

**An Inventory of the copies of the Papers of Dr. Mary Bruins Allison that are located
in the Elton J. Bruins Collection in the
Archives of Hope College in the Joint Archives Collection at Hope College, Holland,
Michigan, and sent to the Archives and Special Collections on
Women in Medicine and Homeopathy,
Drexel University College of Medicine
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1929:

MBA to family, November 17, 1929, 2 pp.

1930:

MBA to sister and brothers, (brother Paul, and wife, Margaret, and brother Richard), July 3, 1930, 2 pp.

1931:

MBA to family, February 1, 1931, 2 pp.

MBA to family, May 24, 1931.

MBA to Mother, Margy, Paul, Richie, and niece, July 24, 1931, 2 pp., p. 3 missing.

MBA to Mom, October 5, 1931, 2 pp.

MBA to Mom, November 15, 1931, 2 pp.

MBA to family, December 13, 1931, 2 pp.

1932:

MBA to family, January 16, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to family, January 23, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to family, February 7, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to Mother, Margie, Paul and Richie, February 15, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to "Ones," February 28, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to "Ones," March 14, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to Mother, Margy, Paul and Richie, March 20, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to family, April 4, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to Mother, Margaret and Paul, April 11, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to Mother, Margie, & Paul, April 18, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to Mother, Margy, Paul and Richie, May 1, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to family, May 29, 1932, 2 pp.

Original "Program Eightieth Annual Commencement of the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, June 8, 1932."

MBA to sister and "brethren," June 12, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to family, July 16, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to "fambly," [sic] August 14, 1932, 2 pp.

MBA to "fambly," August 27, 1932, 2 pp.
 MBA to "Ones," October 15, 1932, 2 pp.

1933:

Certificate from the University of Wisconsin to MBA upon completion of a year of residency, August 1, 1933.

MBA to family, October 1, 1933, 2 pp.
 MBA to "Ones," October 28, 1933, 2 pp.
 MBA to "Ones," November 5, 1933, 2 pp.
 MBA to "Ones," November 12, 1933, 2 pp.
 MBA to (family), no date, 2 pp.

1934:

MBA to family, January 4, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to Mother, February 2, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to family, March 18, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to "Ones," April 23, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to family, May 7, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to family, May 13, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to family, May 27, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to "Ones," June 25, 1934, 2 pp.
 MBA to Mother, Margy, Paul and Richie, July 22, 1934, 2 pp.

1937:

MBA to Mom and Rich, March 26, 1937, 2 pp. (MBA misdated the letter as Mar. 26, 1927. She mentions "Norman" Allison whom she married May 14, 1937.)

1940s:

Photographs of Mary Bruins Allison and Norman Allison. (During World War II, Norman Allison went into the British Navy and is shown here in naval uniform. Sometime in that period, he decided to marry someone else and divorced Mary. As a result of the divorce, the mission board of the Reformed Church in America under which she served, declared that Mary, being divorced, had to sever her connection with the RCA mission program in Arabia. Some years later, the mission board reinstated her, serving in Arabian missions to her retirement in 1974.)

A certificate stating that MBA was permitted to practice medicine in New Jersey. Her certificate was renewed June 9, 1965.

1950s:

- MBA's biographical sketch for the Board of Foreign Missions, RCA, dated, July, 1951.
 Mission letter from the BFM, November 10, 1955, 2 pp.
 MBA to Mother, Bess & Paul, January 8, 1956, 1 pp, (Letter is incomplete.)
 Mission letter from the BFM, May 13, 1956.
 Mission letter from the BFM, November 25, 1956, 3 pp.

1960s:

- MBA to friends, May 28; 1961, 2 pp, legal size.
 Arend D. Lubbers, President of Central College, to MBA, re an honorary degree, March 31, 1965, 3 pp.
 MBA to Colleagues, July, 1965, 3 pp.
 MBA, form letter to Ange [sic] and Clarence Bruins, January 5, 1967.
 MBA to family and Angie and Clarence, March 23, 1967, 2 pp.
 MBA to friends and Angie and Clarence, January, 1968, 2 pp, legal size
 MBA missionary letter to Friends, July 10, 1968, 4 pp.
 MBA missionary letter, October 10, 1969, 2 pp.

1970s:

- Christmas card, c. 1970, of Reformed Church mission personnel, including Dr. Mary
 MBA to Friends, July 30, 1970, 2 pp., legal size.
 MBA to friends, June 15, 1971, 2 pp.
 MBA to family, November 27, 1971.
 MBA to Angie and Clarence Bruins, November 30, 1971.
 "A Day with Dr. Mary Bruins Allison in Muscat, Oman," Christmas, 1971, 2 pp.
 MBA to friends including Elton and Elaine Bruins, February 4, 1972. (Mary now began her protests regarding the RCA mission board's cutting back on medical missions in the Arabian Gulf.)
 MBA to friends and Angie and Clarence Bruins, June 30, 1972.
 MBA to Angie and Clarence, July 8, 1972, 2 pp. Personal letter.
 MBA to Angie and Clarence, July 21, 1973, 2 pp., legal size. (Mary had visited us in the Hague, the Netherlands, early July, 1973, as the time I was on sabbatical, hence the reference to us in the letter.)
 MBA to Ang[i]e and Clarence, January 4, 1974, 2 pp., legal size..
 MBA to friends, March 24, 1974, 2 pp.
 MBA to [Angie and Clarence], April 6, 1976.
 "The Christian Medical Mission in Oman," dated June 1, 1974, 3 pp. legal size and sent to Elaine and Elton Bruins, with personal note appended.
 MBA to Ang[i]e and Clarence, March 23, 1976.
 MBA to family, including Angie and Clarence, October 9, 1977, 2 pp.
 MBA to family, November 15, 1978.

1980s:

MBA to Ang[i]e and Clarence Bruins, no date, c. 1980.
 Excerpts from "The Women Physician and Medical Missionary," 4 pp.
 MBA to Ang[i]e and Clarence, July 15, 1980, 2 pp.
 MBA to friends including Ang[i]e and Clarence, January 15, 1982, 2 pp.
 "Options and Futures," A Newsletter of the Office of Gift Planning of the Reformed Church in America, in which Dr. Mary was featured, November 1987.

1990s:

MBA to Elton and Elaine Bruins, May 3, 1994, three handwritten pages. (I believe that this is the last letter she wrote to us.)
 Original copy of "A Service of Worship in Memory of Mary Bruins Allison, M.D., March 19, 1903 – September 2, 1994, the Chapel Third Reformed Church Holland, Michigan, September, 1994, 11.00 a.m."
 "A Tribute to Mary Bruins Allison," by Cynthia Bruins Eubank.
 A tribute to Dr. Mary by Dr. Harvey Staal, read at her memorial service.
 Elton J. Bruins to Robert Bishop, Mary's Personal Representative, September 22, 1994, 2 pp.
 Divab El-aamri to Paul Bruins, October 29, 1994.
 A paper by Dr. Mary, undated, "Missions to Muslims," 2 pp.
 Mary's writings in our Bruins family histories:
 "History of the Henry Martin Bruins Family from Approximately 1900 to 1940," 1980, 7 pp.
 An account of Dr. Mary's first case, 1990, one page.
 A letter to Angie and Clarence Bruins, September 25, 1972, 3 pp.