

Dear mother:-

Jan 5-1921
1922

I had hoped to write a long letter tonight but am too tired to write more than a line. This morning instead of walking for exercise I went to the workshop they have here. Patients are permitted to work under instruction there, and indeed are advised to do so. I started to make a silver bracelet, and will finish it soon. All we are charged for is the material. This bracelet will cost me 90¢ plus a few hours of labor. Then I want to learn to make a ring & a stick pin. And I want to learn book-binding. These will give me something to think about and be interested in. — Have been running a slight fever again, and am losing a little weight. Nothing to worry about, however. The only way in which I feel the least bit wrong is that I am very fatigued. A good sleep, however, will fix that up. — Will write more tomorrow. All love to each & every one. Ivan.

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me to, and I gladly did so.
The chapel was simply packed,
and Dr. Haile, the lead doctor,
said it was the largest crowd
they ever had except at one
memorial service for Dr.

Imdeau, the founder of the
Sanatorium and the pioneer
in the treatment of tuberculosis.
And the people said many nice
things! I used the Lutheran
Service and wore my robe, and
preached on John 3:16.

Will close as it is near
supper time. Don't think that
because I write so little I don't
long for the folks at home. I
wish I could be there. All lots,
especially to De-de and Ruthie!
With prayers, always yours

Jan 11 -
Wed 11-1938

Dear brother-

I am wondering when
it last was that I wrote you,
it seems so long ago. All I
have been doing is the same
old things, taking a lot of exercise
and then resting day and
night. And yet the time flies.
I have been rather tired and
fatigued the last few days.
Yesterday it was especially
bad, so this morning I stayed
in bed and took no exercise.
This morning a snow storm came
up and about night on his last
faller. I started to take a

walk this afternoon, but the wind was so strong, and I felt so weak that I stopped.

I am going to have my special tests with a couple of dogs. These tests will be made with tuberculin, that is to say, the poison that is caused by the germs of this disease. They will inject very small quantities of this into my blood and then watch the reaction. The principle is the same as inoculating for small-pox, or the vaccine treatments I received in Denver. My case cannot be very bad, otherwise they would not give

me these tests. For they are used only in the mildest cases. So today, and for two more days. I am busy taking my temperature & pulse every two hours. Usually it is very low, but in this case they take more careful data. In regard to my temperature, I was running a bit of fever again, but for the last two days it has been sub-normal. Outside of this, and my fatigue, I am OK.

You will be surprised to hear that I preached in the Sanatorium Chapel Sunday night. The lead doctor asked

P.S. - You must ~~take~~ have pictures!
I havent time!!!

Jan 17-22

Dear mother:-

Just a line! I got another shot of tuberculin today. Mother, I wonder if I told you the full particulars about this. This is a test they give in doubtful cases. That is to say, cases that are doubtful now. Of course, I had the trouble, but the question is, may I return to work? And this test will show. If I do not react, then it is safe for me to work. If I do react, no harm is done, and it will show me that I must "cure" a while yet. My arm is a bit sore from the "shot", and I have a slight headache, but otherwise there is no real reaction. I'll let you know of things as they go on. Be sure I am not keeping anything from you. — Tell Sis I got her last letter Ok. and tended to things at once. I'll write her soon. — Am sending some pictures I printed day before yesterday. They are not as good as I can do, and I'll send some better ones soon. The mountain view is of a range east of here. Those mountains are surely pretty. — Will write soon again. Didn't feel like writing too much this evening, on account of my headache. — How is Annie? I hope she is much better by this time. Tell her I send her ~~the~~ ^{best} regards and kisses! And same to you and to all, especially to my Annie. I'll send some better pictures of them ~~sometime~~ ^{all} ~~on~~ ^{soon}.

Jan 17-1922

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Dear brother:-

Jan, 18-1922

I wanted to ask you this last night but forgot. Please send me my violin. Pack it as it was when sent from Duron & it will be all right. I'd like to have it. There is a boy here who is a fine pianist and we want to play together.

I had a rather bad reaction from my tuberculin today. Headache, pain, and slight fever, not over 100°. This often happens and is by no means unusual so don't worry. It just makes one feel bad for a day or so.

all love to you & Muriel & Buttie & Sis,
and Dede and Bullie, will write soon again.

Dwan.

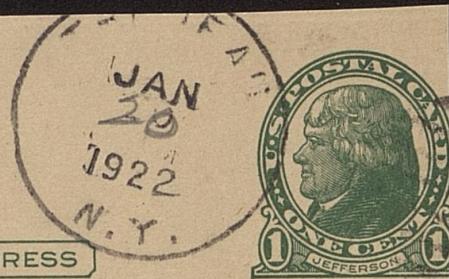
Jan 18-1922

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Dear mother:- Jan 20 - 1952
Still in bad but
feel much better than at first
Will write soon.

All love, Sam

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. B. I. Haft
333 E. Oak St.

Jan 21
1922

Drew brother -

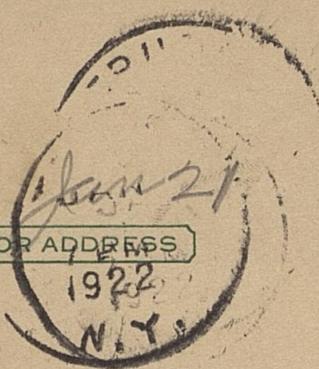
Am much
better. Get up
for dinner &
supper today.

Will write soon.

All love,

Ivan

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. B. L. Hayt
333 E. Oak

Dear brother:-

Jan 24-1922

Just a note. I will write more
tonight. As a result of the tests given me
I am put on unlimited exercise with the
possibility of going back to work in a month or
so! At the end of that time they can
tell. So you see that I am far from being
dead. At present they can find no
evidence of tuberculosis on me!

Yours later. All love.

Hannibal,

Sam.

Jan 24-1922

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Feb 3 - 1922

Dear brother:-

It was night before last I wanted to write. But I did not count on failing so utterly exhausted. I don't know where this weakness comes from.

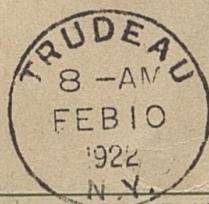
However, the doctors say that by keeping on with my exercise, I can gradually overcome that. — Brother, do not feel too disappointed if the plans I now suggest do not materialize, but I am hoping to be in Louisville within a month or six weeks. The doctors assure me that I can return to work with safety, and I am truly anxious to do so. I am writing Dr. Remm, and John Gardner and am telling them of it. And I am going to write Dr. Birken, in Minneapolis, and others. How I know that when you ~~hear~~ of my starting to work you will be worried, but I have given

the matter some thought for the last few
days. And my decision, even though a great
deal of excitement has governed my thinking, is
that I want to return to work. I am told that
I am able, and I can and will take care
of myself. I shall not consider any proposition
without first consulting you and the other
folks and telling you all about it. But this
I am rather afraid of, that it might be best for
me to go back to the Rocky mountains, I am
told, and I believe, that the extreme fatigue
and inconvalescence I feel is due to the low
altitude here. However, when I get my strength
back things may be changed and I may not
feel this weakness. Be sure of this, that I
shall use all precaution and if I do return
to work, and feel any danger signs - and I
know them! - I'll stop at once. — I'm
too excited at the thought of going to work again
to write much! So look for more soon! — How
is Maria now? And how are Dr. de and
Ruthie? I surely hope that they have no
bad effects of their sick spell. Give my love to
Bettie & Sis, and to you all lots & kisses. Lynn.
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Drew brother, Feb 10, 1922

Am feeling
better today than the last
few days. Since Sunday
- and before - I felt as if
I had the flu, certainly
a mild form of it. This
morning I felt refreshed
for the first time in a week.
Usually I'd feel exhausted
on awakening. I'll write
tomorrow. All love to each
+ all.

Drew. 106
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. B. L. Haft
333 E. Oak St.
Louisville, Ky.

Feb. 12 -

Dear mother:-

Your letter came yesterday with the money from Mrs. Danforth. I have just written her and thanked her. I am glad you sent the bank draft, for some of the boys here have had trouble losing money in the mail. This way it is safe. - In your letter you speak of my nervousness and worry and ask me to speak to the doctor about it. I don't have to - he has already spoken to me! I see now that the reason he had me speak was to study my case! A short time after that I went up to him for a conference, and he said that one of my main troubles was that I am keyed up too much and try to get too much done. He said that from what he has seen, my mind + thought work more quickly than I can write or even talk, and the result is that I am always physically strained to keep up with my thoughts! And this is what drains my energy! I had never thought of

that before! He told me that for the rest
of my life I'll have to learn to do a certain
amount of work, and work deliberately, and
then stop and relax for the day! His advice
reminded me of the Dr. in Butte who said,
"Son, you'll get well if you get sick!" But enough!
I'll thank! — my plans at present are to
get some sort of supply work in a country
church here in N. Y. for a couple of months. I
don't want to come home before May, for I'll
simply have a sick spell in that weather.
Then I can come & stay home the month of
May, and then, if I feel made to take steady
work, I can do so. If not, I'll plan them. I
wrote the president of one of the synods here in
N.Y. and got a fine letter from him. He
expressed himself very kindly and is going to
do all he can to give me supply work for
a couple of months. — Be sure that I'll let
you know everything and I'll be exceedingly
careful. I'm not going to take any foolish
risks. — I'm glad human is better and
also the children. — For a week, up till Friday,
I was feeling miserable, as if I had a mild
form of flu. That has passed away & now I
feel O.K. Am very careful, so don't worry.
Bedtime! I must stop. Love to all. I remain.

Dear brother:-

Two years ago today I resigned
my church in Montana! How time flies!

The Valentine came from home today, and
I do thank all the folks, especially Lis
and De-de and Ruthie. I am writing

Lis tomorrow. - I've had a busy and
hard day, and wrote a number of letters
this morning. I'll tell you of my plans
soon. Have made no decision yet.

Will close for today. All love & kisses
to you & Mamie & Ruthie & Lis and my two
brothers!

Dan.

Feb 15 - 1952

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Feb 22-1922

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1922

Dear Mother:-

Just a line. The weather here has been miserable for the last few days, and every one here is feeling it. Day before yesterday a heavy snow-storm, and today a heavy rain! It is impossible to keep dry, and I feel somewhat ill. Nothing to worry over, however.

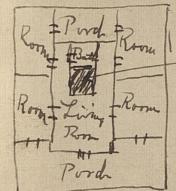
I have received an offer from

and will find. Just this time to set
you know of my place. There is no cause
for worry. - I'll write you definitely
as soon as I can. Tell me if you
are coming, to Butcher & Son, and to Deale
and Ruthie.

Hannibal
Dear.

the New York Lynd to supply a
church for two months. It is in
Middleburg, in the mountains
north of the Catskill Mountains,
and is about 30 miles west of
Albany. The Presbyterian
minister here says it is a delightful
place. I should like to go, but
would not do so for two weeks
yet. I'll write you full particulars
at once. Don't hurry this
letter off. It is supper time

You last letter just came this morning. Don't worry about the way I take your advise. First Feb 24-1923
 If it is as sound as any I could ever get,
 and above all, it seems ~~that~~^{to} I
 had secondly, and above all, it seems ~~that~~^{to} I
 need it drummed into me! — I hope all the
 books are well. Thank you for the auto she
 sent her Uncle Sir. Now I can go riding
 whenever I want to! And give my love to Ruthie
 too. I wish I could have a song with her! How
 they gather on the meadows altogether? I hope
 mine is well too, & Ruthie & Sis, and yourself.
 I pray for you, and send you all love & kinship.
 Will write soon again Feb 24-1923. Always, Sam.



Feb. 24- 1923

Dear brother:-

I am in an awful
 jumble of furniture at present. They
 are painting the cottage here, and we are
 dumped out into the main living-room.
 The plan of the cottage is like this:

For see we are a
 bit mixed up. But
 we are inside very
 little, and so there is
 really very little inconvenience — and
 very little privacy! However, we know
 each other quite well, and have a good time.

I had my final examination by the head doctor today. He said that my chest sounds absolutely normal. So there is nothing to worry about. I was to leave the Sanatorium on Tuesday, Feb. 28th, but decided to ask for an extension of time. The Dr. was very nice about it. He said, "Stay as long as you want to and notify the head nurse when you are going to leave!" So I am going to stay a week longer than I had planned - at least a week. If at the end of that time I do not feel well enough, I'll stay on. However, I am very anxious to get back to work and try things out carefully. And few parts of the country would be more favorable than this. I'll be in a beautiful mountain country, and in easy distance of this place and N. Y. City too. If any trouble at all should show up, I could have the best possible attention in just a few hours. So under these most favorable conditions I feel that I want to try to work and see how things go. Then I can have a thorough examination. And then I can decide what to do in the future.

Dear mother:- March 2-1922

Have not been feeling
well, due, I think to the weather.
Also had an unpleasant
experience with a man named
Ruthenburg, a Jew! The patient
was taken to the head doctor,
and he was nearly thrown out of
the San! all the patients who
heard of it were only sorry he
stayed! I'll tell you more next
time, & all particulars. Don't
worry! It's over, & I'm champion.
will write more tonight. Have
written down my discharge, and
am staying on indefinitely.

will let you know my plans
as I make them. The reason for
this is that the place I was
offered called a pastor & I
have to wait for further
communications.

all love to all,
Ivan.

March 2-1922

March 2-1922

Dear mother:-

A couple of days ago
I began running a slight fever
and yesterday they put
me to bed for a few days to be
safe. It's nothing to worry over
- due to the weather I think.
I'll write & tell you how
things are. Am staying on
several weeks longer. Everything
is o.k. all love to each & all.

Hurrah,

Ivan

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Dear brother:-

MDY 5/1921
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I write you this am.

Monday am. - Had a visitor last night just as I started to write, & had to stop. I am still running a bit of fever, not quite 100° , and feel rather weak & exhausted, as if my system is full of poison. However, I am getting better, for staying in bed is fixing me up. Please don't worry. Everything will be all right in a day or so. Nothing seems. Am hurrying this to the mail. All love. Iwan.

mch 6-1922

mch 6-1922

Dear brother: - March 7-1932

I am still in bed, but
the stay is due to my having caught
a cold. The weather is very changeable
& disagreeable. The temperature is nearly
60° today & pouring rain with snow
on the ground! How I despise it!
I loathe the snow & cold, but not this.
My temperature is coming down, but
I still feel fearfully weak, in fact,
so exhausted that it hurts. I am
wasting my time in definitely.

Don't worry about me. I am letting
you know all. All love to each
& all.

