

Louisville, Ky., July 19, 1905.

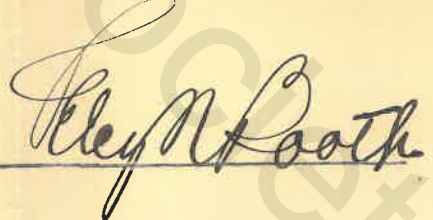
Miss Frances Ingram,
1321 Franklin Ave.,
Columbus, O.

My Dear Miss Ingram:

The Board of Trustees of Neighborhood House were much pleased to receive your application for the position of Head Resident of Neighborhood House through Mr. Charles Goldsmith and are now considering same. I happen to be the Chairman of the Committee in whose hands the matter has been placed and I am now writing to you to inquire whether or not it would be convenient to you to meet the Committee in Louisville in the near future. I am planning to leave Louisville for the summer in about a week and I think that probably some of the other members of the Board have similar plans. Not knowing your plans I hesitate to ask you to come away back to Louisville at this time, but I do not believe we could arrange such an important matter without a personal meeting.

If you will be kind enough to let me know when you could make it convenient to be in Louisville, I shall be very much obliged to you.

Yours very truly,


Percy N. Booth

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Louisville, Ky. , July 29, 1905.

Miss Frances Ingham,
1321 Franklin Ave.,
Columbus, O.

My Dear Miss Ingram :

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th inst. I am very glad indeed to know that you will be with us in the fall and am sure that all the rest of the Board feel the way I do. Please accept my hearty congratulations on your decision. It is a fine opportunity for great work. We shall expect you September 1st.

I have no suggestions in particular to make except that I believe that it would enormously increase your opportunity if you bring yourself in touch in the meantime with settlement work and settlement workers in other cities.

Yours very cordially,

Percy Booth

OF
PERCY N. BOOTH,
KENYON BUILDING, 216 FIFTH ST.,
LOUISVILLE, KY.



Miss Frances Ingram,
1221 Franklin Ave.,
Columbus, O.



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

JOHN H. BUSCHEMEYER, MAYOR
LOUIS E. STEIN, SECRETARY

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 23, 1915

Miss Francis Ingram,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Madam:—

I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the National Conference on Immigration and Americanization to be held in Philadelphia, Pa. January 19th. and 20th., 1916.

This conference will deal with the following subjects: citizenship; education for adult immigrants; housing; American standards of living in immigrant communities; and the immigrant in industry. It is the purpose of the conference to discuss economic and social preparedness, which includes the pressing need of internal unity, of common standards and common ideals in language, in citizenship, in social and industrial life, rather than questions of restriction and of defense.

Trusting you will be able to attend this conference, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

John H. Buschmeyer



**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

**JOHN H. BUSCHEMEYER, MAYOR
LOUIS E. STEIN, SECRETARY**

Louisville, Ky., March 28, 1916

Miss Frances Ingram,
428 South First St.,
City.

Dear Madam:-

I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the Fifth Annual Session of the Southern Sociological Society to be held in New Orleans, La., April 12-16, 1916. Questions pertaining to poverty, illiteracy, inefficiency, crime and disease will be discussed at this meeting.

On account of the financial condition of the City at the present time, it will be impossible to make an appropriation for this purpose.

Trusting you can find time to attend this meeting, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

J. Wm Miller
Acting Mayor

The Louisville National Banking Co.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

JOHN H. LEATHERS, *PRESIDENT*
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B. A. DUERSON, *ASST. CASHIER*

Louisville, Ky.
May 22, 1919.

Miss Frances Ingram,

428 S. First St., City.

Dear Miss Ingram:-

I am advised that His Honor, The Mayor, has named you for a member of the Board of Managers of the Louisville Industrial School for the next three years.

Allow me to congratulate you upon the compliment the Mayor has given you and also to congratulate the Board on having you associated with us. It is the first time in the history of the Institution that a lady has been named as a member of the Board of Managers and, this new departure, I sincerely hope will work to the interest of our institution and I know from your large experience in similar work and your evident interest in this kind of work, it will offer you a wider field of larger usefulness. The Board, I am sure, will extend you a warm welcome and gladly welcome you also as a good worker in a great cause.

The writer takes the liberty of writing you because he has also been appointed for the tenth time and, should he live to serve out the present term of three years, it will be thirty years of continuous service on that Board.

