

Thursday
[1960?]

Dear Louise,

At last here's a letter! But I'm afraid it won't be as long as that last one you wrote me because I've not been able to find those long, long sheets of paper.

Sylvia asked me to tell you how pleasantly surprised she was to receive the beautiful dress material. She hopes to make a cute dress between now and September. At present she is working on a dotted material which she bought in June.

She is going out to Reserve taking American History and of course that takes up quite a bit of her time. She's enjoying the nice, cool campus

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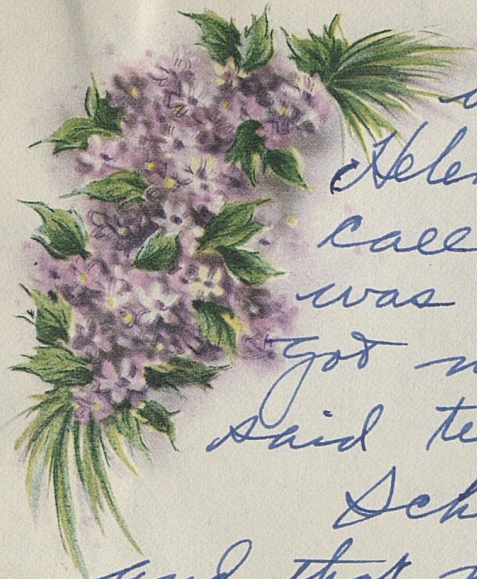


and is glad to be getting that subject behind her. Jobs here are scarce this year and she didn't push too hard to get one.

We enjoyed visiting the Fisk campus. We met Dr. Wright and others, including the Baker boy who looks so much like his mother. We also saw the girl to whom he is engaged. She is sweet-looking.

So sorry I missed reaching you via phone when we came through your city. As Catherine has probably told you, we didn't stay in Louisville very long. Sylvia was tired, and it was hot, so we came on home.

We stopped in Bowling Green with the Hoses who have a pleasant tourist home. They know Helen Yancey R. and



will you please tell Helen that I tried to call her but the line was either busy or I got no answer! Mrs. Moses said tell Helen hello.

Schools hold late here and that means our vacation starts late, so I'm just beginning to get down to enjoying the good old summertime!

Two Saturdays ago we attended the beautiful wedding (Catholic) of the Gleason girl - She's Eliza & King's husband's niece - I saw him but didn't see Eliza. But there was such a crowd I failed to see everyone.

Then last Saturday, there was another beautiful wedding at our church. The Hendricks girl (not Belle's daughter) married a high school teacher of Chicago.

This Hendricks family is close

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to the Clement family - I think
at one time they were neighbours
when Dr. Hendricks was living.

Mrs. Hendricks teaches here. Abbie
will tell you about them.
Fred and his wife were here.
He took pictures of the reception.

In August Sylvia's girl friend
is marrying at our church and
she has been asked to be a
bridesmaid. That means
several things, ~~mainly~~ ^{mainly} the
dress and showers, etc.

So we are wondering if
anyone else will marry soon.
We hope not, because what
with graduation and wedding
gifts, we are almost "broke".

By now you have probably
had a chance to rest a bit.
Did you have any repair
work done on your house
this year? Are ^{you} planning
a trip this way or elsewhere?

Anna Hall has moved on
99th St. not far from where

she formerly lived⁵. By this time she has probably sent you her new address. I don't know it myself. She says the rent is less and the rooms are larger.

I haven't seen Marilla for a long time, but I hear she is fine and is 'getting more rest these days.

I'm on the porch writing and a high wind continues to blow my paper, thus the untidy appearance.

On the 16th (July), Quirin and I plan to drive to Detroit to the Dental Convention. Sylvia will sleep ~~at~~^{at} a neighbor's and stay here at the house during the day. Her class lasts from 11 to 12:20 daily, then she drives home.

I haven't finished house-cleaning and it appears that I will have to wait until

Sylvia returns⁶ to school in September.
There are too many interruptions.

Quinn hopes to take the month
of August to enjoy his vacation.
He sends regards to you.

We had hoped to go to Central
State to the Tennis Tournament,
but Aug. 25 is the day Sylvia's
friend marries.

What's the Louisville news? Fred
brought me up to date on - the
comings and goings of his family.

I hear from Sophia fairly often.
Andrew had quite a sick spell, but
seems to be back to normal now.
She said he was too active in
too many civic organizations.
Ruth Eells and family will visit
the Ramsays this summer.

Write when you can. I
really should rewrite this letter,
but that will make it later
reaching you.

Look for Sylvia's note soon.
Love, Louise



June 22, 1960.

Dear Louise,

Delta
Air Lines has just called
saying that the July fourth
flight is cancelled due to the
holiday. They are reserving the
same flight for me but scheduled
for July third.

Your letter came today,
and I am delighted that
you will be at home when
I arrive. I shall contact
you upon arrival at the Air
Port. Scheduled for 11.24 A.M.,
July 3, Flight 434.

Eloise and S.P. have



entertained Gov. Rockefeller
at their home and he told
El that it was so sweet of
her to invite him to stay there
when next he visited Atlanta.

Blossom is in New York
attending the graduation ex-
ercises of Cassius Harris III.
He plans majoring in engineering
at Michigan next fall. Sam
so happy that he has decided
not to be an aviator.