Humbly,

Ivan.

mch 7-1922

mch 7-1922

Mar. 9- 1922

Dear brother:-

It is before breakfast & I am dashing a line to you. Am feeling better, but still very weak. Temperature is coming down nicely. No cause to worry. Hope to have the Dr. let me up today, but of course, am not sure. Will write & let you know how I am. Love to all. Henry
Doran.

March 9 - 1922

Mar 10 -
1922

Dear Mother:-

I have just finished writing Miss Anna a letter & thanks, & am a bit tired. I am getting along nicely. I still feel very tired, and am staying in bed all day, but my temperature is coming down, and the doctor set me up for dinner yesterday & today. It feels good to get you back on the ground again! The snow is melting here, & the leaves are coming, & it seems that spring is at hand.

March 10 - 1922
W. M. D.

W. M. D.
March 10 - 1922

I read how he came "into Jordan, the mount of God." It made me think of the old preacher who said, "I bring tribulation or attain the kingdom of God." And Rev. 7:14, "These are they who come not of great tribulation." "Then that know the Lord shall not want any good thing."

Will work again & let you know how I am, and if I make any plans. Love to you & Henry, & Ruthie & Lin, and Editha & Ruth. Pray for you.

Many kisses!

Always. Anna.

a few nights ago I was thinking of the story of Elijah. & how he was fed. And it ran through my mind that "in the strength of that meat he went on for forty days & nights." and I suddenly remembered that the number forty is always used in connection with times of persecution, Moses in the wilderness, and Israel too, and Christ's temptation, and instances in Revelation. And the thought came that the food God gives us, and the supplies for the needs of this life too, will always carry us through trouble. On reading the story then

Dear mother:- March 10-1923

a.m.

Am feeling better
now. Was up for dinner
yesterday, but was fearfully
weak. The doctor told me I
had been "pretty prostrated".
The going to dinner sent my
temperature up a bit, but still
I think it did me good to get
up. - I got a letter from Dr. Remm
yesterday, & from Buttie with his
Anna's \$5.2. Am writing her
today. Am much better. Had
no place! will write again.
all love. Dora.

March 10 - 1952
A.M.

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A.M.

Dear mother:-

March 13 - 1922

Saturday night & yesterday one of the doctors here gave me a thorough examination. I asked him what he thought was the cause of this sick spell. He said that, on account of the symptoms, it is impossible to rule tuberculosis out, but still, they don't think that is the trouble, for my lung condition is so good. There has been a mild form of influenza going around here, & they think I had that. It did not make me very sick, just exhausted me. I am still weak, but yesterday what little fever I had left was broken & my temperature is now fine. Will let you know from day to day how I get along. Best of love to Jon & Mervin, & Ruth & Jim and Althea & Ruth. Many kisses, Deam.

March 13 - 1922

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Dear mother:- March 14-1922

Am still awake, but
all night outside of that. Am
getting up for two meals today,
and then up for all. Haven't
any plans and so am
staying on here for a while
yet. Have had no temperature
for the last two days, and
that is surely a good sign.
Will write more soon. Want
to rush this in the mail.
All love & kisses. Dean.

March 14-1922

March 14-1922

Dear Mother: - March 15 - 1922

Got up for 2 meals yesterday & same today. Hope to get up for all tomorrow. Am getting along nicely. No temperature. The Jew with whom I had the fuss left last night. He has been quite nice to me ever since I carried the matter to Headquarters & won! Best of love to all. I want this to catch the mail. All love
Doran.

Mch 15-1922

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Dan mother:

March 16-1922

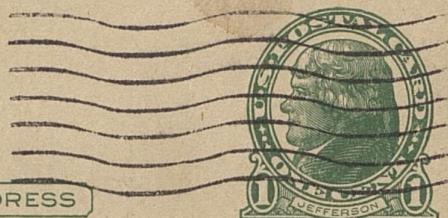
Am up for all meals
now. Still tired but otherwise
OK. Am writing soon. All love,

Dan.

March 16 - 1922



THIS SIDE OF CARD FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. B. L. Heft
333 E. Oak St.
Syracuse

Dear mother:-

Mar 18-1922

Your last letter came telling of Miss Anna.
It is lovely in her to do this, and I am writing tonight.
You ask of my condition. It is not really alarming, but
a bit disappointing. Some of the Drs. here say it is my
lung condition, & others insist not. Even if it is, there is
no danger. Today they took me off exercise to watch me a
bit. My fever is all gone now. I am still losing weight.
I weight 151 now. I eat well & enjoy my food, & digest it
well, so I don't think that is the trouble. The doctors are
going to give me some special tests to cover any possibilities.
In the mean while, my discharge is indefinitely withdrawn.
The doctors think, & I too, that I had a slight touch of
influenza. I am still weak, but all right outside of that.

I want this to get off in this mail so
close. How are all the folks. Love to you &
mine & Buttie & sis, & my two lassys!

Lovas.

mch 18-1922

mch 18-1922

Dear Mother:-

Have stayed in bed all today & all yesterday except for chapel in the morning. As a result am feeling much better. It is rainy & miserable today, & I don't like it! — It is near supper, & I want this to get off in the mail. Am writing a letter after supper. So good-bye for a few minutes till late to all. — Ivan.

March 20-1922

March 20-1922

Mobell - 1922
Dear Hunter:

Didn't get
to visit last night as
I hoped. Had a talk
with the Dr. He said
working sessions is wrong
with me. - Today is
the first day of Spring.
It is sunning hard
all day, & the ground
is once more covered
with white. all lost.
Am writing tonight. Yours.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. B. L. Heft
333 E. Oak St.
Louisville, Ky.

Dear mother:-

Mar 23 - 1922

At last I have time to write, and the only trouble is that I have nothing to say! I am about the same, still feel tired, although yesterday I felt perfectly well. Last night I had a slight fever, but usually my temperature is fine. My pulse is very low, a good sign. The doctors are going to give me some sort of special examination in a few days. My case is very unusual & they are rigging up some instrument. I'll let you know of it when they do. & of the results. It is certain that there is nothing to worry about. I wrote Miss Anna, & also Mrs. Beecher, who sent \$1.00 from the Flower Committee with which I should get something in place of the flowers they couldn't send! Otherwise I've written nothing in over a week, except a short note to Aunt Hattie. - It's cold again with snow. I took a short walk today, & enjoyed it. I have just

come in from it. The mountains are beautiful, & make
me long for Montana, where they are much grander.
The rest of the time I spent in bed, or on the bed
wrapped in blankets. I read some but not much. —
How are all the folks, dinner, & Ruthie & Co.? Are
Althea & Ruth over their colds? Wish I could see
you all! — Please don't worry about me. I'll get
my exercise back in a couple of days. I still
have no plans. Will write soon again. All love &
many kisses.

Dram.

March 23 - 1922

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Dear brother:-

Mar 25-1922

Today I took my chart for the work (temperature, pulse, symptoms, etc.) to the staff to see if they would give me some exercise. Patients are supposed to do this every other week. My regular time was last week, & then next week of course, but my exercise was taken away last week, and I didn't want to go a whole week without it so I did the unusual by going up today. Dr. Haile, the lead doctor, told me once that my trouble was that I was too ambitious, and he smiled at my coming up out of my turn. He laughingly asked me if I wanted exercise, and I told him I'd be glad to have some! He then laughed and said that they wanted to look me over thoroughly before giving more exercise. So I am still without it. Of course, I go to the dining room for meals, but that is all I do. I did want to get back to the work shop, but that will have to wait. - You will be amused when I tell you this. On Thursday evening, at a little frolic of the patients, we had an old-fashioned spelling match. Jones truly won the match, and got a silver (A)corn sharp Pencil! I hadn't any idea that they were

going to give a page. The content

Dear Mother:- I don't remember what
intermission made me break off here, & I don't
remember what I wanted to say. It evidently
wasn't very important! Since starting this
letter I've been spending all my time in bed,
resting. I've always waited till it's too late to
get this letter in the mail, and so postponed
it! - am hurrying now before supper. So
you got it soon. Am writing more soon. - Did
I tell you the letter with the check from Miss
Anna came all right? Don't be at once.
Will write soon about my finances. There is nothing
to worry about, & I really am not worrying. I
have learned to take these things philosophical,
and wait my turn! - Give my best love to
Memie, & Butts & Sis, & Alethea & Ruth. And
with many kisses, I am always, Ivan

March 25
1922

Mar 30

Dear mother:- 1922

Have written -
yesterday - letters to Aunt
I., & Dr. Remm, & a long
order one to Dr. Larimore
at Hutchinson Seminary. House
had but little time.

Am writing to night, but
want this card to get
home this week yet. Am
getting along better. nothing
to worry over. Love to
all.
John.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. B. L. Heft,
333 E. Oak,
Louisville, Ky.

Mar. 30 -

Dear brother:-

Today has been a busy day - doing nothing! I was in my resting-chair ("curing" chair) all morning and afternoon. This morning I had a bit of fun. One of my cottage mates, another boy, and I, dressed up in "kilts." The "kilts" were some plaid shawls we borrowed from some girls. We rolled our trousers up, and had bare knees - we were inside all the while and the place is warm. We had little whisk brooms hanging in front for the little fur pouches the Scotch wear. One of the boys had a plaid tam-o'-shanter for a cap. And in this dress we went into the dining room for supper. We purposely got there late. There was a gasp for a moment and then an uproar. After supper we paraded into the parlors, through the lobby, and there was a roar that accompanied us. Then we undressed. It took us about ten minutes to dress and fix to undress, and it was worth the fun. One of the nurses gave us a waiting room to fix up in. The staff was very much amused over the shunt.

One of the men in the cottage is leaving tomorrow. I hate to see him go, for we have become quite good

friends. His home is in North Carolina.

I am afraid the special examination I am to receive is postponed about a week. Dr. Huise, the head doctor, is called away by the death of his father, and will be gone about a week. When there is any news, I'll tell you.

As to my finances, I have had to write Dr. Remm asking for help. Around Xmas I received some money, that that John Gardner spoke of, and this, with the money from the Board of Relief, and the occasional checks you sent (miss Anna, Mrs. Danforth, etc.) have kept me. This month I received \$27 through Dr. Remm, and have had to ask for a bit more for next month, for we pay in advance. If there is anything that comes up I'll let you know.

I am anxious to get exercise again. After having had so much I got awfully restless. Still, the rest is doing me good, for my temperament and pulse are both down quite a bit. - Give all my love to Minnie and Butte and Sis, and Aletta & Ruth. I wish I could see you all! All love and kisses to you.

Always,

Irene.

Got a letter today from
Helen Formholz. Glad to hear from her.

Mar 31 - 1922

Apr. 5 - 1922.

Dear Mother:-

Two years ago today I was admitted to Agnes Memorial Sanatorium! Surely I little thought at that time that I'd be at the same game two years from that date. Two years ago yesterday was Easter Sunday and I went to Messiah Church in Denver. In the eighteen months that followed there the people were surely good to me. — I don't know what the doctors here are going to do with me. Dr. Hause, the head, just came back from a week's absence, and is laid up with a cold. When he is on the job again he will tend to my case. In the meanwhile I am getting a good rest. My temperature and pulse are both down, and my fatigue is gone. I feel much better. — Sunday the Methodist minister asked me to preach next Sunday. He'll be away at conference. I told him I had no objection, & could consent without consulting Dr. Hause. He asked Dr. Hause, and the verdict was no! Dr. H. wants to play safe, that is the only reason. There is nothing to worry over in the refusal. — There is a new boy in the cottage, named John Sohonage. He comes from the mining district of western Pennsylvania. He was a soldier in France 18 months.

He is a dandy boy, clean-cut, & has a fine face. We have struck up quite a friendship. Then there is Mr. Kellie, who is Scotch & not Irish! He is the next oldest man here, coming into the cottage a month after I did. Then there is a boy named Stont. He is quite nice too. We have a good congressional bunch. Mr. Bartholomew, the Jewish fellow, is gone these weeks now, & the place is much quieted. I'll write about the trouble some time. I found out after he left that I had taken my part Dr. Heise, the head, the Supt. of grounds & buildings, the head nurse, the night supervisor of nurses, & the house-keeper! I'm glad I had speak enough not to let him slip anything over on me! More later! —

Mother, I'm staying on here at least a month more and would like my violin. Could you send it as soon as possible? Pack it as it was packed in Denver. There is a good pianist here, and she could accompany me. I'd like very much to have it. Please send it as soon as you can. —

On Sunday night I gave a small "recital" on the little organ in the chapel. It was to a few of the young ladies who are what are termed ex-patients. That is, they were patients here, & now work for the San., in the X-Ray Dept., Laboratory, etc. One of them Miss Lucas, comes from Ky., although she hasn't been there to live for 20 years. She comes from Paris. She is the head of the work shop here, and sits at

the same table with me. In that way, and in the workshop
I came to know her & like her very much. On Sunday she
left for New York to spend a couple of months studying
vocal training there, to help her in her work. As I'll
be gone before she returns, I gave the "recital" for her
and asked some of the other girls. Two of the girls ~~were~~ are
organists, and they enjoyed it especially. They said they
didn't think it possible to get the expression & volume out
of that organ that I did. One girl had heard it, but had
given it up till she heard me play at our church service,
and then she decided that there was something in the
organ after all! And another of the girls said, "You play
the piano beautifully, and the organ divinely." Then
commendation pleased me very much, for often I got
discouraged with my playing. I played the Sanctus from
Gounod's Mass Solemnelle - we sing it at church. Then
I played one of my own compositions. I used to play it
at home. It is on Service set to music. I played
first on Confession of Sins, second, on Kyrie, and
third, on Gloria in Excelsis. They liked this best - and
I do too! Then I played some hymns, then a quartette,
two trios, and a Russian folk song that a Russian patient
here taught me. When the "recital" was over, one of the

girls said, "I hunt all over." The bad news wants me to
fix a marital, when Dan able to do so, for the whole
Sam! Of course, I'm glad to do it.

Dan written; had no time to finish last
night & need not for breakfast. All love to
you & mine, & Buttie & Sis, & Althea & Ruth,
and kisses.

Always Dan.

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Dear mother:-

April 10-1922

For the last couple of days I haven't been feeling well. And on Saturday I asked for some exercise and was refused, and that was a bit of a disappointment for me. Yesterday being Palm Sunday I went to town (had to get the doctor's permission!) and went to the Episcopal church. They had a beautiful service, and it did me a world of good. Was quite tired from the weather yesterday, and have not yet recovered today. Then too, I'm getting a boil in my ear, & rather think that that is making me feel bad today. Don't worry: I'll be all right. Am hurrying this off for the mail so must stop. All love, & kisses. I pray for you all.

Ivan.

April 10-1922

April 10-1922

Wednesday.
April 12-1932.

