

TONNY and ANNIE CALDERWOOD'S DIARY January 1 to December 31, 1963

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Jan. 1, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> +20°. Happy New Year, and thanks Cousin Jennie for the nice book. Such a nice day after the last two of storm. Wind still strong N.W. but moderating tonight. Chored and delivered milk around the island run. Called on the Beveridges a few minutes on way home. Almost had trouble getting through snow bank above Tumbledown as the snow had blown in so. Didn't dare attempt going to the New Year's Party at Bill and June's last night because of the snow blowing. Have pumped and chored. Had to snowshoe to spring and back. Too pooped to poop.
Jan. 2, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> 30+. Up over 40° during the day. Chored and went on milk route. Nan washed at Burgesses. Nan took down our Christmas tree and lights after coming home. I went over to Tumbledown, put in 8 panes of glass and shingled up some cracks between the boards where the snow had blown into the ground mow. Also over big door. Did chores while there. H.D. brought my grain due since Monday. We had no boat with freight since Sat. Bill H. came down with scallops tonight, had supper with us, and spent the night. His family returned to Rockland this morning. This has truly been a beautiful winter day.
Jan. 3, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> 30+. Bill went home in Elsie Q Jeep this morning. I took bags along when we went with milk and brought home 9 bags of shavings from Brown's shop. Nan came right home in the Chevy. Pumped and chored. Mr. Montgomery called by phone and talked with Nan while I was at barn this morning. Another nice day. Dalon Brown's girl Mary Ella gave birth to a baby girl this A.M.
Jan. 4, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> 30+. Wind N.E. light. Cloudy with sun showing some during P.M. Chored. Rested while Nan went with milk. She had only returned when Orilla Sampson and Edna Dyer called to spend P.M. About 3:30 I went over to Tumbledown and shingled the cracks in Tie-up along front side of barn and under barn floor window before doing the chores there. When I came down from milking chores here, Harvey, Shirley and Bill H. had arrived. Harvey showed his home movies. Very good.
Jan. 5, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> +32. N.N.E. air. Became a beautiful day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. Rested while Nan was gone. Pumped, then while choring at other barn I put shingles over cracks in barn wall in calving shed. Have tie-up in pretty tight shape now except forgetting plank walkway back of animals fastened down. Can't do this until I get the anti-spread rod through new sill. Don and Cynthia called on us this evening.
Jan. 6, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Calm - 30+. Overcast. Became a beautiful day. Chored. Delivered milk. We had dinner with the Burgesses - ham and dandelion greens. Very good. Rested an hour this P.M. then chored early to go up to Beveridges to supper. Had a nice evening.

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Jan. 7, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Calm +24. Became a lovely day. Chored. Nan delivered milk as I wanted to be around when the telephone repairman came. Washed the milkroom and entry floor while waiting for him. Took our old phone out and gave it to me as we've been on dial since December 13 th . Pumped and chored. This has been a beautiful spell of weather since last Tuesday.
Jan. 8, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> 25+ and calm. A good day to work out doors, but rather raw. Nan delivered milk. I chored and then worked at Tumbledown barn. Finished putting strips around tie-up windows, put a strip along back edge of platform back of stock to keep wind from blowing up out of cellar. Then spent remaining time on stable floor by door. Nearly finished it. Chored. Received our Christmas box of Riviera Pears tonight from the Montgomerys. Part of an eight month Fruit of the Month gift.
Jan. 9, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> N.W. air, +28. Lovely day. Chored and then went on milk route with Nan. Stopped at Mrs. Pease's and then at Abbie's on way home to inspect for storm damage. Found part of a sky-light window blown out at Mrs. Pease's, and three shingles broken off at Abbie's - two on garage roof and one on shed roof. Dodged up to E. Beveridge's to see the job Willis the pulp cutter was doing in the section between the house field and the shore. He's a neat chopper. Came right home without seeing the Beveridges. Pumped and chored.
Jan. 10, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> +32. Westerly air. Another so very good day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I went over to Tumbledown in Jeep and brought home my tools and the short pieces of boards and planks left from repairing tie-up. Baled up all the bags (grain) that were any good before coming home. Baled up all my bags here at home. Both places had 150 good ones and 38 culls. Put separator boards on each side of the Walker Ames cow to keep the other cows from stealing her grain. Made calving pen at Tumbledown while doing chores, and turned Hiram cow heifer loose. May calve anytime.
Jan. 11, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> N.E. air. +32. Turned raw and almost stormed this P.M. Beautiful and calm this morning. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I took the bales from Mrs. Pease's barn to Wayside Service to have the twisted-off stud bolts in safety clutch on fly-wheel drilled out, and new ones put in. Put baler back in Mrs. Pease's barn. F. Adams' crew finished shingling the south side of the barn roof today, Mrs. Pease's and took the staging home. Pumped and chored.
Jan. 12, Saturday	+20. Raw N.E. Started snowing during night - maybe 3 inches, changing to some freezing drizzle tonight. Chored. Delivered milk. Nan stayed home and cleaned up Pat's room, putting away our Christmas presents, etc. Took McCulloch saw along and Foster overhauled it, cleaning points, flushing out gas tank, etc. Up to Burgesses this evening. Edith and Milton there. Credited Foster M. \$5.00 on Dec. milk for work on McCulloch and the valve and carbon job he did on the water pump engine a while back.
Jan. 13, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> +30. Light air N.E. Almost drizzle. Rained this P.M. Stimpson's Island cow's black heifer racing at Tumbledown. Chored and delivered milk. We were treated to homemade ice cream at Doug Stone's on milk route. Rested an hour this P.M. Pumped and chored. Up to the Don Witherspoons to supper and evening. The Beveridges and Gordon Peters were there. Had a nice time.

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Jan. 14, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> About 15 above. Calm. Hauling out 4 loads wood for Ern Whitmore - \$10.00. Nan delivered milk. I put chains on the tractor and went up to Ern's to haul out some wood for him. Had to get one of my chains off the King's tractor when I went along. It had been on his tractor since we plowed at Watson's last fall. A lot of snow in places. Chored.
Jan. 15, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> +17. Westerly breeze. Nice day but slippery driving and walking. Chored. H.D. brought my grain this morning. Went on milk route with Nan. Lost some time at Brown's Shop as Pat worked on left back door. It didn't shut good. Took stove pipe off living room stove this P.M. and cleaned it out. Pumped and chored. Bill Hopkins down to supper and evening with us. Watched McCulloch chainsaw program before doing milking chores tonight. Slim Clark and the Country Gentlemen.
Jan. 16, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> +8° clear and sunny N.W. breeze. Chored. So slippery walking and driving that I went on milk route with Nan. Stopped at Beveridges on way home and bought a lamb carcass of them. Cut it up and put it in freezer before starting chores. Chored and went to bed at 9:30. Cold but no wind 6° above. Owe Eliot Beveridge 22# lamb @ .40 = \$8.80.
Jan. 17, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> 16° above and clear. Westerly or west-southwest breeze. Was 6° above when I came from barn last night. Warmed to a nice day. Nan went with milk. I took mower from Tumbledown up to Mrs. Pease's barn. Sorry to have been so late getting it under cover. Ground two axes after I came back. Also cleaned out back of Jeep, putting my tools and odds and ends of Tumbledown lumber in top of shop. Pumped and chored.
Jan. 18, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> +24. Light snow this A.M. Almost warmed up enough to stick to the icy places. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Treated to apple pie and gingerbread at Jennie O.B.'s. Rested an hour this P.M. Chored. Made out milk tax papers this morning before starting chores. The "Little King" and "Tiny King" called at barn while I was choring this A.M.
Jan. 19, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> +26. Calm. Cleared to a beautiful warm day. Bred Liz Grey's first granddaughter to Charlie Holstein Jr. Nan delivered milk. I repaired the tie-up door. Pumped and chored. The Witherspoons called this evening. Nan made a batch of pineapple sherbet this P.M.
Jan. 20, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> +32° but up over 40° part of day. Cloudy and gloomy. Easterly wind. Heavy rain all day, changing to fog late this P.M. Really cleaned a lot of the snow off. Very icy through the schoolhouse woods and Turner woods. Put on our chains before starting out with milk. Came right home and rested an hour before doing chores. Up to Bill Hopkins' to supper and evening. He made scallop stew and an apple pie. Both were very good.
Jan. 21, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> 24° but dropped to 18° by mid-forenoon. Beautiful clear sunny day but growing rapidly cold. Snowed enough early this morning to make the ice not slippery. Wind breezing up hard N.W. Chored and delivered milk. Nan made a batch of ice cream this P.M. Pumped and chored. Down to 10° above tonight at 9:30 but wind has dropped out considerably.

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<p>Jan. 22, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> High clouds but clearing. 8° above. Calm. Black Hiram heifer calved at Tumbledown this morning - Charlie Holstein's first offspring - a son. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan as it breezed up so raw and disagreeable. Warmed up into the 20s but very penetrating. Went back over to Tumbledown as soon as we got home from delivering. Watered up the heifer and washed her udder in hot water. Stripped her out a little and made sure the calf was sucking. Chored. Watched the McCulloch Country Caravan with Slim Clark and Country Gentlemen before doing milking chores.</p>
<p>Jan. 23, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 24° above with very sharp wind. Chored. Up early so to give the Hiram heifer a hot water wash and to strip her out. I think she'll milk good when she gets straightened around. Went on milk route with Nan as it was so windy. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>Jan. 24, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 8° above. Almost N.W. gale. Light snow during night, blowing badly this morning. Cold all day. Growing cold tonight - 5° above at 6:00 P.M. No boat tonight. Ours on Swan's Island run. Vinalhaven boat returned directly to V.H. from Rockland. Bought ourselves a new thermometer today. \$1.64. Chored.</p>
<p>Jan. 25, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 2° above. Westerly wind. A nice sunny day but cold. Chored and went on milk route. The left back door on Chevy bothered so were lost an hour having Pat try to fix it. Not much luck. Pumped and chored. Saved milk from Hiram heifer first time tonight to see if it's okay.</p>
<p>Jan. 26, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 10° above. N.E. breeze. Looks snowy. Chored. Nan was going to take the milk but snow started falling just as we were boxing the milk so I went with her. Nearly four inches of feathers fell. Town plow down after dark tonight. Only had a half hour or so between getting home and starting chores again. Mended my leather mittens in that time. Chored early to go up to Thorntons for evening. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>Jan. 27, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 22° above. Rose rapidly this A.M. to over 40°. Very tough N.E. snow storm from before daylight to nine o'clock when it changed to a tough rain storm. Did chores at this barn first before putting chains on to go to other barn. Snow plow had been down by that time. Delivered milk and came right home. Pumped and chored after resting an hour which made me late. Wind breezing up N.W. tonight.</p>
<p>Jan. 28, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 12° above. Strong westerly wind. Sunny. Chored. Went on milk route. Nan stayed home and worked. Stopped at Lawrence Beverage's on way home to look at a couple 6 mo. heifers he talks of trading with me for Walker cow. Chored. Harvey Demmons brought grain about 4:45. Then I got stuck trying to drive by his Band R truck while he was in the house collecting fgt. money.</p>
<p>Jan. 29, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 4° above. Cold and windy. Chored. Delivered milk in Jeep. Took bags along and succeeded in getting 9 bags of shavings. Was completely out of bedding. Started choring as soon as we got home as the Burgesses and Ames were coming down to supper. Had a nice time. This was pump day too. Had to use blow torch on cistern first time this year.</p>

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<p>Jan. 30, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 18° above. Westerly wind. Snow flurries this morning. Enough to make the icy places more slippery. Cleared early in the A.M. Chored and went on milk route in Jeep. Hurried home to be here when the "Little King" brought a six months Guernsey heifer and a six months Angus Jersey heifer down in exchange for the Walker Ames' Jersey I bought of him in November. These were two calves he had raised from last summer. The Guernsey was a calf he brought from the mainland. Put the two calves in bull barn. Took Walker cow to Aunt Lottie's, then brought my black Hiram heifer and her calf from Tumbledown. Chored. Finished Ern's S.S. acc't to send to Internal Revenue. Traded Walker Ames cow for 2 eight months calves with Lawrence Beverage - calves may be worth \$50.00. Pd \$115.00 for cow in November.</p>
<p>Jan. 31, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 14° above. N.E. air. A nice day but pretty sharp. Chored and went on milk route. Went in Chevy and run out of gas above Tumbledown barn. Walked home to get a can of gas, taking it back over in Elsie Q. Made us late getting around with milk. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>Special Data</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Jan. 22 - black Hiram heifer calved at Tumbledown - a black & white bull. Feb. 1 - Watch S.I. black heifer for racing. Tried to breed her this date but no luck. She was willing but bull couldn't make contact. Watch her Feb. 19. Feb. 3 - Started feeding western side of barn. Feb. 5 - Agnes cow calved during night - Guernsey colored heifer. Am raising her. Feb. 12 - Bred Liz Grey's second black and white heifer (her third daughter) to Charlie Holstein Jr. Feb. 13 - Traded my Alice cow 3 yr. old heifer (never calved) to L. Beverage for his P.E. Jersey cow. Owe him \$75 in milk. Allowed me \$100 for heifer. His Jersey due to calve in March 19. Calved Mar. 13 - a red heifer. Feb. 25 - Liz Grey cow calved - a Guernsey colored bull. Jan. 19th Bred Liz Grey's first granddaughter to Charlie Holstein Jr.</p>
<p>Feb. 1, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 4° above. N.E. air. Warmed up to a beautiful day. Nan went on milk route. I started working on Income Tax material. Chored.</p>
<p>Feb. 2, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 8° above. N.E. air. Heavy frost. Fair but quite raw. Nan delivered milk so I could work on my Income Tax papers. Pumped and chored. Started to snow at chore time, then turned to rain before I finished up. Were invited up to Burgesses this evening. Edith Ames' birthday but didn't go as weather was too uncertain. Afraid we get an ice storm. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>Feb. 3, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 30° above, growing colder during the day. Strong N.W. wind. Chored. Considerable snow taken off by rain last night but boy is it icy. Went on milk route with Nan. Visited at Burgesses a few minutes and then called on the Beveridges on our way home to see how their shore vista was coming along. The pulper has about 50 cords cut off now. Chored. Down to zero when I came from barn last time.</p>
<p>Feb. 4, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 8° below zero. Strong N.W. wind. Cold, cold, cold. Chored. Went on milk route. Did manage to warm up to about fifteen. Down to 4° above tonight while choring. Pumped and chored. Making a lot of ice in spring every cold spell now.</p>

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Feb. 5, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> A North West snowstorm - what do you know about that. 20° above. Made four or more inches of snow. The Agnes cow had calved in tie-up when I went to the barn - a Guernsey colored heifer - may raise her. Got stuck on Birch tree hill - slid off coming home from other barn this morning. Snow plow came along and pulled me out. Finally finished morning chores at 11:15. Went on milk route. Lots of snow in people's dooryards.
Feb. 6, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> 20°above. N.E. air. Pretty fair kind of day but miserable slippery walking. Jennie O. fell and either broke or splintered her knee this morning. Taken to Rockland. Chored and went on milk route. Rested a half hour. Pumped and chored. We are told that Jennie's break was a bad one above her knee and that she must have a pin put in. This is bad. Feb. 11 - No pin put in as yet. Traction doing the job.
Feb. 7, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> 22° above. Easterly air. Light snow last night. Cleared to a beautiful day. Even melted some on porch. Chored and went on milk route. Shoveled out dooryard after we came home. Rested a half hour. Chored. Had trouble getting turned round in dooryard and getting into garage after all the shoveling as there is so much ice.
Feb. 8, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> 0° with northeasterly wind swinging to N. Watch Liz Grey's first granddaughter - no sign today. May have settled. Snow blown into tracks so I couldn't drive up to this barn this morning. Did get out of garage driveway and over to Tumbledown. Chored and went on milk route. A very cold day all day. Pumped and chored. Got stuck in dooryard trying to go over to Tumbledown chores tonight. Nan helped me get out and went over with me. 9:00 when I finished these home chores - 6° below. Had warmed up to zero when we went to bed. Pooched.
Feb. 9, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Westerly breeze. 4° above. Warmed up to a nice sunny day. Nan took milk so I could wok on my income tax papers. She also did two loads of clothes before coming home. Chored.
Feb. 10, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> 22° above. Overcast some. W.S. W. wind. Made a nice day. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Watched the children skate a few minutes at the Lion's pond by Wayside Rested 15 minutes. Pumped and chored. Don and Cynthia called this evening.
Feb. 11, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> 24° above. S.W. air. Snowed some this A.M. so I went on the milk route. Worked what time I had this P.M. on income tax papers. H.D. brought grain tonight. L. Beverage called at Tumbledown while I was choring there so I was late from this barn 9:00. Oh hum.
Feb. 12, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> 20° above. N.E. air. Light snow falling. Continued all day to heavy this P.M. changing to nearly snow at dark. Chored and went on milk route. Had chains put on at Brown's before trying to come home. Pumped and chored. Had a peck of trouble getting out of the dooryard when we went to Tumbledown tonight and more getting back into the garage. Breeding the black and whit heifer slowed me down so I was very late again tonight - after 9:00. What a winter this is getting to be.

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<p>Feb. 13, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 20° above - N.E. air. Up at 5:00 this morning to work on Income Tax material. Must have sleeted last evening as there's a cussed crust this morning that won't quite hold one's weight. Snow plow came and plowed up to the barn while I was doing these chores. Didn't try to go over to Tumbledown first as I couldn't get out of garage without shoveling. Delivered milk. Came right home and worked what time I had on Income Tax papers. Didn't come straight home though for we swung down to H.D.'s to get Valentine present. Bill Hopkins called up and invited himself down to steak supper. The little King took my Alice cow's heifer out of Tumbledown and left his Pete Edwards' Jersey cow. Owe him \$75.00 in milk.</p>
<p>Feb. 14, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Sunny and quite cold. 16° above. W.S.W. wind. A nice day. Chored and went on milk route. Came right home and had nearly an hour to work on Income Tax papers. Pumped and chored. Worked on papers again tonight.</p>
<p>Feb. 15, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 18° above. W.S.W. breeze. Up at 5:00 again this morning working on papers. Must be finished today but how? Nan delivered the milk and did a wash at Burgesses. I was on my last page of copy when she came home. Finished and in the mailbox at 4:15 and it cost me plenty. S.S. - \$129.00. Income tax \$271.00 or 1600 qts of milk. Chored and down from the barn at 7:50. Took in the clothes from the wash today and is it growing cold. Almost zero and blowing hard.</p>
<p>Feb. 16, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> -2° zero. Strong W.N.W. wind. Clear and sunny but cold. Chored and went on milk route. Stopped at Bertha's on way home to get hair cut. First one since before December. Wrong- the 3rd of December. Pumped and chored. all ready to water up here when the wheel valve on cistern twisted off. Shorty came down with a street valve shut off for me. Made my chores lat again. 4° below zero tonight but wind dropping out some. Did chores at other barn while I was waiting for Shorty to come.</p>
<p>Feb. 17, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 4° below zero. Clear, sunny and calm. Little Thoroughfare frozen across to Simpson's Island this morning. A nice day warming up to about 20. Chored and went on milk route. Came right home to rest an hour. Had just reached the halfway mark when the Beveridge's arrived. Had a nice hour visit. Had to pump again this P.M. along with chores by getting fouled up yesterday P.M.</p>
<p>Feb. 18, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Eunice Curtis gave birth to twins - a boy and a girl. 22° above. About calm. At least it's smooth on the ice between here and Stimpson's. What a mess. All this snow and the crust will not quite hold a person. Oh dear. Oh hum and I need to get some wood badly. The ice has cleared itself out today. Just a few drifting cakes tonight. Hope it stays out. Chored and went on milk route. Nan stayed up to Garden Club meeting this P.M. I had new snow tread mounted at Brown's as a spare and then came home. Went over to spring to pump but couldn't get one drain plug to stay in pump. Threads are worn in casting. Have enough water in cistern for tonight's watering. Bill promises to come tomorrow. Sun softened the crust some. A help. Took chains off tonight.</p>

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<p>Feb. 19, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful calm morning. Watch S.I. black heifer. Cloudy some but warm. 28°. They promise snow or rain for tonight and then colder. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I shoveled out the Jeep and put chains on it. Shorty and Bill Hurd came to work on the water pump. Tapped the openings out so I could put in new drains. Pumped and chored. Started to rain a little tonight while choring. Changed to snow.</p>
<p>Feb. 20, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> S.I. heifer racing this P.M. Couldn't do anything about it. Too much snow to content with. 15° above. Wind from western qtr. Snowed most of night evidently. Snow plow was been down before 7:00 this morning. At least even inches of snow on porch. Must have been a tough night the way the road to barn was banked full. Chored. Delivered milk in Jeep. Mostly a one track road around the island especially between D. Witherspoon's and Charlie Brown's. Came right home and started shoveling. Nan shoveled off porch while I shoveled road to panel truck so I could lug some grain into barn. Then she went over to Tumbledown and helped me shovel a path to barn and well house. What a winter!</p>
<p>Feb. 21, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 35° above. S.W. wind. Promises to be much colder tonight. Has grown cold all A.M. Down to 18° above before we started out with milk. Delivered in Jeep and came right home. Rested 3/4 of an hour before starting chores. Pumped and chored. UP to Burgesses tonight to Mrs. B.'s annual Christmas party. The Oldroyds are all over for a few days. We men folks chewed the fat in the den - Milton Ames, J. Oldroyd, Frank S., Prudy and yours truly. Almost down to zero when we came home.</p>
<p>Feb. 22, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Wayside Service plowed barn road. Cold - 0° or below. Westerly wind. Nice day but stayed cold. Chored. Pat and Little Mike arrived by taxi about 10:30. They went on milk route with us. Came right home and they and Nan went right back up to Burgesses so the Oldroyds could see Michael. I rested 15 minutes and then started chores. Peeled enough apples so Nan could make two apple pies. Then she made a batch of ice cream while I was going the barn chores. The work this woman has turned out this day. The Oldroyds, Burgesses, and Ames down this evening. Jim showed his colored slides. Very good. Then about 10:15 Sheila, young Jim, Floyd C. and Paul Quinn blew in. Had a house full.</p>
<p>Feb. 23, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful clear morning but cold. 4° above. Westerly breeze. Sun coming up pretty. Have washed the dishes from last evening this morning. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I went up on the Bank's road above my woodlot gate and sawed down a big dead tree left by road crew. Junked it over half way up into Ashley junks, split it and hauled it home in Jeep. Am getting very low on living room wood. In fact we're getting very low on all wood. Can't get at any of my last winter's cutting. Pumped and chored. Watched Lawrence Welk and Gunsmoke.</p>
<p>Feb. 24, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Overcast with light snow this P.M. Raining some tonight. Wind Southerly and S.W. about 25° above this morning. Chored. The Beveridges down after milk and cream this A.M. while I was at barn. Also Shorty B. Three or four days ago we had so much extra milk we had to separate, today we're short. Wouldn't that diddle old Fido? Delivered milk and came right home. Rested an hour before starting chores. Put Liz Grey into calving pen tonight.</p>

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Feb. 25, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> 20° above. N.W. wind. A nice day but stayed cold all day. Nan delivered milk. I went up on the Bank's road and finished cleaning up the tree I worked on Saturday. Sprung the right hand door on my Jeep as I was backing into our garage driveway. It swung open just as I backed by the snow bank. Brought the wood home from Bank's road in Jeep and piled it on doorstep. Pumped and chored. H.D. brought grain. Liz Grey cow calved about 10:00 tonight. Guernsey colored bull. Her first son after having four daughters.
Feb. 26, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Cold, cold, cold. Six above. N.W. wind. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I did some work at barn filling up grain barrels etc. and then went up on Bank's road in Jeep to get the limbs from tree I've been working on. Stopped on Birch Tree hill on way home and sawed down and junked up a big spruce on Cobb's that had died standing. Had twenty cuts. Brought them home along with limbs. Just getting ready to start chores when H.D. arrived with my Bush and Bog harrow from Payson's. Unloaded it in snow bank above barn. Jeep stopped on me coming home from Tumbledown chores. Emery towed me home. Full pump or something of that nature acts like. Made chores late again tonight.
Feb. 27, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Still cold. 0° degrees N.N.E. air. A nice day but pretty sharp. Wind swung out S.W. awhile this P.M. Nan delivered milk. I cut up the limbs I brought home yesterday and split the wood for kitchen stove. Pumped and chored. Am late again tonight. Can't seem to get chore done early.
Feb. 28, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Clear and sunny. a beautiful morning. About 18° above. Northerly air. Chored. Put Liz Grey back into stanchion. Uncle Herb came after his bag of hen mash while I was choring and got stuck on the ice above the power house. Lost most a half hour fooling with him. Nan took the milk. I watered up and then filed and jointed chain saw while waiting for A. Patrick to come work on Elsie Q. Put in a new set of points. Brought me several gas of shavings. Pruned our Red Astracou and Cortland trees. Chored and am poached.
Special data	<i>Tonny:</i> March 11 - Black Flora heifer (Charlie Holstein's second heifer to calve) had a black heifer from Charlie Holstein Jr. March 13 - Lawrence Beverage's Jersey calved at Tumbledown - a red heifer. This calf from my last year's Pete Holstein. March 20 - Saw 5 wild geese flying over. March 20 - sold to Lawrence Beverage the Stimpson Island cow's 4 yr. old red heifer "Big Red" and the Stimpson Island cow's 12 yr old black and white heifer from Charlie Holstein. Didn't breed at pasture last summer. \$170. pd by check. March 21. March 25 - Fox Sparrows arrived - beautiful birds. March 26 - Red winged blackbirds arrived. They'd better keep out of my corn this year. March 26 - Two large flocks of wild geese - 5 some and 26. March 26 - Killdeer and cow birds arrived and Na heard a frog tonight. March 26 - Sea ducks and drakes arrive off Bull Rock this morning.
March 1, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Cold. 12° above. Northerly wind. A nice day but it does stay cold. Snow isn't settling any and there's so much of it. Nan delivered milk. I started trying to clean up the blown-ups on Cobb's against my line and went nearly to my hips trying to get in there from the road with the chainsaw. Cleaned up two trees before my feet nearly froze. Snowstorm making up so we put the dry kitchen wood I split Wednesday back into the Jeep. Also the limbs. Pumped and chored.

