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I wish you all a happy Ligo Festival!

We received your letter sometime ago, but I have not been able to answer until now; I had examinations.

Well, Tamara, it is quite definite now that your mother and my mother will come here at the beginning of August. All documents have been obtained. Now they are only waiting for favorable navigation conditions.

My aunt and myself are waiting for them impatiently and have prepared everything so they would be happy and comfortable with us. At the moment the only difficulty is with living space in Auce. While my aunt is living by herself, she can manage with a kitchen and two rooms, but now it will be too crowded. However, in time we shall arrange everything.

All this time I have been having examinations. I had to ^{defer} ~~cancel~~ a project and take five exams. I was able to pass them. Everything was successful.

Next year I shall graduate from the faculty and shall begin to work. My field of work will be at machine-tractor stations as a chief engineer or as an engineer in repair shops. I have specialized in the repair and operation of automobiles and tractors. My future work interests me and therefore I study willingly.

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After the examinations are over, that is in the next few days, I shall go into practical training at the Auce Machine-Tractor Station. This came out very well this year that I shall be in Auce, since I will be at home when our relatives arrive.

In my spare time I am interested in sports. I am not a very talented sportsman, but I have acquired good physical training through sports. In secondary schools that was all I cared about.

After returning to Riga, I played basket-ball for three years in my academy team but now I only play once in a while. There was no chance of advancing, since I am not tall enough for basket-ball (174 centimeters). At the same time I am interested in boxing. Last year I trained quite intensively.

I ^{would} ~~was~~ very much like you to write in detail about the sports activities and results of Juris and Maris. Also about sports activities in general in your country. Please send me some photographs from the contests.

Vilmina wrote to us recently. My ^{aunt} sent her an answer. We were very glad to receive her letter. Now we are again in contact with all our family members. We know that they all live well, and here in our country we shall all be together too.

I send you my photograph so you can get an idea what I look like now. I am sorry I can't send you my aunt's photograph, but we don't have one of her taken recently. As soon as I go home, I shall take one of her and send it to you.

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Many greetings to all of your family from us.

We shall wait for your letters. Greetings from Armins.

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