

927 west 7th St.
Winona Minn.

Winona 423 of December
1918.

Dear Marie and Georg!

Just received your Card and was glad to hear
from you. I wish you both a merry Christmas
and a happy new Year. Tell Georg I am getting
an old Franny now and cant go Play riding
any more on a skinnal Bob like Georg just to
have. Rudolph keeps me party busy waiting
on him you see he cant walk a lone, he is
grevelid and he suffers aful and it makes
it hard on me he is getting up songs for gras
Time he has som very nice ones but of course
the got to be great in Musick first. How are
you? Francis Bay and Liel had the Flu, i now

am living in the House were Georg went to live.
 Frank and Helen moved to Rochester Minn - Georg
 lives next to me, and Ernest got a Drug Store in
 Sleepy Eye, and Francis lives up 5th St. i havent
 seen Art Lise for a long while nor Theresa and Sally
 say is sendot glories that the cruell War is over
 and our Boys coming Home How is Hazel is she
 Home and Leo Bernards is going to play Violin in
 Church Christmas Morning and Little Helen sing.
 is Georg still playing Violin or is he retired.
 say Marie you must excuse this short Letter
 i am somewhat in haste and have no pretty
 Postals Budi sends his Regards. Rowe Camp and
 Doc Heller ar in Montana and the didnt get no
 Crop last Year not a drop of Rain all Summer
 isent that a full and every thing so high.
 give my Love to all and hoping that you ar
 all well, i remain as ever, your loving Sister
 (excuse laid pencil.) Francis Eckert

from 927
west 7th st
Winona Minn



no 700-14

Mr. Georg Eckert.
308 West 7th st.
Sterling,
Ill.

Trace Edent and his ~~husband~~
were here a short time ago
They are fine

St. Paul
April 28-21

Dear Aunt & Uncle,
Just a few words this
time to tell you that
Papa has moved to
another address
and we are moving
soon too, I suppose
you received my little
card and know that
we have a house
near Abby Bay.

He will be ² one month
old Saturday and is a
lovely baby, (We think)
and we are all well

Will I write and say
that Pop got the photo;
I can't remember as I
wasn't feeling very good
at that time
but Pop has no one

to write for him, it takes
Virginia at least a half
day to write a letter.

But she does well for
her present years. Don't you
think; Frances is coming
home in June. Her little
Frances is twelve years old
and a lovely girl too.

Well I think this is all I can
say this time. I'm pretty
much taken up on account
of moving the old building a
new house, and this one
Papa's address is 161 Nina Ave
Mine will be the same for a
while I will write again
and maybe write more.
Every body admires Hazel. She certainly
is a sweet girl. Papa is crazy
about the pictures. With love Lillian

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St. Paul

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Ans

June 6



*Mr. Geo. B. Eckert
Sterling*

308 West 7th St.

Ill.

1329 Dec 21
St Paul
Minnesota

Winona the 14th of May
1923

Dear Sister and Brother!

I was glad to here from
you, and i am much better
to day, so i will write you
a few lines, i have been
sick a long time but i am
getting better thank the
Lord. i been telling the
rest of the bunch to write
but i yess, it didnt happen
yet. i am sorry to have
to tell you that Aunt
Lica, you remember Uncle

Henry's Wife, died about 3
Week ago, she was onley
sick about 14 days, she had
Tussalitos, i am wery sorry about
her she was a good Woman.
Kiss little Leo carl for me,
from his Aunt Franziska.
ther is a little taken in the Letter
for him. give my Love to Leo
and his Wife. How is Georg
i supose he is felling a little
older too now. i just got a
Letter from Ernest he is the
yungest Boy, he is got 2 Sibs.
too, the ar taken Lessons by
the Sisters in Sleepy Eye.

one plays Violin the other
plays Pianoe, then Georgs Boy
plays the Saxophone and the
little Fellow, plays the Pianoe
now ther is 2 more yet.
Franziska 2 Children
Bernard 18 years Violin
little Helen 13 years. Pianoe
and singing
tell Leo, and Hazel she allway
the ar swell of with quets me in
Cousins in this World mind
now my dear People of Hazel
our best Wishes to give my
all of you and when Love to
i git more limber dear Hazel
will write you a longer
Letter, your ever loving Aunt
Love from all. Franziska.

From 1159
W 5th St.
Winona.
Minn.



Rec June 10
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Mr. Georg. Ebert.
507. W. 7. St. Sterling.
Ill.

Sherwood, N. Dak-

May 9th-3

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Eckert,

Sterling,

Ill-

My dear Uncle and Aunt:

Well, it surely does seem good to get your nice, cheery cards - which I have received at various time. I am ashamed of myself for not sending you a line before this, but we have been moving around and I get out of all notion of writing.

