

parcel for him in the mail and it proved to be a dandy wrist watch which his friends in Cadillac had sent him. Frank and I went on surveying the fence which Dad was down town and when he came back he brought the team out and started to plow a ridge along the front road for a fence bottom. They had to stop working at the gas well to-night as they have run out of rope. It has been cool and rather cloudy.

Tuesday May 14th

We have been all day at the fence again to-day and Dad got the ridge for the fence bottom plowed all the way around the field. It kept Frank and me pretty busy setting stakes and making sure of the measurements. We grafted a couple of small wild apple trees on the road just to see what we could do. Walt Deanning and Gordie Baughner were in this afternoon to look at the red steer but only offered me \$75 for him. Niel was in yesterday and offered me \$80 I asked \$85 for him and if I don't get it won't sell him. To-night I caught the cat which we have caught twice stealing my little chickens and took her down to the pond or at least the creek and drowned her today.

Wednesday May 15th

This morning Dad and I went back to fix the gully fence while Frank took the two plow shares down to be sharpened and to have some thing done to his teeth. After dinner Frank and I took a load of manure over to our potato patch at Horne Meyers. We were over there quite awhile and got some more stuff at the mill for the calves and Frank's ducks so it was about half past four when we got home. We put on a load of manure and took it back to the sand knoll across the gully where we had the turnips last year and where we hope to have some potatoes this year. Dad and Cush were working in the garden till we came home and then Dad came back and he and Gus fixed a little more of the gully fence while I threw the last of the load off and brought the team up. To-night I went down town and learned Latin. Horne Meyers said to-day he thought he could have our plots ready to plant by Saturday so we are going to try it. Fine day but cold breeze.

Thursday May 16th

Frank and I hauled four loads more back over the gully this morning and one this afternoon which covered