With best love,

Jessie.

Mrs. Dobs visited Millie for the
Spelman graduation season.

MRS. JESSIE M. WARTMAN
372 Felton Drive, N.E.
Atlanta 12, Georgia

June 26, 1960

Postpaid

Miss F. Louise Matthews,
2121 West Chestnut St.
Louisville 11
Kentucky

Sunday Night -
[1960?]

Dear Louise,

This is just a quickie to tell you you left too soon, that is you have missed my week-end things and ahings. Hastily and briefly shall I recount them -

Yesterday's morning mail brought the news that one of my designs has been selected to be made into a finished gown for display in the Chicago Tribune's 5th Annual Fashion Show (to be 35 m. a.e.) will be paid \$50 for selected sketch which is further eligible for one of three major prizes totalling \$3,000. They have requested biographical material and photograph for publicity. Needless to say I swooned, but Mother was here to lend a steadyin hand. Finals are to be the 5th & 6th of Oct. also 4 shows those two days.

"Cornucopia" is apt and descriptive but I think for writing purposes D.C. will be more practical. So

let me hasten to say today D.C.
called was duly impressed with
the foregoing and would again
said the right things. Leaving
the Capitol further delayed by presence
last week of attorney from here
regarding controversial issues. No
definite date.

The enclosed clipping looks
innocent enough if you don't
know the story that the Hinton
gal is an out n out kept woman
of a white guy with lots of real estate
on the So. Side. ^(Kitchenettes)

Interested in knowing details
of the success of your last evening
and how you got off the next
morning.

Miss you!

Hastily,

Eline

4000 Midway Ave
Dayton 17, Ohio
6124161.

Dear Louise, I was so glad to hear from you, and to get the Charleston news. Glad Herman and Baby were able to make the trip, which sounds like they are both getting on better. Thank you for letting me know. If they were as interested in you and me as we are in them, we would hear from them sometimes. Anyway we are glad to hear from ^{smile} them thru any source we can.

I know how glad you must be that school has closed and I didn't expect to hear from you until after school closed.

I had a letter from Charles May 20th telling me, Mickey lost an Aunt a few days before the Aunt lived in N.Y. but had been in Atlanta quite a while with relatives since her illness and passed in Atlanta. Mickey and Derrick we to have left the same day they received the message to visit the Aunt (by train) but after receiving the message

left by jet. He ²was planning to come here to meet them and asked if we would be here in June. I ans. immediately and told him we planned to go with a Garden Club to Cincinnati on June 14th (only one day) would be here the rest of the month. Each day we have looked for a letter saying when to expect him, that's why I hadn't ans. your letter (here we have only one spare bedroom); I should have known tho, that he couldn't walk here. Smile. When I do hear, Mickey will probably be back home. However since he said June I'll give him the rest of the month.

Plan to come anytime the first part of July first day of July if you can, we will be so glad to have you and plan to stay as long as you want to.

Fred and the children are to go to Anniston some time in July. I don't think Eleanor plans to go, as it would be too long a trip for Eric while he is so young. Do you know

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he weighed 16 lbs $13\frac{1}{2}$ oz when she
took him for his check up and photo
last week? He is really a buster.
His colic has gotten much better.

Is your friend who is to move to
Yellow Springs anyone I have met?

Hope Ethel Wilborn is better. She
told me (over the phone) she is crippled.

I need to be house cleaning the
weather gets hot one or two days
and then it is cool again. Seems
like summer will never come. We
still have the furnace on. I sup-
pose it will turn hot all at once
and stay hot when it decides. Ha! ha

I'll be expecting to hear from you
real soon. Don't work too hard
house cleaning.

How's Daisy getting on? Is she
staying alone?

Love to you, from Winifred, Eleanor
and her family and me.

Ambrosia.

We read about the Chatta-
nooga Choo- Choo being
spirited away from Chatta-
to Louisville. "Smile" They
guss with Ha about it often
Atlanta wants it.

6/24/61

June 18, 1962.

Dear Louise,

The Atlanta
Sinks have elected me as
delegate to the Sink National
Assembly which meets at
French Lick Indiana.

July 5-6-7-8. I am planning
a flight to Louisville July
4th arriving at 11.24 a.m.

Flight 434 - Delta. I
should love to make connections
with you for the glorious
Fourth and depart for French
Lick by Bus July 5th
at 9.30 a.m. Reservations

have been made for us who desire to accept the hospitality of the Seelbach Sheraton Hotel. I prefer spending the time with you if it meets your convenience. Do not change any plans you may have for if I do not see you then, I shall be returning to Louisville on July 9th.

Talking with Eloise, I called Mr Knight at Oakland Cemetery. His fee is one dollar per month. He stated that you had paid to January 1962. His bill submitted was for 1962 but if you did not understand it would be all right for you were

such a nice lady. He plants
winter grass and attends to
the extra care for the lot.

I shall relate the
current news when I see you
in person.

Nettie the third has
a son born last week. She
is Mrs. Kenneth Morris. Aunt
Fannie seems quite happy
over the new arrival.

With love,

Jessie



July 15, 1962.

Dearest Louise,

I do thank you most sincerely for a delightful visit with you in Louisville. In fact, I found myself talking at length to Eloise about the enjoyable stay there and finally said "I shall tell you about French, Sick when next I talk to you."