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<p>March 2, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 16° above. N.E. wind. Cleared this A.M. to a fair day this P.M. Another damn snowstorm last night. Filled my barn road solid full again. Snowplow down as far as the house driveway this morning. Put on chains before starting out with milk. Didn't get over to other barn first this morning. Had Miss Spinney come down and plowed out barn road this P.M. after 4:00. He visited more than a half hour so I'm late choring again tonight. Don and Cynthia here when I came from barn.</p>
<p>March 3, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 20° above. Sunny with westerly air. Chored. Went on milk route. Nan stayed home and rested. I had an hour's rest before starting my P.M. work. Pumped and chored. This has been a pretty day overhead, but lots of snow. tonight Nan put up the milk while I watched Bonanza.</p>
<p>March 4, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful calm morning, 14° above. Town meeting day. Up at 5:50. Chored and delivered milk down as far as the Grange Hall by noon time. Had baked bean dinner there and then continue on downtown. Went to town meeting this P.M. Had a big upheaval in town meeting this A.M. William Hopkins, Venner Curtis, and Lewis Haskell elected selectmen. Lucy Morrison immediately refused the town treasurer berth, and Mary Waterman was elected treas., collector and excises collector. William Hurd constable and traffic officer. Very, very small group out to meeting. Was told 63 was largest vote cast. Bill Hopkins 35. V.L. Beverage had 28. Pretty disgusting - Pretty disgusting.</p>
<p>March 5, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 22° above. Easterly wind. Snowed an inch or so during night. Became a beautiful thawing day. Chored and went on mil route to get the reactions to town meeting. Mostly disappointed and disgusted. Can't find out why there was such a small attendance unless everyone felt there was no sense in going. Saw the boat come, and then came home to pump and chore. While we were in town Bill Hopkins suggested he come down to supper about 8 o'clock. At 9 he called and said he couldn't make it. Baked ham slice, baked potatoes, hot biscuits, raspberry pie, etc. "Oh hum." His hard luck.</p>
<p>March 6, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> East N.E. Raw 25° above. Looks stormy. Started snowing before I came from the barn this A.M. Pretty tough by the time we started out with milk, what with changing to rain as we went along. Got stuck after leaving Hiram's house before we go to his barn, then found almost too much snow from Dick Ball's to Geo. Beverage's. Was raining hard and blowing a gale by the time we got downtown. Changed into dry clothes and rested a half hour before starting chores. Didn't attempt to water up at other barn as it was raining and blowing so hard. Lights out for about 5 minutes while doing chores up here. Wind struck out around and blowing nearly 50 miles an hour. S.W. when I came from barn. What a day and night. Glass dropped to 28.55.</p>
<p>March 7, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 30° above. Strong westerly wind. Rain settled the snow some yesterday P.M. but still lots and lots of it around. Snow plow went into Montgomery's last night when it came down about 7:30. First time since the first of the winter. Chored. Went on milk route. Nan stayed home as Bertha J. came down at noon to give Nan a permanent. Had an oil and filter change in Chevy while I was uptown. Pumped and chored.</p>

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<p>March 8, Friday <i>Tonny's birthday</i></p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Westerly wind. Sunny 22° above. Beautiful day. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. Clara Waterman invited us in to call on her father a few minutes on our way home. He look pretty good but is helpless. Completely bedridden. Came home and started right in on chores trying to get through a little earlier. The Burgesses and H. Calderwoods down to turkey supper. Had a nice time. The Burgesses gave me a box of candy, a custard pie, and a carton of light bulbs. The H.C.'s brought me a jar of raised donuts, and a doz. eggs. Pat, Mike and Michael sent me an 8 in. adjustable wrench. Received cards from Jennie, Etta, Ben A., Helen M., Martin & Bertha, Thelma, Aunt Mellie.</p>
<p>March 9, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Westerly wind. Some high cloudiness. 28°. Became a nice day. Snow really softened some. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I washed up milk containers and separator, and then rested what time I had until I started pumping chores early. Down from barn last time about 7:20. Up to Milton and Edythe Ames to baked bean supper. The Burgesses there. Had a nice time. Received 2 pair of socks from the Ames as a birthday present. Olive and Grumpy also sent me a pair today by Nan. Received cards from Rosanne and Austin and from Pamela.</p>
<p>March 10, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Overcast spitting snow. Wind N.E. - above 22°. Chored. Snowed considerable while we were delivering milk. Changed to rain just as we got home. Then back to snow and snowed hard until about 5:00 P.M. Rested an hour, then chored. Bill Hopkins called to say he'd like to come down to have supper with us. He came while I was still milking and drove right up to the barn. Tried to back down in my snow ruts and got stuck. I tried to push him out with Chevy and couldn't. Backed the Chevy down onto town road where the snowplow had cleared, put my chains on, and then succeeded in pushing him out, but in doing so my bumper slipped up over his, and we're still hung there together. He had Sampson come down after him. Some evening.</p>
<p>March 11, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 16° above. Strong N.W. wind. Snow banking. Sunny but cold. Bill H. and H. Demmons down to clear cars while I was choring. Made me later getting chores done. Tore my chains all to pieces, even breaking one side chain. Delivered milk. Lawrence Grant gave me a pair of chains off Lamont's truck. Side chains as good as new. Had Pat put on some new cross chains along with the best ones left on mine, so have a nice pair of chains again. Pumped and chored. Didn't get over to other barn first this morning, so when I looked in on our way delivering milk I found the Black Flora heifer had calved in calving pen - a black heifer - Charlie Jr.'s second offspring. Fgt rate on grain advanced from 60 to 70 cents. How long can we stand such treatment.</p>
<p>March 12, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 25° above. Snowstorm again. Chored. Put on chains before we could start out with milk. A very hard day to drive. Broke our own road clear to George Beverage's and down to Jack Brown's before we met the snowplow. Stopped at Bill H. a few minutes after delivering milk. Came home and chored. Nan over to other barn with me tonight.</p>
<p>March 13, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 25° above. Warming up. A nice day. Chored. Found the Lawrence Beverage Jersey had calved in tie-up when I went over to Tumbledown this morning - a nice red heifer. Nan started out with milk while I cleaned out the Jeep and put on chains. Caught up with Nan at Adams. Helped her the rest of downtown run. Then bagged up the rest of a pile of shavings at Brown's and brought them home. Had 24 bags. Jim had 10 of the 24 already bagged for me. Pumped and chored. A full day. Nan over to the other barn with me tonight.</p>

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March 14, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> 26° above. Almost calm. Snow again last night. A nice day but very sloppy on the road. Chored and delivered milk. Rested an hour and then chored again.
March 15, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Clear and sunny. Quite cold - 20°. a nice day but didn't thaw except against the bldging. Nan delivered the milk and I went over by our spring, cut junked up and hauled out on my hand sled three loads of a dry tree. A fine way to prove one is a Jack Arse. Someday maybe the snow will go enough so I can get my last winter's wood hauled out. Nan washed a couple small loads of clothes here at home this P.M. Pumped and chored.
March 16, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Cold this morning but nice and sunny - 10° above with westerly air. Became a beautiful day. Thawed a bit in the sun. Nan delivered milk. I split up the wood for the kitchen stove I hauled out yesterday and tiered it on the porch. Nan did a wash at Burgesses. Invited the Thorntons down to spend the evening with us. Had a nice time.
March 17, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> 30° above - S.E. wind. Snow this morning changing to rain this P.M. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Came home by way of the Beveridges and had a nice dinner of mutton curried with them. Came home at 3:30. Pumped and chored.
March 18, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Had snowed when I got up this morning. Wind striking from the westard. Came out nice and sunny. Nan delivered milk. I worked around and had Pat come down to start the Jeep again. He cleaned it, had a scale between the points, but it still doesn't run right. I believe the carburetor is partly plugged or something of that nature. Finishing a letter to Band R I started yesterday protesting the mark up in freight rate on grain from 60 to 70 cents. Chored.
March 19, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful sunny day. North Wind. You can see the snow is settling some. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I rigged up with a pillow case over my head and shoulders and swept down the tie-up, the ground now ceiling, and the cistern room ceiling. Also scraped the back wall. Man oh man, what a change. The place was getting pretty cobwebby. Pumped and chored. Purple finches, snow buntings, tree sparrows, a jinco, and a grosbeak here at the feeder this morning, and of course the starlings. Went into shop to start my tractor this P.M. and the battery was flatter than a _____
March 20, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Wind N.E. looking like snow. About 22 or so above. Saw 5 wild geese flying over as I came from the barn this morning. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I went out on birch tree hill to cut another dry tree for living room stove. The Jeep almost didn't start for me, and when I had the tree fitted up and in the Jeep it wouldn't start out there. Nan tried to tow me in Chevy but couldn't, so Lawrence Beverage towed it home for me when he came down in his father's truck to look at the animals I'm selling. The Stimpson Island cow's heifer "Big Red" and the Stimpson Island's cow's 2 yr. heifer (black and white) which didn't breed at pasture last summer. Sold the two to him - \$170 pd. for tomorrow morning by check.

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<p>March 21, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Spring arrives. Clear but pretty cool. About 26 or 28. Northerly or N.N.E. breeze. Made a beautiful day. Snow settled some more, but still everywhere just an expanse of white. Little King came after the two animals this morning. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I put rental battery in Tractor, warmed it up, coupled onto my new bush and bog harrow and harrowed the ice and snow on the road between house and barn. Will help it thaw much more quickly. Sawed up some kitchen wood by hand. Pumped and chored. Nan sick all night. Up and down disease. Terrible cramps.</p>
<p>March 22, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 28° above. N.W. wind. A sharp cold but nice. Nan resting easier this morning. I washed bottles before starting barn chores. Chored and delivered milk. Steve W. down shortly after noon and got Jeep going. Rested a few minutes after getting back from milk and then chored. Nan up and around but feeling pretty wobbly. Herb P. (Uncle Herb that is) down after a bag of dairy ration for his hens this morning. Will pay me April 4.00.</p>
<p>March 23, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 20° N.W. wind. Looks like a nice day coming up. This is Wilson Fremont Beverage's birthday. Chored. Went on milk route. Nan went along. Parked uptown on parking lot until boat came. Came home. Pumped and chored. This has been a lovely day. Thawed some in sun.</p>
<p>March 24, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful morning but cold 20° above. Northerly wind. Chored. It appears Calderwood is getting a cold or something. Shoulders and hips ached to I crawled to bed while Nan delivered milk. Chored. Bill H. called while I was at Tumbledown saying he'd like to come down to take some movies of milking, chores, and to have supper with us. He came and unbelievably came on time. Took some movies while I chored. Showed the movies after supper that he's taken to date. Pretty good.</p>
<p>March 25, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 26° - S.W. breeze. Thawed some. Fox Sparrows arrived this morning and are they beautiful. Chored. Crawled back to bed again after Nan left with milk. Not very ambitious. Back and shoulders still ache like old fury-ation. Crawled out at 3:30 to start pumping chores, and had just got the wood and bottles lugged in when Doug Stone came with grain. Harvey Demmons has been sick for nearly two weeks. Pumped and chored. Nan went over to other barn with me. Freight rate back to \$.60 on grain due to a letter I wrote Mr. Kaler last week. Received a nice letter from him in reply.</p>
<p>March 26, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear and sunny. Not a ripple on the water and warm. 34 or 35 above. Two large flocks of wild geese flew over this morning. 50 some and 26. Blackbirds (red-winged) arrived, also cow birds. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I lugged the fitted wood from the Jeep to the wood house. Took the brush and tarred paper away from in front of porch. Those damned field mice have just about ruined everything - Nan's Japanese Quince, one of my red maples, my Northern Spy tree, and my dwarf pear. Don't know yet whether they completely pooched or not. Built a grain feed box with legs on like a saw horse to try in front of the cows so they wouldn't have to strain ahead to reach their grain while I'm milking. Worked very good tonight. Snow has settled good today. Walked to barn all way on bare ground tonight first time since early winter.</p>

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<p>March 27, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Fog and rain during night and raining hard this morning. 44° above. Boy oh boy has the snow really settled and disappeared in the last 24 hours. Can even see we do have some field under the snow. Nan delivered milk. I took chains off Jeep and went along up to get shavings at Brown's that Jim had bagged up for me - 19 bags. Helped Nan delivered from teachers to John Brown's. Nan did wash. I stopped at Wayside on way home to have Steve put in a new set of sparkplugs and have the right hand door repaired where I bent it a while ago. Came home, unloaded shavings, pumped and chored. Snow has continued receding.</p>
<p>March 28, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 32° above. West S.W. wind. A beautiful day. Nan delivered milk. I went out below Birch Tree corner and cut another one of C.K.'s dead trees for kitchen wood. Got it all junked up in stove lengths and the limbs trimmed. Split enough for tonight. Chored. I'm beginning to think I'm just getting into the middle of this damn cold mess instead of getting over it. Hangs on like old fury-ation. Also seem to be having a digestive upset along with it.</p>
<p>March 29, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Northerly air - sunny - 22 above. Wind swung into the eastward late in the day. Nan delivered milk. I went out to yesterday's operation in the Jeep, quartered the junks and hauled them in. Wheeled it across lawn to woodpile and split most half of it for the kitchen stove. Rested a half-hour, pumped and chored.</p>
<p>March 30, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Strong S.W. wind. Looks rainy. Up at 3:00 A.M. with stomach discomfort. Felt pretty miserable. Finally eased up so I went back to sleep. Did rain a wee bit while I was doing chores, but stayed raw with S.W. wind all day. Forrest Adams called at other barn while I was choring there this morning to say the side door of carriage house at Mrs. Pease's had been swinging and the edge board broken off. Don't know whether it came loose or was jimmed open. Prudy came before I finished chores here to hook up water pump in barn so I could water cows with hose instead of lugging it from cistern in buckets. Nan went with milk. I helped Prudy this P.M. Took the motor off my concrete mixer to use as it is larger than the one he brought. Also extended light cable from barn floor into ground mow. Mrs. Dorothy Beveridge called a short time this P.M. Chored.</p>
<p>March 31, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 30 degrees. Beautiful sunny day but wind cool. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. Rested most a couple hours this P.M. Don and Cynthia called this evening. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>Special data</p>	<p>April 7 - paid ferryage on truck load of sawdust from Vinalhaven \$8.00. April 10 - Flo worked for me about 8 hrs. Apr. 14 - Saw our first fish hawk up by Turner woods. May 11 - Flo credited on his 2 mos. milk bill for labor Apr. 10 - \$12.40. Bal. of milk bill \$4.70 paid by cash same date.</p>
<p>April 1, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 30°. Another beautiful morning. Not a ripple on water. White frost last night. Wind S.W. all day. Chored. Nan delivered milk and I crawled into bed from the time she left until 3 P.M. Guess I'm never going to shake this damn mess. My chest and back aches like fury-ation most of time. Finally finished my letter to Jennie O.B. on the third try. She has finally got her leg out of traction. Chored. We are going to bed at 9:30.</p>

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<p>April 2, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 32°. Very cloudy with the wind S.W. still. Developed into the most lovely, loveliest day we've had yet. A real spring day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I pumped, watered up, cleaned out the Jeep and met her uptown so we went across on the ferry in the Jeep at 1:00 P.M. Visited with the Bunkers. It's not fair that we have so little chance to visit with the little fellow. Had me a haircut while down there. Nan shopped. The Jeep almost didn't start when we were ready to come home, and when we were ready to back off the ferry on this side it wouldn't start. Bill towed us off backward with his car and over to Brown's shop. Man oh man, what a ride backwards. Pat put on a new coil and she started like a lily. I hope now she'll cease to trouble for a spell. Made me late getting my chores done. About nine when I came from barn last trip.</p>
<p>April 3, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Just above freezing. Snow on ground this morning. Rained more or less all day. E.N.E. wind. Chored. Lewis Haskell came to take valuation just as I was going to other barn. Slowed me up. Prudy and Gordon came to repair television this A.M. Replaced one tube and repaired fine tuning. Paid Gordon \$5.00. Went on milk route with Nan. Rested an hour this P.M. Chored. Right rear tire on Chevy flat when I started for Tumbledown to do chores. Went in Jeep.</p>
<p>April 4, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 34°. Wind still in eastern qtr. and still raining. Chored. Went on milk route in Jeep with Nan. Right forward tire going flat as we made our way around. Nan did a wash. I had the Chevy tire and the Jeep's tire repaired at Pat's. He also properly fastened the new coil in place. Came home by way of the Beveridge's to see their new vista. The islands - Sheep, Dagger and Maul Rock - show up nicely from house. Will be even better as they cut a few more trees. Treated to coffee and cake. Came home, pumped and chored.</p>
<p>April 5, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Almost a N.W. gale. How it did blow in night. Clear but cold. About 18° this morning. Chored. Went on milk Route in Jeep. Rested an hour this P.M. Started chores early so we could go to school musical by Grace Greenlaw at Community Bldg. Very good. Spent remainder of evening at Burgesses. The Ames there.</p>
<p>April 6, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 20° - clear. Wind still N.W. but moderating some. Chored. Nan delivered milk after I put wheel back on Chevy. I handled the wood out over fence of little pasture that I cut last winter and hauled it to wood pile with tractor and trailer - two loads. Then hauled in two loads from Cobb's corner - most of what I cut last spring. Nan went up to B. Joyce's at 5:00 to have her hair set. Pumped and chored. Bill H. down to supper and to show the movies he took of milking chores a couple of weeks ago. They came out pretty good.</p>
<p>April 7, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Palm Sunday. Cloudy, calm and about 30°. Chored. Became a beautiful day. Pat, Mike, Michael and Donny Carlton arrived with the big garbage truck full of dry sawdust for me, shortly after eleven o'clock. Mike and Donny went on milk route with me. Unloaded the sawdust onto the eastern scaffold after lunch. Made a splendid pile. They left for home in time to get 5:00 P.M. ferry. Chored. Going to bed at 9:00. Still feeling lousy from this mess I've been having and still have.</p>

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<p>April 8, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 30° above. N.N.E. breeze. Made a nice sunny day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I cleaned up the old wood pile, split what was left of the last tree I brought in from Cobb's and cut up the limbs. Pumped, watered up, and cleaned out the barn. Cleaned up and went up to Legion Hall to attend Corydon and Florence Brown's 50th wedding anniversary reception. They sure had a nice party - beautiful presents, flowers, and money tree. Over \$150.00 on tree besides over \$250.00 from away. Saw Ted and Ella, Alice, Susan, Evelyn, and James Grey. Haven't seen him since we went to school together at North East school. George the only one of the family not to be there. Harvey Demmons brought grain. Chored. Reception made me late. After 9:00 when I came from barn. Nan's Easter present arrived from Montgomery Ward's tonight.</p>
<p>April 9, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Sunny, strong N.W. wind. About 34°. Became a beautiful day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I put my battery back into tractor, hauled in a load of limbs from the little pasture cleaning the wood up there, then brought in a load of wood from Indian Point. Rode down to Harvey Demmons after doing Tumbledown chores. Chored.</p>
<p>April 10, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Sunny, variable winds. Chored. Flo came down to help me. Pitched over top of manure pile while I chored. Also wheeled rest of banking brush from house onto garden. Had lunch with us and worked on limb pile until I was ready from getting the milk separated and Nan on the road. Put saw rig on tractor and sawed the wood in dooryard - about 2 cds. Then Flo split some while I took off banking paper and the storm windows. Pumped and chored. Went to bed as soon as we finished work.</p>
<p>April 11, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 30°. A nice clear morning but clouding up. Wind N.W. Started snow squalling soon after I started chores and then change to rain most of day by spells. Went on milk route with Nan. Filed my McCulloch after I came home. Lawrence Beverage came to borrow a bag of grain. Started first chores here early so we were over to Tumbledown before 4:45. Had those chores about done when Abbie arrived. Helped her unload her station wagon. She came back over here with us a few minutes. Chored.</p>
<p>April 12, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Wind N.W. about 38°. Made a beautiful day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I cleaned up the sawdust I made sawing wood Wednesday. Started to spade up Nan's little vegetable garden, but there was too much frost. Junked up, cleaned up and hauled in the Jeep the threes the Light Co. cut on Cobb's corner property when they brought the line through last summer. We dodged uptown at boat time expecting to see a big influx of people and cars on ferry but Arthur Emerson's was the only car to come off. He brought Jennie O. from hospital. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>April 13, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 30° Sunny. Westerly wind. Made heavy ice last night. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I went uptown in Jeep to get the shavings Jim Brown had bagged up for me - 9 bags. Came right back and worked balance of time out on Cobb's Park in the blow downs. Chored early as Abbie came to Baked beans supper. Had a nice evening.</p>

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<p>April 14, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 38° above. A beautiful, beautiful day. Up at 5:15 and started choring. Succeeded in getting to church on time. Church beautiful with eleven blooming Easter lilies and other cut flowers. Delivered milk after church. Saw Emma and Arthur at Jennie's. Also Jennie. She looks well and is very glad to be home. Guess she was pretty homesick. Came home, changed our clothes, went back up to Turner Place and walked in there. What a beautiful view from the hill above the house. Bob Smith and his family in there. We walked back out with them. Still considerable snow in places through the woods. Saw a fish hawk when we reached the gate coming out. Pumped and chored. Abbie dropped in a moment to get a qt. of milk.</p>
<p>April 15, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Wind N.N.W. - about 35°. A nice day. Chored. I delivered milk as Nan went to a garden club dinner meeting at Memorial Room. 35 there. Stopped at Hiram's long enough to get us a peck of eating potatoes, and a peck of my Irish Cobblers to start sprouting. Stopped to see Jennie and give her a mess of potatoes on my way home. We shifted the three heifers in Tumbledown ground mow into the tie-up tonight. The cow tester is due anytime now. Chored.</p>
<p>April 16, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> First Martin arrived. About 42°. Northerly wind. Overcast some, but looks like it would be a good day. Boy, have we ever been bothered this A.M. Just before I finished chores Frank Sampson arrived with Com. Brock of Coast Guard Base, Rockland, and Casey of Headqtrs. in Boston to sign up two switch throwers when they convert Goose Rocks to electricity the first of May. Carver and I signed up, and what a mess of papers to go through. The fog signal will be manual from May 1 through Sept., automatic the balance of year. Lines will be run to the houses so switches will be inside. 1:00 P.M. when Nan started with milk. I took my double harrow to Wayside to have grease fittings replaced, greased and welded. Pumped and chored. Abbie called a few minutes as she leaves tomorrow morning.</p>
<p>April 17, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful morning but heavy white frost last night. 30°. A nice day until wind aired up S.W. raw. Chored. First off Carver got stuck by his driveway and I pulled him out. Then just as we were finishing our lunch Al Rogers got stuck in the same place, and I pulled him out. Just as they were leaving Sherm Baird and Helen called so were late getting under way. I worked in woods what time I had. Chored early so to go to Uncle Herb's and Aunt Ruth's 48th wedding reception. 22 or 23 of us there, all in their kitchen. Home about 11:30. Up a large part of remainder of night vomiting.</p>
<p>April 18, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Rained hard during night and some this A.M. - a quiet rain. Cleared this P.M. Boy do I feel rocky this day. Struggled through my chores and then crawled into bed while Nan delivered milk. Stayed in bed until pump time. Pumped and chored. Don and Cynthia called this evening. Tuesday night Bill Hopkins had a bad accident when his pant's leg caught on a stud bolt on a shaft aboard his ferry. Peeled the pants right off him and tore his foot to pieces so he had 12 stitches taken in it. Could easily have lost his leg if his pants hadn't ripped off.</p>

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<p>April 19, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful morning but ground chilled hard last night. The lawns are really greening up since night before last's rain. Wind came out S.W. and very raw. Man oh man what a week this is turning out to be along with having the up and down disease, still having the down part, joining the Coast Guard, etc. Nan went on milk route. I spaded up her vegetable garden, planted a row of potatoes (4 potatoes cut up), a row of peas, a row each of New Zealand Spinach, Asgrew Wonder beets, and Parsnips, and a half row each of butter crunch lettuce and Great Lakes lettuce. Thought my fingers would freeze before I got the sled dropped. Sharpened my McCulloch and was just ready to go out to Cobb's Park when Nan returned. She went out with me and the second tree I fell jumped the stump and fell across the 7200 light line. Burned the group line off and set the tree afire. Tried to find Prudy and couldn't. Finally located him at 4:00 P.M. He got hold of the V.H.L. & P. boys, Ira P. and Jack L., brought them down and had it repaired by 6:50. What a day.</p>
<p>April 20, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Almost wet and almost foggy, but made a beautiful day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I worked on Cobb's Park. What time I had until a thunder storm drove us in after Nan came from milk route. Came up very dark and started to rain. Rested a short time. Pumped and chored. Clarence Waterman passed away about 9:00 this evening.</p>
<p>April 21, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Wind S.W. but quite warm by thermometer. Almost 50. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Called on Bill H. but there was no one home. Came right home and had just unloaded the milk bottles, when the Beveridges drove in. Had visited only a few minutes with them when Arthur and Emma Beverage drove in. They stayed about an hour. They leave for Conn. Wednesday morning. Garnet and Clara down this evening to help write out the cemetery notices. Had a nice time. Harvey's and Shirley's anniversary reception to be held Tues. evening, postponed because of Bob's funeral. Will be held that P.M.</p>
<p>April 22, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 34°. Clear and cool W.N.W. wind. Sunny. What a gale of wind all day. Must have hit 50 miles an hour much of the time. Nan delivered milk. I worked in Cobb's Park clearing up blow downs. Was supposed to haul hay today but too much wind. Pumped and chored. Harvey Demmons brought grain tonight.</p>
<p>April 23, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 36° - wind has dropped out and looks to be swinging in to the east. Chored. The C.K. Cobbs called on us a few minutes about 11:00 o'clock. They're here for about a week with Mrs. Nickels. Nan delivered milk. I hauled 18 bales of hay from Tumbledown in Jeep. Cleaned up and went to Bob Waterman's funeral. Main part of church about filled, and more flowers than I've seen in a long, long time. Called on Bill H. a moment but he was having callers so fast I didn't stop but a minute. Didn't accomplish anything after I got home. Chored. Was snowing with rain when I came from barn tonight.</p>
<p>April 24, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 32°. Snowing and raining. Air E.N.E. Ground white with snow. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan as I wanted to go to the Doctor to get my Coast Guard physical paper filled out about throwing the Goose Rock light fog switch. Some rigmarole. Nan did a wash at Burgesses. Called on Bill H. a minute. He had his stitches removed this A.M. Watched the boat come. Had new points put in Chevy. Pumped and chored. Brought home 18 more bales hay from Tumbledown when we did chores.</p>

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<p>April 25, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear then clouded up. Northerly breeze. 34°. This has been a busy day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I went over to Tumbledown on tractor, opened up big barn doors and brought home a load of hay on hay trailer (74 bales). Was resting a few minutes before going back to chore and get another load on 2 wheel trailer when Prudy and Edwin came to help me take down trees in Cobb's Park next to power line. Made quite a chance in a half hour. Chored and brought home 28 bales on Sherm trailer. Chored. here.</p>
<p>April 26, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful morning, northerly breeze. About 38°. This has been a beautiful warm day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I planted the two new rhubarb roots from Allen, Sterling, Lothrop. Also took up the ones Eliot Beveridge gave me several years ago and replanted them. Planted them all just inside Fay's fence where it runs from road to the shore, at the end of the drain from barn. Worked balance of time in Cobb's Park on trees we took down yesterday. Pumped and chored. Ordered a 4 H.P Simplicity rototiller from Rankin Grain Co.</p>
<p>April 27, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful morning. Northerly wind but cool. 40°. Has been a lovely day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I dug up her sweet pea row, put the cows back in, put the watering trough in place at end of barn, and then worked in Cobb's Park. Nan up to Bertha's at 4:00 P.M. to have hair set. Met H. Demmons on Birch Tree corner as I was going to Tumbledown to do chores. He was bringing my Rototiller. We spent evening with the Bill Hopkins. He's still using crutches to get around. Turned cows out this A.M. first time since being tied up last fall.</p>
<p>April 28, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> What a short night. Had to set clocks ahead. A beautiful but cool morning. About 32°. Northerly air. Started looking for the Bunkers up this morning but they didn't come until 4:00 P.M. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Had coffee with Bill H. and Carver. Came home by way of the town dump. Found me three pairs of pants for dirty work. We'd just gotten home when the Bunkers came. Found the Thorntons stuck on side of road this side the head of Stinkey's Cove as we came home. Went over on tractor and hauled them out. Pat, Mike and Little Mike stayed till 5:30. Pumped and chored. Nan dug our first mess of greens this P.M.</p>
<p>April 29, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Nice morning but cool. 36° S.W. wind. Ern came to work by Nan going after him. He picked up the large rocks along the barn road that I had picked out of the gravel when I spread it last fall, and raked the shoulder gravel into the road. Also got most of the garden cleaned up before I had my chores done. Tightened the chain on his chains saw and sharpened it for him before we went out to Cobb's Park. Cut his hair for him after we came in from woods. Pumped and chored. Jim Brown brought me down two loads of loose shavings tonight. Ira Whitmore died in Bangor Hospital last night. Funeral will be Wednesday P.M.</p>

