



Miss B. Wilson
Acharry, Thist
Aragay
Sutherland

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Well Bessie I guess I'm stamped
for news again, so till next week
here's wishing you all the very
best as always.

Look after yourself and please
don't be too hard on the beasts
Be good, and
lots of love
Chae.

% 38 Bransty Rd.,
Whitehaven,
Cumberland.
22nd Jan '50.

Dearest Bessie

Many thanks for your
very welcome letter which I received
yesterday. Everything with you seems
to be much the same as last week
and your opinion of life on a
farm very much unaltered. It can't
be the early rising that's getting
you, as you were always a very
early riser, so all I can think
of is that you're no' very fond
o' animals, especially when they need
milking eh?

I'm glad to hear your brother is
doing alright and hope it's no' very
long before he's out and about again.



Miss. Bessie. Wilson
The. Bungalow
Spinningdale
Sutherlandshire

Friday

Green Wells
Andgay.

My Dear daughter
Mary got your letter this
morning. I heard you are well. Mary
is fine up every day. My own foot
is not better yet. Davie & Jummie
the saw miller was up at Craggie
yesterday the Fast day. It was a
terrible day with rain from the
middle of the day. We had a
letter to day from Hardie. We are
getting the place. likely we wont
be long till we will be there. Now
you may be sure we are delighted
over it. I am very pleased that you
like to be there. I had a letter
from Mrs Oliver. and F. I. int
I had a letter from Ina. Sallochy
bewett

No word of Davie Brother yet - many
will be writing you on Sunday. I
think I gave you all the news
hoping to hear soon from you
Love from us all to you
from your ever loving
Mother
Bella Wilson



Miss Bessie Wilson (Staff)

Caledonian Hotel.

Bonar Bridge

Sutherland



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sorry I havent been able to do
anything for you in this time
but everything in the House
Decorating business is getting
pretty hopeless - worse & worse
each day.

Our holiday at Bonar
seems so far away already.
Alastair has got settled down
to school again, but like the rest
of us, is pretty fed up with the
weather - Gallons of rain every
day. hope you are getting better
weather in the North.

Kind regards to Mr. Mrs.
Wooley hope Miss Mendo is
keeping well.

Yours.

J. Shandon

85. Armadale St.
Glasgow. En
14th Sept. 194

Dear Bessie:

You will be thinking by
this time that I have forgotten
all about my promise to try
and get you ceiling paper.
I called on the Firm when I
got home and they were to let
me know when the quota came
in. However, when I gave them
a look up to-day, they informed
me that to get ceiling paper
they have to forget the quota
of wall paper, so they have
decided to do without ceiling
paper meantime. I'm terribly



Miss Bessie Wilson
Baleconian Hotel
Bonnet-Bridge

But I may well a little
luck and good fortune
meet you in the near
future as I am now clear
of the Hospital and will
have to think of starting
work again more the pity
as I was looking forward
to seeing you in Glasgow
Well Bessie my love I
have nothing in particular
to say but have been having
a good time lately between
bed and dances. But no
women will well have to
give it up as I promised
my mate I would see
him of in Aberdeen he
goes off on a whaling

Bessie Colledge
Kemnay
Thursday

My Dear Bessie
Just a few lines
in answer to your letter
received one day last week.
Well Bessie I am as drunk
as hell meantime so please
excuse writing and I am
terribly sorry that I did not
see you at the beginning
of the week as I should have
done I was in Dingwall
on Tues morning but it
was very early and came
home the same day was
to phone you up but could
not remember the number
for the upstairs phone

Clashmore.

By Larry
Tuesday

Dear Bessie,

Here goes the few lines
as promised. But it will be exceedingly hard
for me to know what to write about
seeing its that long since I wrote a
(Pense) letter, whoever here goes the best
way I can. I have to be very careful
in what I say these days as I never
find you in the same humour twice.
excuse my straight forwardness. But its the
truth I have. But there is always a bright
side to look at eh" Well Bessie I
was glad to reach home Sat night as
I was beginning to feel a bit tired
and thanks for phoning last night its
seems I am not so far out with you
after all, you would still give me a
night with you yet or would you?

I can imagine you answering that question
Well we are having a concert and dance
here on 1st that is say if the weather
be suitable today was really the first
we had of the snow and I would be
down. Heated if it did not come off
as it's the only chance of getting out
at night. Here would you believe it I
went of to bed immediately I finished
speaking to you on the phone and I will
be going again after I finish with this
letter oh this is getting a — hole I
was out on Sunday afternoon repairing
my Perry and of course gave Hugh a
shout in the passing but had out usual
now I saw her again yesterday but never
let on I saw her but we will Chay
make it up again before she will be
out as we generally do so I am
afraid you not far wrong it's as far
back as ever it was so don't be in
the least surprised if you hear of me



Mr Wilson.
Rochester N.Y.
Cary

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In your reply refer to
No.

