

TONNY and ANNIE CALDERWOOD'S DIARY

January 1 to December 31, 1956

transcribed by Elizabeth MacLean

Jan. 1, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Happy New Year. Went to S.S. and church. Witherspoons called this P.M. The Oldroyds and Burgesses were down this evening. V.L. Beverage has discontinued his milk route as of this date. Elliot Brown is starting to deliver, buying his milk of Vinal's in Thomaston.
Jan. 2, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Pat's friend Alice Oliver left for home. Killed two lambs for Lawrence Beverage. Did chores.
Jan. 3, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked out along bank beyond hog pen piece, clearing up some to make room to land pulp from woods. Went to town late this P.M.
Jan. 4, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Didn't get much done except chores. Wet snow so that Nan couldn't get the Chevie up over Apple Tree hill when she brought Pat from school event though she tried three times. Had Frank come down later and we took car back to garage and put chains on.
Jan. 5, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked out on spring ridge clearing up blow downs.
Jan. 6, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked over by pasture spring clearing up blow-downs. Pat went to Vinalhaven tonight. We went to bed early.
Jan. 7, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Hauled out four load of firewood for Leigh Witherspoon and three load and a pair of skids for Don. Nan went to Burgess' Christmas party. I visited with Jim Oldroyd. Nan was bitten on arm by Arthur Patrick's Duke when she left milk there.
Jan. 8, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rain, sleet and snow. So slippery and disagreeable we didn't get to S.S. or church. Took milk out late this P.M. Fed sheep and visited at Witherspoons a little while. We are starting to deliver milk again as we've taken on a few more customers.
Jan. 9, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rain. Delivered down town milk. Had trunk lock fixed at Garage. Nan stayed home and mended.
Jan. 10, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rain. Took milk this morning Pulpit Harbor run when I took Pat to school. Fed sheep on way home. Worked at desk on papers and letters getting ready to work on income tax report. Pat came home at noon time with sick stomach.
Jan. 11, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rain. Killed Stimpson Island cow's calf. Weighed 115#. Took it to W & Co. Inc. this P.M. Visited at Burgesses this evening while Pat was playing basketball.
Jan. 12, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rain. Went with Nan delivering milk this morning. Worked at desk until we went to town this P.M.

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Jan. 13, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Drizzly. Finished clearing up blow-downs by pasture spring. Pat went to Rockland with basketball team to play Islesboro and then went to Vinalhaven tonight to see Brooksville play V.H. We visited at Smiths.
Jan. 14, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Still rainy. Cleaned up garage. Swept down tie-up. Washed milk room floor. Went to town with milk this P.M. Principal Swensen and a girl from Brooksville stayed with us tonight. Went to game and dance tonight. Brooksville girls and boys won.
Jan. 15, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rain all day. Took Brooksville folks to boat this morning. Mary A. took them home. Did chores. Delivered milk, and visited at Thornton's a little while. They have television now.
Jan. 16, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Hurrah. Saw the sun today. First day it hasn't rained since the seventh. Started cleaning up woods along the shore beyond the hog pen piece.
Jan. 17, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Raw and windy but didn't rain. Worked out along bank.
Jan. 18, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked in woods out along bank.
Jan. 19, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked in woods out below road where I left off yesterday. Up to Sampson's this evening. New Fairbanks-Morse 2000 volts - 110 volt plant came tonight. We have gotten some fed up with lamps and lanterns since before Thanksgiving when our 32 volt generator gave out.
Jan. 20, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Lewis and Jim brought light plant down this A.M. and had it hooked up and running by 2:00 P.M. Nan and Pat went to Arts class this evening. I stayed home and worked on milk tax covering the last four months. Tax came to \$1.01.
Jan. 21, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Nice day. Worked in woods. Nan and Pat went to town and made milk deliveries. The Oldroyds with children were down this evening.
Jan. 22, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful Day. Went to S.S. and church. 71 at S.S. Had dinner at the Burgesses. Made pineapple ice cream after coming home. The Burgesses were down this evening after church.
Jan. 23, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Mild this morning, starting to snow about noon. Nan worked in woods with me until we got wet. Delivered milk when we went after Pat. Cleaned useless letters and papers out of one of my desk drawers this evening.
Jan. 24, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Cold, 14° above this morning and windy. Went up to Dalon's to help Benny kill a cow, but it was too cold in the barn as the wind drew right through. Had dinner there. Killed a lamb with Benny, then he brought me home and helped me kill a veal. Dressed 125#. Sold it to Lawrence Beverage @ \$.40. Also the liver at \$.90 - came to \$52.48 pd by check. Nan washed at Oldroyds while the Oldroyds went down to Dr. Rae's.
Jan. 25, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Nice day but windy. Worked in woods until I went up town to deliver milk and pay my fgt. bills for 1955. Came to \$48.00 and some cents. Used Lawrence Beverage's check for veal for fgt. bills. Worked on income tax papers this evening.

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Jan. 26, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Nice day. Worked in woods after delivering milk this morning. Worked on income papers this evening.
Jan. 27, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked in woods. Nice Day. Nan delivered milk this P.M. Nan went to Art Class. Pat kept house for Smiths. Then Mr. Smith came down after me to watch boxing match. Elise Brown came home with Pat.
Jan. 28, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Worked in woods until I went to deliver milk this P.M. Pat went to dance at School. Nan stayed with Mrs. Smith. I stayed home.
Jan. 29, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Nan & Pat went to S.S. & delivered milk. Fed sheep on way home. Wet, nasty snowstorm. S.W. wind. <i>Annie:</i> Witherspoons called. We made ice cream.
Jan. 30, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Nasty in woods so Tonny worked on income tax. Snowed about all day.
Jan. 31, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> 17 above this morning. Tonny worked on income tax, delivered milk down town this P.M. Went to the Lodge tonight to see "Ma and Pa Kettle Go to Town." 13 in all there. Quite good. We had coffee with Lloyd & Louise afterwards. Tonny worked on income tax before going to bed. Got it ready to mail.
Feb. 1, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Today's Birthdays: Bill Gregory. 12 above clear and cool. Finished odds and ends left over from income paper work. Ern's acc't to date etc. Got in woods about 3 o'clock. Went to bed early.
Feb. 2, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Very overcast and calm. The Ground Hog won't see his shadow. Worked in woods until it snowed enough to wet me good. Went with milk when we went after Pat. Quite a snowstorm.
Feb. 3, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Very pretty. Trees are loaded. Worked in woods from 2 to 4:30 after putting two panes of glass in tie-up windows. Spent the evening at Burgesses. Pat went to Vinalhaven to basketball game. Getting cold.
Feb. 4, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> 2 above. Tonny worked in woods until two o.c. Took milk uptown and got a haircut. Pat went to V.H. to see Dr. Ray. Dance tonight benefit of heart fund. Nice crowd there. Ton won door prize. Snowing when we came home.
Feb. 5, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> A lot more snow on the ground. I guess it snowed all night. We didn't go to S.S. It turned out nice and sunshiney. The Smiths made us a long call this P.M. Took milk on the Pulpit Harbor run afterwards.
Feb. 6, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice sunshiney day. I washed, clothes dried nicely. Tonny went to Men's supper tonight. Mrs. Smith and I went in afterwards to listen to the speaker. Snowing when we came home. <i>Tonny:</i> I worked in woods.
Feb. 7, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Worst snowstorm we've had in few years. It really snowed and blew hard. No school today. <i>Tonny:</i> At least 12 inches of snow. Banked badly.
Feb. 8, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunshiney, snow melting some. We delivered milk this forenoon and then Tonny went up to Dalon's to kill a cow for them. Benny brought him home. Pat and I fed sheep when we came from town.

