUE

William M. Reed, President of American Air Filter Company, has been named chairman of a Louisville Council for Public Education Committee to campaign for the passage of a 50c tax increase for Louisville Public School Buildings. The tax is to be voted on in November.

Thomas A. Ballantine, President of the Louisville Council for Public Education, in making the announcement said the committee will be known as the "Citizens Committee for the Six-Year Building Program."

The Louisville Council for Public Education is made up of citizens and lay people interested in the public schools. "Inadequate buildings to house the tremendous increase in school enrollments is one of the more serious problems that need immediate attention," Ballantine said.

The City Board of Education wants the voters to approve the additional 50c school tax to finance a \$15,000,000 building and improvement program.

"The proposed tax is a good thing," Reed says, "and cheaper on the people than a bond issue. The tax is only for six years and if passed will bring in revenue almost immediately which the Board of Education can use to relieve the school housing situation."

Reed announced that Mrs. E. H. Cosgrove, program chairman of the Louisville P.T.A. Council, has agreed to serve as co-chairman. Mrs. Cosgrove has been a leader in P.T.A. work for a number of years, having served as President of the Cochran Elementary and Barret Junior High Schools' P.T.A.

Reed also announced that other committee members would be announced in the near future.

NEW TEACHERS

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Schreiber, Constance A., Jacob. Seay, Mrs. Rhoda Evelyn, Tingley. Shaver, Mrs. Marguerite, Shawnee High. Sloan, Mrs. Amelia Saunders, Bowman Field. Spaulding, Richard, Highland Jr. High. Standford, Raymond Estill, Barret Jr. High. Steable, Patricia J., Tingley. Stiltz, Ruth, Parkland Jr. High. Striipe, Margaret, Western Jr. High. Taber, Frederic W., Shawnee High.

SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM

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classrooms to replace the nine portable classrooms now in use, a large room for band, orchestra, and chorus work and to provide very modestly for future growth.

(2) An addition to the Ahrens Trade High School to provide additional classrooms and shops for the increased number of boys and girls applying for the trade program. This addition should also include an auditorium and a new or enlarged cafeteria. There should also be an addition to the school site.

(3) An addition to Shawnee High School. This would include sixteen classrooms to replace twelve portable classroom units now in use and provide modestly for future growth.

(4) An addition to the Jackson Street Junior High School to provide approximately sixteen classrooms and shops to replace twelve classrooms now in portable buildings and cottages and to provide modestly for future growth. This addition should also include an auditorium and a larger lunchroom both of which will serve both Jackson Street Junior High School and Booker T. Washington Elementary School located on the same site.

(5) Adequate additional junior high school facilities in other sections of the city as needed because of increasing pupil population.

(6) Fifty-six new classrooms as additions to existing elementary school buildings to replace portable classrooms now being used and to provide additional rooms for the increasing pupil population distributed approximately as follows: Virginia Avenue—16 rooms; McFerran—12 rooms; Roosevelt—8 rooms; Shawnee—8 rooms; Foster—8 rooms; Clay—4 rooms.

(7) Relocation within the main building of the toilet facilities in the old schools which are still served by toilet units located outside the classroom unit.

EQUIPMENT NEEDS

(1) Plans have been made for acoustical treatment of the ceilings of classrooms in many of these old buildings, both for the acoustic values and for safety reasons.

(2) Provision of cabinets, bookshelves, and display boards in the classrooms in older buildings in which such facilities are either lacking or very inadequate.

(3) Additional provisions for hot water to lavatories and shops scattered throughout the system.

(4) Modernization of equipment which has become so obsolete that it handicaps work.

(5) Modernization in the lighting of buildings erected in the late twenties and early thirties.

(6) Equipment for all new classrooms.

SITES

(1) Additions to the school sites of many of the older schools.

(2) Hard surfacing of additional play areas at a number of the schools.

WAREHOUSING

A new warehouse for school equipment and supplies.

Thompson, Mrs. Carol Cochran, Hazelwood.

Thurman, Harold Leroy, Parkland Jr. High.

Tilly, Lawrence J., Atherton High.

