

April 4, 1952

Mrs. Charles Medlock
310 West 46th Terrace
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mary Beth,

I presume everything is running along normally with you but I am getting anxious to see you. As I have said before, it seems to me that I have never seen more beautiful blue eyes than those of your little sons. He certainly is a darling boy, and I am always glad to see you and Charles and the baby.

Lots of love,

Grandad

WCS:en

April 2, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

I certainly appreciate very much the more or less frequent visits you have been able to make me. The only trouble being that they are not quite as long as I should like to have them.

I presume that the "Mighty Mite" is coming along well. Mary Beth has always been a mighty sweet girl and I am glad that she has such a wonderful little boy.

We are starting today in a short spring cleanup, but I don't know how far we will get. Ramsey is out there to help and I think that Elinor will be able to direct him. As you probably are aware, Elinor is expecting a little one I think about the middle of May, and is counting on her mother, Mrs. Yost, of Downs, coming down to be with her.

I don't think I have seen or heard from Mike, but the boys are usually pretty busy in school especially where they are good students like Mike and John.

Come down as often as you can.

Lovingly,

Dad

WCS:en



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Mar. 7-

Dear Dad -

So good to talk to
you last Sunday - I suppose
you've snowed it as we have
here. He had me walk
clear yesterday so feel not
quite so isolated - There have
been a few flurries today - lots
of snow on the ground and it
is cold.

Dear really enjoying my
visit with daughter and grand-
son. He is such a cute
yellow - Holds his head up
and looks all around - holds
a rattle and changes it from
one hand to the other - smiles
a lot and makes lots of cute

noises. It is growing like everything
too. Last week he weighed 12 lbs.
4 oz - and I know he weighs now
low. He is now drinking homogenized
sterilized milk and eating cereal
twice a day. He sleeps from
10 p.m. till 6 a.m. and is
such a happy baby. I've given
him his bath almost every day
since they've been here and
he loves it. Cries and smiles
and sometimes even laughs
out loud. The weather has
been so bad we haven't had
him out much - as it's either
been windy, snowing or
too cold. I don't feel like
letting him go. I don't want to see a
lot of difference in him. They
are planning to stop to see you
on their way back to Kansas City.
Mama is going to Hays

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tomorrow for the ~~Quadrant~~
Republican Convention Friday -
and Charlie is coming out Friday
night for the next ed. Wish
Mike could be here too but he
seems to have many things to do -
I will get down to spend
a few days with you as soon
as I can. Do hope you are
continuing to feel fine -
Lots of love -
Janet

VALENTINE GREETINGS



I'M USUALLY CAREFREE AS CAN BE
I NEVER FRET OR HURRY,
BUT 'TIL YOU SAY THAT YOU'LL BE MINE
OH - - - -

WORRY,



WORRY,



WORRY!



love
from
Janet





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March 21, 1952

Dearest Chanda,

An enclosing * picture
of Wayne taken recently &
hope you like it - we've
been very negligent of our
grandparents & sending them
pictures.

So hope your feeling
good - I read where you
had been in the hospital
one day but out the
next so hope all's fine
now.

We are all fine and
feeling pretty good. Carol's
mother, Jim & his wife,
Carol had a baby girl last
Saturday. She is a pretty
little thing and we feel
quite proud to be her
aunt & uncle.
I have just 8 weeks of
waiting, from today. The

time starts passing
slowly at this stage I'm
afraid.

Mother said she might
drive to Lawrence via
Wichita & take Wayne with
her for the week-end, some-
time soon so you could
see your grandpa. I gave
full permission to do so!
I wish we were more
able to house guests com-
fortably for we would
like to have a visit from
you. We are in the
thru of looking for a
larger house but prices
are so high we have to
buy right now.

Do hope you enjoy
the picture and keep
enjoying your good health
& lots of love from all
of us.

Billie.

March 27, 1952

Mrs. Carl Olander
619 North Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Eileen:

I am very happy to have the picture of Wayne. He has always been such a splendid little boy and so cooperative that one can not help but love him very much. I can see him in my mind's eye as he walked through the various rooms of our house sort of surveying the institution to see if it met with his approval. I miss my frequent visits that I had with you when you were living in Lawrence.

Everything here is about as usual with the exception that I think we have had more snow than usual, although it has not stayed on the ground long, but has thawed and run off very quickly. The ground should be in excellent shape for spring planting.

