

7/12/5

Dear Folks

Happy Birthday Dad one day later.
As usual we have been quite busy and I haven't
taken time to sit down and write.

The work is going great only we can't seem
to find any investigators who really want to
know the truth even to the point of attending
and taking part.

Distant Conference is this coming Saturday
and Sunday and I hope everything is planned out
here in Olavaria and I haven't forgotten
something. Also I mentioned that we are changing
buildings and we want to do it in time for
Conference so we have a few more hours
clearing the floors covering, etc. Also changing
light fixtures from this building to the other.

The custom here in Argentina is that
the renter buys everything and takes it with
him when he leaves.

The weather here has cool off the last couple
of days but before it was almost unbearable
to walk out on the street. I have a good

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missionary ton on my neck and hands.

Now is the end of the year and so I am learning some of the responsibilities of being a ~~pro~~ church president or Bishop with branch budget, taking settlements, making out orders for manuals for next year. It is really something to try to figure how much budget each member should pay.

On the proselyting, we have given about 20 1st lessons and 6 or 7 2nd lessons in the last month but nobody has shown enough interest to make it to the baptismal font. The members are really trying to make their friends out but are having trouble there also.

I really feel that the Devil feels he has this town in his pocket. I sure hope we find the key to blow it open before we (companion and I) get separated or I go home.

The Lord is being good to us but is leaving it up to us to break the shell of the town.

I just tore my old green suit
through the pants so even though it
was completely shot so far as form and
looks go, I am sorry to see it go since
that leaves me two. On the other clothes
I am in real good condition. Skirts
and slacks I will bring home with me
even.

Well I better get to bed so I
will close now.

Write soon and love always
Lay.

P.S.

I have sent 5 packages of
books, papers, etc. to look for them
in about a month.

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