

...over to visit Johanna on  
Saturday afternoon and evening  
Hannah was there too, then we went for  
a drive west north to the new air port.  
Visited Arne and his wife the same  
evening. Now tonight we are asked  
to Magnus Ness, that is Magnus, Astrid  
and me. Magnus Ness has just got  
a new boat, a (yacht) I don't know  
how to spell it but its really a luxury  
Cabin Cruiser. Must cost about \$50,000.

Norway is very prosperous, everyone  
has lots of money, lots of new cars  
and everything. Wages are very high,  
have talked to some workers making  
up to \$2000.00 per month. Tomorrow  
I am asked to Anna Helgesen for dinner,  
haven't seen her before, I guess she has  
had some company.

Hope to get that furniture sent to Bergen  
when I get back to Stavanger. Petra's house  
is still vacant, with all the furniture  
in place, Uncle Alfred said he wasn't  
going to sell any of her furniture, he  
was going to give it all away. He  
said we could take as much as

we wish to take, but I think it would  
cause hard feelings, so may be best  
to leave it all here.

He wants to give me the property on  
the east side of Petras' house, it is  
a real nice location for a house, and  
I said if he would move into a new  
house I would certainly try and have  
one built. He ~~was~~ interested enough  
so he has phoned different building  
contractors and has got some house  
plans etc. I will see now when I come  
back what more has been done. It  
seems everything here takes so long  
to transfer the title, to get building  
permit etc.

Hope all is well at home, you  
will all be back at Larchburn by the  
time this arrives.

There are so many that send  
Greetings to you. Ma, I have got some  
in the tape recorder but hope to get  
more before I leave.

Hope to hear something from home  
when I get back to Uncle Alfred's.

Love Walter.

Special Greetings from Larkburn and family

176-10 Every body.

I sure haven't done much writing since we came here, but it seems so hard to get started. I planned a few days after we came so I felt I didn't have to write for awhile.

Eddie stayed with us at Uncle Alfreds' until last Thursday we came here to Shidenes, now on Thursday we are going back to Stanger. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July which is Friday they are having a big celebration, 150 years since the first immigrants left for America. Eddie will stay a few days with us here and then he will come back here, but I plan to stay with Uncle Alfred until we have farede.

We plan to leave from Haysen by bus for Ork on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.

We rented a car in Stanger and took it with us here. I am staying here with Magnus and Aulung, but I go up to see Eddie almost every day and drive him around to visit. We have been with Henrik a couple days.