The regular meetings of the Board will be held on the First Tuesday evening of each month in the Administration Building on the grounds of the Institution, entrance at Third Street and the Monument,

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The Louisville National Banking Co.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

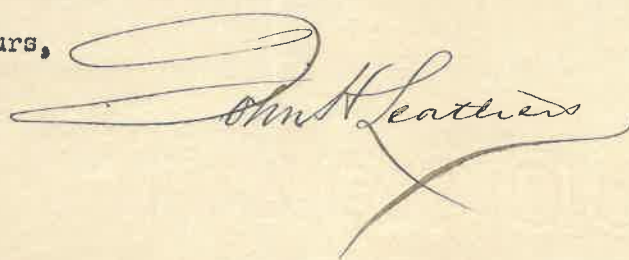
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at Eight o'clock. The next meeting will be Tuesday evening, June 3rd, at which time you are requested to be present and to bring with you your certificate of appointment and a Notary will be present to duly qualify you as a member of the Board.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John H. Leathers". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely yours,".

May 23, 1919.

Mr. D. B. Edmiston,
Clerk of General Council,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge my election
as a member of the Board of Man-
agement of the Industrial School
of Reform. I appreciate very much
the honor and thank the members of
the joint session of the General
Council for my appointment.

Respectfully,

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May 23, 1919.

Mayor George Weissinger Smith,
City Hall,
Louisville, Ky.

Honored Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge my appointment as a member of the Board of Management of the Industrial School of Reform. I appreciate very much the honor you have conferred upon me, by this appointment and will endeavor to the best of my ability, to live up to the responsibility you have entrusted to me.

Thanking you for the opportunity of thus serving the delinquent and dependent boys and girls who come under the supervision of the Louisville Industrial School, I am,

Respectfully,



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

GEO. WEISSINGER SMITH, MAYOR
EUGENE M. DAILEY, SECRETARY

February 26
1920

Miss Frances Ingram,
428 S. First St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Miss Ingram:

The Mayor directs me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 23, in which you recommend Mr. Charles Tachau for membership on the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Industrial School of Reform.

I am directed to state to you that there is no vacancy on this Board at the present time, but Mr. Tachau will be kept in mind when a vacancy occurs.

The Mayor thanks you for your interest.

Very truly yours,

Eugene M. Dailey
Secretary to the Mayor.

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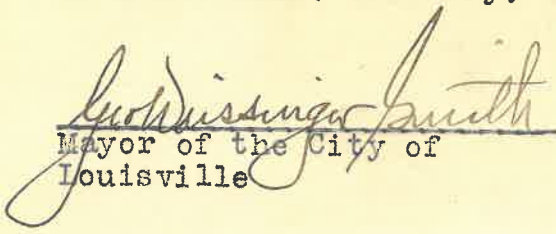
THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the undersigned, the Mayor of the city of Louisville, and the Judge of the County Court of Jefferson County, Kentucky, having confidence in the ability and integrity of the person herein named, and acting under authority of the Act hereinafter cited, hereby appoint

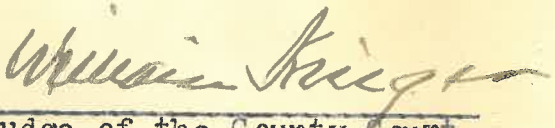
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to be a member of the BOARD FOR LOUISVILLE AND JEFFERSON COUNTY CHILDREN'S HOME, created under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly entitled, "An Act providing for the establishment and maintenance, in counties having therein a city of the first class, of an institution for the care of neglected, dependent, delinquent and other children." etc., approved March 23, 1920, being Chapter 92 of the Acts of 1920.

The term of this appointment is two (2) years, beginning on the date whereon the appointee shall qualify by taking the oath of office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have subscribed our names, at Louisville, Kentucky, this 3rd day of September, 1920.


Mayor of the City of
Louisville


Judge of the County Court
of Jefferson County, Kentucky

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

HUSTON QUIN, MAYOR

ARTHUR W. HAMLET, SECRETARY

MISS JENNIE B. NASHOLD, ASST. SECRETARY

December 21, 1922.

Miss Frances Ingram,
Neighborhood House,
City.

My dear Miss Ingram:

Your term as a member of the Board of Louisville & Jefferson County Children's Home expires this month. You have rendered very splendid and satisfactory services in the past and we are glad to notify you that we have agreed upon your reappointment for another term and trust you can accept.

Very truly,

Harry E. Tucker
Judge Jefferson County Court.

Huston Quin
Mayor.



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

December 31, 1922.

December 29, 1922.

Judge Harry E. Tinch,
Jefferson County Court,
6th and Jefferson Sts.,
City.

My dear Judge Tinch:

I wish to thank you for my reappointment on the board of The Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home. I feel that you and the Mayor have conferred an honor on me by this appointment. I am very happy to be able to accept.