Helen and I floated into the Atlanta Airport with only one engine of the plane working. The



announcement given was to tighten our belts securely as there was a little difficulty in the take off. Helen took a little Catholic testament belonging to her grandmother over a hundred and fifty years old, saying to me "Nothing is going to happen to you", and upon landing we noticed nothing unusual. It was quite thrilling however.

I called Maggie Bowden and told her that I was bringing Helen to see her and Doctor. We went directly from the airport as she



was later going to the
Udubhaje. Had our visit
and after making contact with
her friend I reached home
around ten thirty.

Eloise had just had a
phone call from Muriel
about the death of Mr. Milton.
She and L.P. left the next morning
returning yesterday. Betty looks
fine, doing nicely and Elgie,
her husband and three handsome
boys enabled them to have a
family reunion.

You can imagine how
I forced my thoughts together
for a report the next day to

the chapter. Ruth Jackson
lost her father and the meeting
took place at the beautiful
new home of Marge Yancey. She
lives across the street from
Betty's home on Engle Road.

Again, I picked up Helen who
helped me refresh my memory
of the proceedings at the Assembly.
A visit to Eloise, and Johnnie Yancey
rounded the day's activities.

The next day found
me completing plans for
the August vacation with
Aunt Fannie. I am

planning leaving for New
York on the eighth of August

sailing on the Ocean Monarch
August eleventh. I am writing
for tickets to see The Sound of
Music and his Strings in N.Y.

Eloise and Benne are
planning to see the West
Side Story. I may join them,
it was such a monumental
picture.

It was wonderful to
see Atlanta friends and
to meet new faces. Your
friends were nice to know
and they were so gracious
to me.

b.

Maudline, Mignon and young Elmo flew to the coast last week. Surely the Doctors consider her greatly improved to permit Maudline make the trip. She and Elmo have purchased a home there.

Blossom is quite proud of her grandson Cassius who plans entering U. of Michigan this fall.

The clippings will tell about other Atlanta news.

With memories of a lovely visit, so happy to have seen you looking so well and with regards to all.
Love, Jessie.

MRS. JESSIE M. WARTMAN
372 Felton Drive, N.E.
Atlanta 12, Georgia

Miss F. Louise Matthews,
2121 W. Chestnut Street
Louisville 11 Kentucky

June 5, 1962

Dear Louise,

I received your lovely card and appreciate it so very much. It is particularly helpful at a time like this.

We haven't yet recovered from the shock of Morrison's passing. There was some good to come from it, however, as it brought ^{together} all members of the family with the exception of Neddie and Jefferson. We had not been together for a long time.

Then, too, we had a chance to see so many of our friends. Lucy and Aiken went immediately to New York and ~~Miss~~

and I met ²⁻ them in Chicago
where funeral services were
held.

Alice is a real stoic. I
haven't decided whether
she has realized what has
happened. Ann is with
her now and Neddie and
I are to visit her later
this month.

Lucy attended a meet-
ing in Washington shortly
after she returned from
Chicago. She fell and dis-
located her right shoulder
and is now bandaged to such
an extent that she can-

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not use her right hand. This is a handicap but she is struggling through it and counting the days when she will be released.

Atlanta has been in the forefront this week. I suppose you have read of the visits of three dignitaries. Mrs. Roosevelt spoke at Atlanta University yesterday and Governor Rockefeller spoke at Spelman the same day. The president of Harvard was at Morehouse today.

Everybody is looking forward to the N. A. A. C. P.

meeting next month. I hope everything will pass off successfully. I am sure our new mayor will do all within his power to prevent any unpleasantness.

Atlanta is still stunned over the plane crash in Paris. Many of the victims were such outstanding citizens.

I hope you have had a successful school year. What are your plans for the summer?

All send love.

Sincerely, Hazel

Aug. 4, 1962

Dear Louise,

Your letter and its welcome contents were received and I hang my head in shame that I've again let you wait twice to my ~~once~~

I received my hearing glasses, with prescription lenses. They are tops. That I had to do a lot of running around for them is a feeble but contributory factor in my delay.

I'm hurrying this along so that you'll receive it before you leave Tuesday.

Did Jessie mention my friend Howard? Is Ed. Priscoll the son of ~~Wm~~ Priscoll? That is a whopping "first" for Jack's son. We both owe Ethel a letter. I'll have a letter awaiting your return
Yours,
E. Priscoll

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August 3, 1962

Room 1790
10 COLUMBUS CIRCLE
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.
LACKAWANNA 4-6702

Dear Friend:

Martin Luther King, Jr. is at this writing in jail.

Albany, Georgia's Mayor, Asa D. Kelley and Police Chief Laurie Pritchett have filled the jails of their city and surrounding towns with sober men and women who chose peaceful public protest as the only way to make their voices heard. 1067 had been arrested by July 30th.

In this tragic situation, the wonder is that Albany's tortured Negro citizens have stood firm in their faith in the orderly processes of the law in our country.

Jailed when they seek "redress of grievances", a right guaranteed by the Constitutions of their State and Nation, Martin Luther King, Jr. and his colleagues put their reliance in the courts to vindicate their rights as equal citizens in the world's leading democracy.

