

Hello Ina,

Jan. 5, 1928.

Well, were having the first real storm of ^{the} year now. I suppose your snowed in ~~now~~ after this storm ^{yet}. It has not been below zero unless the weather is colder now than the other morning. Thanks very much for the ~~fruit~~ ^{fruit} ~~cake~~ ^{cake} and other things.

Have you or any one else in the family asked the doctor here, any thing about my condition. I suppose the doctor would say I got about a half a lung left. Hey! That Italian called Carlo in the bed across

from me got put on a diet
of crackers and milk. I
dont think he will get cracker
and milk very many day they'll
change to soup. I bet your
glad Pauline is at Anna's
house. Theres only one kid
here now, a nine yr. old indian
boy from the orphanage at
Assinnins. Four of the men
downstairs got their exrays
taken today. The fireman is
sick and stays in bed. Mr.
Lamotte got a boy from Lake
Linden to do the chores.
And the other boy got a heart
attack New Years and is in
bed now. These two that are
sick are Mrs. Lamottes sons.
The cook is in bed with a
bad cold too.

Theres quite a draft in
here a big bell thats been up
since Christmas is swinging
like a clock pendulum.

I bet Raymond has to
fire up quite a bit since the
school room will be colder.
Do Kathryn and Harry go
to school when its stormy.

Im going to write a letter
to Kathryn and Ray soon.
I read in the paper about
that Hakkinen raising dick-
ens in the hospital with
Powel. I just ate the last
peice of fruit cake you sent
me and it was not dry it was
good. Theres something I was
going to ask ~~for~~ for so I
could make sandwiches.

Grind up some smoke sausage and sweet pickles.

So we can have them kind of sandwiches like at most outdoor parties. And send a party too if you can. Huh!
I got lots of stuff for Xmas.

2 fountain pens } Can't
1 ever sharp pencil } think of
4 other pencils } anything
An ingersoll watch } more to
snapshot book } write so
handkerchief } will have to
stationery, book mark } stop tell next
pencil sharpener } time
Some puzzles } If you can
3 games } get an undershirt
India, and wriggle me } without the pants
a large box } from the Alston
full of toilet } store. Buy one for
articles } send the money.
San. } Tell Martha about
it.