Respectfully,

Frances Ingram, Head Resident

Similar letter to Mayor Quin,

Louisville & Jefferson County Children's Home

Directors

Capt. John H. Leathers
James B. Wilson
Judge Matt O'Doherty
John J. Barret
Mrs. David C. Morton
Isaac T. Woodson
W. L. Verhoeff
Miss Frances Ingram
Chas. G. Tachau

Louisville Division: Third Street and Shipp Avenue
County Division: Ormsby Station, Anchorage, Ky.

Wm. C. Brown, Superintendent

Officers

Capt. John H. Leathers, President
James B. Wilson, Vice-Pres.
Frank P. Bush, Sec'y and Treas.
C. F. Leathers, Asst. Sec'y
W. H. Price, Asst. Treas.

July 7, 1925

To The Members of the Board for the
Louisville & Jefferson County
Childrens Home:-

Please DISREGARD Notice sent you July 6th.

By order of the President, the regular monthly
meeting of the Board is called to meet on Friday the 10th
instant at Four o'clock P.M. at the Ballard & Ballard Co.
912 East Broadway, instead of heretofore notified.

It is hoped that every member will make an effort
to be present.

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Very respectfully,

C.F. LEATHERS
Clerk.

Louisville & Jefferson County Children's Home

GEORGE COLVIN, SUPERINTENDENT

BOARD OF MANAGERS

MRS. DAVID C. MORTON, PRESIDENT
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BOARD OF MANAGERS

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J. J. DAVIS
LUTHER STEIN

ANCHORAGE, KY.

July 7, 1925.

Miss Frances Ingram,
428 S. 1st St.,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Miss Ingram:

This is just a reminder of the
meeting of the Reception and Discharge Committee,
to be held on Friday afternoon of this week at
two o'clock, at Ballards Mills.

Yours sincerely,

Mae Fleming
Director of Field Work.



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
FRANKFORT

FLEM D. SAMPSON
GOVERNOR

February 4, 1929

Miss Francis Ingram
428 South First Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Miss Ingram:

It gives me great pleasure to advise that I am today mailing to you, under separate cover, your commission as a member of the Kentucky Childrens Bureau which I trust you will accept with the sincere compliments of Governor Sampson.

With every good wish to you, I am

Yours very truly,

Earl Maxwell Heavrin
Earl Maxwell Heavrin,
Secretary to the Governor

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UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

GRADUATE SCHOOL

June 28, 1930

To Members of the Graduate School:

In connection with your work in the University of Louisville, it is necessary before you are regularly classified in the University for you to submit the data which are attached.

In addition to this, will you please have a transcript of your undergraduate work officially testified and submitted to the Registrar of the University of Louisville. This should be done at once.

Unless all of this information is on file, the student is enrolled as unclassified and his work will not be counted towards his degree until the transcript is in the hands of the Registrar.

If you already have your transcript on file, please submit any of the above data which are lacking.

Very truly yours,

JOHN L. PATTERSON

Director of the Graduate School



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

FRANKFORT

FLEM D. SAMPSON
GOVERNOR

October 3, 1930

Miss Francis Ingram
428 South First Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Miss Ingram:

I am happy to advise that Governor Sampson has today appointed you as an official delegate to the American Prison Congress and the National Conference of Juvenile Agencies which is to be held in Louisville, Kentucky, October 9-10-11th.

The Governor is very anxious for you to attend and make a real contribution to the success of this conference. It is sincerely hoped that you will make every effort possible to attend.

With the kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Bradley Combs
Bradley Combs,
Secretary to the Governor.

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November 15, 1930.

Hon. Flem D. Sampson,
Frankfort,
Ky.

Dear Governor Sampson:

I want to thank you for my appointment as a delegate to represent Kentucky at the National Conference for Consideration of Child Health and Protection. It is always a privilege to represent Kentucky and I very much appreciate your asking me to do so.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Frances Ingram.

Louisville Normal School

ELIZABETH G. BRECKINRIDGE, PRINCIPAL

Louisville, Kentucky September 28, 1931

Miss Frances Ingram,
Neighborhood House,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Miss Ingram:

Do you realize that this is the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Louisville Normal School? Does it seem possible that we have grown that old?

We have decided that one of the ways in which we shall celebrate the event is to have the November issue of the school magazine an anniversary number. One of the first features we considered as important was a section in which some of our alumnae would send a brief summary of their past accomplishments professionally, what they are doing now and any future plans definite enough to be printed. Will you be one of the number? If you can send it to us within the next two weeks, we shall appreciate it.

With best wishes for you from
Alma Mater, I am

Sincerely yours,

Henrietta Houston Editor,
Anniversary Number
School Magazine

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June 4, 1932

Mr. Robert J. Ball, President
Kentucky Childrens Bureau
631 S. 4th Street,
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Ball:

Thank you so much for forwarding the Governor's commission appointing me to the Kentucky Childrens Bureau. I appreciate very much your very kind letter. I only hope that it will be possible for me to do valiant service for the Bureau during the years to come.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Frances Ingram
Head Resident,
Neighborhood House.