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Reference to former
correspondence

22nd March 1953

Dear Mr. Wilson

I received your letter
today and have altered check as
requested. Will you please ensure that
check is in correct number before
leaving van.

Also regarding Share Book will you
please check if you have seen in
the house as it was not handed in
when last dividend was paid out
and I sent word to this effect at
that time. I would be obliged if
you would let me have it at your
earliest as I am now sending them to
be entered and if you cannot find
yours a duplicate will require to



Mrs Margaret Wilson
Achue
Spinningdale
Ardgay

Mrs MacKay wishes to acknowledge and thank
you very sincerely for your kind
expression of sympathy

The Schoolhouse,
Larachan,
Ardgay.

June 1961.

Tuesday night

My darling Margaret & mam
thanking you for your nice letter
I am getting on fine The Dr & doctor
a sister Mackay is in & out just now
after being through there Palace all
I was very pleased with me. So
that everything I had your love &
Jess & her mother. Jess mother took
I to of Biscuits Jess took sweets
I am looking for Mrs Macrae up to see
me the night It will be 8 o'clock
before she comes Tell Flossie I will
be awful pleased to see her tomorrow
I didn't think today that ever I
would see her face. Her mams run, she
I shall never forget what I suffered
that day. If it was your mother that
was left the way you were she
would never stick it. The almighty
was strong to you gave you strength
according to your burdening will bear
I am must stop writing as my back
is very sore & tired

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must close with love to
your dear mam & your darling
self also to poor uncle.

From your
ever loving Grannie

N. L. Ward.

L. M. A.

God bless



Miss B. Wilson,
Acharny Muir,
Aragay,
Sutherland.

158 Bransty Rd.,
Whitehaven,
Cumberland.
15th Jan '50.

Dearest Bessie, I hope you will excuse me for being a bit late in writing but as you can see by the above address, I've changed my digs. I intended writing when I received your letter but decided to wait till I had my new address. However I hope you will excuse me this time.

You seem to have had a very quiet time of it at Hogmanay, Bessie, but after the busy time you'd had on Friday the peace must have been really welcome. Meg Bookie & Jimac seem to have had rather a hectic time of it, which was to be

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expected.

Tom & I had a few really wild days of it, and to tell you the honest truth was kind o' glad when it was over. We were never in bed till the early hours and surprising to say we never visited all the people we promised to. We were still on the rounds Tuesday morning and Tuesday night we had a farewell party to Allan Murray and it ended up early Wednesday morning. I had a good time of it and must admit, the time sure shot in.

I'm sorry to hear that your brother has to visit hospital Bess. It'll mean a lot of extra work for you, but no' doubt you won't mind this time eh? It will

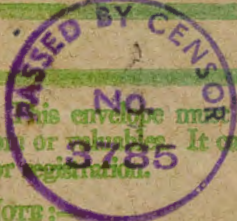
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be a change ^{3.} of work and they say that's as good as a rest. Apart from the very welcome change of digs, everything here is very much the same as usual. I'm leading the usual fairly quiet life and working the usual seven days a week. It gets a bit monotonous at times, but it's worth it.

So far there's been no word of the Lairg job yet but I'm just living in hope. It would be a rare place to spend another summer. Everytime I think of the Bonar district I always seem to feel a bit homesick. It's a rare place and one just couldn't wish for better people.

How is everything now Bessie? I

J. D. & Co., London



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Address:—

MISS. BESSIE WILSON.
% CALEDONIAN HOTEL.

BONAR BRIDGE.

SUTHERLANDSHIRE

sorry that I did not make acquaintance of your friendship much earlier than I did. However we cannot grouse for such bad luck perhaps sometime in the near future we may both have the pleasure of renewing our friendship.

You will no doubt be very anxious to learn how we fared on our journey, well it was not too pleasant but worse was in store for us at our destination as we have landed out in the wilds four long dreary miles away from town. Can you picture Licut Thae 'Lushy' and I trudging this journey for a first, well we all did so last night, we went into town to

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HELMSDALE

MY DEAR BESSIE

16TH JULY 1943.

When I asked you the other day to honour me with your postal address so that I could write you seemingly you did not believe me & so to prove that my promise was sincere I now forward you not a postcard as promised but a letter as it is more suitable in view of all I have to state.

Bessie first of all I wish to thank you very sincerely for all the kindness and hospitality which you favoured on me during my short stay in BONAR BRIDGE, I am very

same at the time there would have been fun & am sure please do not treat this in earnest Bessie & am only joking with you.

I have been working like a slave getting all in the office in ship shape you can realize how much disarrange we incur in all these movements however it will not take me long once I get started it will help to pass away the lonely dreary hours which face me here in this place.