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Feb. 9, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Snow melting a lot, nice and warm. Tonny worked in woods.
Feb. 10, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Cloudy and mild. Mercedes called us this morning to say Aunt Carrie Parsons had passed away last evening. Bringing the body here Sat., funeral Sunday. <i>Tonny:</i> I worked in woods. Nearly finished cutting out by pine tree. Pat went with basketball team to Brooksville on Mary H. Nan had her hair done by Mercedes this evening and I stayed at Burgesses.
Feb. 11, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rainy. Didn't get into woods. Went up town after Pat returning from Brooksville. Our team won both games. Did two churnings. Delivered milk and helped take Aunt Carrie's body to the church. Going to bed early.
Feb. 12, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Rainy all forenoon. Did chores here and fed sheep. Didn't get to S.S. or church. Left home just after noon. Delivered milk and went to funeral. Spent remainder of P.M. at Burgesses. Nan & Pat made Peach ice cream after we came home.
Feb. 13, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Still going to his barn in snow shoes.
Feb. 14, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice, mild day, sunshiney. I washed. They dried nicely. Tonny worked in woods.
Feb. 15, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Mild, some cloudiness, cool all day. Tonny worked in woods. Figures he got about a cord of pulpwood today. Brian B. and Alden Mills down to study chemistry with Pat.
Feb. 16, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Cold. Just twenty above this morning. Wind No. West. Tonny worked in woods. I delivered milk. We went to joint meeting of Legion and Auxiliary. 31 there. They showed the movie "MacBeth." Had ice cream, cake and coffee.
Feb. 17, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> 10° above this morning. Took Pat to boat as the Juniors and Seniors were going over to Rockland to see the Court in session.
Feb. 18, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Tonny worked in woods until 12:30. It came on to snow hard. Delivered milk in P.M. Tonny up to Circle ® to clam chowder.
Feb. 19, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful sunshiney day after storm. Pat & I went to S.S. We delivered milk afterwards. The Witherspoons called this afternoon. We visited the "Bill" Hopkins tonight.
Feb. 20, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice, mild and sunshiney. Pat and I washed. Tonny worked in woods. Lewis, Alta and Emma here this evening. We made vanilla ice cream.
Feb. 21, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing when we first got up but it cleared to a nice day. Tonny worked in woods. Growing colder. We all went with milk. Tonny had to have some grain. He broke a path up to the barn with tractor.
Feb. 22, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Ton worked in woods until time to go with milk. He delivered today.
Feb. 23, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunshiney but cold. Tonny worked in woods. Ellis came down with Pat when she came home. Pat and I delivered milk. Fed sheep on way home.

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Feb. 24, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast at times and cold. Tonny worked in woods all day. Pat and I delivered milk. Fed sheep on way home.
Feb. 25, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Rainy this morning. Snowed some during night. Foggy during day. Clearing and windy at night. Ton worked in woods a little while. Had to take tractor out to haul down a tree that fell backwards into telephone wires. Called at the Eliot B.'s on our way home from uptown. Pat went to the record hop sponsored by the Lion's at Nebo Lodge. We went T.V.ing at the Witherspoons.
Feb. 26, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Very windy So. West, about 26° above. Snow has gone quite a lot. Pat and I went to S.S. Tonny came to church after delivering milk. Took ride around North Shore on way home.
Feb. 27, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Very windy westerly, about 26° this morning. Nice sunshine. I washed. Ton went in woods until time to go after Pat. He got Bill Hurd to haul the rest of the grain down to the sheep barn. Ton went back in woods for a little while. Called on Alphonse and Maureen while we waited for Pat. She went to see the improvement movies in the Memorial room.
Feb. 28, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: Marion Hopkins, Geo. B., Jackie Brown. North East snow storm 20° above. Tonny just did chores & delivered milk.
Feb. 29, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunshiny. 8° above this noon. Tonny worked in woods. Grained sheep for the first time. Eliot & wife here to supper.
March 1, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: Shirley C., Roseann, Doug Stone. Nice and sunny. 16 above. Tonny worked in woods. I delivered milk. Took a ride uptown tonight to see Mr. Hagan.
March 2, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast and windy. Worked in woods until rain came. Uptown with milk in P.M. I went to baby shower for Jean Shields. Ton and Pat watched T.V. at Lewis'.
March 3, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice warm day, snow melting fast. Tonny worked in woods until noon. Lawrence G. and Owen G. helped Ton kill Lawrence's bull. Uptown this P.M. to deliver milk. Pat went to dance at K. of P. Hall. I went to Charlene's baby shower.
March 4, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowed a couple of inches this morning. Ton took Pat to S.S. and delivered milk afterwards. Don, Cynthia & Ruthie here this P.M. Also V.L. for a few minutes. We showed Ruthie some of our pictures. Alden Mills here this evening. He played his accordion for us and the piano.
March 5, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and mild about 20° this morning. Started snowing during forenoon and snowed around four inches. We went to Town Meeting. Everything went calmly. V.L. Beverage, Buddy Curtis & Stan Quinn our Selectmen for another year. Lucy as Treasurer again.
March 6, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny. I washed and Tonny sawed Ern Whitmore's wood. Ton went to Men's Supper tonight.

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March 7, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing about all day. Ton couldn't do anything but chores and deliver milk.
March 8, Thursday <i>Tonny's birthday</i>	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: A.S.C. North East sleet and snow storm. Tonny worked in woods as it was sheltered some. I got Pat from school and delivered milk. Stayed home this evening.
March 9, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and very windy, some snow squalls. Tonny worked in woods. I delivered milk. Brian B, Carol B., Alden Mills and Merton Howard here this evening.
March 10, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and windy. Tonny worked in woods. Pat and I delivered milk. We were to Burgesses to a chicken supper which was very good. All the family were there.
March 11, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast and windy. We went to S.S. and church. Raining when we came home. Attended open house at the Boat Shop. Saw June's baby before we came home. Raining and snowing hard tonight. The rain will take some of the snow away I hope.
March 12, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny, cool and windy. A lot of the snow has gone, roads quite slippery in places. Tonny went to woods. I washed. I went up to Mrs. Smith's to work on Pat's skirt. Visited the Witherspoons this evening.
March 13, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: Dick Shields. Sunny and warm today, just like spring. Tonny killed Hiram's cow today. We went to Open House for Emery and Susie Wooster, their 50 th wedding anniversary.
March 14, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast, started snowing about 10 o.c. and snowed all day and into the evening. Tonny started out to saw Ray Thayer's wood. Got about half of it sawed and had to quit as it got too nasty. I visited Mrs. Smith a little while this P.M. Worked on Pat's skirt.
March 15, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and clear this morning. It must have snowed away into the night as there is about eight inches of snow this morning. Snow settled a lot today. The roads were bare this afternoon. Ton cut up foreward quarter of bull beef. Delivered milk this afternoon. Brian B. here to study history with Pat this evening.
March 16, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> 10° above this morning, sunny, clouding up and started snowing about two o'clock P.M. Snowing hard all evening and night and blowing a gale No. East. <i>Tonny:</i> Worked in woods. Lewis B. down this P.M. to put new storage batteries on light plant. Snowing hard when he went home.
March 17, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Still snowing and blowing hard this morning, about 12° above. Tonny thought there was about 12 inches of snow. They didn't get us plowed out so Tonny snow-shoed over to feed the sheep. Didn't get our milk delivered. Wind has dropped out and the moon it out. <i>Tonny:</i> The worst March storm in the history of the Boston weather bureau.

