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**ALBERGO REX****ROMA**

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Roma, 19. March 1949

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Dear Mrs. Jordan,

Thank you very much for your kind letter with the clipping & the charming picture. Yes, it is indeed good news about father & I hope it will help to quicken up his final release, it is such a long time now!

He too has written to me about it & nearly every news paper here in Italy has reported the fact.

Well, for once I have come out of my castle & it's solitude & have come to Rome with Boris. It is quite nice for a change, especially as there are plenty of old friends & I like them to see Walter, but I am already starting to get homesick. When one is not accustomed to city life it is so terribly tiring & in the end I find it more boring than complete isolation - & then the trouble is that none of my friends are yet married, so our problems & outlook on life have grown completely different & we don't find many topics for conversation.

But there are plenty of things to see, I enjoy taking Walter to the Zoo, to the Forum & the catacombs, to St. Peter's & the Colosseum, of course he is still too small to understand, but I think

it will amuse him when he is older - the same way as I liked to tell ~~to~~ my friends at school that when I was 3 years old I went on top of the tower in Venice, although I can't remember anything about it.

When the weather is fine we usually go to the Borghese gardens - it is absolutely lovely there, & children everywhere there are ponies for them to ride on, or small carriages & bicycles or small automobiles for hire - very cheap too, which is quite astonishing because everything else has simply exorbitant prices.

My mother too has come to Rome, but she stayed only for three days as she has her work in Siena, but she was very pleased to see Walter - well, ~~in~~ three weeks he will be already two, & we'll have to think now about cutting some of his curls - but I probably won't although everybody takes him for a girl.

Little Lucia does look cute near the snow queen, I think we ought to call Snow Princess in her white costume, is it fur? She seems very big to me, the picture being taken in January she was only a year old, I hope to present Walter to her some day.

I must stop now, please tell Barbara I will write to her soon, her long letter gave me great pleasure.

Boris sends his regards & Walter many kisses -

With love

Mary.