Dear brother:-

Today I got a letter from Mr. Ayres with a check for \$50, and have written him & Dr. Rem. Then too, one from Miss Lura & Miss Eva with a \$5 bill, and wrote them a letter. And now that I want to write you I'm tired!

I'm sorry to report that I'm a bit sick again. On Sunday I failed to miss Palm Sunday & got permission to go to the Episcopcal church in town. The service was beautiful. However, it seems that the trip & excitement & exertion were too much. Monday night I was very sick, with fever, and intense pain in my chest, arms & leg, & head. A nurse saw me twice & a doctor twice during the night. I'm much better now, quite weak, but fever is down and I am a thousand percent better. I am sorry to write this news for Easter, but please don't let it worry you too much. It makes us all suffer, I know, but that

only brings us closer to Christ. Paul says ^{April 12}
something that I think very appropriate at
this time: That we may know the fellowship
of His sufferings and the power of His resurrection.

The first we are having now. God grant we
may have the second too. The first ought bring ^{April 12 - 1922}
the second, for Jesus has passed through all
we have, and more. And now He weareth
to intercede for us. He is a High-Priest who
is touched by the feeling of our infirmities,

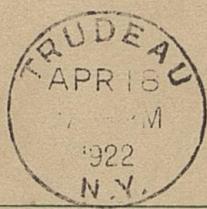
and if we know this, and if we know that our
Redeemer liveth, then we too shall live.

and there will be no sorrow or tears with Him.
May Easter be the more blessed to all at home
because of my sickness & not in spite of it. The
Savior loves you all more because of your suffering.
With a heart full of love and kisses to you
and Mum, and Buttie & Sis, and Aletta
and Ruthie, and with prayers. I am
Always lovingly, Ivan.

April 18-1922

Dear Mother:- Had a

Nice Easter. Went to
church and it was very
beautiful. Am up for
all meals now &
feeling fine. Am
giving a small
organ recital for
the Red Cross tonight.
She is leaving soon.
All love. Letter soon.
Dad.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. B. L. Heft,
333 E. Oak St.,
Louisville, Ky.

My very best regards to you all
my many & dear children you are
much & miss my old room
my dear boys more my Apr 22.
19-1922.

Dear mother:-

You letter with Mrs. Daubert's
check came. It is surely sweet of her and
folks like her, to treat me this way. I have
already written her, and thanked her. Miss
Anna sent a sweet note, and a money order
for \$5. Miss Lena sent \$5. Aunt J & H.
sent \$20. So you see that I have a tidy sum,
and won't have to bother about next month.

I'm still a bit tired from Easter, but
outside of that feel Q16. Last night I gave
a short organ recital for Miss Boyce, the lead
nurse who leaves here for N.Y. She was very
good to me, and I was happy to do this for her.
I'll write more later about this. - I fell asleep
this afternoon & now it is near supper, so I can't
write more! Will write soon again. - Love and all kisses
to you & Memie, Ruthie & Lis, Alethea & Ruth. I pray
for you.

Always lovingly - Ivan.

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Wednesday
May 3-1922

Dear brother:-

As I write in my last note, I preached Sunday. I was very, very tired, but am about recovered now. I never before realized how much I give, both of physical strength & spiritual, when preaching. I felt fine before the service, but was exhausted often, and everyone said I looked it. It was the sermon I preached in church at home, and everyone, I'm happy to say, had something nice to say to me. Monday I felt very tired and worn, and yesterday too, but I slept well last night and am OK now. - Tomorrow I am going to get a special X-ray test. It has been postponed, as you see. I'll write at once and tell the result when I find it out. - I think I'll have only a couple of weeks more. The doctors here want me to go to New York when I leave, and have a thorough examination in other respects, especially my nervous system. This I hope to do, but have no definite plans. I'm writing to N.Y. and have written Aunt Hattie & am waiting her advice. Then I'll make

my plans, and let you know of them.

I am starting to work in the workshop again. This morning I painted some pictures. When I paint a few more I'll send some home. I have never finished my books, and I want to do that too. There is but little to be done, and it won't take long. I finished a reed lamp which looks quite pretty. It needs the electrical fixtures, and I'll wait till I get home to put those in.

In your last letter you told me to tell you about the Jewish fellow here. I'll do that soon. Have found out more about him recently!

In regard to Muni's money-order, it came when I was in bed. It was evidently put on my table when the boy brought the mail in, and cornered up. A few days later, I brushed the things off the table into the drawer, to tidy up a bit, intending to look the stuff over soon. And this ~~was~~ delayed. I never threw anything of that sort away ~~without~~ without looking over everything, so there was no danger. Only, I'm sorry it happened. - I'll close now & write ^W soon again. All love to you & Muni, to Buttie & ^P Sis, & Aletha & Ruth. Am getting along quite ^W nicely, & feel fine.

Dear 2361-8 Pond

Sunday
May 7-1922

Dear mother:-

During the past week I've been having the tests I spoke of. They were to look for chronic heart, stomach or intestinal trouble. The findings were negative. Of course, there were small irregularities, but these were

I'd be glad to get back book. If you have
of the violin, & have the chance of buying
paid me \$150 (that is, showed they pay
you & then find the instrument) take the
violin if in good condition, and if in small
poor condition make them pay for
bringing it. You can ~~not~~ will come 2261-8
but all right - How are all? Don't
forget to lunch this morning, slept till four,
and now church till noon, suppers inc'd.
all come to all, and kisses. D. S. B.

falling asleep + the morning mail is
from. And then, in spite of my sleeping
in the afternoon, I'm all tired out
after supper, and just go writing
then. And so it goes. I'm all
right, except for that fearfully
tired feeling. But that will pass
in time. — In regard to my riding,
I'll value it at \$150 at least, but
as the total I paid for it was \$125

in nearly 100 percent of cases.
So there is nothing to fear
in those scores.

I don't know why I
haven't written more during
this fast week. The mail
comes after supper + after
breakfast. Usually I sleep
till breakfast time, so that
mail is fast. And then
in the afternoon I'm free

Tuesday
May 7-1922

Dear Mother:-

First I want to tell you that my
new suit "bark" (ask Memie and my kid brother)
came, but hardly safely. The P.O. Dept hired some
elephants to walk over it, and the box was broken. The
paper torn & string gone. The netting in itself was safe,
and I tell you this, because I'm wondering if you
sent anything else with it. If you did, put in a
claim, for the netting was all that came. - I'm
enclosing a few pictures just finished. One is of me
seated near the chapel there is a bit of snow on the
ground yet - you can see patches of it. The other picture
of me was taken during the winter. You can see me
from mountain peaks - Mt. Baker - in the background.
On my left is one of the "curing" cottages, and on
my right the edge of the porch of another. Another
picture, the snow scene, was taken in the wood last
winter. You can see my canoe, where I'd left it stretching
in the snow. The print colored too darkly - I'll
print a better one soon. The fourth picture, the group
is of the four of us in this cottage at the end of March.

Sitting next to me is a man named Heath, of North Carolina. He left the last of March. He's a splendid fellow & I hated to see him go. In front of me is Mr. Kellie, a Scotchman. He leaves this Friday. The fourth man, with the moustache, is Donald Stott. He is no longer in the cottage, having been taken to the infirmary a week ago. The two boys in the place of those who left are good companionable fellows, and we get along splendidly. - Have just gotten a letter from Dr. Rem in which one to the 50th anniversary. I do wish I could be there but am certain I can't. I'm writing him today telling him.

I'll stop for this time. The weather here is sunnervating & I'm tired. How are all? How is menie? Is Althea any better, and will she be operated on soon? It will be best for her. Is Ruth well too? - I'm getting along nicely, still tired, but better. All love to Ruth & sis too, & many kisses.

Always yours,

May 9 / 92
Frank

-2361-6 front

Today got a letter from
Mr. Fred Ruskeet of
Bethany church. Mr. Tolles
had services there & instead
of taking the \$5 they wanted
to give, had them send it
to me. I'm writing them
back. May 17-1922

7261-61 Frank

Dear Mother:-

Wednesday,

May 18-1922

I've been at a sort
of nervous tension the last
few days, and simply can't
sit down to write. I suppose
it is due to my leaving soon,
for I've just about made up
my mind to leave June 1st
& go to New York. I'll let
you know definitely. I still
get tired very rapidly, but

were at that, think I have made splendid recovery. When I leave here I shall go to a hospital in N.Y. for a thorough diagnosis.

Mother may back a farm?

I wonder if you could deposit some money for me at the Fidelity. I have none now - all my expenses are paid for this month, and what I get from the church will just about pay my expenses of travel, etc.

And I'd like enough to be on the safe side, for I don't know how much it will cost. Would a hundred dollars be too much? I want to be safe, and I feel best I'd get it again from the church.

I'll stop for this time - can't sit still. I'm so excited about leaving! all love to you & Mamie, + Ruthie + Sir. + Alice + Ruth. Always,

(Yours)

Dear

2361-1280 W

May 22 - 1922

Dear brother:

Monday am.

May 22 - 1922

Yesterday I went to church twice. In the morning I went to the Presbyterian church in the village. The sermon was not oratorical, but deeply spiritual. The text was "Casting all your care upon Him for He careth for you." And the minister showed how the word "care" meant burden of anxiety, as well as the lot that God has given us in this world to bear. We should share it with Him.

bade to the cottage. I wrote home. Received
a letter acknowledging \$1 from the
Floor Committee. Did I tell you I got
\$5 from Ruth May through Mr. Richard?
Mr. Trotter presented, & had them send
the money to me. Carl Nielsen also
sent me \$5. — My milk is gone & time
is passing. So will say bye-bye. All love
to you & Henry, & Ruthie & Son, & others
and Ruthie. Any definite news of my
riding? Know well. — Anna.

Thursday
May 25-1922

Dear Mother:-

Time is flying and my stay here will soon have an end. I had thought of leaving next Wednesday, but have decided to stay my full time. So I leave here June 7th. I came in on December 7th and that will complete my six months.

I've not been feeling well the last few weeks. I know the

one thing that helped persuade me to stay on is the fact that the doctors here are giving me some shots of iron. The stuff is shot right into the blood stream, and I feel sure will build up my system.

By the way, mother, you haven't told me about the second check from Mrs. Daniels. Can you straighten that out at once? - I suppose school will soon stop, and then there will be time all the time. How are Mrs. Ruth & David and see them, but I shall soon. All love to them & to you & Harry, & Butter & Son. Always dear.
3261-52 home

3261-52 home

Son
Always dear.

wrath has much to do with it. It
is quite miserable, a beautiful
day once in a while, but the
rest of the time more than
makes up for it. I am still losing
weight, and have run a bit
of temperature recently. However,
at this time of year there are
not matters to be concerned about.
I suppose the fact that I'll
leave soon has put me under a
nervous tension for I can not do
much. I live easily and can't

pin myself down to anything. Writing
letters is especially hard, it seems.
I am glad you said the nothing but
mosquitos are bad, and some small
black flies that are prevalent to the front
of the country. Even their singing outside
of my window keeps me awake! and
what would it be if they had the
right of way! One can't go walking near
the woods because of them. I'm going to make
a veil for myself out of a bit of netting?

May 31. 1907.

Dear mother:-

I didn't get to write last night because I was so tired. However, this letter will catch the same mail, so there's no time lost. Yesterday a party of us went out to one of the lakes near here and took supper with us. We got a canoe and went a few minutes' ride in that, and I much enjoyed it. It was the first time in over five years that I've been in a canoe, and the motion took me back to the old day at Princeton. - I am planning to leave here on June 7th. I want to go to New York and make arrangements for going to the hospital. Then I want to go to Princeton for a few days. I want to go to Princeton then, for I wish to visit there while I'm east, and I don't want to go there during the rush of commencement. Everything is so artificial there, nothing natural, and too the rush would be too great for me. I'd care in under the roar and excitement. So I want to get in a visit of a few days to Princeton, and then return to New

York for my hospital stay. I surely hope they
can find out if my system is infarred in
any other way. Then I want to spend a day in
Philadelphia, a day or two in Washington, and
then come home. As to my plans after that I'm
uncertain. I want to go to the Rockies for the
summer, for I havent done well here. However,
we can arrange that when I'm home. I would
like to go to Montana, but will depend on the
advice of the doctors. So you see the part of my
plans are certain. The rest will be taken care
of by time.

Give my best love to Minnie and Buttie
and Sis, and Alettes and Ruth. And all love
to you. I hope and pray all are well.

Any mail that comes here after I leave
will be forwarded to Aunt Hattie, Yo Teachers
College, Columbia Univ., New York City. You
can address mail there that will reach me after
the 7th. — The money arrangement is all right,
and many thanks. I'll write more of this later.
All love, Evan.

May 31 - 1921

Miss

Dear Mother: - June 6-1922
and 7

a few days ago I started this letter, but I simply have not been able to find myself down to the task of finishing it. I'm having all sorts of tests and conferences and my time is not my own. - Tonight I am going to give my organ recital to the Samatwim. I'll be glad when that steam is over! - I leave here Thursday and land in Albany, N.Y. in the evening. Then I take a boat down the Hudson River to N.Y. City. That is not only cheaper, but far more restful & enjoyable. The scenery is wonderful. When in N.Y. I'll go to a hospital; where, I don't know.

I'll decide there. Any mail
can be sent in care of Aunt Hattie,
Teachers College, Columbia Univ.
N.Y. City. June 6-7-1922

brother. I'll have to stop
for this time. I feel so nervous
I can't write. The excitement
of my learning is intense!

Be sure to drop me a line
in N.Y. How are all at home?
Is there any more definite news
of my violin? All love to each
& all, and many kisses. Will
write again before I leave & tell
the result of my final conference.

Irene.

Dear brother:- June 9-1932

My time here is
drawing to a close, and in a
way I'm sorry. For everybody has
been good to me, and I've made
some fine friendships. And too,
things are looking so beautiful
in spring-time green. But it
is certain that I'm not doing well
in this climate, and I ought to be
moving on. I know that a couple
of months in the Rockies will do
wonders for me, and by October
I'll be ready for work, if I
can get it. So I'll
be here just a few days more.

June 7-1922

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June 7-1922

Dear Mother:- June 8 - 1922

On Tuesday night I
gave my organ recital to the whole
San. The head doctor, & other
doctors were there, and they
praised especially my own
composition. I was quite tired,
& glad it was over.

Since staying here I had a
consultation with the best S. R.
doctor in this country, Dr. Lawson
Brown. He said my case is very
favorable, & practically all cleared
up. He says that in a couple of
months I can try working again
'if I am careful.'

My change in plans has
made me quite excited. I had
my ticket & all preparations
made. However, I'm glad
for many reasons I'm staying
an extra week.