June 4, 1932

Govenor Ruby Laffoon
Frankfort, Kentucky.

Dear Govenor Laffoon:

Mr. Robert J. Ball, President of the Kentucky Childrens Bureau has just forwarded me the commission issued by you for my appointment to the Kentucky Childrens Bureau.

I appreciate very much the honor you have conferred on me by my appointment and I esteem it a great privilege to serve you as Govenor of Kentucky and the little children of the state who need the care of such a Board as that of the Kentucky Childrens Bureau.

Respectfully,

Frances Ingram
Head Resident
Neighborhood House

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HUDSON GUILD
A NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE
436 WEST 27th STREET, NEW YORK
FOUNDED 1895

Answered 6, 1939

DR. JOHN L. ELLIOTT
HEAD WORKER
OLIVE L. WHITSON
ASSOCIATE HEAD WORKER
H. DANIEL CARPENTER
ASSISTANT HEAD WORKER
ARTHUR L. STRASSER
PRESIDENT
MADELINE D. ROSS
BOARD SECRETARY
CHICKERING 4-0795

September 27th, 1939.

Dear Miss Ingram:

I have just heard of your retirement from Neighborhood House and I want to send you just a word about it. The influence of Neighborhood House - and by that I mean chiefly your own - has not been confined to any city or region. It has spread out through the whole country wherever you or your influence have been felt. And so I want to send you my heartiest congratulations on that influence as it has been for these past decades and as it will always be.

One of my strongest convictions is that perhaps the thing that will tell most in this world is the impact of personality on personalities and although that never can be recorded, it is a thing that more than anything else makes for history, and that such influence as you have had will make for good people and good history.

I am glad to have been one of the untold numbers who are in very truth your neighbors.

Yours as ever,

John L. Elliott

Miss Frances Ingram,
Neighborhood House,
Louisville, Kentucky.

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722 W. Main St. Lexington, Ky

November 29, 1939

November 13, 1939

Dear Mrs. Ingram:

Wednesday -

I have been sad, so sad over your going away - And tonight when I am wishing for a good talk with you about the best I can do is to help make it possible for Dr. Scissors to talk to you while he is in Phila. the next few days

Yesterday, when he was doing his personal work for me - he is so kind ^{to me} and so skilled as dentist ~~from~~ - he ~~is~~. I told him about your having gone to Philadelphia - He said he was planning to be there from about Dec 1st for a few days. So I could not give him your Philadelphia address, I am sending this note to your old address (in Louisville) with request for immediate forwarding to you. This letter contains Dr. Scissors' Phila. address at the Creheim Arms Hotel, 41 W. Allison Lane -

He often talks about you and his attitude seems to be one of appreciation of you and I think it would give him so much pleasure to be able at least to talk to you by telephone -

As for me I want your address - Do not try to write me a letter but just get some one to give me your address -

My note goes on all the times I rarely go to Louisville for more than a few hours' stay - Things there are so changed for me - but always the eye-sufferers have wonderful friends in Dr. Hays & Townes

Love, love, love

Linda Hays

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
CHILDREN'S BUREAU
WASHINGTON

October 2, 1939

Ans Oct 18, 1939

Miss Frances Ingram, Head Resident,
Neighborhood House,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Miss Ingram:

Thank you so much for sending me the delightful Annual Report of Neighborhood House. I have often thought of you in the years since my few days in Louisville. It remains one of the very pleasant recollections of my life.

I notice that you are retiring. You must have very great satisfaction in the work that you have done and in the continuing service which will always remain to witness to your life and spirit.

With very best wishes for the years ahead, I am

Sincerely yours,

Katharine F. Lenroot

Katharine F. Lenroot,
Chief.

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ITALIAN-AMERICAN CLUB

322 East Jefferson Street

LOUISVILLE, KY.

August 18, 1939

Dear Miss Ingram;

At the last meeting of the Italian-American Club the news of your resignation from the management of the Neighborhood House, was brought to our attention by our President Mr. Gus Dattilo.

He recounted in few but impressive and warm hearted sentences the wonderful and persevering interest shown by you in behalf of the children of our neighborhood in general and of the members of the Italian colony in particular. He remarked also, what a terrible loss we will all suffer when you leave the place that you have filled so faithfully, so nobly and so successfully for so many years and how hard it will be to find someone to replace you.

The purpose of this letter is to assure you that these beautiful sentiments expressed by Mr. Dattilo are unanimously shared by the members of our Club as well as by the Italian-American Colony of Louisville.