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<p>April 30, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Strong S.W. wind. About 40°. Cold in the house this morning. Both fires out. Nan went after Ern like yesterday. He cleaned up the load of shavings Jim dumped outside the barn last night. Put most of them into a corner of the bull barn. Started to rain some by the time I had chores done so I had to go on milk route with Nan. Took Jeep along to Wayside and Steve put a sticker on for me. Ern worked in Cobb Park until I came home in Jeep. Had just started to rain in earnest. We put the load of shavings from barn floor onto the scaffold over cows. Then he helped me do Tumbledown chores and I took him home. Pumped and chored. Was up to Legion Hall at 7:46 to Harvey's and Shirley's 25th reception. Had a nice time but what a rainstorm.</p>
<p>Special data</p>	<p>Southerly gale this morning. Still misty rain. About 44°. May 2 - Bessie Grant passed away tonight at 6:00 at Knox Hospital. Apr. 28 - Ira Whitmore passed away Apr. 28 at Bangor hospital. May 21 - Bred Agnes cow to Charlie Holstein Jr. (no good). Rebred Agnes cow to Charlie Holstein June 8 (no good). May 5 - Bred Black Hiram heifer to C.H. Jr.</p>
<p>May 1, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Southerly gale this morning. Still misty rain. About 44°. Chored. Thrashed around and succeeded in getting the milk delivered in time to Ira Whitmore's funeral. Invited to be a pall bearer about 11:00. Arthur Emerson, Lewis Haskell, and Benson Brown also bears. Very few at the funeral. Came home, chored and went back up to Memorial room to Fuller Cemetery Ass'n meeting. Eleven of us there. Had a nice evening. Nan getting bad cold.</p>
<p>May 2, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold 30°. Wet, wet, wet. Chored. Delivered milk. Nan stayed home. cold and disagreeable. Helped on milk acc'ts a while this P.M. Rested a few minutes. Pumped and chored. Man oh man is the ground ever wet.</p>
<p>May 3, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still cold looking and wet. Wind has backed in about north and possibly may clear for a few minutes. Did clear late this P.M. Chored and delivered milk. Nan's cold better but still not good. I planted Ern's hackmatacks on mail box corner lot where we've had the ash and pines planted. Nan finished cleaning the old canes out of her raspberries. We burned the canes on the shore. Took Nan's "Uncle Will" table up to Carl Bunker to have him re-finish the top. Chored.</p>
<p>May 4, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A pretty morning. Not a sigh of rain for a change. S.W. air. 44°. A very pretty day nice and warm. Ern worked. Worked hay over to barn floor edge of scaffold at Tumbledown until I'd finished chores. He manured Nan's sweet pea row and covered it. We spent all the time we had working in Cobb's Park. Pumped and chored. Nan did two batches of wash before she came back from milk.</p>
<p>May 5, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Very warm and sprinkling this morning 50°. Cleared to a lovely day late this P.M. Chored. Went with Nan on milk route. Came home, rested an hour then Nan burned the banking brush and rakings on the garden while I started chores. Don and Cynthia called while we were doing this. Bred the Black Hiram heifer to Charlie H. Jr. this morning. Chored. Brought home 17 bales of hay in Jeep from Tumbledown tonight. Shifted Charlie H. Jr. into bull barn after using him this morning. Saw a Kingbird up by Ern's today.</p>

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<p>May 6, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful morning but cold. 34° N.N.E. air. Am getting a nasty head cold. Feel anything but good. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I planted her sweet peas and trimmed up the load of limbs Preston Lincoln hauled down off of the big spruces between him and the Parsonage the Sunday he took off the lower limbs. As soon as Nan came home we cleaned up and went up to Bessie Grant's funeral. I was pall bearer along with Shorty B., Wendall H., Carl Bunker, Arthur E., and Bernard Mills. Came home, pumped and chored. Nan cleaned out the Jeep.</p>
<p>May 7, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> High clouds but should be sunny. Westerly wind. 38°. Became a beautiful day. Ern came to work. Bundled up 2 bundles (100) bags while I was choring. Also extended water ditch runoff by newly planted rhubarb. Nan went with milk. As we thought H.D. would be down with grain about noon, we worked out in Cobb's Park. He hadn't come by 3:00 P.M. so we hauled a load of hay from Tumbledown (77 bales), took hay trailer back to Tumbledown and brought home 26 bales on my Sherm Baird trailer. Chored. Am poched tonight with this cold. We picked out enough crabmeat after chores to make us several sandwiches. Greta B. gave Nan quite a mess all cooked.</p>
<p>May 8, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> All cloudy with rain spatters. 40°. Westerly N.S.W. wind. Ern came to work. Worked on limb pile while I chored. Nan delivered milk. Ern and I worked in Cobb's Park until H.D. came with grain at 3:00. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>May 9, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful lovely day. Nan went to Rockland to Garden Club meeting at Rockport. Had Frank bring Ern down. He helped me with chores and worked on limb pile until I went on milk route. While I was gone he spread 2 bags 8-16-16 in night pasture and worked on limb pile. Spent what time we had after I got back in Cobb's Park. Chored.</p>
<p>May 10, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Wind N.N.E. Clear but cool. 40°. Stayed cool all day looking more like rain as the day progressed. Started sprinkling as I was doing chores tonight. Ern came to work even though he's starting to get this cussed cold. He helped with chores, then as soon as Nan left with milk we planted the two flowering crabtrees she brought from the A&P, Rockland yesterday. Planted them on the mailbox corner lot. I filed Ern's saw and we spent remainder of time in Cobb's Park. Finished Cobbs and started clearing the mess inside my pasture fence. Pumped. Did chores early and went out to Castle [Rock] to supper with the Beveridge's. Had broiled halibut. A nice time. Rained all evening changing to snow.</p>
<p>May 11, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 25° in Rockland - about 29° here. What a spring, what a day, what weather. Here's the lawn ready to mow with two inches of snow in it. Still snowing and raining this morning. Wind N.E. quite strong. Jonquils all in bloom. Chored. We went up to see how Ern's cold was when I went to other barn to do chores this A.M. Found him up and about. Went on milk route in Jeep. Took our lawn mower down to Foster to have him check it up. Left it here. Chored. The Burgesses down to spend evening with us.</p>

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<p>May 12, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Snow pretty much gone except in real shady places. A beautiful day but stays cool. Thrashed chores and went to church - Mother's Day. Came home - had a nice hot dog lunch on porch in sun. Pumped. Swung up to Beveridges when we went to do Tumbledown chores as his telephone is out and he wanted me to see the job he did crating up the rototiller we're shipping back to Montgomery Wards. A lemon if ever there was one. Invited them down to supper - turkey casserole - very good. The turkey out of the freezer from Christmas dinner.</p>
<p>May 13, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 38° - beautiful and clear also calm. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I assembled the Simplicity Rototiller that I had Rankin Grain ship me over. Was just ready to put the gas in and try it out when Nan came home. She had to have a new fuel pump put on the Chevy before she started home. Tried the rototiller on the end of the new garden by the light pole and I think it's going to do a nice job. Swung up to see how Ern was when we did Tumbledown chores. Found him better but very hoarse. Stopped at the Beveridges on way home to tell him about rototiller. He was just finishing shearing his last sheep. Came right home. Chored.</p>
<p>May 14, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cows tested for Bangs & T.B. Wind S.W. Will probably rain. About 40°. Didn't rain but stayed raw and disagreeable. Chored. Over to Tumbledown barn first. Then here at home. Uptown to meet boat and state veterinary coming to test cattle. Came down here with him first to do mine then went with him to Lawrence Beverage's (1), Jack Brown (1) and Walker Ames (1) - 3 cows in North Haven besides the herd at Indian Point. What a change from when Calderwood was a boy with upwards of two hundred over the island. Used my new bush and log harrow on the upper side of well piece but it was too wet to do good job. Nan and I dug and cleaned a half bushel of beautiful greens on frog pond ridge this P.M. Pumped and chored. Bill Hopkins called and invited himself down to supper, having surprising news for us - he and June are expecting a child in Oct. What a chance they're taking after their trouble with Stephen.</p>
<p>May 15, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Foggy. Rained some during night. Air N.N.E. Gradually cleared during A.M. to become a beautiful P.M. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I got ready to take the 1:00 P.M. boat to Rockland. Went up to police station to have my fingerprints taken (Coast Guard requirement before I can get the job of blowing the fog horn in Goose Rock light). Then went out to Emil Rivers Inc. as I wanted some advice about rigging up a grindstone to an electric motor. Was told if I could use the wringer shaft off a washing machine it would turn about the right speed. Had to catch boat at 3:30 so had time to do no more chores. Am more pooched tonight than if I'd worked all day. Chored. Jim Brown brought me a nice load of dry shavings this morning. Ast. Cooper in orbit - going to _____.</p>

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<p>May 16, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ast. Cooper still going. A beautiful, beautiful morning, flat calm and sunny. Has been a lovely day except the wind being raw S.E. off water. Ern came to work. First time since Friday. Helped me chore. As soon as Nan left with milk, we went up to Mrs. Pease's with tractor. Took mower and bales out of barn so we could get the lime spreader out for Elmer Hopkins to use up to Watson's landing field. Put bales and mower back, came home, furrowed out 4 rows in garden below power house, planted 2 rows of Irish Cobblers and one row of World Record Peas. Rotored a little more until rotor ran out of gas. Put what was left of the load of shavings Jim B. brought me yesterday up on scaffold. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>May 17, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 45°. Another beautiful & calm, sunny morning but wind is going to air up S.W. Ern worked. Chored. Cow tester came back to check on T.B. test. Okay. As soon as Nan went with milk we went over to Tumbledown to get load of hay. Took it out of western end off manure spreader shed roof. Hauled 91 bales on hay trailer and 32 bales on Sherm trailer. Planted Nan's 3 Blaze rose bushes along Fay's boundary fence. Chored - Eliot Beveridge came down a few minutes to see new rototiller work. Received our first check from Coast Guard for tending lighthouse - \$13.27 even though we aren't connected up with it yet.</p>
<p>May 18, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 40°. Ern worked. Started edging the western side of house garden while I finished choring. After Nan left with milk we put scoop on tractor and hauled large rocks out of barn pasture to build a back drop wall between Nan's flower garden and the house garden. Started to sprinkle while we were lunching after Nan came home. Pumped and chored a little early as we spent evening at the Garnet Thorntons. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>May 19, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 40°. Foggy. S.W. wind. Rained nearly all night. Everything sopping wet. Cleared here to a nice day before noon but stayed foggy all day in Vinalhaven. Chored and delivered milk. We were planning to go to Vinalhaven in Chevy but when we went to ferry, the W.S. Hopkins had ground out on the N.H. ramp, so we had to have Mike come up after us. Visited with the Bunkers until they brought us back up to ferry at 5:00. Bill Hopkins dropped down this evening and before he arrived the Witherspoons blew in, so we had company all evening. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>May 20, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 42°. Kind of a quiet, nice morning. Almost calm. Made up raw and the wind blew like the devil S.W. for a while this P.M. Dropped out and sprinkled about 9:00 P.M. Ern worked. Helped chore, then edged garden until I was ready. We hauled some more rocks for Nan's wall after we dragged away the two big rocks in the little pasture we worked out with the scoop yesterday. Spent rest of time repairing little pasture fence. Nan and Mrs. Cobb went to garden club meeting this evening. Finished milking chores at 9:00 and had bottled and washed up by 10:00. Had our first mess of lobsters of season. Bought them of Edwin Thayer. Ruthie even cooked them for us. Very good.</p>

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<p>May 21, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 46°. Beautiful calm morning. A nice day all day. Ern worked. Finished edging west side of house garden while I finished milking chores, and put milk aboard for Nan. The new coastal warden called (dooryard style) this A.M. He and his wife are living in Jim Talbutt's house. Planted our two sugar maple trees from Shumway bought through Eliot Beveridge. Rotored some more of garden below power house, made 8 furrows, fertilized them. Planted 2 row Katahdin potatoes, 1 row Frosty peas, 1/2 row each of Earliwax yellow and Topcrop beans, 3 rows of cream-o-gold corn and 1/3 row each of Swiss Chard, beets and Early Wakefield cabbage. Harvey Demmons brought grain and fertilizer. Chored. Getting through at 10:00 P.M. What a time.</p>
<p>May 22, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Here it is raining again. How's a man going to win? Cleared about 8 A.M. Nan went after Ern. He helped me with barn chores and then finished edging and cleaning up sod on house garden. Bill H. here to lunch with us. Then a C Guard boy came to use telephone. They are hooking the Goose Rock cable to the transformer pole on bank today. After Nan left with milk we cleaned up the limbs from P. Lincoln's load of brush he hauled down a while ago, hauled the brush over to the edge of toilet field where we nearly cleaned up the big clump of trees that blew into the toilet field in one of the fall northeasters we had. Pumped and chored.</p>
<p>May 23, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 46°. Almost foggy and calm. What a miserable day it became. Nan went after Ern. He helped me chore and then worked on yesterday's job until I went out. We were within ten minutes of finishing when it rained so hard we had to come in. Then it let up and we set the brush piles afire in my little pasture from a year ago this spring. Again it rained so hard we had to give up. I took Ern home. By that time Nan was home and we rested an hour. Chored.</p>
<p>May 24, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful day but cool. Only 40° this morning. S.W. wind. 9 loads manure on cellar hole piece and along bank to Montgomery line. Ern worked. Helped me chore and mowed grass around manure pile. We greased and oiled the spreader and put out 9 loads in the time we had. Pumped and chored. Had the "Little King" look at the two heifer calves, Black Flora's calf and the Lonny Jersey's calf at Tumbledown thinking I might sell them for veals as they're beautiful right now, would dress probably 110# apiece, but the best he'd offer me was \$75.00 for the two. He had to figure \$25.00 or \$30.00 for fgt. cartage and commission.</p>
<p>May 25, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 40°. Another beautiful day but cool. Ern worked. Wilson B. helped 5 hrs. this P.M. 5 more loads on Old Cellar Hole piece. 10 loads on Oak Tree Piece. Ern helped me chore and then scratched over the starting piles of manure on O.P. piece and sister piece where I spread last fall. Took over first load of manure out at 12:00. Wilson arrived while I was out spreading first load. Nan planted her glads this P.M. She set out her Sonjana strawberry plants last night. The grass has been too high on both pieces I've spread. Probably set it back more than I've gained. Foster Duncan died in Rockland Hospital this morning, and word came that Bill Marshall died in Washington last night.</p>

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<p>May 26, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 40°. Lovely sunny morning. S.W. air. Chored. Nan delivered milk and I mowed the lawn for her. Took me 2 hrs. of steady mowing. Rested a few minutes and then Nan and I went up to Mrs. Pease's and picked up nearly 2 coffee cans of used bull heads along the side of the barn when Adams' men had cleaned up the shingling mess. Found a starling's nest in the carriage house. Went on up to Carl Bunker's and picked up the kitchen table Carl has been re-finishing for Nan. Visited at the Beveridge's a few minutes on our way home. Chored but didn't pump.</p>
<p>May 27, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 40°. A beautiful sunny calm morning. Ern worked. Ground scythe and mowed at end of house garden while I finished chores. Then we spread three trailer loads of manure on upper half of house garden and rotored it in. Made 8 furrows and planted 7 of them to Earlicking corn. Told Ern to drop 5 kernels every 18 inches and he used way over a pound in those seven rows. Was I ever disgusted. Pumped this morning while I started chores. Pat and Little Mike arrived about 10:00 and stayed until 3:30. Thrashed through our chores to get up to Bertha Joyce's at 9:30 to get my hair cut.</p>
<p>May 28, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Thick a fog and cold. Cleared to a nice day. Filled out papers to join the Government-wide Service Benefit health plan this morning under Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Payment will be taken out of my Coast Guard checks. Chored. Didn't go after Ern. Nan delivered milk. I mowed grass for cows. Their second feeding. Then picked up Danuser grader blade with tractor from where Douglas unloaded it by barn this morning. Harvey Demmons has walking pneumonia. This blade is a second hand one I bought of Payson's but it looks brand new. Cleaned up and went to Fostie Duncan's funeral as one of the pall bearers. Others were Franklin W., Lloyd W., Lewis B. and Owen and Lawrence G. Came right home, changed clothes and went up to fuller Cemetery to clean up Calderwood lots. Took Ern along so he could clean up his. Came home by way of G. Thornton's to get our dahlia bulbs. Chored.</p>
<p>May 29, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 50°. Overcast-looking like rain. Cleared but stayed raw and damp. Ern worked. Helped me chore and mowed grass for cows. Enough for today's feed and for tomorrow's. Hauled a load of hay from Mrs. Pease's - 36 bales. Had to repair the Black Hiram heifer's stanchion when we got home with hay. Rotored a second time the third load of manure Ern spread on house garden. Monday and Ern made 4 more furrows. Pumped this morning while starting chores. Chored. Rained hard while doing chores tonight and most of night.</p>
<p>May 30, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Very foggy and wet. Cleared fairly good later in day. Chored early and got uptown after parade had started. Delivered milk after Memorial services. Rested a few minutes when we came home - had a lunch, cleaned out and bedded down the cows, and then went uptown to have a Legion supper on the parking lot. Montgomery's stopped in dooryard this P.M. to borrow a wheelbarrow load of manure. Supper uptown made me late with chores. After 9 when I came from barn.</p>

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<p>May 31, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 50°. A beautiful morning, westerly wind. Ern worked. Helped chore and mowed grass for cows. After hauling grass into barn I rotored the edge of garden back of barn by hen house and Ern mowed and cleaned up the grass at the end of the garden. I also rotored the rest of garden below power house while Ern hauled and spread 2 more trailer loads manure to finish house piece. Rotored rest of house garden one trip over. Nearly finished furrowing out piece below power house. Pumped and chored. Has been one of the nicest days so far and a beautiful evening.</p>
<p>Special data</p>	<p>May 29 - Montgomerys arrived for a few days. June 5 - Montgomerys left. June 8 - Rebred Agnes cow to Charlie Holsteins Jr. (no good). June 9 - Bred Lorny cow to Charlie Holstein Jr.</p>
<p>June 1, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 50°. What a beautiful, beautiful morning. Sunny and not a ripple on the water. Our two apple trees are in full bloom and loaded. This has been even better day than yesterday. Ern worked. Helped me chore and mowed two feedings of grass for cows. Spent rest of day planting garden below power house and house garden. One lower side of house garden we planted a row of dahlias and 3 rows of Irish Cobbler potatoes.</p>
<p>June 2, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 50°. a nice clear sunny morning but the S.W. wind makes it appear smoky. Stayed cool all day. Thrashed chores through so we could get started for Vinalhaven as this is Michael Jr.'s third birthday. I took the round-the-island part of route in Jeep and Nan started at Frank Sampson's. We were ready to go across at 12:40 and were going in the Jeep and I'll be darned if Bill hadn't gone to Port Clyde or some place in the ferry yesterday to tote a well drilling outfit somewhere and hadn't gotten back. So we called to have the Bunkers come after us but we got a ride with young Jim Calderwood and arrived at Woodrow's just as they were leaving to come for us. Had a nice afternoon. The Sr. Bunkers gave Little Mike a nice set of swings. We gave him a Savings Bond. Late getting chores done tonight.</p>
<p>June 3, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 50°. Another nice day but cool S.W. wind. Ern worked. Helped with chores and mowed grass for cows. I was up at 5:30 and Nan and I built a new sweet pea trellis out of Ern's peeled hackmatack and new wire before starting chores. Pulled up the fence posts I drove last fall around O.P. and sister piece, worked some on little pasture fence, gathered together our fencing material and started repairing fence at Mrs. Pease's. Worked Gillis' line fence and from Ox-bow gate part way to Mrs. Pease's drive-in gate. Montgomery helped us a little while on it. He had invited us to sailing in Papoose tonight but the fog came in, so he invited us over for evening. Mrs. Montgomery's daughter Ann here. We had a nice time.</p>
<p>June 4, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful morning at 5:30 when I got up, but the fog came right in and we had sprinkles several times during day. Ern worked. Mowed two feedings of grass. Luther Glidden called while we were hauling in grass. Worked on Mrs. Pease's fence all the time we had. Got as far as her dive in gate, and repaired the corral fence. Nan came over in Jeep and we brought home 10 bales of hay from Mrs. Pease's. Electric motor on water pump in barn let go tonight. The Cobbs returning from their trip down-east today. Our apple trees are fast losing their petals after being a beautiful mass of bloom.</p>

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<p>June 5, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still foggy. Onshore wind. foggy by spells all day but cleared to a nice evening. Ern worked. Helped chore and mowed grass for cows. Spent all day changing animals. Took the three heifers out of ground mow to Mrs. Pease's, the two Lawny heifers out of bull barn to Mrs. Pease's, the three older heifers out of Tumbledown barn to Mrs. Pease's, two dry cows from here to Tumbledown (Hiram cow and Black and White Liz Grey cow) and brought home from Tumbledown the Lawny cow and the Black Flora heifer with their two calves. Out to Cobb's at 7:00 to see their beautiful bloom of Apple trees. Have never seen anything like it. Made chores late.</p>
<p>June 6, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear and sunny most 60°. S.W. wind. Thunder showers this P.M. with rain. Ern worked. Mowed grass for cows. Chored and shifted two calves back of cows out in to bull barn. Worked on Little pasture fence at Tumbledown, cut tide fence material in Tumbledown wood lot and repaired Abbie's line fence from road to bank above tide fence. Have to build tide fence all new a ice ruined it. Rained enough so we got wet. Then it rained again when I came down from doing barn chores.</p>
<p>June 7, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Gave promise of a nice day but now it's cloudy and breezing up N.E. 6:45 A.M. Ern worked. Mowed grass (two loads while I finished chores). Nan delivered milk and went to Rockland on noon boat. We got our fencing material together, worked on worst place above Tumbledown barn awhile until tide went some, and then went down and built tide fence. Southerly wind didn't let tide drain out any. Have two or three more lengths to do on a low _____. Am late getting chores done again tonight. In fact every night.</p>
<p>June 8, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A nice day but wind blew cold S.W. all day. Ern worked. Mowed 2 loads grass. Nan delivered milk. We sharpened more fence posts and worked all P.M. on Tumbledown barn pasture. Used 2 junks of Hiram wire on section against this road east of barn and one junk above culvert ditch above barn against main pasture. Old wire all rusted out. Late again tonight. Lawrence Welk almost through when I came from barn. Had to rebred Agnes cow tonight so that slowed me up nearly a half hour. No good. Nan planted a row of dahlias and 3 1/2 rows Cream-o-gold corn on house garden this P.M.</p>
<p>June 9, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Bred Lorny cow to Charlie Holstein Jr. this morning. A nice day but had to rain a little about 3 P.M. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I turned cows into night pasture to feed first time this season. Mowed grass for cows in front of Fay's house. Was just going over to feed Tumbledown cows as Nan came from milk route. Ken Mills had told her there was a Starling in Mrs. Pease's house so we went up and found it dead and smelly. Then took a ride up to Watson's landing strip. Rode in and out Mullen's road as we came home. Had just taken the living room stove out to the garage and was cleaning it out when the M. Bunkers arrived in their new S.H. Chevy with the Sr. Bunkers with them. Had a nice dooryard visit. The car was a 1958 sedan owned by Hollis Burgess. Apparently as good as new. About 3:00 P.M. Clara Thornton called and invited us up for the evening. Treated to toasted crab and lobster sandwiches. Had a nice time.</p>

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<p>June 10, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful lovely day. A real June N.W.er. Ern worked. Mowed grass, found scythe, planted his two rows of cattle beets, and finished Nan's row of corn on house garden. Finished repairing the little pasture fence at Tumbledown and turned the two cows out. Spent the rest of P.M. running two strands of barbed wire outside of old hog wire on the line fence along Abbie's lines from road toward shore. Still have a "fur" piece to go.</p>
<p>June 11, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A nice morning but cool. Ern worked. Helped chore and mowed around manure spreader and manure pile and down over dump pile wire covered up over the years. Replanted the three rows of Cream-o-Gold corn that didn't come up good on piece below power house to Mason's golden Midget. Planted about a dozen hills of Jack O Lantern pumpkins at the other end of same piece beyond old hen house after digging out the hills and manuring them. Spread three loads ground mow manure and one load off manure pile on the long part of the same piece I'm going to plant to corn. It'll take at least two more loads to come across. Pumped and chored early. Went to graduation exercises at church and then to dance at Community Bldg. Invited the Ames down to a bite after intermission. This is the first year I've had the dump covered over enough so I could drive down over it with manure onto well piece.</p>
<p>June 12, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Not a beautiful day. Ern worked until noon. Helped chore and mowed grass. Nan started out with milk but it begun to rain so much I took Ern home and caught up with Nan at Maynard Greenlaw's. Helped deliver the rest of the way. Rested an hour, hauled grass to barn, repaired trailer tongue, refilled grain barrels, etc. before choring. Had chores done and down to house at 7:15. Went through some of our colored slides as the Burgesses were coming down with Sheila's company to see some of our slides and Milton Ames' slides. Started showing Milton's after they arrived and showed so many we didn't have time to show any of mine. Edith, Milton and Pamela came too. Had a lunch about 11:00.</p>
<p>June 13, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A very good day. Was even quite warm tonight. Ern worked. Helped chore, mowed grass, and set out his 3 climbing strawberries. Only 3 of Nan's eight appear to have any life. As Nan was going to V.H. at 12:30 with Garden Club I went on milk route with her. Had Ern bunching rocks on well piece while I was gone. Hauled off two fair trailer loads rocks as soon as I got home, hauled in our feeding of grass, and spread one trailer load of manure on the part of the piece we didn't complete Tuesday. Pumped during that time. Took Ern home in Jeep that I brought home. 14 bales of his hay. Nan had just gotten home in Bill H.'s car as I came home. Prudy blew in to replace my cistern pump motor with a S.H. washing machine motor while I was doing chores. We took Bill's car back after 10:00 P.M.</p>
<p>June 14, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Eliot B. used the rototiller this day. Cloudy but calm. Made a nice sunny day. Ern worked. Mowed grass and helped chore. As soon as Nan started with milk we started hauling manure onto well piece. Hauled and spread 7 loads - one to complete upper side of center grass ridge and six to bring a strip across on lower side of grass ridge. Took us down nearly to well. Used my new bush and bog harrow on piece what time I had and it did a nice job. Got the grass ridge nearly harrowed out. Nan took Ern home and then had to go down to get some cabbage plants June Hopkins brought her. Don and Cynthia dropped in just as we were eating supper. Ern planted 17 hills pole beans over by pumpkin patch while I was harrowing.</p>