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March 18, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny this morning. Snow plow got down here about 7:30. It was good to see it. We took the milk out as soon as we got the chores done. Don & Cynthia invited us up to see "The Taming of the Shrew" on T.V. So as soon as we had a lunch and fed the sheep and got a calf from Hiram's, we went up there. We had a lunch before we came home to do night chores. <i>Tonny:</i> The calf came from Rossie Grey's - a heifer.
March 19, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast, sunny by spells, and wind increasing easterly, blowing the snow in our driveway from Carver's. It was filled in enough so we had to shovel when we came from uptown. Snowing and blowing a gale tonight.
March 20, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny. Our driveway was filled in solid. We all three shoveled it out, got Pat to school by noon time. I went to Guild Anniversary Lunch. There were 24 there. Had a nice time. Tonny delivered milk and had car door fixed where it blew open on us last night and bent the chrome so we couldn't open it all the way. It also broke the stop catch on it. Our first lambs today. Two dead and two others that didn't seem to have any mothers around. Brought them home.
March 21, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Worked in sheep barn separating the lambing sheep from Calderwood's Island sheep.
March 22, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny, wind North Eastish. One of our little lambs died this morning. I washed, clothes dried nicely.
March 23, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and mild. Tonny worked in woods.
March 24, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> 20° above. Snowing hard when we got up and continued until almost dark around five or six inches. Snow plow down around seven thirty. Pat stayed uptown to go to dance.
March 25, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> 8° above this morning, blowing hard No. West. Snow sifting in some. Pat went to S.S. We didn't make it. I went with Ton when he delivered milk. Rested this P.M.
March 26, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny worked a little while in the woods when he wasn't tending sheep. Pat attended the basketball dinner the Lions gave. We visited Alphonse & Maureen awhile.
March 27, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day in the sun. Wind quite cool. Snow melted some. Tonny worked in woods a few hours. Rest of time worked on sheep.
March 28, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. I washed. The clothes dried swell. Tonny worked in woods. Brian B. here to study with Pat.
March 29, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and nice, turning cool towards afternoon. Tonny worked in woods a little while. Pat went to roller skating in Adams Hall. Spitting snow.
March 30, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowed all night I guess. Quite a lot on the ground, about three inches. Fog came in around 10 this morning. Storming on and off all day.
March 31, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Mild, snowing on and off all day. Uptown this P.M. Up to Eliot B.'s to supper. Pat went to roller skating and then to square dance at Nebo Lodge.

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April 1, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day even if we are surrounded by snow. We went to S.S. and church. There were around 110 there. The Smiths were here to dinner.
April 2, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful during forenoon, cooling off in afternoon when wind was So. West. Tonny worked in woods a little while. Mr. Hogan and Hope called on him. Men's Supper tonight. Mr. Junghi Ahn from Korea was the speaker. Pat and I went to hear him. A good crowd there.
April 3, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful morning. 38 above. Clouding over and looking like rain all day.
April 4, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy and drizzly. 38° above. Tonny burned brush what time he had. Delivered milk this afternoon. Raining hard. Fifteen members of the Auxiliary went to V.H. tonight to supper. Had a nice time altho the weather was very damp.
April 5, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunshiney and windy. Real spring snow going fast. Tonny worked in woods. I washed with Flo's washing machine.
April 6, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful morning. Birds singing for the first time. I don't know when I've seen so many birds. They are everywhere. Saw some red-winged blackbirds over at the shop barn. Tonny worked in woods a little while. Pat went to Vinalhaven to dance. I went to Art Class. Tonny visited at Smith's. Tonny went to barn on bare ground first time since January.
April 7, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Wind No. East, coolish in the wind but warm in the sun. Ton worked in woods. Smiths called on their way down clamming. Pat went to dance tonight. We visited at Bill and June's.
April 8, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Quite a change from the spring like weather of a few days ago. No. West wind and cold 32 ° this morning, very overcast. Started snowing this forenoon and snowed into the night four or five in. I would say. I went to Garden Club and Tonny delivered milk this P.M.
April 9, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Coolish and overcast most of the day. Snow going fast. Tonny did mostly chores today. Hauled some bedding hay from other barn and a load of sawdust from mill. Attended Lion's supper tonight. Speaker was Bill Trafton, rep. candidate for Governor.
April 10, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny and cool, new snow completely gone, still some of the old stuff in places. Tonny did chores until milk delivery time.
April 11, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: 18 th birthday of Alden R. Mills & Doug Stone's baby. Nice day. I washed. Clothes dried nicely. Tonny tagged lambs today. We delivered milk. They are working on Pulpit Harbor Bridge now, so we can't get over to take Don's & Lee's milk.
April 12, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> No. East wind, cool but sunny. Tonny did chores, tried hauling out Frank Waterman's wood but it was too soft. I went to Auxiliary tonight. On Mr. Smith's recommendation, the Aux. voted to send Gertrude and Pat to "girl's state" at Colby College.

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April 13, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Saw first Martin today. Sunny and cool, about 26° this morning. Warm out of the wind. Robins arrived by the dozen today. Tonny painted on double ender what time he had after doing chores. I went to Art Class. Pat spent night at Ellises. Tonny spent evening at Burgesses.
April 14, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Snow and drizzle mixed quite a chance in the weather this A.M. Cleared to a fairly nice day in the sun. Tonny burning brush awhile. Delivered milk this P.M. Pat went to record hop. Brian, Carole & Gertrude came and got her and brought her home. Also Kerry. They came in and had coffee.
April 15, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny, 42° in the shade this morning. Wind So. East making it not so comfortable. Turned sheep and lambs out back of barn today for the first time. Pat and I went to S.S. Pat went to V.H. this P.M. We delivered milk and called on Eliot B.'s on way home.
April 16, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Mrs. Ruth Beverage passed away this morning, age 93. Raining, blowing and foggy. Very disagreeable all day. Just did chores and delivered milk.
April 17, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Blowing quite hard, nice and sunshiny. Everything looks nice and clean after the rain. Just about all the snow has gone around here. Tonny sheared the two rams and four yearlings today.
April 18, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful morning, birds singing. No wind. Breezed up So. West toward noon. I washed clothes, dried nicely. Eliot B.'s to supper tonight.
April 19, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast and cool So. East wind. Warmed up during P.M. Tonny was pallbearer at Mrs. Ruth Beverage's funeral. I drove the car.
April 20, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Pretty fair day a little on the coolish side. A few snow flurries this morning. Tonny plowed a garden for Ern and one for Eliot B. I went to art class. Pat spending the night at Sheila's. Going to V.H. with her tomorrow.
April 21, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast cold wind. Tonny plowed Marshall's garden. Also ours out front. I delivered milk. Took Pat [to] dance tonight. We called on Oldroyds a minute.
April 22, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Rained during night and showers today. Pat went to S.S. I delivered milk. Ton did sheep chores this A.M. Rested a little while this P.M. The Smiths called.
April 23, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Rain turning to snow, snowed about 3 inches. What a mess. Tonny sheared some sheep what time he had after chores.
April 24, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: Judy Quinn. Some sunshine snow melting fast. Ern here to help on lambs clamping, docking and so forth. Cleared up around woodpile in the P.M.
April 25, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and cold about 31 this morning. New snow all gone still some old left in places. Tonny did chores and finished cleaning up woodpiles. Got Bill H. to haul grain for sheep.
April 26, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy, cold and overcast about 40°. No sunshine. I got my ironing all caught up. Uptown with milk.