In order to make our expression of deep and sincere gratitude for all you have done for us, more practical and lasting please accept this little gift as a small token of our genuine appreciation for your friendship. And finally allow us to assure you that our fervent prayers shall follow you wherever you may go, asking the good Lord to grant you a long and peaceful much needed rest.

Yes! May God Bless you and keep you in the sincere wish of

Your Italian-American friends
of Louisville, Kentucky.

By Father Autheman
Gus Dattilo Pres

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University of Notre Dame

GRADUATE PROGRAM
IN SOCIAL WORK

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

NOTRE DAME, INDIANA

September 28, 1939

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428 South First Street
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The announcement of your decision to give up actual leadership came as a shock even though it was not at all unexpected in view of your indisposition. Somehow or other I can not think of Neighborhood House without the familiar figure of Frances Ingram, part and parcel of its life. Your leaving is bound to make a definite change in the work but I am sure that your spirit and personality will always be hovering to encourage and inspire those who are to take your place.

Mrs. Hoyer joins me in extending the hope that care and rest will quickly restore your health and that we may have the opportunity of renewing the old friendship when good fortune brings us together again.

I am sure I am speaking for the University as well as for myself, personally, when I express deep appreciation for your continued cooperation during the past fifteen years. You have contributed more than you realize to the success of our students who had the opportunity of coming under your supervision during field work. While I do not believe that I have ever met the Brighams I intend to introduce myself by letter in the hope that we will continue to enjoy the same fine cooperation that has been accorded by your own good self.

Please accept our sincere wishes for many years of health, happiness, and good luck.

Sincerely yours,

R. A. Hoyer

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Professor of Social Work

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Professor of Social Work

Ans. Oct 17, 39

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

DIVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
PUBLIC SCHOOL 95
W. HOUSTON NEAR VARICK ST.
NEW YORK, N. Y.

ROOM 203

TELEPHONE
WALKER 5-6733

September 26, 1939

Miss Frances Ingram
Head Resident
Neighborhood House
Louisville, Kentucky

*Recd.
Oct 17, 1939*

My dear Miss Ingram:

While I enjoyed Miss Farrell's report, it was a source of regret for me to know that you are not going to live any longer at Neighborhood House, except in the hearts of the people of that neighborhood and of Louisville. I remember with pleasure meeting you at various settlement house conferences and coming on you unaware one Sunday afternoon with a group of boys from the Hudson Guild in New York City. You were struggling then with cheap menus - almost the symbol of the eternal struggle to get money for settlement houses. I remember also how proud you were of the iron chairs used in the building next door.

Two years ago when I came to the Board of Education in New York City I was happy to have in common with Dr. Frank O'Brien a friendship with you. Whenever I meet people from Louisville I use my acquaintance with you as a tie to them.

Good luck to you wherever you are and take with you my favorite Irish saying:

"May the face of good news and the back of bad news be always towards you."

Yours sincerely,

Mark A. McCloskey

MARK A. McCLOSKEY
DIRECTOR OF RECREATIONAL
AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES.

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R. F. D. 4, Sugnet Road
Midland, Michigan
November 6, 1939

Ans. Dec 6, 1939.

Miss Frances Ingram
Head Resident Emeritus
Neighborhood House
428 First Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Miss Ingram:

It is a real and undeserved distinction to be included among the friends of the Settlement and of yourself.

As I look back upon my three short periods of contact with Neighborhood House, all my feelings are those of gratitude for the experiences arising out of those contacts. Especially is that true when I think of that summer during which, instead of my giving service, every service was given me, lying useless in the hospital. I'm sure that my thanks for your kindness at that time were never sufficiently expressed, that kindness which was extended to my mother, as well. Even at this late date I still hope the opportunity may come for more adequate acknowledgement.

Miss Farrell's report certainly has the "flavor" of Neighborhood House and the neighborhood. The human touches are the same, although the facilities are so enlarged and the names changed. I do miss the Italians, but can accept the Syrians in their stead.

I still attend the N.C.S.W. when the Conference is not too far away; looked for you especially at Indianapolis - unsuccessfully.

I remember very well a visit you made to the City or Civic Field (a grand name for a weed patch and sand bar) in Columbus, which led to my acquaintance with Neighborhood House. Much water has since flowed past that peninsula.

I hope that you may fully regain your health and enjoy the rest that you have so well earned. Also, that the wisdom acquired by your experience may be a lasting influence, not only in the Neighborhood and City, but over a wide area.

Sincerely yours,

Henry L. Shipp

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722 West Main Street
Lexington, Ky., Sat. Dec. 20, 1941

Dear Frances Ingram:-

Sorrow welled up in me yesterday when I read your message. I love you and yet I let time go by without writing to you. That is because I keep myself always at work, just as if my time were limited for doing work or as if there would not be found others to do it.

