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July 20, 1935
Van Camp Ranch

Dear Bess.

I did not write when Fred did last time because I couldn't think of any thing to say, and I haven't written this last week because we have been harvesting alfalfa.

We have been down at the ranch since Harriett left.

I did not think that when I wrote you last time + said that we would not need any more clothes that we would but I find that my shorts are wearing out. The blue polka-dot pair split up the back so I decided to sew 'em up. I finally got 'em sewed, after I sewed the front to the back two times. Please send me two or three pair

Thursday Uncle John, Bill + myself went to fix some fences on the west

over

side of the ranch. I saw 2 crows sitting in a tree so I took my gun + crept up on 'em. I got under the tree + saw that they were young ones. Just then one of them flew to the ground so I ran + nabbed him, so I have a pet crow out here too. We named him "Montana" but call him "Monty".

This morning when we went to the hay fields we saw a lot of crows eating on the west side of a field, so I ~~was~~ walked up over a slight rise + shot one. I paced it off + it was about 85 yards. I also shot a ground hog at about 90 or 95 yards. Both of these shots were standing. ~~#5~~

Tell this to Mr. Ballard, see what he says.

Last evening we went after the cow + old calf. This afternoon another cow had a calf.

We had to quit work this afternoon about 4 because it started to rain

also this afternoon we watched + 2 hawks catch gophers + mice that the rake would uncover. It was fun.

Have you had many flat tires, + who fixes 'em? At Sears Roebuck, you (since you say the car is yours, ha, ha I got cha there) can get 4 new tires +

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tubes for only \$19.00 or \$4.75 for 1 tire +
1 tube. This offer is only for mail orders
so you can't go down town + get them
The postage is \$1.08. I could pay \$10.
+ you could pay \$10. I will need tires when
I get home anyway, ~~so~~ think it over
+ let me know.

By the time this letter gets to
you, you will be back from Niagara
falls. Write + tell me all about your
trip.

I am sorry to hear that you
had to get rid of Kaddy. How is Mack +
have his feathers grown in any? ~~Is~~ Is
Reggie ^{+ Marge} getting along alright + is Reg.
satisfied with the money he is getting?
Who is working at the store now in
my place?

I am going out to shoot a few
jack rabbits now so I will have.

to close. Tell Ving. to have a a good time
in Chicago + not to get too mushy with
the boys up there ha, ha,

Love Paulie

P.S. Please send me the addresses of the
boys in the patrol so I can write to 'em.