

Aug 3. - 1964

Dear Alice

Guess this will be a little late but, nice to get greetings spread out. we have had a couple weeks hot weather near 100 some days & so sultry at times. we did get about 1 in rain one nite and $\frac{1}{2}$ Sunday morning which was good for corn Beans & flax & garden, they are still harvesting other grain corn on last Oats. they say Grain is not to bad for been so dry. this rain also help potatoes & dig enough for me around the hill. our sweet corn is soon ready. but have poor stand.

Milton helped me pick down my early apples befor worms & birds got them they are a yellow mellow apple I froze some made apple crunch & some jam. I will not put up any sause got a lot so will use up that first. July. 26 we had the 3rd & last Bridal Shower

so that should be plenty for awhile.
heard Sat. that Jacqueline got a baby
girl 20 minutes to 12 midnight July 30th
Jeanette had written to Karen so Edith
just put that in on Friday a.m.
didn't tell her name.

so now I have 3 great grand children,
haven't seen any.

will enclose a couple pictures. Lisa
didn't like to be still with me so
not good on her was along a week
ago to Crazy Day at Wheaton but
not in mood to look for bargains
when so many people.

Bugs are coming in so think I
got ready for bed shut off lights.
Milton & Gregory mowed my lawn
today, spots really brown. I baked
Bread & cookies.

Widder & girls are painting their house
out side.

I still sew quilt tops trying to see
if I will ever get to the end

and get all that junk out of way
One eve I was home with Arla
rest went to 4 H so I spent with
there in morning Mildred said she
will open up sew machine if I
would sew up some rips. So I
sat there all day to 6 P.M. she
said it is waste of time for her
with all her other work. Widder
say the same so one day she & I
went thru boxes & sorted out
what was to small for her
that can go to Ediths & Elders
so I got 2 big box with me. I got
that all fixed now. postage so
high so guess it sit her till a
way to get it there.

now Tue. and we are in for
another hot day. in the 90
School soon start then Laura
go home I expect. (grandma)
can't think of any more.
Delama walk early. so now I bet
you can hardly keep up with her.

(over)

Dear Charlotte

June 16 - 20

Thanks for card & letter today. Still at Eldora & time go fast as I always find so much to ~~be~~ done, so when eve comes I am ready for bed altho I do take time to rest every day & so that way I am way behind with letters. & now since June 6th I have reciev'd more letters to answer.

Yes I got the package you sent but should of let you know be for & thanks I like the color of Cape. I also got ~~box~~ cards from Hilda & Edith from Mildred hand garden tool set ~~mailed~~ but shedid not mail it here. From Eldor & his 5 box candy May 7 - 9 June Edith's Stationary \$1.00 Florence June 6 apron Edith's Janette made it.

School out June 4 - now 2 weeks Bible school, so when that is out the 18th I will head for home as far as I know now but will stop at Ediths a few days can take bus from Buffalo if no one figure to get me. really been no hurry with me they have had so much rain & girls havent even their gardens in. Brin had gone over my garden 2 times, last week Mildred wrote now it was all mud a week ago today they had 11 in at B Vally. People had to move out of some places said water up to the windows. but in Parnell 2 1/2 in. said culverts gone on places roads wash out

so that was worse then when the flood in spring.
Eldor & Dale left for a place ^{no} in Eastern Montana to
pick up a load. will be back Sat. he do more local
work for the Co he dont care for long trips as
want to be home nites but O.K. when I'm here
he said Dale can help as ~~well~~ ^{he} as to his help
other wise Co bought his tractor so work by hour now
Jackie told Eldor she will never come back to
him & his. he say himself less work for
him & his as up to him & Dale & Craig to do
most the work so I kind of wonder how it
will turn out. She can get the screwys ideas.
I think she just like City life & office work
better than house work. It dont work out to
good with that many kids each. that worked
on her nerves.

Eldor & his dont want to live in City as heal they
Plant sweet corn, & cucumbers & sell also
a little garden so kids have something to do.
they made over \$40. on cucumbers last year.
also have apple trees.