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April 27, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and warm this A.M. Wind breezed up making it cool. Tonny and I cleaned up around woodpiles and down back. Stanleys and Aunt Kath called this P.M. Town Meeting tonight. There will be no gym building, too expensive. Voted to put a public float at Pulpit Harbor. Articles about tying up dogs and roadside gravel pits passed over. Clean up weeks for first week in May authorized.
April 28, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining and blowing. Clearing a little in afternoon. Tonny did chores and sheared two sheep. Went on milk route. Pat went to V.H. to dance. We visited at V.L.'s, watched T.V.
April 29, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Rained during night. Overcast and mild. Pat and I went to S.S. Delivered milk this P.M. Called on Garnet and Clara before coming home. Had supper with them. Asa Smith passed away suddenly this morning.
April 30, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Sprinkling this morning, clearing some to sunshine & cloudiness. Wind breezed up No. West. Ern helped to haul hay from sheep barn. Hauled two load. Brian B. here to study history with Pat.
May 1, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> 29° above this morning, nice and sunny. Tonny and I set out some spruce trees between the corner of the garage and the trees that were already growing out back for to give us a little privacy and a wind break. We attended cemetery meeting tonight at Lucy Morrison's. Sixteen there. Had a nice time.
May 2, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Cool but sunny. I washed. They dried wonderfully. Tonny harrowed Ern's garden. Also Marshall's and Eliot's. Pat and I went to Rose Dyer's tonight. She is fixing Pat's evening gown.
May 3, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy No. West, nice and warm out of the wind. Pat went to V.H. with Alden M. seeing Dr. Rae at 11 o.c. Tonny hauling manure.
May 4, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining early, cleared some during day and raining again during late afternoon and evening. Martin Joyce started digging our water ditch. Tonny cleaned out calving pen and spread it on oat patch. We went to dance tonight. Pete Williams crowd from P.J.C. played.
May 5, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Pat went to V.H. with Alden and to see Dr. Rae. Tonny hauled 8 load of manure onto oat & pea patch. Plowed part of it. Also harrowed our vegetable patch.
May 6, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Pat & I went to S.S. and delivered milk. Tonny finished plowing oat patch, put studs under toilet and hauled it down by the shanty. Started digging trench for rose bushes. Up to Don's little while this afternoon.
May 7, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and cool. 32° this morning. Ern helped. Took down picket fence from western field and made a lamb pen out of it here in orchard. Planted multiflora rose bushes. Got ground ready for onions. Men's club tonight. Ladies invited. Nice supper. The president of Goodwill farm spoke. 40 present.
May 8, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy cold 28° this morning. Snowed during night. Put sheep in big field first time. Tonny plowed for Hiram.

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May 9, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and calm early morning, breezing up So. West and blowing hard. I washed, clothes dried good. Tonny harrowed oat & pea patch. Blowing a gale and raining. This house shook like it never shook before.
May 10, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining and cool not blowing quite so hard, cleared toward late P.M. Tonny sheared sheep. I delivered milk. Installation of officers in the Auxiliary tonight. Also supper. 20 there. Lena G. Stone installing officer. I was Sargent at Arms for the evening.
May 11, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny but cool. Wilson helping Tonny haul out manure today. We went to see the movie "Glenn Miller Story" at the Grange Hall. Very good. visited at Jim & Dazie's afterwards.
May 12, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining, strong So. West wind, cold, cleared during the P.M. Tonny sheared a few sheep.
May 13, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining hard this A.M. Cleared a little during P.M. Had a thunder shower and hailstones as big as quarters. They weren't round, just chunks of ice with legs. Remind you of a small turtle.
May 14, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Cloudy, gloomy and cold. What weather! Ern helping today hauling hay from sheep barn.
May 15, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. The first really nice day we have had. Tonny hauled manure. I washed.
May 16, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Rainy, cold and windy. Tonny shearing sheep. I washed part of kitchen ceiling before going after Pat. Pat worked at Lodge tonight. Pythian Sisters had their supper there.
May 17, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Cool, about 30° this morning. Windy but sunny. Tonny hauled Bill's wood. We also mowed cemetery lot. Pat went to play rehearsal. We called on Lewis and Ida.
May 18, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and cool. Tonny working in woods making ready to haul pulp. Hauled in some limbs. Mother and daughter supper at church. Also movie.
May 19, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny but very windy So. So. West. Tonny hauled in limbs. Pat & I delivered milk. Pat went to V.H. spending night at Sheila's.
May 20, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy, North West, sunny. We didn't go to S.S. or church. Delivered milk, picked Pat up and came home. The Thorntons were here taking a before picture of the front view of the house. They stayed and visited a little while. The Smiths came down ad we went clamming. It was about five when they went. Time to do chores.
May 21, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny, some clouds and windy So. West. Ern W. helping today hauling pulp.
May 22, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice during A.M. breezing up and raw. I washed. Tonny hauling pulp. Fay's arrived for a few days, staying at Lodge.

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May 23, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> So. West wind blowing hard cold & foggy. Raining hard late P.M. Tonny & Ern hauling pulp. Pat home from school P.M. sick to her tummy.
May 24, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> No. West wind. Cold 34° above this morning. Tonny & Ern hauling pulp.
May 25, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice this forenoon, breezing up to a very cold disagreeable afternoon. Ern & Ton hauling pulp.
May 26, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Pat has German measles. Ton hauled a load of sawdust from Eliot B.'s Buried two sheep. Went to town for a haircut etc.
May 27, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining - blowing southerly. Miserable day. Tonny went to church & delivered milk. We rested this P.M.
May 28, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast. Tonny and Ern hauling hay from sheep barn (2 loads).
May 29, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Hauling last of pulp wood out. I washed, dried nicely. Aunt Aimee died tonight.
May 30, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and cool. Miserable day for the parade as everyone was so cold. We stayed uptown until boat time. Pat went to V.H. to the exercises there and movies afterwards. We had a late supper at Dazie and Jim's.
May 31, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Started out to be another moist day but cleared to a nice warm day. Tonny started shearing but it turned to be such a beautiful day that he came home, got his plows and plowed a garden for Abbie and part of her orchard. Also plowed Edna Dyer's garden.
June 1, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day after fog cleared. Tonny mowed lamb pen, plowed dahlia bed and got them out of cellar. Went to Aunt Aimee's funeral. Didn't come home until after boat.
June 2, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy. Ern worked. They finished plowing Abbie's orchard. Furrowed our potato patch and dahlia patch. Pat went to V.H. We picked her up at 12:30.
June 3, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy, turning to rain around noon time raining hard by spells. We didn't go to S.S. or church.
June 4, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Rained hard all night, still raining and foggy miserable weather. Tonny planted some wild roses down back and fixed my rose bushes. Delivered milk this afternoon.
June 5, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Still foggy but warm. Ern here today. Planted potatoes & cut fence material.
June 6, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Repaired barn yard gate and planted oats & peas above barn.
June 7, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Hauling pulp. Got stuck for about an hour. Nice and warm out of the wind.
June 8, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Easterly wind and overcast all day. High School went on their picnic to Green's Island. Ern & Tonny finished hauling out pulp wood.

