

## LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

AND

## WATERLOO COLLEGE

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Dear Mother:

While Bonnie and most of the children are in Church tonight I will have a little chat with you. The baby is lying in her carriage apparently quite contented. I have just put Eileen and Ruth to bed. Only Arthur is with me. He stayed at home tonight and Robert went to Church in his stead. We just finished three games of checkers in which I won two and he is waiting for me to finish this letter so that he can redeem his record. So if I cut this letter short you will know the reason why I was down at Church this morning. The pastor preached a very good sermon on the Gospel for the day, in which happily there was nothing of an heretical nature. We have had a little colder weather since I wrote you last week. We had a little snow that lasted until today when it melted away under the bright sun and the heavy wind. The dam in the park froze over the other night and some of the College boys were down skating on it today, but it was only about an inch thick and hardly safe enough for comfort tonight. The wind is a little more northerly and it may be a little colder by morning, but it is anything else but Christmas weather yet. This week will close our work before the holidays. It will be mostly examination work as we will have classes only in the forenoons. The College exams have already started. Conroy has had three in which he did pretty well. He made 85 in German and 85 in English Literature, but fell back somewhat in mathematics (Algebra). Marion has finished her examinations in the public school. She did very well, standing fifth in her class. The other children haven't their reports yet, but I think they

will come out O.K. I will have only one examination at this time, but will have several soon after the school opens in the New Year. The new building is nearly done, but will hardly be ready for occupancy before the last of January as it will take some time to get the furniture and put it in place. I am sending you the snapshots Conalus took last Sunday. They didn't turn out well at all, but they may give you some idea of our interesting family. Catharine, I am instructed to inform you has a tooth and a couple others so near through that they might just as well be counted. She will accordingly be able to eat cake at Christmas. Bonnie received several Christmas presents last week already. One was a silk underwaist from her sister-in-law Mrs. Don. De Loy and the other was two little trinkets, for which she can find no earthly use from Clara. However, later she opened her heart and enclosed \$1.00 in a letter for candy for the children. Bonnie sent her a pair of stockings, price 1.00, on which she got 10% off. So that she is in 1.00 on the racket. Muriel, Don's wife, also sent Eileen a little pair of garters from her cousin Monica of about the same age. I haven't made any preparations yet for Christmas - am waiting for my December cheque, which will likely be along the last of this week. <sup>Wagons</sup> of Christmas trees were very much in evidence last week, but I didn't buy any. I find that they get too dry if bought so far ahead and shed their leaves. So I generally get one just a day or two before Christmas. Well, I will have to stop here for this time. My next letter will probably reach you around Christmas day. In the meantime we wish you, one and all, all the joys of the season. With love, I am

Most sincerely yours  
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