I am so glad you are both well and happy. Yes, my father is here visiting with me; he was so glad to hear from you too. He says, "We must surely write to Uncle George; he is the only one I have left of the brothers" and that's true.

Do you like that climate, where you are? You have a beautiful home - and, I surely bet Uncle has his garden with water melons in it. I can't have a garden up here, it is too far north for anything but the commonest things such as spuds and wheat and things. I don't like a country like that, but we are tied here somehow or other, and it's not easy to pick up and go again.

We were out to the coast winter before last, but I don't like the coast weather - and I hate big mountains to keep me in, as I'm used to the prairies and the middle west or Northwest with its nice

storms and lightning and thunder - I love that; and out there, you never see lightning or hear even a rumble of good old home-like thunder. So give me the country East - or whatever one may wish to call it.

This year it is very late up here. But for that matter I suppose its backward in many parts.

So Leo has a big son; well, well! And where is Hazel? I wish she would send me a card sometime - or a photo. Are you taking a pictures now? You take such nice ones.

Papa is feeling good, considering his age. He is past eighty now.

I am not doing much housekeeping here, as we sold all our furniture when we left that time. Its lonesome without my piano, but we want to go away from here when we can, so I'm just about what you'd call camping - just what we have to have to live.

Well, I took your advice, dear Marie, and got the type-writer in motion, and feel quite satisfied to think I did, at last; my intentions, tho, have been good, and its just putting things off from day to day that gets into a habit. I intended to send you both a remembrance at Xmas but I have been sick so much - had the flu and never got over it - weak and mean all the time, so I hadrly ever go up town.

We were glad you wrote, and I hope you write again. Papa sends best wishes and says "hello to everybody"

So goodbye, with best love to both of you.

As ever,
Lal

ans June 10



Prof. George B. Eckert,
507 West 7th st-
Sterling,
Ill.

Elizabeth Hollam - Sherwood, N.D.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Burke
announce the marriage of their daughter

Marguerite Ruth

to

Arthur Edward Cleppe

at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

January Sixth, Nineteen hundred and
twenty-three

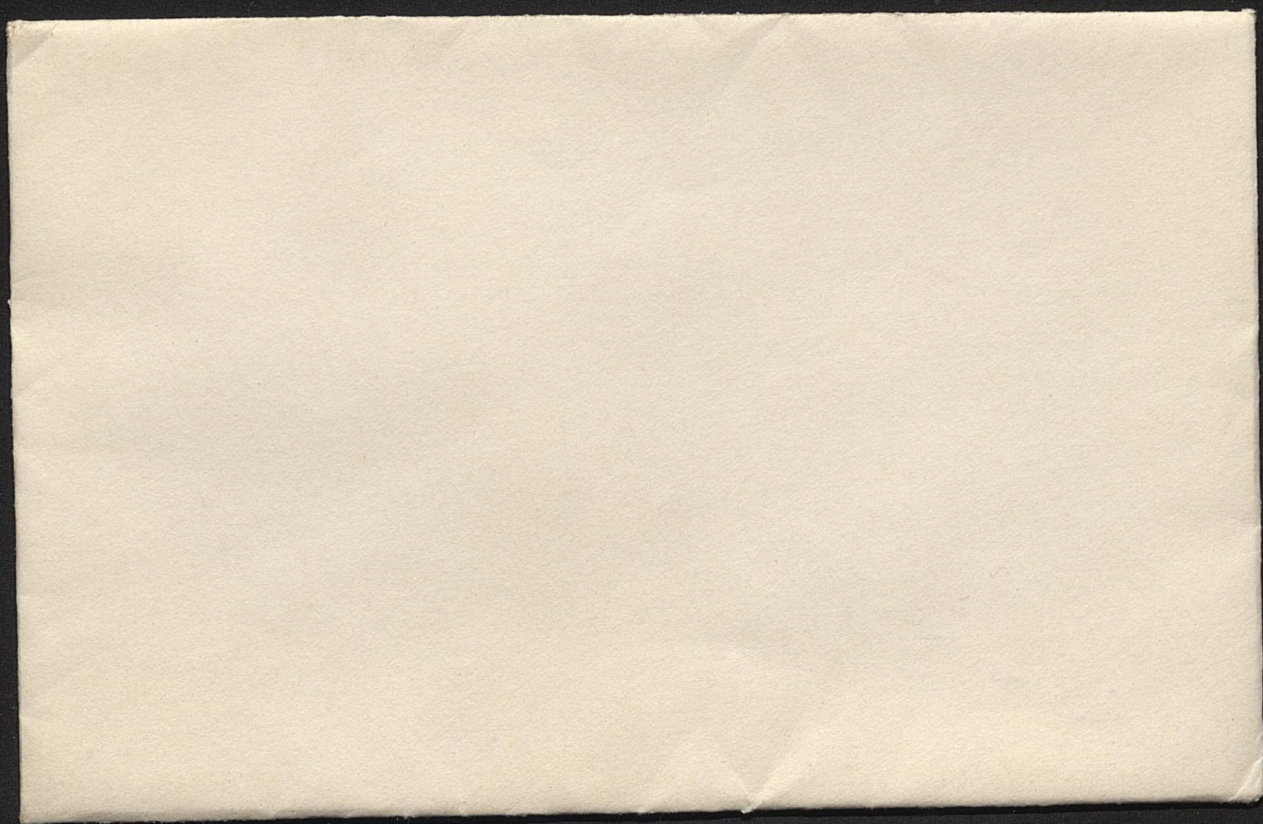
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REGISTER
OR
INSURE
VALUABLE
MAIL