Tomokins, Mrs. Ann O., Ahrens Trade High.

Trusky, Mrs. Fay Shaheen, Ahrens Trade High.

Turner, Mrs. Ann, Rutherford.

VanLew, Mrs. Harriet Bullock, Frayser.

Verwest, Mrs. Leilana, Roberts.

Wallace, Lucy Joyce, McFerran.

Walton, Elizabeth M., Clark High.

Ware, Willis Catherine, Barret Jr. High.

Watson, Allan C., Highland Jr. High.

Way, Virginia, Rutherford.

Wellman, Robert L., Eastern Jr. High.

West, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth, Salisbury.

Whitaker, Mrs. Mozelle, Dunbar.

COMMUNITY CHEST

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for classroom use concerning the Chest. Solicitations will be made during the week of October 19.

The goal for the Louisville Public Schools has been set at \$24,000. This is only \$800 more than was raised last year.

NEWSLETTER

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SUPERINTENDENT'S EDITORIAL

Louisville's School Building Needs

During the past half century, the steady growth of public education throughout the country has given local authorities a continuing problem of school building. Since about 1890, the building needs for the high schools have pressed more urgently than elementary, because high school enrollment is now almost twenty times what it was in 1890.

In recent years, it has been the needs of the elementary schools which have been most urgent. The birthrate, which dropped steadily in the late twenties and early and middle thirties, began in the late thirties to rise and during the War and Postwar period has continued at an unexpected rate. The number of births in 1947 was the highest on record. The number from 1948, 1949 and 1950 showed only a slight decrease from the peak of 1947. In 1951, the number of births went well beyond 1947; and 1952 exceeded 1951. There is every indication that 1953 will equal or exceed 1952.

In Louisville and surrounding areas, the birthrate has followed the national pattern very closely. In addition, we have grown steadily because of the conversion of many wartime plants to peacetime production and, more recently, because new large industries have come into the area.

Some idea of the effect of the increased birthrate and general population increase can be gained from the fact that, at the beginning of the 1952-53 school year, we had an increase of approximately 3,000 in school enrollment over that for 1951-52. Enrollment for 1953-54 exceeds 1952-53 by about 3,000. This increase is principally in kindergarten and elementary grades but in a few years, it will have reached junior and senior high schools as well.

For many months, your Board of Education and Administrative Staff

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THE SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM

The Louisville Board of Education will ask the voters of the City school district to vote a special building tax of fifty cents on each \$100 of assessed property valuation for the next six years. This will be an additional tax, if approved by the voters, above the present \$1.50 now levied for current operating expenses. It is estimated that such a tax will produce \$15,000,000 over the six-year period or \$2,500,000 annually. After many conferences the Board voted to ask for the special tax rather than for a bond issue because of the great savings which can be accomplished on a pay-as-you-go building program.

The amount to be requested was also arrived at after detailed studies and many conferences by the staff and the Board on what were the immediate building needs. The increased school population for the past two years alone, as pointed out by Superintendent Carmichael, was sufficient to fill six new elementary schools the size of the new Hazelwood school.

The Research Division estimates that it will be necessary to provide for at least 10,000 additional children within the next six years. This forecast is based upon the number of births already recorded in the city and upon the number of children already enrolled in the schools. Unexpected city population growth will cause this forecast to be even more conservative.

In 1947 the number of births throughout the nation was the highest on record but in 1951 the number of births went well beyond the 1947 total. The 1952 number exceeded 1951 and the number in 1953 is running ahead of 1952. Birth rates in Louisville are following this national pattern very closely. In 1959 the public high schools of this country may have about six million more students than they have today. That would mean an increase of almost one hundred per cent and can easily mean a national crisis which will make the current elementary problem look like a minor headache.

Eight of the present school buildings are over 100 years old, twelve are over 75 years old, fifteen are over 50 years old, and all but four are over 20 years old. Some of these should be replaced. Many need extensive remodeling and modernization. They all need additional equipment as well as replacement for much that is worn out.