On the ground to the south of our holdings the construction of a lot of new homes was begun rather late in the fall. I think probably some 15 or 20 houses are enclosed, but perhaps some of them are waiting for public utilities. The main sewer comes down Vermont Street in front of our house and then turns the corner. On account of the water, progress has been delayed but when water does open up, we shall have some 25 or more modern homes to the south.

So far no one has given any attention to maintenance of Vermont Street excepting myself, but I presume that they will make some effort to maintain the road from now on.

I have been quite fortunate in having Mr. and Mrs. Scott with me. She keeps the house in good order and I think handles it as well as we could hope.

I am getting just a little tired of the wet and cold weather as we have had one snow after another, and the ground has been very wet.

While Wichita is not so very far away, it is entirely too far to be acceptable to me. I should like to have you closer.

Give my love to Carl and to darling little Wayne and come and see me whenever you can.

Lovingly,

Grandad

WCS:en

again - In the New England

now the ground
glad your feeling
Monday and as no
in trying and again
in with that mix
to enjoy
Dear Dad -



of K. U. football games of
that season.

Tonight we are going
to Birmingham to a "Lions"
Club affair of some kind - It's
one of those things we don't care
about but have to do for business
reasons.

Lots of love - and keep
on eating - That seems
cheerful it takes.

Love - Janet

was uneventful. We found
no bad roads at all and
no snow till we got to Man-
hattan. They had a real
storm here last Friday but
the snow has all gone now. In
fact it's rained every day
this week. This morning
the sun is shining & perhaps
we're going to have some nice
weather now. I hope so.

We have been spending ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~evening~~
evening catching up on some cor-
respondence. Last night we
went to a High School
basket ball dinner at which
Ray Evans spoke. He was
very good I thought - not
such an impressive
speaker but his material
was excellent and his advice
to the boys sound. After-
ward they showed some movies

March 27, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

Your frequent visits although short are greatly appreciated, and I think it is mighty nice that Mac is willing to spare his homemaker every now and then.

I am getting rather anxious to see my little blue-eyed great grandson again. How his great grandmother would have loved him!

Everything is moving along at home with plenty of mud in front of our house, through which we have been able to get in and out so far without too great difficulty.

Lovingly,

Dad

WCS:en

February 25, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

I am enclosing a letter which I have just written to Blanche.

Yesterday the newspaper men of the state, or at least many of them, were here to visit the University, but I didn't feel vigorous enough to join them, so I did not come down town.

A day or two ago, I stopped at the Standard oil station at 13th and sitting in the front seat of a station wagon in front of me was a darling little blue-eyed infant that kept me entertained with her smiles while I was there. She was a beautiful little girl and so free in exchanging smiles with me.

I am sure that Gertrude found it rather lonely at home during the last few years, and I feel a bit lonely myself, although I have a number of families living near me. However, I have not had occasion to become acquainted with them.

How is the "mighty mite" coming along? He is a darling little boy and I love him very much.

I hope that you and Mac will find an opportunity to spend some time in our cabin on Gull Lake. My health has been good.

Much love,

Dad

WCS:en

It's AWFUL, VALENTINE!



YOU'VE GOT ME PICKIN' PETALS
'TIL MY LIFE IS JUST A MESS -



BUT I'M GONNA
KEEP ON PICKIN'
'TIL THE ANSWER
COMES OUT - "YES"!

Mary Beth, Charlie, & Jimmy

over

Dear Grandad,

We enjoyed your letter

so much. I know you must
have had a nice time
at Delph's wedding.



We're going to Mpls. Friday &
will stop at your house about
6 that evening to see you &

give Jimmy his dinner. Charlie
& I will have already eaten so
don't plan on us.

Love,
Mary Beth

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Lawrence again but will try & make
it before too long -
Mrs so glad to get your letter
this much need to know you had
a good trip -

Much love,

Janet

Will you ask Elinor if I left my
thinestone ear clips and large
clip in the south east bedroom when
I was there? They might be in the
wavy box on the dresser -

Feb. 13



Dear Dad -
I got 2d write on
my new note paper so you
can see what I'm paying
for. I ordered it when I was
in Lawrence the last time.
He was really sorry
to miss the wedding - However
that has really been miserable -
He has had the flu and a very

severe cold and now at his
most the middle of last week so
it is a good thing we decided
to stay at home. I think he is
somewhat run down as he has
been working very hard and putting
in long hours.

Today he had to go to western
Kansas - left about 9:30 this
morning and probably won't be
home till the next hour.