Mr & Mrs. Geo. Eckert.
507 N. 7th St
Sturtevant Ill



Winona Aug 29th 1923

1923

Dear Sister & Brother!

I got your Letter while
i was writing with Ernest
in Sleepers Eyes i am feeling
much better now i am
living with Franzi's now
sins; Rudolph is dead.
i am sending you a
Poem which Rudi
wrote after Pa died and
when i went to see him
3 Days before he died ^{he} said to me, Ma
dear git those Poems i
wrote in memory of dear
Dad, and read them to
me, for it is coming
true for soon i will go
to him that was the

the best Words he sayd to
 me, so he give me good by
 and that was the last I seen
 him a life. he lookt yert fine
 alldoe he suffered so much. to
 morrow is another Mass.
 for him he got so many
 Messes from Friends and
 so many beautifull Flowers
 well I hope you ar all
 well and please remmember
 us all in your prayers as I
 will also remmember you.
 you must excuse my lead
 pencil, next time I will
 write you a better Letter.
 tell Georg, Joe is still in
 Montana yet, the Rowe bampet

got a good Crop this Year,
which i am also very thank-
full for, for the wery seldom
had a good Crop, it is to bad,
the went to Montane i think
Minnesota is a better Place to
live. Dear Georg i will send
you also a Long Rudi got
up, i hav 5 or 6 more but the
havent any Musick to them
yet. one of Ernest Giel's is
learning Violin from the Sister
in Meegy Eye, she is 15 years
old and the other one takes
Piano Lessons she is 17 years
old. Franz's and all the rest
send ther regards to you all

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now, when you write to
Hazel give her my best
regards also Leo and his Wife
and little Park i send him
a Picture of Bernard and
Helen, Francis' Children
now i gess i must close
and saying this few Lines
finds you all well and happy
i remain as ever your
loving Sister
Francis.

Mrs Francis Eckert.
1139. west 5. St.

Minora.
Minora.

WINONA, MINN.
OCT 31
10:52 AM
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Mr. George Eckert
507 West 7th
Sterling
Ill.

From J. C. C. C.
1159 W 5th
Winona Minn

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Minot, N. D.
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My dear brother and all:

Your nice card received this morning- It surely had a nice long ride to find me; but it found me all right, and I thank you for thinking of me at this time: You always manage to find me, no matter where I go- My daughter Frances came to St. Paul on a visit from Minot, N. D. where I am living now about two years ago- she took me with her to Minot.

So you are seventy-three years old now! If I live until the twenty-fifth of January, I shall be eighty-five years old; So you are still playing the fiddle! I have a nice one hanging in my room, but I dont play much on it- sometimes, Frances's little girl accompanies me on the piano- she plays good- Frances was made a present of a gallon of wine for Xmas- it was a treat to me.

Your card was addressed to South Dakota- We are in North Dakota, that is why it did not get here sooner, I see by the post-mark it was sent to St. Paul, then they gave my present address and it came here, so I am enclosing an addressed envelope, to make it handier for you.

Hoping these few lines will find you all gay and happy and wishing you all a happy new year,

