Jorritsma, Tjitse √, Montebello, California - Sneek, Friesland T. Jorritsma to Lies Jorritsma undated

Hello Lies!

It's about time to write you back. I'm still in very good health and hope you are too. A few months ago I left Pomona, because I found it too hot, although I lived close to my brothers and sisters. I'm still doing the same work (milking) for Jan van Ruiten (?) in Montebello, approximately 4 miles from Los Angeles. That man has 200 cows [?--hard to read]. There are 5 of us as milkers, all Dutch. Our salary is good and we make our own beer; that gets sampled everyday.

The work is easy: at 2 a.m. 80 cows come in the barn, the rest of course come later, and at 7 a.m. the work is finished. Then it's time to go to bed or sometimes I visit my brother.

This week I did some sightseeing with Wiebe and his wife in the mountains and visited a beautiful garden and villa, very nice. We had lunch in Los Angeles and at 2 p.m. we were home again.

I received a letter from Gerrit on Nov. 13. He is well and wishes us and all of you in Holland the best, but he didn't write any particulars.

More about milking. Ulbe and Hendrik of Wiejer and brother-in-law Wiersma work for W. Iest where Catr. and Siep often visit. Jere Zielstra has married, because he had to (lit: came too close to the "jumper"=dress, underwear?). For now he's still living with Jes and Anne, with the plan to rent a house.

I don't have much news. Please write back once with news about Oppenhuisen and Piet. Is Piet still living in Germany? Does he write to you? Just let me know. Just now I received a letter from Janes Geertman from Aduard. He wrote that he had an accident with his Harley motorbike and broke his left foot. He's been in bed for four weeks but it's getting better and of course he's hoping that it may be over soon.

Thank you for the trouble (? moeite ?). Mother should drop me a note once; I think that would be proper. Wishing mother and all of you the very best,

Mr. Tj. Jorritsma

Tellers from Tyetne Jr. to Lee's

Hallo Dies!

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Sister Lies!

In the first place I'm letting you know that I've received your letters in good health. Would you please send me Piet's address so I can write him everything? It's always nice to get a letter in return. Also you should tell Mother that she should write a personal letter to Wiebe about the portrait of his wife and himself but she shouldn't mention that it's too risqué. One should remember that they're in America and people dress lighter here due to the warm weather.

The best she can do is to cover the offending spot with a bow and thank them friendly because I know that's all Wiebe wants. The letter should be short.

If Dirk wants to come, tell him not to spend money on new clothes and to take the bare minimum because here clothes are inexpensive. He could bring a pair of wooden shoes for they'll come in handy.

I'm wearing them when I'm milking, for during the winter one's practically dying from cold feet with a concrete floor underfoot and with wooden shoes that doesn't happen. Also leave your gold watch at home for that's too dangerous; when you would wear it in Los Angeles it could cost you your life. With gold one's never safe around here. I just want to let you know, for 10 dollars they'll squash your brain. I assure you that here things are quite different than in Holland. And my advice to Lies, don't come right away but if you can't wait, take also the bare minimum on clothes and save your money. On arrival you can put your money in the Bank. Don't take gold [jewelry] along but exchange it for money. That'll be more useful.

So Dirk and Lies, take this advice: exchange as much as you can for money and don't take any junk. Tell Mother that in Feb. I would like to skip sending the 100 [guilders] because I just sent 100. She doesn't have to send me a piece of paper with a seal on it because I get a valid receipt from the Bank. In March or April I'll probably be able to send more money. I just bought a car. In this country one really can't do without one.

Here in Hynes farmers and milkers get together everyday to talk and play a game of billiards of course, everyday we have time for that. This week I played with Jes, without coat and shirt sleeves rolled up, some money was involved so you can understand the stories and fun. The kitty gets divided and it's easy to borrow. I don't want to think about that narrow-minded

Holland anymore and the backwards villages. (negorijen lett). Let those rotten farmers go to ... though that might take a while or let them get on their bikes and pedal themselves half to death. While we can take the car anytime. . . . Everyday it's sunny. In the afternoon I'm milking in my undershirt and have a cup of tea with 2 or 3 cookies at 3 p.m. with an occasional cigarette. I think that in Holland most people see blue from the cold in January not to mention the fog and rain at that time. It's a fine Fatherland isn't!

Really, you're welcome to the fun in that miserable situation; throw 25 turfs (lumps of peat) in the stove and don't choke from the smoke. Half a year from now the farmers will have shed their pants and waslanders (insects?) will be swarming again around the tails of the steers. Right now the farmers' sons should be moving the manure out, oh such fun. A farmer is also human and now that I know the situation here I could curse Holland with one word; I've never known that things here were so [good]. Say Lies, bike over to B. Visser the painter from Oppenhuisen, and tell him that the wooden shoes, tobacco and cigarettes have arrived. After the package arrived, Ulbe came to visit me and was very happy with it. Thank him very much and tell him that Ulbe and I smoke the Dutch tobacco every day. Lately I've seen U. Visser quite a bit, the past three weeks I've stayed 10 nights at his place and each night of course we had some good stories to share. I'm ending this letter; more will follow. We are well and hope that you are the same.

Mr. Tj. Jorritsma Road 1, Box 75 Hynes, California

Mother should write if the 100 [guilders], that finally came at the beginning of Jan., has arrived and also about the 100 in February.

Tell IJtje she'll get her share but for a while it's mother's turn. Anyway, I've just worked here for one year and can't dig it up from the earth.

Hegines 12 Jun 1929

Zus Lies!

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