How are all the staff getting along, do you miss Rusty doing his usual "ROUMBA" I am sure he would be highly pleased to be down in the kitchen even now.

drawn our sorrow and regrets you can be sure we made merry but we were very tired out whenever we arrived back to bed - on our return from town.

Bessie you will be sorry to learn that this spot is a complete wash out we are surrounded with desolation and dreariness how I will welcome the moment arriving which shall entail my shift from here - do trust that it shall be soon.

Lieut. MacPherson aroused my jealousy when he caught hold of you to kiss you goodbye did you enjoy it I am sure bet you did I wonder what the Canadian would have said had he come on the

I shall now conclude with asking
you to convey the sincere wishes and
regards of Lieut. Geo. Person, Dundy and
I to the staff.

Once again I thank you for
all your kindness.

Should you care to write I
shall be honoured and very pleased
on receipt of your letters. They
will cheer me greatly.

Goodnight - and God Bless and
keep you ever safe.

Yours Respectfully
John Person



Mrs. B. Wilson.

N. I. ward.

Lawson Memorial
Hospital
Golspie.

Acharry Main
Ardgay
22/5/52

Dear Granny. I am glad that
you are coming home on
Saturday. This is your
headsquare and knickers.
we will take your shoes down
on Saturday. I am going
with uncle to take you
home. I will tell you all
the news when you come home.
I am awful pleased that
you are coming home. Maw
was all excited the night
when we heard that you
were coming home and so
was uncle, love from Maw,
uncle and of course myself.

Yrom your loving Grandda
Margaret.

Baber's Irish House

Tuesday 20th

Second Coast

Laide

Achnasheen

My Darling Bessie

Here goes again in
answer to your welcome letters received
a few days ago hoping this note finds
you well as I am fine. I had a
letter today from our company office
granting me ten more days leave really
I knew nothing about it until I
got word tonight in fact I was
ready for going away in the morning
I have to report back on the 3rd of
May that is a Monday so I will
have to leave home on Saturday
as we don't get a train North
on Sunday anyway I hope to
spend the weekend with you
that's a week first Saturday. Well



Mrs. B. Wilson.

N. 1. ward.

Lawson Memorial
Hospital
Gospie.

Acharry Muir
Ardgay
15/5/52

My Dear Granny, I hope you
are much better now. I got
your letter to-night. I am in
school everyday just now.
Willie John was along on
Monday night. Mary Gann
was asking for you the
day. George Dingwall called
in last night. The cook in
Edwards is finished she said
that she was going to see
you it was Christie that
she told to tell us. Mamy
said that she was doing
nothing but ~~so~~ washing and
ironing since you left. to
tell you I found a hens
nest with ~~two~~ 6 eggs in it.
Alan is over the night. Maw and

Uncle is getting on fine. We are
going to plant the tatoes this
week. I was wondering if Mrs.
macree is the lady that was in
on Sunday when we were in.
then I was shure that it was.
The teacher is very cross this
days. George Dingwall is along
the night to fill forms for
maw, well I ~~thar~~ think that is
all the news I hope to see you on
Saturday. I am out of school
the day for the tatoes.

Yrom your loving
granddaughter
margaret

Mr James Wilson
Shepherd
Craggie
Cykell
Lairg



Acharry Muir
Spinningdale
Ardgay.

J. E. M. Landsborough Esq.
Director of Education
Brora.

Dear Sir,

I hope you will see your way
to extend for yet another year the
period my daughter, Margaret Wilson
may attend Larachan School.

It is necessary for me to be away
from home to earn my living and
help with the upkeep of the home.

My mother is over eighty and it
is a matter of great anxiety to leave
her alone longer than necessary.

I am sure you will understand our
position and do what you can
to help as it would be a serious
matter for us if I have to leave
my work to keep house.

Thanking you
Yours Faithfully
Bessie Wilson



Mrs. B. Wilson.

N. 1. ward.

Lawson Memorial
Hospital
Gospie.

Acharry Muir
Ardgay
12/5/52

My Dear granny,

Dropping you
this note to tell you I hope
you are better. I was in school
today the teacher is asking
for you. We never got word
from the Director. The teacher
said that she told Mr Ross
her brother in-law about me
staying in Larachan and she
explained the ~~was~~ reason
and he said he would
explain it in the meeting.
we were home about five
on Sunday. Macrae only
comes to Achue road at
night and comes right round
in the morning. I was along
at Andrews and Dingwall's
with forms of maw's to be

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signed. I wrote Bella A. ~~Chamagart~~
the night I am going to write
Murdie and Tommy to-morrow.
Roddie was up on Sunday.
I am going to school tomorrow.
Maw made your night dress
shorter for you. When I came
home from school the-day
mammy had the out-house
cleaned. Uncle put some dung
out the-day. Willy John
was up the night and so was
Allan. Well I think that is all
the news just now I will
lickly see you at the week-
end. Mammy and Uncle is
getting on fine.
From your ever-loving grand daughter
Margaret.

