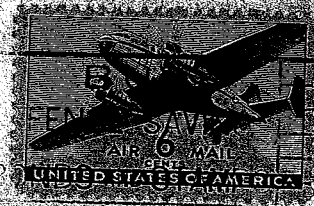


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Air Mail



Mr. Winfield L. Cannon  
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Sunday Aug. 16.

Dearest Winfield:

It is to be hoped I can give you the information you asked for, but it will not be the positive records you need - I never remember having <sup>had</sup> a birth certificate and in those days I had never heard of a baby book. I do remember your father had to go down to some court house to have you registered, but what sort of a paper he received from them neither he nor I remember. Secondly - We do not believe in infant baptism, so that was never done. <sup>3rd</sup> I am pretty sure Father did keep his diary at that time but since we moved those diaries are stored in that old desk and secretary down in the Keiper Warehouse. I have tried once to get in there for some papers and it is an

hard job as they must move everything out to get to the one piece of furniture we needed.

4th You were born at home, with out the Dr. being present, he having visited me that Sunday nite at 8:30 Aug 30th but stated his services would not be needed for some hours, consequently I had my baby all by myself except for the help your father gave. The Dr. did arrive around 2:30am Aug 31. when you had been born a half hour before. I hope all the Dutch Drs. are not as dumb as he was. The nurse was in another city and did not come until the next morning. If you need a statement from C. S. Hyde who was then mission secretary, (and he was routed out of his bed to go for the Dr.) I'm sure he will be willing to add

3.

his testimony as to your birth Aug. 31. 1908  
Your 5<sup>th</sup> question - Yes - we were living  
in the old farm house Apr. 15 - 1910 the  
number as I recall it being 1350 So. 8<sup>th</sup> St.

I mailed a package to you yesterday the  
contents I'm not sure will help you any -  
but I trust you could look them over.  
The dutch servant girl we had at that  
time is here in the city and she too  
could testify as to your birth.

We may have to gain entrance to the  
warehouse when Jim comes home so  
if at that time you still want us  
to look for the diary we can do so.

The above may not be of much use  
but I do know I borned you and  
I do know you were born in wedlock  
and you are not a Dutchman -

Let me know if I can send you any

other material that will help.

I am so sorry Manda had such an awful experience on her way home.

I'm sure she must have been worn out after all those hours of travel and wait.

We are well and hope you all are in perfect health. We received a wire from Jim Thurs. A.M. saying he will be coming home as soon as he can obtain passage. Of course that is very vague. Write again soon.

We give in love to you + yours.

P.S. In my hurry Devotedly yours.

to give you the information you asked for I have neglected to state when we

arrived home. That too is not clear in my mind - but we spent June 10<sup>th</sup> father's birth day in L...

mom

2 weeks I presume to reach here  
I may be able to find out just the exact  
date later - Sorry - I remember the 4th  
of July was not very far away after our  
arrival.

after all these hours of travel and work  
we are well and hope you are  
in perfect health. We received a note  
from Jim 9 hrs. 2-11. Hoping to write  
to coming home on soon as we can  
obtain passage. Of course this is  
very vague. We will again soon  
write you in love to you & yours.

Yours affectionately  
P.S. for my business  
to give you the information  
you asked for I have  
refused to state where we  
arrived home. That too is not clear  
in our mind - but we spent five to six  
months in the

Yours affectionately

Salt Lake City.

Aug. 16 - 1942

To whom it may concern.

Winfield L. Cannon was born August 31st. 1908 in Rotterdam, Holland. He ~~do not~~ remember of ever having had a birth certificate issued us. Mr. Cannon Sr. reported the birth at the court house at the time.

2nd- He do not believe in baptism of infants in our Church- for that reason he was never baptized until he reached 8 years of age.

3rd- He kept no family record such as a family Bible or baby book- However his father did keep a diary off and on. The whereabouts of said diary may be obtained at some expense and trouble if necessary.

4th- Child was born at home.

5<sup>th</sup> Living at 1350 So. 8<sup>th</sup> West, S. R. City,  
April 15<sup>th</sup> 1910.

6<sup>th</sup> Arrived home sometime latter part  
of June 1909.

Signed by  
Mother - Minnie D. Cannon  
Father - Sylvester D. Cannon