Additional equipment will be necessary for the growing population. The building program to be financed by the special tax includes:

NEW BUILDINGS

(1) The Joseph S. Cotter Elementary School located at 35th St. and Bohne Ave. to serve the new Cotter Housing Project and some of the adjoining area.

(2) A new elementary school to replace the present Parkway School, 1521 S. 11th St., which is now composed entirely of portable buildings, and to replace portables at the John Marshall School. This will be erected on the Seventh St. Road site opposite the Minneapolis-Moline Co. plant.

(3) A new elementary school for the rapidly increasing elementary population in the southern end of the city, possibly on the Steedly Ave. and Strawberry Ln. site now owned by the Board.

(4) A new junior high school on the site now owned by the Board of Education on Taylor Blvd. to relieve the overcrowding at Southern Junior High School and to care for the rapidly increasing junior high school pupil population in the southern end of the city.

(5) New buildings to replace about nine of the oldest and most obsolete elementary schools with the possible consolidation of some of these schools in the older sections of the city where business is replacing homes.

ADDITIONS TO BUILDINGS

(1) An addition to the Atherton High School to provide ten additional

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have been studying the needs and developing plans for meeting them. The program contemplates new buildings, where necessary to serve newly developed areas; additions to existing buildings, where increased population indicates permanent need; replacement of some of the worst of the old buildings; major improvements in old buildings retained; additions to some of the more inadequate play areas for old schools and new sites for future needs.

More specific information in regard to the building program and its financing will be given in a future editorial.

NEW OFFICES

The Division of Curriculum has been shifted to the offices of Psychology and those occupied by Buildings and Grounds.

The offices of Psychology have been moved to the suite formerly occupied by the office of Adult Education, which has been moved to room 205.

The offices of Buildings and Grounds have been consolidated in the ground floor wing which formerly was the garage and the maintenance office.

The Division of Personnel is housed in room 106.

The office of Kindergarten-Primary Education has been moved to the south side of the Superintendent's old suite on the second floor.

The office of Upper Elementary Education has been moved into the north side of the Superintendent's old suite.

The office of the guidance coordinator is in room 204.

Purchases and Stores continue to occupy the old curriculum suite.

A large conference room has been created in the Superintendent's old suite.

RECEPTION FOR NEW ELEMENTARY TEACHERS



Reception given September 23 in the Board Room at the Administration Building, for the new Elementary teachers.

**NEW TEACHERS—
1953-54**

The NEWSLETTER Staff extends a hearty welcome to the new teachers employed by the Board of Education and wishes for all of them a very successful year.

Adams, Frank C., Male and Girls High.
Adams, Mrs. Irene, Salisbury.
Adams, Mrs. Virginia Williams, Clay.
Allen, Mrs. Aley Sleen, Shawnee Elementary.
Anderson, Ruth P., Manly Jr. High.
Anglin, John A., Madison St. Jr. High.
Ashley, Stella, Field.
Back, Mrs. Beulah, Male and Girls High.
Baird, Mrs. Eleanor, Southern Jr. High.
Baker, Shirley B., Hazelwood.
Baleh, Mrs. Marie B., Merker.
Balentine, Mrs. Mary M., Eastern Jr. High.
Beard, Charles Marshall, Atherton High.
Benjamin, Mrs. Joan, Frayser.
Berna, Barbara Anne, Eastern Jr. High.
Bilbartz, Wilma, Manly Jr. High.
Bowers, Mrs. Martha, Western Jr. High.
Bowles, Mrs. Catherine C., Barret Jr. High.
Bowling, Mrs. Norma Richards, Western Jr. High.
Bradford, Leon, B. T., Washington.
Brett, Joyce, Marshall.
Britt, Mae Anna, B. T., Washington.
Brown, Mrs. Barbara B., Jacob.