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<p>June 15, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Abbie and Eleanor arrived this morning. A nice day but it does stay cold nights. Only 42 this morning and about that for several mornings. Wind right off the water today S.E. Ern worked. Finished mowing around Fay's house and garden, and it's doubtful if they'll come this summer, but I wanted to have it ready around house if they wanted it cleaned. Also wanted to use tractor on garden to harrow it down. Also mowed around garage garden. Ern picked rocks off garden below power house. I finished harrowing grass ridge on well piece with bush and bog, then used utility blade to fill harrowed out place back in and the used my double harrow to level the piece. Made 8 furrows length of piece with hand furrower, and Ern put fertilizer in 5 of them before he had to go home.</p>
<p>June 16, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Very dull for Father's Day. Looks rainy. Over to pump first thing this morning and the mosquitoes nearly lugged me away. The damned crows are bothering my gardens. Chored. Just as we were getting ready to take our milk out Austin, Rosanne and baby came with our lobsters. They visited nearly a 1/2 hr. Stopped a moment at Abbie's and Eleanor's on our way home. Abbie had some "stamp money" for me. Built a fire in our outside fireplace and cooked our lobsters. Preston, Audrey and Pamela called while lobsters were cooking. They wanted permission to go into Pease place to shore. Lobsters were very good. Grassed the cows and chored. Took a ride uptown in Jeep after we were through work hoping we could get some homemade yeast bread at Aunt Ell's but it was closed.</p>
<p>June 17, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 45°. A beautiful, sunny calm morning. Ern worked. Helped chore and mowed grass after grinding scythe. Mowed out the corner of dump piece next to our culvert. Fertilized, mixed, planted and covered 8 rows of corn the full length of well piece. 8 1/2 rows of Morning Sun (eastern end), 8 1/2 rows of Honey and Cream (western end). Helped Nan set out 50 golden Acre cabbage plants and 25 Broccoli plants. Picked out the rest of our lobsters from yesterday before doing barn chores. Picked out lobster bodies for supper. Morning Sun proved out very well but Honey and Cream didn't have time to mature due to frost in Sept. Tried it again in '64.</p>
<p>June 18, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful, sunny calm June morning, but we need rain badly. There'll be no hay crop if it doesn't. Already the timothy is heading out. Pumped. Ern worked. Helped chore, then started hoeing potatoes on piece below power house. As soon as Nan started with the milk I helped Ern and we did the worst part of the garden. 2 rows first potatoes, a row of peas, 2 rows of second potatoes, a row of wax beans, and another row of peas. Being greensward the witch grass is bad. Hauled away to shore the old well curb left lying from last year when Forrest built my new one. Mowed a tractor berth on western end of well piece and also about a third of the piece itself as the timothy and other grasses had come up through the plowing so high. Already to pick rocks now. Hoed my rhubarb after Ern went home. Through chores at 8:00.</p>

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<p>June 19, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another beautiful dry morning. Too, too dry. O, we need rain, rain, rain. Ern worked. Helped chore and then dug and fertilize dahlias trench along side of garage. Bunched rocks on rest of well piece. Put scoop on tractor and dumped the rocks off well piece along side of brook ditch below our culvert. Ern greased up and loaded the manure spreader while I harrowed the well piece 1 1/2 hrs to smooth it down some with Bush and Bog harrow so we could use spreader. Harvey Demmons brought grain. Chored. Nan mowed her clothes yard down back this P.M. the floribunda roses have grown enough to make a cozy place now. This has been a beautiful June day.</p>
<p>June 20, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Overcast and foggy or rather smoky hazy S.W. wind and cool. Blown hard all day with an occasional sprinkle. Pumped this morning. Ern worked. Helped with chores, and cut up what few limbs I had at woodpile. As soon as Nan went with milk we gathered up grass mowing for today and then went out to Merryconeag to get the lawn clippings Franklin had raked up. Spread 8 loads manure on well piece with spreader, and then spent what time I had left 1 1/2 hrs. harrowing the manure in with my double harrow. Chored.</p>
<p>June 21, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Rain at last but too much wind to be best. We sure need the rain though. Rain had cleared by noon, but what a time we had getting around with the milk. The Chevy started nicely here in the garage but when we were ready to go with milk the starter wouldn't make a sound, and wouldn't start rolling out of the dooryard. Had to push to start with Jeep. Then Buddy Curtis pushed us at Raymond Beverage's, and the car stopped itself at Chick Stone's so Austin Grant pushed us. Managed to get rest of way around without trouble. Had new battery terminal clamp put on at Brown's which seemed to remedy the trouble. Ground scythe this P.M. and nearly mowed out the planted tree area. Chored.</p>
<p>June 22, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold and wind - about 46° this morning. Sprinkled some this P.M. Ern worked. Helped chore and thinned out corn on house garden. I replanted the row of yellow wax and Top Crop beans, beets, and planted a row of Marketeer cucumbers. Finished mowing out and cleaning up the tree grove. Harrowed what time I had on well piece, picking rocks onto harrow platform and hauling them to raspberry brook. Ern bunched the rocks. Started chores at 4:45. Was down from milking chores at 6:20. Was up to Grange Hall to Alumni Banquet by 7:10. About 85 there. Had a nice time even though we didn't get waited on promptly and they (the Grange) ran out of potatoes so that some of us had only turkey and peas. Dana Smith spoke and showed slides. Enjoyed seeing them again.</p>
<p>June 23, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold but not windy this morning. About 47 or 8. Couldn't or didn't sleep worth a darn. Up at 5:30 and up to barn before six to clean out. Took walk around fields to look over hay prospect. Some places very very good and some places not so good as last year. Went on milk route with Nan. Came right home to have broiled chicken dinner at Abbie's and Eleanor's with them. Had a nice time. Went from there up to Ern's in Jeep to get the grass he hand scythed around his buildings. Rested a half hour before starting chores. Eleanor and Abbie over to have crackers and milk with us this evening.</p>

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<p>June 24, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> One of the best of hay days - a lovely one but very hot. Ern worked. Helped chore and weeded in garden some after cleaning up the manure off load from spreading the well piece the other day. Pumped. As soon as Nan started with milk, I had Ern take the broken boards off his seeding down drag and replace them with new ones. All but one had to be replaced. I harrowed on well piece, picking rocks and hauling them to culvert brook at same time. We graded by hand with potato hoes around well and Ern worked dirt into dead furrow along side of piece. All ready to put seed on tomorrow. Leigh and Nettie W. called to get a couple tubs manure while I was choring tonight.</p>
<p>June 25, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> B and R. brought S.H. electric refrigerator from Stan Grant \$40.00 We hope it'll work nicely for milk cooling this summer. Pat and Little Mike up for a short time. This morning is too beautiful to believe. Up at 5:00. Have written to Mary Pease Stone, enclosing his (Adams') bill for shingling south side of barn roof and south side of house of ell roof. As near as I could tell, 11 man days on house ell. He really gave her a flim-flamming. Ern worked. Helped chore and then cruised pasture fence from main gate to Indian Point and Montgomery's. As soon as Nan started with milk I mixed up my seeding for well piece and sowed it - oats and peas with timothy red top and alsike, and some old _____ seed I had for grass. Finished repairing drag and used it behind bush and bog harrow set straight on piece. Finished about 5:15. Mowed grass for cows across end of frog pond piece. Had just gotten some of the dust washed off me when Lawrence Beverage called to say my young stock were up to Ketchum's. "Charlie Waterman's." Nan and I went up in Jeep and them over to Golf Links. Couldn't find them. When we got home and I went to this barn 1 of the cows had gotten one of the big doors open and were in the barn floor. What a mess. Finished milking chores at 10:00. What a day and the hottest in a long time.</p>
<p>June 26, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> First beet greens of season. Very good. Overcast but appears nice. No dew. Up at 5:30. Took storm window of Pat's end window and put on screen. Ern worked. Helped chore and planted 17 bean poles. Beans are coming up nicely. Pumped while doing chores. As soon as Nan started with milk we collected our fencing material, sharpened some posts, cut some new rails out back of Carver's and built a new turn through gate to main pasture. The snow plow completely smashed the gate last winter plowing Montgomery's road. Also stretched a piece of Hiram's woven wire from pear tree corner nearly down to gate (inside of the fence). Didn't go looking for animals as we had no idea where to find them. Jack Brown called tonight to say they were on the Turner Place yesterday instead of Waterman Place. Chored. Pooched tonight. Very very hot.</p>

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<p>June 27, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Turned cows into western half big pasture first time. Smoky S.W. and cool. Peonies are opening up to a beautiful sight this morning. Came out very hot and dry. Over a week of the very best hay weather, but my hay isn't ready even if I were, but if I were ready I'd be cutting. Ern worked. Helped chore and then finished mowing ends of frog pond millet patch. Then we started right in on the gates above barn. Built a new one from barn pasture into night pasture and repaired the one across field road. Left off at 4:45 to go up to Turner Place in Jeep to look for young stock. Took McCulloch along and sawed the trees out of the Turner road. Had nice luck. Found the animals bedded down right by the Turner house. Succeeded in getting a lead rope on one of the tree older ones, lead her along, and Ern worked the others from behind. Brought them right out [to] the road and along the tarred road back to Mrs. Pease's. Suppose they must have gone around Mrs. Pease's shore to Gillis place.</p>
<p>June 28, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another beautiful morning. These hay days are getting me down getting nothing done. Hay is going to ripen off rapidly. Ern worked. Helped chore and then mowed the weeds, etc. on garage piece. Pumped. As soon as Nan started with milk - 10:30 or 10:45 we struck with fencing material for Mrs. Pease's. Cut bed pieces, standards and braces on north side of Mrs. Pease's and then went down to tide fence between Pease and Gillis. The tide was just starting to come. Succeeded in getting the fence in ahead of it. Now if the stock gets out it'll be because they want to, not because there is no fence there. Also run a strand of barbed wire stop ride along part of the line fence. Ern mowed grass for fodder on hen yard piece and I rotored the garage piece as he's going to plant his turnips there.</p>
<p>June 29, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A nice day but very cool Wind N.E.-E and S.E. off water all day. Cool enough so I wore a flannel shirt this P.M. Ern worked. Helped chore and then furrowed out his turnip garden, fertilized it, and planted the seed. Then he helped me hoe the garden below power house. We hoed it all except the two rows of potatoes that Ern hoed a while ago on which Nan spread the tarred paper between. They are coming in blossom now. The witch grass is terrible in that garden and having to replant has made things come slowly. Have still got to plant some corn over. Edna B. called this P.M. with Alta, Mina and Aunt Frances Cooper. Nan took Ern home by way of Burgesses to borrow Prudy's "dolly" so we can move in the Grant refrigerator off porch. Nan's new moccasins from Moccasin Craft came today. Also this gift pencil.</p>
<p>June 30, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Thick a fog, calm and cool. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Had enough surplus milk so we separated nearly 20 qts this morning. Stopped at the Ox-Bow gate on way home to go down the line fence to get my gauntlet gloves I left the other day when we built the tide fence. Still couldn't find Ern's jack knife. Rested a half-hour or so. Mr. and Mrs. A.W.B. stopped in dooryard a few minutes. Up to Ern's to get another mowing of grass. Picked a box of strawberries while there. Stopped at Beveridges on way home to get date of shipping rototiller back to Montgomery Ward. 5 weeks and not a word from them. Thorntons and Witherspoons called this evening. Fog cleared but stayed pretty cool. Fog came in again tonight. New bell ringing on Bull Rock Light. Sounds like church bell and rings only once every so many seconds. Farewell first half of '63.</p>

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Special data	This last several days of June to Saturday have been the hottest on the weather bureau history. Beautiful hay day but we haven't been haying. July 1- one of the fastest and most scary thunder showers I've ever seen. Came out of the N.W. and west like a racehorse with wind and rain and one of the chain lightning flashes and cracks of thunder was instantaneous. I thought it must have struck between here and Cobbs but uptown apparently the same clap was even worse, putting the lights out.
July 1, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Prudy and Edwin down this morning and moved the refrigerator into milkroom as he had to have his dolly. Foggy this morning with sun shining through. Going to be a nice day. Up at 5:45. Have hand scythed between woodpile and bank back of shanty and around shanty. Wrote a letter to Montgomery Ward about rototiller as I haven't heard a word about it in five weeks. Chored. Ern helped chore. Raked up into piles the hand scything I did this morning. As soon as Nan started with milk we put scoop onto tractor, unloaded drag and cleaned up rocks on well curb. Dumped them into culvert ditch. Then picked the rocks on millet piece and dumped them onto little island ledge. Had 5 scoops full. Had time to spread 5 manure spreader loads manure before chore time. Jim Brown brought me a beautiful load of dry shavings tonight while I was choring. Had some rain with thunder shower. See preceding page.
July 2, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Fog cleared late this P.M. to a nice evening. Thick a-fog. May have rained some during night. Shaved and pumped this morning. Up at 5:45. Finished mowing around shanty and to shore by Bernice. Ern worked. Helped chore then raked up the grass. I mowed this morning, and ground his scythe. As soon as Nan left with milk we bagged up the load of shavings Jim B. brought last night, and put them on eastern scaffold. Hauled in the grass I mowed. Then in what time we had we hauled out 7 more loads manure onto millet piece. Started chores at 4:45 so we could go up to Lion's Den to family supper. Ern took furrower off hand cultivator and put tines back on. Also ground my scythe. Took him home when we went to Lion's Den. Bob and Edna, Prudy and Sal, Harvey and Shirley, Frank & Orilla, Arthur and Emma, and Aunt Kath there. Had a nice time. New film of colored slides came today - most of them very good.
July 3, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Very thick-a-fog and wet this morning. Rained a little. I mowed back of woodshed and below fireplace along bank before choring this morning. Makes the place look much neater. Ern worked. Helped chore, then raked up the culch I mowed this morning. Had Pat come down to put a different battery in the Chevy, yet when Nan was ready to go with milk we couldn't get a peep out of it so I had to go with her in Jeep. Ern finished mowing and raking hen yard piece, and started to side-dress corn in house garden. Pat came down again and put in a new battery. Hauled out 5 more loads of manure onto millet piece finishing it, making 18 in all, then harrowed on it from 4:45 to 6:15. Ern got 7 rows of house garden corn side dressed and cultivated. It's knee-high. Pooched tonight. Black and white Liz Grey cow calved at Tumbledown last night - a black and white heifer.

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<p>July 4, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Frank S. took blinker system off for Nan. Sam and Peggy arrived this P.M. Hurrah for the 4th. A nice but cold morning. Much like Sept. About 52°. Cleaned out shanty toilet this morning. Nan had taken all old papers and magazines out last night and given the upper deck its spring cleaning. Pumped and chored. As soon as Nan started with milk, I gathered up rest of grass Ern mowed yesterday on hen yard piece, and mowed enough more in field corner by pasture watering trough to make a foddering. Harrowed on millet piece what time I had picking rocks at same time - 2 1/4 hrs. Put some things out of Pat's room up over head after Nan got home. She had a heck of a time getting round as the damn blinker system shorted out and the whole outfit discharged the battery to beat the band. Uptown to meet the boat as Sam and Peggy came in their Chevy. Had a lobster cook out back, then came inside to eat supper. Cold enough tonight to be chilly. Chored after supper.</p>
<p>July 5, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold and overcast this morning. Westerly wind. Made a nice day but not hot. Mowed grass for animals beyond pasture gates and chores. As soon as girls started with milk Sam and I went over to Tumbledown and mostly milked out the Black and White Liz Grey cow. Finished harrowing and picking rocks on millet piece and then sowed the millet along with Timothy, Alsike, Red top and some Trefoil. Used Bush & Bog harrow set straight with drag behind it. Got about 2/3 of it dragged down. Nan and Peg up to Beveridges this P.M. and then Sam, Nan and Peg went for a ride over the island. Up to then Sam had helped me pick rocks and sow seed. Chored. Sprinkled lightly this evening. Somebody had a thundershower.</p>
<p>July 6, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Montgomerys arrived last night in "Big Yacht." A beautiful, beautiful morning. Sunny and calm, and became a lovely day. Went over to pump first thing this morning and pump engine refused to go. No compression. Chored. Sam went over to Tumbledown and milked out Liz Grey cow (Black & White). As soon as girls left with milk Sam and I worked on pump engine - took head off and cleaned carbon evidently carbon under valves. Put it back together and it started right off. Remarkable. Mowed grass for cows, then Sam went uptown in Jeep to meet girls so the three could go to Vinalhaven in it. I gathered up the loose grass and weeds on millet piece, lugged them off and finished dragging the piece down. Then side dressed the rest of corn and potatoes in house garden and cultivated them. Was just finishing as the folks returned from Vinalhaven. Walker Ames called a few minutes to look at livestock.</p>
<p>July 7, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Mowed out Mrs. Pease's place. Another lovely morning. Calm and sunny. Hard to tell which side is up, the reflections are as clear. The beautiful hay weather I'm losing - oh dear oh hum. Chored. After the girls left with milk Sam went over to Tumbledown and milked the cow there, while I gathered things together here to take up to Mrs. Pease's so we could mow her place out. Had good luck. Sam did the hand scything while I machine mowed. Brought home a trailer load to feed out green. Had lunch on porch. Jr. Brown came to get some oats for seeding Lombard's lawn. Pat, Mike and young Mike arrived about 4:00. We coked lobster out back and had a nice supper. Chored late. Floyd Calderwood married today. A son born to them Jan. 22, 1964.</p>

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<p>July 8, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Sam and Peg left on noon boat. Overcast and cool. S.S.W. breeze. Looks rainy. Started to rain about 9:00 A.M. and rained by spells all day. Pumped and chored. I ran milk route around the island so Nan could go to boat with people. Delivered to fountain corner and then went to boat to see folks off. Rained hard while boat was leaving. Finished delivering, came right home and rested an hour before choring. Over to Tumbledown to milk out Black & White Liz Grey and to water cows. Chored early here at home. Down from barn and milk up at 8:15. Raining hard as we got to bed at 9:30.</p>
<p>July 9, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Telephone out this day. Minnie up this P.M. Found trouble beyond Emery H. Bird shot in cable again. Heavy fog and very wet. I've started haying. oh well we really really need this rain. Stayed foggy more and less until middle of P.M. Then cleared nicely. As soon as Nan left with milk I ground hand scythe and mowed along power house end of garden and around Nan's pine trees she got from Lorings last year. Replanted a row of beans to Lowe's Champion. Replanted six rows of corn to Earliking and gold Rush then planted two short rows to World Record and Frosty peas. Also planted two short rows out by pole beans to Imp. Dwf. Telephone peas. Went over to Tumbledown and hand scythed around carriage house and in front of double garage. Nan went with me up to Ern's to get his hand scything below his stable. Had a full Jeep load. Went back over to Tumbledown to milk out Black & White Liz and brought her milk home. Also brought the mowing around carriage house & garage. Up to Community Bldg. tonight to 25th wedding anniversary for Forrest and Barbara Adams. Large crowd and nice presents.</p>
<p>July 10, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Hiram cow calved at Tumbledown - a black bull. Thick-a-fog and very wet. Came out to a pretty good day but not a hay day. Kept making up threatening all P.M. Sprinkled tonight. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore, then picked rocks in wheelbarrow off long corn piece. As soon as Nan left with milk I stripped the rototiller to its inside rotors and cultivated the corn. Rotor did a splendid job if it didn't injure the corn roots. Cleaned the dried witch grass off the power house garden left from hoeing last week and rotored all of that I could. Ern hoed the pumping patch, the pole beans, and Nan's cabbage patch. We now have the gardens as much under control before haying as possible. Heard from Montgomery Ward today about rototiller. They refuse to adjust or refund other than to repair and return the outfit without cost to us. Eliot B. is composing a letter to them tonight.</p>
<p>July 11, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful, sunny calm morning, but are things ever wet. Must have rained during night. Has been a nice day. Ern helped chore. Then sharpened two mower knives while I was helping Nan get milk ready to go etc. Tried to think of everything we needed to take with us, but of course forgot the baler twine. Pushed F.W. trailer ahead of us over to Mrs. Pease with things in it. Left Ern there to hand rake the road and around obstacles while I struck out the big piece on top of and in back of hill in big field. The witch grass is going to ripen off if I don't get it now. Mowed about twelve swaths around. Took side delivery out of double garage, went up to Mrs. Pease's, had lunch in Mrs. Pease's yard, and raked, driving the Little King's sheep out of the pasture [in the] meantime. Took baler out of barn, greased and started it. It started with very little effort. I didn't attempt to bail as there wasn't enough twine to do a half dozen bales. Milked cows out at Tumbledown. Did home chores. Pooched.</p>

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<p>July 12, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked - first hay of season in. 50 bales - Mrs. Pease's barn. A nice calm morning but cold. Only about 50 the last several. Has been a lovely day. Ern helped chore - sharpened mower knife and mowed cow grass at western end of well piece. As soon as Nan left with milk we hauled in grass, then went over to Tumbledown. I mowed what I could with machine around well house. Ern hand scythed the rest, and I finished mowing the piece I struck out yesterday. Then up to Mrs. Pease's and baled and hauled that hay into her barn on green trailer. Back down to Tumbledown and raked what I mowed yesterday and a little of today's. Ern hand raked around well house. Pumped this morning while doing chores. Had our first mess of green peas and new potatoes for supper.</p>
<p>July 13, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Had to order a secondhand tractor tire from Payson as I discovered yesterday that the tube was sticking out through the side of left rear tire. A break two inches long. Ern worked. Another nice day after fog burned off. In thick as mud again tonight before dark. Ern helped chore and mowed fodder, also sharpened mower knife. As soon as Nan started with milk we hauled grass to barn for night feeding, then went over to Tumbledown. Ern spread hay around well house while I raked rest of yesterday's mowing, rolled yesterday's raking, and then rolled today's raking. Brought baler down from Mrs. Pease's. Put lime spreader back into barn while up there. Nan brought our lunch over to Tumbledown. Baled yesterday's raking and tried to haul it into Tumbledown. I had shortened the bales a little, and used only a little tension to make them lighter about Ern handling them, therefore he calved so many of them I loaded the second and third loads without him on the load. Spilled about 15 bales off forward end of second load just before I got to barn. Also unloaded 1st load into western end of barn over roof of manure spreader shed which didn't work good. Left 3rd load on rack (86). About 180 bales in the first two loads, such as they were. Probably 100 bales left in field. Down from barn 10:00 P.M. Pooched.</p>
<p>July 14, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 260 bales in the 3 loads yesterday. Thick-a-fog, wind S.E. No sign of it burning off this morning, and so much good hay out. Lights have been out since 20 minutes of 2 this morning till just after 7:00. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Had hamburgers at Aunt Ell's. Drove down to parking lot for a few minutes and Bill H. invited us to make a trip on his ferry. Made several. This was the second time this summer he had done over \$100.00 of ferry business. Started to rain while we were on the ferry and has rained off and on all P.M. and evening. My hay is going to be a mess. Had just gotten home and rested a few minutes when Dalon, Mary, Mary Ella and her baby came. What a pretty, pretty baby. Just like a little doll. Montgomery's in this evening to get cream while I was doing chores. Visited a few minutes.</p>

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<p>July 15, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still foggy and still drizzling this morning. Everything very, very wet. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I weeded in house garden corn until Nan called from uptown to say my S.H. tractor tire had come and that H.D. had left it at Wayside. H.D. was supposed to have let me know about it as soon as the boat came. Went to garage with tractor and Sambo did the work himself. Took us about two hours. Used new tube. Mounted the new one without loading it. Home at 3:30. Lunched, then went over to Tumbledown in Jeep. Nan and I stowed away the two loads in barn, unloaded load on wagon (88 bales) and stowed them away. Milked cows and brought a Jeep load of the hay around well house home to feed out. The A.W.B.'s called just as I was getting ready to go to barn. Stayed until I finished chores. Had to go over to start pump in the midst of chores as I'd left the water running in pasture trough when I turned cows across tonight. Dumb, dumb, dumb. Long days and late nights. S.H. rear tractor tire 30.00, new tube for same 13-?. Ern didn't work.</p>
<p>July 16, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful morning. Practically no dew. Finished pumping this morning Ern helped chore and split a little wood. over to Tumbledown as soon as Nan left with milk. Ern spread well house hay and broken bales from spilled load Sat. night. I rolled the windrowed hay back of big ridge, opened up the 75 bales left from Sat. Then Ern and I shook out bales and rolled hay. Worked on baler a little while cleaning out back of baffle plate and greasing some. Raked the shook out hay, baled and hauled it in. Harvey Demmons helped with second load as he showed up with grain for me. Chored. Another 10:00 night. Lengthened my bales back to normal length and used more tension today. Bales were oh so much better, even though they were heavier about handling. Two loads in Tumbledown 82 and 77 bales, 59 bales.</p>
<p>July 17, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful morning. Ern helped chore and mowed rest of grass between well piece and little pasture fence. As soon as Nan left with milk we hauled the grass to barn, repaired a mower knife and then I went to Tumbledown and mowed the good side hill piece below field road. Squared it out to Bank's Road fence and up to Strawberry hill plowed piece. Ern opened up the pasture fence so I could use the rake and baler on laid down pasture piece here at home, picked a 12 qt. pail of peas, and hoed some in power house garden. Mowed the pasture piece after I came back from Tumbledown. Beautiful Timothy but practically all my Birds Foot Trefoil winter killed. The whole piece was a sheet of ice for months. Nan froze 2 qts. of the peas. Managed to get chores done a little earlier tonight.</p>
<p>July 18, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. He mowed inside Fay's fence above my rhubarb patch. A beautiful calm morning but hazy. Pumped and chored. Didn't prove to be so nice a hay day though. By the time I got over to Tumbledown to start raking - 12:00 noon it looked so showery I raked around the piece once and went back to barn to see what the weather was going to do. We started stowing away hay in barn and before we had scaffold load stowed down came the rain hard for about 10 minutes along with thunder shower. Also unloaded hay wagon and stowed that (77 bales counted on Monday). Came home, had lunch and filed McCulloch. Was going out to work on pasture fence against Cobb Park but the sun came out so drying, I went back over to Tumbledown and raked the piece I started this morning. Brought rake home and raked pasture piece. Chored. Ern replanted his turnips back of garage this P.M.</p>

