

December 16, 1963.

Rev. Clement A. Hageman,
Box 6,
Hurricane, Utah.

Dear Rev. Father:-

Your letter of the 10th has been received, I wish to thank you very much for telling me where you are. I do hope and pray that your stay there with your friends and taking the baths will help you very much and be very beneficial to your health.

I regret very much and hesitated before taking the action that I did. But there seemed no other step for me to take under the circumstances. I did not do this out of resentment but for your own good. You had given me so many promises that you would do better and control yourself but you ~~still~~ failed to keep any of these promises. I thought that the last one you made to me in my office, that you would come to see me every month to report you would keep. But even this promise you did not keep, although you knew that this was your last chance.

I do pray and wish you every good fortune for your future. I do not want to raise any hopes for you, but, if sometime in the future you can assure me, with proof and with testimony of others who are reliable, that you are completely cured and well I may give you another chance. In what capacity I do not know. Remember I am only saying PERHAPS. This might encourage you to make every effort to do all you can to help you overcome your difficulty, May the good Lord help and strengthen you in this resolve.

I pray the Christ Child to grant you every grace and blessing for Christmas and also a Very Happy Year, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Gallup.