Burbank, Lucile V., Southern Jr. High.
Burger, Mrs. Sarah Hummel, Marshall.
Burns, Mrs. Charlotte E., Strother.
Burns, Etta Jane, Hazelwood.
Calhoun, Anna D., Virginia Avenue.
Callender, Jack T., Atherton High.
Campbell, Albert Kenton, Atherton High.
Cissell, Mrs. Margaret, Semple.
Coburn, Mrs. Katherine M., Tingley.
Cole, Mrs. Floris Ellis, Waverly Hills.
Coleman, Katherine L., Douglas.
Coleman, Mary, Portland.
Combs, Mrs. Oma Burns, Atkinson.
Conn, Mrs. Olive H., Rutherford.
Cook, Margaret, Dollinger.
Cox, Mrs. Billie Joyce, Southern Jr. High.
Crabtree, Mrs. Louise, Manly Jr. High.
Crowder, William W., Jacob.
Curry, Jean Marie, Hazelwood.
Darnall, Paul, Western Jr. High.
Davis, Betty Lou, Roosevelt.
Davis, Nell Hart, Foster.
Deweese, Mrs. Mary Jo, Roosevelt.
Downs, Mrs. Ann McDonald, B. T. Washington.
Elmes, Jo Ann, Salisbury.
Everling, Mrs. Ima, Belknap.
Froek, Rose Lee, Atkinson.
Graves, Mrs. Beverly Fife, Rutherford.
Elmes, Jo Ann, Salisbury.
Grass, Mrs. Annetta Gene, Bloom.
Grass, Thomas P., Douglas.
Grubb, Mrs. Amanda, Frayser.
Hamby, Mrs. Clara, Roberts.
Hamilton, Margaret Ann, Rutherford.
Hanscock, Joseph J., Jr., Washington.
Hardy, Helen M., Rubel Avenue.
Harlamert, Daisy Mae, Brandeis.

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Harris, Mrs. Mary Ann, Roberts.
Haversock, Mrs. Lora S., Portland.
Helson, Jewel Mae, Salisbury.
Henninger, Mrs. Marion G., Hill.
Henry, Mrs. Joanne Bader, Atkinson.
Herridon, Scottie E., B. T. Washington.
Hessay, Myrtle H., Rutherford.
Hester, Mrs. Annie, Roosevelt.
Higgins, Mrs. Elenora T., Virginia Avenue.
Highsmith, Kath, McFerran.
Hins, Mrs. Marie B., Clay.
Hinds, Charles Franklin, Male and Girls High.
Hodges, Samuel F., Special Music.
Holland, Lexie, Male and Girls High.
Holloway, Mrs. Katie L., Whalley.
Hord, Mrs. Bobbie M., Cochran.
Hudson, Thomas B., Barret Jr. High.
Hurst, Marilyn Jean, Cochran.
Jones, Mrs. Rosalie S., Semple.
Kassnic, Mrs. June Conner, Hazelwood.
Kennedy, Phillip Edward, Roosevelt.
Keer, Mrs. Mary Virginia, Manly Jr. High.
Kirkpatrick, E. Forgy, McFerran.
Kleier, William H., Shawnee High.
Klein, Mrs. Mrs. C., Tingley.
Kleine-Kracht, Mrs. Grace H., McFerran.
Krause, Mrs. Fielding, Kossar.
Larsgaard, Stanley, Barret Jr. High.
Ledford, Mrs. Draper, McFerran.
Lerding, Eddie Lee, Shawnee High.
Lively, Mrs. Lois Kyer, Hazelwood.
Lyon, Margaret M., Roosevelt.
Malpas, Mrs. Frances C., Highland Jr. High.
Martin, Mrs. Martha Smith, Hazelwood.
Mather, Mrs. Mary K., Lowell.
Mathews, Bonita R., Bond.
Maupin, Mrs. Madeline T. B. T., Washington.
Mayer, Robert, Southern Jr. High.
McCarley, Mrs. Nell B., Jackson St. Jr. High.
McCluskey, Mrs. Elizabeth A n n, Roosevelt.
McDaniel, Zita Kay, Shawnee High.
Miles, John L., Jr., Dunbar.
Mooney, Alice S., Ahrens Trade High.
Motley, Lois, Male and Girls High.
Morehead, Mrs. Priscilla James, Dunbar.
Morris, Mrs. Kay B., Salisbury.
Neblett, Patsy Ann, Shawnee High.
Osborne, Ora Lee, Longfellow.
Penny, Mrs. Charlene S., Frayser.
Perkins, Hughlyne, Jackson St. Jr. High.
Purnell, Mrs. Florence K., Roosevelt.
Rice, John Keith, Southern Jr. High.
Richardson, Mrs. Dorothy B., Parkland.
Ridley, Aubrey, Western Jr. High.
Robby, Howard W., Ahrens Trade High.
Rose, Chester F., Southern Jr. High.
Rumpel, Mrs. Betty, Beechmont.
Rymer, Evelyn Parks, Roosevelt.
Sawyer, Estie M., Shawnee High.
Sawyers, Mrs. Kathleen M., Jacob.
Schell, Ethel L., Manly Jr. High.
Schoen, Margaret, Ahrens Trade High.