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June 9, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Wind still easterly and overcast sprinkling at times. Pat went to Rockland on early boat. Tonny doing odd jobs.
June 10, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy and overcast all day. I have got the German measles all broken out this morning. Pat went to S.S. and church. Ton to church.
June 11, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Some cloudiness. Ton took Pat to school. Washed milk room floor & worked on limb pile.
June 12, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunshiney and warm. Ern worked in Tumbledown woods cutting fencing material. Tonny helped what time he had before taking milk. I went along. We went to graduation and dance tonight, nice time.
June 13, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> The first really hot day we've had. Tonny and Ern finished hearing sheep. I washed. Pat went to graduation in V.H. tonight.
June 14, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Another hot day practically no wind. Tonny and Ern pilled the sheep and drenched the lambs.
June 15, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast and hazy but warm. Pat & Gertrude left this morning for "Girl's State" at Colby College. Ton and Ern built tide fence and worked along Mrs. Pease fence to corner. Frank & Orilla called a little while.
June 16, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Another hot day 80° in shade around 8:30. Tonny and Ern dipped lambs.
June 17, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Some cloudiness and East So. East wind. We didn't go to S.S. or church. Delivered milk in early P.M.
June 18, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Northerly wind 44° this morning. Put sheep up to Mrs. Pease. Tonny and Ern worked on fence until 5 o.c. when we went to vote.
June 19, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Worked on Mrs. Pease fence.
June 20, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Tonny delivered milk while I washed. Ern cut fence posts.
June 21, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Sharpened fence posts and did a little work on little pasture fence. Pat came back from Girl's State today.
June 22, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Tonny worked on little pasture fence.
June 23, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Finished little pasture fence and then worked some on Mrs. Pease fence. Pat went to V.H. Don & Cynthia here a little while.
June 24, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining. Pat went to S.S. We delivered milk. Went up to Eliot B.'s after a load of sawdust.
June 25, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Thunder showers and drizzly all morning clearing during P.M. Tonny fixed fence where cow broke out. Delivered milk. Packed wool and odd jobs. Martin worked this P.M.

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June 26, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful morning. Took wool to boat. Came back, got ready and went to Rockland on noon boat. Sherm B. gave him a nice ride up around Hope and Union.
June 27, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful morning but changing to rain around noon time. I washed clothes, dried enough to take in and iron. Ton delivered milk. Took Ern home after dinner. Movies tonight, "Benny Goodman Story." Quite good.
June 28, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy. The Fays came today. Tonny and Ern finished Mrs. Pease fence.
June 29, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice morning. Tonny did chores. Mowed grass for cows, changed lambs. Hauled water. Pat went to V.H.
June 30, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful sunny morning. Tonny did chores. Killed a veal and delivered it to Waterman Co. Hauled water.
July 1, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. We delivered milk and watched water traffic before coming home. Had a lambing out back. It breezed up So. W. and wasn't very comfortable. Thunder shower around seven o'clock.
July 2, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining early this morning clearing to a very hot day. Tonny put young stock up to Mrs. Pease. Had our supper out back tonight.
July 3, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Warm. Ern worked. Hauled manure onto millet patch and plowed it in. Ern worked on limb pile a little while.
July 4, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Pat went to Vinalhaven for all day and evening. Spent night at Ellises. Merced & Jim came down and we had a lunch out back. It was a beautiful day.
July 5, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Ern worked. Nice day. Tonny harrowed and seeded millet patch. Also harrowed and seeded Abby's orchard. I picked a bowlful of wild strawberries.
July 6, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Calm and raining. Tonny hauled water first thing. Delivered milk and went to Rockland on noon boat to order lumber and cement for spring. Pat went along too. Rained on and off all day.
July 7, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast and drizzly. Tonny did chores, fixed the pulley on plows and finished plowing Ern's garden. Went downtown to see the newlyweds leave on the boat. Elaine Gillis and Fletcher Burgess were married today. Pat went to V.H. to see "Not as a Stranger."
July 8, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy. Delivered milk slowly. Didn't get back until almost two o'clock. Tonny hauled water.
July 9, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy and rainy all day. Tonny and Ern cleared out sheep pens.
July 10, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. We washed. Tonny hauled his lumber for the forms for the well. Got out some manure. 5 loads over to the other farm.
July 11, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Still foggy and drizzly. Hauled five load of manure over to the old farm.

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July 12, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Tonny mowed Mrs. Pease place and got out rest of manure. Martin finished the digging until the dynamiting is done.
July 13, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Tonny and Ern cleaned up Mrs. Pease's hay one load.
July 14, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Southerly storm. Delivered milk. Repaired night pasture fence. Met Johnny W. up town at five P.M. He hauled 2 6 and 2 x 4 for concrete forms and 60 bags of cement for me.
July 15, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny. We delivered milk and called on Julian Frost and family awhile. Home, had dinner out back. Uptown to see the boat go as Tonny had to give his watch to Fod to be repaired. Met up with the Witherspoons. They invited us to walk into Joe's with them. Almost got caught in a thunder shower on our way out.
July 16, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day until around 5:30 when it started into rain and it rained until around nine o'clock. Tonny, Ern & Johnnie B. cut fence material some on school house ridge and some in Tumbledown woods. Tonny, Pat & Johnnie went to movies. I went to Garden Club meeting.
July 17, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Ern stayed home to plant his garden. Tonny did odd jobs. Moved lambs pen. Mowed first oat & peas, hauled water etc.
July 18, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny mowed the O.P piece. Had to take mower to garage to get the oil seal out as it was leaking.
July 19, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Got in two loads of hay. Pitched one off. Left one on rack.
July 20, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Ton did odd jobs until Ern came at noon time and helped him pitch of load of hay. Killed veal calf. Nice day. Pat went to V.H.
July 21, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy, clearing to a fairly nice day. Took veal to Waterman & Co. this morning. Took milk along too. Did odd jobs. Went up to Pease pasture and milked Violet out. She calved a couple of days go. We spent evening at Smiths. Pat went to dance.
July 22, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Rainy all day. Delivered milk and did chores.
July 23, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast & foggy. Ern here. The Dynamite man came this morning.
July 24, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Dynamiting again today. Martin working too.
July 25, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Ern & Tonny fixed big barn door. It got blown off it carriage picking up rocks.
July 26, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Tonny and Ern building a fence across pasture to keep cows away from spring.
July 27, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Connie, Pat and I went to Rockland on noon boat. I had my eyes examined for glasses. Got some to read and sew by. Tonny finished his pasture fence. Lee came down after five and did the rest of the dynamiting. We got through chores about eleven. A long day.