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<p>July 19, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. About 160 bales into Tumbledown. A beautiful calm sunny morning. Has been a lovely day but pretty hot. Though sure it was going to shower this P.M. Ern helped chore and ground hand scythe. Then hand scythed along fences and around ledges after I mowed between powerhouse and barn and between barn and Fay's. Rolled windrows on pasture piece, then over to Tumbledown and rolled windrows there. Ern spread dumped hay by manure spreader shed from other day, and hand raked scatterings around well house. Nan brought over lunch over to upper field. Baled the side hill piece and out to Bank's road, also ten bales by manure spreader shed. Whole side fell out of first load before we were really loaded. Went to barn with only 63 bales. Pat, Mike and Little Mike arrived just as we got to barn with first load. Helped us unload and get second load and unload that one. Had ninety with the 10 around spreader shed. Had a lunch with us before they went home. Another late chore night. 10:00 P.M.</p>
<p>July 20, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A nice morning but some high clouds. This is the day of the eclipse. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and picked a peck of peas. I went over to Tumbledown after side delivery, raked between power house and barn and between barn and Fay's. Ern hand raked the corners. He shook out the heaviest and greenest while I baled the pasture piece, then baled the two pieces I had just raked. Brought hay wagon home from Tumbledown as soon as lunch and hauled all hay in. 158 bales. Was milking the two cows at Tumbledown while eclipse was on. Became quite dark - enough so that Nan saw at least one star. Really chored early tonight - was down from barn at 8:30. 125 bales from pasture piece in home barn. 33 bales from between power house and barn and between barn and Fay's in home barn. Ern worked.</p>
<p>July 21, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Thick-a-fog. Calm. Cleared to a nice day, all day. Chored. E.P. Beveridge came after rototiller this A.M. Had it most 2 hours. Went on milk route with Nan. Visited with Frank Waterman a minute. In to Mrs. Pease's to look at young stock and to make sure they were still in pasture. Hadn't seen them for several days. Prudy in dooryard when we came home. Had been to Montgomery's. He picked himself a basket of raspberries while here. Nan picked raspberries while I mowed out Fay's property and around our shop piece. Chored. Down from barn at 8:45.</p>
<p>July 22, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A very pretty morning. Calm. Some haze around. Heavy dew. Fog came in heavy during forenoon as wind aired up to the eastard but cleared to a nice day during P.M. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore. Sharpened 2 mower knives, hand raked edges around Fay's and part of around shop. Also hand scythed around shop. I mowed dump piece and hog pen piece and cruised fence around Carver's. As soon as lunch we went out to Cobb's Park and built the section of fence smashed down by the falling trees last fall. Used 2 strands barbed wire and the remaining rails to make a pretty nice fence. Also worked on corner across from old schoolhouse what time we had. Chored.</p>

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<p>July 23, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Nice morning with some high cloudiness. Cleared to a pretty day but wind stays out to the eastard until tonight it is S.W. and thick-a-fog. Ern helped chore and finished hand raking around shop piece, dump piece and hog pen piece. I side raked below Fay's, shop piece, dump piece and hog pen piece, only in reverse order, after taking 5 bags 8-16-16 out on new piece in pasture in Jeep so Ern could top dress it. Helped him spread the last 3 bags after I finished raking. As soon as lunch I mowed 10 round trips up and back on field road - O.P. and sister piece. Baled the four pieces I raked this A.M. and gathered up the bales on hog pen piece and dump piece left on rack. Fog in thicker than mud before I had chores done. Our first mess of string beans tonight. Very delicious.</p>
<p>July 24, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Thick-a-fog. Wind S.W. cleared to a beautiful day. Ern helped chore, then raked the rest of swamp between well and hen yard piece while I finished choring. As soon as Nan left with milk we started on fences, closing off the pasture piece, repairing back and around Carver's and closed the gate into little corner pasture. Then swung fence at pasture gates to western side of trough and turned cows into eastern side of pasture first time. As soon as lunch Ern turned bales around shop and below Fay's. Unloaded yesterday's load and hauled in what was left from yesterday (28 bales around shop and 34 below Fay's). Because the King mowed the sides of the road clear into Montgomery's right trough my fields I mowed two more swaths each side of the road and then finished mowing the O.P. sister piece and old millet piece next to little pasture. Raked what I mowed yesterday. Eleanor Thornton dropped in for a few minutes just before I went to barn.</p>
<p>July 25, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Beautiful calm morning and a lonely day. Ern helped chore and picked the Wild Record peas again. One more small picking on them. As soon as Nan left with milk Ern sharpened mower knives, I stowed away last of yesterday's hay and spread the double center windrow of yesterday's rakings. Ern hand raked ledges and corner while I rolled yesterday's raking and raked yesterday's mowing. Mowed frog pond ridge. As soon as lunch we baled the scatterings around shop and below Fay's and then baled the hay I rolled on O.P. and sister piece. Hauled it in 124 bales. Gussie Beverage called in dooryard a few minutes yesterday P.M. but was smart enough not to stay and help haul in hay. V belt in auger threw off twice while baling. Badly chewed in places. Must have been slipping some time or other.</p>
<p>July 26, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Another beautiful, beautiful sunny calm morning. Corn is growing night and day now. House garden filled in. No rows to be seen. Don't know how it grows so and so dry. Oat piece is rushing too, maybe the manure top-dressing helped hold moisture. Has been a very hot day. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and sharpened mower knife. A.W. and Emma called this A.M. with her Aunt Hilde and husband. As soon as Nan left with milk we put up wire fence on two new rows of peas on garden below power house. Rolled yesterday's raking and raked frog pond ridge. Mowed between Montgomery road and lily ledge. Put posts under center of ground mow and cistern room ceiling. Baled rest of sister piece and old millet piece next to little pasture fence and had just started on the frog pond ridge when the auger V belt broke. Hauled in the baled hay. Nan went uptown to Brown's and got a new belt. I put it on before choring. Had ordered one of Payson but it didn't come in today's mail. Had an even 100 bales.</p>

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<p>July 27, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Lovely, calm, sunny morning. Promises to be [a] hot one. Ern helped chore, sharpened mower knife and picked row of first peas, probably last time. As soon as Nan left with milk I rolled hay on frog pond ridge and had just started to rake yesterday's mowing when the left lift arm on the tractor snapped in two. Had to order one from Payson's, and thought I might borrow one off Frank's tractors but both were working so Frank borrowed one off Lamont's tractor for me and brought it down. Finished raking baled both junks and hauled them in - 198 bales. Then mowed oak tree field & most hay on western part of that than anywhere. Finished 7:50. Chored and pooched. Received letter from Montgomery Ward saying they'd make us a 60% rebate on the rotor tiller we sent back to them.</p>
<p>July 28, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another hot dry one. Saw a good sized deer out in my millet piece and then up on O.P. piece this morning. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Made a new record today - 105 qts. Came right home so to be here when the Dows of Haneton and Mrs. Burgess came to call. Entertained them under the Oak and Spruce Tree. Cooler there than anywhere. Don didn't come with Mrs. Dow and boys as he gets no vacation. After they left about 4:45 I raked the oak tree field. Chored, then up to Bertha's at 9:30 to get my hair cut. So long it was curling around my ears.</p>
<p>July 29, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Thick-a-fog. Thick-a-fog. Cleared some right here but stayed foggy out around all day. Ern helped chore and split some wood. As soon as Nan started out with milk we stowed away hay in barn. Nan had told the Fishers they might pick her raspberries so while they were here picking, Mr. Fisher helped Ern and I stow away. Thanks very much. Rolled hay on Oak Tree field. Ern hand raked edges. Mowed western corner of O.P. field and cellar hole piece to light pole on back in western field. Baled and hauled in Oak Tree field - 139 bales. Chored.</p>
<p>July 30, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cloudy. Almost gale wind S.S.W. Started to rain just as I was doing my chores this morning and how it rained. Came down in torrents with that heavy wind behind it. It's a wonder any corn, beans or anything is left standing. Should help the gardens a lot though. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Stopped at Eleanor's on our way home, and I bought a couple of 1:50 x 15 tires of her for the Jeep. A couple she got from Mr. Moffet. \$15.00. Lift arm for tractor came in mail, but when I put it on it wouldn't fit. They're supposed to send me another one tomorrow. Uptown in Jeep and had Eleanor's two tires mounted on rear. Chored. Had a dandy mess of Lowe's Champion beans for supper. Also green peas and new potatoes. Could have sold 105 qts. again today if we'd had it.</p>
<p>July 31, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Finished mowing on Indian Point Farm and Indian Point. Ern worked. A beautiful fall morning. Wind N.W. down below 60. Ern helped chore and stripped and pulled the first row of peas. As soon as Nan left with milk. Ern hand raked the ledges of Monday's (rest of O.P. piece and old cellar hole piece)mowings and I raked them. Then rolled the O.P. piece section which I had raked first. Mowed out the old millet piece in western field from Goose Rock light pole to Montgomery's line and Montgomery's place. Also the old toilet field, which finishes the mowing on Indian Point farm and Indian Point. As soon as lunch Ern and I hand spread all we raked this A.M. Chored.</p>

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Special data	July 31 - If it hadn't stormed yesterday we would have finished haying Indian Point Farm in July. As it is, we finished haying it and Indian Point Aug. 1 - 1061 bales - 189 bales less than last year and 257 less than 1961.
August 1, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful day but wind stayed out on the eastern qtr and clouded up this P.M. so that the fog was in the thick tonight. Ern helped chore and picked over a half bushel of "Frosty" peas. Was just getting milk out for Nan when "Peanut" Peterson and a C.G. man came to see about installing switches etc. to control fog signal on light house. Bothered me an hour. Raked piece above bank in western field and Montgomery's. Also toilet field piece. Rolled yesterday's spreading and baled all of both lots. Squire and Reggie came down and helped us haul in 202 bales and stow away. Barn only about half full. A small crop. 189 bales less than last year and 257 less than 1961. Too dry through May and June. Finished chores late tonight.
August 2, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked this A.M. Foggy and sprinkling this morning. Ern helped chore and they picked the rest of row of peas from yesterday. Also hoed the three short rows of last planting of peas. As soon as Nan left with milk I mowed the Bush and Bog harrow out of shop so I could hook up to my scoop that we could pick rocks on the piece on Strawberry Ridge. By the time I had done this it was raining hard enough so I took Ern home. Was stowing away hay in Tumbledown when Bob Sprague came with a load of outdoor shavings so I came home and bagged them up. Put new lift arm onto tractor and after trying to rest an hr. Took Lamont's lift arm back to Lamont's and in putting it on twisted off the bolt that holds the lift fork. E. Beveridge down with letter to Montgomery about rototiller this P.M. Abbie and Eleanor over a few minutes this evening.
August 3, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Foggy but clearing some. Stayed wet most of day. Pumped and chored Ern helped core, split wood and weeded the dahlias by garage. Also hand scythed around trailers at end of garden. As soon as Nan left with milk I put towing beam on tractor and we brought the two cows and their calves home from Tumbledown. Makes mine in my line-up again. Put scoop back on tractor and spent what time we had picking rocks on piece on Strawberry Ridge at Tumbledown. Lyford and Ruth Beveridge called this evening.
August 4, Sunday	<i>Tonny:</i> Foggy this morning - sprinkled by spells during day and tonight. Chored. I delivered milk, Nan stayed home to do housework. Dropped down to 79 qts. today after having the opportunity to hit over 100 for two or three days and not having that much. Visited with Frank W. a few minutes. Rested an hour after coming home. Chored early. Down from barn before 8:00. The Fishers - Mr. and Calvin with two grandchildren dropped in for milk. Wrote letter to Montgomery Ward accepting 60% refund on rototiller and then took it uptown to mail. Stopped at Aunt Ell's to have ice cream. Frank & Orilla came in there and we had a visit. Rebred Agnes cow to Charlie H. Jr. this morning and again tonight. This is the fourth time so probably she'll be racing again in three weeks - no good.

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<p>August 5, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Still foggy and wet this morning. Cleared to a beautiful day about noon. Nan dropped Ern off at Strawberry Ridge when she brought him down and he went right to bunching rocks on the piece we worked on Saturday. I went over with tractor and scoop as soon as I finished chores here and Nan started with milk. Finished picking just before 4:00 P.M. Changed from scoop to mower and mowed piece between Abbie's brook and her house and between the town road and her brook also what was the orchard. Had four more cows to go when the lights went out tonight. Were out for most an hour.</p>
<p>August 6, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful August morning westerly air. Ern helped chore. Picked the second planting of peas again and the row of yellow and Top Crop beans. Sharpened 3 mower knives and ground scythes. As soon as Nan started out I greased up the double harrow and harrowed until nearly 4:00 P.M. on the Strawberry Ridge piece. Got all over it. Came home, hooked onto side delivery, back over to Tumbledown and raked yesterday's mowing. Eleanor over a few minutes before chores. Late finishing chores tonight. Nan uptown this P.M. to see the boats of the N.Y. Yacht Club.</p>
<p>August 7, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Thick a fog. Air N.E. Sun breaking through. Became a pretty good day but not a drying one. Ern helped chore and then worked on his turnips until Nan came back from milk. As soon as Nan started with milk I went over to Tumbledown and struck out the junk in big field between Penelope tree rock and Mrs. Pease's line fence. Nearly finished it. Rolled yesterday's raking, took baler from here and baled it, brought first load of 81 bales home and put the remaining 23 bales into Tumbledown. Visited with Eleanor a few minutes. Chored late. 10:00 P.M. when we finished.</p>
<p>August 8, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Foggy this morning but clearing to a pretty fair day, but not a real hay day. Ern helped chore and then worked on his turnips until Nan came back from delivering milk. As soon as Nan left with milk I went over to Tumbledown and finished mowing yesterday's junk. Then mowed the ridge above the gate from barn and low land between central swamp and Banks Road. Finished up by mowing Fisher's eastern flat for them. Ern had raked along Abbie's brook piece and the obstacles on yesterday's piece. I side-delivered about 2/3 of yesterday's mowing. Don and Cynthia called this evening.</p>
<p>August 9, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Thick a fog and wet. Ern helped chore and finished weeding and thinning his turnips. After Nan left with milk I rested an hour and a half as my legs are knotting up on me. Made our first mowing of oats and peas for cows. Ern picked the third planting of peas first time. I went over to Tumbledown and finished raking all of yesterday's mowing except the heaviest on the ridge across from barn and what little's on Fishers'. Shelled out the peas Ern picked before going to barn and Nan prepared them for freezing.</p>

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<p>August 10, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked this A.M. Cloudy and foggy. Sun coming through. Must have showered during night. Ern helped chore and then picked a mess of beans for Pat, split some wood and mowed oats and peas for cows. As soon as Nan started with milk I went over to Tumbledown, raked the ridge across from barn, and rolled all the rest. By that time 1:30 Nan was back from milk and ready to go up to meet Pat and Mrs. Bunker as they were coming up to parade. Changed my clothes, took Ern up to clean up, and then we went down to watch the festivities. Parade was quite good. Saw Les Ladd - the first time in probably 20 yrs. Came home by Ern's, left him, came home to change my clothes and went back over to Tumbledown to bale. Was on the very last windrow when the bales started coming out tied only on one side. Discovered right hand needle had snapped in two about 8 in. from eye. Went over to cover baler after chores. 10:00 and then went uptown to watch dance from outside until after intermission.</p>
<p>August 11, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Beautiful, clear cold morning. Only 44°. Flat calm and sunny. Not a cloud in the sky. A very lovely day. Nan went after Ern this morning as we had so much hay to get in. He helped chore while I pumped and chored. Then went over to Tumbledown when Nan went with milk to turn bales. I hauled the oats and peas to barn before I went over. Stowed away the rest of last hauling in and the 23 bales on the rack. Was taking first load into barn when Nan returned from milk. She helped us haul in three more loads cleaning it up - 68-17-74 and about 75 bales on last load. This cleans up big field except crown of big hill. We were resting a few minutes when Milton and Edythe A. drove into the yard. Had a nice little visit. Had our first mess of Earliking corn tonight. Very good but not quite large enough.</p>
<p>August 12, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Calm, high cloudiness and cool. Rained sometime during night. A beautiful day. N.W. air. Chored. As soon as Nan left with milk. I mowed and hauled in the oats and peas for cows. Was just sharpening some fence posts when Arthur Fay and his brother Chappie's wife called. He's returning to Mass. after a trip with the Moffets. Repaired the night pasture fence, and then went over to Tumbledown. Finished mowing out big field all but swamp - crown of big ridge. Raked Fisher's, hardly enough to make two windrows across the piece. Chored. The Burgesses here a few minutes while Prudy tried to see Montgomery. Chores seem to be always late anymore. The Bailey family arrived this P.M. Says Mr. Fay some better after blood clot operation.</p>
<p>August 13, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Another beautiful one - sunny and flat calm. This beautiful day last quick. By nine A.M. it had clouded over, wind had come up S.E. and had started to sprinkle. Rained hard most all of P.M. I got soaked while mowing oats and doing premilking chores. Rained hard again during night. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Rested an hour this P.M. Chored. Really lowered the spring this morning - nearly 2 ft. of the ledge showed when I finished pumping.</p>

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<p>August 14, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Foggy and wet this morning. Had just turned cows out to pasture and was coming to house from chores when it started to pour again with thunder and lightning. Had slacked off by the time we started with milk and wind had come in to the westard and had cleared by the time we got home. I shucked out the clams this morning that Fisher gave us several days ago, and Nan fried some of them after we came from milk. Very good. Also had a first apple pie for breakfast made from our own Red Astracous. Very very good also. Changed oil and oil filter in tractor this P.M. and cleaned base breather, air filter, and rocker arm breather. The Montgomerys were here when I came from barn tonight. Were out exercising their dogs.</p>
<p>August 15, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Came in his Colon car. A nice clear fall morning. Wind N.W. First time I ever saw a thunder shower in the morning clear away a storm. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore, picked tow pails of peas and sharpened 3 mower knives. Also mowed oat fodder for cows. As soon as Nan left with milk I put trailer in oat patch and then went over to Tumbledown. Rolled the scatterings on Abbie's brook piece by road, the windrow eastard of my double garage, the two windrows on Fisher's and then raked Monday's mowing to crown of big field. Was just putting new needle on baler when Nan came home. She brought Ern and lunch over to Tumbledown after which Ern spread the rolled hay and I baled the rake hay. Hauled it into Tumbledown. 199 bales. A.W.B. and Emma brought Alta, Mercedes and Gramma Oldroyd down this evening. She's some smart for 89 yrs. old.</p>
<p>August 16, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Sprinkled during night. Overcast this morning. Shelled out a pail of peas before chores this morning. Ern helped chore, picked a pail of yellow and green beans, sharpened mower knife and mowed fodder. As soon as Nan left with milk I went over to Tumbledown and rolled the hay Ern spread yesterday. Was going to use my John Deere dump rake to rake some scatterings but as soon as I hitched onto it a casting broke that holds the trip rods in the centers, so I stowed away the hay in Tumbledown barn. Was just finishing when Nan came from milk. By the time she had brought Ern and lunch back to Tumbledown I was hitched to baler and ready to bale. Baled up everything and brought it home. This completes big field except swamp and Abbie's except western road piece and western flat. Only about 18 or 20 bales on Fisher's. Minnie down with us tonight. Had clam chowder and corn on cob. Corn getting good now.</p>
<p>August 17, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful beautiful morning but cool. 47°. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore, and then pulled second planting of peas. Maybe got 3 doz. odds and ends of peas off them. Mowed fodder and we hauled it in as soon as Nan and Minnie left with milk. They had to go in Jeep as Chevy wouldn't start. Hitched onto my pulp trailer and hauled in three loads of wood and limbs from side of toilet field. also the load piled against telephone pole by garden that I brought in from along road last spring where cut for light line. Hitched up to saw rig and sawed all we'd hauled in. Up to Bailey's to cocktails. Then after doing chores we went up to look in on Grange Festival dance. Minnie had gone up to dance along with Johnny and Symantha Bailey and their guests. Big crowd there. Looks stormy tonight and has been since noon.</p>

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<p>August 18, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Sprinkling this morning. Cleared to become a nice day. Chored. Minnie and I went on milk route. Nan stayed home to do housework. Minnie stayed up with Pamela this P.M. Nan and I rested a short time this P.M. Had lunch and then went over to Abbie's with a message from Mercedes for her. Visited a little while. Came home and chored. The Feltons came for corn just after we came from Abbie's 2 doz @ .70 = 1.40 pd. The corn is just right right now.</p>
<p>August 19, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful fall morning. Clear and cool. N.W. wind. Another winter almost here. Ern helped chore and mowed fodder. I pumped and chored. As soon as girls left with milk we hauled in fodder then I collected things together and left Ern to scrape, sand, and paint the double-ender outside. She hasn't been touched or been overboard this year. I went up to Ern's and mowed all in front of his house, both sides of his road. Quite heavy out below his stable. Thin the rest. Chored.</p>
<p>August 20, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked for me at his place this P.M. What a boo-boo I made yesterday. All that mowing and here it is raining this morning. Union Fair starts today so likely it'll rain until Friday. Chored and went on milk route with Nan and Jane. Jane went home on noon boat to Owl's Head. Bertha Joyce here to give Nan a permanent when we got home. I worked over in shop what time I had trying to repair the tie-up window that one of the cows smashed last spring when she backed through it. Mowed fodder and chored. Cows coming up pretty hungry now as feed is getting short in pasture.</p>
<p>August 21, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Thick-a-fog and wet. Cleared to a nice day by noon time. Ern helped chore, then mowed fodder and pulled the two rows of pea vines (3rd planting)(Imp. Dow Tel. and Wyoming Wonder) wonderful peas. Be sure to wire them next year. As soon as I hauled the fodder to the barn after Nan left with milk, I took the half trailer to Ern's then came back down to Tumbledown, and got side delivery rake. Raked all I mowed Monday. Was surprised to find that Ern had not only sharpened two knives yesterday but had cleaned all the pucker brush out of the mowing. Pumped this morning while choring. Nan and I prepared a pail of Geo. Bev. apples for Jelly juice this morning while having coffee. Turned cows back into western side of pasture. Buster Stone came after Mrs. Pease's keys. First time I'd seen him in over 30 yrs.</p>
<p>August 22, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A nice day all day. Kind of a smoky S.Wester with only a little wind. Ern helped mow and mowed fodder. As soon as Nan left with milk we hauled the fodder to the barn and then started for Erny mow's. Took the baler along from Tumbledown. Reraked all the windrows that Ern spread yesterday after I'd raked and then started baling. Baled without mishap. Finished about 3:45. Had just started gathering up first loan when Owen and L.G. arrived in Owen's pick-up. They helped me load and hauled two loads themselves into Tumbledown - 82 bales. I put my first load into Tumbledown - 74 bales and brought my second load home - 92 bales. The boys brought their 3rd load over here - 7 bales - and helped me unload. Late finishing chores - 9:30.</p>

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<p>August 23, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Cloudy - looks rainy. Didn't rain until tonight though. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and chopped up some limbs. As soon as Nan left with milk we hauled in the fodder and then put wood into the woodshed. I split and handled over while Ern threw it into building. Also cleaned up two bags of sawdust. Ern picked two pails of green and yellow beans and worked on limb pile some more. I went up to his place and mowed the upper corner of his upper field - the hay very light except for the swaths. I took the length of his ice house road. Home just after 5:30. Well, I've done it again. It is raining now, started just as I was coming from doing chores.</p>
<p>August 24, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Thick-a-fog and drizzly. Guess it rained most of night. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. She did a load of wash at Burgesses. They went to Rockland to see the Sr. Oldroyds. Had our oral polio shot at Com. Bldg. Visited Arts and Crafts show while uptown. Didn't get home until 3:00 P.M. Had a piece of apple pie Nan made this morning from our own Red Astracous and then mowed fodder and chored. Took the Thorntons up a dozen ears of corn and visited with them awhile. This is Garnet's birthday but we didn't know it when we went up. Our summer is behind us. It is dull and cold tonight. 50° and blowing hard from North.</p>
<p>August 25, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold windy and dull. Pumped, chored and went on milk route with Nan. Made a couple trips on ferry with Bill H. He is very fierce to have me put a price on Calderwood Island - claims he has a buyer. Sold 101 qts. milk this day. Rested a half hour after coming home. Mowed and hauled in fodder. Put new halter rope on Charlie Jr. bull. Nan went to Vinalhaven with Abbie and group to concert. Eleanor came over just as I was going to barn to invite me over about 10:30 to visit when girls returned from V.H. Had a nice fire in the fireplace and a nice time.</p>
<p>August 26, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful, calm, sunny fall morning. Only 46°. How I hate to think that summer has gone and winter is coming on. Ern helped chore, cut limbs, and mowed fodder. Roberta Butman called with her daughter and husband just as we were boxing up the milk. Hauled fodder to barn and then repaired the fence in pasture that separates the laid down piece from eastern pasture. Up to Ern's just after 1:00 P.M. Raked Friday mowing, continue the mowing nearly down to Ern's toilet, baled what I raked and we brought it down to Tumbledown barn. The Montgomerys called a few minutes with Mr. Montgomery's son while I was at barn doing chores.</p>
<p>August 27, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. As pretty a sunny fall morning as you'll ever see but cold - only 46°. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and mowed fodder. As soon as Nan left with milk I hauled the fodder to the barn and then made ready to go up to Ern's. Had to unload yesterday's hay at Tumbledown first. Raked yesterday's mowing, mowed another section from yesterday's mowing to lumber piles beyond his carriage house. Baled yesterday's mowing and hauled it home. The Baileys (Mr. and Johnny) helped me unload it - 95 bales. Chored. 9:45 when I came from barn last trip.</p>

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<p>August 28, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Another beautiful calm, sunny fall morning - 48°. Ern helped chore and mowed fodder. As soon as Nan started with milk we hauled fodder to the barn and then started for Ern's. When I went over the culvert before getting to Grumpy's old drive-way the bolt jumped out of the tractor drawbar and the hay wagon went sailing off into the pucker brush. A nice chance for an accident if anyone had come along. Had to use a chain to pull the wagon back into the road. Reraked yesterday's mowing, mowed the field in back of barn, completing Ern's place except orchard and what was his garden beyond orchard. Baled yesterday's mowing and hauled it to Tumbledown in two small loads - 90 bales. Garnet and Clara called this evening and brought us a mess of mackerel. Min called tonight. Young Connie had her third child last Thursday.</p>
<p>August 29, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked until 2:00 P.M. Overcast. Wind S.W. looking like rain. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and mowed fodder. After getting Nan started with milk we hauled fodder to barn and then went over to Tumbledown and unloaded yesterday's second load. Went on up to Ern's and started raking yesterday's mowing when it started raining so I came home. Just rained enough during P.M. to amount to nothing. Rested a couple hours and then chored. Would have finished chores before 8:00 if I hadn't left off to pick 3 dozen ears corn for Edwin Thayer. To bed early tonight.</p>
<p>August 30, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Rained some during night but I don't know how much. More or less foggy and wet looking this morning. Chored. Mowed fodder for cows and hauled it to barn after Nan left with milk. Put saw rig on tractor and went up to Leigh Witherspoon's to saw his wood. Sawed two hours. Didn't finish his pile but sawed all he wanted sawed at this time. Sawed about an hour for Ern on his slabs when I came along home. Eliot Beveridge blew in just as I came from barn last time to adjust the difference between his half of the refund of \$122.54 from Montgomery Ward on returned rototiller and his half (\$89.61) of the purchase price (\$179.22) of the Rotocul tiller I bought of Rankin Grain this spring. Gave him a check of \$28.34.</p>
<p>August 31, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Patricia's birthday (25th). Thick a fog and wet. Pumped and chored. The three Montgomery men at barn while I was choring - Sr., Jr. and 5 yr son. As soon as Nan left with milk I finished left over barn chores. Mowed fodder, picked vegetables for Pat, corn potatoes, cucumbers, etc. and cleaned up to get uptown to meet Nan at 1:15. Went by way of middle road to leave Ern's and Hiram's milk. Went across to V.H. in Jeep at 11:30 to take Pat's birthday present down. Visited with she and little Mike a couple hours. Got myself a haircut while they and Nan were shopping. Home on 5:00 ferry. Chored.</p>
<p>Special data</p>	<p>Aug. 30 - Sawing Leigh Witherspoon's wood - \$10.00 pd by check same date. Aug. 30 - Sawed slabs for Ern about an hour \$4.00. Sept. 5 - Bought of Rockland Cattle dealer - Charles Wall - 1 yrling Holstein bull, all white except around eyes - to run with young stock at Mrs. Pease's - \$120.00 plus \$20.00 fgt. Sold him - the Lorney Angus heifer \$60.00, the black bull from Black Hiram heifer born last winter \$20.00. Sold him the two calves, heifer and bull, from Black & White Liz Grey cow and Hiram cow, born at Tumbledown this summer \$40.00. Sold him the two heifers in Ground mow born at Tumbledown last winter - belonging to "Black Flora" and Lorney cow \$80.00. He paid me \$40.00 in cash and sending me 20.00 check tomorrow. Didn't get what some of the animals should have been, but had to move them.</p>