Eldor is going to call tonight so Craig went to
Nelsons where he will call. he disconnected his
phone last summer when she was here as she
run up a bill over \$50. a month. cost \$40 to
St Paul & she could run it to a couple of a time
she never know when to hang up.

2 I don't Blame you to move off farm when alone. I really never ask about Paul when I write as I know he read letters. Is this like he was in Hospital. before. Maybe he been left alone to much, hope the get over it soon you will let us know your next address if you move.

guess those nerve attacks are hard to shake, I think thats what effect Jack's too.

Ediths were here on Elders & mine Birthdays June 6. they helped paper the Pantry here as when Elders get home to late in eve & we to tired to miss then & Clarence is handy do such things so they said when here 2 weeks before they help so im glad that is done. I don't undertake to do any real house cleaning try to keep it clean around. Dale & I will wash up all blankets before I go as now we can wash in day time

Did you get announcement on Jacqueline's Twins May 22nd Rhonda & Rhyn. they now moved to Monticello not far from Ediths.

Had letter from Edith Westberg today. she spent the winter with Josphine at Seattle. she came home April 14 account of her sister. Celis real sick with bone cancer & Elsie

Died April 13 buried on good Friday. think
you knew her too - then Martin a year ago
may 9th then Ruth Aug 11th so she said
she hope that is all for a while of year

Cosette's husband last summer too Car accident
live at St Louis she move to mpls. story.
Sharon Halks wedding next Sat. Fredell
& Wilma moved to ~~the~~ the new place they
bought Wilma have her house for sale.
Divian & Jerry are going to Viola's when ~~they~~ ^{Viola's} get
their vacation to care for Esther & then they
will see if Esther want to come back with them
then I guess Divian will take care of her.
guess Viola is about played out.

still sitting wait for Craig so Eldor must not
called yet soon so here course we are on D. & T.
again. he called about 10 P.M. our time
I baked Bread 2 kind cookies / cake today
confirmation. St Taylor Falls Sunday.
Will send Lila a card today b/c he is next Sunday
All I can think of now we still have ironing
to do & always patching after each wash

say Hello to the family

Love Mom.

May 8th 66.

Dear Wives,

Thanks for letter, & a Happy Mother's Day, to you - we went to Church had dinner home, & home all P.M. as usual. Sunday & every day, it is kind of a cold north east wind. We have had one day of 80, things are late here. Leaves just coming out. no garden in yet. course Eldor borrow tractor from a neighbor so he can hardly get that until Don is done field work. Eldor will ~~only~~ ~~not~~ put in less Cucumbers this year as Dale will try get a job when school is out then weeding will be to much for the others even if Eldor help when he come home, with this fast time afternoons are longer but even after a days work he is tired too, & then take time to get supper & eat even if Boys have meal started. But I been here soon 4 months & like to go home & take care of my place & Eldor dont expect me stay on. So May 12th they take me to Monticello, & I can get a ride home with Jack Quahlin & Richard Johnson he get vacation May 21st so they plan to go up home a few days. Craig be confirmed June 5th that maybe I stay for that but I dont want to write & change Richards plans & Eldor said he isnt putting on a big deal

he will take Lopp & Susan out for dinner
by then most of afternoon is gone. in
summer they go swimming & to Parks
quite a bit & bring lunch.
talk about weight Eldor says he have gained
20^{lb} Eldor still on his old job, just local,
was slack for a while, now he & I more
got, 35[¢] an hour raise help a lot.

Will call this your Birthday greeting
also as that is soon here, Jeffrey Jordan
be 2-years the 14th they were here 2 weeks
ago & Ediths 9 here Easter Sunday.

Dale was to the school Prom Sat eve.
guess they had a good time, he been
helping to Decorate the place.

I got 9 cards for today & box chocolate
from Eldors. Mildred said when I come
home she will get me flower plants.

