

BORIS HAGELIN

Zug, Dec. 26, 1955.

Mr. William F. Friedman,
310 Second street, SE.
Washington 3 DC.

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your long and kind letter of Dec. 20! with your kind X-mas wishes, as well as your good wishes for the New Year! I have now an outline of our schedule made out, so I can give you the following information ~~now~~:

We expect to go straight to Washington from New York, after the boat has docked. This is expected to take place in the morning of Jan 25, but of course, if the weather slows up the boat, then it could be even one day later. I will "wireless" Art about the time of arrival in Washington.

We expect to stay in Washington from 5 to 8 days, depending on what plans Ingrid and Margareta have for us, our intention being to go to Birmingham Mich from Washington, and to stay some time there.

We expect to visit relatives and friends in different parts of the country, mostly east, and then before we sail from New York on the 6th of March, we expect to return to Washington for a day or so to say good-bye. Of course there is no timetable made out, but in any case, our first stop will be in Washington.

We now come to the question of where to stay while in Washington, and I do hope that you shall understand me, Bill, when I say that we appreciated immensely your invitation, but we feel that we should not avail ourselves of it, at least not on our first arrival in Washington. On one hand, we feel that it would not be the right thing, knowing that Elizabeth has had a very hard time most of this year, and knowing also how difficult it is to get help. On the other hand, we think that we should keep as close as possible to Ingrid, where we expect to spend most of our time while in Washington, so we have asked her to try to get a suitable hotel accommodation in their neighborhood.

You know very well Bill that we do not pine for comforts like those offered by the de-luxe hotels, but rather we prefer homelike quarters, and hadnt it been for Ingrid and her family, and had our stay been shorter, then we would not have hesitated to descend upon you!

With regard to Bos plans, these I would like to talk about with you when we meet in a month's time. I would not like to talk about business matters at all in this little letter, except that I would ask you, if there is any special information you would like me to bring with me.

Annie and I now wish you and Elizabeth all that is good for the coming New Year, good health for you both, above all!

With love and affectionate wishes to you both, from Annie
and your old friend

PS: Bo's furth child arrived on the 19th,
a very sturdy boy, so you will understand
that we are all very happy about this!