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<p>Sept. 1, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful looking morning - sunny and most calm. Chored and went on milk route. The Bunkers' last day at Aunt Ell's for this season. Thelma B. and Dot Quinn take over for a while. Stopped at Abbie's and Eleanor's on way home to a delicious broiled steak dinner. Then went cruising in their Jeep. In to the Mullen Place Beach stopping on the way to walk out onto Cat-Tail Pond hill, then up to the Webster Place and Sargent Lewis' gravel pits, then up onto Webster Head, and down to Pettit's shore. Home and chores.</p>
<p>Sept. 2, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Beautiful calm sunny morning but cold - 46°. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and mowed fodder. As soon as Nan left with milk we hauled the fodder to the barn and then went up to Ern's. Raked last Wednesday's mowing back of where his barn stood and Ern spread the outside windrows that I had raked Thursday. I then mowed all of his orchard that I could and also what he had fenced out for a garden for several years beyond his orchard. Baled all I raked about 75 bales - put 32 bales into Ern's stable for him, brought 43 bales to Tumbledown. Nan picked a mess of new peas for supper and I picked a mess of shell beans - Lowe's Champion. Went on ride around north shore, P.H., west district, downtown and home this evening. A beautiful moonlit night.</p>
<p>Sept. 3, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Finished Ern's place today. About 250 bales short of last year. Ern worked. Foggy, but looks like a good day coming up. Ern didn't come down as he spent the A.M. raking the hay in his orchard and lugging it down where I could bale it. I had planned to go right up to Ern's as soon as Nan went with milk and I had unloaded yesterday's hay, but met Emery H. and he told me that this P.M. was the only chance to get the backhoe for some time to clean out Mrs. Pease's pond as the animals are getting out of water. I went up there after unloading hay and started Joe B. on the pond - about 2 feet of muck in it - and then went up to Ern's at 2:00 P.M. Raked yesterday's mowing, baled it and the orchard and hauled it down to Tumbledown, 60 bales. Joe didn't find any water - but did a nice job cleaning out the pond. Watered the young stock out of the pump spring tonight.</p>
<p>Sept. 4, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Elmer Hopkins backhoe at Mrs. Pease's yesterday. Showered in night. S.W. wind this morning. We need a good soaking rain so badly. Cleared to a nice day with win strong N.E. Pumped and chored. Frank Small, the milk inspector, blew in while we were having lunch before going with milk. Went on milk route with Nan as I wanted to see if I could get any plank at Brown's to make a drinking trough for young stock at Pease's. No luck. Stopped at Mrs. Pease's on way home. Possibly 2 buckets of water had come into pond, and the animals hadn't touched the tub of water I left for them last night. Went up to Hiram B.'s and mowed that section of his field between southern field fence and woodshed. Mowed fodder after coming home. Sam Small called tonight to tell me he'd located a yearling Holstein bull to run with my young stock. The fellow wants \$120.00 plus \$20.00 delivery. Bringing him tomorrow. Late choring tonight.</p>

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<p>Sept. 5, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> When I went into bottom of shop tonight I found a crated rototiller from Montgomery Ward evidently the one we had returned to them. They had already sent us a 60% refund. Ern worked. Nice pretty morning but wind N.E. Cold - 42°. Ern helped chore, mowed and loaded fodder, and pulled weeds in cabbage corner of garden. I had to meet A.M. boat as a cattle dealer from Rockland, Charles Wall, was bringing me over a Holstein bull yearling to run with my young stock at Mrs. Pease's. Sold him six of my young stock - see end of August special data. Was 12:30 when he left. Hauled fodder to barn, unloaded wagon of hay at Tumbledown, took wagon to Hiram's back up to Ern's after rake, raked yesterday's mowing, back up to Ern's after baler, baled and brought hay home two trips - 95 and 40 bales. Mr. Bailey helped me unload the second load. He leaves in the morning. Made my chores late again, but a nice feeling to have hay under cover. Promise of rain tomorrow.</p>
<p>Sept. 6, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Overcast - strong N.E. wind but only drizzles for rain. Pumped and chored. Picked 6 doz. ears corn and went on milk route with Mrs. C. Stopped at Pease's on way home to bail up water for young stock. Mowed fodder and started chores early. Was down from barn last trip 7:05. Abbie and Eleanor over to supper. They had just left at 10:00 when Bill and June blew in for a half hour. Watched Jack Paar show a few minutes to see Nat King Cole sing "Rambling Rose." To bed at 11:15.</p>
<p>Sept. 7, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Still overcast. May have rained a little during night. Wind striking from the westward. Became a beautiful day. Ern helped chore and built a sluice trough for me to use watering the young stock at Mrs. Pease's spring so I could keep the water trough away from spring. Last feeding of oats and peas today. Filled grain barrels, loaded the barn watering trough onto trailer, put my barn watering tubs out under cistern overflow and took the watering trough up to Mrs. Pease's spring. Placed it and filled it. Then we started cleaning out the loose stuff in pond that the backhoe had left, but the P.M. was so beautiful I went up to Hiram's and mowed another section. Was going to show Ern the new bull with heifers but he wasn't with them and we couldn't find him so I was stewed up about that all the time I was up to H.S.B.'s. Took a walk from Abbie's tide fence up through pasture and almost to Gillis line when I came from Hiram's. Found him with heifers this time so I felt much better and saw him bred one of the black & white ones. Walker Ames down with his cow to be bred by Charlie Holstein Jr.</p>
<p>Sept. 8, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Thick-a-fog - S.S.E. wind, cleared some to be a nice day, especially in the center of the island. Pumped and chored. The Rogers called for milk just as we were getting the milk racked up. Went on milk route and parked on waterfront a little while. Watered young stock on way home. Had just gotten home when the Beveridges dropped in and stayed maybe 3/4 hr. They had just left and I was getting ready to cut corn for cows when Ben Ames drove in for corn - 3 doz. and 3 cabbages. Chored, separated all the milk as we're overloaded right now. Sold less than 75 qts today. Spent evening with the Montgomerys. Had a nice time. They had taken Eleanor and Abbie and Cornelia and Albra to Shaw's Island on picnic this day.</p>

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<p>Sept. 9, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern down an hr or so this P.M. Up to Mrs. Pease's with me. Thick-a-fog and wet. Guess I mowed at the wrong time at Hiram's. Chored. Nan had just started with milk when Mr. Montgomery came out to get me to look at the land back of his back boundary as they want to extend their holding to take in more of my pasture. I went over with him to cruise it with him, but am not interested in selling at present time. His new buildings are coming along nicely. Had a sardine lunch sandwich with him. Cut the corn fodder for cows. Put grader blade on tractor and went up to Mrs. Pease's to bail water and scrape out the bottom of pond (the loose material that the backhoe didn't get). We separated last night's milk so Nan made ice cream and invited the Montgomery's out this evening. Had their boatman Ralph DeOrsay with them. Mr. M. sold Nan his gas refrigerator for \$125 plus the milk he'd had this summer. Ice box is 2 yrs. old.</p>
<p>Sept. 10, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Clear but with lots of clouds. Looks like it may make a nice day. Rained during night with thunder and lightning. It did make a beautiful fall day. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and picked a pail of Lowe's Champion shell beans. Then after Nan left with milk, she had a boiled dinner at Merryconeag with Nina and group after coming back - we stowed away hay in this barn. Ern repaired the wire fence below Abbie's with baler twine and I went up to Hiram's and raked Saturday's mowing. Then mowed the crown of field finishing the southern field. Then Ern and I spread what I'd raked as it had wet up badly last night. Elliott Brown, Ronald Curtis and P. Brown Jr. got my big Charlie Jr. Bull this P.M. and dressed him out at Elliott's. Paid me \$175.00. Pat, Mike and Little Mike up to supper. Mike put a fluorescent light over sink for Nan.</p>
<p>Sept. 11, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A good day to start with but breezed up hard S.W. and W.S.W. so that it was very disagreeable trying to hay. Ern helped chore and worked on limb pile. As soon as Nan left with milk a little early because she went to Rockland on 1:00 P.M. boat, a dentist appointment, we put towing rail on tractor and took Liz Grey's third daughter, and Liz Grey's first granddaughter up to Mrs. Pease's to turn out until they calve. Makes 10 head up there. Stowed away hay in Tumbledown, then went up to Hiram's. Rolled the hay we spread yesterday and the wind took over and really rolled it. Tried to rake yesterday's mowing but the wind blew it around so I gave up in disgust. Baled up the hay I'd rolled, and did pretty good job considering the way the wind had treated it. Brought it to home barn in two small loads - 58 bales and 35. Nan's mouth very sore tonight.</p>

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<p>Sept. 12, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Turned frost in watering trough when I was turning cows across tonight and forgot it. Drained cistern of course. Damn it. Ern worked. Almost a gale of wind S.W. and very overcast. Is going to rain and all that hay out up to Hiram's. Ern helped chore and split wood. I pumped and chored. As soon as Nan left with milk we unloaded yesterday's second load, and went right up to Hiram's. Wore a skivie under my shirt for first time since last May. Wind blowing so hard it was no use to try to rake so I thought I'd attempt to bale right out the swath as the hay was fairly heavy. Had just started the baler when Dalon B. called to see if I'd bale some for him if he'd help me with mine. He and Jimmie came down and hauled down to Tumbledown while I baled. Took me to 3:00 baling out of the swath but did a pretty fair job. Then went up to Dalon's and what a mess. Raked with a dump rake, all short windrows and crooked and no place to get out with ends. Finally got through at 6:30. Left baler at Dalon's. Late again tonight. Dalon and Jimmie hauled about 185 bales for me.</p>
<p>Sept. 13, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. What a gale of wind last night and still blowing very hard. Swung sometime during night from S.W. into North and cold - only 40° this morning. Pumped first thing this morning and brought the suction out in spring before I had the cistern much more than half full. Now we are going to be in a jam. Chored and went on milk route with Nan as we had so many errands to do. Put some frozen foods in B. Hopkins's freezer as we had to clean our Servel out as Ern is buying it. We are buying Montgomery's Servel. Nan did a wash and I had the base soldered onto our separator bowl at Brown's. Watered Pease cattle on way home. H.D. arrived with my 10 bags of 8-16-16 for Strawberry Hill. Hauled us some house water from Montgomery's, filled the cow trough out of over well and chored. Eleanor and Abbie dropped in to get their keys. They're back from Cambridge for the weekend. Brought me some stump water - a qt. Very good.</p>
<p>Sept. 14, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Was 10:30 when I came from barn second trip this A.M. as I helped move refrigerators around here. Ern worked. Winter has arrived - 36° at I.P.F. [Indian Point Farm] this morning but thank goodness the wind has dropped out, and it looks like the sun may shine. Did make a beautiful day but cool again tonight. 38°. Started chores a little early and Prudy, Bill Hurd, Rusty and Alphonse showed up at 8:00 just as I came from barn first trip with Montgomery's whirlpool gas refrigerator. Had to move our electric sideways, take our Servel out, and put Montgomery's in place and pipe it up. Then took our Servel up to Ern's and piped it up. Took them nearly two hrs. here. Ern went right back home to put a bearing post under his kitchen floor where they were going to set the refrigerator. Came back while I was dumping grain after Nan left. He watered stock at Mrs. Pease's while I hauled water to come here from well. Then up to Dalon's to take baler to Hiram's. Raked scatterings from baling when the wind blew so Wed. and Thurs. Ern with drag rake and I with side delivery. Wilson loaded the hay wagon with the last four rows of H.S.'s corn. I mowed a large part of H.S.'s western field between his barn and A.W.'s line fence. Got home at 6:45 and cold.</p>

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<p>Sept. 15, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Nice clear sunny morning but cold - 40°. A beautiful fall day. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. The Rogers dropped in for milk this A.M. He had two boxes of hip rubber boots with him he brought up from Mass. for the fishermen - \$16 rubber boots for \$9.00. I bought a pair. Stopped down in parking lot a little while as B. Hopkins wanted to see me. Made two trips on ferry with him. He had a sales agreement on Calderwood's Island typed up which we can't very well ignore - \$7,000 with cap. gains and broker's com. paid. Had ice cream with Bill at Aunt Ell's. Went up to see N. Crockett on way home about it and she is fierce to sell. Called Dr. Emerson as soon as I got home as I told him several yrs. ago I'd advise him if and when I'd sell. Eleanor brought her cat over tonight. Invited up to Burgesses this evening to sherbet. The A.W.B.'s and Paul Quinn there. To bed just before 12:00.</p>
<p>Sept. 16, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Overcast with wind N.E. and looking rainy. Glass very high and started back. Me big mowing up to Hiram's is going to get wet. Pumped and chored. Ern helped chore and cut some corn on house garden. He watered animals at Mrs. Pease's while I hauled to animals here and went up to Hiram's to rake Saturday's mowing. Baled after raking and brought a 82? bale load down to Tumbledown and shoved the rest into Hiram's barn floor as it was starting to rain - 13 bales of scatterings from his big field ridge, and about 45 bales out of today's baling. Was very fortunate as it should have rained all day. This finishes haying at Hiram's.</p>
<p>Sept. 17, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Overcast. Looks rainy some, but didn't - became a nice warm day. Chored and separated. Ern helped chore and worked on woodpile. Nan had just left with milk when Dr. Emerson came by boat. Stayed over an hour. He'd like very much to have Calderwood's Island but doesn't care to invest so much money in just an island to keep for nature. Hauled water to cows here, and Ern watered stock at Pease's. Stowed away some hay in Tumbledown barn, brought home yesterday's load and stowed it away here. Then went up to Hiram's and brought down to Tumbledown what we put into his barn yesterday. Went back up to Hiram's and brought mower back to Tumbledown. Picked us a mess of string beans for supper, also some peas Ern picked for us yesterday. Very good.</p>
<p>Sept. 18, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked this P.M. Overcast and calm. Looks rainy. Chored and went on milk route with Nan as I wanted to see Bill Hopkins. Told him Nettie C. and I had decided to sell Calderwood's Island provided the buyer would come up to \$4000.00 clear for each of us, which would amount to about \$10,000 including cap. gains, brokerage com., etc. We had coffee and cookies with Bill while talking. Watered Pease animals on way home. Ern was here when we arrived. He'd pulled the weeds out of the potato rows, gathered some of his turnip seed, etc. and helped me get corn for cows. Peeled pears for Nan to can for pear sauce before choring. While choring Harvey C. came with Carl Kelwick. What a bruiser of a man he is. 6 ft. 4 and at least 200#. A nice looking chap. About 20 yrs. since we've seen Carl.</p>

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<p>Sept. 19, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Very thick a fog and wet. Everything dripping. Burned out to be fairly good this P.M. but foggy again tonight and drizzled for a little time. Pumped and chored. Picked 8 doz. ears of corn and went on milk route with Nan. This is my "Morning Sun" corn and is very good. Parked on the parking lot a few minutes before coming home. Watered at Pease's. Rested a few minutes before choring. Fetched my side delivery down from H.S.B.'s to Tumbledown. Hauled water from well to pasture here. Cut corn for cows and put them in. Shaved. Nan gave me a shampoo and I did chores. Did all this to get up to A.W.B.'s to supper at 8:00 P.M. and evening. The Burgesses there too. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>Sept. 20, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Heavy overcast. Not a very promising day. Cleared to make a beautiful one, but cooled off chilly tonight. Ern helped chore. Then cut corn for cows. Shifted to garden below power house. Hauled water from well to pasture. Ern watered cattle at Mrs. Pease's and then bunched rocks on harrowed piece on Strawberry Ridge. I mowed Abbie's western brook piece and then mowed all of her western flat and the section between her lawn and cranberry flat. 6:30 when I finished. Nan picked a container of beautiful cranberries this P.M. Don and Cynthia called this evening.</p>
<p>Sept. 21, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Finished haying - Hurrah. Ern worked. Clear and cold. Northerly air. 40°. A nice day but stayed cool all day. Ern helped chore and cut corn. As soon as Nan left with milk I hauled corn to the barn and then went right over to Tumbledown to rake yesterday's mowings. Raked steadily except 15 minutes for lunch from 11:30 to 3:30. When up to Hiram's and brought baler back. Baled and hauled in to Tumbledown -1 55 bales. Nearly 7:00 when we finished. This finishes haying unless I mow some for banking up to Mrs. Pease's. Hurrah - Hurrah - Hurrah. Late getting chores done and weary. The Beveridges called tonight to invite us out to Calderwood's Island tomorrow.</p>
<p>Sept. 22, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Very overcast and cold looking. Looks rainy Air N.E. Pumped and chored. Picnic called off because of weather and no lobsters. Went on milk route with Nan. Down on parking lot a little while. Made two ferry trips with B.H. Had ice cream at Aunt Ell's and then came home to start chores. Watered Pease cattle on way home. Ben Ames waiting here for corn. Hauled well water to cows here and cut corn. Chored and succeeded in getting to bed by 9:00. Am I ever disgusted and disgusted. Have just learned that the typed sales agreement that B.H. gave me Sept. 15 wasn't an offer from Ives at all but just a feeler from Bill to find out if we'd consider an offer like it and to get Nettie fierce so I'd have to agree. Now he has to build up Ives's desire. <u>Dirty Pool</u>.</p>
<p>Sept. 23, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A nice fall day with very strong north wind. Sun crossed the equator this P.M. Ern helped chore, greased up the manure spreader, and cut corn. Finished the corn except the three rows of Cream-O-Gold corn on house piece and the eight long rows on well piece. As soon as Nan left with milk I picked 12 doz. ears corn for Lion's Club feed tonight, hauled well water to cows, and corn to barn. Ern watered Pease stock and started bunching rocks again on Strawberry Ridge piece. I joined him there as soon as I got the scoop hitched to the tractor. Picked 5 scoop loads and dumped them in a pile by my Tumbledown double garage. I plan to use them for a floor. Got about 2/3rds of piece picked. Chored. Growing cold tonight.</p>

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<p>Sept. 24, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern didn't work. Sunny and calm. One 35° above. Chored. Picked a dozen and half ears of corn for Mrs. Cobb as soon as Nan left with milk, then hauled well water to cows, repaired hand rake handle and mowed a feeding of millet for cows. Watered stock at Mrs. Pease's and then finished picking rocks on Strawberry Ridge. Alton Lewis, his wife, and Virginia Black called in dooryard a few minutes this P.M. Also Mrs. Burr called on Nan. Hauled my 8-16-16 fertilizer over to Tumbledown carriage house in Jeep and then went on ride around north shore, back middle road and home by Mullen Place road. Bill Hopkins down this evening. Brought Nan's jelly glasses to her.</p>
<p>Sept. 25, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Cold this morning. 32° by our thermometer. Sunny and calm. Breezed up S.W. but stayed warm. Ern helped chore, picked peas and mowed millet for cows. I pumped and chored. Suction in spring came out again. Over to Tumbledown with manure spreader by 12:00. We succeeded in getting out 10 loads this P.M. The pile had dried out and was hard to pitch. Nan made a batch of pear conserve this P.M. Chored. Spread the manure on the piece on Strawberry Ridge Mixed a half bag of 8-16-16 with each load of manure.</p>
<p>Sept. 26, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Clear. The wind still S.W. The sun is now rising over the end of Stimpson's Island. Ern helped chore and mowed millet for cows. As soon as I helped Nan get milk aboard, we hauled millet to barn. Ern went up to Mrs. Pease's to water stock. I hauled well water to cows, then hitched onto grader blade and went over to Tumbledown. Used the grader blade to cut the edges of piles of sheep manure in back of and in front of the barn. Cleaned up the cow manure at end of barn - 6 loads and 3 loads of sheep manure in front of barn. Never in my years of farming have I tackled a manure pile that worked over as hard as this one at end of barn. Seemed to be terribly dried out and bound together. Arthur and Emma B. dropped in to spend evening with us. They leave for winter next week. At a special town meeting tonight the town voted to discontinue the piece of town road running through Watson's air strip to Oak Hill. Also voted to take over the sewer on Post Office street.</p>
<p>Sept. 27, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A very warm nice day after the cold we've been having. Received word from Rockland last night that from then until Oct. 1 I'm responsible for fog whistle on Goose Rock light. From Oct. 1 to May 1 it will be automatic. The switch is on pole on bank in my cellar hole field. Very unhandy until they get the switches in houses. This one and Carver's. Ern helped chore and mowed millet for cows. As soon as Nan started with milk, I changed left rear tire on Jeep. We picked up nail last time we used it - took millet to barn and hauled well water to cows. Ern watered Pease stock while I greased spreader. Finished cleaning up sheep manure in front of barn and behind barn. This finished piece on Strawberry Ridge and three loads left over which I put on top of first spreading. Put grader blade back on tractor and mowed the piles of dirt and rocks away from back side of barn that had been there under manure piles since I had repair work done on barn years ago. Looks and will be some better. Don and Cynthia dropped in this evening.</p>

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<p>Sept. 28, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Showered some during night. N.E. wind. Backed in to north this morning. Looks like it may make a fair day but cooler. Pumped and chored. Suction came out before cistern was within foot of being full. Ern helped chore and mowed millet for cows. I picked 4 doz. ears corn for Nan to take on milk route. Ern up to Pease's to water stock as soon as breakfast. Bill H. dropped in just as we'd finished breakfast. Says Mr. Ives is taking Calderwood's Island at my purchase figure of Sept. 18 and will pay a cap. gains of \$600.00 each whether it's more or less. One catch - he'd like the privilege of keeping a row boat or outboard here on my shore someplace. Requires discussion. Hauled millet and water after Bill left. Then Ern and I dug the potatoes on both gardens. Had 8 bu. Gave Ern 1 bu. Took other 7 bu. up to Hiram's cellar.</p>
<p>Sept. 29, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Heavy overcast wind N.E. Started raining before we were ready to go with milk and continued steadily until well into evening - the best rain we've had all summer. John Lermond came for Mrs. Pease's keys this morning - orders from Bank in Suffield to check condition of bldgs - don't know what the story is. Haven't heard from Mary all summer. Went on milk route with Nan. Austin Grant had our lobsters for us. Had a nice dinner at Aunt Ell's before coming home. Nan had ham steak - I had cold roast pork. Rested nearly 2 hrs. after coming home. Abbie and Eleanor called on phone about 4:30 and then about 8:30 tonight. Stewart Baird called from Ohio. He has a new job on west coast and is taking a training course in Ohio. Fed cows hay tonight - too wet to get millet. Kept them in barn. Moon out beautifully. Storm over. Wind out westerd at 11:30 P.M.</p>
<p>Sept. 30, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear and very cool - westerly wind. A lot of high clouds. Expect today ends an era - the end of life on Goose Rock Light - it becomes automatic at 12:00 midnight. Sad - sad - sad. Chored. Over to Montgomery's at 6:00 this morning to shut off Goose Rock bell as I turned it on last night at 6:00 when it was so thick. As soon as Nan left with milk I split some wood, hauled well water to cows, mowed millet and hauled it to barn. Hitched onto double harrow, and after going to Mrs. Pease's to water stock there I started harrowing on Strawberry Ridge - about 1:30. Pond at Mrs. Pease's had quite a lot of water in bottom. Harrowed steadily until 5:00, covered it all lapping half, and parts of it a little more. Has been a nice day but became pretty chilly this P.M.</p>
<p>Special data</p>	<p>Tuesday - Sept. 10 - Sold bull, Charlie Holstein Jr. to Elliott Brown Jr., Ronald Curtis and P. Brown Jr. - paid by check and cash. Sept. 15 - They tell me he dressed 590# \$175.00. Sept. 24 - Started mowing millet for cows. Sept. 26 - From now to Oct. first I'm officially night fog bell ringer of Goose Rock Light. Carver daytime ringer. After Oct. 1 bell automatically rings all time.</p>
<p>Oct. 1, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful morning but cold - 36°. Westerly air. Pumped and chored. Helped wash milk bottles before starting chores. The water in spring has actually come up some. About a foot on the slope of the ledge. As soon as Nan left with milk I hauled well water to cows, mowed millet, and hauled it to barn. Bagged up my spring rye, put Ern's drag on double harrow and went over to Tumbledown. Went all over piece without lapping, put on 100# of spring rye with Cyclone seeder, and started dragging it down. Got over about 1/2 of it. Chored.</p>

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<p>Oct. 2, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear. Looks like it may be a nice day. Air S.W. Did make a good day but came on chilly this P.M. Chored. As soon as Nan left with milk I hauled well water to cows, mowed millet and hauled it to barn, hooked on rear mounted manure fork to take over to Tumbledown when I went up to water stock at Mrs. Pease's. Put the fork in western end of Tumbledown and then finished dragging down Strawberry Ridge piece. Put double harrow and Ern's drag in western end of barn too in front of fork. Nan had tea at Mrs. Cobb's with rug group this P.M. Chored.</p>
<p>Oct. 3, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear. S.W. wind. Nan getting ready to go to Rockland with the young Bunkers this morning as the V.H. boat comes up here on way to Rockland. North Haven out on dry dock. Helped Nan with bottles. She left in Jeep at 7:30. Chored, put up milk, washed containers, had lunch and was ready to go with milk at 11:30. Visited with Frank W. a few minutes. Watered up young stock on way home, watered cows here at home, mowed fodder and hauled it to barn. Was just starting night house cores when Nan came. The boat was nearly an hr. late leaving Rockland. Mr. and Mrs. Cobb stopped in a few minutes shortly after Nan came home. Chored. Quite a heavy thunder shower just as I was getting ready to go to barn. Guess it rained most of night. June Hopkins gave birth to a boy today - Thomas Bradford.</p>
<p>Oct. 4, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Montgomerys arrived tonight. About 50°. Heavy high clouds. N.W. breeze. Pumped and chored. As soon as Nan started out with milk I started splitting on the woodpile, leaving off to go out to Cobb's Park with him to look at some blowups. Had the woodpile finished by 3:30. Cut corn for cows and chored early as we were invited up to Burgesses to corned hake supper. A.W. and Emma there. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>Oct. 5, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 35°. A lovely fall day and didn't get chilly until most sunset. Chored. As soon as Nan started out with milk, I went to work on the calving pen. Cleaned it out - two heaping F.W. trailer loads - hauled them up to manure pile on hill. Mixed up a water sprinkler full of Clorox water and sprinkled the outside walls of cistern and around it, and then sprinkled the walls and floor of calving pen. Hauled two S.B. trailer loads of sawdust from Elliott Brown's and put it in calving pen for bedding. Cut corn for cows. Over to Montgomerys this evening. Nice time.</p>
<p>Oct. 6, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another beautiful sunny calm morning. 46°. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Had hamburgers on parking lot. When we got home at 3:00, the Carroll Gregorys were here waiting to get a gallon of milk. Ern dropped in with some Mac apples for us and to gather some of his turnip seed. He helped me mow millet for cows. Chored early. Down from barn at 7:00. The Burgesses and A.W.B.'s down after church this evening. Also Paul Quinn and Pamela Ames.</p>

