

GORDON S. RENTSCHLER
55 WALL STREET
NEW YORK

April 24, 1940.

Dear Margaret:

I am distressed about Bob. I have been interested in him ever since he was a wee little boy. Your father and mother liked the idea that he was the '07 class boy and '07 liked it too and were devoted to Bob. I remember when your daddy brought him back to our fifth reunion. We all had a happy time together. Bob marched to the baseball field with us and at times, when his little legs did not carry him too well, he rode on my shoulder. I remember distinctly even now what a keen, bright-eyed little fellow he was and what a happy time he had throwing out the ball for the start of the Yale-Princeton game, and all the things that happened about him.

Of course, we watched with interest his fine progress as he went through West Point and his Army career, and I have always respected him for living the kind of a life that he knew your father and mother wanted him to live. Mary and I were delighted when he brought his wife to lunch with us and that heightened even more our interest in Bob and his future.

Mary and I are both very, very sorry that he could not have had the chance to finish his splendid career. We send to you and the family our sincerest and deepest sympathy.

Ever sincerely,

Gordon Rentschler

Mrs. Morris M. Lee, Jr.
38-73 Douglaston Parkway,
Douglaston, New York.

GORDON S. RENTSCHLER
55 WALL STREET
NEW YORK



Answer

Mrs. Morris M. Lee, Jr.

38-73 Douglaston Parkway

Douglaston, New York.

April 24 1940

Dear Dad:

I was so sorry to learn
of your brother's death. You
have the sincere sympathy
of an

Old Friend
Dick Threlson

One Saturday Evening Post
Philadelphia



Answered
Mrs. Margaret Lee
38 Douglaston Parkway
Douglaston, L. I.

New York

Dear Peggy,
Just a note to
say we are think-
ing of you and
that you have our
best love and deepest
sympathy at this
time.

Do drop in or
call us the next
time you are up

Answer



Mrs. W. W. Lee
38-73 Danglaster Hwy
Danglaster
Long Island.

Dear -

With sincerely
Yours

April 24 -

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Mr. R. D. ...
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...

died last Dec.? Mrs Hewitt & Frances live in the old home. The boys are all married. Wilbur is in aviation.

Again with sympathy & love. Let us hear from you sometime.

Mrs. Edith Rowe.

I forgot to tell you L. changed jobs last June. The regional agriculture credit corporation closed in June & L. has a job with a certified public accountant & likes the work fine.

Mr. Kinney died in Feb. Mrs Kinney has diabetes & a bad foot caused by stepping on a tack 3 yrs ago. Dorothy, Genevieve & June are all married. D. has a little boy & twin girls.

(note change of address)
316 Ninth Ave.
Helena, Mont. Apr. 25, '40.

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Dear Margaret,

Our daily gave an account of Bob's death in Norway. My heart goes out to you in sympathy. Oh, this cruel war! And it all seems so needless. Why are such selfish dictators allowed to live!

I suppose Bob's remains will be brot back & laid away with the highest honors, but that wout replace him for you & Kay. Give her my sympathy even tho' she is a stranger.

Are her parents living, to help her bear up at this time?

I can't make it seem real that you are the only one left of the Looney's we loved. I am so glad you are married & have little Penny. May I have a Kodak sometime of you & husband & Penny.

I rec'd your Christmas message, but this year I could not get any Christmas cards written at all, for we moved just 2 or 3 days before Christmas and for 2 months we had been so busy overseeing the fixing up of a little house we had bot & moved. It was a big worry & undertaking for L. & me for it had to have a great deal done, foundation, new siding & shingles, partitions & doors &

windows changed, new masonry, wiring plumbing, sanding floors, papering, painting, a little porch built, etc. We have a lot of inside painting yet to do & lawn to start etc. Last week we had 4 trees set out.

It has 4 rooms besides bath & a little store room & we are very cozy, & it is so quiet & restful.

Carol will be home for the summer in a few weeks now. She has just one more year at the U. She is an honor student, carries extra credits & puts in 15 hrs. a week working in the library besides. She has batched with another girl this year.

