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July 26, 1935

Dear Mother & Dad,

We are still down at the ranch and probably will be for two more weeks. I think Paul and Dorothy will go up to camp and stay next week then Bill and I will go the following week. They only need two to help with the haying. There are a few mosquitos but no chigas out here.

Bill and I went up to camp yesterday with Mr. Van Laap's brother and he got two young deer. We are having fresh venison tonight. You don't need to say too much about this but when they run out of meat out here they get a deer or antelope regardless of season. I have a piece of skin and we saved the legs. Bending the legs at a right angle at the first joint make swell gun racks when they are dry.

We are all going on a picnic Sunday to King's Hill about 70 miles northwest in the mountains. We are going to have 8 fried chickens, 6 pts ice cream, and 60 rolls besides other things I have not heard about yet.

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Mrs. Van Camps sure thinks we are O.K. because we washed our clothes. Bill and Gordy didn't mark theirs and they are always mixed up. Those white wool socks are sure the thing for out here. I haven't even got a hole in one yet and they sure get a hard workout with all this mountain climbing.

Dad asked about somethings which I think I answered before but I will answer them again. They put up 100 tons of hay sometimes they sell it and sometimes they have stock to feed. We are taking a trip to Spring Creek Canyon Aug 5th I think. This canyon is not far from here and has a trout stream running through it. We are coming home through the park. Probably leaving here Aug 30. You can get all the dope about our trip home from Mrs. McWalkman because we will come the same way she did. Mr. McWalkman has not sent any money yet but will do so in each letter he sends from now on. That is what he told me. We don't have to pay for our vegetables and this work we are doing during haying will help pay for what we got from the ranch.

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I told you all about the rodeo we saw in Livingston July 4. We have plenty to do around camp. We take a hike either up a mountain or through a new cañon every day we can. There are enough new places to see that it would take 100 years to see them all. We will probably average from 7 to 10 miles walking every day. I want my insurance paid and I thought mother had already paid it.

I have spent all the money I took (\$1.05) and I think the trip will cost less than \$6.00 per each.

The car is running fine now and I think it will continue at least until we get home. We will probably have some tire trouble but I don't think as many as on the way out. I have four new tubes and the one new tire.

Say hello to everyone for me and write as often as you can.

Your loving son,
Fred