P.S.

Joe was up yesterday
with rock.

Ackarry Murr,
and Gay,
Tuesday Night

My Dear Granny, I hope you are
getting better now. The teacher told
me that she hoped that you will
soon be home again. Mary Gunn is
asking for you every day just now.
We got another teacher in Miss MacDonnell's
place she is Mrs. Cowan from
Clashmore her man is the art
teacher in Dornoch. The cow is quite
quiet to milk. I went down the road
to meet Uncle the night. Maw said that
my letter must have made you better
when you were allowed up for 15
minutes yesterday. I have Mamma in
the wood every night. & everybody is
asking for you. Maw got a letter last
night from the doal telling her
that she would not get any money
at all but we got George to make
a letter. I called the new calf Paddy.
He is a bonny black calf. Maw did

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not see annie since thone Saturday
night. Davie Achormaly was flitting
today. Danie was along last night
asking for you. Mammy was not out of
the house since you went away. she
never burnt a coal but sticks. The
pets is fine they are getting fat. the
dogs are missing you. Mammy set one
of the docks ~~set~~ the day. We are
getting eleven eggs every day now.
The duck is set on six eggs. I will tell
you in the next letter if Johns
lamb is all wright for I will ask
Joy. We got a biscuits each from
the teacher last night when we were
waiting for the car. The new teacher
is very stylish. I have a good dose
of the cold just now but I think it
is getting better. Mary Gunn and myself
is very cheef just now. I even got a
sweetie from her the day. I am in
school every day this week so far.
We got spellings to day I had four
wrong. and we got five sums on the board

and I had two wrong. Will granny
I think that is all the news just
now. love from Margaret, Bessie
and uncle

Yours loving Granddaughter
Margaret.

Thank you for the sweets, I hope
you will soon be home again
I will libely see you some day
soon.

Hilton.

Amlio St.

Gornoch.

2nd June'

My Dear Bessie,

I was so sorry to hear from Ada about your Mother being so ill & having an operation. You must have been terribly worried, & of course that now means you won't be going to work this season. I was looking for you last Monday when the manager was at the Station Hotel, but now understand how. Well I do hope your Mother is improving, & that she will soon be on her feet again. What a fright you would have got, as I think Ada said you were at Inverness, but I'm not sure. as I couldn't follow very accurately all she was saying.

I was also very sorry to hear
of poor Ronald's death. Despite
everything Anne will miss him
very much, but how thankful
that his suffering is at
an end, She will be.

Life must go on, & poor
Ronald's was latterly one of
suffering. I wrote Anne a
note today. Now get
your pen or pencil out &
let me know how your
Mother is, and I hope Jimmy
Margaret and yourself are
well.

Give my love to your
Mam. & love to you all.

Helena.

P.S.
In case you are wondering
how I saw Ada. She was doing
at J. Munro's yesterday. So
called.

Golspie Monday night

My darling Margaret & Mamma I was
that delighted with letter I was an awful
rotten day. Sister Macdonald took
her brother in to night I'll
would. see him I was telling
him that your grandfather would
know his father well I was up
to day for about 15 minutes so
am very tired you didn't say
the cow is quite to milk you
Poor man will be in the drag for
ever. The matron came in just
with the bag from seourie
I would see him I asked him
would he take sweets yes Please
asked him would he take a
Biscuits no thanks my box is
packed, I am getting very fond.

you will have a job reading
 this when did mam see
 annie & similar what happened
 John Lomb. I trust he is all
 right surely they must have
 been a dog chasing him. There
 is light rain here to night
 we got a new nurse in to
 day from Evelise Nurse
 Mae Leread. My Dear with
 warmest love to you & to
 Dear mam & uncle want
 sporan wicked
 your ever
 loving Granny



Miss. Margaret, B. M. Wilson
Acharry muni
and gay

Roddie Died on
Monday 26th July 1965.
Funeral Wednesday 28th
to Breich

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My Dear Husband
who passed away on
Saturday 16th June 1928
at quarter to 12 midday
funeral on Tuesday 19th
at 12 o'clock midday

Uncle Allick died on
~~Saturday~~ Friday 30th May
1958.

POST CARD

Communication

Address



Dear Bessie

Just a C.C. Hoping
this will find you
in the Circle. How did
you get over the New Year
I had a High old
time of it. Love
Loving Ma & her.
To To from George.

Miss Bessie Weber
Cragg
Box 5
Sutherland Shire