Had you heard that Mr. Hewitt

316 Ninth Ave
Helena, Mont.



Mrs. Morris M. Lee
38-73 Douglaston Pkwy.
Douglaston, L. I.
New York.

Enclosed

PRESTONIA
Ringoos, New Jersey

bore you with tales of
the strange, amusing,
or terrifying (at the time) things
that happen in nine
months on a farm. But
it's all been grand and
I wouldn't be back in the
city even if I could.

I'd like you to see the
house - as one who "saw
it when"; you'll be surprised,
And we'd all be so very
happy to have you here
whenever you can come.

With a heart full of love,
as always,

Everly

Wednesday, April 24

Dearest Peg -

One minute the
war, to me, is something
I hear about on the
radio - and the next,
it's something horribly
real because of your
brother's death.

I know there isn't
anything in the world
dear ^{say} to you at a time
like this except the
true words of sympathy
- but Peg, dear, they come

on a party the last
of May - and even
dance (maybe?). I've
been going faithfully to
N.Y. for treatment
every week. And, of course,
never joining them. Like
having a date or something.

I'm looking forward
to lots of company this
year - I couldn't do
anything last summer, and
I intend to have lots of
fun and friends here to
make up for it. I want

straight from my heart.

I wish there could
be something that I could
do. Wouldn't you like
to bring Perry down for
a week in the country?
At long last, we have
sunshine - and the
daffies and hyacinths
are in bloom.

It's been a pretty
lonely winter, but just
what I needed. My
knee leg is so much
better that I can go

Answered



Mrs. Morris Lee
38-73 Douglaston Parkway
Douglaston
Long Island, N.Y.

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that rested in the heart
and mind of your dear
Mother. It is a terrible
thing that is happening
over there, and the man,
to my mind back of it,
is not worth the clipping
from your Brother's letter
to be read.

Kindly convey
my sincere sympathy
to your Sister-in-law.

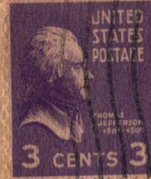
I am,
Most Sincerely yours,

Guild Foster
337 N. Luffe Ave
Trenton, N. J.

Apr. 25/40

My dear Mrs. Lee.

It is with
profound sorry, that
I learn of the great loss,
that has befallen you
and yours, through the
tragic death of your
beloved Brother. It is
a pity, that one with
such a grand future,
should so suddenly be
cut off. I was so
pleased with the pro-
gress he was making,
for it recalled to my
mind, the hopes full-filled



Assured
Mr. Morris Lee,
Langloston,
Long Beach Island,
New Jersey.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ORGANIZED 1712

STATE STREET, NEAR BROAD

TRENTON, N. J.

EDWARD ALLEN MORRIS
Minister

Manse
26 Richey Place
Trenton, New Jersey

Telephones
Church: 2-0138 Home: 3-3224

April 25, 1940

Mrs. Morris M. Lee,
38.73 Douglaston Parkway,
Douglaston, Long Island, New York.

Dear Margaret,

I have been out to Detroit since last Friday assisting a brother of mine, who is a minister, to dedicate a new Church building, and just arrived back home last night. This is the first opportunity, therefore, that I have had to write you. I just want to extend to you my deepest sympathy in the loss of your brother, and pray for you every spiritual resource to meet this as well as every other discipline of life. You can have a proud memory of a brother who crowded much into a short life and attained eminent distinction in his chosen work, and who died on an errand of mercy while trying to help others.

You may not have known that he was still a member of this Church in good and regular standing at the time of his death. Although he has not been in active fellowship with us for sometime, due of course to the nature of his work that took him far afield, we retained his name on our roll. In that sense then, I feel that I was his Pastor, as I am yours, since you are also still a member of my Church. Sunday is our Communion Service and as we always print the names of those who have passed on since our last Communion your brother's name appears in this Sunday's bulletin. I am sending you a copy.

