

Thursday August 28th

When Tom Abbott came this morning he said there was a loose horse on the road, Dad got her and put her in, she had a halter on but Dad didn't know her, but we had an idea she belonged to Bill George so when Dick went down he happened to see the above mentioned Bill and told him whereupon that gentleman came over immediately and took the mare home. We started to haul manure to day but owing to interruptions such as oiling the spreader and as it was drizzling rain we were un decided whether to go to work or not, we didn't get started till after two, we got four loads out and one on the spreader by twelve and one out after dinner, but it started to rain so hard that we put the horses and machine away. I then drove Ench down town to Mrs. Shams and had to wait quite awhile for her, we got home at five and I drove County down, she to the old German Roller canon who has not been in a healthy condition for some time back down to Mrs. Just for repairs, she also got a student lamp from Miss Batter who made a present of it to Dad. It has drizzled nearly all day and to night another big thunder storm came up with an awful downpour. About ten o'clock County & Dad noticed a fire north of here, where some poor fellows barn had been set

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It was too wet this morning to work on the land so Dad opened up ditches on the summer fallow and I sawed up the old apple limbs and rubbish behind the wood shed. This afternoon, I went to see if the field next the woods across the gully was fit to plow but found water lying in the furrows and ditches. Frank and Lila went back as far as the gully with me to look for mushrooms. I set out three little rose bushes on the mound just for fun I don't expect them to grow, but the well in the lawn and I didn't know what else to do with them. I took John Wess McRae's rope back to him, which Dad had harsawed the day before Frank Faulkness left home. I saw Mr. Blaikie and he told me it was Bob Winter's barn that was burned last night he lives on the town line just north and one lot west of this place. I came home around by R. J. Watson's and Charlie McQuarn's. Also went over to Laene Myers where George Murphy is staying I got home about four and then Frank & I went down to Martin's where Frank got some grit for his chickens and I got some information re planting out straw berries & pruning grape vines from John Gruenberg. Dad had to go to a school board meeting to night, he hasn't felt very well all the afternoon. Frank is still to stay he was quite sick yesterday. Sunny and breezy to day.