Will write again, soon &
tell you more. My temperature
was up a bit but is dropping
now. All love to you & Maria
& Butchi & Sis. & Alberta
& Ruth. And many kisses.

Always, Tom.

June 8-1922

June 8-1922

Dear -

1922

Dear Mother: -

Am staying on for
a few days yet, & plan to
leave Thursday. Have had a
slight temperature, due to
the excitement, & am writing
to get that down. Will write
more ^{etc.} at detail & want this
to catch the mail. All
love, & all my affections,

Jean

June 10-1922

To leave San
June 10-1922

Dear mother, Jan 13 1922

There has been
a severe cold spell here
+ I've felt it badly. Also
I've had a bit of cold,
and that has made me
uncomfortable. Will write a
letter soon, have been
writing to all along. How
are all at home? Today
my Sigma Sigma's it's
meeting at Milwaukee.
I had hoped to go there
but am not worried.
all love. H. M. & J. Van



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. B. L. Hupt,
333 E. Oak St.
Louisville, Ky.

2361-51 bmf

June 15-1922

Dear mother:-

Thursday.
June 15-1922.

My plans seem to be continually changing. I am staying on here till June 21. There are several reasons. I spoke of a slight fever, and I wanted to take things slowly so I could reduce that. That is getting along all right, & nothing to worry over. Then too the weather was exceedingly cold & bad & I stayed in bed to be safe. I wanted to make some calls before leaving & staying in bed prevented me.

I feel that I ought make some of these calls, for many people here, especially the official of the Sun. have been kind to me, & the least I can do is call & thank them. So all in all, I have decided to stay on. I do wish that I could have left sooner, much sooner, but it is just as well, I suppose.

The doctors tell me that if I exercise care, I can think of going back to work in the fall. I surely hope I can. It would mean much to me. In the next few weeks I shall think of the

Mother and I am the look-out for anything that suits us. I want to travel as near home as possible, and just choose as good a climate as possible. Our Bonds are located in New York & Philadelphia, and I'll stop by at those places & look into the matter. Then I can talk it over with you at home. — I want to bring a companion who is leaving today, a Dr. Wilson, who was with me in Drown, & then Mrs. G. Drown. Come home to you & Henni, & Ruth & Sis, and others. Kind always, Sam.

June 21-1952

Dear mother:-

Today I leave London.

My temperature has come down nicely and except for the excitement I am feeling ok.

The doctors give me very encouraging news. They say that while there is no doubt about the past there is much doubt about any lung trouble now.

That is to say, all they can do is suspect it because of the history of the case. So they don't think that my present trouble is caused by my lungs, although of course, it may be. So I am going to

New York for a thorough diagnosis
and see if they can find the
trouble there. I smily hope they
can, for I want to get back to
work. I don't know how long
I'll be in N.Y., just long enough
to find to that matter. Then I'll
be on my way home.

Yesterday I paid several
farewell calls. I went to see
Mrs. Haize, wife of the head
doctor here. I went to pay just
a short visit and stayed nearly
all afternoon! She told me that
Dr. Haize's brother is a Lutheran
minister in Illinois. They belong
to the Presbyterian church here,
as there is no Lutheran church
in town. Then I went to the

boarding house where I stayed
before I came here, Mr. Powers.
It made me happy to have her
talk to me as she did, for she
had taken a great liking to me.
Some of the old bunch that were
there when I went were still
staying on, and I had quite
a chat with them too. I rather
hate to leave, for we made so
many good friends here. Still,
we must move on!

I'll drop you a note along
the way. I go to Albany from
here, landing there tomorrow
morning. Then I take a boat
down the Hudson, that will get

to N.Y. at 6 pm I'll write
you on the way.

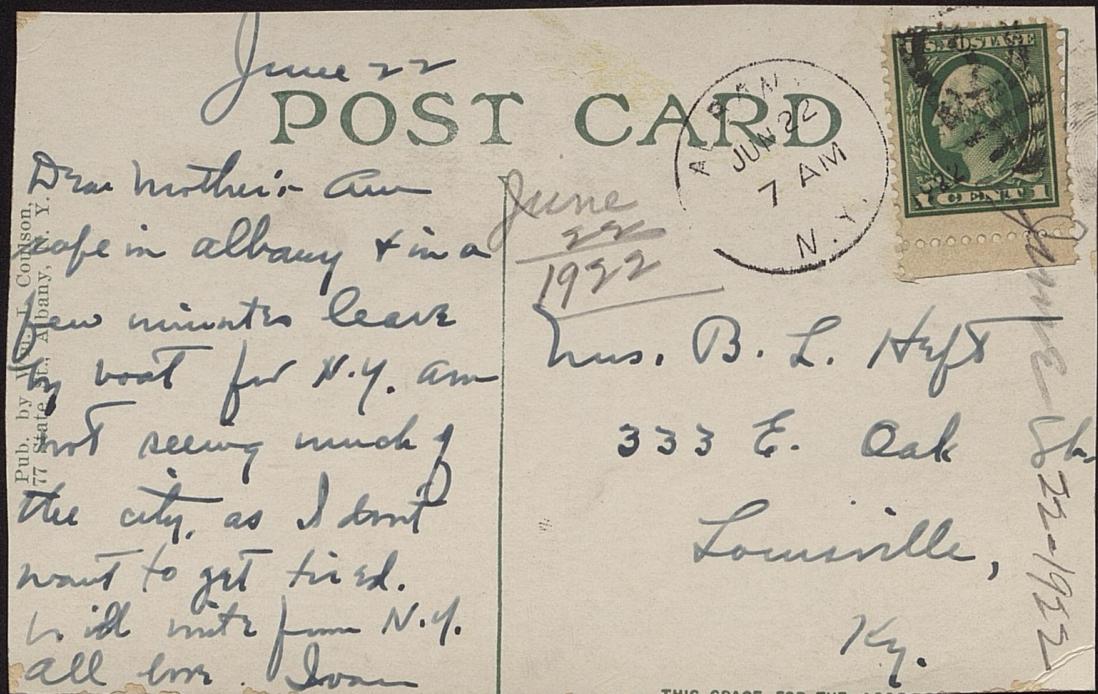
In a sense I'm disappointed
with my stay here, for I didn't
do as well as I wanted to. But
I've learned many things, and
made many friends, and feel
more than repaid.

Best of love to you & Mennie,
and Buttie & sis, and all the rest
and Ruth. Many kisses!

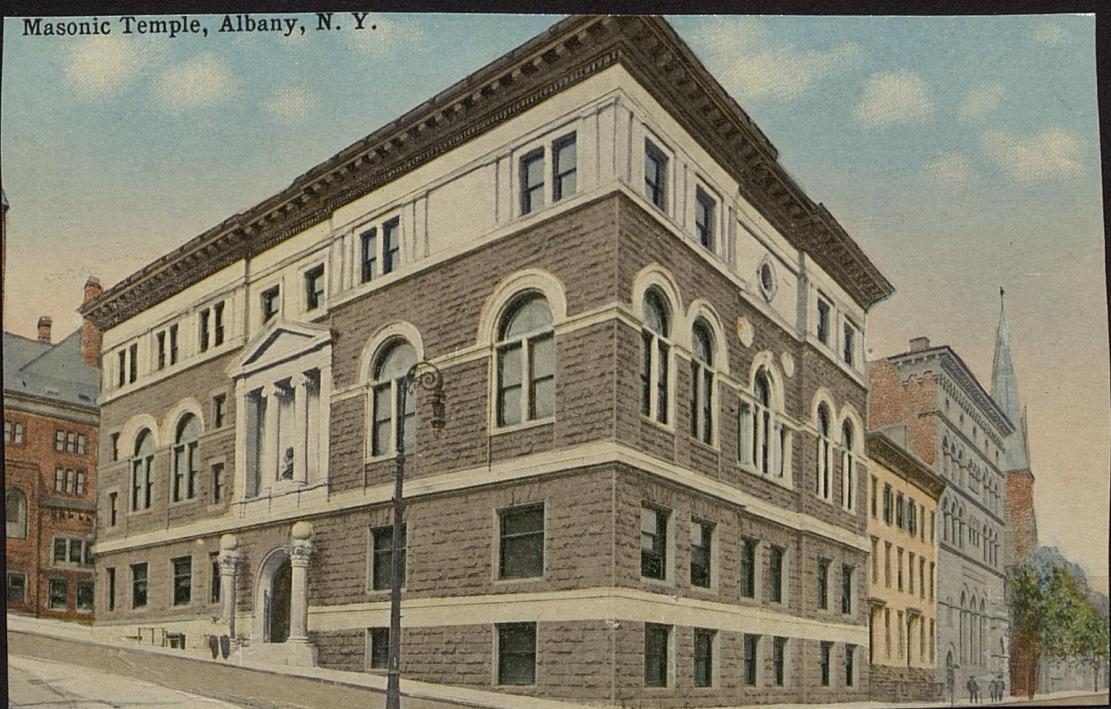
Ivan.

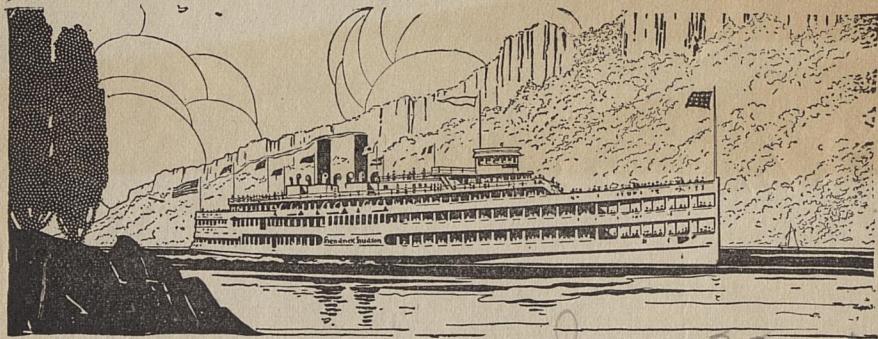
P. S. - Send any mail to
aunt Hattie till I tell you not
to. - am glad about my violin.
Was it damaged any?

June 21 - 1952



Masonic Temple, Albany, N. Y.





Hudson River Day Line

STEAMERS

Washington Irving Hendrick Hudson Robert Fulton Albany DeWitt Clinton

On Board Steamer Hendrick Hudson

Dear Mother -

Am on my way to New York
on a steamer from Albany. The trip is
most delightful, but I am rather tired
and shall be glad to rest when I
get to N.Y. Just this line to tell
you I am O.K., & getting to New York
all right. Will write you again &
let you know how I am. Have just
passed West Point, & will be in N.Y.
in a couple of hours. All love.

Ivan

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June 26
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Dear mother:

I got into New York Thursday morning, and was dead tired. Friday & Saturday I went to the doctors, & Saturday afternoon I was with Carl Nielsen. I was so tired that I was sick. Yesterday I went to church & then slept the rest of the day, & slept well at night too, & today I feel fine. You will be a bit disappointed to know that I still have a small focus of infection and must rest a couple of months more and the advice is to go back to Endean for all feel it would be bad for me to take a long trip across the country in this hot weather. I can't stay in Louisville or in the Ohio Valley - it's too hot. And I can't

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travel to the Rockies, or rather,
better not. So I'll go back there &
be content! That is the bad news!
Now the good! First of all, there are
no commissions, as was feared at
Indean. There is absolutely no danger
in that respect. Secondly, my chronic
trouble is well under control, & my
resistance is enormous, and there is
positively no doubt as to the outcome.
So that is certain. - As to my plans,
I want to go to Princeton & stay a
~~day~~ week or so before returning to
Indean. I think it will do me good.
In the meantime continue to address
me in care of Aunt Hattie, for I never
can tell how my plans may be
changed at the last moment.

I had intended to write you
about the box coming back, &
another I sent by mail, was the

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are you work about the one that
comes by freight? I am sorry now
that I sent it, but do not think I'll
need ^{any} the things that are in it. Let
me know how much it cost, for I
don't want you folks to pay for it.

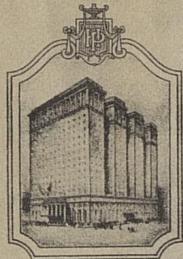
I am over in New Jersey at this
writing visiting a boy named Uhl
who was with me in Scotland.
He is a fine young man, and a
Lutheran by the way.

I'll write again & let you know
how things are. Aunt Hattie is
working fearfully hard & I am
afraid for her. Aunt T works too
hard too.

How is Muriel? How are Athene
& Ruth? Give my love to all.
many kisses. Yours

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Princeton
June 29

Dear brother:-

I landed in Princeton on the 28th and am feeling fine. I was awfully tired, but am rested up now. It is wonderful to be here. My report did not come from the doctor before I left N.Y. and I am waiting for it here. When it comes I'll give you full details. - I'll send this line on hurriedly to let you know that I am safe. Am writing more in detail immediately. Love to all.

Drew.

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when I

was

so advised it became

my duty to do at
least what I could
and so I helped in the way I

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which was the 14th
of February and will be
the 15th and 16th and I have been with
you all the time and I have been with

Saturday.
July 1-1922

Dear brother:-

My report from the doctors in N.Y. has not yet come to me. When it comes I'll send you what it says in detail. - I am staying with Mrs. Stolt, with whom we boarded in our Senior year. She is a good soul, & the same as ever. She was mighty kind to our bunch and she is still the same. Most other boarding house keepers usually try to cut down on the food. Her worry seems to be that we don't get enough. There really is the laugh of over-eating, because she worries so! I wish I could have

was here at Commencement, and yet I'm glad I wasn't. I'd like to have been here so that I could have seen the boys, and had old times brought back to me in ~~that~~ way. Not many of the boys are back & yet I wish I could have seen those ~~that~~ were. Still, I'm glad I wasn't here, for the place is so artificial there. Everything is crowded & stirred up, and so unlike the peaceful Princeton we usually see. It is true ~~that~~ it is unusually crowded, for if it too quiet, with no students around at all. And yet, I'd rather have this extreme than the other. I have

surely been happy to be here
and look around and see
the things that meant so much
to me years ago. It puts new
life into my veins! - I have
seen Miss Snod, and a number
of others since leaving her. Many
that I wish to see are away now,
especially some of the teachers.
Mowbray Valte, my room-mate, is
in town now. He was married
last week. I shall see him today.
- You can still write to me in
case of Aunt Hattie, for I shall
be here till Wednesday. I think I
shall return to Linden about Friday.
Best of love to each & all. always
Svan.