The papers state that his remains will be brought back to this country. I was hoping that as the Pastor of the Church of which he was a member I might have the honor of conducting the funeral service for him. That arrangement, I suppose, is in the hands of the government and your brother's wife. As it has never been my privilege to know your brother's wife will you please convey to her for me, my deepest sympathy in her loss and tell her please, that if in any way I can be helpful I shall deem it a privilege to be of service in any way that I can. I am sure that if she wishes me to serve in any way as the Pastor of the Church of which your brother was a member and will make her wishes known to the government authorities they will respect her wishes. I do not wish to intrude nor impose myself upon you or her so I leave it entirely in your hands to do as you think best.

Again let me assure you, as your Pastor and friend, of my deepest interest and sympathy.

Very sincerely yours,

Edward Allen Morris

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
East State St. near Broad,
TRENTON, N. J.



Answered

Mrs. Morris M. Lee
38.73 Douglaston Parkway
Douglaston
Long Island
NEW YORK

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Presbyterian Church

(Formed 1712)

EAST STATE STREET NEAR BROAD
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

Rev. Edward Allen Morris, Minister

Sunday, April 28, 1940



MY CHURCH

DEEP IN MY HEART I know that the Church is of God — That in spite of human frailties she has brought blessings untold to all generations, including my own — That she has made my community and my country a better place in which to live, to work, to establish a home, and to rear my children — That I would not want to live or die in a land where no Church spires point its people heavenward.

I ALSO KNOW that the Church continues to live triumphantly even when men and nations reject her by indifference or open hostility.

IN THIS KNOWLEDGE I gladly give myself to my Church and offer her my loyal support by intelligent membership, regular attendance, generous giving, ardent prayer, and devoted service.



The Church Welcomes You!

THIS IS THE LORD'S HOUSE, and all are welcome: the poor, the rich, the learned, the unlearned; the wise and unwise, and the stranger within our gates. Hither may the little ones love to come. Here may the young men and maidens be strengthened for the adventure of life. Hither may age turn its footsteps to find the rest of God and light at eventide. Here may the needy find friends; the tempted find help; the sorrowing find comfort. May those who fear be encouraged, and those who doubt have their better hopes confirmed. Here may the careless be awakened to timely repentance, and all striving souls be assured of the divine grace and mercy that saves us from sin for service. And may all who enter here rejoice and be exceeding glad in the love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Communion Service

11:00 A. M.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

In the holy quiet of this hour, let us draw nigh unto Him who heareth prayer; and let us remember that He listeneth more to our hearts than to our words. Let each of us bring an offering of penitence if not of purity; of love if not of holiness; of teachableness if not of wisdom. And let us beseech Him to help us by His Holy Spirit, that the praise and supplications which we offer with one voice and one heart may be acceptable to Him, and bring down an answer of peace to our souls.

The Service of Worship will proceed entirely without announcement. Please follow it carefully and reverently and participate heartily in it.

- Prelude—"Procession of the Holy Sacrament" Chauvet
- * Doxology
- * Call to Worship
- * Invocation and the Lord's Prayer
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- Psalter—Selection 61
- * The Gloria Patri
- * The Apostles' Creed
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- Old Testament Lesson—The Ten Commandments (shorter form)
- Choral Interlude
- New Testament Lesson—Jesus' Summary of the Law
- * Hymn of Aspiration—No. 354
- The Litany of Heavenly Love—Book of Common Worship, page 30
- Reception of New Members
- Announcements
- Offertory—Larghetto—Clarinet Quintet Mozart
- * Offertory Response—Hymn No. 394 (first stanza only)
- Anthem—"Jesu, Friend of Sinners" Grieg
- Silent Prayer
- THE TABLE TALK—Mr. Morris
- Prayer
- * The Communion Hymn—No. 216
- The Holy Communion
- Prayer
- * Hymn of Consecration—No. 359
- Benediction (congregation kneeling or seated)
- Choral Response—"The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Lutkin
- Postlude—Grand Choeur Gullmant

* Congregation standing
† Indicating when late comers may be seated

- WE CORDIALLY INVITE** all who worship here this morning, members of other Churches as well as of this Church, to partake with us of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All who partake of the Communion are asked to sign one of the Communicant's cards found in the card boxes and leave it in the pew.
- THE OFFERING THIS MORNING** is received by the Deacons for their work among our own people.
- THE BOARD OF DEACONS** will meet in the Church Office immediately following the service this morning.
- THE MINISTER WILL GREET** members of the congregation on the center aisle this morning, assisted by Elder William B. Duryee on the east aisle and Elder Harold B. Sutphin on the west aisle.

