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**ERNEST L. WILKINSON, PRESIDENT**

Dear Children and Grandchildren:

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

You can see how old this letter head is by the President's name. Let's see what's news???

It seems as if all In and Dad have done this month is work. Dad has helped me a lot put up dress racks and new lights in the little house. Last month I think I mentioned that you never know what needs to be done until you go to move into a place, and that hasn't change this month. The red woodwork was all beat up with white "knock" marks, and so I am now in process of repainting the woodwork.

I lowered the ceiling of the bathroom and repapered <sup>the walls</sup> it. (That is, I had the ceiling ~~xxx~~ lowered by Gordon Peterson, Nancy's Bro-in-law.) He collects old stoves and has loaned us one for our little store, and Nancy and I spent last Saturday afternoon stove-blackening it.

Nancy has been a jewel. She is going to paint the sign that Dad is going to put out front. She is also designing it. She and Doug have made a couple of sets of shelves for the house and they are cute. Doug is also going to build us a check-out desk. Nancy and Doug also have designed and built two shelves to go in the front. None of us have moved our stuff in. Nancy has been working so much for me that so far she hasn't had a chance to make any crafts for the house.

Also she made tulip stained glass windows for the kitchen cabinets.

We are going to open the store on the 4th (first Sat) in April, which we realize now is also the first day of general conference. Our big grand opening, however, won't be until the next week.

I still have an empty slot--anyone want to go into business? You will need to spend one day a week at the store.

Mega has quit paying dad his royalties, as per contract, and so he is trying to force their hand. Dirty trick. <sup>on their part</sup>

David's business is underway. Allan Hall is Vice-President and fund raiser, and is doing a good job. The "net-line" is compatible with Novell's equipment, and Ray Noorda has invested in the business. This will help them get money from other companies, David thinks. David said that he would write a letter later tonight, and if he does he will probably tell you all about it.

Sherlene and Dan are going on a trip to Israel together, (the Bishop thinks it will help iron out some wrinkles.) (they are not going as a married couple). I doubt if I would really want to go to Israel at this <sup>present</sup> ~~time~~ in time.

Now the shocker. We have just finished hiring somebody to come and take out the two apple trees. (one behind the house and one behind the greenhouse) We also took out the flowering crab which I will miss in the spring, but rejoice at its absence in the fall.

Love you----- Mom

*(We now have more light in the fam. room)*