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Dear Cousin Hermann,

It was with great pleasure that I received your letter of March 4, 1977, that you sent to my cousin George Thiessen in Lewiston, Idaho. Quite by coincidence, I have been trying to put together a family album for my family, the Thiessens, and for my husbands family, the Jacob Harders, all from Germany.

I have planned each Family Album to be in three parts: the first part to be an outline showing all members, their birthdates, date of death, marriages, and children; the second part is to be stories of their lives (some long, some shorter) and the third part, will be pictures of as many as we can find, of people, homes, anything of interest. I'm sending you samples of each. As you can tell from these first work papers, that there are many pieces of information to be still filled in. I am working on that now, but thought I would send you copies of what I have.

It sounds to me that you have done a very outstanding job of tracing the Thiessen relatives. When I get the Thiessen album completed I will be happy to send you as many copies as you wish. I also would be most interested in what you have compiled. I have a translator close by. Now, Hermann, tell me something about yourself, and family. How are we related? In what part of Germany is Burgdorf? I'll inclose a family photo of us, and would like some of you. I hope the inclosed information will fill in some of your empty spots.

I will be looking forward to hearing from you,

Most sincerely yours
Alana Thiessen Harder