Not a word did you say about yourself. I do want to know whether the arthritis is as hard as ever. And not a word about your dear self. I want to know what you are doing, what you are thinking, what you are feeling these days. Possibly with you as with me, it is no longer a feeling that we must keep on at work and ignore fatigue but rather the feeling that to ignore it is wicked.

And about your family, I should like news.

On Wednesday I was in the lieut. governor's room at Frankfort, along with "social workers" from Louisville and Lexington. We were there in the interest of financial help for the dependent children and the blind. One man, Mr. Bastin of Ormsby Village, made the initial talk. He stressed the results of the pensions to mothers in Jefferson County. I was expecting also to speak and I was going to say how it was you who got that enabling act for financial aid for dependent children and how I as your personal friend had been with you in the senate gallery during the voting and how you had sent me running to call out a senator to urge his help.

But further speeches were unnecessary, inasmuch as the legislative council declared itself in favor of help and as required to await the Court of Appeals decision. You may know that after the failure two years ago of the secretary of state to advertise the proposed amendment ~~in favor of financial aid~~ in favor of financial aid the legislature of 1940 made an actual appropriation in accordance with the advice of certain persons that the amendment was not necessary. Now the constitutionality of that appropriation is to be decided by the Court of Appeals.

As I was thinking about you and that day of the voting I distinctly had in mind Sen. Duffy, possibly because he sat on the south side of the senate room and you and I were looking down from the north gallery, or possibly too because he was from Louisville and etc. I had not seen him for years. Imagine my feelings when just at the close of the hearing before the leg. council when Mrs. Halleck and I were standing together, there appeared in the room a fat man, who looked as if he might have been that Sen. Duffy. It was he. I spoke to him.

Mrs. Halleck in fine fur coat had greeted me after possibly years of separation and had genially asked me to sit next her during the hearing. Mrs. Wood was there, Miss Graham (or is it Taylor) the thin smiling lady of the Children's Bureau in Louisville, and the blond whom I had known twenty years ago as one of the Bullitts - she is sister to Neville Bullitt - and Mr. Cronin successor to Dr. Strong at the Univ. of Louisville, and, and, no one particularly near to you.

I asked Mrs. Halleck about Mrs. Semple, whom I had not seen for years. Mrs. S. lives at the Puritan and apparently does no public work. Mrs. Halleck like me had not seen Mrs. Emil Tachau in a long time. Mrs. Harry Bishop, eighty-one said Mrs. Halleck, is living alone in a house on the Block place out in the country, is crippled from a fall.

You may know more about the above Louisville residents than I. I go often to Louisville, usually staying only a few hours and my time there is divided among St. Jos. Infirmary to which I send an unlimited number of indigent eye-patients for the nominal rate of one dollar a day and no charge for operating room, and the Henyburn Bldg. offices of Drs. Pfingst & Townes, who take my patients without limit, always only for thanks, and the State Dept. of Health building at 620 S. Third Street.

I stay in Louisville the fewest possible hours. Why? Because I am lonely in the Cortland, with no Neighbourhood House dear friend, and because I need to be at home every possible minute to perform here my functions of young mother to David.

I am not sure that you ever saw David. He is nearly six, has radiant ly glistening red hair(exquisite) and the wonderfully fair coloring of skin that now and then goes with red hair- no freckles- . He is large of body, and breathes out good, vigorous health.

In disposition he is merry of the merriest, full of the zest for living, loving, not vindictive, - greatly to be congratulated for all that.

In mind he is quick, with a memory retentive beyond my most. He is full of curiosity, of a desire to know, and his questions put to me at night after he in his crib and I in my near-by bed ought to be asleep require from me ingenuity in the answering.

In music he has long been known to have a fine sense of rythm and a good tonal memory and within the past few months has been declared to have perfect pitch. The piano teacher who comes to teach him is developing all these phases of his talent- all under the kindly advice of the ~~xxxxxxx~~ executive head of the music dept. of the Univ. of Ky. David fully revels in records of good music, can differentiate among various Strauss waltzes, etc.

I take him once a week to ~~xxxxxxx~~ a city kindergarten, and I stay with him during the whole time for fear that inadvertently he may stumble over some child and do harm.

David does not know what blindness is and does not know that he is blind. I am hoping to delay the day of his knowing and then, I hope, he will be aware of the fact that he has something of a compensation in his gift for music.

Soon I shall begin the graille instruction myself and later I shall decide about the place for his education. I want him to continue to be a part of life, not isolated anymore than is necessary, and I am always devising opportunities for him to learn about things and ways of living and manners etc.

Do not imagine that all this effort is not tremendous for me. But as a gifted friend said, there is the high cost of loving. I love David so devotedly that I revel in my opportunity to help bring him up in the murture of the Lord.

