

Columbus, Mont.

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Dearest Erlene,

It is Saturday in Montana & I will take a few minutes to drop you a short line from this fair City of Columbus. Lots has taken place these past few days. Letters of the Agents on the shelf to be answered for the simple reason that I haven't taken time out to do the job. This past week we got in on 8 Cottage meetings which is an all high week for this project.

I heard from Wallin a few days ago. He has been D.P. for some time and seems to be doing lots of good work in Pa. where he is. He has him a '37 Auto that he uses in his work and figures on driving it to Utah in a few months. He says that Dot. is still another of the one out of every 10 that stays true.

This evening we have a dinner date at 6:00 P.M. Venesin and the trimmings. The folks in this City are plenty good to us, to feed us it seems but still we don't get quite so many meals out as we did while up in Roundup a year ago, but I believe I enjoy what we get now just as much as I used to because this fellow has eaten at the Cafe a bit and ate that which has been cooked on a one hole hot plate (Electric) -

Companion & I have been reading the Book of Mormon together and are over nearly to the way through. Last night after we came in from visiting a fine family we took to reading for a spell when (Lottie Monk) - a girl - dropped in to give us her tythes to send in with our reports. There are no Bishops in this area and we are the only ~~representatives~~ representatives in this area so we receive the tythings of the folks and send it to the office then the D.P. mails out the receipts to us. In so much as we were reading on page 221 we gave her a book & we three read for an

hour together - Each of us reading one page - You know the more I read & study and teach the more sure I am that I am a Missionary for The Church -

And how my soul is filled with joy for the wonderful experiences that we are blessed with. It would be grand if a fellow could be a missionary all his days but there are other affairs that need tending unto; never the less there will be opportunities in every section a fellow might labor to teach the Gospel through precept and example.

While we were in Nye last weekend we road on old bony horse bare back for a ~~few~~ ^{while} ~~days~~ we tried to get the other horses in. In the meantime my riding device or setting quarters became sore - An open sore right at the end of my spinal column. After spending a miserable week of setting I am able to sit with comfort again.

As I told you before we can hear the nickel-odion in the Cafe just below us. They had ~~the~~ "purple hills of Idaho" on a record and they played it enough to wear it out. There has been 2 or 3 weeks when it wasn't on and now it is back again, and does it ever sound good.

Well the time rolls by quiet rapidly so will sign off for now with lots of love to you. I might say that I sent in my 94th weekly report this week so you can see that in 10 weeks I'll have again. • Nine letters after this at one per week.

All my love comes to you renewed,

Edmund -

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