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(Three years ago today
I landed in Livingston)

July 4 -
1922

Dear brother:-

I'm sending you a copy
of the doctor's report. I cannot
explain much in this letter. I
think the best you can do is to
take it to Dr. Wallace, for he
could explain better than I.
The whole thing, summed up
is this: The persistence of the
constitutional disturbances I have
must be interpreted in the light
of an active tuberculosis, probably
in the lungs. And yet, remember
that, either by x-ray or physical
examination, they cannot find
any focus. So that proves what

I was always told in Devon, that
I would have an absolute recovery.
They told me the same at Sandean,
and said ~~that~~ I have wormous
vistane. So I am certain to
overcome it. This also is very
signif; cant, ~~that they can find~~
no focus of infection. If the case
were at all severe they would find
this. Also is this encouraging.
that there are no complications.
The only trouble is one ~~that is~~
almost completely overcome, and
just a few months more are
needed. — I'll send this on
now, so ~~that~~ you get it as soon as
possible. Love to you & Beannie, &
Buttie & Sis, & Aletta & Ruthie.
many kisses. Always. Tom

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Doctor's Report:-

1) The history of fever & other things is suggestive of an active tuberculosis, but at the present time we are unable to find any focus. There is no evidence of active pulmonary tuberculosis either by X-ray or physical examination.

The low blood pressure may be suggestive of an adrenal deficiency and it might be well to try treatment with this thought in mind. There is some nasal defect which should also be corrected and the blood should be examined for a possible anaemia which may be the cause of the lassitude.

Special History : Physical.

Eyes : O.K. Slight tenderness over sinuses.

Mouth : Teeth good. Tonsils removed.

Thorax: Heart: Action rather rapid. Trachea
ounds of poor quality. No murmurs.

Lungs: slight dullness of right base. Patch
of increased breathing at the base of the
left upper lobe posteriorly as well as at the
right apex, also at the apex anteriorly.

No rales.

Blood pressure: Systolic 106: Diastolic 90

Special History: Neurology.

Neruologically the patient is negative.
The patient's loss of weight and persistence
of temperature and other ~~constitutional~~
disturbances must be interpreted in the
light of an active tubercular focus,
probably in the lungs.

Special History: X-ray of chest + Sinuses.

Examination of chest shows both
apices clear. Both lung fields are
clear. There is no evidence of pulmonary
tuberculosis at the present time.

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③ Examination of the sinuses shows all the sinuses negative. There are enlarged turbinates on the right side occluding the nostril.

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July 8-
N.Y.

Dear brother:-

Yesterday I arrived in N.Y. from Princeton. I spent much of the day writing. I had planned to go over into New Jersey and spend the time with Floyd Meagai, who was my room-mate my second year in Princeton. He, however, had a business engagement at the last minute, so I couldn't go, but stayed with Aunt Hattie. This morning I went over into Brooklyn to visit the family of a girl I came to know quite well in Lubbock, Alma Prince. I met the mother, aunt,

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two sisters and a friend. I had a wonderfully delightful time, and was invited by the mother to stay for dinner. The girls, however, were going down to the ocean, at Long Beach, Long Island, and insisted that I come along and have lunch with them at the shore. I finally accepted their invitation. So we went down by auto, in Lou's car, and very pretty. Then we had lunch in the sand, in the shadow of a large fir. Then we took a walk on the board-walk, and the girls took me to the R.R. station in their auto, for I had to get

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back to N.Y. Then they went
back & went in swimming. I
am now in Aunt Harris
apartment. I leave for Ludeau
tonight. And I comes to N.Y.
at 7:00 pm. & my train leaves
at 8:00 so I get a chance to see
her. — My hip to Princeton
did me much good. My streak
of losing weight was stopped & I
gained four pounds in 9 days!
I get to Ludeau tomorrow, & will
write you from there. Address
me either Ludeau, N.Y., or
to Mrs. Pomroy, Ludeau, N.Y.
all love to all, and kisses.
Ivan.

July 8-1922

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Monday.

July 11/1722

Dear brother:-

Yesterday, at 8 am. I landed in Saranac Lake. I was quite tired for I didn't rest well on the train. There was an 8 o'clock service in the Episcopal church and I went to that, for I was afraid I couldn't get to another service during the day. Then I went out to Pomeroy. Mrs. P. received me with open arms. It is nice to be able to return to places and have people glad to see you again. She - Mrs. P.-

gave me a nice room. It is well ventilated, and cool, and the bed could not be more comfortable. The food is the same as ever, and that is saying a great deal. I have had a splendid appetite since I am back. Yesterday I went up to the San for a short visit, and the rest of the time I spent resting and sleeping. I slept four hours in the afternoon and nine at night!

I have been to see the doctor. He is giving me things to help me along, and is giving me tests to find out the exact state of my trouble. He is

going to test me to see that all
my organs are safe from any
tubercular infection. This
week he is looking after my
kidneys. However, no matter
what the trouble may be, he
says - & others too - that at
the worst, it cannot be bad,
for it would show up more
definitely than it does. I am
certain to get over it completely.
It is just a question of a short
time now, and I think it
will be quite short. I hope so.
Be sure I'm telling you all.

Best of love to each & all
at home. Will write soon again.
always. Yours

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July 12

Dear Brother:-

Just a line! Your letter of July 6 was forwarded from N.Y. and came today. You ask about sending the box that I sent home. That is not necessary and I don't know just yet what I put in it and what I want! I packed with the idea that I was going home, and just put things into the box or into my trunk just as they came. The result is that I don't remember which I put in which. I haven't unpacked my trunk entirely yet, and won't do so for a couple of days yet. So until

I wish you needn't bother about sending anything, either from the box, or from the clothing I left last November. I had thought that some of the things I needed were in the box here at home, but when I opened my trunk, found a surprise party! They were in the trunk. By the end of the week I'll know just what to tell you. — Am sorry you are in such a mess from morning, but it is best, I know. — Am getting along nicely. Eat heartily, and am starved when it's time for the next meal! The food is much than splendid, in every way! I like it very much. — I must go to the P. O. to mail this letter, a half mile walk! So stop now. All love will write soon & tell you more. Love to mamie, & Ruth & Jim and Arthur & Ruth. All kisses! Dwan.

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Dear brother:- July 15-1922

Just a note: am
getting along nicely. nothing
new. Have been resting most
of the time, and don't know of
anything new. nothing from the
doctor except what Dr. told you.
Am sleeping a great deal, and
have an enormous appetite. - Will
let you know any news as it comes.
- Got \$40.00 from the church
through Dr. Remm. It comes in
nicely. - Went to get this in the
mail now, and must go to the
P. O. - Have not yet impacted!
Hope all are well and not
too worse out by morning.

Best of luck, & a letter in a
day or so.

Dram.

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Dear mother:-

July 16-1922

You will be surprised and glad to know that I preached this afternoon. There is a Sanatorium called Ray Brook, about six miles north of here. The Presbyterian minister was to have preached there today, but couldn't, and yesterday he called me up and asked me to take his place. I was glad of the chance, and today am happier still that I took it. The congregation I had was unusually large for a sanatorium, and very attentive. The service lasted 45 minutes, and they seemed to enjoy it. Certainly, I held their attention. And that's something on a warm afternoon. After the service I visited a boy whom I had come to know quite well at Tomdean, a Jewish boy. His name is Meyerowitz. He had had a set-back recently and is in bed. He is quite cheerful though. He was surprised to see me, and very glad. We had quite a chat. Then I came back here. The Sun. had a taxi to get me and bring me back, and the ride is wonderful. We go along a lake for quite a bit of the distance. Then, in addition, they

give me \$5.00. Above all, I found that I could do it, and enjoy it, and not be too exhausted. In fact, I am not tired at all. - When I got back I went in to visit one of the girls who is in bed here. Her name is Hansen, and she is of Norwegian birth. That means she is Lutheran! Her sister was here for a while and I'd visit them. She is a bit discouraged, but seems to feel better after visits. Two other girls were there, both of whom I knew well in the sanatorium. One is a small Spanish type from Porto Rico. I said something to her in Spanish last night and she asked me if I could talk it. I told her no, and she seemed surprised, for she said my pronunciation was so good. The other girl is a Miss Richlow. I suppose her folks come from the same part of Saeland that mine do. - Must stop. The bell is ringing for chapel, 16:45, and I have a 15 minute walk there. Am getting along nicely. Hope you are through writing and fast getting settled. Love to you & Mimi, & Buttie and Sis, and my Aletta and my Ruth! Many kisses, and prayers. Dan.

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Sunday

July 24/92

Dear Mother:-

Today is a rainy Sunday. This morning I went in to the village, a nice walk of about a mile. I went to the Episcopal church. I had thought of going to the Presbyterian church but it was so heavy and gloomy, and I wanted a church that would remind me of my own as much as possible. The Presbyterian church is very severe and plain, and while I like it at times, I could not today! So I went to the other. The Episcopal minister is a very likable man, and although a plain preacher, a good one for that reason. His sermon was about Joseph meeting his brothers during the famine, how Joseph was pitied, and then bound and imprisoned his brother Simeon. He said that Joseph showed tenderness, self-control, and reverie; and as Joseph is a type of Christ, Jesus too, through His self-control, shows severity and yet is tender. I liked the service very much. - Thursday night I went in to the village to the movies, with a friend in the San. He & I decided to walk part of the way in, and then catch the bus that runs between the village & Limerick. We just started out when a man in a nice car came along. He leads the choir at the Presbyterian church & evidently remembered me, and stopped & gave us a lift into town. One very funny thing happened in the movies. The picture showed an Irish family at dinner, with a new son-in-law at the table for the first time. After the prayer all at the table suddenly grabbed

for the meat & the son-in-law had nothing. He happened to
look ^{back} on the wall, and a calendar gave the day as Thursday.
He reached back, took the Thursday off, and then called
them attention to the day! Of course, they were all
horrified, and put the meat back, and the new-comer
got it all! The boy with me is Irish Catholic, and yet he
laughed as heartily as I did. — Last night I got a letter
from S.S. with a check for \$27. That, with what I'll get from
the Board of Relief, will keep me for quite a while. — I have
gotten a "curing-chain" so I can stay outside as much as
possible. At the Sanatorium I could pull my bed on ^{July 24/1923}
porch & use that. I like the bed better, but here I can't do that,
so I've gotten a chair. There is quite a crowd here, and
as far as companionships goes, I'm having a good time.
There are 18 altogether. One young lady used to be in
Drown and knows a lot of folks that I knew there — had
been in the same boarding-house with them. There are
five here that I knew here last November, and we've gotten
to know the others well. I'm very much at home and have
a good time. — During the week my doctor reduced my
exercise to a total of 2 hours a day. The idea is to give me
enough to keep me from getting sluggish, and yet not tire
me out so that I spend all my strength in exercise. For a
few days I'd gotten very tired, so much so that it hurt. I am
better now, however. — I hope you are fully settled by now.
I'm so glad you have moved, for the sake of the children, &
for Sis's & Menie's sakes, to say nothing of you & Buttie. I hope
you'll be straightened out soon. Of course, it takes a bit of time.
How are all? Lots of love & kisses. I think of you much & long
to come home, and will soon! Always. Drown.

Aug. 1

Dear brother:-

1922

At last I've got my trunk looked over. And there are a couple of things I have that I'd like. Don't send anything other than these I want for, because there is really no need for them. In the box I sent home there is a heavy red sweater with black trimming. I got that last Xmas. The mornings are quite cool here, & the evenings & I'd like that. Then too, I'd like the little cushion that is in the box. I need that for my chair. Also send me, from among the things I left last October, the white soft shirt with collar attached & the man suit of summer wear.

Then, brother, take in the box
that I sent home by mail, and
first of all be careful, for I
have some balsam shoots, wrapped
in paper. You & sis can make
some cushions of these. Only
save some for me, for when
I come home I want to give
some of that to Nannie. So save some
for that. Then, in the box
you'll find a small package.
I don't much remember how to
describe it, for I packed that
in a hurry. It is a package of
some scraps of photographic
paper, so don't open it in the
light. The package must be
about 5 inches long, and about
2 inches wide and $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 inch
thick. It is well wrapped in

paper, and I'm fairly sure that
there is nothing else in that box
of this description. So you'd better
not take the chance of opening it
at all. If you do want to open it
to be sure, wait till night, and
then have a light on the table
and hold the package behind
the table in the shadow & in front
of it there. That way it is safe, but
not otherwise. — Tell Ed, I've
written Miss Anna, & will write
her in a day or so. — Saw the
Dr. yesterday. He is going to
give me tuberculin, to impel
the fighting forces of my
system a bit. — how late!
Am getting along nicely. Hope
all are well, & you are getting
settled. always. Tom

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Monday,
Aug 4-1922

Dear mother:-

I can't recall when I last wrote. It seems so long ago. As I look back, it was a week ago today, or on Tuesday. Along about Thursday I got another painful attack of pleurisy. It made me feel sick, and too, I couldn't sleep well on account of it, and that made me feel bad too. However, that is all past now, and I've slept well for the past couple of nights. So I'm feeling better. The weather is a bit chilly and rainy, and that makes me feel a bit tired and sick, but I can't complain, for with the exception of the last few days, the weather has been glorious. - Last week I had a surprise. You remember my preaching in the Presbyterian church early in May, I think it was. In some way, a check they had sent me was delayed, and I didn't get it till last week. I preached twice. The check was for \$25.00. I expected \$10 or \$15 at the very most. There were some nice words of appreciation too.

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This morning we had some excitement here. One of the patients, a girl, had been troubling over herself a great deal, and she had a "fit" this morning. Some of the folks thought it genuine, but I must confess I didn't. My notion is that she is used to being petted, and wanted to be melodramatic. I hope I don't do her an injustice. She was screaming & carrying on, and two of the boys held her till she calmed down. The doctor then came and put her to sleep. He got a nurse to stay with her, for naturally a house full of sick people can't be bothered - in fact, are unable to tend to her in case she should really lose her mind. She had taken up Christian Science sporadically, and I believe that had something to do with it. At any rate it shows her type of mind. Some excitement! - will write soon again. Love & kisses to you & Maria, & Butch & Ss, and aletta and Ruth. How are all? Dagan

Aug 9 -

Dear Mother:-

Just a line! Have written several necessary letters and am a bit tired, but want to get this to you by the end of the week. I saw the Dr. Monday, and there is nothing new. He had intended to start giving me tuberculin then, but has postponed it a week or so. He thinks, and I do too, that this will start me on the road to a quicker recovery.

Do you know of any folks in Louisville named Kronenburg? I met a girl here of that name. She is Jewish. She is a very nice girl, and is a bit homesick. She says that there is a young man

from Louisville named
Loeffler - I suppose that is
the way to spell it. I have often
heard you at home mention that
name, & I course wondered when
hearing it.