The N.A.A.C.P. Legal Defense and Educational Fund is defending Dr. King and every other Negro who has been unfairly arrested by Albany officials. Our lawyers have filed suit to restrain the city government from abandoning constitutional government.

We do not know how great will be the expenses of litigation in behalf of hundreds of our fellow citizens driven to peaceful mass protest by Mayor Kelley and his administration. But we do know that our country's precious heritage is in danger as long as democracy is abandoned in one of our states. Please help with your contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Emerson Fosdick
Harry Emerson Fosdick.

"The U. S. Government is involved in sitting down at Geneva with the Soviet Union. I can't understand why the city council of Albany can not do the same for American citizens."

-President John F. Kennedy, August 1, 1962

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THE ALBANY STORY

"The people have the right to assemble peaceably for their common good and to apply to those vested with the powers of Government for redress of grievance by petition or remonstrance."

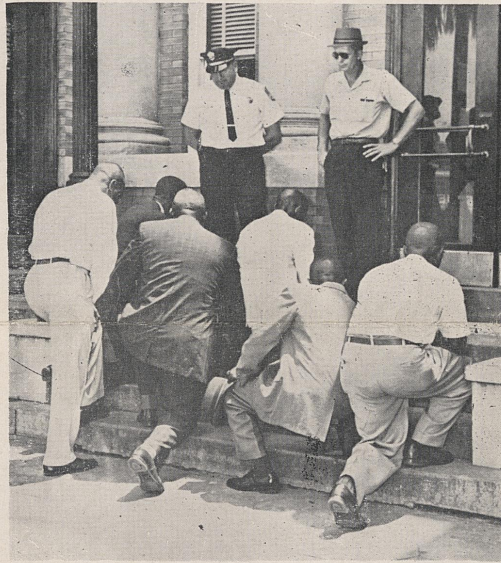
— Constitution of the State of Georgia

Since December 16, 1961, responsible Negro leaders of Albany, Georgia have sought a conference with Mayor Asa D. Kelley, Jr. and the City Commission to discuss violations of their constitutional rights. Every request has been rejected. Efforts to achieve their goal through public prayer meetings and peaceful parades have been answered with wholesale arrests. On July 27, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. was arrested for the third time, along with 26 associates when he again sought conference with the City Commissioners at City Hall. By July 30th, 1,067 citizens had been jailed.

The city has asked the courts to enjoin all mass demonstrations against segregation.

N.A.A.C.P. Legal Defense and Educational Fund lawyers, headed by Mrs. Constance Baker Motley, Associate Counsel, are fighting this injunction in the courts. They are defending Dr. King and every one of his associates who has been arrested.

Legal Defense Fund lawyers have filed suit to end



Albany, Ga., Negro Citizens Kneel In Prayer At City Hall.

enforcement of segregation in Albany, in public libraries, parks, taxicabs, buses, theaters and other places of amusement.

Views of white Albany and of Negro leaders as quoted in the press.

White Albany

POLICE CHIEF LAURIE PRITCHETT
New York Times, December 13, 1961

"We can't tolerate the N.A.A.C.P. or any other nigger organization to take over this town with mass demonstrations."

MAYOR ASA D. KELLEY, JR.
New York Times, December 13, 1961

"There is no area of possible agreement."

MAYOR ASA D. KELLEY, JR.
New York Times, July 21, 1962

"In an interview, Mayor Asa D. Kelley, Jr., conceded that aside from minor hoodlumism outside Negro mass meetings last week there had been no violence here. However, he said 'white residents are sick and tired of outside agitators fomenting strife and interrupting business and advocating the violation of our ordinances and saying that they intend to turn the town upside down.'"

FRED POWLEDGE, Columnist in
The Atlanta Constitution, July 22, 1962

"White people are growing tired of the demonstrations, the grinding, saddening monotony of the clusters of dark-skinned people gathering outside the churches or marching in columns of two downtown or lining up at the lunch counters and the swimming pool."

JAMES H. GRAY (Publisher, *Albany Herald*)
The Atlanta Constitution, July 20, 1962

"Gray said in a television address Tuesday night that city officials have refused to negotiate with Negroes because 'Albany will never make a deal with deceit.' He said the demonstrators were 'outlaws' and should be treated as such."

Negro Leaders

DR. W. G. ANDERSON (President of the Albany
Movement)

New York Times, July 21, 1962

"The purpose of this gathering is to manifest in the presence of God, the Albany Community and the world, our great concern over the inability of Negro citizens of Albany to effectively communicate to the city fathers their community problems."

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. before the National Press
Club, Washington, D. C. July 21, 1962

"... you can struggle without hating; you can fight war without violence..."

"We must work passionately and unrelentingly for first class citizenship, but we must never use second-class methods to gain it... We must never succumb to the temptation of using violence in the struggle, for if this happens, unborn generations will be the recipients of a long and desolate night of bitterness..."

DR. W. G. ANDERSON
The Atlanta Constitution, July 22, 1962

"We care deeply about the reputation of Albany, for this is our home too. But we also care for justice and righteousness in its dealings with all men... I assure you, my friends, if we were convinced that another way was open to the securing of this kind of justice, we would have chosen it."

