

664 A. Dub Egan Rd.
Monday, Mar. 3rd.

Dear Donald,

First of all, we all send our love & very best wishes for today. A bit late, but they are coming by you in the air, as well!

We thoroughly enjoyed your newsy letter, with the description of your holiday doing. You certainly made the most of your time, & managed to see some interesting spots. Now you will be setting down to some quiet, we picture you among the crowd welcoming the Queen Mother. Canberra is a nice setting for that sort of thing. Sydney seems to have expelled itself in rude behaviour or else our N.Y. papers were very behind - which they are apt to be where the Aussies are concerned. I hope you will be able to make contact with the Adelaide relations when you can do so. Aw sure they are very nice people & are most anxious to meet you. One of

them. Kathleen - (Andrew's sister.)
spent a day with us 8 or 9 months ago
when she was on her way to America.
We liked her immensely, such a
bright, happy woman, with a keen
sense of humour. All cure you
would like her. She is a widow of
about 60. with a turned up nose. Oh
shall we say, rehouse her?
We didn't see anything of Sam on
his way to the Capital City. All the
roads are clear of floods except the
Great South Rd. between Rangoon &
Kunming. & a bit between Te Kuiti &
Tauranga. The latter bit went
under water when the Desert Rd. opened
again yesterday. It was a terrific flood,
but could have been far far worse, if
Dupo had been full, instead of nearly
empty when it started.
What do you think of Teddy Jones
as High Commissioner for W. to
Australia. I suppose the Govt. will
dig up a couple more old dead-beats
for W. Fr. & Canada. Even if the National
Party had gone back, they would have

had hoped new men for these posts
as they were all retiring anyway,
but they could have done better
than that - at least one hopes so.
Since the flood, we have had the
most glorious spell of weather
without such intense heat as we
had before it.

We expect to go North at the end
of next week - the start of
Elizabeth's Annual holiday - rather
in her holiday she plans to fly to
Quebec for 10 days or so. quite
agreed that in the New Viscounts.
Again wishing you all the best
for your birth day. Hoping that
all is going very well for you.

Over yours

Uncle Jimmy