We had a rather distressing
incident here a couple of days ago.
One young girl lost her mind.
She was not so very sick, but
it seemed to prey on her so much,
that her mind finally snapped.
She was violent for a while, but
soon calmed down. A nurse
took her home last night. She
was Lithuanian originally, her
parents being Norwegian. A friend
had tried to drown some
Christian Science into her
and it is evident that that
made things worse.

Mother, I must ask you to send
my overcoat! Think of a request
like that for August! This morning
we had frost! It has been quite
cold for a couple of days, and
damp too. Because of that I
had some fleuring last week.
That is over, however. But I
would like to have the over coat.
I don't know that any thing
else is necessary. There is a
thermometer in the box —

was interrupted and asked
to go on an auto ride. Had a
nice spin for about a half
hour. Then supper, with an
enormous appetite!

You probably found the
thermometer in the box that
contained the lamp & shade.
Please send that with the

overcoat. Also send the suit of
heavy underwear, any flannel
shirts that are true, and the
long stockings. I wear them
with some army trousers I
have. — I can't think of
anything else, and have to
stop. I want to walk to the
Dan & mail this & some other
letters. — Am gaining in
weight a bit, and weight about
149 now. You see that is better
than the 145 when I left the
Dan. — was glad to hear of the
folks you have upstairs. I met
many, many Norwegian Lutherans,
and Danish too, in Montana. How
is Minnie? Is the weather hot in
Louisville? How are the girls, &
Sis, & Buttie? Give all my love.
P.S. — Send Dr. Watty Ivan.
the book.

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Aug 31 -
1922

Dear brother:-

I have just realized
that I must write today if you
are to get a letter from me this
week. Things are going along in
a routine way, and I have
absolutely no news. Before I
forget, did you send my overcoat,
etc.? It happens that the
weather has been nice and I
haven't needed it, so don't worry
on that score. I'm just wondering
if it has gone astray. There was
some mail I should have gotten
from Philadelphia, my August
check from the Board, and it

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never came. I wrote & asked & they said that it had twice been sent back from her. The post office here is a nuisance. I've had much trouble, and many others complain too.

I'm enclosing a print of my graduation picture of three years ago. Folks say that I look but little different from it now. I've made some copies and given them to friends here. I've been wanting a good picture of myself as I am now but somehow have never gotten one. I hope to soon, different ones have asked me, and when I do I'll send that.

I haven't been to see Mr. Loeffler yet, nor Mrs. Fug's wife.

I am quite a distance from the village of Saranac Lake in which they are staying. It is a good walk, and if I don't walk it is either a bus or taxi fare, so I don't go unless absolutely necessary. I hope to go soon & visit them.

There is nothing new in my condition. The doctors say again & again that I'll be absolutely well. He tells me what they said in Drumm, that in a few years I'll not know the difference, and even specialists will not be able to detect it. The exasperating part is that I must wait a bit yet, but we must be patient. I am content, and really not worrying. I am, indeed, having a good time. They

is a fine crowd in the house
here, and we are always doing
something to some one. It happens
that I have had fewer frank
played on me than others because
I have usually beaten them to it!

But I'll not brag. I never know
what will happen next, or when!

How are all now? I suppose
Aetheda + Ruth are thinking of
school. I wish I could see them.
How is Hemie? And how are you?
I send you all love + kisses +
prayers. May the dear Father
comfort you, and give you peace
and rest through the Saviour.
In Him we trust, and He will
bring our longings to pass. All
love + kisses, Ivan.

Aug 31 - 1922

Sept. 7 - 22

Dear Mother:-

Just a note! My plans
have been rather badly interrupted
in the last few days, since Monday,
and that has prevented my
writing. However, all is now O.K.
out of a clear sky Mrs. Pomeroy
told us Monday that she would
have to close the house for about
six weeks, beginning the middle
of this month. She had very
much to do this, but she is so
tired out - she works much too
hard - and needs the vacation.
Then too, the house needs some
repairs. She will open again Nov. 1.
For a few days I was absolutely lost.

I like it so well that I couldn't think
of going elsewhere. Some friends of
mine gave me a suggestion that
I hadn't thought of. It was to ask
for an ex-patency in the Sanatorium.
An "ex-patient" is a former patient
who pays the same rate as a
patient, but has less restriction,
and, in return for the extension
of time, is required to do a few
hours work a week for the San.,
usually statistical work. I
considered that better than any
other proposition, for I want to
stay in Tunciea, that is, outside
the village of Sacauac Lake. So I
went to the Superintendent
and asked him. He likes to
~~have~~ trace, so he frowned, and

asked whether I had been a
good patient! I told him he
ought not ask me to give myself
away. The assistant ~~sage~~ or in-tendent
of nurses was there and said that
if I wouldn't speak for myself, she
would! So I am readmitted
Monday. Pomeroy's close Wednesday.
And my work - is to play the
organ at services! -

I have more to write &
more plans to tell you of. There
is the possibility - almost the
certainty of my getting a job as
organist in an Episcopal Church
near here. I did not seek the
job - did not know of it. They
heard ~~that~~ I was a "wonderful
organist" and asked about my

taking it. There is some uncertainty,
due to the present against, so
I don't know how it would come
out. If I got it, it would be
\$15 a Sunday, for one service!

Have other things to tell you
& will write soon again. How are
all at home? Give me my
bro & sis, & Buttie & Sis
and Aletta & Ruth. How do
the kiddos like school?

Hungrily but lovingly,

Lynn.

Sept 7-1922

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Monday -

Sept 11-1922

Dear Mother -

Today I moved from
Pomeroy's and am back in the
Sanatorium. They put me in an
old cottage known as Liberty
Camp, because the rules that
govern the rest of the San are
off here. There is a nice bunch
of boys here and already we are
beginning to have a great time.
I was really surprised this
morning, when I came back, at
the welcome I received. The matron
said some very nice things about
me, and the house-keeper too.
I thanked her for her kindness

and she said that all were happy
to have me back. The boys here
have been nice too. And in the
dining room they put me back
at the table where I had been
for over six months and they
were mighty nice too. We are
supposed to have separate rooms
in the camp here, but as a matter
of fact every room is common
property. The furnishings are
old, and in some cases rather
scant. So I am in another
boy's room, using the only writing
desk in the place. My room is
between the back-room and one
of the porches, and at times we
need a traffic cop! But all of
the boys are splendid fellows,

and already I'm having a good time. — Yesterday I went to Paul Smith's, a place about fifteen miles from here. Did I write you of the possibility of my being an organist in an Episcopal church near here? That is the one. Paul Smith's is a place like Saranac Lake, and this is the church near there. It is called St. John's in the wilderness. Rather pretty, I think. The present organist leaves this week and one of the choir came to me last week and told me I had to take the job! So I went along yesterday to look the organ over, and played the prelude. Next Sunday I shall do all the

playing. I shall get \$15 a Sunday!
Just think that for one hour's
work - less really! - I get more
than half the salary I got for
slaving 16 hours a day in Montana!
And I didn't seek the job. Even
before the choir-members of whom
I spoke heard me play he told
me that he wouldn't take no for an
answer. Later he & I were at the
chapel here in the San ^{Re}^{to} practice
a solo with the present organist,
and I to listen. When they were
through I was asked to play. I did.
They ~~they~~ asked me to play one
of my own compositions! They had
never heard me play before but
widely had heard of it. So
I played my Gloria in Excelsis.

When I was done they asked me
where they could get the music
for it! I told them I had never
written it out, and they both
expressed astonishment + said I
ought have it published. The
organist said I had made the
small organ sound more like a
pipe organ than any one he had
ever heard! - well, I also
preached yesterday at the Ray
Brook Sanatorium. It was a
beautiful ride, but I was quite
tired last night. am all right
today, however. I may say that
in addition to my salary as
organist I have the wonderful
machine ride of four town miles

three, and fountain back in a
fine machine, and through
one of the finest, most beautiful
sections of the Adirondacks!

And now just a bit more
news: I want very much to
go back to work and my Dr.
has said that if I am careful
I can try it. He wants me to
take a place only temporarily to
see how I stand it. So I am going
to correspond & try to find a
country parish. None I do not
know at present. I'll let you
know of anything that develops &
consult you fully. How is Memie
now? Give her my love, & also Ruthie
& Sis, & Aletha & Ruth. All love &
kisses to you. Always yours, P. S. Box has
Don't worry. all mails are slow. ^{not come yet.}

Sept 11-1922

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Sept 18/1924

Private.

Mother, I know you're been
worrying about Honie, but there
is really no reason for you to do
so, & I wish you'd realize that
there is no reason for you to
reproach yourself. I was glad
to read in your last letter that
she had spoken to you. I am
sure that thing will soon be
very different.

And mother, may I write
about finances, & ask you to
help me a lit. During Dr.
Renu's absence the money the
church sent me was delayed two
to three weeks. They have just

rent \$50, & I don't like to ask
for work immediately, but would
like to wait a week or so. I ought
pay my San bill at once & have
no funds — we pay in advance
here. Could you deposit \$50, for
me, and then in a couple of weeks
I'll get more from church. I'll
be glad when I can be back at
work, so that you won't have this
continual drain. Don't infer
~~that~~ I am worrying about this.
I'm not. But I'll like it better
when it is no longer necessary.
My organ job won't give me any
money till the end of the month.
I'll let you know of every thing
~~that comes up.~~ — Haven't written
to me in several months but hope to
soon. Love, kisses & prayers. Ivan.

Sept. 18-1922
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of course, I do not anticipate any, but want to be safe. I have written to the presidents of some of our Synods in New York — I had correspondence with them last February — and also to North & South Carolina & to Virginia. I've also written to Pennsylvania in case there is nothing to offer in the mountains here or south. I'm sure to get something. I haven't heard yet from any one, but expect an answer any time. It is all right to stay here, but I am sure I'll be much better off when I am working. — I'll let you know of anything that comes up, and will consult you in every thing. How is Buttie now? I sincerely hope he is not suffering too much. And Mannie? Give her all my love, and Althea & Ruth too, & Sis. And all love & kisses to you. Always. Yours.

Dear mother:-

Monday.
Sept 18-1925.

I wanted to write yesterday but was tired through & through. In the morning I played the organ at the church I spoke of, St. John's in the Wilderness. The music the soprano soloist had given me to play was very hard, and on Thursday, Friday & Saturday I put in a good deal of time on it. I finally mastered it, however, and it was a good lesson for me. I'd have been tempted to say that it was too hard for me if I wanted the music just for myself, but since I had to, I mastered it. Then too

that was the first time I played the Episcopal Service. It was not bad, only strange, and I was a bit fearful of making a mistake. However, nothing happened, either in my accompaniment, or in the service, and those that spoke to me afterward, both the singers & of the congregation, commended me. Those that had charge of things there were more than pleased, for things went just as well as if the usual organist were there. The trip there was about four thousand miles, and of course the same back. The country is wonderful now, with the changing trees. Yet I like Kentucky better this season of the year. I was very hungry when we returned, & ate an immense dinner. Then I went to bed & slept. Then I got up at 4:30 for chapel here at the San at 5:00. The Presbyterian minister preached and was wonderful. I played the organ there too. Then we had supper, & soon after that I went to bed. The trip especially, in the course of the day, had made me so tired. — I am in correspondence about returning to work. I am convinced that I'd be better off, and the doctors think so too. I am very careful, however, and am telling those to whom I write that it must be understood that I can leave at once in case of any unexpected emergency.

Wednesday.

Dear brother:-

Your last letter came Ok. on Sunday morning. all I had time to do was drop a card. In the morning I played the organ at St. John's in the Wilderness and was very tired when I got back. In the afternoon I slept & in the evening I played the small organ in the Chapel here. I was quite tired the next day, and yesterday I had a bit of pleurisy, due to a day of raw weather. Today, however, it is lovely, & I am feeling fine. In regard to sending other things beside my overcoat, I hardly know what to write. I've thought of it since Sunday & haven't made up my mind yet. It all depends on whether I go back to work or not, and I suppose, it seems to me that the best thing I can do is return to work. Really, the doctors, while they say I must be careful, as is natural, tell me that there is no danger. There is almost absolutely no risk, and I'm sure that for my part I'd be better off. I'll stay here the month of October, and by that time I'm sure that

want to have them here for a few weeks & then bring them away. We really don't get cold weather till November, so I am safe. By the way, I just happened to think of something in regard to sending things here. I just found it out - or rather just thought of it; it seems I knew it before but don't if I told you. Express & freight are to be addressed via Saranac Lake, N.Y. Be sure it is Saranac Lake & not Saranac. I wonder if that is the trouble with the road. Parcel post, of course, is addressed to Lundeau.

There is nothing else I can think of. Everything is getting along all right. How are the girls? I suppose they are full of school & talk of nothing else! I'm glad to hear Buttie is better & hope he continues so. How is Minnie now? Give her my best love, and Sis too. With love & kisses to you & all.

Always. *Dora.*

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I'll be able to do some light work. I have preached, as you know, and while it has made me tired, I can always rest & get over it. And I'm certain that if I get something to occupy my mind, I'll get along all right. I've written several letters in regard to work & got a nice answer from the Synod of Virginia. The president was pleased with my letter & said that they were anxious to have me in their Synod and would do all they could for me! The chances are that I'll be located in Western Virginia or Eastern Tennessee, and that will be quite near home, & at the same time in a fine climate. Of course, I shall look the proposition over carefully before accepting, & will let you know of every thing I do. But I really feel I'd be better off. So as to sending my things, let that wait awhile. I'd like the overcoat — which by the way, hasn't come yet! Don't worry over it, though. And if you haven't sent them with the overcoat, please send my other wool union-suit, my other khaki flannel shirt & a pair or two of flannel pajamas, the large ones. There is also a pair of wool stockings. Send those too. As to the other things, if I find that I'm staying on, then you can send them. as it is, I don't

Monday.

Oct/22

Dear mother :-

Your letter came Saturday night. I didn't realize that the time had passed without my writing, as you say. I'm certain I wrote once, & thought I did more, but perhaps not. The reason has been that Dr. Brown very busy. The druggist here left on a 3 weeks' vacation & the staff asked me to help take his place. I did this for an average of 2 to 3 hours work a day & that made the time fly. I had good fun at the job. The Sept., whose name is Armstrong, wanted to know if I was going to poison anyone. I told him I'd try my best. He said in that case he wanted to give me a list of those he wished to go first! I suggested starting with the a's! He said he couldn't favor that. Another benefit was that I found that I could do this amount of work & enjoy it. Only the first few days I got tired, & sleep fixed that.