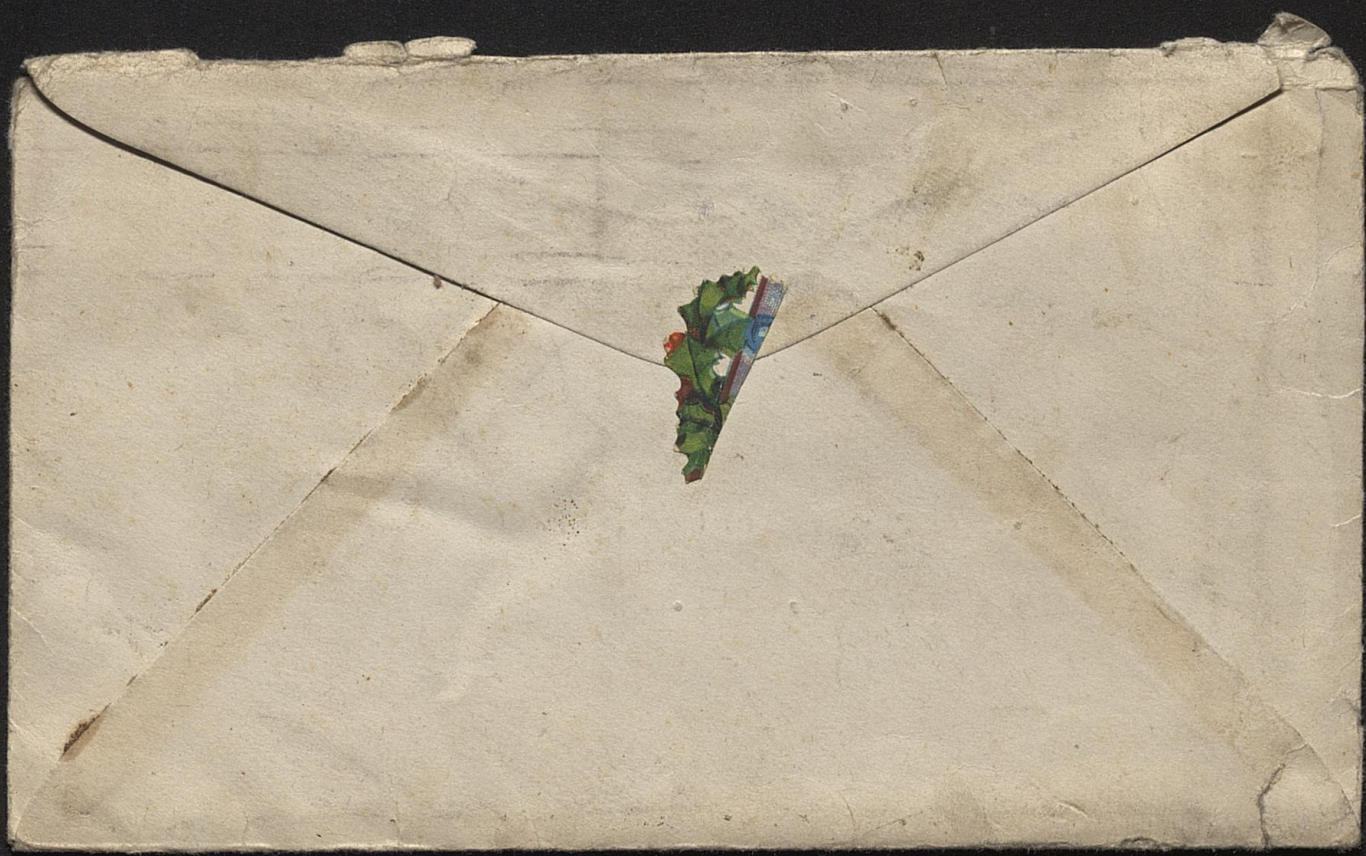
I am,

Your Brother Hart.

Heart Echard
428- Second Ave. N. W.
Minot, N. D.



Mr. George Eckert
Sterling, Ill.



Aug 16th / 23

6. Gumleigh Road
South Balwyn
London Wt's
England

My dear Mummy & Daddy Eckert.

I guess you think I am having a mighty fine holiday or else have forgotten that I promised to write when I got home. I have not forgotten nor had a long vacation. When I returned at the end of June. There was quite an accumulation of sewing, so naturally I had to get busy and also I was not at all well. Had a horrid cough that I could not shake off, so decided to see a specialist whom I have been attending weekly ever since. He told me I had Asthma in a mild form and I am ever so much better except that I am most horribly thin.

You will see by the post mark that I am not at Balwyn. I had an invitation to come to the north for a visit, so the Dr said I could go as long as I was fairly quiet. Well sir it is purely quiet.

only a few farms houses and post office
and five miles from shops and station.
and an ideal beauty spot and so
peaceful. The lady I am staying with
is 65 so we cannot go for very long
walks but I think the change will
do me a lot of good. I just loved
Reignmouth but I was not so well and
had so many hilly streets between our
house and the sea that it was too
much climbing for me. but I think I
was better for the change.

I did not bring any letters away with
me as I had no intention of writing any
except when necessary but it is raining
and rather chilly today, so its an ill
wind that blows no one any good.

I remember you spoke about our Duke &
Duchess of York. I was not well enough
to go to town but my sisters did and had
a lovely view of it all except the actual
ceremony. But I saw it on the pictures
without being crushed. I went to Princess Mary's
wedding the year before. But the Duchess is
a sweet little thing and I think it a
real love match.