SINCE OUR JANUARY COMMUNION SERVICE, the following members have entered the higher life:

- on January 27, 1940, Mr. SAMUEL IRVINE BELL, a member since 1916;
- on February 2, 1940, Mrs. JACOB PACKLAIAN, a member since 1916;
- on March 30, 1940, Mrs. HORACE B. TOBIN, a member since 1889;
- on April 1, 1940, Mrs. JAMES W. ALEXANDER, a member since 1917;
- on April 21, 1940, at Dombas, Norway, Capt. ROBERT MOFFATT LOSEY, U. S. Army Air Corps, a member since 1924.

SUNDAY SCHOOL sessions open promptly at 9:55 o'clock each Sunday morning under direction of Superintendent William N. Cooper, with classes and groups suitable for all ages. Mr. Morris conducts the Men's Bible Class, which all men of the congregation are cordially invited to attend.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FORUM will hold the first out-door supper-meeting of the season this evening. Members will meet at the Church at 6 o'clock and ample transportation will be provided. The meeting will be in charge of Mr. Benjamin Rounds, who will discuss the topic "Keeping one's faith through college". In case of stormy weather, the meeting will be held in the Sunday School room.

THE CHOIR CONCERT, to be given here tomorrow (Monday) evening, April 29th, at 8:15 o'clock, promises to be one of the city's outstanding musical features. Our Adult Choir will sing two groups of choice selections; the guest artist will be Mr. Pietro Yon, organist and composer of note. The Concert Committee, of which Mrs. Jennie Scudder Murray is chairman, has worked in co-operation with the Music Committee toward the success of this event. Mrs. Joseph F. Lenox and Mrs. George J. Stout have charge of the tickets; these may also be secured through the Church Office. Tomorrow evening, tickets will be available in the downstairs rooms of the Church.

BOY SCOUT TROOP No. 14 will hold no meeting this week. All members are urged to attend the Choir Concert on Monday evening.

CHOIR REHEARSALS this week on the following schedule:

- JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR—Tuesday afternoon, 4 o'clock;
- HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR—No more rehearsals;
- JUNIOR CHOIR—Thursday afternoon, 4 o'clock;
- ADULT CHOIR—Friday evening, 7:30 o'clock.

THE BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION will hold its regular meeting Tuesday evening, April 30th, at 7:45 o'clock. The guest speaker will be Miss Lillian Hwang of China, a student in Westminster Choir College. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

THE SESSION will hold its regular stated monthly meeting in the Church office on Tuesday evening, April 30th, at 8 o'clock.

MID-WEEK SERVICE, Wednesday evening, May 1st, at 7:45 o'clock. Discussion of the National Missions book, "Homeland Harvest", will be resumed, with Mrs. John E. Gill presenting the subject. Everyone is urged to attend these interesting meetings.

THE ANNUAL MOTHER-AND-DAUGHTER BANQUET, sponsored by the Women's Association, will be held Thursday evening, May 2nd, at 6 o'clock. Featured on the program will be a fantasy, "Through the Looking Glass", presented by the daughters. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Helen M. Hall, Dean of Women at George School; Mrs. Welling G. Titus will serve as toastmistress. Supper arrangements are in charge of Mrs. Lewis H. Lawton and Mrs. W. Scott Taylor, Jr. Mail your return-postal promptly, or make your reservations through the Church office (2-0138).

PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY will hold "open house" on Saturday, May 4th, from 2 to 6 P. M., to which we are cordially invited. If you can go, please notify the Church Office (2-0138). The first 100 men and the first 100 women registering will be guests of the Seminary for supper at 5:15 P. M.