Having given up the Episcopal belief that in baptism one becomes the " child of God" and yet believing in bapt ism as the ceremony whereby the sonship is recognized I asked our Episcopal minister to baptize David not as Episcopalian but simply

as Christian and to know all the while that I should not promise to bring him to the bishop to be confirmed but that I should want David to be in the church in which he might best be a Christian. The Episcopal minister acquiesced in my request and in my home there was about a year ago an impressive ceremony. Not only the Episcopal minister but also a Presbyterian minister (an old friend of mine) and the Methodist minister of the Sunday School to which it had been convenient for me to send David were present and David had been instructed to say the words of Samuel, "Speak, Lord..." and David's best friend, a young University student, Catholic, held David until David rose for the actual baptism. I believe that you would have loved it all.

Now I am sending David to a Methodist Sunday School for the reason that the Methodists speak and act against whisky and our Episcopalians, some of them at least, not only do not speak against whisky effectively but even offer cocktails.

I have had David admitted to the W.C.T.U. and with great vigor David says that whisky "makes you silly". Already this young one of mine has a dolt of contempt for silliness.

About things in KY. The pre-marital examinations for which I began to make talks as early as 1934 seem to be proceeding well. I hear no real objections. And the prenatal examinations also are being made regularly and with recognized benefits. This next legislature will see me busy in behalf of a bill I expect to present against air rifles (BB guns). Already as in one town after another some child has shot an eye blind I have succeeded in getting ordinances against air rifles (BB guns) and now I am going to work for a state-wide prohibition of them. Wish me well in Frankfort, please.

The case work for the prevention of blindness goes on day and night from this house, father under direction from me whose office is in my home here. The WPA delegates a worker to help me as best he can in the secretarial work. Since Jan First 1941 I have records of about two hundred such patients- many of them under eye surgery, many under medication for eye troubles, and about ninety of them merely refraction cases. The work is becoming almost state-wide, that is, even from Hickman County on the Mississippi River, and Marshall Co. have patients come to our care here in Lexington. The surgical cases, most of them, I send to Louisville to St. Hos. Inf. and the ~~other~~ purely medical eye cases I bring to Lexington (rather, I receive at Lexington, and ~~the~~ some surgical eye cases also come to Lexington. The enclosed copy of a report sent by the Dept. of Health this month possibly ~~xxxxxxx~~ gives me undue praise; however, it is in part true.

A W.P.A. worker has spent much time in my home helping me to collect the prevention of blindness papers of the past 33 years. As soon as I get them all in order for future students to use I hope to write my recollections about the early work along social lines- memories of your work as I still have them, of Madge's work, etc. Only lately a student who is writing her thesis on the Juvenile Court in Ky. got my help in going over papers to ascertain the part Madge Breckinridge had in the first days of work for a Juvenile Court law in Ky.

whereby Child Labor. And dear Frances, your Recreation law ~~xxxxxx~~ so much good is done now throughout Ky.

Oh, how much I want to talk with you. Is there any hope that you will come soon to Ky.? I certainly shall claim you here at my home. Love, appreciation, longing- Yours,

Ed. North

Development and Progress of Public Health Work
in Kentucky

There is probably nothing in public health more dramatic or better illustrative of accomplishments in a campaign against a single disease than the program for the eradication of trachoma in Kentucky. From 1912 to 1917, the U.S. Public Health Service, in cooperation with the State Board of Health, established five hospitals for the treatment of this disease, four located in eastern and southern Kentucky, and one in the western part of the State. In that early period this annoying disease of the eye was widely prevalent in many counties; in one county of eastern Kentucky it attacked, either in mild or more severe form, as many as sixty percent of the entire population. With the aid of these hospitals and coordinated efforts on the part of the State and county health workers, trachoma has been gradually overcome, until now no county in the State has more than three percent of its population afflicted. At present, only one hospital, with a bed capacity of thirty-five, is maintained - that at Richmond. Many thousands of Kentucky citizens have been saved from visual defects or blindness from this disease.