Eldor transplanted 30 tomato try & see if
any sale for them from garden. & they have
sweet corn every year. will plant some
field corn for winter feed for hens & corn coats
is high here, hens keep us with eggs. Sat after
work Eldor wet drop down stairs & 3 coats of wax
they are still seeding grain at home been so
wet. Have many more Birthdays.

Love from Mom -
will write after I get home

It be nice if you would send those clothes
to Susan I send her measurements &
you can see, as I'm not sure of size,
but not shorter then measure

~~Blouse~~ Blouse or waist and dress.
is 12 inches

Skirt, 1.6 ' ' - from shoulder to hem
28 inches.

she takes no 2 shoes ^{now} but guess she can
grow into a 3. she got 1 summer hat so
wouldnt be necessary a hat as they are
hard to pack, be fun if you could mail
them so they get here be for 20 or 21 so I could
see them, postage is high so cant expect to
big a box, but she can use dresses, maybe
some can be lengthen

May 7-67

a few lines here. Expect girls have wrote you that they will have a party for me June 11 - can't realize that I'll go if I have I hardly expect that you people will come that far. Lillian wrote she counted up our family, 5 children, 32 grand 10 great grand children then the Inlaws which make 60 they will not ^{ask} any my nieces, nephews, cousins, sisters & watters. Be. to many. you don't need to get or send any gifts. I don't know yet when or how I go home Elder plan to come for the day. but I figure I should get home before to clean up around & in house. that probly Elders take me to Ediths then go by bus from Buffalo. but I don't know yet. Gale graduate June 13 like ~~2 weeks~~ to stay for that as long I'm here. they figure to have a little party that eve the Prom was last nite. It is still cold the furnace going yet. have rained of & on all day.

2 weeks ago today April 23 Elders took me to mpls first went & visited Freda then Lillie was there so she told me to stay with her as I planned to stay a few days so Elders took us to her place 3315 Chicago ave so. she made a lunch for them before they left kids were hungry. on Monday early Freda & I drove out to Garner & W. H. where we visited his Aunt

Emma Mellgren there for dinner. I called home
from E.aven that go there for dinner so she
said be nice if we could be there for supper
as it was her Bro. Walters Birthday, 13 yrs
so thats why we went to Emmas first.
While Helen & Florence got supper we went
to visit Walter & Nora. Walter felt pretty
good now. we left for Mpls 7:30 so I
went with Fredolf home slept in Wilmas
bed she down on Daven Port. go to work
early when Fredolf & I had breakfast
he took me to Lillies. then she called.
Vivians, so they came over in a.m. then
Lillie that nice if they would take us to
see Freda on way home which they did
so we were back to Lillies 4 P.M. or so by
Taxi. Then on wed Lillie & Fredolf took me
back here in a.m. as Lillie had Dr appoint
at 2, P.M. she is so busy with church
work. I think she ~~don't~~ think church cant
run without her. course she doesnt work
any place.
about Bed time Eldor sleep a lot on Sunday
he work 6 days a week. ever since I came here,
all I can think of now greet all,
thank alic for card & Love Mom.
note, I dont write in day time to many
other things I to do

Dec 14 - 69

Dear Wives

I been writing notes all PM
to put in with cards and not
done yet. may be I write to
to many but I like to get a few
lines my self in cards.
Im sending this to the last add
of yours send me nothing for
Christmas postage so high, I dont
need any thing a letter is plenty
Can Paul get off on his mail,
Rout so you can celebrate with
the girls & family some time.
We have little snow so look like
Christmas, but not to cold for
us. between 25 & 30 most days,
only down to near zero one morning
so I will stay home until it get

colder. Esther Ny. said I can
spend winter with her & Edith
said they also, see where I go
as Eldors dont need me now.
think I wrote you Eldor married
Nov 1st

Dont know if any one wrote
since Jeanette's wedding

it was pretty affair saw
Leland, Viviano, Pearl & Rawlyn
Mabel & Gudrun. Roger Texas, Wims
Cleo. then the relatives in Monticello
Bride in white Bride maids in
pretty green were Jacqueline, a friend
of Jeanette & his sister. Men in Tuxedos
black & his brothers & Eldor Jordan
Jeff Jordan ring bearer flower girl Bruce
Brother little girl.

