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Valentine Makers

225 West 52 St  
New York 19, N.Y.

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Dear Cousin Hank:

What a surprise we had on May 23 - three letters from Holland, one from your mother and two first flight Amsterdam-New York from you. The distance from Holland is fast becoming shorter!

Another great surprise - on May 29 we received the lovely Hefst tile - mailed in New York. Another mystery! I didn't expect this for about three months, neither did I expect such a beautiful thing. Thanks so much my husband, Ted, and I both treasure it - mostly for your thoughtfulness in doing such a thing!

On May 6 I received your letter of April 28, saying a letter you wrote me at 57 St had been returned, and how did I know your address. Well, I eventually received the letters you wrote my father and decided to write you and send some American packages. I got the first package off but didn't get a letter written with it. No wonder you were surprised!

During the war a letter came from Mr. W. Krenkriet of Davos-Platz, dated December 6, 1942, telling father you asked him to write that your family was alright. My brother let me know that he had a letter from you also.

I think I wrote that my father died in 1941. It was November 11, 1942. Father's younger sister Nellie Morley and brother Charles have also passed away. I will try to get the dates for you if you want them. Only one brother is living - Uncle John - and I haven't heard anything about him for sometime. I guess the rest of the family



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is about the same. My brother has only the two girls - Janet now 16 and Nancy now 12.

I believe my brother has all my father's papers and letters. This summer I will go over them with him and if there is anything you may be interested in the family tree, we will send it on.

You should be getting the things we sent on May 4 soon. Please let us know if the packages arrive in good condition. We couldn't get a large box - so sent two smaller ones. I'll list what is packed so you will know if things come thru all right.

#1

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#2

Mtrangen 9-7-46

- 1 Bouillon cubes -
- 1 Choc. Syrup -
- 1 Instant Coffee -
- 1 Sardines -
- 1 Nutmeg - Mustard -
- 4 Soap -
- 3 meat spreads -
- 1 Talcum powder -
- needle + thread -

- 1 Tea
- 2 Rice
- 1 Instant Coffee
- 1 Noodle Soup
- 1 Tooth powder
- 3 Meat Spreads
- 2 Chocolate
- Thread

I am returning the first flight envelopes for your collection. If we come across any unusual stamps we will send them to you.

We do not seem to find any recent pictures, but enclose a couple five or six years old. You will have some idea of how we look.

I saw a small picture of your family once. If you have one to spare we would appreciate receiving one. <sup>HANK</sup> (Note Pictures will be sent regular mail. Ted)

I will write your mother very soon. Best regards to you all.

Sincerely your cousin  
Ethel Velder Madra.