And now for some more news. You are worried about my prospects of going back to work. After

talking it over with the doctors I am told that it
is absolutely safe for me to try it. I've gained
weight to 150. I've had no temperature recently,
and am really feeling strong & well. And last
week I got a letter from New York telling of a
parish in a suburb on Long Island 20 miles from
New York City. There are two churches. It is
practically a small country town with hourly - or
often - R.R. & trolley connection with New York.
The offer is far better than any I'd hoped for. I
had thought of getting into the mountains. But
the objection to that is that the work is really
harder & above all, there is poor medical aid
in case of any emergency. Here I have all the
advantages of a small town charge, & the best
medical aid in the world. As to distance from
home, it is not a question of mileage, but of
money. If I had a country parish I couldn't come
too often because of inadequate salary. Here I can
come often. And as soon as I should ^{be} settled, I
should come home for a short visit. Above all, -
and do not underestimate this - there are two

preaching points & that means one half the sermons I'd have to have elsewhere. This saves me two or three day a week — only one sermon a week. Then too I am near the sea-shore.

Mother, I havent definitely accepted this, for I want to consult you first. But I feel that I would make the mistake of my life not to. I am convinced that I'll be better off at moderate work than continuing as I am. It is far better to start now than in the spring. Every tuberculosis Dr. I've had says that spring is the worst season of the year to start anything. If I go there Nov. 1st, or thereabout, I'll be settled by winter & going comfortably when spring comes. And I know that I can't get a better offer of this. I told you of the conditions I laid down in writing for a change. Those conditions are not absolutely. I cannot do better. Mother, at every point in my life, when I've had to make a decision, I've been guided into going ahead, or hindred. Here I feel I must go ahead. If it is not the Lord's will for me to take this, He will see to it that I don't get it! At present it is my duty to do what I can to accept this

opportunity. I know that in that sense, & with
that understanding, I have your consent. Please
writ at once and tell me it is all right. I'm
sure it is. The sooner I'm settled, the sooner I
can come home for a visit.

Must hurry on! Am glad you saw Dr.
Miller. He has been very good to me.

How is Memie? And Sis? and alethea
& Ruth? and Buttie? I hope his tooth is
out by now. All love & kisses —

Isaac

Oct 2/1922

Dear Brother:-

Your letter about the
overcoat has just come, & then the
answer to my letter about going to
work. First let me tell you of my
plans. Dr. Truxler, President of
the New York & New England Synod,
wrote & said that he could see
no reason why I couldn't accept the
Long Island charge November first.
He has handed the matter over to Dr.
Jiessmeister, Missionary Superintendent,
who will now have charge. Dr. J.
just wrote, suggesting that I meet
him on Sunday, November 5th, &
visit the parish. Then I can

decide, and discuss any matters
that need consideration. I believe that
is the best plan. In case the matter
falls through I can go to Princeton &
stay there till things are settled.
In that case I can still fall back
on the Virginia proposition. Moreover,
as I wrote, we shall let matters take
care of themselves. The Lord will
bring the best to pass. This seems
to me to be best at present. I am
not binding myself to any unknown
quantity, and can decide on the
field. So I shall leave for N.Y.
about Nov. 1st. — In regard to
the overcoat, I think it will be just
as well for me to get it in New
York, mother. I have a friend in

the advertising game, & he can
get me the best proposition. At any
rate, alone, I could do just as well
in New York as in Louisville, & there
is the advantage of my being fitted
myself. After all, that is best.

Thanks just the same. — Write
me a number of letters & will hearing
on. — Mother, may I ask you
to deposit another \$50 to my account.
I shall not have much left at the
end of this month, & do not want to
be stranded. — I'll close this.
Have written three letters already &
have two or three more to write! Am
feeling very well & stronger every
day. All love to each & all. How
is Memie? & Buttie by now? Love.

Oct 21 - 1922

Oct 29 - 1922

Dear mother:-

Today I touched a pipe organ for the first time since leaving Montana. I went to the Episcopal church & after the service spoke to the minister & his wife. A girl from the San was with me, a very good friend of the two, and we asked if I might play some time. They took us back to the organist, a young lady. She was very nice, and insisted that I play at once. I didn't want to - I wanted to try it out in private first! But she insisted and I couldn't appear rude after her kindness, so I tried it. The result was they wanted me to play at Vespers! I had to decline, of course, for I had no practice, & they realized that. They were disappointed when they

heard of my leaving so soon, for
they wished I had come sooner. In
a way I do too, and yet it is
just as well, I suppose, for playing
a large organ is a lot of work, and
I am better off without that. The organ
there is a fine one, three manuals,
and had been in the Cathedral at
Albany till a few years ago. It
is very old, nearly fifty years, and
a bit hard to manage, because
some of the arrangements are not
as good as the modern. The organ
in Springfield, at the Fourth Church
— you remember our commencement
there — was easy to manage.

I shall soon get on to it, however.

I got a letter today from Dr.
Bisselmeister, the Sydenial
Superintendent. In his letter he

mentioned that if I could use German it would be a great help. I'm not sure that I'll do it. I'd like to, but it will be a great effort. If I do, it will be some time after I get settled.

There is no news. I'm still waiting to leave here & go on Friday night. You can address any mail from them or in care of Aunt Hattie, 509 W. 12th St., The Bancroft. — How is Annie now? Give her my best love, & also Buttie & Sis & Aletha & Ruth, all love & kin. Am well. Felt a bit tired today but slept in the afternoon & now am absolutely all right. Will write again in a day or so. All love. Iwan.

Oct 29-1922

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Tordeau, N.Y.,
Nov. 3, 1922.

Dear mother:-

Today I leave for New York. Two more boys are going from here, so I'll have company. The San authorities are awfully nice to me, and say that if I ever want to come back for a visit of any length, they'll make room for me & care for me. They surely are nice to me.

Last night the boys here had a farewell party. We had a great time. One of the boys who had been here up till a couple of weeks ago came back. There were

six of us, and the time we had! I'll remember them as friends all my life. Some of the boys were telling of childhood tales & one told of the old German bands in New York. Whenever they'd start to play, the grocers would give a bunch of little kids some pickles to eat, & that would make the mouths of the players water so that they played out of tune!

Am a bit rushed! Leave tonight! Will write you at once from New York. Write me in care of Aunt Hattie, 509 W. 121st. With loads of love,

Always,

Ivan.

nr 3/1922

TEACHERS COLLEGE
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK

Monday
Nov 6 - 1922

Dear brother:-

Yesterday I went to the two Long Island fields & preached. Carl Nielsen went along and both of us were more than pleased. The missionary Superintendent did not make himself clear about the building - I thought there were none - for there are two fine frame buildings. The two churches are about two & a half miles apart & nicely situated. The two towns are very small, really country towns. There are fine, rambling woods all through that part of the country, & it is quite pretty, although flat. To my mind, the only question now are a suitable living place & suitable salary. Carl is ~~with us~~, & from what Aunt Hattie hears from us, she too thinks that the best plan is to take this charge, if salary & location are O.K.

Our first surprise was the building. Dr. Jussemeister had written that both places intended to build soon, so I thought that they must be renting some stor-room, or something of that sort. In such case there was a fine, portable frame building, owned by the mission board.

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And then, on returning the first place that we went to, St. John's, we found a good Sunday School. There were 80 present! Just think of my S. S. in Montana with its average of 15 the first few months! The Church attendance was fairly good in both places too, although the people said not! So there are good prospects in that respect. And too, in each case the church is the only one in the town. This gives me the chance I would want, to make my church a real power in the life of its community. The people are not wrathful. They are simple and thrifty, those that are the salt of the earth. Most of them are of German stock.

I preached part of the sermon that I preached at our Church a year ago. And they all said nice thing to me. One old man, with a strong German accent & very broken English, said to me, "I can understand very little English, but I understand all you said. You make it so plain." — It is late & I'm tired. Going all today as well as yesterday.

Have stood it all right, however. Will write again tomorrow. Tomorrow morning I have a conference with Dr. Grissomister, + will let you know how that comes out. Love + kisses to Muriel. Am glad skin better. Also to Buttie + Es, + to Aletta + Ruth. Love + kisses to you too.

Got your letter, written here. Am sorry for Mr. + Mrs. Becker. Remember me to them.

Is Buttie entirely over his hay-fever now? I'm anxious to know.

all love,

Dean

P.S. - Today unexpectedly met two boys from London! New York is not so large after all!

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Dear mother

Saturday
Nov 11-1922

You will be surprised to get a letter from me from Princeton! I came here just yesterday & today. Got tired of New York & wanted a change & came here. Have met a number of old friends and have not had a moment to myself till now.

The matter of Long Island is all settled, except that it will take about ten days before the call can come. This must come from the congregation, and two weeks' notice must be given of the meeting at which the call is given.

Announcement will be made on
Sunday Nov 12th & again on the 19th.
Till then I am free and it would
be embarrassing & premature for
me to live there. So next week I
think I shall come to Princeton.
Did I tell you that Dr.
Ginsheimer said I was to get
a salary of \$ 18 00? Isn't that
fine?

This morning I went to see
Mrs. Stott with whom we
used to board. As I was waiting
at the door a mail man came
up. He looked at me, and then
held out a letter and said, "Is that
for you?" I looked, and it was,
one from Aunt Hattie! I smiled and

thanked him and he said, "I
thought I recognised you!" How
is that, after a lapse of six or
seven years?

I must stop for dinner - or
rather lunch, as it is here! How
are all, especially Mame and
Buttie? I am well, and feel
fine. Every one says I look so
well.

All love & many kisses -

Ivan

Sat Nov 11 - 1952

Nov 11 - 1952

Princeton:-
Wednesday Nov 22

Dear Mother:-

I am in Princeton once more. I don't remember just when I wrote you last but am sure it was last week. On Sunday I went to Long Island & preached in both places. Then I came right back to Princeton. I wanted to get away from the rush of the city. — Saturday we had our big game with Yale. You doubtless have seen in the papers that we won, 3-0. It was wonderful! Yale really had the better team, but even the N.Y. sporting writers concede that we used our heads better & showed more knowledge of football.

Last night we had a big bonfire,
that always follows a victory over Yale
& Harvard. Do you remember my telling
of dragging wood for one back in
Freshman year? The heat from
this one was so intense ~~that~~ one could
scarcely come within fifty feet of it.
Of course, there were snake dances &
songs & cheers, and the boys just
tore themselves loose. - Yesterday I
was quite tired from Sunday & couldn't
write. Today I've been busy since
breakfast. I've written 25 pages like
this & am rather tired. So I'll stop
for this time & write more soon. How
is Minnie now? Give her all my
love. And Batty & Sis & all the rest & Ruth
too. Have something amusing to tell you
about myself. All love & kisses to you,
P. S. - address any mail ^{to} ~~to~~ Aunt Hattie Swan.

Nov 22-1922

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Princeton

Thurs Nov. 23 1922

Dear brother:-

I have been in Princeton since Sunday night, as I wrote you on Tuesday. I can scarcely realize where all my time has gone, for I want to leave tomorrow, & I have scarcely seen anyone. I must go tomorrow in order to be back in New York to see Carl Nirlane off. He goes in the evening & I want to be with him as much as possible. —

I wanted to tell you of something that happened to me. It was on the day of the game with Yale. For some days previous I had tried to get a ticket, but they were all sold out. I was promised two tickets, but each failed at the last minute, so I had to take my chances on getting

a ticket at the gate I waited in line
an hour & a half, and there were none!
I tried to find a ticket speculator & there
were none. So finally I thought of a
place that I knew of, where I could
crawl through the fence at the south
end of the field. It seems I was the
only one who tried it! Just as I got near
the stands, a state mounted policeman
came around. He had seen me, & told
me ~~he~~ had to put me out! I tried to
beg off, & he said that he, for his part,
would leave me off, but his commanding
officer was watching him & he couldn't.
He was really quite nice about it. So I
was ~~threw~~ out! While I was arguing
with him, the crowd on the outside of
the big fence became aware of what I
had done & were yelling "aw, let
him go!" - So I went out, got behind
the fence again & there saw the game

After the game was over, I saw the cop
who threw me out. He was still
good-natured, & laughed as he asked
me if I saw the game. I told him
~~that~~ I did! — I went back to the
Graduate College & told my alum there
about the situation. He roared over it.
Previously he asked what I was going
to do without a ticket, and I told him
I'd guarantee to get in that field. He
was kidding me & seemed to imply
~~that~~ I didn't fulfil my contract!
But I told him ~~that~~ I'd kept the
promise — I merely didn't guarantee
to stay inside. I also told the story
to two of my classmates. They thought
it excellent & wanted to publish it
in the alumni Weekly. I begged off.
But, hereafter, whenever I see a
state mounted cop I'll think of that day!

I've been busy working on some sermons for my charge, so the work won't be so hard after I get there. You see, I'll have very few books there, practically none. So I want to do a bit of that now. In a sense I'm glad my books are all away in Montana, for I'll not have the temptation to do too much. I'm going to take things as easy as possible, you can be sure. — I'll not be formally called before Dec. 1, for the congregational meeting is on Nov. 30th. However, after that I can get on the field & settle down.

Give all my love to Muriel & Butch & Sis, & Alethea & Ruth. How are Mr. & Mrs. Becher. Tell Dr. Remm I'll write soon. And don't let my episode with the New Jersey mounted cop get any farther! With all love & many kisses,
Nov 23 - 1922 *Dan*

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Saturday

Nov 25 - 1922

Dear brother:-

The day has rushed by & I find I have very little time for a line just now. It is just after supper & I am to meet a friend & go to the Metropolitan Opera with him. Aunt Hattie has tickets for every Saturday night. I was very tired this a.m. & slept most of the morning. Worked to some business in the afternoon & slept some more. If I wait till I get home tonight the letter will get off too late. Hence just a word now.

Am well, & hope all you are. I was surprised to hear of Althea & Ruth, but it's by far the best for them. Give them my love, & do Ruthie & sis. And how is Muriel. Give her lots & kisses. Will answer your questions immediately.
All love & many kisses.



P.S. - Thank you for the stamps. They come in handy!

Nov 25-1955

Transcribed

Sunday night.

Nov 26-1922

Dear brother:

I am now on the train
coming from Bellmore. In
a short time I shall be in N.
Y. & then go on to Princeton
for the night, & spend several
days there. You had better,
however, send mail to me in
case of Aunt Hettie, & let her
forward it, as I may be called
away from Princeton at any
moment. — I'm writing just
this note so I can mail it in
N. Y. before I go to Princeton.
I'd get to the latter too late
in the last mail, whereas this

will leave N. Y. about at once.
I want especially to answer the
questions of your last letter about
my prospects. As I've told you
it is settled that I go to the
two congregations, & only await
the formal call. That will be
attended to Thursday night,
Nov. 20th. - Now, as to my
plans when I get there. It would
not be advisable for you to come,
for there is nothing you could
do. There is an old family, an
old couple, with whom former
bachelor pastor stayed, & Dr.
Judd neither suggests that I
make the same arrangement.

