

Strongfield, Sask.  
Jan 14, 1959

Dear Ma, Byron & Walter.

Well, it seems my secretaries have all gone on strike so I will have to start a letter myself. Just like the old lady that said "per maad noget gjoes". We've been thinking of you folks every day, and hoping you are having a wonderful time. The weather here has been a bit rough. - Cold & windy most of the time. We have steps in the snowdrift on the way to the barn again this year! The roads haven't been too bad though. Got stuck on our road last night, so took the kids to the corner with the Massey & Bob sleigh this morning. There was a 30-37 m.p.h. NW wind at 14° below, so of course I froze my face again! Guess I'll have to rig up a caboose and drive horses. Suppose you heard Pearl A. got Pneumatic Fever or something. Pearl V. and Merwyn divided up the stock and they brought Cloudy over here. Have had her hooked up with Smitty but it's been too cold to do much "horsing around". Sold Nancy to S.C. for fox meat. - \$31.70. Not bad.

I went down to see Hans & family on New Year's Eve. They seem to be getting along



P.X. The correction line has been tough most of the time. I was down there the other day again but no one was home. Looked at the cattle, - they seem fine. if anything better than last year.

We were invited to Alice & George on Jan 1st. but it stormd so we had to stay home. Had turkey at Colan and Floris last Sunday. Johnny, Agnes, Mel, Jerry & kids were there too. Had a awell time. By the way Walter, we're still eating Antelope meat & and deer meat - Don and I got a deer the afternoon of the last day. I believe it helps the wild meat - helps us to jump over the snowdrifts!

"Der maas no get gyies"! Peter started this letter some time ago & we have not sent it yet so I shall try & finish it.

There are so many local people are working at the dam. Yesterday Peter heard Rudolph T. had 6 new working under him. Gordon L. a brother-in-law are working there too but I suppose you have heard all that.

Richard got bucked off cloudy the other day but he wants me to tell you a few more readings & she will be a real good reading gony.

We see having a bad time with all

these gens. It seems no one works

They had choir practice again last night & seemed to enjoy it. Helen F. was home too & sang I guess slow. Nellmer came home to stay. She didn't do so well in her Xmas exams & after talking it over with Helen has decided to try something else.

Gaiik is in a tournament at Elbow to-day so every <sup>body</sup> thing is really packing around here in order to get ready.

We have had company from Alberta again Emma & Roy. Connected & we enjoyed our visit with them.

Really & truly everyone is making so much racket around here that it is impossible for me to concentrate on writing a letter ~~but~~ so I must close & hope this finds you all well & enjoying your trip to the full. The children have all been well. Kathleen is writing her U.S. practical papers on Feb 5 & is busy.

Love from us all

Ruth - Pete Kathleen  
Richard & Gaiik.