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July 28, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy. Killed two lambs for Lamonts. Went to Eleanor Stone's wedding in P.M.
July 29, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Northerly wind. Tonny made a raft for Connie to swing from. We also mowed the oak tree piece, took a sail in the boat around Burnt Island and onto Calderwood's for a minute.
July 30, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Another nice day. Ern here. They mowed a junk above cow yard, hauled in two big loads from oak tree piece. Pat went to V.H. to see "I'll Cry Tomorrow."
July 31, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Mowed Jessie's piece and hauled in another load and a half from oak tree piece and part of a load from above cowyard.
August 1, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Another nice day. Hauled in a load from above barn and one from Jessie's piece. got quite a few drops of rain on the last of it, a real humdinger of a thunder shower. Mowed the hog pen piece.
August 2, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Tonny and Ern mowed below Fay's and around shop and orchard. Worked on hog pen hay, hauled in one load, had to haul water too.
August 3, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> We delivered milk. Tonny & Ern worked on hay. Got it all in.
August 4, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Pat went to Festival in Rockland. Tonny killed a veal for Edna Dyer. Repaired fence by tunnel. Connie Whipple left this noon. Tonny hauled water and brought home three bags of grain.
August 5, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny and I delivered milk. Arthur Beverage called on us this afternoon. Garnet Thornton took "After Picture." I helped Tonny mow back of the hill.
August 6, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy.
August 7, Tuesday	[blank]
August 8, Wednesday	[blank]
August 9, Thursday	[blank]
August 10, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast. Ern came down thinking we could get in some hay before it rained. Got part of a load but it was raining some so it was quite damp. Took Ern home on way to deliver milk.
August 11, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Got hay in frog pond field, cleaned up today. Also got Jessie's field mowed, well field and around the barn.
August 12, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Pat and I delivered milk. Ton did odd jobs. Nettie & Lee called awhile. Also Ben & Lottie. Art. Bev., Alta, Lewis and Emma here to supper.
August 13, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Hauled in hay around well on Cassie's. Arthur Bev. helped on one load. Up to Alta's tonight. Art. Bev. there.

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August 14, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Showery. Ton delivered milk. Did odd jobs, raked Abby hay. Rehearsal tonight.
August 15, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny and Ern worked on Abby hay and mowed some on Stinkey. Hauled in two load. I went to the "Open House" in Vinalhaven. Nice time.
August 16, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny hauled in a load of hay from Abby's and one from Stinkey's. I delivered milk and helped on the Flower show for about an hour. Minstrel show tonight.
August 17, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy this morning. Tonny had a load of hay to hoist off and hauled in one from Stinkey's. Also hauled up Nat Stone's boat.
August 18, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Orley Snead and family came over on the early boat [to] see Tonny as they are friends from twenty-one years ago. They are very nice and are staying the week-end with us.
August 19, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Just visited with the Sneads. Dug some clams. Had them out back with lobsters for supper.
August 20, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Sneads left on noon boat. Tonny killed three lambs for Lamonts. Pat and I picked some raspberries.
August 21, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining.
August 22, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. We all went on milk route. Went raspberrying in afternoon. Up to Lewis and Alta's tonight.
August 23, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Delivered milk. Tonny mowed lawn, built fence, hauled water etc. Went to barn dance in Zimmerman's barn tonight. Nice crowd there.
August 24, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Drizzly about all day and foggy. We all went on the milk wagon. Pat and I ironed all P.M. Got it all caught up now. We had supper with Abby and Elinor. Nice time.
August 25, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Tonny cleaned up what he mowed yesterday. Straightened up the O.H. and cleaned up around it. We went to town this P.M., looked at the crafts and arts. Tonny got a hair cut. Pat went to V.H.
August 26, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy but nice. Had a shower in the afternoon, cleared afterwards. Delivered milk and stayed uptown to watch the traffic and see the boat go. Lyford and Ruth Beveridge called on us this afternoon.
August 27, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Ern here. They worked some on weeds in garden, cut fence material and brought the young stock home from Mrs. Pease pasture. Lee Witherspoon painting T. Cooper house.
August 28, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Sprinkled a little this morning early. Tonny hauled water before chores. Building fence all day up back of Cassie's and around to Butchering place gate. I washed. They dried wonderful. Betty Joy here a little while this P.M. Also Mike B. and the Smiths. Witherspoons called this evening.

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August 29, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Rained hard early this morning. Tonny hauled water again this morning. Still fencing. Got as far as the swamp. I went to Mrs. Paulson's for lunch today. Tonny and Pat to movies tonight.
August 30, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Cloudy and cool. Started raining around 1 o.c. Tonny & Ern finished the fencing. Took Ern home after dinner on way to kill three lambs for Lamonts.
August 31, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: Patricia Calderwood [18 th]. Raining all day. Tonny and I went on the milk route. Fixed beds for the company. Cleaned up top of shop. Cleaned out Aunt Jemima.
Sept. 1, Saturday	[blank]
Sept. 2, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy and drizzly. The Whipples arrived today. Min, Fred, Con and Buddy. They brought us a T.V. set. Nothing but chores accomplished today.
Sept. 3, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Still foggy and miserable out.
Sept. 4, Tuesday	[blank through September 7]
Sept. 8, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Kellys left this noon. Nice day.
Sept. 9, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> We went on a sail with the Eliot Beveridges today. Also the Witherspoons. We went to Pleasant run and called on the Val. Youngs. They gave us some huckleberries.
Sept. 10, Monday	[blank through September 12]
Sept. 13, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Some fog but a nice day.
Sept. 14, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and rainy.
Sept. 15, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Ton & I delivered milk. Pat went to Rockland on noon boat. Ton did some hand scything around manure pile. Worked on limb pile etc.
Sept. 16, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Cloudy & windy, started raining around noon time. The Val Youngs arrived about nine with some more huckleberries. They stayed until noon when they went over to Gregory's. We took the milk out. Then the Smiths spent the afternoon with us. Also Betty Joy who spent the night also.
Sept. 17, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast. Ern here. Also Martin who is digging across the road. Got pipe laid from Fay's to barn. Rained hard this afternoon and evening. I delivered milk when I went after Pat.
Sept. 18, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Westerly wind, cool and everything soaking wet. Martin & Ern worked on pipe line. Got some more pipe. Laid and enough dirt on it to hold it down.
Sept. 19, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> 36° above this morning sunny and calm Martin digging across road. Tonny & Ern helping.
Sept. 20, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and overcast. Rained on and off all day. Tonny, Ern and Martin worked all day on ditch. Ton brought home his scoop. Pat went to V.H.

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Sept. 21, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> 38° above. Nice and sunny. Ern working today. Also Martin on ditch.
Sept. 22, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Tonny filling in ditch with scoop. Got stuck in ditch this P.M. Had to have Johnny W. and Frank's jeep to pull him out. Up to Eliot B.'s to supper. Shorty and Greta there too.
Sept. 23, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny worked around place. Pat and I delivered milk. Took a sail in boat this P.M. Shorty, Greta & Raymond here a little while this evening.
Sept. 24, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining hard. Did some writing. Delivered milk.
Sept. 25, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast & drizzly by spells. I washed clothes, dried pretty good. Tonny took some sheep and lambs to Calderwoods. Pat went to square dance. We visited at Lewis & Ida's.
Sept. 26, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> 38 above this morning. Sunny & windy. Killed 3 lambs for Lamonts. One for us & 2 veal for W. & Co. Brought rams home and tied them out.
Sept. 27, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> 40 above. Overcast. Ern worked on limb pile while ton took veal to store. Took 11 ewe lambs to Calderwood's.
Sept. 28, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Easterly wind 40° above. ton worked on limbs wood pile. Uptown this P.M. to get the puppy that Cabots were bringing down to Ton. Pat went to V.H.
Sept. 29, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Took three lambs to Calderwoods. Put eight lambs in big field. They were some we had above barn. Delivered milk. Had a hair cut. E. Beveridges here to supper. This has been a beautiful day.
Sept. 30, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast & cool. 38 above. Tonny shocked out some clams after breakfast and we fixed some crabapples for juice. Arthur Pears called a few minutes. Tonny and I delivered milk. Mike was up. The Smiths called a little while.
Oct. 1, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy & drizzly, very calm. Ern here. Sawed his limbs and the wood that was piled in the yard. Also sawed Bill's wood.
Oct. 2, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Brought cow home from V.L.'s that we bought. Worked on water pipe.
Oct. 3, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Strong No. West wind. Ern worked some on wood pile. Put up living room stove. Covered some on water pipe.
Oct. 4, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice & calm. Tonny and Ern pumped spring out and cleaned it out so George Brown can start on forms tomorrow. Pat went to V.H. for night. I went to Auxiliary supper. V.H. people up. Raining this evening.
Oct. 5, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Clear, cool and windy. George Brown here working on forms for spring. Ern W. & Ton helping. Mercedes gave me a tip-Toni tonight.
Oct. 6, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Cool, about 34 this morning. Men folk working on spring. Min, Fred and Connie arrived this afternoon.
Oct. 7, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> So. East rain & wind storm. Fred & Connie couldn't get away today.