I have taken on a new job -
recruiting chairman for Maize
County for the Red Cross Blood-
mobile. It is to be here for the first
time on Feb. 28 and we have to

have 200 signed up.
We are expecting Mary B. Charlie
and James J. Friday - I hope Mike
will come too - also looking
forward to having them and have
again.

It has been foggy, raining
and drizzly today but we are glad
for the moment as things are
really dry.

I don't know when I'll get to

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Sat. p. m.

Dear Dad -

Well I suppose you're home
from the wedding by now and
settled down to the old routine.
He was so sorry not to go but
it was a good thing he hadn't
made our plans as Mac has
been sick all week with a cold
and aching. He was in bed all
day Tuesday and since then has
been up and down but still
doesn't feel a bit good. I know it
must have been a lovely
wedding and I'm sure they
made a handsome couple.
It was grand that you could be

there -
He are expecting May Bick
Jimmy and Charles next
week end and Mary Bick and

son will stay a week or possibly
two - That will really please me.

I am enclosing the snapshots
of the baby - no you can add
them to your roquei gallery.
Don't know when I'll be

down again but I probably
will be several weeks - sometime
after Mary's visit ends. I know
the house must look nice -
Hope Elina is feeling good.

I'm making some booties for
her baby to be.

My latest job is Recruitment
Chairman for the Red Cross Blood
Program. We are just starting
it in this County. Leaving from
you. Always enjoy
Lots of love -
Janet

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Jan. 31

Dear Dad -

I'm sorry I have
fallen down in my corres-
pondence - Things have
been happening & keep
me busy - I had a wonder-
ful and busy time in Kansas
City last week - Then when
I got home there was a lot
to do - Mike came out
Saturday night and brought
Patty with him - They were
here til Sunday P. M.
Mike came back again
Tuesday night and then

returned from Zopeke with him.
The - mile went back, again
& Lawrence yesterday, ready &
start to class today. The got all
B's this semester which was
not bad but not as good
as he did last semester.

It is a beautiful day here
today - warm and sunshiny -
just like spring. I took advantage
of the weather & wash some
bedding.

He are sorry not to go
& Dolph's bedding - coming
in the middle of the week it
means mid have to be gone
practically all week and

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Has cases set he doesn't
feel he should leave for so
long. He are especially
sorry not to go since Delfs Jr.
came to Mary Beth's wedding.
He had a very sweet note
from Pam and she seemed
much pleased with the gift
he sent her.

We're hoping and planning
for a visit from Mary Beth
and joining before too long;
He is really a little darling
and I'll be so happy to have
them with us again for awhile.
Hope you're feeling fine.
Lois & Bob
Janet

February 11, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

I was glad to receive your good letter of January 31. I returned Friday evening from Rochester and feel well repaid for my trip by seeing the beautiful wedding of Dolph Jr. and Pamela. I am awfully sorry that you and Mac did not come. The weather was good. Dolph and Marie drove up in Dolph Jr.'s car, which they left with him and came back by air. Blanche and Pat and I went both ways by air, coming back on the same plane. The trip was delightful and we were so happy to meet the Counsellor family.

The wedding took place in the Episcopal Church and the bishop was there to add his blessing to the newly weds. The attendants, both women and men, were fine looking young people and following the ceremony, we attended an interesting reception at the Counsellor home.

I feel that I stood the trip very well. We had hoped that you could be there, but presume there were good reasons why you could not get away.

Lots of love,

Dad

WCS:en

February 6, 1952

Mrs. Carl Olander
619 North Batten
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Eileen,

We have just finished housecleaning and will be happy to have you and yours come to see us as soon as convenient.

I am leaving this afternoon by air for Rochester, Minnesota where I shall attend Dolph Jr.'s wedding tomorrow evening. He marries a mighty fine girl and I am sure you will love her.

I am getting lonesome for that fine son of yours, and hope that it will not be too long until you can drive up for a visit.

Lots of love,

Grandad

WCS:en

February 6, 1952

Mrs. Robert Riggs
2110 Elmhurst
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Marilyn,

This will not be much of a letter, but it will again express my love for you and my interest in your welfare. We have completed housecleaning at home and shall be very happy to have you and Bob come in to see us as soon as you can.

I shall always remember the very pleasant visit I had with you at your home. I want you to know that I am very fond of Bob. He seems to be a fine and capable young man.

Lots of love,

Grandad

WCS:en

February 6, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

I leave by air this afternoon for Rochester, Minnesota to attend Dolph Jr.'s wedding. I am in hopes that other members of the family will also be able to go. I think it mighty fine that a boy and girl, both of fine character and physically fit, should be wed. Of course, Dolph's future is insecure on account of the war.