THE PRESBYTERIAN HOME of the Synod of New Jersey, located at Belvidere, has as its representative in our congregation Mrs. Albert E. Numbers. Patronesses are invited to enroll at one dollar a year. Your enrollment may be sent to Mrs. Numbers at 1423 Pennington Road, or in care of the Church Office.

WE HEARTILY ENDORSE the Trenton "Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up" campaign, from April 28th to May 4th, sponsored by the Trenton Chamber of Commerce, and urge the fullest co-operation of our people. Cleanliness promotes health.

WHEN IT IS COLD

R. DALE LeCOUNT

IT WAS COLD. The day, warm and friendly, had withdrawn, and the night had come on, and the stars in the sky were cold. The men standing about the fire, officers and servants, were strangers to Peter, and the flickering light gave to their faces a demonic mien. From the comradely eyes of Jesus he felt alienated. Beyond the fire was the kinsman of the high priest's servant, whose ear Peter but now had sheared from his head. Peter shifted uneasily. The fire, neutral in its influence, lifted its flames to warm the hands of both the offender and the offended. Not often do events conspire against a man with such embarrassment as in this tragic instance. A gripping frost seemed to rise from the fire and seize Peter's heart in fingers of ice. Yes, it was cold!

But here was a hope for at least a slight relief — a fire of coals. Perhaps Peter's hands trembled as he extended them toward the warmth. Strange that tonight his hands should be so persistently cold, these hands rough-reddened by many winds. Many a night on Galilee, wet by the nets and the fish, in the wind they had grown very warm. Then, stripped to the girdle, he had felt no cold. But now even the fire failed to warm either hands or Peter. Alas, tonight no fire can warm Peter! He is the victim of a moral chill. It congeals his usually warm and impulsive heart; it benumbs him to moral danger. And soon in that insensitiveness to spiritual peril, Peter is to take cruel and faithless words upon his lips — and he will deny his Lord.

O world, you may kindle a thousand fires and huddle near them, you may even thrust your hands into them and be burned, yet if you nourish the seeds of a denial of Christ your hearts will be cold, cold with intensity exceeding that of uttermost space! But if your hearts remain determinedly loyal, never fearing to own Him, the divine Spirit can breathe upon them and nourish vital and conquering strength in all your being.

Later, Simon Peter and the others went a-fishing. Through a cold night they caught nothing. But when morning came they saw a Figure on the shore. They recognized Him, and Simon, tightening his fisher's cloak about him, plunged into the dark waters. And in a moment, shivering and amazed, Simon sat by another fire of coals, and his heart was warm.

Across the fire came a question: "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?"
"Yes, Lord, Thou knowest that I love Thee!"

A PRAYER FOR OPEN CHURCH DOORS

On the mountain, by the seashore, in discouraged homes, on the roadside,
Thou didst call the high and the low to enter into life.
No prodigal was too far away,
None too wrapt in self-praise,
None too base,
None too good to miss the invitation.
As in Thine eye all were kin,
All children of earth, and yet, the children of God,
So help us, Thy latter servants,
To uphold the ancient welcome of the Church.
Let the joyous there double their rejoicing;
The deserted find a friend;
The lonely discover One Who sticketh closer than a brother.
Aid us to make Thy Church a praise in the earth,
To keep wide her doors to all questing and wistful spirits.
A refuge for all driven or distressed,
A source of strength for the least, last son of men,
A bringer of salvation to home and nation;
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

—From "A Face to the Sky", by Rev. George Stewart.