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Oct. 8, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice and sunny. Connie & Fred left today. Min staying for awhile. Not working in spring today as they ran out of lumber. Had some come on boat tonight.
Oct. 9, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice today. Men working on spring.
Oct. 10, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Cool this morning 34°. Men working on spring.
Oct. 11, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> First killing frost. It got our dahlias. Tonny killed three lambs for Dyer. Ern tore up tie up floor and they replaced it in P.M. Pat went to V.H. for night.
Oct. 12, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> 28 above. Tonny called on V.L. This A.M. Delivered milk and got fodder on way home. Abby & Eleanor came for weekend.
Oct. 13, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Nice day. Tonny hauled some rocks to go into the concrete walls. Delivered milk. Visited Abby & Eleanor on way home. I went with Pat to dance. It was a benefit dance for Jimmy Hop. Cleared \$58.00 on it.
Oct. 14, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast & sprinkly this morning. Cleared to a nice day. Tonny, Pat & Min went to S.S. and church. I stayed home and cooked dinner. The Smiths & Witherspoons here this P.M. Also Mike B. Brian here this evening to study with Pat.
Oct. 15, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy & warm. George Brown, Sprague, Flo Arey & Ern all here working on the cement mixing. Got it finished to the spring.
Oct. 16, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day when the fog cleared. Ern & Tonny dug potatoes 12 1/2 bu. Mowed across from carriage house. I washed.
Oct. 17, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Another beautiful day. Ton put cows out in fields for a little while. Put potatoes in the Gregory cellar. Hauled in one load of hay.
Oct. 18, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy but mild. Tonny and Ern did odd jobs. Brought rest of lambs down from Mrs. Pease pasture and put them in big field. We had a lovely supper at J.O.B.'s tonight.
Oct. 19, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Cold, 36 above at seven o'clock. Tonny did odd chores & delivered milk. Pat went to V.H.
Oct. 20, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Cool. Tonny did catching up chores and finished filling in ditch in back of barn.
Oct. 21, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast not so cold. We didn't make it to S.S. or church. Delivered milk before dinner. The Lawrence Grants called on us this P.M. Mike up from V.H.
Oct. 22, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy & damp, cleared a little during P.M. Tonny and Ern worked on taking off forms of spring. Mowed some in P.M.
Oct. 23, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining. Tonny took Ern home before dinner. Quite a nasty day toward night. Wind & rain.

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Oct. 24, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Westerly wind & sunny. Tonny and Ern worked on spring taking off outside forms.
Oct. 25, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> 30 above at seven o'clock, some change in the weather. Tonny and Ern worked on spring all day. Got all of the forms off.
Oct. 26, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> About 36 this morning, sunny. Ern worked on spring forms until Tonny was ready to go to the other farm. They hauled in two load of sheep hay.
Oct. 27, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Sunny, mild and beautiful. Min. left this morning. Tonny got his shut off in at the gate and covered up. Took Johnny W.'s engine back and took Harvey's engine up to have fixed, and hauled his grain home.
Oct. 28, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Pat and I went to S.S. and Pat went to V.H. I came home and then Ton & I delivered milk and made a call at the Burgesses.
Oct. 29, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Tonny and Ern mowed Abby's estate.
Oct. 30, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Ton & Ern worked on hay. Got in one load an hoisted off one load.
Oct. 31, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Another beautiful day. Martin working on ditch towards house. Tonny and Ern hauled in three loads of hay.
Nov. 1, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining hard. The Senior Class went to Rockland to have their pictures taken. Tonny worked some in barn. Delivered milk. Smiths here to supper.
Nov. 2, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> No. East wind, clear & sunny. Tonny hauling lumber _____ from spring. Pat went to V.H. for night.
Nov. 3, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast & cold. Looks like snow. Tonny did chores. Had to repair fence around Mrs. Pease house as the heifers were breaking in there. Hauled a load of lumber from spring. Delivered milk. Called on Burgesses awhile as we had to come up town to pick Pat up.
Nov. 4, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. The Youngs here all day. Took them along when we went to deliver milk.
Nov. 5, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Ern worked some cleaning up from lumber. They finished mowing Abby's place. Mike here. Tonny and I went to Men's Supper.
Nov. 6, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day, just like summer. Tonny and Ern worked on Abby's hay. Got in one load. Pat didn't go to school until noontime as she didn't feel good. We voted when we took Ern home.
Nov. 7, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Not such a good day as yesterday. So. West wind. Pat, Ellis, Betty and Brian went to Rockland to get ads for Pilot. Tonny and [Ern] finished getting in Abby's hay.
Nov. 8, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Foggy this morning, overcast all day. Tonny and Ern built a lamb pen for to corral lamb in big field. Ern went home at noontime as Tonny delivered milk. I made a cake for Alta for Auxiliary tonight and Alta helped me do my ironing.

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Nov. 9, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Cold, snowed a little during night. Tonny put dahlias in Uncle T. cellar. Cleaned barn up getting ready to kill lambs. Delivered milk. Filled in some ditch.
Nov. 10, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Cold. I took Pat uptown so to go across to V.H. dentist app. at 1:30. She didn't come back until ten. We visited at Burgesses.
Nov. 11, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> About 24 cold and blowy. Pat and I went to S.S. Tonny delivered milk. Raining and blowing hard tonight.
Nov. 12, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Still blowing but mild around 50° this morning. Ern and Tonny put pipe in ditch through "well" field and got it filled in. Mike up for afternoon & evening. Pat and I went to Mother's Club at Thelma's.
Nov. 13, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining hard & cold, about 32°. Turning to snow flurries and clearing to a fairly nice day. Tonny filled in around spring. We attended "open house" at the school and saw the picture "Blackboard Jungle."
Nov. 14, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Cold, some snow flurries, clearing to [a] nice day. I washed. Tonny hauled manure away from barn and spread it in.
Nov. 15, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Kind of overcast but clearing to a beautiful warm day. Nora W. came down with me from school to close the camp up and then she visited with me until I had to go with milk. Tonny plowed in big field.
Nov. 16, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Strong So. West wind. The student council went on a trip to Bangor. Had to go on J.O. as the North Haven wasn't running good. Tonny hauled manure onto plowed piece, 11 load. I delivered milk.
Nov. 17, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Calm & warm. Tonny got out rest of manure from back of sheep barn, delivered milk. Had supper at Legion Hall benefit of senior class
Nov. 18, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing hard. There must be a foot of snow in places. Snow plow out. A nasty wintry day for so early in the season. We delivered milk about noon-time.
Nov. 19, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> 18° above. Warmed up a lot but the snow didn't melt much. Tonny did chores, built a calving pen and delivered milk. Pat went to V.H. I went to Garden Club.
Nov. 20, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy & overcast. Snow melting some. Martin digging ditch into house.
Nov. 21, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Almost flat calm this morning and overcast. By noon the wind (south) was blowing and increasing in volume by the minute and raining. Had to give their digging up. Ton delivered milk. Wind blowing a gale and raining hard.
Nov. 22, Thursday <i>Thanksgiving</i>	<i>Annie:</i> Wind shifting to west and blowing not quite so hard. Tonny delivered milk this A.M. We had our dinner about 1:00. Mike B. came up about boat time and stayed until 10. That's all the callers we had.
Nov. 23, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Colder, about 36 this morning. Ern and Martin here. They got the ditch dug, pipe laid and filled in clear in under porch.

