

December 1961

Dear Ellie:

In writing this to wish you
Ebba and they of your children that
may still have me in kind remem-
berance a most pleasing Xmas
I may (although not yet arrived)
also thank ^{you} for book you been kind
enough to send me. Gather from
you writing it may well be some
kind of reference book. Finding
that reading is one of very few things
left me shall I take great interest
and enjoyment in whatever may
be its content. Therefor again thank
My mood right now allows
me to wonder how much is
your prevarication when you
say fat and lazy. Will not so

much put up the question on laziness but thinking of you as fat would almost make me feel it worth while a trip to see.

Glad you consider Martha's companionship in your thought of next Florida trip. Little changes in whereabouts, I really believe, is good for her too. And so the advantages the trip has in your own behalf as your economy will be in position to prosper if allowing yourself in using up some of your mentioned fat. Also ~~the~~ take the ^{lures} ~~lures~~ along to possibly provide a little bit of fish for breakfast. In another year or 2 they might grow up some fishes in the North. Anyway keep the belt loose enough to remain in good spirits.

Should opportunity arrive,

which is rather unlikely, shall I
 make an attempt to find and say
 "Hello" to your friend Birger Holm.
 I am still at same weight as in
 Chicago so I can clear a good meal

In reference to weather has it
 been rather miserable here too,
 one may say, all the latter part of
 this year. Reasons, unknown!

Am not in the power to recall
 what information as to myself
 or other things in general I have
 previously doled out to you so
 will let go at this time with
 saying that all is well but I
 often do feel very lonesome.

With an armful of greetings
 to you all

Yours friend
 Eric

Signe also wishes you all well.
 + A Merry Christmas

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