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Letter from Governor Langer to Dr. W. W. Alexander, Administrator of the Resettlement Administration, 1937

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Resettlement

February 15, 1937

Dr. W. W. Alexander
Administrator
Resettlement Administration
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Alexander:

I am in receipt of your telegram and want you to know that the people of North Dakota very much appreciate your fine considerate attitude in meeting individual cases of need, and in the fact you state your grants will be just as liberal as you can possibly make them within your present budget.

You will also be interested and happy to learn that the weather has moderated considerably here. I am particularly anxious to keep you advised as to the exact situation out here.

We don't want a dollar we can get along without, but on the other hand, we want to prevent any possible suffering. The feed situation right now is almost as bad as the human relief. A friend of mine lost 144 sheep near Linton, in Emmons County, the other day. In Sioux County, a fellow's cattle starved. Some of these outfits, especially the bankers, are not protecting their interests properly and there is absolutely nothing I know of we can do about that, in view of the ruling.

I am referring all the specific cases to the State Welfare Board and the State Resettlement Administration so far, with good results. Glad we are going to get the additional \$300,000.00 here.

Assuring you of my co-operation, and with kind regards,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

WL:Mc

Governor.