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Nov. 24, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> 18 above. Sure is nippy. Tonny did chores and went after a load of sawdust. <i>Tonny:</i> Brot [sic] heifers from Pease's down to Tumbledown barn. Put sheep manure on flower gardens.
Nov. 25, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Snow flurries. We didn't get to S.S. or church. Delivered milk about noon time. The William Hopkins called on us along with Mr. Godgart.
Nov. 26, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Storming hard, rain & wind. Did chores, delivered milk.
Nov. 27, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Ern & Tonny worked some on spring. Drove the lambs and picked out some to kill tomorrow.
Nov. 28, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> Ern & Tonny killed 10 lambs for Brown's Market in Camden.
Nov. 29, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Rather mild. Wrapped five bundles of lamb and took them to boat. The Youngs came after their turnips. Ton salted lamb pelts and delivered milk. The seniors mothers club met here this evening, fourteen in all.
Nov. 30, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast & damp but mild. Tonny and Ern worked on spring. Got pipe into spring and ditch party filled in. Went to see the movie "Seventeen" at church. Called at Oldroyd's awhile. Pat went to V.H. to basketball game.
Dec. 1, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Tonny and Ern worked on spring. Got it washed down and cleaned out.
Dec. 2, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Pat and I went to S.S. and church. Tonny and I delivered milk afterwards. Mike here for afternoon and evening.
Dec. 3, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing and windy So. East. Did chores, took pumper back to firehouse. Made out bills, delivered milk and went to Men's Supper. The speaker didn't make it so Eliot B. showed some of his pictures. I washed.
Dec. 4, Tuesday <i>Annie's birthday and their wedding anniversary</i>	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: A.G.C. Also 19 th ann. Windy & coolish. put machinery under cover, brought home a load of lambs. Delivered milk. Hung out clothes. They dried nicely.
Dec. 5, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> 12 above, clear & sunny. Pat went to Rockland getting Pilot ads. Tonny & Ern killed lambs. Killed 12.
Dec. 6, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining 40 degrees. Shipped lambs to S.F. Woodbridge. Ton did chores. Wrote letters. Delivered milk.
Dec. 7, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining on and off all day. Ton took lamb pelts over to salt. Delivered milk. I went to Art Class. Pat went to V.H. Sherm B. here for the evening.
Dec. 8, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Damp, mild & sunny. Tonny plowed some for Abby. Pat and I delivered milk. Pat went to dance. Ton & I spent evening at Burgesses. Pat spending night at Ellises.
Dec. 9, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing and snowed all day. Tonny delivered milk. We didn't go out again. Betty Joy walked down and is spending the night.

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Dec. 10, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> 22 above. Quite a little snow on ground. Ton did chores, delivered milk. Spent evening at Mercedes & Jim's. Alta, Lewis, Harvey & Shirley there.
Dec. 11, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy & coolish but clear. 37° above. Killed lambs today 10. Ern worked.
Dec. 12, Wednesday	[blank]
Dec. 13, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Ton delivered milk. Took three bundles of lambs to boat. Brought Shorty's truck home as we are going to use [it] here while our car is laid up.
Dec. 14, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Took Chevy up to Stevie this morning. He is going to put a new engine in her for us. Tonny working with him.
Dec. 15, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing some all day. Tonny helping Stevie on engine. Pat and I delivered milk. Up to Smith's for supper. Raining when we came home.
Dec. 16, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Rained all night and some this noon. Working on car. Pat and I delivered milk. Got our Christmas tree on way home.
Dec. 17, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Beautiful day. Still working on car. I delivered milk. I went to Eliot Bev. tonight to Garden Club. Nice time.
Dec. 18, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Windy and growing cold. 12 above when we went to bed. Stevie finished car today. The new engine sounds nice.
Dec. 19, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> 12° above this morning. I went up to Maud's this forenoon to help dress Camels. I helped Ton drive lambs. We delivered milk this P.M.
Dec. 20, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> Rather mild day. I washed clothes, dried nicely. Ern here. They killed 10 lambs. Mike up.
Dec. 21, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Today's Birthdays: Alta B., Nora W., Curt D. Cooler. Ern here. Finished killing lambs. Salted pelts, fenced around spring. Ern cleared a patch in pasture back of Carver's barn.
Dec. 22, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Tonny cut up and delivered 14 lambs. Also delivered milk.
Dec. 23, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> Snowing all day, not heavy. Pat went to S.S. We went to church. Pat in Vinalhaven for afternoon & evening. Ton and I went to Candlelight service and afterwards to Dazie's. Lew & Alta were there. Icing when we came home.
Dec. 24, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> Icy drizzle falling. Did chores and delivered milk. Went to Christmas tree at church and visited at Oldroyd's afterwards.
Dec. 25, Tuesday	<i>Annie:</i> Drizzly all day. We opened our presents after breakfast and then Ton delivered milk. Had our turkey dinner and then Ton took Pat to free movies.
Dec. 26, Wednesday	<i>Annie:</i> 16° above. Nice and sunshiney but grew colder again at night. Just got chores done today. Foster here to fix light plant. His family came with him and they visited until three o'clock.

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Dec. 27, Thursday	<i>Annie:</i> 16 above, clear and cool this morning. Clouded up and started snowing around six. Snowed about six or seven in. in no time. Turned to rain in evening. Tonny did chores, repaired barn floor and delivered milk.
Dec. 28, Friday	<i>Annie:</i> Raining hard, snow going fast, warm.
Dec. 29, Saturday	<i>Annie:</i> Overcast, turning to rain and raining hard into the evening when it turned to sleet & snow. We spent evening at June and Bill's in the company of Cynthia & Don, Eliot & Dorothy, Louise & Lloyd. Had a nice time. Mike here spending the night.
Dec. 30, Sunday	<i>Annie:</i> 10 above & blowing hard. We didn't go to S.S. or church. Car wouldn't start this morning. Had to give her a tow with tractor. Ton, Pat & Mike went with milk. Blowing a gale and cold all day. Mike couldn't get across so is spending the night.
Dec. 31, Monday	<i>Annie:</i> 4 above, wind has died out some. Stevie came down to fix voltage regulator on car. Found it burned out so went to garage and got a new one and put it on. Cost over 11 dollars. Also put a tank of gas on. Delivered milk. Mike went home this P.M. Stayed at home tonight.