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**MRS. ARBUTHNOT
TO LECTURE**

Mrs. May Hill Arbuthnot will present a series of three lectures to the elementary teachers of Louisville on October 7. Mrs. Arbuthnot was formerly a professor of Education at Western Reserve University but now devotes full time to the compiling of children's literature and to lecturing. She is the author of such well-known books as "Time for Poetry," "Time for Fairy Tales," "Time for True Tales," and "Children and Books." She is in great demand as a lecturer on children's literature and arrangements for her visit to the Louisville teachers have been made by Mary Browning and Bonnie Howard.

**FIRE PREVENTION
WEEK**

Plans for Fire Prevention activities, not only for Fire Prevention Week, but for the year, were made by representatives from the various school levels. The committee includes: Helen Borgman, Roy Lawrence, Mrs. Katherine Moore, Robert B. Clem, J. Wayne Hackett, W. S. Milburn, Esther Panke, Robert Turner, Mrs. Evelyn Smith. Meeting with this committee as guests were Mrs. H. F. Zimmerman, General Chairman of the Fire Prevention Council; Mrs. David Musacho, representing the parochial schools; and Inspector Murphy from the Fire Prevention Bureau.

**MISS COLLINS
TO RETURN**

Nancy Collins, Psychologist, who has been ill in Detroit since before the opening of schools, has now returned to Louisville and expects to return to her office about Oct. 1.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Mildred Pucin, Teacher, Foster School.
Miss Pearl Youm, Teacher, Jacob School.
Mrs. Mary Davidson, Lunchroom Assistant, Ahrens Trade High School.

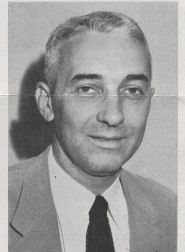
COMMUNITY CHEST

Minnie Gibbs, principal of Heywood School, and Charles Patterson, assistant principal of duPont Manual High School, are the chairman and co-chairman of the Community Chest Drive for the Louisville Public Schools this year. The organization is the same



MINNIE GIBBS

as it has been in previous years, with the opening rally of the Public Employee Division at the Service Club on October 8. Miss Gibbs is urging



CHARLES PATTERSON

all principals and building chairmen to attend this dinner meeting. During the week of October 5-9 radio station WFPL will broadcast information

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CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
Twelfth and Chestnut Streets
Louisville 3, Kentucky



*Miss F. Louise Matthews
Red Cross Hospital
1440 W. Shelby St.
Louisville - 4 Ky.*

61 Plum Street
New Brunswick, N.J.
July 15, 1954

Dear Louise:

You will probably be very surprised to hear from me and especially from New Brunswick.

One reason for writing besides just to say hello, I took the liberty to give your name as a character reference for me.

I have decided to cast my lot into the money so called opportunities here in the New York area. Having resigned from Richmond I have applied for a similar position in Elmont, N.Y. In filling out the application they sent me, the character reference was to be someone in my home town who had known me for some time.

Feeling you were the ideal person I went ahead and wrote your name and address.

So in the event you are contacted you will have some idea what its all about.

Say hi to Mrs Matthey - do give my fondest regards. Perhaps I will be home for a while - if so I will surely see you both.

Hope you have a pleasant summer.