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<p>Oct. 7, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Hauling wood out for Montgomery \$6.00 pd by cash. Clear and warm S.W. air. Chored. Mowed millet and hauled it to the barn as soon as Nan left with milk. Worked on concrete mixer a little while trying to get some of the concrete out of it. Over to Montgomery's at 1:30 to haul out some of his clifted fireplace wood. Hauled 3 loads from out on point and tiered it in his new carriage house. As soon as I came home I finished draining the cistern. Nan helped me bail out the bottom of same, then I gave it a good scrubbing with Clorox solution, cleaned that out, pumped 2 1/2 minutes, cleaned that out, pumped it full and run it over some. Should be very good for some time. 9:15 when I shut the pump off. Had just finished milking. Pooched tonight. Bill H. just returned tonight. They had to change the blood in this baby just as they did in Stephen.</p>
<p>Oct. 8, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cloudy but calm. Looks like it was clearing. Did clear. Has been a lovely warm one. Worked in my skivy some. Chored. Nan went with milk. I mowed millet and hauled it to barn. Went up to Mrs. Pease's with mowing machine thinking I'd mow what I needed for banking water pipe and end of barn. Tried mowing above the fallen down barn. Made two trips around the junk but there was so much juniper rand small cat spruce and raspberries in it that I didn't think it would be right to risk the baler in it. Came back down to Tumbledown and mowed out the while of the swamp in big field, also the little field in back of barn. Took mower up to Pease's ready to be put in barn. Raked up both piece at Tumbledown. Harvey Demmons brought grain tonight . Got home just in time to help him with it.</p>
<p>Oct. 9, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Changed oil in baler engine - 3 1/2 qts. Simple Gulf _____. Another beautiful day, except for the wind being raw N.E. Chored. Nan went with milk. Put tractor in lee of house in sun, took off the old muffler and tail pipe and put on the new ones I got from Payson's last spring. The old muffler had a hole in bottom large than a qtr. Mowed and hauled in millet. Changed the oil in baler engine at Tumbledown, started it up and baled the hay I mowed yesterday. Had 58 bales -12 behind barn and 46 in swamp. Hauled 38 bales and brought 20 bales home. Mr. Montgomery received word today that his mother had passed away. We are to keep their 2 dogs for them for two days while they go to the funeral. Two days turned into five. They returned Oct. 15. Brought Nan a beautiful set of Corning Ware.</p>
<p>Oct. 10, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 24°. Clear and calm. Cold this morning. Winter has come and the dahlias are ruined. Ern worked this P.M. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. As we went out along road I noticed how the cows were breaking the old fence rails feeding through so I asked Ern to come down this P.M. to help me run some barbed wire. We run a strand clear from Cobb's corner beyond Merryconeag back this way to Carver's corner. Then run what was left of the 80 rod roll as a second strand from Butchering Place gate nearly into Carver's corner, making two strands all the way from beyond Merryconeag. Didn't get it stretched and fastened on. Mowed millet and hauled it to barn. Mr. Beveridge used the rototiller again today.</p>

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<p>Oct. 11, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Nice clear morning. Not so cold 44°. Air S.W. Chored. Ern helped me with chores and picked what few peas were left on the last planting. He also ground hand scythe. As soon as Nan left with milk we went right to work on the wire we run yesterday. Stretched and fastened it to posts and trees. Took us to nearly 5:00 P.M. Mowed millet and hauled it to barn. Put cows right in as I tried to get chores done a little earlier. We were invited up to the Beveridges to supper and evening. Had a very nice time. He showed some of his colored slides taken around the smaller islands of the bay. Very good. Rained during evening. Kept cows in tonight.</p>
<p>Oct. 12, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 40°. Gusty N.W. breeze. growing stronger all day. Very raw and disagreeable. Only 40° as I write this at 5:30 P.M. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Leigh and Nettie W. called just as we got back from milk. I repaired the tie-up platform where the "Black Flora" heifer stands and put up a crowding pole in place of the one she broke a few days ago. Also replaced a board in the western big door which blew out this morning. Mowed and hauled in millet. Garnet and Clara T. down this evening. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>Oct. 13, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful, beautiful day. Pumped and chored. Made all our plans to go to Vinalhaven in Jeep, me to go on milk route and Nan to come up later in Jeep. Made good time and was ready to go across before 1:00 only to discover that the ferry scow had been broken down since Friday. Hung around until Libby came up from V.H. on way to Rockland, had ice cream at Aunt Ell's and then came home. Rested an hour or so and then mowed millet and hauled it to barn. Bill H. blew in this evening. Still fussing on Calderwood Island deal. Ives expects a right-of-way across my property to shore as well as the island - Big Deal. Bill had Sunday night lunch with us and stayed till after 11:00.</p>
<p>Oct. 14, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A lovely looking morning. S.W. air. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. As soon as we got home, Leland King, the lightning rod man, came and put up the weather vane we bought of him a couple of months ago. Placed it in the middle of the shop roof- a gold colored dairy cow. So weary today we rested an hour after lunch. Dug up our dahlias and they came up the cleanest I've ever seen them, the ground being so dry. Took several boxes of milk bottles over to carriage house. Inspected the laid down piece on Strawberry Ridge to find that the rye is coming up. Chored.</p>
<p>Oct. 15, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Emery Wooster Jr. called on us for nearly an hour. First time he's ever come down when home. A beautiful warm sunny morning - calm as kitty's ear. Chored. Nan went with milk. Just as I'd finished changing my clothes the Montgomerys arrived back from N.Y. They had come by way of Vinalhaven. The dogs were quite pleased to welcome them back. Took my bush and bog over to Tumbledown and put it in western end of barn. Topped dahlias - ready to put in boxes for winter. Came home to get my drawbar and trailer. Hitched onto baler, drained it of gas, cleaned hay out of it, put studs in clutch on flywheel, and put it away for winter in Mrs. Pease's barn. Discovered animals had broken a rail and been in around bldg. Had to replace that. Also put mower in barn while I was there. Mowed fodder and hauled it to barn. We put our porch couch and settee in Fay's woodshed. The Montgomerys out this evening. Invited us to go sailing in Papoose Thurs. P.M.</p>

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<p>Oct. 16, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another lovely calm morning but air coming up S.W. One of the nicest Oct. days known, but dry, dry, dry. Fires breaking out all over on the mainland. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan. As soon as we got home we went right back to Tumbledown. Nan did a couple chores at Abbie's and I put my side delivery rake into double garage. Then took top link belonging to mowing machine back up to Mrs. Pease's barn and put it on mowing machine. Checked water in pond. Came home, cut corn for cows. Nan boxed up the dahlia roots and we took them up to Thorntons while cows were eating corn. Chored. Nan heard a flock of wild geese about 11:00 tonight.</p>
<p>Oct. 17, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Pretty morning. Air N.N.E. Made a pretty nice day. Land looms so Stonington looks to be in dooryard. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I cut rest of corn on house garden and enough more on well piece to make foddering and hauled it to barn. Then tiered up the wood in woodshed that Ern and I put in there some time ago. had a tier up to eaves. At 1:30 we went out in Papoose with the Montgomerys. Sailed leisurely around Calderwood's Island, up along by Burnt Island and Mullins Head and Castle Rock and then struck out around North Haven, going up between Oak Hill and Burnt Island and through Pond Hole Ledges. Had a beautiful sail. Back at Montgomery's float about 4:45. Had tea with them before coming home. Chored and to bed. As weary as though we'd worked, but had a nice trip.</p>
<p>Oct. 18, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Sawed wood Eliot Beveridge \$16.00. Some overcast but sun trying to get through N.N.E. air Has been a nice day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. Cut corn for cows and hauled it to barn. Put saw rig onto tractor and sawed wood at Eliot Beveridge's this P.M. Got there at 12:45 and sawed until 4:30. Visited with them a few minutes before coming home. Chored. Weary, weary, weary. The "Little King" helped saw wood.</p>
<p>Oct. 19, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another calm beautiful morning. Sun coming up blood red and dry. Conditions are desperate for fires. Pumped and chored. Spring is losing ground again. Ledge a little less covered each time I pump. Nan delivered milk. I filed the cord wood saw and then went up to Beveridges again. Didn't have time to cut corn before I went. Finished the sawing about 3:30. Some pile of wood. Ernie Boy helped this day. Came home, cut corn, put cows in, cleaned up, went up to Com. Bldg. to get polio sugar, came home again, and did chores. Nan tried out her new electric oven by making a cake tonight. Really not big enough. Will only hold one small cake tin. Finished sawing Eliot Beveridge's wood \$13.00.</p>
<p>Oct. 20, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another nice calm morning. Still warm. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. Milk output from cows has dropped so we had none for Aunt Ells' lunch today. The White and black granddaughter of Liz Grey should calve within a week at Mrs. Pease's, which should help us out. Had hamburgers at Aunt Ell's before coming home. Elliott Brown down looking at my saw rig when we got home as he's trying to rig up one for his Ford tractor. Then Pat, Elizabeth, Olga, Ellen Conway, Buffie and Little Mike called for a half hr or so. Men folks all up playing golf. Up to Mrs. Pease's to look at animals. Was just getting ready to cut corn for cows when the Montgomerys dropped in for a few minutes as they leave tomorrow morning. Made me late. Had our supper lunch while cows were eating corn. Down from barn at 8:30.</p>

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<p>Oct. 21, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Saw a very large flock of wild geese flying very high this P.M. Perfectly calm and warm. High cloudiness. Stayed cloudy and looked rainy all day but didn't. Chored. As soon as Nan left with milk I went right along up to Ern's with tractor and saw rig. Sawed up his slabs, took us about 1 3/4 hrs, then went down to Jennie B.'s and sawed the wood A.W.B. had hauled down to her, then up to Golf Links to saw for Arthur Emerson. Home about 4:00. Elmer Carver dropped in selling Avon. Cut corn for cows. Chored, put up milk and washed containers before having supper as Nan went to a garden club meeting. Sawing Ern 8.00. Sawing Jennie 6.00 plus Ern \$1.50. Sawing Art Emerson 5.00 plus Ern \$1.50 paid \$6.50 cash.</p>
<p>Oct. 22, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful calm morning but cool 34°. Made a nice day but cool. Pumped and chored. Nan went with milk. I shaved and did some other chores, then went up to Elliott Brown's with saw rig pushing my S.B. trailer to get some firewood slabs. Ern had just gotten there with his chainsaw. Set the trailer so I could toss the sawed wood right into it as we sawed it and used Ern's McCulloch to junk the slabs about getting them out of the bulldozed pile. Took us about 3/4 hrs. to get a trailer load tiering it in. Beautiful firewood. Brought it home after taking saw rig off Nan helped us put it in woodshed and tiered it. Had a quick lunch and went back after a second load. Quarter to 6 when I got home. After I cut corn with Nan's help and put the cows in, we unloaded and tiered the second load. Down from barn nearly nine. Pooched.</p>
<p>Oct. 23, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cloudy. Wind S.W. all night but nearly north right now. Cow on shop very uneasy. Wind out S.W. all day and raw. Chored. Nan delivered milk. As soon as she left I cut cow corn and piled it in F.W. trailer. Up to sawmill about 12:30 just ahead of Ern. Sawed a load and took it down to Ern, then sawed a load and brought it home, pushing it ahead of me. Home at 5:15. Hadn't much more than put the cows in and fed them their corn when Lawrence and Alice arrived - 6:30. He had a load of cornstalks for me. He visited at barn with me while I did barn chores and they stayed until 11:00. We had a nice mid-evening lunch.</p>
<p>Oct. 24, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> The Cobbs called a dooryard minute this P.M. as they leave for winter tomorrow morning. Lovely calm warm morning. Has been a keen fall day all day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I took saw rig off tractor, put trailer load of slabs in front of woodshed door and started unloading it after tiering up what I'd thrown in from Tuesday night. Had it half unloaded and tiered up when Nan returned. She helped finish the load. We have three full tiers to peak and one over half way up. Looks very good with winter coming on. Nan cleaned a lot of culch out of woodshed coal bin and entry and took it to the dump in Jeep. I went up to Mrs. Pease's on tractor to check on water and to look at the cow that's due to calve. Found her pretty near down to Abbie's line with a heifer calf all cleaned up. Must bring her home tomorrow. Jack Brown brought us a little tar patching tonight and put it over our culvert. Through chores at 8:00. Did well.</p>

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<p>Oct. 25, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Fire patrol started tonight. All side roads shut off. Another nice one. Calm as a kitty's ear. What a mixed up day this has been. Had planned to try to get the cow and calf home from Pease's as soon as Nan started out with milk, and also had planned to go to V.H. tomorrow P.M. to do some errands and get haircut, but after getting the milk aboard the Chevy, it wouldn't start, so we transferred the milk to the Jeep and I went along to help. Then when we got uptown we learned that the large ferry wouldn't be working Sat. as Bill is on mainland so we went down this P.M. Pat and Mike went to Rockland yesterday, Mike to get his teeth, and didn't return until this P.M. boat, so we saw very little of them. Returned home at 5:00 and chored. Had corn to cut etc.</p>
<p>Oct. 26, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Little King rotoed pasture this P.M. Warm and thick-a-fog. The Carver started on their vacation this morning. Gracious, Gracious, Gracious, what a full day this has been. at 11:00 last night F. Sampson called to say he could let the Little King come down to rotor this P.M. which changed my plans as I was going after cow & calf as soon as Nan left with milk. I just had my day's corn cut when Jack Brown arrived from Elliott's with a great truck load of nearly sawed slabs. Had him dump them as close to our Patsy Oak as he could back. Hauled corn to barn and took in grain. Was cutting alders along pasture fence when Little King came. Had him rotor the mess at end of hen yard piece, then the piece in pasture where I had talked of having a pond. While working there the pin came off the upper end of his left arm bending the lift fork so we had to take the one off mine to finish the P.M. Shifted into eastern pasture back of new laid down piece and back of Carver's house. Was almost done behind Carver's house when he pulled the muffler and exhaust pipe off and run over them and a few minutes later the gauge wheel on rotary came off. Nan was out there watching and I'll be darned if she didn't find the bushing, bolt and hub caps, but not the nut. It was then 3:30 so he went back to garage for repair, and brought my lift arm back. At 5:00 I was just starting after cow & calf when Elliott came with another load of slabs. Went after animals and was home with them at 6:30. Chored and am pooched.</p>
<p>Oct. 27, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Unbelievable, but this is another beautiful calm, warm morning. 25 days with no rain. Back on Standard Time this morning. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. Ernie Boy dropped in about 10:00 to get a few turnips. Visited until we started with milk. Met Pat and Little Michael at 12:30 at ferry. Had hamburgers at Aunt Ell's and then went up to Golf Links to meet Mike, They came home with us and visited awhile. Nan took them back uptown at 5:00. I cut corn for cows. The Thorntons invited us up for evening. While I was doing milking chores Mr. Montgomery called to say we might use his artesian well if we were getting short on water. Don and Cynthia dropped in while we were getting ready to go to Thornton's. Had a nice time with the Thorntons. Crabmeat sandwiches toasted.</p>

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<p>Oct. 28, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Showered a little early this morning but not enough to do any good. Calm, but dull and gray. Drizzly and sprinkled more or less all day. Pumped and chored. Went on milk route with Nan, and we took pumpkins for Jack-o-Lanterns to all the children along our run, except Jimmie, Dalon Brown's as they already had plenty. We had canned beef stew lunch with Bill Hopkins as he wanted to talk over the sales agreement on Calderwood's Island. It looks now as though it was really going through. Then we called on Nettie Crockett on our way home to discuss Calderwood's Island with her. Mowed millet for cows and put them in as soon as I got home. Chored. Bill down to supper and evening. Raining tonight when Bill went home.</p>
<p>Oct. 29, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Very dull dark grey morning Stormed all night. Looks like considerable rain had fallen. Wind about N.N.E. What a day. A north-Northeast gale of wind with rain, sleet and snow all day. Kept cows in and fed hay. First time this fall, so bad the boat didn't go. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. Was really quite wet when we got home. Our lights went out about 8:00 A.M. and have been out all day and night. Rested an hour or so this P.M. and then took a ride to north shore to see the surf - very rough and ugly. Did chores by lantern light tonight and to bed early. Stormed all night tonight.</p>
<p>Oct. 30, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still a gale of wind but in more to north. Still storming hard this morning and continuing until after dark tonight. Cold too about 28°. Chored, keeping cows in again today of course. Went on milk route. Changed into my winter undies this morning and am still not too warm. Lights back on about 10:30 this morning. Was dampened through when I got around today. Rested an hour this P.M. Brought home a package of salt fish from W & Co. and we had salt fish and potatoes before I started barn chores this night. Down from barn at 7:00. Had planned to go to Bill and Grace Cooper's 50th ann. reception at Legion Hall postponed from last night but wind is still blowing a gale and still blowing up trees so road could be blocked on us so to bed again early. Moon shows sign of coming out. Eda Leadbetter had bad fall today. Wind grabbed door and threw her outdoors to ground. May have broken her shoulder or collar bone. Taking her to Rockland by ambulance tomorrow morning.</p>
<p>Oct. 31, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear and windy this morning. West, so west wind, strong. Cold in this house. Must get out Ashley in and _____ too. Chored. Went on milk route and took the rest of pumpkins around to children on milk route and some that weren't. Came right home, after making one trip with Bill H. in Prospero to help with boat as it was blowing so. Made a canvas sling hand barrow for Ashley Stove and about 4:00 P.M. Bill came down to help bring in the stove and set it up. Had good luck and the sling worked like a charm. Just ready to go to barn when Marion H. came with her children, and after I came from barn, Jack & Betty came with Mikey and Randy trick or treating. Heat in living room feels very good.</p>
<p>Special data</p>	<p>Oct. 24 - Liz Grey's first granddaughter calved at Mrs. Pease's - a beautiful black & white heifer, sired by Charlie Holstein Jr. - this is her second calf.</p>

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<p>Nov. 1, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Heavy overcast. East NE air. Fine drizzle. Clara T. told Nan last night that Aunt Eda had a dislocated shoulder. Staying in hospital a few days. Rained all day, letting up some this P.M. Moon trying to get out tonight. Pumped and chored. Spring up to within 15 in. or so of overflow. Went on milk route. Nan stayed home. Stopped at Mrs. Pease's on way home to drive cattle out of house enclosure. Small gate on shore side of house open. Window in side of barn next to town road blown in. We went back uptown at boat time to see boat come in. Had an early supper and down from barn chores at 7:00. Watched "Teen-Age Miss America" program this evening. A girl from Akron, Ohio won out of over 50 girls. Enough excess milk so we separated some this morning.</p>
<p>Nov. 2, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Raining again this morning. Gale warnings are up again but just an air here N.N.E. at 7:00 A.M. Rained all day, pouring at times like water coming from hose. Chored. Went on milk route with Nan. She drove as I had to wear oil skins. Thought our tires had been getting slack so had them checked at Brown's, and I'll be darned if in less than half an hour in parking lot the one that was really slack was almost flat. Back to Brown's and had it repaired. Rim cut. Parked in parking lot until boat came. Came home and chored early. Down from barn just after 7:00. Was just having baked beans when Don and Cynthia blew in. Clearing tonight and wind striking out around S.W. & west. Jack Brown with a third load of slabs this P.M.</p>
<p>Nov. 3, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> About 35° and blowing strong W.S.W. Clearing but high clouds. A grey November day. Not very uplifting. Chored and went on milk route. Came right home and Nan made two pumpkin pies out of a pumpkin I cut up for her before we started out. also made a lobster stew as we are having the Beveridges down to supper. Rested an hr. or so. Was down from barn and cleaned up when the B.'s arrived at 7:10. Had a nice evening. Nan called the Whipples direct dialing tonight, and Abbie and Eleanor called this P.M.</p>
<p>Nov. 4, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Quite a nice day. Partly sunny and shirt sleeve warm. Chored. Nan delivered milk - first time since a week ago Saturday. I repaired the rail fence above barn that last week's winds broken down, repaired the barn pasture gate by Montgomery's road and then took a quick walk out onto Indian Point and through part of my woodlot. The biggest mistake I've made so far was not having the woodlot pulped off when Alphonse pulped Stimpson Island. Everything is blowing up. What a mess along the back shore and even deep into the woods. Dug up place for Nan's new tulip bulbs along side of house garden, and then we went up to Mrs. Pease's and fastened up the side doors on carriage house which Forrest A. was supposed to have fixed last spring, put tie-up window back in her barn, blown in by last week's storm, and then on our way home we put the 3 panes glass back in top end window in western end of Tumbledown barn and hay door back over manure spreader shed that blew off hinges last week. Patch, patch, patch.</p>

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<p>Nov. 5, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear and calm. High cloudiness. Heavy ground fog. Cleared to a nice day. Hadn't started chores this morning when Elizabeth Woodrow B. called to say Pat was feeling pretty miserable and could Nan come down for the day; so I had to go on milk route. Nan went up in Jeep at 11:00 leaving it at Brown's to be inspected. When I was ready to go with milk the Chevy refused to start so I called Pat and he came down as soon as he finished eating. Put on new coil and condenser and still it wouldn't start. Finally by pushing me nearly to old schoolhouse it started. He guesses that for some reason gas wasn't getting to plugs. Had milk delivered before boat came. Came home, took in and folder Nan's clothes and had her night's bottles washed before Nan came home. Choring a little late. Pat feeling wee bit better tonight.</p>
<p>Nov. 6, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Warm - about 50°. Raining again but calm. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. Peeled apples for pie and sauce this morning while having coffee. Worked over in shop this P.M. repairing barn window sash. Dark and dreary over there as something's wrong with the electric circuit so I have no lights, and I have to clean out the chimney before I can have a fire. Chored early. Down from barn about 7:15.</p>
<p>Nov. 7, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another rainy day and blowing hard N.E. Chored and went on milk route. Came right home. Nan started working on crabapples to get them started for pickling. I worked over in shop - finished repairing the window sash I threw the shovel through this summer, put glass in it, and put it where it belonged in back side of barn on head scaffold. Chored early. Down from barn at 7:00. Was watching Bing Crosby Special when lights went out. Went to bed. Gale of wind and pouring. More trees will blow up tonight.</p>
<p>Nov. 8, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Another rainy day and a gale of easterly wind. Boat didn't go today. What a night. Didn't sleep any to speak of because it rained and blew so. Chored and went on milk route. Came right home. Nan canned nine or ten pints of pickled crab apples. I worked over in shop. Cleaned starling nest out of chimney, built fire in stove, and swept up floor. Then repaired the tie-up window that the Agnes cow backed through last spring. Nearly finished it. Chored early and went up to Burgesses to spend evening, it being their wedding anniversary. Milton and Edith there. Burgesses and Ames getting ready to go to New Hampshire to Edna and Bob's tomorrow so evening was more or less broken up with telephone calls, etc.</p>
<p>Nov. 9, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still raining. Evidently rained hard all night. Everything flooded. Some easterly wind still but nothing like yesterday. Chored and went on milk route with Nan. Rained all the way round so I was on my third jacket when we got home. Was leaving Nina's milk when Bill hollered that June wanted to see Nan so she went up while I went to Brown's to get gas and glazing compound. June and boys came home last night by way of Vinalhaven boat and Vinalhaven. Invited us up for the evening - this evening that is. Worked over in shop what time I had this P.M. Finished the window I was working on yesterday. Chored early. What between showing off the baby and signing sales agreement for Calderwood's Island the evening was only so-so. Very cunning baby.</p>

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<p>Nov. 10, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cloudy, dull overcast, drizzly, etc. but not much wind. Pumped, chored and went on milk route. Found the young stock in around Mrs. Pease's yard again when we came home. Small gate toward shore open again. Dodged up to Ern's to see if he could help me a couple days to get the ground mow cleaned out here at home. Rested an hour, had lunch, and then did night chores. Ready to watch television at 7:30.</p>
<p>Nov. 11, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked for me this P.M. Must have rained a lot more during night. Sure wet and nasty. Drizzly and wet, but not much wind. Ern came just as I was going to barn. Spent most of the A.M. gathering some of his turnips - probably 7 bu. A pretty nasty job. As soon as Nan left with milk, Ern boxed his turnips and I hauled them home for him in Jeep. Started in on ground mow about 12:30. Spread four loads on Oak tree field. A long job as I have to wheel it in wheelbarrow to big doors and transfer it to spreader. Uptown after mail. Chored. Watched Wagon Train and Mitch Miller programs tonight.</p>
<p>Nov. 12, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. Another day of wetness. It looks like Nov. was going to be as miserable as Oct. was nice. Quite a breeze from East Northeast. Mizzle driving across. Wind dropped out and cleared to a sunny afternoon. First time we've seen the sun in about 2 weeks. While I was choring Ern bagged up my empty bags (83), and washed the milk house floor. As soon as Nan left with milk I repaired the western big door in barn (the western edge board was coming off), and Ern dug a drainage ditch to drain water away from western corner of barn. Then we went to work on ground mow. Got out four more spreader loads. Pretty much cleaned out except one corner - 2 loads maybe. Peeled my Roger Macs for sauce before choring. Watched television this evening. The Burgesses returned from Edna's and Bob's tonight, also called on the Oldroyds. The Carvers returned from their vacation.</p>
<p>Nov. 13, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked for me this P.M. Well, what do you know? The sun is shining this morning. Hain't it lovely? Calm and clear. Chored. Ern went right to work on his turnips getting them out to the edge of the gardens and topping them. As soon as Nan left with milk I edged the inside of her new tulip bed with slabs, and then helped Ern top the turnips and cattle beets off house garden. We then cut the rest of corn stalks on well piece and tossed them over fence to cows, pulled and piled bean poles, and cleaned up and lugged off pumpkin and pea vines. Loaded Ern's turnips and tops into Jeep. Helped Nan plant her tulip bulbs while Ern started on ground mow manure again. Prudy came and I held ladder for him while he put new connection on light line that goes to shop and helped him while he repaired telephone line to barn (been out of commission a year tomorrow). He also connected up my path light on power house. Had coffee and then hauled Ern's turnips home. Chored.</p>
<p>Nov. 14, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. This has been a good working day but rather raw. Pumped and chored. Ern cut the sod from under barn doors so frost wouldn't lift them and helped in barn. While I was helping Nan with milk, Ern cleaned tater tops and culch off well piece. We filled grain barrels and then went to work on ground mow. Cleaned the old bedding poles out and took out three spreader loads of manure and dirt onto oak tree piece. Nan cleaned out the garage and then came up to the barn with Jeep and we really went to town cleaning out culch on side of barn floor and back of grain barrels. What a change in looks. Made a trip to town dump after 5:00. Chored.</p>