Coincident with the campaign for the prevention or relief of trachoma, State and local health workers have devoted all the energies possible to the prevention or relief of gonorrheal ophthalmia in the newborn. All physicians and midwives in the State are kept supplied with ampoules of silver nitrate ^{solution} and are required to instill in the eyes of the newborn this drug for the prevention of gonorrheal ophthalmia, with the result that this disease has been held to a minimum. However, each year there have been some cases, and it is here that Miss Linda Neville of Lexington, Kentucky, with the aid of funds

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secured through her own individual resources, and, in more recent years, supplemented by State funds especially provided, has accomplished results that almost stagger the imagination. In the last thirty-three years, this good woman has been able to get the best scientific medical services available for the intensive treatment of babies afflicted with ophthalmia neonatorum. Universally, the eye specialists have given their services without cost to save ~~them~~ ^{a very great number} of these little ones from ultimate blindness. Health officers throughout the State are able, on a moment's notice, to get hospitalization and treatment, and Miss Neville responds day or night. Her files are replete with some of the most dramatic incidents of precious little babies being saved from blindness. In addition, a corresponding service has been made available to other children and adults, with other remedial eye defects,, who are not able to procure scientific treatment for themselves. Many hundreds of children examined in schools and at preschool clinics found with defects of vision and known to be retarded in their school progress, have been supplied with corrective glasses. Here again the results have been spectacular.

(These paragraphs are copied from a recent article sent to me by the State Department of Health of Kentucky. L. Quill, Dec. 12, 1941)

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

December 6
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Dear Frances Ingram,

It was like
your friendly thoughtfulness to
write so promptly after Jessie's
death in the summer. The damp
heat here had made me very
listless and for several months
^{even} after the heat became milder I
remained dull and burdened.
So please forgive me for my delay
in writing. This lack of energy
bores me terribly and I am trying
to find some way either to escape

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the damp heat of ^{summer in} Virginia or to
bear it with less exhaustion of
body, mind, and spirit;

Now about J., the last of the
Hills of her generation. Two winters
ago Archie and her lawyer saw
that she was living quite beyond
her income with an apartment
in New York and a summer home
in the country. Also the negro woman,
Cora, who had been so long with
Patty and Jessie, ^{earlier found to be} was actually
robbing J. and using J's money
to bet on the horse races. First, J. was
convinced she must let Cora go.
The discovery was hard for J. Then
the New York apartment was given

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up and I stayed the year round
at Clinton. Margaret Smith,
Patty's last nurse, remained with
^{Jessie} as both nurse and companion.
About last April, after some very
happy months ^{more than a year} in Clinton, J. went
into a sort of coma. She would
revive unexpectedly, but Margaret
and the friends near I felt she
could not outlive June. At her
death, Arch saw to the cremation
J. had desired and to the burial
in Louisville. It was hard for
him, of course, and I could not
go with him to help him with the
Louisville friends I knew; naturally,

so much better than he did.

He came home pretty well worn out, but now he is once more himself, to my delight, I guess he feels the same way about me.

He and Muriel are secretaries for the Linguistic Society of America and that, in addition to Archie's University teaching keeps them very busy. Now and then they give me a task to do. I love to be able to help them. I have also a student-tutor, a boy who was ill-prepared for college, but who now is catching up fast.

Archie appreciated the kind messages in your letter of August 7.

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

Margaret Smith - took a little time off
to go home to Scotland, but now is taking care of
Mary Schedner,
He had learned ^{at the time of J's burial} that you were out of town, I'm sorry he did not see to newspaper notices about Jessie in the Louisville papers. I rather think, too, that he was worn out by the time he got to Louisville; the business of cremation ^{had} caused extra travel for him and a good deal of delay, a friend, like you, in Louisville, would have made it all easier for him. The Verhoffs (3) girls were almost strangers to him, but were a help.
Much love to you, dear Frances, I do hope you can

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get the N. H. story to the press; it
is part of the great monument
to your splendid work. I want to
hold it in my hands before I
go on to a new world!

Affectionately (and with
greetings to your sides, too),

Mary A. H.



Miss Frances Ingram
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Louisville 5
Ky.

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Frances Ingram Hall
in appreciation of
the long and loving service of
Miss Frances Ingram
one of the founders and for many
years the manager of the Home
June 1940

Ans. Aug 5, 1940



will involve an outlay
of some money.

I've missed you
terribly - and every
one asks about you
and send regards -
mothers, Monday after-
noon car drivers, etc.

Did you know that
Mrs. Sammers died last
week? Affectionately,

Ethel Fitzhugh
Monday
September 2

Dear ~~Mistake~~ ^{And} ~~send~~ ^{telegram} ~~later~~ ^{Sept}
In the fifth
time I have experienced
the closing of the season
of the Fresh Air Home - but
you cannot realize how
helpless I felt without
you. Only your wonder-
ful training & will
made the job feasible.
I am still wondering if
I have overlooked something.

The summer was a

man from the Y. M. C. A. (Camp) was excellent and wants the job for next summer.

Dr. Annie Veech came out twice to see me and talked over plans for another summer. If her plans materialize many problems will be solved - but her plans

very good one for the home - but as per usual the blot on season was the men counselors. They took the contrary side on anything the ^{girl} counselors planned or any regulations that I suggested. One of them took sick at the end of the season. The substitute (a young

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