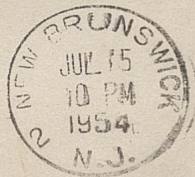
Sincerely

Nanci Thomas

P.S. Please excuse this paper. My favorite excuse is - this was my going away present from the Richmond school system (Smile)

2. Would love to hear from you sometime.

61 Plum St.
New Brunswick, N.J.



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

TO
Both of You
AT
EASTER



This brings just twice
as many thoughts
As other greetings do--
Because, you see,
this Easter card
Is meant for both of you.

HAPPY EASTER

Sara + Mc Kinlay Taylor



prompt in writing.

This attempt I am a little ashamed of because I am wishing to get it in the mail before Easter

Sincerely yours
Sara

Dear Louise

now you know how difficult it is for me to get down to the chore of letter writing - I have been planning so long to tell you how we enjoyed meeting you and your mother again. We talk often of the pleasant time we spent in Louisville and so much of our happy memory is due to you.

We appreciated your letter too and if I could have done what I wanted to, I would have written right away, upon hearing from you, but getting off (even things I want to do) is one of my bad habits.

Psychological block?

When I owe every one I know a letter, then I wish I had answered them one at a time, because friends don't write again and we miss hearing from them. Mac scolds me about this and I promise to do better but then things happen.

In February my brother's house caught fire in the attic - (his youngest boy and a friend were hunting for toys with matches). The firemen did the rest, so the house had to be (practically) rebuilt and John and his family stayed with us for part of that time (while their roof was being replaced).

^{When} my oldest niece needed a costume for a party and I was elected to make it.

March 20 we went to the Met Opera House to hear Leontyne Price. She was guest artist for the United Negro College Fund Convocation

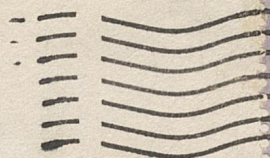
Tuskegee Concert Choir also sang that night and Tullsgar gave a dull speech.

Nothing here is as warm and friendly as the time we had in Louisville with you - Everett and Aunt Rachel and we too wish we could visit again or that all of you could visit us here.

So wise, try to forgive me and write again and I promise to be more

Taylor Apt #2
2032 Gleason Ave
Bronx 72 974c

NEW YORK, N.Y.
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Miss Louise Matthews + Mother
2121 West Chestnut Street
Louisville 11, Kentucky

Jan. 11, 1956

Dear Louise,

How are you and your mother? Fine I hope. I was hoping to get a letter from you soon, but I know that you are busy. I have been pretty busy lately. The final exams are coming up next week, and I have been reviewing for them.

Did you receive the Christmas gift? I hope you like it.

Well I have to get down to school, so I'd better close.

Mother sends her love to you and your mother.

Write soon.

Love,
Lawrence

10576 E. Hyde Park Blvd.,
Chicago, Illinois
March 1, 1958

Dear Louise,

You are the same sweet person I have known since "You and I were young Molly." I know that you have an understanding heart because twice you have sent news items of interest to me and your two letters were here when I returned from Mexico. It was so wonderful to hear from you and I did appreciate your loving thoughts of me.

I did not dwell too much on my situation when I saw you Louise because it seemed so lock-
ing in consequence when I knew the sacrifices you were making and had made. The first two and a half years of Dad's illness, I "ran back and forth" and it was so heart breaking - I nearly collapsed. I had put him in the hospital, where he belonged and I knew he was getting the best that

would be had, still - I thought
I should be there looking at
him. One of those kinds of,
shall we say Complexes.
The doctor said if I went
back any more what he was
going to do to me. About a
week before Thanksgiving Caron was
so tired from office work
he decided not to wait for Feb.,
but our planned vacation -
as the time drew nearer, I
began to despair because I
did not see how I could leave.
Had passed December 11th -
we left here as planned
December 18th - - four weeks in
Mexico ^{and} returned so
refreshed. This was Caron's
third trip in ten months - he
loves it.