This little village is one of the loveliest spots in England. The rustic scenery is wonderful and beautiful and I know I shall not want go home when the time comes. It is so quiet with the River Duddon (running throu the village) made famous by Wordsworth. The originator of Wedgwood china was born here.

This seems all about myself. I expect you are busy putting up fruit and vegetable for the winter from your little garden. There is some possibility that one of these fine days I may come to New York for an extended visit, but I'm afraid I shall not get as far as Springfield Sterling or Chicago any way I will let you know if anything materializes.

I do hope you are both keeping well also your family - Guess they have gone camping again.

Must close now as it is almost post time. Fondest love to you both

Always yours sincerely

Evelyn Hartford



Mr Geo. B. Eckert
507. West 4th Street
Sterling
Illinois
U. S. A.

From E. Hartford
to Gumleigh Road
South Ealing
England. London W.S.

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August 14th

Dear Uncle George, Aunt Marie and family:

It was a lovely lot of pictures you sent. I have looked at them over and over, and have been wanting to write for so long, but there is always something to hold one back it seems. I worked so hard this summer trying to have a garden, but it hardly pays up here; by the time one gets things where they begin to show up, its time to freeze again, and all that work for nothing! But I'm so crazy for a garden that I must have something to make it ~~spring~~ summer like. We have to pay so high for melon here, and its hard to get. I'm sick for such things when it comes summer, and thats why I hate it here - people don't raise such things as a crop, so it has to be shipped in and is too high then, to really buy all one would like to.

I suppose you have the right kind of a garden down there. Its hard work no matter where one lives, but I never mind the work part if I can only secure results - and something for my work. I like to do it myself, because thats the only way to get things done right according to my idea. I have good success with whatever I undertake to grow, but its too hard. So as that is about over now, I have more time for other things.

How I did enjoy that letter! That and the snaps made it just like a visit. How good you both look - it sees you

are getting younger right along. It must agree with you there.
 Leo's boy is a fine little man; he is so young to make his first
 communion - I don't see how they do it.

Uncle George looks for all the world like Kiaser Bill
 watering his lawn! He surely does dress nicely, I'll say.
 Those snaps do you all credit; one may well be proud of them. Who
 takes them - well, I might know its Marie, without asking. And
 then by taking turns Uncle does his part too. Its nice to have
 a kodak. I have none now - only an old thing ~~its Marie~~ I've
 had since the year one; its a joke.

I don't hear from any of the Eckerts. We did'nt know
 Eliza was dead. Poor soul! She seemed to be knocking around
 from one to the other, and no home of her own, so maybe she was glad
 to go. I had a letter from one of May's twins (Teddy) about
 three months ago, but have not answered it as yet. May still lives
 in the same place. Frances was here on a visit; she
 is doing well in school and music. She is a lovely little girl.
 (Frances Elizabeth Hollam) I expect them down again soon.
 Papa is feeling as well as can be expected.

Well, I'm in hopes to hear from you again. You
 must pardon me for not writing sooner. I thank you for the
 pictures - if I could get a couple of fairly good ones, I might
 send you, but am not sure. Remember me to Hazel and Leo.

I shall make an effort to answer
 sooner next time, so hoping this finds you both well and happy,

As ever,
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Mrs. H. Hollam - Sherwood, N. Dak-



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Mr & Mrs. George B. Eckert,

Sterling,

Ill.

*Not for
Geo F Eckert*

2007

Carlyle, Ill. Dec. 2, 1918

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Eckert:-

It was a pleasant surprise to receive such a quick answer to my card. When I sent it, I wasn't sure that you were still living in Sterling, for it has been such a long time since I've heard from you. I believe it was all my fault, too, for I neglected to write. Now I'll try to make up for ~~lost~~ lost time and tell you lots of things.

I'm sure you two, like everybody else, are rejoicing because this dreadful war has ended. Now we'll be anxious for the boys to come home. Of course we had no one in our immediate family in it, but plenty of cousins and friends.

We are all pretty well. This weather is hard on everyone and the boys cough. You know Dora is still with us. Has been ever since

Tom died. The boys are both in school now, Theodore is 11 and Hubert 6 years old. Dad was 72 years old in September but keeps up so well. He works around the place and seems to feel good. Of course he has spells of weakness but has been pretty well so far. None of us has had the Flu, but you can never tell. It sure is a terrible disease. So many have died around here. In some families there were two or more deaths. All the schools were closed for 4 or 5 weeks, but some of them have opened again. Here in Carlyle we've had few cases and only 1 death, but in the country and neighboring towns it has been serious. Marnie teaches in Breece and there were more than 600 cases there and about 30 deaths. A young boy in the family where she boards died of pneumonia. He was just 21 years old. We knew

him so well, and it was such a ² shock to us all. The Breese school opened two weeks ago, also Carlyle. I've been teaching in Aviston, a town about 13 miles from here. Not a town really, just a village. The people over there are so afraid of a contagious disease. Our school has been closed for two weeks, this is the eighth. It is awful to have to lose so much school time & its getting monotonous to me, but it can't be helped. If they don't want us to begin, we can't. Of course, our pay goes on just the same. I like my work fine over there and have a lovely place to stay.

