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nevada Canyon  
August 17, 1935

Dear Mother

I am sorry I did not write sooner but last week "Gus" + I were down at the ranch haying and I didn't have any time to write to you.

This week all four of us have been up here. Alfred + I rode up on horseback Sunday + Fred + "Gus" came up in the car + Bill stayed at the ranch to help with the washing + then he came up Monday night.

Tuesday Bill, Alfred + I took the horses + went up Nevada about 3 miles + across + down Daisy Canyon then back home. We caught 3 trout, one about 10 inches + the other two about 6 inches. This canyon has water running through it all the time. The narrows of this

canyon are so narrow that you can just barely ride through on a horse.

Wednesday Fred, "Gas" + Alfred went to Daisy. We split up in this way because there are only 3 real good horses to ride. Alfred thought we might get lost so he went both times.

Thursday we fixed up the springs. We sank a stub oil barrel in one in order to be able to dip our water more easily. The other spring has a pipe outlet + under the we put a lot of nice flat rocks (just the ~~thing~~ kind for your rock garden) on which to stand when we take our baths. Around the pipe we built a fireplace + now when we want to take a bath all we have to do is build a big fire + plug up the end of the pipe a little + we have running hot water. Pretty classy eh what?

Yesterday I took a little hike by myself. I went east of camp about a mile + a half. When I was going down one side of a valley I saw 3 deer going up the other side, a buck + 2 fawns. On the way home I saw a ground hog sitting on a rock

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so I thought I would hit him with a rock. I threw about 15 rocks & couldn't hit him so I shot him.

Today we haven't been doing much. This morning we went down to George Stewart's, our first neighbor south, and got some eggs & milk.

This afternoon we are doing our washing. We only wash our socks & underwear up here & the rest we take down to the ranch.

Yesterday morning I made some oatmeal cookies. I got them mixed up & thought were too dry so I put some water in & this made them all squash out all over the pan. The second batch was better because I put more oatmeal in.

I guess I had better close because I don't have any more to say. Bill & "Gus" said to say "hello" for them.

Your loving son

Paul

P.S. The crow I had died the second night of his captivity, ~~but~~ so I won't bring him home.