Some friends from here
joined us Christmas Eve -
Calderman ^{and} Mrs. Ralph McCalfe,
Lorraine, she is only thirty six
but I feel so comfortable with
her - she likes doing what I do
like - we both like to sleep
late as we have to get up early
here - Lorraine she doesn't
drink either ^{and} I tell her she
trips to be as old as I am she

makes me laugh. The men
play a lot of golf. We went to
Ixtapan - I don't think you
have been there - it looks like
the Garden of Eden (as Benjamin
it) On my first four days there
I took the baths & a week
later when I returned I had an
awful attack of bronchitis -
from the baths - I have not
had a flair up since I had
~~bronchitis~~ pneumonia
in 1932 - I had forgotten I had
bronchitis as a child and young
person. I was terribly ill for
five days but had a good physician.
We were in Acapulco when
they had an earthquake -
Cason said, "I knew you
were calm but you had
such a queer look on your
face - what were you
thinking?" I said, "I had to
come down here to die."

Louise, you have such
a sweet understanding heart
that I am sure you know
what a death does to me.
They make an impression -
each one has affected me
different ^{ways} & I loved each one
so much - & Clarissa - my
son, Emmett, Mother, Dad.

But I think of them every hour
and they seem quite close to me.
Let's see - I heard from
Marie Martin, Jesser Penn
(who is ill) Marnie Green -
Dorothy Gillespie, Marie Owen
(I think you know them -
the "Thomas Girls" from Tuskegee -
of course friends for
ride. It was a beautiful
demonstration of loving kind-
ness.

How are you? Was she
ever such a daughter. Have
you gone back to school?

There's never a dull
moment. Canon is up to his
neck in work and I have not
caught up on my letters but
next week the decorations
come in. Last week I worked
at church four days and a
meeting so you see I keep
busy. How are the Krans and Gatti
mores? Someone told me
they said George lately &
Doctor was still getting around.

Do write me soon. And
I won't take this long to answer.
Thank you again for your
thoughtful letters and the
pleasure of a friendship like
yours.
Sincerely,
Ed.

26 So. Ardmore Ave
Dayton 17, Ohio
6/3/58

Dear Louise,

I was waiting until the hose arrived before I wrote. They came yesterday and they are very pretty. I am sending Miss Fields a card to-day, so she will get it before she leaves for Hampton.

Please tell Adele McDonald the pattern she liked of the dress Eleanor had on is 1342 (Vogue pattern)

When Winfred told you to remind him not to forget the medicine was the time he should have brought it to me to pack. He was thru using it then. "Smile".

I know just how weak you were for Rev. P. having you to attend (2) meetings in one day.

I will try to get by to see the Greens they don't live too far from Eleanor since she is working I have to plan to do the going after she gets home. Fred has been nice to keep the children while we go out.

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We took the children and went to one of the parks and had a picnic Memorial Day. I know you enjoyed the A. U. picnic. Did you win a prize at the Bridge Party that day?

I was so happy to read you found the passport. Was it in the trunk you thought it might be in? Guess you have had your vaccination and also your picture made by this time.

The weather has been cool here for two days. Memorial day was a beautiful day.

I have to call Bea's sister in law too.

Eleanor wanted us to stay longer than we planned so we will be leaving Fri. or Sat. of next week. She will make a quick trip with us.

An exclusive neighborhood is being opened up here to Colored. Two families have bought. Glad there was no incident there when the Colored family moved into the white housing unit.

We have been playing Bridge and seeing the city. Going out to dinner Sat to another picnic next week.

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Hope you get off on your trip at the time you planned and that you have a wonderful time. I am sure you will enjoy every minute.

We enjoyed meeting and playing with all of the people there. I'll write them soon after I get home.

We really had a nice time in Louisville and still miss you.

Winifred, Fred, Eleanor and the children send love. They were so glad to see us. Hope you get some rest before you leave. Did you find some one to stay in the home for you?

We went to church Sunday.

Love,

Ambrosia.

P.S. Only a few more days now, and school will be closed.

American Embassy
Tunis, Tunisia

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION

Washington 25, D. C.