I said none of us had the Flu, but Gus Nallerman was awfully sick the first of November. He has a rheumatic heart and any sick spell affects it. He had pleurisy and

on Nov. 1. his heart failed and we thought sure he was dying. Had 2 doctors and the priest. Fr. Diepenbrock gave him the last sacraments, but he rallied and is better now. He looks awfully bad & Louise is so worried about him. I'm afraid if he has another spell, it will take him.

Helen is living in East St. Louis now at 572 N. 26th Street. She has 3 babies. Francis Jr. is 4 years old (was in July) and little Mary Helen will be 2 in January. There are both little darlings & the little girl is so sweet & pretty. She says everything and is so sensible. They are all well, but little Francis has spells in which he gets very high fever & is delirious. Some doctors say it's worms, others his adenoids. They'll take him to a specialist, I think & find out.

Agnes & Fred are same as ever & have

no babies. I told them they'd have
to adopt a French or Belgian
orphan now.

I don't know where Fr. Kenken is.
For a while he was in E. St. Louis but
was transferred again to some
place in the South, I think.

And Hazel is still on the road?
I thought she'd be married and
settled down by this time (ha! ha!)
Guess she'll do that when her soldier
boy comes home. When you write
her give her my love & tell her I'd
like to hear from her. And Leo
is so far away from you! Does he
still play in the theater? Sometimes
I think about the good times we
used to have together when you
were here & while we were in E. St. L.
It certainly is a pleasant remembrance.

I was glad to get the pictures.
Neither of you have changed one
bit. Look as young as ever. I can't

find any good picture of myself,
but am enclosing 2 kodak pictures.

One was taken in the country early
in the summer. Dora + Marnie +
the girl we visited are on it, too. The
other we took in Aviston, at a friend's
home. Mrs. Swiss is such a dear
woman + I spend lots of my time
with her. They have a beautiful home,
and the picture was taken on the
side steps. Mrs. Swiss is sitting on
the stoop, and her daughter Thelma
is leaning against her. Next is
Vereva Nallennann, Louise's oldest
daughter (Quite a young lady eh?)
+ last - me - . If I ever have a
good picture made, I'll send you one.

I'd better quit writing now, so
I'll have more to write the next
time (??).

With love from all of us
and especially from Vereva

ans Jan 31



Mrs. Geo. B. Eckert
308 West 7th Street
Sterling
Illinois.

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1607 Franklin St.
Vancouver Wⁿ

Dear Mrs Eckert and all

Can you ever forgive
me for being so long in
answering your last letter.
I don't believe I have written
since last summer some-
times - but listen any way
we have all that of you
all often very often and I
have intended to write oh
so many many times but
it is so easy to put off -
and especially when one
has been as busy as I have.
Perhaps Hazel told you
we had moved into a
large house just a few
blocks from town and
keeping roomers and boarders
but believe me never again
there is nothing in it but
hard work for all and

between my work and
helping at home all I could
there was my little time
left.

You are no doubt sur-
prised to note when I saw
left Spokane the 8th of May
to accept a position with
the Pease Amos Sales Co
and my I feel so good
since I have been here -
my work has been so much
lighter and pleasant, and
Bess would hardly let me
do anything at home so
I fear I am getting lazy!
I am staying with her
but in Vancouver. Portland
you know is just across
the river from here and a
few connects with the
Portland street cars -

When the girls see her
Mama had just left for

3. for a short visit with
Bessie so didn't get to see
them and was so sorry
but we had just moved
& knew she would be awfully
tied down all winter so
prevailed on her to go -

They were up for dinner
several times - we were
real close to the theater
and one evening after the
show they took me to
Danceports for "eat" - we
surely enjoyed them being
here and hope we will
see them again this year.
They both looked just fine.

Babe and I got to be real
chummy - I think she is
an awfully dear little girl.

I am looking for Mamma
& Papa about the 10th of Aug
and can hardly wait
till they get here. We
broke up house - keeping

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when I came over here
and crated our furniture
for shipment and expect
to live in Portland -
want it Portland you
liked so well when you
were here? Hope you
will soon come this
way again or else just
come especially to make
us a visit -

Bess and John have an
amplly nice home here
but in about a month are
going to move a few miles
(about 4 1/2 mi) out of Vancouver
on a tract they bought.
They call it their ranch
and are going to have chickens
& pigs a cow etc. She has
some ducks now and they
just bought a horse.
They are awfully tickled
to think they live on their

5. my own property. John
will come back and
forth to work here in
Nanconree but he says
he isn't going to do
blacksmith work much
longer. They have quit
a lot of wood in their
place.

well I will close for
now and hope you will
write me real soon and
tell me you aren't
mad "Tah muk."