REVEREND RALPH D. ABERNATHY
New York Times, July 27, 1962

"We pray, oh, God that Thou would touch the hearts of the people and let them know that there will be no peace in this community until we talk over our differences."

THE N.A.A.C.P. LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.

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Please excuse this additional appeal. In order to reach new friends and to meet greatly increased costs in the legal effort to end segregation, we must use mailing lists not our own.

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1253 W. 7th St.
L.A., Calif.
Feb. 26, 1963

Dear Louise,

How many days were you house-bound during the recent Eastern ice-age? I read that Louisville was hard hit.

The tests were positive for diabetes, but fortunately it is at present a mild, minimal case.

Did you know the Kendalls, of Hot Springs, Ark.? Father and several sons were medical men. One son, Ellis, was a classmate of mine at Meharry. He died about 20 years ago from diabetes, but he had no symptoms of it while in school.

Hope you'll forgive the long delays, but (understatement) I been a little upset.

Write soon

Love

Da

After 5 Days Return To

Room 10

1253 W. 7th St.

LOS ANGELES ..., CALIF.



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

March 3, 1964

Dear Louise,

How are you? I sincerely hope you excuse my negligence in writing but I am the world's best procrastinator.

I know Louisville's buzzing with Cassius Clay's victory "Big Bear." He really did the job! People are saying the fight was fixed but I think Cassius just pulled an upset.

I went to see it on closed circuit T.V. and I really enjoyed it.

My grandmother and I had a lovely Xmas and I just enjoyed being with her. With my parents with there it was a little too much for her because she really took ill but

she's doing much better now.

I'm glad you liked my card!

Our tennis team plays in the Missouri Valley Conf. Tennis Tournament held in Louisville sometime around the middle of May but the exact dates escape me at the moment. I'll write and tell you later.

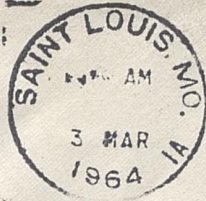
The boy from Louisville was supposed to come by and see you over Xmas and tell you hello for me, I hope he did. He is thinking about pledging my fraternity: A.P.H.

Well, I've got to hit some books! So long for now. Write soon.

P.S. your Xmas present was so nice.

Love,
Tommy

T.C.B.
1277 Sutter
St. Louis 33, Mo.



Miss Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut
Louisville 11, Ky.

Tuesday -
August 22 '67

My Dear Louise -
One of the nicest things that has happened to me recently was meeting a lovely ^(you) new friend. I have put off writing because I didn't want to be hurried. I just wanted to take time to let you know that I enjoyed meeting you and knowing Marilla's lovely cousin. I seem to keep

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busy - Mailla has had so
much company - & I was
blessed with a lovely family
visiting me for a few days.
Faith is here - haven't seen
her - I got to see Tommy but
as you know his wife
was in the hospital most
of the week.

I just worry about
Mailla getting so tired - but
she was happy to see the
"gang" as she calls them.
She works + goes so
hard - but right now her

3.

flowers are most beautiful -
I know you would love them.

By having company it pushed
me to get my rooms on the
second floor strightened up -
so I am now in the midst
of preparing a pamphlet on
"ways to cook sausage" - it
won't take too long - I
shall send you one, when
finished.

We are still keeping
our fingers crossed about
these rats - here - I certainly
hope that we can work

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problems out - as people
seem so tense and on edge.

Thanks so much for the
lovely memo from "The Old House"
everything helps. I am trying to
find out about the "Cissy Gregg
Cook Book" - but Cleveland is
not the place to find many
things. Second-hand stores or
old families breaking up homes,
sometimes have one. It #
narrows down to luck.

Have already sent for some
of the candy - I can dip
chocolates myself & appreciate
good candy - but I am looking

5.
forward to tasting it.
Peter is thinning out nicely
since you have met him - It
pave him on a diet and he
doesn't eat as much. He is getting
much taller. In two more weeks
it will be back to school - then
I plan to really get things done.

Louise, I can't begin to let
you know how much your
interest has meant to me -
just a little along the way
helps one. And I am sure
I am more inspired to turn
something out. (good or bad).

6.

I plan to send you the
articles later.

It seems I have said
nothing but know I think
about you with very pleasant
thoughts.

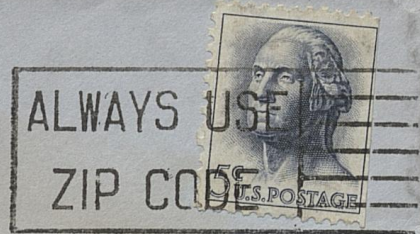
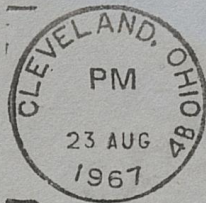
So take care of yourself -
& if I am slow writing -
you are still on my mind
and in my heart.

I'll send love -

Sincerely,

Doris

1575 E. 108th St,
Cleveland, Ohio
44106



Miss Louise Matthews
2121 West Chestnut Street
Louisville, Ky. 40211

12 February 68

Dear Aunt Louise,

I know this letter comes as a surprise to you, but I just had to write you and tell you that I have completed my course of study at Hampton Institute. By attending two summer sessions, I was able to graduate one semester early.

I arrived in Charleston one Friday afternoon, and immediately the next Monday morning I was employed by the Public School System.

