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Dear Tracy & Ida Rose,

There are very few times when I am completely surprised, but when I opened your beautiful gift I was very surprised & extremely pleased. It is absolutely gorgeous. If this is an example of the handwork of the people, & I can assume it is, I am greatly impressed with the people of Zimbabwe. Thank you so very much. I shall treasure it always. It is fun to receive something for no special occasion.

I have finished typing the Ward history & I will let you know what is to be done in the way of publishing it. Each ward was to type up a history the way they wanted & then the State would edit. I turned in 128 typed pages & then I have another 10 or so pages of pictures. I received a history from Rey Baird, Elwood Peterson, Reese Hansen & yours, Tracy, which covered nearly 20 yrs so it was fun to get learn a few things about this great Ward. I had 18 pages of ward members biographical sketches. As many as I could collect, I added new members, too, so each family with 1 or 2 exceptions are represented in the history. The actual printing will probably be in September (later on) I'll keep you posted.

In the Ward newspaper it says Alan Andrus will be going to Hong Kong apparently

there will be a change. (why?)

Shane & Palmyra are in New Zealand as well as David Hill. Jeff Hartwigsen leaves in about 10 days. Within the next few weeks I'll put together the missionary list for Christmas Cards. (Doesn't seem possible it is so close upon us.)

Keith goes over to help bathe Hy Babcock. Hy seems to be slipping. Cold all the time; sleeping more.

I don't know if you knew Anna May Curtis had a mild mastectomy in June^{or July}, but didn't require therapy and is over in Hawaii for nine months teaching & Carlyle is attending BYU Hawaii. Jeryllyn Jensen is living in Anna May's newly re-decorated basement, with her new husband.

Shauna & Jim Hill expecting a baby in late October or early November & Sharon Hill is due in January. Pat Higbee due in about 1 week. Zion continues to grow -

Shannon & Ray Harrison's baby seems to be doing well. Sue is tiny for 8 months, but size a doll.

There is a young couple from Brazil, Marcel & Cris Ramos with baby Melissa, staying with Elma Boardman helping her out. She goes to therapy 2 times a week & is such a good woman.

Jennifer England was released from her mission due to illness + had several things wrong. Josie de Hoyas fell + broke her foot + is on crutches. Lisa Dana fell + broke her leg in June + just got her cast off in time for school. She still has a limp, but Dr. Chapman says it will go away (He's sure a good doctor + person)!

The weather has been changeable. The fall feeling is in the air. Nights cooling down to 50's; days high 80's. The snow was "officially" off Timp. (Aug 29.) according to the "Daily Herald" snow-guessing contest. We're supposed to have a cold winter. Nothing surprises anymore, but how I love the changes in the mood of the mountains. If you look close you can detect the beginning of frost change. Autumn brings a new look + I just love to see the differences. From my window in our station in Payson I can see mountains + I can see "color" forming!! The only thing I don't like is having the kids + Kitt go back to school. I love having them home. I realize they need to go, but I sure wish time would slow down just a little. I swear there's only 20 hrs in the day + only 4 days in the week!! There's so much to do + my life seems to be going fast. I guess that's normal.

I'm trying to think of the news of the Ward + I haven't ask anything of you mission. Sorry!! So here goes some

Questions: What percentage of your area is black; Do you have to learn an African dialect; What is the town you're in (mountains, plains, hills, etc.?) Is there racial difficulty; Is the Church growing; Is the Missionary effort strong; How many missionaries are there in your town; How do the people earn a living; How is the city governed. Is it the same climate or are there changes of seasons; Are there industries, factories or what? Pick out a few questions & when you get a chance answer them. Are you tracting or member-missionary working. Are you activating or what does your mission consist of doing. As usual I always have a million & one questions.

Once again thank you for the lovely dress. It is a wonderful gift.

We are all well & trying to be happy. We have new neighbors on either side may have told you Washburns, bought Frank Reynolds home & has really fixed it up. & Jerry & Ella rented their home to a family with 6 children under 12 so added to the primary. Their name is Willis (Bob & Carol) & sister Washburns daughter (Vela & David Hawkins, (1 son on mission, 1 daughter at the 'y' (have 6 married) great people. I can't + I'd Bless Love Carolyn + Kaleb