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Deering, Alaska, March, 3rd. 1916

Mr. W.C. Shields,
Supt.

SUBJECT, _____

My Dear Mr. Shields:

The exodus has come, and to day saw 25 people leave for the new village, some to return for their things and some to remain at Neorvik.

Every body has a tingling in their feet and I can do very little in the school any more so will close this week and get the village to gather up all the scattered articles about the country.

I have had a talk with both Wentworth and Henry Coffin about the sled of Simen's. They have very little to say only they think it is weak in that it requires to much timber to stand the loads. Oh they said it was pretty good for a native to build.

They said Simen seemed a little "cocky" about it any way.

We thank you so much for the general information about Neorvik and its possible future. Here, every thing is swinging around all right. I dont think there will be a single family ^{left} here to tell the tale after we get away.

You certainly fixed things proper when you were here.

Oh, I do hope we may have sufficient funds to make things look good at Neorvik. We have finished the plans and specifications for the school house and Teachers Quarters, and modestly asked for a separate 5 roomed bungalow for ourselves. We hope you may feel to urge that a little and have them send us any style of plans they may choose.

Every thing went out on this mail. A copy to the office in Nome.

Mickie arrived home the 28th and is off to Neorvik.

If passing that way I hope you may stop and see the boys.

Hoping that you have had a good trip and not suffered, I am sincerely

Chas Reple COPY

Read at
March 9/15
Ans

am sending the book under parson
certainly interesting and stuck's opinion of Gov. officials
is improving a little. He is an entertaining writer
and does not lack for thrills, nor imagination to
create them from common place incidents.

I should like to see him sometime.

am enclosing sale bills for signature
Stanley was considerably shaken by the announcement
that this particular locality could not be his own.

The more is more and more popular and
I hope to keep it so.

Mrs. Replege, having informed you that my
choice of books was the Van Revel's may lead to
some wrong conclusions. It is not now but never
been to my mind a choice book but she was
not aware of her mistake.

However it is a tale one can rest up on
and I hope you may have found it such.
I would be glad if when you reach Leander
you would drop me a few lines and let me
know the probable gov. appointees for next winter
in this region as I am vitally interested
and need to study materials so I may dovetail
into the Robuk River country without friction.

Of course, official information is not expected.

How often we think of you on your long journey
and in our devotions often ask Him to help
and keep you and give you wisdom in the
knotty problems of your service.

Faithfully yours,

Chas. Replege.

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