2/ Karen played the Organ, Ada &
Violet sang, Milton one of the ushers,
~~Maureen~~ Maureen one open gift, Elaine
& Rogers Linda waited tables. Other
helpers also.
Orins went home same eve Cless & I
went next day.
we have our 2nd Dec 17 same eve
Bible League Carolers come church
Dec 22nd church program 24-8 PM
service expects to go to Orins 24 eve
& usually to Cless Christmas day
if the Dyers don't have other plans.
think this be all and
start to someone else.

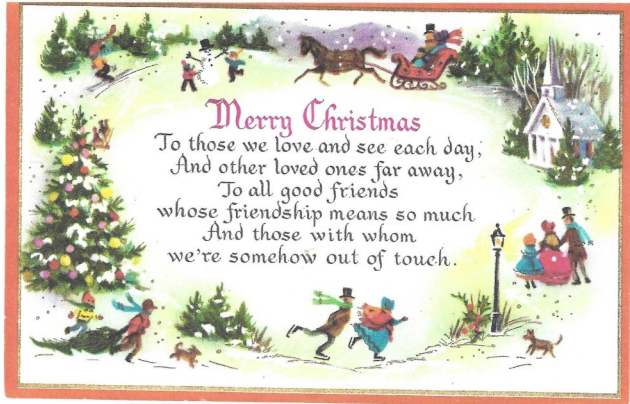
ah yes had letter from Viola said she
didn't have your last address.
Amy & Harold Krantz mom.
were in church today
maybe a early Christmas here

to be with their² at Christmas
time. both married

8 A.M Monday Clear and 5 above
Zero coldest we have had

but predict about 23 today

Cleo & Hildur Came here a while
Sunday eve.



Dear Charlotte & Paul

May Happiness be Yours
at Christmas--and Always

From Mother
Stoenberg

1969

Dec. 13 - 69



Dear Alice -

Thanks a lot for Card & letter, & sure glad I got it before I sent yours, so now I know all you in Mo will be at your house so they can read this if they like too, and I will send you all a little for Christmas you will be 10 in all and I right so probably you could get a Turkey if that is your favorite or some other kind of meat & call it a treat from me or any thing else if you want too.

I say like you been writing & writing more so don't know if I write some things more then one time in a letter.

I am still home & will be untill it get to cold for me, Edith asked me spend winter there also Esther Nylander, & Mabel Gudron I don't need to help Eldor out - now, did any of ^{us} write that he married a nice Lady from

Monticello No 1 - she also been married and have two teenage girls she is sister to Elcor Jordans wife Linda. all say she is good to kids.

at Jeanette's wedding they told me be sure come & stay with them also.

I think I wrote ⁱⁿ your mothers card about the wedding. if she remember let you read it. we had about 3 inches snow but no wind so it stay put on yards ^{the} fields are almost black again. haven't had it to cold yet, up to 20 today but was down to zero this morning. to hite wheaton wessel at Graceville Nolan & Milton in that, Gregory in Basket Ball so every day Cleas & Arins take turns & get the boys. lot of chasing.

wed we have Laid. and exchange gifts so I made a sofa pillow from cordoy square 3 in blocks make a Disigne & stuffed it with Nylon stockings.

I started sort out & wrapped some gifts this P.M. ~~only~~ for all Cleas, Arins, Rogers & Karols as the 2 family's will come some time to Arins During Vacation.

S School program Dec. 22 - 7:30 P.M. & Christmas service Dec. 24th 8 P.M. likely I seat Arins eve 24: as usual, & Cleas the 25. if no other plans.

2 / Done no Decoration yet. Arla
want to help trim tree, so will do
that ~~when~~ on her vacation as I want
more cards sent first.

us 3 here read each other letters
^{don't} need to write us all these.

One eve last week was along to
Arlas program 1 to 6 grades they
all wore white Capes & red bows.
was mostly singing Christmas
songs. one boy was a narrator &
told about diff countries & style
little skits how they dress. etc.
now thru the 2nd school chours.
give program all if I go or not.
heard from Helen & midth one day
she live in Herman now.