+ lives in mo of the suburbs of Philadelphia - Mr Raub + I have been in Atlantic City for 16 years. He is supervisor of the Trolley Co. here. A civil engineer - graduate of Lafayette. If you ever come this way - do come to see us. We'd love to have you. I remember you so well - a sweet - gentle little sister - basking in the sunlight of your big brother. And I know you is always been my proud pride - the memories, which are dear to you now, will become more precious as the years roll on. And time does mellow our grief + the thoughts + prayers of our friends are a comfort. Both Mr Raub + I send our profound sympathy -

Affectionately

Isabelle Hompe Raub

Wednesday evening -

Mrs. Frank Howard Raub

3 St. Victoria Avenue Ventnor, New Jersey

Dear Margaret -

It has been such a long time since I knew you got in Atlantic. I doubt if you remember very much about it. Mr. Howard has followed you at intervals - thru the letters your mother wrote to my mother, + I, of course, was especially interested in I got you birth - your first start in the kindergarten of old Synner St school - I remembered so well - when Robert first came to kindergarten - He was so young, Miss Sandwich really didn't want to take him but because I was the kindergarten



Howard

Mrs Morris Lee
38-73 Dauglaston Parkway
Dauglaston
Long Island

and a friend of your family
Mr. Bradley perhaps, had wires
+ "Bobby" stayed - He promised
them a real future - + during
last I had yesterday with Mrs
Moore - I realized how my
outstanding he was - It was
with great sadness - I read of
the tragedy - I know only
too well - Margaret - how badly
you feel - I lost an older
brother my suddenly - when
he was just 30 - + 2-28. It is
just something that dread
been real - a love which do
not life - It is surely sad
because it leaves you without
any one of your immediate family
Mrs. Mrs. Jim Culver. + Mrs
Mary B. as that too - is a
widow just as - but I understand
stated you have a new one

husband - who I'm sure is a great
comfort in these first hard days -
I was especially shocked + surprised
to read of your mother's death in the
Atlantic City paper - I had no idea - she
came from May's Landing - altho I do
remember vaguely my mother mentioning
it - when she used to visit me here -
if I had known in time, I would have
gone with to the funeral - It was my
brother of your mother - + felt very near to
you all my sister house + Aunt Lillian
were quite inseparable during their high
School days - house now lives in Brooklyn
+ I noted Lillian do. also - house married
Dr. Geo. B. Ray - head of the Science Dept in
Long Island Medical College - They have
3 fine boys. My brother Robert - the other
surviving member of the family is married

Mrs. Frank Howard Raub

3 N. Victoria Avenue Ventnor, New Jersey

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NON-GLARE TOPPER

ANNE BORDEN

April 26, 1946

Dear Margaret:

I know that words are inadequate at times like these but please accept my heartfelt sympathy in your loss.

The headlines shocked me to the core when I saw them, yet when I read on & learned

Alseward

Mrs. Margaret Lee
38-73 Douglaston Parkway
Douglaston, L.I.



that your mother had passed
on, I knew why I hadn't
heard from her in weeks
to my last note.

Remember Morris & I'm
glad you ~~to~~ married -- I'm
and yours both happy.

Sincerely,
David Spiden

AMERICAN
LIBRARY

30 East 35th St.
New York City

Dear Pa.
Jim has just
written me about
your brother! This
is just a cue to
let you know we
are thinking of you,
and wishing there



Mrs. Morris M. Lee Jr.
Deepston
Long Island

was something we
could do to help.

Dear,

Tom. Keeps

Keeps
30 East 35th St
New York
New York



LOCUST GROVE
EASTON, MARYLAND

Thursday

Dear Peg

It wasn't until last night

when I got a letter from Lud,

that I heard about your brother.

It was such a terrible shock

to me and I know Lud felt

the same way, that we

hardly know what to say

to comfort you.

Knowing how much he meant
to you, makes saying "I'm
sorry" sound so inadequate. But
we both want you to know that
we are thinking of you a great
deal. I simply couldn't believe
it last night, it brought the war
so near.

Anyway I'll be home next
week and I hope to see you
if you feel like having

someone to talk to, or perhaps
not to talk to you, I'll be so
glad to have you come over.
It's been so long since I've
seen you anyway.

I got a letter from Phyllis
in the same mail and she sent
her love.

How is Penny? Chris is
really getting around down here
though it's been like winter most

of the time.

I guess that all for now
and I'll see you next week

Best love and I'm

thinking of you more than
you perhaps realize

Mary Ann.

~~No answer~~

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Mrs Morris M. Lee

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