We are through with housecleaning at home and everything appears to be ship shape. Come on down and help muss it up!

Lovingly,

Dad

WCS:en

January 30, 1952

Mrs. Charles Medlock
310 West 46th Terrace
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mary Beth, Charles and Mighty Mite,

It was mighty nice to look in on you not so long ago. I think you are very comfortably situated and in a nice part of town. Pretty soon you will be wanting to know about the school advantages and I presume you will find them all right. In your case it is not quite like the old gentlemen of 80 who married a woman of similar age, who in seeking a location, wanted to live near a good school.

It won't be any time at all until our little blue-eyed rascal will be toddling off to school.

Give Charles as well as the baby my love.

Lovingly,

Grandad

WCS:en

January 30, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

You are one of my best correspondents and I am always glad to hear from you. I am interested in all your affairs even to your somewhat crippled dog, and it seems marvelous that those little fruit trees should bear so much fruit.

I expect that Mac has a lot of responsibility now in knowing just what to do with all of his farm land, much of which was flooded last year. He impresses me as being a very competent man, not only in his profession, but in his business affairs.

We have just completed housecleaning and you will find things spick and span when you come down.

I was just over to Hixons seeing if they had framed your picture, which I took over to them some days ago. I want to have it framed in white and in a standing frame something like the picture we have of Blanche. Just when they will have it finished, I don't know.

Lots of love,

Dad

WCS:en

MRS. L. A. MC NALLEY
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Tuesday a.m.
Jan. 15 -

Dear Dad -

As usual we were
happy to receive your note
Sunday.

I am planning to spend
the week end with Mary
Bill and Jimmy in Kansas
City while Charlie attends a
sales meeting and thought
I'd stop in Lawrence to
spend a day with you -
My ~~plans~~ ^{plans} now are to come
to Lawrence by bus Thursday
arriving around 6:30
but not in time for dinner -

stay Thurs night and part
of Friday with you then
go on to K C - Mike will
meet me and take me to
the city for - so don't
worry about that -

I hope you're feeling fine
and will be so glad to
see you.

Love

Dinet

January 21, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

I am always very glad to see you and I certainly enjoyed going to Kansas City and seeing Mary Beth and her darling little boy. His hair is so dark and there is so much of it that I was surprised to find his eyes so clearly blue. Sometimes in babies, the eyes will look blue, but eventually will be dark. But I do not believe this can be the case with little Jimmy because his eyes definitely are a very beautiful blue.

So far, my three great grandchildren are all boys, and I love them all.

It is good to see you and you can not come too often.

Lots of love,

Dad

WCS:en

January 11, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
401 West 5th
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet:

I was very glad to get your letter of the 6th. Elinor has been engaged in housecleaning and has been assisted by a colored woman. It may be that this is the first real housecleaning we have had for some time.

I know that you thoroughly enjoyed visiting with Mary Beth and Jimmy.

Lots of love to you and yours,

Dad

WCS:en

MRS. L. A. MC NALLEY

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MINNEAPOLIS, KANSAS

Dec. 29

Dear Dad -

Thank you so much for our
nice Christmas checks - As I broke
my nice table lamp I had in
the hall, I think I'll use your
check plus some other money I
received to buy a new lamp -
So far I haven't found just what
I wanted - so will really start
looking now.

The railroad family left yesterday
I return to K.C. It was wonderful
having them here. The little boy
is "Darling" - we call him the
"mighty white" - He has filed out
so much and gained weight and
was sleeping much better at
night - I'm sure they'll get him
into a regular routine and that
they'll get along fine. Things are

really quiet and lonesome around
here since they left.

Mae is giving me a new watch
for Christmas and I am to go and
select the one I want today
so must get ready to go shopping.

I'm sorry I didn't get to see
to go Thursday night - had tried
for two nights to call you but the
"circuits were busy" - I'm sure you
had a fine Christmas with Blanche
and family.

The love for loads and
thank you for all the nice things
you do for us all -
Happy New Year -
Love
Janet

January 14, 1952

Mrs. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Janet,

I was happy to receive your special delivery letter dated December 29. There is not much in the way of news to tell you. My health fortunately has been good. Everything is moving along smoothly at home and Mike drops in to see me for a short while every now and then.

I would certainly like to see the "mighty mite". I have only seen him the one time and that was when he was very young.

Dolph is keeping busy with various things and has another call to go to New York, but I do not know whether he is going or not.

Write me often and come to see me as frequently as you can.

Much love,

Dad

WCS:en