Have had lot of complement on my
Family tree. Some time will ask
Karol to help ~~one~~ as she is a good
artist then we have to add more

Apples & weddings, add
6 more apples -

2 weddings

Feel getting to my Bed time
go to bed & up with the chickens
as they say. Bed 8 or little after
wake up 6,30 or 7am.

Tue. 8am Cloud but up to 25
go higher today but little
South wind that make it little
colder in house

Have to be all now.

Grandma.

Jan 14 - 71



a few lines with a card.

I been at Ediths since ~~was~~
Jan 3. got a ride with Helen
To So. in nick of time of a
snow storm that some people
were caught in. Karol Grohns
left Brim on Sat. Jan 2. visited friends
at Mankato over nite & ran in to the
storm at Albert Lea Minn. called James
so headed for Palo where they spent 2
nights. Karen & Jim took Sherold to
Mpls Air Part in nick of time to get
a plain to Fort Leannard woods before
Air Parts closed at Omaha & Lincoln
account of storm then Karen & Jim
headed for Kentucky got stalled at
Earl Clair Wisc. were told to stay put
as was ~~more~~ accidents & cars in
ditches then the road Department
could handel. and Douglas I was also
stalled there but when they could start
going said roads were good.
but not bad here have little snow
so look like winter & havent heard

if any at home since I left
Jan^y Clarence & Edith took Lila to
mankato where she go to collage they
saw snow piled up.
see sun now this P.M.

Edith ran out of her work making
draw sheets so is weaving today.
& I have made one quilt top. then I
tie the rug ends.

but today I said I will write some
letters.

Don't know when I will go to Edboro
Violet will graduate in spring &
so will Milton. & I think Myles will
be confirmed.

I got another apple on my family
tree Christmas day & today Jordan got
a girl named Tina so have 21 apples
on tree now.

Be all now. as will write

Hilder also

mom



April 25th

Dear Alice & family

Thanks for letter
I am still at Eldore, & don't
know yet if I get home for June 6th
we were to Monticello one day
then Edith mentioned that
Hildur & Leke been married
25 yrs, ~~but haven't hee~~
May 11. but haven't heard
if they will have any
thing for them at Church
then I like to get home for
that. we haven't talked
about it here yet. untill we hear
what is planned.

Dennis Graduate when school
is out so I would also ^{like} stay
for that.

but if I hear about Dyers plane
will try let you know.

snow all gone now.
was up to 50 today. Cleo been
Raking part of yard today.
The Wheaton High School
& Auditorium burned some
time ago. I guess they have
classes ~~in~~ diff churches.
it burned at Easter vacation
so no kids there.

now I'm sewing a quilt top
for Elders, to have something
to do. then take it along to Edith's
& tie it as I plan to stop there
a few days. on way home.

I'm sitting on bed writing
ready to roll in when bed
time comes.

Do you have Day light saving?
will start here May 1st

2)

Proably you folks would
come when I get home
even if it wouldnt be at
my Birthday time will
let you know when I get
home.

course schoole isnt out
at Dyers. 25th anniversary.
People just start field work
now, they dont farm big as
at home ~~and~~ machinery smaller,
Elders have a large house
4 Bed rooms up & bath, kitchen
dinning room living room 1 bed
room & toilet down also a big
front Hall that we use for
sewing room. but only 5
acres land. so they plant garden
sweet corn, cucumbers & potatoes

3 main things, a big yard.
lot of evergreens around
grow wild. go to Church & school
at Taylor Falls. just across bridge
& we are in Wis. cross the
St Croix river on bridge. ~~it is~~
we live on No 45 Hwy.
go on a long hill to Taylor Falls.
Bed time again.

so will be all

Heard from Roger & Bob both he
& Sherald will get their schools
back.

Hope to see you later on this
summer.