March 8, 1958

Dear Louise,

Let me begin this letter by saying that we are expecting you whenever you are ready to come. We have a large, old, but well-built house, overlooking the sea. From all the rooms on the second floor we have a view of the Mediterranean, seen through the windows opening upon a covered porch or from the porch itself. The house itself sits in a lovely garden, sheltered by trees. This summer we may build a barbecue pit, if the boys will help. The beaches are very near, and in summer everyone lives out of doors. There are numerous places of interest to visit: El Djem, the ruins of the 3rd largest coliseum of Roman times; Dougga, where the "outline" of the ancient city is still intact; Carthage itself, etc... The wonderful part is that you speak French. The Tunisians are just beginning to learn English - or be interested in it. Very little English is spoken here. Arabic, of course, is the native language. As a matter of fact, a small group of us has begun to study Arabic, more as a chance to meet with Arabic women than to learn the language, which is rather difficult. There are numerous sounds for which we have no equivalent, and the alphabet is not the same, as you know... But everyone speaks French!... I hope that you and Abby are seeing as much of each other as possible. You didn't ever tell me whether or not you taught the first semester. The short note that I received from you about three weeks ago is the only word I've had from you - and after my long letter from aboard the "United States". Or did you get that? I wrote at least ten long letters while on board ship, and not one person has said that he received a word from me. I'm wondering who "swallowed" the stamps.

Louise, what is Vivian Glass's married name? I promised to write to her and I just can't think of her name! I know her address... As usual all of my good resolutions in that regard have "gone with the wind". ... Alby wrote me of Everett's death, and I meant to write to Mrs. Harris, but didn't. Please say something nice to her for me. "The old order changeth..." In Tunis, in spite of what the papers may be saying, things are calm. Mr. P. Murphy - or "M. Bons Officio", as the papers here call him - will be returning in a few days, and there seems to be hope for some sort of understanding in the Franco-Tunisian front. Yesterday I met Pres. Bourguiba taking a short walk on the highway. I stopped my car and received a nice bow from him... We have a picture of May shaking hands with him, at the New Year's Reception he gave at the Palace. I'm in the background, or really, foreground.

I must close! This note is long in coming simply because I wanted to write a long one. Now I'm pressed for time... The weather here now is cold and damp. In summer, it is warm and damp, we're told. The humidity is always high. One needs lots of sport clothes - or play clothes. The French are quite "à la mode", withal.

Warm greetings to the Central Faculty and our friends... Just let us know when you are coming so that we can meet you, be it May or later. Please stay as long as you like,
Love, Ruth

Mrs. J. Max Bord
40 American Embassy
Tunis, Tunisia

March 8, 1958

Miss F. Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville, Kentucky
U.S.A

PAR AVION
BY AIR MAIL

January 21, 1958

My dearest Lou,

I'm ashamed that you had to write me before you had a letter from me. First, I'm thrilled over the sweater and I've put delta symbols on the lap. So you know, I really like ~~it too~~. Thank you much more than I can tell you for for them.

School has been keeping me pretty busy since I've been back but on the 28th I'll be finished for this semester. I'm hoping that I can go home because I need to talk with Daddy.

Lou, I want to get married and Mammie doesn't like the guy. I think that her only real reason is that she has an aversion to "little black babies". But that seems so foolish to me. Daddy refuses to say anything because Mammie will get angry with him. The guy is at M. S. T. getting his doctorate and is rather sound, as far as men go. So, I've really a mess of problems!

Carl and his Mother are very kind. Actually, Carl and I didn't

hit it off well at all. He and Frank Stanley nearly drove me insane. I had to go to the doctor the Monday after because my head was about to split. The doctor decided it was migraine. Carl is very spoiled and it all showed up. But my brother always says that every setting supports its own. ~~So~~ maybe this is why I didn't know this earlier. I'll have to fill in the details when I see you.

Christmas was very quiet and being home was both good and restful. Ken was as bright-eyed as all little fellows and watching him was the grandest part of it all.

Daddy is much better but far from being well. Mother holds up like a champ but it all shows in her eyes. I guess that for as long as there's something to do, she'll be busy doing it.

Give my fondest to Bill, Elizabeth, Gloria and the rest. And do remember Hortense.

Be sweet and I'll write you when I get back and let you know how I made out.

Lovingly,
Jacqueline