Fedor, Tegas.

Den 5ten April, 1936.

Bertes Bolleblatt!

Co will ich boch mal wieber verfuden, um einige Sellen für bab fo gern gelefene Rolleblatt einzusenben. gern gelefene gorveit ber Rorref. pondengen wenige, und man lieft fie doch immer gern. Go wie herrn Pa-fter Birlmann feine langen Berichte find immer febr intereffant jum lefen. Das erwecht einem die Erinnerung

an die früheren Beiten.
Ich erinnere und noch gar wohl an bein Abend feiner lleberrafdung gum 25jährigen Jubilaum, wie er in fei nem letten Berichte fcreibt. Rach war er wohl immer noch 16 Jahr ge-

rabe fler in Jehor.
Og wie nur die Jeit vergebt.
Obs ift fest bier febr froden, und in guier Regen ware bon einen 3e en febr gewinfcht. Daben faft jeden Cog immer febr ftarfen Bind, Log fommt er bon Suben, ben no ien Tog von Rorden, Die gange Luft iff mandanal fo boll Staub und Sand daß man faum die Augen offen bebalten fann. Datten lette Bode fogar einen recht falten "fpell", fo bag es Froft gab. Und ift jum Teil meh reres im Garten, fowie auch Corn an-gefroren. Im Garten fieht es noch febr folecht aus, denn es ift m troden, Gin jeber muß fo viel Baffer gießen, aber jum Bachfen nutt et leiber febr wenig et ift mur fo piel daß man es erhalt. Beute ift wieder ein frijder Rorber angefommen, fo gift et vielleicht not, wieber Froft. Soffentlich foldt ber liebe Gott uns bald einen guten Regen, wollen ba-

Geftern als am Camftagmorgen en 4. April, flare Frau Gruft Morbe nd wurde heute Rachmittag beerdigt. le war icon langere Jahre leibend, bitt fie am Berg. Ele mat nur pas liber eine Boche fest im Bett fle ftarb.

Sie ftarb gerade an ihrem 63 jab en Socheitstag. Ele war eine nte alte Butter gu theen Rinand Gatten, welche fie wehl nicht de vergetien werben.

le war nabezu 73 Jahre alt. Br Pafter Michael bielt ben Trann eine recht tröftliche Leichente-tronnennen aus Evangelium 36 14, 1-6. Es wurde das Ried gin gefringen. Auch wurde gleich bem bas Gebachine Lieb Ro. 122 gen. Es wurden duch tore poel metter entfernten Rinber, Berr Leb-rer Saul Mothe, und Lochter Gulbe, M Ofward Melbe an the Aranten it gernfen, welche auch am Mittund Donnerflag fier angefang.

er Merbe war auch bie Edwie er unferer Zochter Laura, Es m viele ihrer Bertanbien und muten von wolf und breit jut

Acthiquing gefommen.
So milge fie natu fahft und ftille im Philes Shoh der Efde ruben.

e Cochgeit gefeiert, bei Berrn und Frau Berm, Jaffan , Ihre Tochter Bel. Cophie Jahlan und herr. John nie Berche werben ben Bund fürs Do ben folleien. Berben ihr heim in Rerington baben,

So will id für heute jum Schlus fommen, fouft modbe mein Schreiben ju lang werben. Gruf an ble Bollsblattlefer, Gres C. Melbe.

Fedor, Texas

April 5, 1936

Esteemed Volksblatt!

I want to try again to send in a few lines to the much read Volksblatt. There are very few correspondents at this time, but one loves to read these. Pastor Birkmann's long reports are always very interesting to read. They awake in one memories of the earlier times. I still remember well the evening of his surprise for his 25th anniversary celebration, as he wrote about it in his last report. After that, he was still here in Fedor for 16 years.

As time goes on, it is still very dry here, and everyone wishes for a good rain. Every day, we are having very strong winds, one day it comes from the south, the next day from the north. All of the air is sometimes so full of dust and sand that you can hardly keep your eyes open. Last week, we had a very cold spell, so that there was a frost. The garden still has to be watered so much, it does little to help the growth, but it is enough to keep things alive. Today, a fresh norther has come in, so we might have frost again. Hopefully, the dear Lord will send us a good rain, for which we are all praying.

Yesterday, Saturday morning April 1, Mrs. Ernst Moerbe died, and was buried this afternoon. She had been sick for a long time suffering with heart trouble. She was in bed for only a week before she died. She died right on her 53rd wedding anniversary. She was a very good old mother to her children and to her husband, who will never forget her. She was close to 73 years old. Pastor Michalk had a very comforting funeral sermon for the bereaved taken from the Gospel of John 14, 1-6. The hymn No. 438 was sung, and right after that the memorial hymn, No. 122 was sung. Her two distant children, Teacher Paul Moerbe and daughter Hulda, wife of Oswald Melde, were notified of her sickness, and arrived here on Wednesday and Thursday. Teacher Moerbe was also the school teacher of our daughter Laura. Many friends and relatives from far and near came to the funeral. So may she now rest quietly and peacefully in the cold bosom of the earth.

Next Sunday, a wedding will be celebrated here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jatzlau. Their daughter, Miss Sophie Jatzlau and Mr. Johann Lerche will be united in the bonds of marriage. They will make their home in Lexington.

So I will come to a close for today, otherwise my writing might get too long. Greetings to the readers of the *Volksblatt*.

Mrs. C. Melde

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