Love Grandma,

Happy Birthday
Happiness Always

To A
Very Special Daughter
On Her Birthday



Dear Charlotte

Hoping that this birthday, Dear

In lots of different ways

Will stand out in your memory

As one of life's best days!

Love from
MOM

May. 9. -72

Just a few lines with a
card:

And thanks for the letter
and I can't come to your
Birthday any more then as
you said you can't come to
mine.

I am still at Elders but
getting anxious to get
home. & get my little garden
in.

Spring is later here. they have
not planted garden yet. &
Men just started field work.
I plan to go to Ediths for a
few days before I go home see
if some one can take me
from there. then see if I be home
for June 6th

One of Cleas girls Rosalie & Ron
had a Baby boy Feb 3. Troy Ross
and Dian & Michel had boy
last nite havent heard what
he be called. They called here
last nite so Clea went to
Hospital & saw them.

I made a quilt Top for Elders
& will take it along to Ediths
& tie it.

Dennis will graduate when
school is out. also Candice
Leendberg. Nolan Dyer & Greg Taro.

I have made sofa pillows.
they had Baby showers for Rosalie &
Diane here then I made them each
a crib quilt. Now cant think
of what to sew. except always
patching to do.

they go fishing sometimes.

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Shops
Trimmings

Craig was Honorable discharge
from the Army April 10. That
it was.

Really nice sunshine this
morning.

Had letter from Alice Allen the
plan on coming to visit at
home. So hope I be home by
then

Mildred & Leo will not celebrate
their 25th ann. May 11 as
their kids cant all be home.
But Mildred want to have a
party at their place for them & me
see how when I get home.
all for now Hello to all

Love Mom.

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June 5th 1974



I haven't done much since I got home was at Arins a couple weeks as girls wanted clean my house before I moved in, but I have not planted garden yet. May was a cold month warmer now.

have to clean up some by the 6 of June, as likely some Ladies will come & celebrate with me. should go to town & buy something for a Lunch

was a ~~show~~ church for
Miltons wife to be havent heard
date for wedding yet. think be
in mpls where her home is, but
they meet at St Cloud collage.
Will send you a pretty picture
I cut out from a magazine

I went along one day with Dyers
to Vally & Visited Esther.

Linda Harrison ~~is~~ was home
visited her folks & had her baby
baptized at Church here she live
close to Eldon Cant remember
her Mrs Name. A Ballhagen
baby was Baptized same time they
Belong to our church. live close
to Travers Lake. I had Card from
Lillie Homebush & Edna Lundquist
already.

Letter from Roger Toews she wrote
wh they come for my Birthday.
see if I get any today.

all for now
Love Mom

May 5, 1974



Once "Nothing but a Swampy Dumping Place," Edisto Gardens in Orangeburg, S. C., Now Include 85 Acres of Floral Fantasia

Sept.

1974

Dear viwers.

See if I can get this
done befor mail come. it
is such a dark morning I
couldnt see Clayton Tasso
place to much fog.
We have had some rain lately
so I dont have to water my
flowers outside.

My Pass time is quilts now I
started a Crib quilt for Gregory
and Connie Tasso they are expecting
they now live in Fargo and
Gregory is going to more
school.

I put in some sampler that I
use in the Crib quilt. Course
I have to use other pieces also
Sunday I went with Dyers
in church as Mildred had to
up the track. Sun School
by a small garden.

no and go at now

and that was last day
wheaton county fair. Then
home when Cleo & Hildur &
also was to the fair. I did not
to tire some ^{to} walk around.
I wrote letters instead. Hildur
& I was to Richard Lundquist on
our circle; one eve then I went
with Hildur home I don't like to go
home late at night. then they took
me home when they go to the office in
the morning. some times it is lonesome
to live alone.
one Sunday eve Lealand and Vivian &
Garry Grestner was visiting around
I was at Abbie as they came there Luc
was, as Mildred had a big lunch on
served; They all left for Delano
here. Mrs Art Soderberg she died.
winter. had a baby Amour
Violet and Donald Hoffman. The
Born on Clarence & Birchdale
How are all your girls & I
I hear from Alice some times