I have thirty-one little second graders under my supervision. It's a wonderful

2.
experience so far. I only wish
that my entire career in teaching
will be as nice as this first
situation. Naturally Mama
is delighted!

Enclosed is an announcement
from Hampton. I thought
you might like to see, and
of course Uncle Herman
insisted that I send it to
you. Roland Carter, the
Director is a 1964 graduate
of Hampton.

How is the winter weather
in Louisville? As for Charleston,
so far it has been quite mild.
Hope it continues that way.
Well, this is all for

now. I hope ^{3.} this letter
finds you enjoying the best
of health. Please write
when you can and I promise
to answer.

Mama and Johnny are just
fine. Both send you their love.

Remember me to Mrs. Mary
Ann McNeil.

With love,
Catherine

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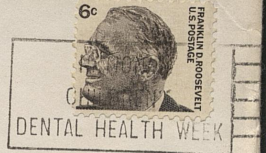
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Miss C. Lewis
15 Perry Street
Charleston, S.C.
- 29403 -



Miss Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut St.
Louisville, Ky. 40211

4. I'm always asking her does she ever see you. So, she says "write you", and that's what I'm doing.

Louise, wouldn't you like a "change of scene", why not visit me this summer? I live just across the river from New York city, it's about a 40 minutes drive over there.

There is so much to see and do, up in this part of the country. I know you would

Cranford, N.J.
April 2nd '68

Dear Louise:

I bet you can never guess who this is from. Do you recall Susie Matthews who was in Central High Sch. with you, along with Bud Logan and many other classmates?

I know you couldn't forget Bud Logan. I think he lives in Cleveland now, or have you lost track, after so many years? Louise I have often

3,
for further study
at Drew University
and received his
Ph.D. - (hence the
Dr. Allen).

I'm telling you all
of this so you will
know what has happened
to me all these years.

We have been to Louisville
several times but never
had an opportunity to
see you, but Dad
asked about you.
You know, I have
a sister who lives
at 2513 W. Madison
so she sent me
your address, since

7.
thought of you and
wondered what you
do with yourself.

I imagine you do
get very lonesome
living there alone.

As you must know
I too am alone
now. I lost my
husband, (Dr. Benj.
Allen) two years
ago. You must
remember him, he
was the Mr. Allen
who owned the
Allen Hotel (hotel)
on Madison St.
Well, he went on

5. enjoy it.

It would give you
a new "lease on life".

I live all alone,
and just "rattle" around
in this house all
by myself.

Would love to
have you.

We could have
some good times
this summer.

Think about it
want you?

Its just a 3 hr.
flight by plane, from

7. you there, is it?

you need to
get out of Louisville
for awhile.

Write me soon,
and tell me
you will think
about it.

Hoping to hear from
you real soon.

I am your true friend
of long standing. Right?

Sincerely,

Susie M. Allen
98 High St.
Cranford, N.J. 07016

6.

Louisville.

When I come home
I come by Eastern
Airlines. The air-
port is very easy
to reach from my
home, so there
is no problem.

Now don't write
and tell me you
are going to summer
school this year.

(Smile)

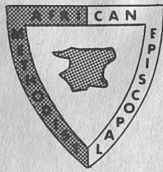
There really
isn't anything holding

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8/17/68

Dear Florida,

We're just returned from Durham. "Miss Carrie" died last Sunday morning. Alice called at 6 A.M. saying that she was dying. We boarded an 11:20 plane, the first we could get. Fred had been to St. Louis about five or six days before and noted her decline.

Neighbors and friends were very nice and the nurse who served mama staid on until after the funeral. I had to take over however, Alice was bone-tired and almost like a zombie. It was not a "house of mourning" however, for Miss Carrie had lived her time and was practically incapacitated for the last three years. More later. Using this stationery to inform you of Fred's new position.

Love,

Josh

We have a new fig tree and brót
in the first figs for breakfast this
morning. I thát about you and how
you used to stand at the kitchen
sink and eat them.

THE PALLBEARERS

Friends of the Jordan Family

THE INTERMENT

Beechwood Cemetery
Durham, North Carolina

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family of the late MRS. CARRIE THOMAS JORDAN wishes to gratefully acknowledge the many telegrams, visits, telephone calls, cards, condolences, flowers, prayers and other expressions of sympathy and kindness shown during this their hour of bereavement.

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OF

MRS. CARRIE THOMAS JORDAN

Tuesday evening, August 13, 1968

8:00 p. m.

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The Reverend J. Haskell Mayo
Minister, Saint James African Methodist Episcopal Church

Officiating

THE OBITUARY

CARRIE THOMAS JORDAN, the oldest of eleven children of the Reverend Lawrence Thomas, a pioneer African Methodist Episcopal minister, and Mary Greene Thomas was born in Atlanta, Georgia on November 27, 1870. She was graduated from the Clark University there in 1889. She taught at Morris Brown College and in the Atlanta public schools. In 1893 she became principal of the Roach St. School where she served until 1895.

ON December 31, 1895, she was married to D.J. Jordan, Vice-President at Morris Brown College and also the son of an African Methodist Episcopal minister. To this union six children were born. She returned to teaching in 1916 and worked for a number of years in the public schools of North Carolina. She continued to be interested in furthering her own education and frequently attended classes & institutes in the summer. In 1935, she received a degree from North Carolina College in Durham.

