

Copy of part of letter to Fr. Locke, of date 2/16/25,  
regarding contract with Alejo.

" I talked with Fr. Saylor in regard to the contract with Alejo, and he agreed with you and me that Alejo is asking entirely too much. We should make, now, a counter proposition and propose that Alejo be paid wages at the rate of \$100. per month during the building of the Church. We will set the amount of \$20,000. as the cost price of the building; and will give to Alejo fifty percent of all the amount saved under the \$20,000. That is, if he can finish the whole work for \$18,000., he will gain \$1,000. over and above his earnings. A time should be specified for the completion of the building. I should say six months. Will you kindly see Alejo and make this proposition to him? You may say to him that I am anxious to have him build the Church and believe he is the one to do it. I hope everything is now in order, so that the work can now be done. I suppose you have the check for \$950. by this time."

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