

Rejected

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4801 Victor
Dallas, Texas

Commission Exhibit No. 4

My Dear Rev. Harold,

I have just received your letter and it is apparent to me that there is a misunderstanding somewhere. My reason for wishing to have the children return are due to the fact that when I marry I shall have to travel with my husband to such places as he may have to work. We are not able to establish a home now for the children because Mr. Ekdahl's work takes him from city to city. We were only in Dallas a few months when he was transferred to New York then to Denver, now Fort Worth. We expect shortly to be transferred to New York but then expects to be sent out again to some other locality for a few months. Under the circumstances it is impossible for us to take the children traveling, looking at hotels and attempting to arrange for their schooling. For these reasons I think you will understand better why I wish to have the boys return to the home. They are more than willing to go since it was their home for the past few years. I would rather they stay there than in some strange boarding school. I would ask you if you will please present these

circumstances to the Board of Directors upon
and prevail upon them to reconsider their
decision so that the boys may have a
permanent place of a home and give chance
to moving them from school to school

Yours Truly
Mrs. Margaret D. Smith