SHE was active in her church throughout her life. She began teaching Sunday School at age ten and continued for more than seventy years. She was active in the Missionary Society for many years and served as a local president.

IN 1883, as a result of a major contribution by her toward the erection of an elementary school in Royesville, Liberia, a wing was named for her.

FOR the past eighteen years, she has resided in St. Louis with her daughter, Alice and was a member of Saint James A.M.E. Church where continued her work in the Sunday School and the Missionary Society. She was named 'Mother of the Year' for the African Methodist Episcopal Church about 1959 and also 'Mother of the Year for Saint James Church in 1961.

SHE departed this life on Sunday morning, August 11, 1968 after a lengthy illness. Surviving are one sister, Lena James of Chicago, Illinois; a daughter, Alice; a son, Frederick Douglas, a Bishop of the A.M.E. Church; two daughters-in-law, Artishia, wife of the Bishop, and Laura Jordan of Henderson, North Carolina; other relatives and many friends.

'...And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

THE PRELUDE - Mr. Houser A. Grey

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THE HYMN 280 - 'HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION' (verses 1, 2, & 7)
The Saint James Choir

THE PRAYER

THE SCRIPTURE Revelation 7:9 - 17

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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The Saint James Choir

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Miss F. Louise Matthews
2121 West Chestnut St.
Louisville, Kentucky 40211.

MFA

Sept. 26

Dear Louise -

How always thoughtful you are! At first, I wondered at your remarkable ability to choose so apt a gift. Then I remembered - I had just ~~the~~ same as asked for bibs (how awfully brash!). Still, I didn't expect such fun ones, or big ones. They're really good for his messy manners. He loves to swirl his head all around, looking at Adrienne, and drool oatmeal on what-have-you. So these wide sides protect his shirts well. We both (Chuck + me) thank you very much.

Poor Douglas has inherited Chuck's eczema. We just hope it doesn't develop into as serious a problem for him.

That trip was certainly memorable, although I'm not in a hurry to go South again. Georgia seemed miles from "where the action is"!

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The Amokees are lovely. And on the way home, we stopped in Williamsburg, Virginia. Didn't tour it completely due to tired children, but what we saw whetted our desire to return someday.

The children have "grown" figuratively. Adrienne has gone into a bed (from a crib) voluntarily, & can ride a trike now. Doug crawls from room to room - really! Poor ole "mom" got many new grey hairs on the trip. I've never seen hair turn grey in such a short time - really a surprise.

We spent a crisp New England Fall week-end on Cape Cod in mid-Sept. & plan a couple more.

Your work sounds so interesting & worthwhile, Louise. In fact, it sounds as helpful as any regular non-retired job!

Come visit us - I stay with us. We have enough room for one guest at a time!

Love,

Marcia (+Chuck)

Mrs. Charles & Ellen
61 Kentucky Road
Washington, Mass.
02174



Mrs. Louise Matthews
C/o Mrs. C. S. Elder
3113 ~~Louisville~~ Grand Ave
Loo., Ky. 40211

Mrs. Frederick D. Jordan

9/30/68

5151 FRANKLIN AVENUE, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA 90027

Dear Florida,
Thanks for the lovely card. I have sent it on to Alice. She is quite well and has decided to fix up her place and continue to live there.

I certainly do plan to return for the dedication of the Artichia Jordan apartments. I do not know the date yet.

We've just returned from northern Europe - Helsinki this time. Am I keeping up in the race with Ruth? (Smile)
This week I leave for Cedar Glen, Ontario to attend a Seminar on Human Relations. More about it later.

Love,
Tish

5151 FRANKLIN AVENUE, HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA 90027

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Miss Louise Matthews
2121 West Chestnut St.
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APRIL
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Secretaries Week
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am making that coat to mom
of I don't you won't be able to see
[04 October 1968]

Well Louise - I'm probably breathing I'm just wondering. I am like the guy who said us numbt, He meant himself. Child I couldn't begin to tell you how much ~~that~~ that experience has done me up. Don't laugh! He is a dear little baby but babies are for young folks to handle not old folks. While they stayed two thirds of the time after he arrived at her mother's but I was expected to go see him daily plus bring something. I'll explain all that when I see you. Well all I can say, yes I would like to see them in their apartment & baby Xmas, but that's out. Yet, I won't tell them until near time. I couldn't take it no time soon now, I'd prefer coming down there if I could but what has happened to Gillis I don't know. He as I told you was having trouble with family affairs suppose to get out of the deal as she has been a drunk so long & put away several times and he is suppose to leave the whole set up. Any how he keeps saying neat or or after and time is marching on. So many things I've let go because he was coming and could get all these things on the road and cold weather is coming on.