With love to you all

7/31-15

as ever
myrtle

(sent me some pictures -
I am enclosing a few)
the one with the kodak was
taken last summer)

Mat Barden
1607 Franklin St.
Vancouver Wn

VANCOUVER, WASH.
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1915



Recd Sept 9.

Mr. Geo B Eckert
Sterling
Ill.

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SACRAMENTO BRANCH
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
OF
DRUGLESS PHYSICIANS

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SACRAMENTO, CAL., Sep, 24 15.

My Dear Mr & Mrs Echart

10 W .5 . Sterling ill,

Well how are you boath ? I have not heard any thing of you for so long , & to day i found a old letter on Dresser draw written Jan 1914, so it had your adress . so now i hasten to reply as i shure would love to here from you all , where is the Children ? tellme all about them . well my Dear husband & i are here & injoying good helth as we now know so well how to live , to keep good health . he being a Dr he is always learning some thing new to be a benafit to ~~us~~ our selvs & others . He is doing better now in his line of Practice . then when we was at first , as it took time to get acquainted . But times are vary close & it hard to get all that belongs to us .

we had some Paola People to visit us . Mr & Mrs Wilks of the Commercial Hotel , thay remembered you . & Rev Hunter & wife . we shure did injoy thare visit . Do you ever think of going back thare . we hope to , But cant tell now as boath our houses are rented & keep ~~the~~ that way most of the ~~the~~ time . thay had so much rain thare all summer ,

and say Dear that trunk of yours dont you want to send for it . i had it put up on a box when i left thare & thay not tel me it all rite so far as thay know , now i do not know what it in it But if any kind of goods are in it thay might need airing by this time as i think it bin 7 years , & i told you i keep it for 10 cents a month that was less then half Mallary keep trunks . But if can send me \$5, you can have the folks or i can have the folks call a Dray & send it to you now any time , Giving me your full address .

There has bin lots Death sence we & you left thare , well we all have to pass away sooner or later , & if we are prepard ~~the~~ all will be well with us .

This is a fine contry , But People aut to apreciate it better , by living up to the good old Bible , But meny do ,

well my Dear folks we shure would love to see you all & hope theas few ~~lines~~ lines will find you all well & Happy as we are ,

Hoping to soon get a good long newsy letter i will close with our best wishes

D. & W. & Rena Bonner Brooks

Sacramento Calif.
2523 P st

Ans Nov 7-15-



Mr & Mrs Geo, B Echert.
Sterling
10 West 5 st ill,

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Sherwood, N.D. Jan 15th-9

Dear Uncle and Aunt:

I am wondering if I have your correct address and if I will receive an answer to this. Have wanted to write you for a long time, but not being sure of your address I have kept putting it off.

I would be so glad to hear from you, so please write. I will answer at once, and write a long letter. Hope you have escaped the flu are well and happy.

With love to all,

Lal

Mrs. H. Hollam

Sherwood,

N. Dak.

Bx 104

WINDY
SUNDAY
FEB 22
1913
R.F.



Mrs. Geo. B. Baker

89 101 St

100 Sterling

Peoria Ill.
June 15 - 1923

finally passed away dear sweet
woman the operation was
gall stones she had so much
faith in her Doctors its
hard for us to realize she
gone they were such a
devoted couple ^{but} he is
heart broken excuse me my
time is brief will try
to do better next time.

your loving friend
Yours
please write soon

Mr. & Mrs. Eckert.

My Dear Friends:-

It has been over a month
since I received your truly
welcome letter I was certainly
~~was~~ glad to hear from you
again. hadnt no word since
the Holidays I too expected to write
sooner but I have been laid up
with my feet & limbs since
March I havent walked a block
Bob has a car & they take me
out quite often. your home must
look lovely, would like to see it
& your ^(garden) no doubt fine almost

every thing ready to eat it rained
this morning this afternoon its
quite cool when the fruit trees
are all in bloom its certainly
a pretty sight have you any
fruit on your place is your sister
married it is the oldest no doubt
you are always busy & me too
morning & it was a success
but if you are ever in Prosser
try and come to see us Etta
is working in Clines day in
the morning when she
Good Lord where Martins
began suffering call in the Dr
used to be Viola is with her
& surgeon she became un-
conscius didnt ~~didnt~~ know
anyone lingered untill noon

Bobs wife her name is Edna
a very nice woman she is
going to the Methodist Hospital
the 18 of June well I will try &
finish its over a month since
this was started dear Edna
was operated at 19 early in the
morning & it was a success
she seemed to be resting
allright untill about 10 o'clock
in the morning when she
began suffering call in the Dr
& surgeon she became un-
conscius didnt ~~didnt~~ know
anyone lingered untill noon

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down the stairs the day after her mother was operated on. She is large and was quite bruised up. She is about alright again.