I think it wisest, and am sure to
be in excellent hands & will take
care of. As to your coming to keep
house for me, that is out of the
question at present, & will be
for some time, for the simple
reason that it is absolutely
impossible to get a house. All
are taken & there are absolutely
no prospects of a vacancy. And
too, I'd hardly consider such a
step before the warmer months
set in. As to my things in Montana
I shall leave them there for the
present. I'll see just how
mattoos turn out. Any way,
there would be a fearful amount

of work attached to receiving
my books & things & I'm
better off without them. — As soon
as Dan settled, I am coming
home for a short visit. Can't
say just when, but it will be
as soon as possible. — I am going
to wait till about Jan. 1st before
to get my overcoat. I am
nearly quits a bit that way.

How is Muriel? I hope she is
all right, and pray so. And
Alethea & Ruth? I hope the world
is just for them. — Love to Bantie
& Sis also, & all love & kinship
to you. Always
Dan.

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Princeton

Tuesday.

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Dear mother:-

My reason for sending this letter special delivery is that I am afraid you wouldn't get it till after Thanksgiving, and I want you to get it on or before. Not that I have anything special, but I do want you to know that I am thinking & praying on that day.

The people on Long Island wanted me to come there for a service, & I may go, but rather doubt it. They are going to have their congregational meeting that night, Thursday, to extend the pastoral call, and it may be that one meeting a day is enough. However, if Dr. Tuckerman strongly urges a Thanksgiving

service, and wants me to go, I shall
gladly do so. If I don't go there, I
shall in all probability stay in Princeton.

In fact, I am almost certain to do so.
Then I should be with Mrs. Stott, and
you can be sure that there will be an
immense Thanksgiving dinner!

I was quite tired yesterday. I got into
Princeton 8:30 Sunday night. I soon
went to bed & slept till 8 in the morning.
Even at that I was quite tired yesterday,
and didn't do much. I slept well last
night & am much better today. This
morning I was in the Library of Princeton
Seminary, getting material for sermons.
I have just about 5 or 6 in my "bank" &
have already given four of them! When
I left Montana I just took a couple
with me, & since then have written only
two, the one I preached at home, & one
I preached last Xmas at Tomdean. So I
have to begin to scratch again! In Montana

I have sermons on the Gospels for the church year from Advent through the second Sunday in Lent. But they don't do me much good now! However, in a way I'm glad I don't have them. I won't be doing any studying except for my sermonizing, & one sermon a week won't hurt me, but rather will do me good!

— I am keeping my weight. A couple of days ago I weighed exactly 150 pounds, about my weight when I left Tiverton. I did lose a bit at first, but being with Mrs. Stott has helped me. It is impossible to describe her meals. They are fine to say the least!

All my love & prayers will go for you on Thanksgiving. It is true that we could wish some things better, but it is far truer that we have many more things to be thankful for. A year ago I was in Tiverton with the Pomeroy's, &

was waiting to get into the Sanatorium.
That was one Thanksgiving there. Now
I am waiting for a call to an excellent
parish, under circumstances that could
scarcely be more favorable. In less than
a week I shall have the call & don't know
to settled. Isn't it fitting that the
meeting to call me will be held on
Thanksgiving? all along we have been
praying for health & strength, for
grace, and faith, and hope. Now, in
God's providence, at this Thanksgiving
time the prayers are being wonderfully
answered. Let us give thanks to the
Father, for his mercy and truth forever.
all love & kisses to you & Annie, to
Buttie & Sis, and to Althea & Ruth.
May you have grace, mercy, and peace
from God our Father, and Jesus Christ
our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Nov 28-1932 Thanksgiving always. I am
thankful for your love & care.

P. S. - Address: North Bellmore,
Long Island, N.Y.

Today,

Dec 4

1922

Dear mother:-

I am now officially settled! Things were unavoidably confused, & the matter was not settled till yesterday afternoon. I was unanimously called at both places, and the salary is specified at "at least \$1800"! So you see, I am a millionaire!

I am rushed this am & so can't write much, but I have loads to say! I am comfortably settled with an old Methodist couple, and the food is excellent. Only one objection, they put too much before me!

I'll write more tonight. Just this to hurry on. Love to Muriel, & Ruthie & Sis, and Althea and Ruth. And love & kisses to you.

Always yours

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for you.

Dear Mother:- ^{Begymal} The letter with the
check came safely & was a surprise.
I thank you more than I can say.
Am still waiting to get the overcoat,
for after Xmas I can get an excellent
one at a low price. My present one
will do till then, so don't worry.

Beginning with Jan. 1st, I am going to
send you \$ 15.00 a month. Do not
say anything to the folks about this
letter. Tell me you another, our to
all, & tell of this. There is no reason
why they shouldn't know it, I feel, unless
you think otherwise.

Hurriedly, but in love,

Sam.

North Bellmore,
Long Island,
N. Y.

The Saranac Lake National Bank,
Saranac Lake, N. Y.

Gentleman:-

P.S — I send this special del.
because the time has flown
so & I wonder if I can get a Thursday
letter before Sunday. Don't want you
to wait too long. Dec 7/
Dear mother:- 1922

It seems that all I do
is hope to write & then have to ~~do~~ keep
putting it off. Monday I was very
busy all day. Tuesday & yesterday were
the same. Tuesday I went to N. Y. I
had a conference with the missionary
superintendent, then saw Aunt Hattie,
then went to our United Lutheran
headquarters on 5th Av., then did a
bit of necessary buying & just did catch
a train that got me back for supper.
Yesterday I spent the morning &
afternoon in pastoral calls, and after
supper drove in a Ford a round trip
of 16 miles to make a sick call. One of our
members is in a hospital, very sick.
I got back at 8:30 & had a council
meeting that lasted till 10:30. By the

time I got home & to bed it was after
11. At the first council meeting - this
was at North Bellmore - we decided
to go ahead with building plans. As soon
as possible we are going to excavate,
and, if possible, run in a concrete
foundation. Then in the Spring we
can go ahead. We have plans for a
splendid building, of concrete blocks.
The people are crazy to go ahead.
We are having a fair here at N.

Bellmore, & I am there writing this
— was writing this at the fair but
was interrupted & stopped. Now back
at my lodgings place & hope to finish
before I go. One thing surprised me
very much here. The Lodis had a
meeting Monday to discuss plans &
they asked me to come. They told me
that they had planned some "chances"
at the fair, for instance, 10¢ a chance for

a box of candy, & things like that -
also, they are going to have a pinochle on
Saturday. They guessed before hand what
my attitude would be, and I told them I'd
rather they didn't do it. However, since they'd
made all their plans I wouldn't spoil them,
I told them. However, they had acted in
good faith. But they promised me not to
do it again. - Yesterday I met with the
Ladies over at North Merrick. They had
their fair last week. They worked very hard,
but conditions were against them. They
made \$ 400.00 but have made much higher
on their fairs. They have some things left
over that will bring quite a bit. They are
somewhat disengaged over the whole
proposition & say that they don't want to
do it again. They say that they believe they
can do just as well by not having such
a struggle, but by giving what they otherwise
would. I told them of our church & how
we would never go back to the old way & they

were quite impressed. - Tonight I have
a council meeting at North Merrick.
They are a fine group of men - they
are at North Bellmore too. When I am
in one place I feel that if I had to leave
one church out of the two, it would be
that one, & when I am in the other place I'd
want the other! So you can see that
things are pleasant.

I'll stop now. Have eleven
more letters to write! They piled
up on me yesterday & today.

I hope Merric is well, and also
Althea & Ruth by now. And how are
Buttie & Sir, & yourself? I pray that
all are well.

Things are coming along nicely
and I have every reason to be
encouraged. The Father is good to
me. - I havent spoken yet about
coming home! The time is not yet!!
I will soon, though. All love & kisses,
Dwan

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North Bellmore
Long Island N.Y.
Dec 11-1922

Dear brother:-

Your letter just came, and it seems that the stamps you sent are enough to start a post office with! However, they'll come in handy for Xmas letters & cards. — I had two surprises today! One was a letter from Dr. Giessmeister. He had asked how I was paid by the churches in November. I told him \$15 a Sunday. He sent me a check for \$20 extra, making \$80 for November. Very good, I think, in view of the fact that I just preached. The other surprise was this morning. As I wrote, I have a very nice room & excellent board. This morning I ~~were~~ paid for my first week & was charged — \$10.00! Think of it! And I think — I'm sure — I told you that I

got a salary of \$1800.00. From the church
in Merrick I got \$75.00 a month, from
Mr. Bellmore, \$50.00 a month & from the
Mission Board, \$25.00 a month. A total
of \$150.00 a month. I feel richer than
John D. himself!

Yesterday I had quite a busy day.
I walked two miles to Merrick & preached
there. Then I went home with an old
German couple for dinner. The home
has a large picture of Luther, & many
Bible pictures, and an old German
Bible that is kept dusted by me. The
dinner reminded me exactly of home,
and made me a bit homesick. When
we sat down to the table I said grace
in German, and the old folks were
so pleased, and began to talk German!
I could understand her all right, but
the husband was too "platt"! All
the folks around here follow a custom
found in many of our Lutheran churches
here & in the Northwest. I have never

Gov. Heft, not even Reverend Heft.
I am always Pastor! When I was in
Montana the old Scandinavians there
always called me "Pastor". If it comes
natural, & the people are not stiffed in
doing it, I like it. I don't like it if it
is the least bit formal, but here it does
my heart good.

We have just finished the fair in
North Bellmore. The Ladies worked
fearfully hard, and just made about \$250.
They wanted \$500. They are disgusted
with the fair, and terribly disappointed.
Many of them said that they won't help
in another, and some said that they
are going to put aside money as a
sacrifice offering, from month to month,
and give that instead. I told them of
our church, how they have tried both
plans, & will never return to the other.
In both places they seem to want to
get on without this business in the future.

I surely hope so, for I don't like it very much. Of course, I'm not a crank on the subject, but I do prefer the latter way.

You, we have much to be thankful for, and the Lord is good. Our prayers have been wonderfully answered. And I am sure He will continue to strengthen me and guide me. Every thing has seemed to work out so providentially, and I know He still will lead me on. - I'm glad Elethia & Ruth are at school again. It is nice to think that they like it so. And I'm glad to hear that all are about as usual. As to my own doing myself, don't worry! I got up at 6:30 this morning, as I usually do, but I was in bed at 9 last night, and sound asleep about 2 seconds past nine! Sleep well, and eat well, and am holding my weight nicely. - The people each Sunday have said such nice things about my sermons. Yesterday I preached on the Second Coming of Christ, and the importance & meaning of it. All liked it, at both places. Will stop this time.
Lots of love & kisses to each. Dwan
Dec 11-1922

Saturday
Dec. 16 1921

Dear Mother:-

For several days I have been threatened with a cold and have had, I flatten myself, the sense to stay, not only in doors, but also in bed. I am up for meals, but shall stay in till a little rainy spell we are having will pass away. There is absolutely no danger so don't worry. Will write soon again. Your letter, warning me to be careful, came O.K. You see I am taking your advice well with soon. Love to all
Doreen

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Thurs day
Dec. 21 - 1922

Dear mother:-

I have had a hard time shaking my cold, + to be safe, am still staying in doors. There is no cause for worry, however. - I just got a package from Santa Claus, from Rudolph + Bauer. I found no card, when I opened it, but recognized the writing of the one who helped Santa! Then I found the card in the wrapping. Give my dearies each a kiss of thanks!

My Xmas. message is the same as that of Thanksgiving. Only, on this day we have something definite to be thanked for, and that is the Gift of our blessed Saviour. It is through Him that we have all redemption and blessing. His coming has made possible all love, joy, and peace that we have. And on this, my first Christmas back in the work I love, let us give thanks to Him. I only, "to them that love the Lord is the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in His wings." Oh the blessedness of His healing! In this case He has healed the illness of the body. at times,

in His Providence, He delays this. But we does it heal
the soul, and bring it the peace that passes all understanding.
"Unto you is born this day a Saviour." He it is who will
continue to be the God of our salvation, for He is faithful
and true, just and holy, the same yesterday, today & forever.
To you & Anna, Butter & Sir, and the two dear babies, my
heart will go out on Xmas Day. In the Father's providence
I am not alone. But what was my lot, it is well! Peace,
perfect peace, with loved ones far away; in Jesus' keeping
we are safe, and they. May you have grace, mercy,
and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ
our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

All love, Ivan.

P. s.- Please find Carl's address & send
this letter as soon as you can without any great
worry.

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Friday
Dec 22, 1922

Dear Mother:-

I have some news that's hard to write. It is that I was worse than I let you know. I did not want to spoil your Christmas, and that is why I told you only part. However, now I am absolutely beyond danger, so there is something definite to write. On Wednesday of last week I was taken sick. The trouble was that a number of people in both congregations were sick & I made the necessary sick calls, and am afraid that that one did me. I had quite a fever Wednesday night, & Thursday thought I'd better see the doctor. He soon reduced the fever, & then told me to lie still & take things easy. So I didn't preach last Sunday, nor shall I this Sunday. Indeed, I don't know about Xmas. If I go to service I shall have one of the church officers conduct the service, as it makes me cough to speak. Then I shall preach about five minutes. I am disappointed tonight for one of our Sunday Schools has its Xmas Service. However, I know I am on the safe side. Since Wednesday I've had no temperature at all, and my appetite has returned. So I am getting along very

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well - unusually well. It is all for the best, mother. In the first place it showed me that I must still be careful. And there is no permanent bad effect from this. In the second place - and this is important - it showed the congregations that they cannot expect too much from me at first. It is an easy matter to tell them one has been sick. Still, if one lag behind they soon begin to think he is loafing. You know that, when I was home last October, every one thought I looked so well & strong. If I had told them that I was still quite sick, they'd have said I was a quitter. Have I not proven to the people that I am not a quitter or loafer, and they have seen that I have gone too far. They have given me orders to slow up. So now they understand. It is not that they would have been hard-hearted if this hadn't happened - no one would; it is only human nature. Now every thing will go smoothly. The people have stood by me wonderfully, & I have found as I couldn't otherwise, what a hold I have on their affections. So you see it is for the best. I am now all right. When you get this letter I'll be about again. Be sure I'll go slowly from now on. The people & Synodical officials demand it! The Father is still good. He has redeemed us. Let us give thanks to Him. All love to each & all. Deane.

Sunday
Dec 31 - 1922

Dear brother:-

I have been so rushed,
that I couldn't write as I hoped. I
am trying to do as little as possible
& several things had to be done. Hence
this delay. I am all right, & feel
as if nothing had ever been wrong.
But I am taking care. Will write
tonight.

Love to all.

Ivan.

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