I that you had wanted me to come so long that when he came because he is such a wonderful driver I'd come down for a weekend, bring Fury. Just leave Fri. early a.m. & leave ~~Sunday~~ early a.m. but the whole thing is hanging in the air. I have a pretty red coat which you would have to wear long gloves elbow ones and a rough woven sweater winter shade. If he doesn't get here very very soon I'll send it by mail in fact I better do that anyhow because this is the time to use it. I'm going to call him Sun. nite, no, I for got, not Sun. as he isn't at work then but I'll call him in daytime while at work. I really must know because to day we have had sleet & rain which means winter is about to set in. I sure hope not as my furnace has not been serviced. These negroes here in Cleve. have gone wild, night before last Mrs Owens called me & told me if I had planned to come in not to do so because those Black Nationalist were threatening a mess. Well, they didn't but had a march - Poor Stokes is really having it. These negroes won't see what they are doing until its too late. That poor man looks so bad now just like they will find out about Wallace. God help us all if he makes it. The whole world is upside down as well as myself. Laugh! I do wish it was so if fate figured it out that way that we could be together or closer to each other. For you & I are both alike alone - I wish Tommy & his family my blessings but for me I'm too old for that deal. Laugh! Cons. M



Miss Louise Matthews
2121 W. Chestnut
Louisville, Ky.



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Nov 12, 1968

Dear Miss Matthews

I'm glad you sent the reminder because I had forgotten & I hope you get the check in time for any deadline you have to meet.

It's another two weeks of training for me here in New York, where we got our first snow today.

I plan to be at home for Thanksgiving & hope to see you then.

Richard

Richard E. Moore
4806 King Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60615



Miss F. L. Matthews
2121 West Chestnut St.
Louisville, Kentucky

Nov. 29, 1968

Dear Louise,
You really surprised
me!! But when I heard
your voice I knew it
was you. I'm glad you
came down to see me
even though it was
a short visit. Maybe
if it is God's will
you will be able to come
again. I'm so glad you
came before I pass.

You didn't say how
you found things at home.
But I presume every-
thing was alright.

Come again when
you can.

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Remember me to the
friends I've met when
I was in Louisville.

Mrs. Wilson joins
me in sending love to
you.

Sincerely,
Herman

115 President St.
Charleston, S.C.



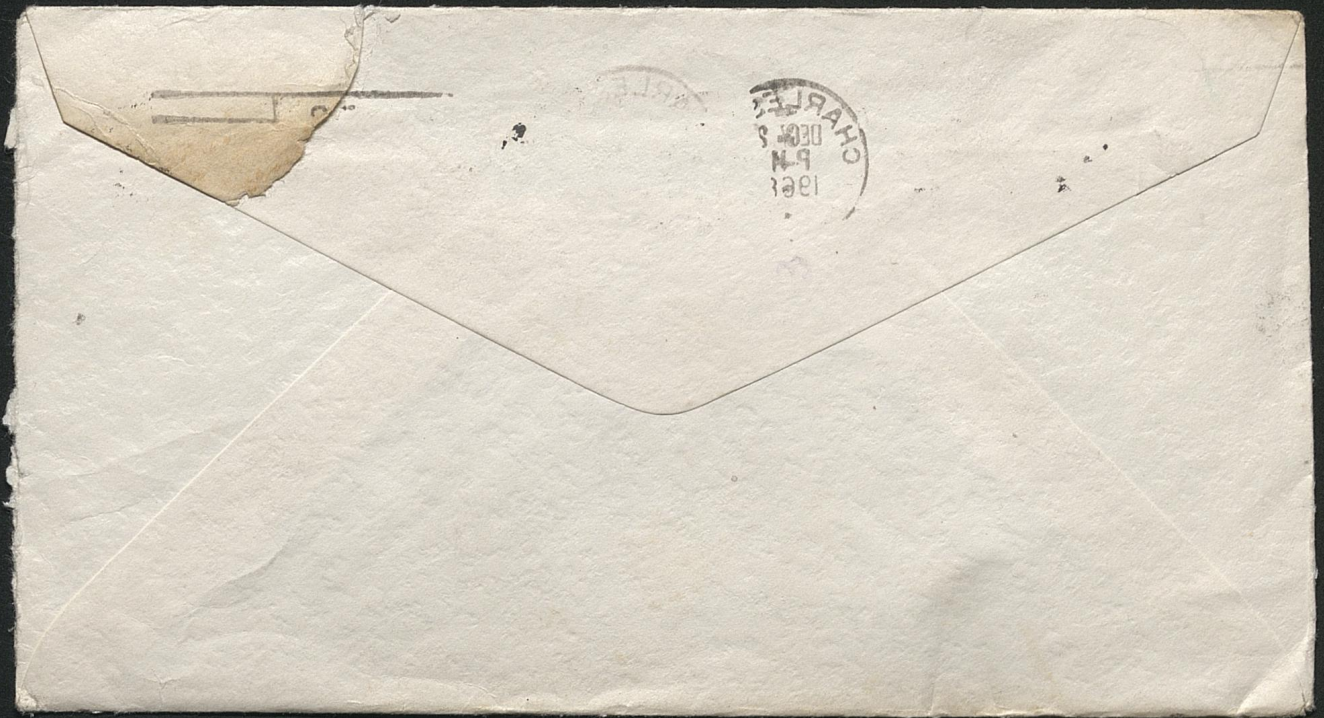
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June 4, 1969

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


Dear Louise:

Many thanks for your good wishes on the occasion
of the Ottenheimer Award.

Selma and I express our appreciation.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

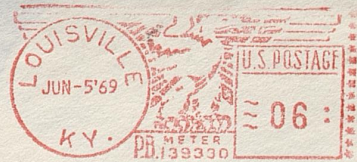


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