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Dear Folks

Thank you for your letters. I really feel good when I get a letter, especially one from home.

I am glad that the kids are maturing more every day. I am just sorry I can't be there to see them do it.

Thank you for ~~for~~ sending the money. I was wondering what I was going to do. I will be sure and spend it wisely.

I am glad Tommy is enjoying his Church activities. They will mean a lot to them later in life.

Here everything is about the same. The Olds leave every week and new ones come in. It doesn't seem possible that I have been here 7 weeks - one third of my time, but I have.

The Spirit seems to increase more every day, hour, and second. I feel closer to God more every day.

I am learning to think more in Spanish everyday. I can pray & hear my testimony almost completely in Spanish now when only a week ago I couldn't do any-  
thing

but the basic parts of the prayer in Spanish.

We have covered over 200 pages now in the book and start on the gloss in a week or a half. I am keeping up my grades even though I feel I am not learning all I should. I have a 3.22 average for the four weeks in the pants turn into the V. and have raised my pronunciation from a D- to a C- which is pretty good. It is based on how native you sound.

As I told you when I was in Denver I found what my true feelings were for Sheryl. And she found hers. Since then we have written each other once a week and I sent her a book for her birthday. Last weekend her family visited her sister who lives in Salt Lake. Saturday Sheryl came down to try to see them, but they missed connections. Anyway it real felt to know we could contact ourselves enough to be in the same town and not try to see each other.

I hope that during the next two years we can keep up the love and spirit that we have.

At Thanksgiving we have been told we will stay here in the dorm. I feel a little sorry but then I guess it is best to keep away from ~~an~~ other type of life as much as we can.

They are preparing a big banquet  
for us so we wouldn't miss out on the food.

Well I better get back to my  
studies

Love Mary

P.S. The letters both got here  
the same day.