Yesterday some friends (8 of them) drove out from St. Louis and stayed till this morning. It is just a nice drive out here, they say. I often wish we had a machine so we could gad about too. But I have several good friends who have been mighty nice about seeing that I get out. I surely found out that I had dear friends while I have been ill and weak for so long. But I hope I'll soon get over it all!

Now you must write a long letter real soon again. I sure love to hear from you. When you write to Hazel, tell her I'd sure love to hear from her, too. Remember me to Leo.

With love to you both,

Verena

Carlyle Ill. July 20, 1923

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Eckert:

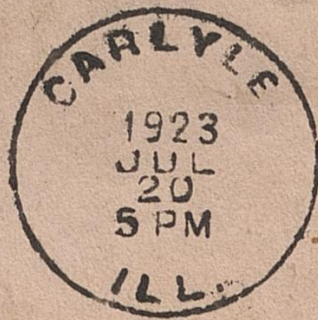
It seemed like the good old times to get your lovely letter, and you two dear people have been in my thoughts so often. I have wanted to write before this, but don't always feel good, and during this warm weather, one doesn't like to be indoors. It is pleasant this morning so I'll make good use of it.

I often sit and think of the wonderful days we used to spend together, and wish we might do so again. I love music as much as I ever did and would surely love to hear "Dad" play the violin, that

I might accompany on the piano. And to hear Leo and Hazel would be the grandest treat I could have. But never mind! Some day when I get strong and feel as I should, I'm going to accept that invitation and come to Sterling. I'd love to come. And when I'm able to do things and work, you must come to see us all.

You must have a beautiful little home and yard full of pretty flowers. I'm so fond of flowers myself. I used to think I knew Sterling, for I knew a young man from there, met him at college, and we corresponded for quite a while. But — well, I'm like I always was, too ready to give it all up (ha! ha!).

All are well here and send kindest regards. Francis Jr., Helen's boy, is with us. Has been here since the middle of June and having a big time. Is nine years old now and full of life. Mary Helen, the little girl, is 6 years old, fat and a regular Tom-boy. As soon as I feel a little stronger, I want to go to St. Louis and spend some time with Helen. Christine is in a St. Louis hospital recovering from an operation performed two weeks ago. She is doing splendidly and will be home in a few days. Helen Frerker had a fall



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Winona the 12 April
1924

to California he got a
 job in St Francisco as
 Machinist Joe Heller
 went to Portland Oregon
 and Alvin Rowcamp
 also went along with Joe
 i suppose you see that
 Theresa Vandusen lives
 here also and Leo's Wife
 and Children i dont see
 them much however.
 Sunday coming will be
 Palm Sunday allready

How day is nice send the dear boy a
 salute one 4/1

Dear Georgia Marie!

Your Letter received
 was glad you hadent
 forgotten me i went
 down to Salli Holgate
 and told her that you
 would like to write to
 them. Salli didnt feel
 very well but she is
 feeling better now she
 has a new Lett of
 over on No 2

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the 24 of March, i was 78 years
old, when i git my secont Youth
again, mayb i might come and
visit you, but i am afraid
Georg might say well well
is that really Fränzele, you
see his Mother gur to call
me that well my dear People
i wish you a glad Easter
and hoping you ar all well
i remain as ever your
Love to every loving Sister -
bodi's from
everri body

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Teatth cost here 100 Dollars
she sayd expressive ch
How is Times with you
not good here, in Winona
ther is not much Work,
going on. My Son Georg
is out of Job 6 Months
allready and him such
a good Proseroy Clerk
Lotts of young People hat
to go out of Town to git
a Job. Gebrger Bay went
over on no 4



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From 1159, W. S. St.

Winona, Minn.

Winona #22nd April
1924

Dear Marie, Hazel, Leo & Son:

It was certainly a very
sad message i received and
was always thinking i would
surprise dear Brother George
some Day well such is Live
well he enjointh his Easter
in Haven with Ernest and
all the rest, but i am so
sorry for you all i noe what
Datht means, but we got
to chere up, i just got back
from our Priest he is going

Love
Charles W. St. Marys

to say Holy Mass for Georg
next week some time, now
hoping that you all be resint,
and take our Cross willingly,
because it is God will. I sent
a message to my Son Georg and
Sally the same day when I got
your Letter. I all was up here
last Night so was Violet and
she will tell Van Deusens.
now please let me hear from
you again when you feel
better with best Wishes to you
all from all. from your loving Aunt
Franziska.



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