

Columbus, Mont.

Box 566

9 Jan 1943.

Dear Erlene,

Saturday once more so I will take time out to drop you a few lines in answer to all the fine letters I have received since I wrote you the last time. When I get to thinking I have a letter in my little note book that I have carried around for nearly a week.

We have been very lazy this past week. for some reason we just haven't been doing much missionary work. In fact it's been 3 or 4 weeks since we have done missionary work like we should have done.

I still don't know how long it will be before I receive my traveling papers but this day ends 103 weeks so it will be some time yet before my time is up. & one still never knows whether they will be a little early or late or right on time.

Don't worry about coming back to Montana. Another day in this place at the rate it has been this past week will be too many for me, but so long as the Mission President & District Pres. assigns me to labor here I will at least put in my time whether I do any work or not. When ever ~~my~~ that letter arrives it will be just right. I will be so happy that I will toss my hat

in the air & exclaim Happy Day.

There is nothing wrong with the place It is just as good as it has ever been but I suppose I am just getting into a rut & the only difference ^{between} ~~in~~ a rut & a grave is the length.

Thanks for the \$10⁰⁰ that arrived two days ago. The money came in handy. I don't know for sure but I believe that all the money one donates to a Missionary system is deductible from the amount ~~over~~ over the maximum for a single person. Therefore the \$157⁰⁰ you sent me could have been deducted from the \$200⁰⁰ over the quota. I was reading in one of these tax books which listed the deductions & the book listed donations to Church & Missionary societies. If

it isn't too late that short Paragraph
may help to bring your taxes down
to practically nothing.

Trust me to think of ways to
keep ~~from~~ someone from overpaying
when possible. That is why I ~~do~~
would never be a real estate man
or agent.

Well sweetheart, I will sign off
for now with lots of love to you
& you alone.

Lovingly yours,
L Grand.

Smile!

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