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<p>Nov. 15, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked. A beautiful, sunny calm morning with white frost. Wind easterly. A year ago this day we were having the worst storm (snowstorm) in the history of the weather bureau for this early. Were stuck in snowbank below Aunt Lottie's Nubble until snowplow came along and cold too. Boy oh boy have we cleaned house today. While I was choring Ern piled up the remains of my Alphonse lumber pile on Uncle Will's woodpile ledge, and finished cleaning house garden of tops etc. As soon as Nan left with milk we cleaned two trailer loads of culch off power house ledge and manure pile ledge, and then three more loads off barn yard ledge. Also cleaning up Uncle Will's old banking boards etc on ledge in night pasture. Burned all this cultch on Fay's beach as the wind was just right. Burned completely up before tide reached it at 8:00 P.M. Linda Patrick and Greta Morrison here selling Christmas cards this evening.</p>
<p>Nov. 16, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Strong W.S.W. wind. High clouds. Sun trying to get out. A nice day but very raw. Wore coveralls first time this fall. Chored. As soon as Nan left with milk I worked at barn. Took off the window in tie-up that I put on after the Agnes cow backed through the one last spring, and put the repaired one back in place. Now I have 4 windows to throw out of. Put window back in western peak of barn, and put shingles over the swallow panes. Put a new bag in place over milk house window opening and calked openings over plate in same bldgs. Went up to Mrs. Pease's with tractor and trailer, and brought Liz Grey's 3rd daughter home (her time is out to calve about the 21st or so). Took 2 rolls of wire over into carriage house as I went along. Cleaned up all the tops etc on both gas lines after I got back and dumped it into old cellar hole in night pasture. Chored.</p>
<p>Nov. 17, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful sunny morning. Northerly air. Cool +22°. Lovely day but raw this P.M. Chored, Separated our extra milk this morning. went on milk route with Nan. Gave away 5 1/2 pts. cream along the way. Picked up our lobsters at Austin's on way home, paid for out of their Oct. milk bill they paid today. Mowed around and among our planted trees in spite fence this P.M. with rotary lawn mower. Hope to keep the field mice from bothering them so. Invited Garnet and Clara down to lobster supper with us. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>Nov. 18, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Very overcast and heavy clouds. S.W. wind. About 40°. Sprinkling at 6:45. Pumped and chored. Had planned to work on western end of barn trying to get it more wind and weather proof but Nan wanted to wash some blankets etc. in Pat's automatic which meant taking the car so I went with her in Jeep. Pat came up to meet her at Sidney Mills' turn as I wanted to go in to young Hollis' on an errand. Sold him the ten extra qts. of milk I had in Jeep while there. Bought me a hair cut while in V.H. Nan did some shopping at A&P. Raining hard when we came up across island. Home at 5:30. Chored. Raining hard tonight. H.D. brought my grain before I got home.</p>

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<p>Nov. 19, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Dull and overcast. N.N.E. wind. Made a nice milk working day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I replenished grain in barrels, cleared sawdust out of calving pen, and put black & white heifer into it that I brought home from Pease's last Saturday. Cleaned the small rotten stuff off ledge in barn yard and by power house into wheel barrow and dumped in old cellar hole and onto our dump, 3 loads. Dug trench along back side of barn outside to run the roof water away from barn. It came into the ground mow last night. Started work on western end of barn trying to make it more tight for winter. Had to take one board completely off and saw six inches off it as a rock under it had pushed it up by the roof boards. The whole end is a mess. Needs a new sill, and complete shingling.</p>
<p>Nov. 20, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> "Little King" rotoed this P.M. 30°. A beautiful, sunny, calm morning. Chored. Found Liz Grey's 2nd black and white heifer calved out and cleaned up when I went to barn this morning - a beautiful black & white bull - by Charlie Holstein Jr. Had my plans made to work on western end of barn, when Sambo called to say the "Little King" could roto this P.M. so I only worked on barn about an hr. or less. Had him rotor Montgomery's side hill in pasture at Indian Point - \$6.00, rotor what he could of the juniper on my part of Indian Point clearing and then shifted out beyond butchering place gate for balance of P.M. Did quite a chore on little spruces, but am convinced that if spruce trees have much size, a better job can be done by cutting out the larger ones first. Chored. Had the Burgesses down to supper and evening. Good time.</p>
<p>Nov. 21, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cloudy and overcast. Speaks of rain. 40°. S.S.W. air. Pumped and chored. Nan delivered milk. Finished barn chores after she left and then went to work on the western end of barn clearing off shingles up two widths of tarred paper and pulling nails. Nearly over to cistern room window when rain came and knocked me off at 3:00 P.M. Rested an hour or so, had lunch and chored. Down from barn and milk utensils washed at 7:30. Watched television - Rawhide and then a Perry Como Special.</p>
<p>Nov. 22, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Has been a nice mild short sleeve day but turned into a very sad one. Word came on radio about 2:00 P.M. that President Kennedy had been fatally shot while riding through the streets of Dallas, Texas with Governor Connelly, who was also seriously wounded. President Kennedy lived only 35 minutes after being shot from ambush. Nan delivered milk. I worked on western end of barn. Finished getting shingles off 2 paper widths high, pulled nails, dropped a board down that was bulging over cistern over flow pipe, cut and barked four slabs for use as inside cross pieces between sill and scaffold beam, and dug trench along end of barn so I can clear boards without renailing them. Can then ____ the lower edge of banking paper when I put it on.</p>

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<p>Nov. 23, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> All regular programs off the air. Entire time given to events in Washington, D.C. Foggy. Wind S.S.W. and raw. Whole country in mourning this morning. President's body in White House this day. Vice Pres. Johnson sworn in as Pres. at airport in Dallas, Texas before returning to Washington yesterday. The man who the F.B.I. believe did the shooting is now under policy guard in Dallas - a crack-pot who a few years ago tried to become a Russian citizen and was refused it, so came back to U.S. Is now tied up with a Cuban movement so who knows what it may all mean. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I worked on western end of barn. Put cross pieces across end of ground mow half way between scaffold beam and sill, and the same in cistern room, so I could have something to nail the boarding to. Sill all gone. Cleaned out between boarding and sill and renailed the boarding. After Nan came home she helped me a half hr or so, and then we went up to Elliott Brown's to get some sawdust in Jeep - 1 bags. Took a ride into C.I. Gates' and then over to Watson's.</p>
<p>Nov. 24, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A nice day but pretty cool. Strong westerly wind. Pumped and chored. Invited to Burgesses to dinner. Delivered milk and then stopped at Burgesses. After dinner we went for a ride to the west district. Swung into the John Crockett farm to see the new house being built for the Minot who married one of the Cabot girls. It's going to be a sightly place. Then in to Cabotville, and from there down to Lombard's at Herzog's which beats the whole island for being sightly, both east and west. On our way home Prudy showed us through Thatcher's house (Buxton's). Home and chored. The Witherspoons dropped in this evening. Growing cold tonight.</p>
<p>Nov. 25, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Windy and cold this morning. Strong W.S.W. 22° - clear with sun coming up. Chored. Funeral ceremonies started in Washington, D.C. this A.M. and as we tried to watch some of it we were late getting ready to go with milk. Nan stayed home so as to watch television and I hurried around with milk and came right home so I could watch the procession to Arlington Cemetery and the ceremonies there. Very sad and tragic. Unbelievable that such a thing could happen in the U.S. Chored early and went up to Burgesses this evening, it being Prudy's birthday. The H.C.C.'s and Amesess were there. Yesterday noon while the policemen were transferring Kennedy's supposed slayer to other qtrs. a man stepped in among the police and shot the slayer. Now the case will never be solved. What are we coming to?</p>
<p>Nov. 26, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 22°. Beautiful, calm morning but wind breezed up hard W.S.W. almost before sun was up and has blowed almost a gale all day. Chored. Nan delivered milk. I worked on inside of barn trying to stop the wind from blowing in through western end so and around big doors. Must have a calm day before I can put paper on. Have rested an hour this P.M. it being so disagreeable about working outdoors. Chored and up to the Witherspoons this evening it being their 24th anniversary. The L. Grants and G. Peters there. Had a pleasant evening. It appears about everybody must be going away for Thanksgiving the way our milk route is dropping off - 14 or 15 qt. drop already.</p>

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Nov. 27, Wednesday	<i>Tonny:</i> Wind still S.W. and blowing to beat. How troublesome this wind is, and it's going to be colder. Chored and went on milk route. Nan stayed home to clean house and do some cooking for tomorrow. As soon as I got home we put a strip of heavy roofing paper clear across the western end of the barn, burying the lower edge about eight inches deep. Should stop some wind from going under the sill. Wasn't a very pleasant with the wind blowing so. Peeled enough of our Cortland apples for a piece and sauce while Nan was making a mince and pumpkin pie. Chored and went to bed early.
Nov. 28, Thursday	<i>Tonny:</i> 20°. A pleasant Thanksgiving to all. Clear sunny morning but raw N.E. wind. Pumped and chored. Had to repair a lower stanchion chain during chores which slowed me up. Pat, Mike and little Mike up to dinner. Pat sick all day, couldn't eat anything. Her pregnancy is really getting her down. Four months now of being sick. Mike went on milk route with me. This was downtown run so we made it in less than 1 1/2 hrs. The Bunkers had just left at 4:00 P.M. when Abbie blew in and visited about an hour. She is staying at Jennie O's this hitch. Chored. Watched last part of Rawhide and then the Jimmie Dean Show. Last half especially good.
Nov. 29, Friday	<i>Tonny:</i> Strong easterly wind. Cloudy and stormy looking. 40°. Started a drizzling rain about 9:00 A.M. and continued all day becoming a real rain storm tonight with high wind. Chored and went on milk route. Lyford and Ruth Beveridge called on us just as we were finishing our pre-delivery lunch. They are staying at Jennie O.'s too. Came right home from delivering milk and spent all the time I had getting another course of paper across western end of barn. Makes it fairly wind tight now below scaffold beams. Chored a little early tonight as Abbie came down to supper. Had a nice evening. Really raining and blowing tonight.
Nov. 30, Saturday	<i>Tonny:</i> Gale of wind S.E. and South this morning but rain has stooped at this moment. Glass very low. Warm. 50°. What a gale of wind this has been today and what a high tide as it's full moon. Thought the bait house would go but it didn't. Many more trees blew up including Abbie's big Balm of Gilead by her guesthouse. Lights out from 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Chored and delivered milk. Took ride down western district as far as H. Demmons but didn't go any farther as trees were blowing across road. Called on the Thorntons before coming home. More trees blown up at Albert's corner. When we got home half the north side of our garage roof had blown out. Filled our wood boxes through bathroom window. Just going to barn to do chores by lantern light when lights came on. Hurrah. Down from barn at 6:20. The Hopkins were supposed to come down this evening but too windy. We watch Hootenanny and Lawrence Welk.
Special data	Nov. 20 - Liz Grey's third heifer her second black and white one calved this morning - a handsome black and white bull - sired by Charlie Holstein Jr. - this is her second calf. Nov. 22 - President Kennedy assassinated in Dallas, Texas today. What is this country coming to? Dec. 1 - Brought young stock down from Mrs. Pease's - 5 into Tumbledown and 3 home here.

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<p>Dec. 1, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Hurrah - the wind has dropped out. What little there is is about N.W. and the sun may shine. 20°. Must pick up the pieces after the storm. Has been a nice day but cold very penetrating. Pumped and chored. Nan delivered milk. As soon as she left I finished barn chores, put battery in tractor, put cow spreader beam on drawbar, and went up to Mrs. Pease's to get young stock, Was just going into pasture after them when Nan came back from milk. Towed five of them (4 largest heifers and bull) to Tumbledown barn, and brought 3 smallest ones home into ground mow. All under cover tonight - 21 head counting 2 calves black of cows. Window blown out in peak of Tumbledown barn tie-up end. Looks like some boards could bow out too. Bill, June and baby down this evening.</p>
<p>Dec. 2, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 18° westerly wind. Looks cold. Must start winter chores at Tumbledown this morning. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. As soon as Nan left I finished this barn chores watering the cows in barn first time this fall, filled grain barrels and then patched some more on western end. Also did some renailing on front of barn where shingles had curled out bothering door about rolling open. Lugged out of ground mow what bales of swamp hay I had for water pipe banking. Over to Tumbledown and picked up the glass at tie-up end of barn where peak window dropped down and broken. Up to Mrs. Pease's to borrow her extension ladder. Cleaned off old shingles and replace the boards on our garage roof blown off in storm. Nan planted fifty bulbs (narcissus) on spite fence corner. Chored and pooched. Oh yes I also spread a bag of lime on house garden too which had broken open in bottom of shop. Beautiful full moon night.</p>
<p>Dec. 3, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Winter has arrived. Snowed enough during night so I had to sweep off doorstep this morning. Has snowed all day making hard going. Chored both barns. Didn't get cows watered this morning as our power went off at 11:00 last night and we also had no telephone this morning. Went on milk route with Nan. Found rest of island had lights when we started with milk. Had to go to Cabot's to find Prudy after we delivered to tell him about no lights. The Vinalhaven boys came up and worked until well after dark to get lights for us. Something wrong with main line transformer. Chored other barn before dark. Watered this barn by hand by lantern and flashlight. H.D. brought my grain. Was half way through milking chores when lights came on. What a difference. To bed at 10:00. Still snowing tonight, will fill my Tumbledown barn full through that peak window opening. Damn it.</p>
<p>Dec. 4, Wednesday</p> <p><i>Annie's birthday and their wedding anniversary</i></p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still stormy looking. Dull and grey. Wind looks to be out S.W. Considerable snow on porch. Must be shoveled. Really was quite a snowstorm - about six inches. Shoveled off doorsteps and porch before going to other barn., Met snowplow over by Stinkey's spring. Went on milk route with Nan. Didn't get troubled much. Came right home and started coring. Over to Tumbledown, back here and pumped. H.D. came with my shingles. We unloaded them in garage. Watered up here while pumping. Lights were out from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00. More transformer trouble. Bill H. here when I came from barn, had been over to Montgomery's. Late tonight and weary. This endeth another year. What a load I have asked Mrs. C. to help carry. Gave Nan an electric fry pan and a transistor radio for her birthday.</p>

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<p>Dec. 5, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Dull and cloudy. Westerly air. Has been a beautiful day except for snow on ground making it chilly. Chored both barns. We went on milk route in Jeep as I wanted anti-freeze checked, also oil. Put in 1 qt. of Zerex and 3 qts. oil. Got some potatoes at H.S.B.'s for the Burgesses and ourselves. As we were coming home by the head of Stinkey's Cove we pulled off to let Gordon Peters by and he slid into the ditch. Couldn't get him out with Jeep so had to call garage to come get him out. Went right over to Tumbledown with Mrs. Pease's ladder in Jeep and worked until dark on eastern end reailing boards and finish around peak window so I could go inside and put window back in that blew out during storm. Nan helped me. Also put two large pieces of cardboard against boarding to close up some of the worst cracks. Chored.</p>
<p>Dec. 6, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Ern worked this P.M. - 159 bales hay from Tumbledown. 15°. Nice clear morning. Air appears to be easterly. Should be sunny. It has been a lovely day but snow around makes it disagreeable unless one's in the sun. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk so as soon as she left, I watered up and finished barn chores. Up to Ern's in Jeep to see if he could help me haul hay from Tumbledown. Found him out in woods looking at all the blown ups. His are a mess too. Came down with me and we hauled two loads - 159 bales. Put hay wagon back into Tumbledown barn floor and then he helped me close up big barn doors for winter. Nan took him home in Chevy. I chored and came home on tractor. Chored here. To bed early, weary.</p>
<p>Dec. 7, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Montgomerys arrived tonight for a few days. Beautiful morning - about 20° calm. Over to start pump first thing this morning as I didn't pump last night. Watered up before doing milking chores. Then over to Tumbledown. Nan delivered milk. I scrubbed up milk room and entry floor, and then gathered bags and shovels together to go up to Elliott Brown's after bedding sawdust as I'm completely out. I thought if I broke into pile and took out a load of wet I might come to some that was fairly dry and I did. Filled the Sherm trailer over half full of the wet, then bagged up ten bags of the dryer to make a load. Dumped the bagged sawdust into calving pen and put the rest of load over water pipe at end of barn. Back up to get a load of the dyer. Did Tumbledown chores on way home. Left sawdust in trailer tonight. Chored. Bill H. dropped in after 9:00 as he was returning from having supper with the Montgomerys.</p>
<p>Dec. 8, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Beautiful calm morning - 20°. Everything covered with a heavy white frost. Wind will be S.W. this day. Has been a nice day. Wind didn't breeze up much but snow has melted all day. Chored both barns. The Montgomerys dropped in just as were getting ready to box the milk and invited us over to supper tonight. Nan delivered the milk. I watered up this barn, filled grain barrels, took a wheelbarrow load of manure out of ground mow, unloaded yesterday's load of sawdust into calving pen, and put sisal banking paper over cistern room door. Rested a half hour and then started P.M. chores. Started pump, over to Tumbledown, back here and watered up; stopped pump, and then did milking chores. Down from barn at 6:45. Over to Montgomerys to supper (peasant soup) and evening. Montgomery quite interested in the Calderwood Island proceedings. Why?</p>
<p>Dec. 9, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Snow has about gone. Looks rainy. Wind S.E. quite strong. Did rain nearly all day. Chored both barns. Went on milk route with Nan. Came right home. Laid down for a couple hours with heating pad as I had a devilish cramp in my chest that was very disagreeable. Eased up some by chore time. Chored and we went to bed early. Snow completely gone and no frost in ground.</p>

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<p>Dec. 10, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A nice day. Wind westerly and cooling off tonight. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. I did watering chores at barn; drained the watering system at pasture gate and dumped trough after all this time, and then worked an hour or more repairing my pulp wood trailer - strengthening the side rail so the stake irons would hold stakes. Had time left to haul in two loads of wood from Cobb's Park before starting P.M. chores. Started pump, chored other barn, and watered up here before cistern filled. Took some thrashing. Barn chored and through. Montgomerys visited a few minutes while waiting for mail. Andy Williams show good tonight. Growing cold tonight and windy N.W.</p>
<p>Dec. 11, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Clear and windy. 16°. Became a nice day but stayed cold. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. As soon as she left I watered up and then started hauling in wood from Cobb's Park again. Had my second load ready to bring in when Nan came home. Took time out to bring over the two kitchen storm windows and the first two living room windows and put them on. Also storm window in living room door. Brought in third load of wood and then started chores. Tried to get through a little early but was nearly 7:00 when I came from barn. Montgomerys out to "Jacob Cattle" baked bean supper. Appeared to enjoy it and evening of relaxation. Homelites singing on Indian Point today as he has a new one and Don and Flo have been working with him cold tonight. 10°.</p>
<p>Dec. 12, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 10° above this morning, but wind seems to have dropped out some. Has been a very disagreeable raw day with snow starting about 12:00 noon and feathering all P.M. and evening. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk even though it was cold and windy so I could haul in some more wood. Cleaned up Cobb's Park in two big loads, except limbs and then two loads on ridge above butchering place gate by birches. Some Flo and I cleaned up two winters ago - making 8 loads in all, a good six cords. While choring at Tumbledown we put the winter doors on implement storage end of barn. Pumped here and chored. Made me late. After 8 when I came from barn. We watched Jimmie Dean show tonight. Cold getting into buildings. Drained pump at spring and at barn tonight. Darn this cold weather.</p>
<p>Dec. 13, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Dull and overcast. Still feather snowing. promises to be colder again tonight. Chored both barns. Watered up same hitch so to go on milk route. Nan stayed home. Came right home and we went out onto Indian Point to see the job the Montgomerys are doing in the wood lot. Don W. and Flo have been helping them. Have cleaned up my clump in the pasture beyond their well, as well as a lot of their own. Came home and made out a Christmas order to Sears before starting chores. Sawed up some living room wood with McCulloch. Just as I was getting ready to do milking chores, Everett Wall dropped in. He came into buy Mable Ames' cow and heifer. Walker in hospital again. Another big toe removed. Hard luck does dog him.</p>

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<p>Dec. 14, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Flat calm and it didn't get so cold as predicted - 20° this morning. Has been a nice day, almost no wind. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. As soon as she started out I thrashed to the barn, watered and fed up, and was just lugging in some grain when Goldie and Flo came to help me saw my woodpile. Put saw rig on tractor, started sawing at 12:30, finished at 3:30. Figured I had probably 6 1/2 cds. Started pump, thrashed over to Tumbledown to chore, back here to water up before shutting off pump. Chored. Christmas cards are coming every night now. Had a colored family group Christmas card from the Watsons. Don't know why because we've never met. Pd Flo sawing wood \$4.65. Pd Goldie sawing wood \$4.65.</p>
<p>Dec. 15, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold morning - strong westerly wind 12° above. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up here after bringing milk down so I could go on milk route. We came right home and rested an hour, then started chores. Watered by hand in this barn tonight it being so cold I didn't attempt to use the electric pump and hose. Cold really getting into the buildings now with this heavy wind. Only 8° above tonight and us without the house banked down. Watched Bonanza.</p>
<p>Dec. 16, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold and clear this morning - 7° above. Strong westerly wind - Brrrr. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk for me so I could work on wood pile. Watered, fed up and filled grain barrels as soon as she left, and then went right to work splitting wood. Split until after Nan came home. Started choring early as I had to disconnect my water pump here at barn and water by hand after I'd started pump at spring. H.D. came with grain just as I was ready to go shut pump off. Nan went over to other barn with me. Christmas cards arriving by every mail now. We received a beautiful Blue Hudson Bay blanket from L.L. Beans tonight sent by the Montgomerys. Nice of them.</p>
<p>Dec. 17, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold again. 0° and still windy. Dam the cold weather. Chored both barns. When I came from other barn in Chevy the temp was in the red meaning the goose neck on radiator was broken off radiator enough to lose fluid down to core. Had to deliver milk in Jeep. We came right home and put on the rest of storm windows. Cold is really getting in. Chored. Worked on out of town Christmas cards tonight.</p>
<p>Dec. 18, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still cold. Nearly zero but wind has flattened out. Nan took the good chance to go to Rockland to do some shopping. I chored both barns, and delivered milk. Put a little wood in woodshed what time I had after I got back as it promises snow. Nan returned on P.M. boat, bringing the Chevy home from Pat's garage. She went up in it this morning and left it to be soldered. Both weary tonight. Pumped and chored. Watering by hand now as I've drained the pump in this barn.</p>
<p>Dec. 19, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Still cold - guess it's never going to end. Chored both barns. Delivered milk in Jeep again. Put out our calendars on round the island run today. Stopped at Nettie Crockett's to get her signature on Calderwood Island deed. tomorrow transfers it form we-uns to Stephen Ives. Farewell Calderwood's Island. It's been nice owning you. This very likely the last time it will ever be in the Calderwood family. Spent what little time I had this P.M. going through some of my papers trying to find my deeds to Calderwood Island this farm. Found everything else. Watched Jimmie Dean Show tonight.</p>

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<p>Dec. 20, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Really cold - 4° below zero and blowing hard. Clear. The sun may shine. Water almost caught under sink this morning and also in toilet. Chored both barns. Went on milk route with Nan. We had some shopping to do, and foolishly decided to stay up and watch the boat come. Made me late starting chores as I had to pump and then lost time thawing out up to barn. Had to use torch. Was six o'clock before I went to other barn, so was nine when I came from this barn last time. Very cold and uncomfortable in barn but cows don't seem to mind it. 4° below tonight.</p>
<p>Dec. 21, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Really cool this morning. 8° below but wind has died out. A solid week of this cussed cold weather. Thank goodness there's no snow on the ground. Chored both barns. Car started stiff this day. Nan stayed home to do housework and cook so I went alone on milk. Home at 2:30 as I had to do some shopping for Nan. We put our light trees at end of porch and nearly frozen doing it. Got our indoor tree but didn't get it on stand. Chored. Bill and June dropped in this evening as he brought down the checks from Ives for Calderwood's Island. I suppose it's for the best but I'm not happy about it. Now the money will be gone as well as the island.</p>
<p>Dec. 22, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Gorry Peters. It's warm this morning. Clear up to 8 above and practically calm. The sun promises to shine too. This has been a beautiful day. Did warm up to be pretty nice. The Bunkers were supposed to come up, but of course the ferry is on the railway for overhaul and will be so until after Christmas likely. Not even a decent place for foot passengers to land on other side. We went on milk route in Jeep and visited at Burgesses until most time to meet the Bunker with presents at Vinalhaven ferry landing at 3:00. Came right home and pumped and chored. Watched the Tennessee Ernie Special Christmas Show at ten tonight. Would have been very good if we hadn't been so weary. Too late in evening for a good program.</p>
<p>Dec. 23, Monday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> 8° above. A pretty, calm morning, but they promise us a hell of a snowstorm coming tonight. Our glass is quite high - 30.4. Chored both barns and went on milk route with Nan. Had enough surplus milk so we separated this morning. Came right home and while Nan finished putting the lights on outside trees, I put the base and braces on side tree. Left the Browns, Bernard Mills, Flo Arey and Mrs. P. Quinn jars of Christmas cream. Chored. Going to bed early as we both seem to be very weary. Looks very snowy.</p>
<p>Dec. 24, Tuesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> The snowstorm has arrived. About 6 inches now, but thank goodness the wind isn't blowing much. 20°. Two more inches of snow before it stopped. Chored both barns. Had a little trouble getting back into dooryard. Snowplow down while I was doing chores. Went on milk route with Nan. Came home by way of Beveridges to get eggs and leave gifts and they insisted on us stopping a few minutes. Came home, started pump and was just going to barn to water up when the Hopkins came with gifts. Went over and stopped pump as soon as they left, thrashed over to do Tumbledown chores and then up here to water up. Chored and then up to Gordon Peters to party. The Squire Grants and Don Witherspoons and Dicky there. What a spread of foods that lady put out. Had a nice time. After 12 to bed.</p>

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<p>Dec. 25, Wednesday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful Christmas Day. Opened our stockings and then thrashed. Chored both barns. Around the island delivery today. Downtown at 1:30. Bill H. took us right across, and Floyd Robinson was supposed to meet us at 1:45. Walked clear to Reel Calderwood's and after not getting Robinson on telephone we called Mike and he and Pat came after us. While waiting for the Bunkers Robinson went by toward ferry landing. Thought his time to meet us was 2:15. Well we had a little over an hour with the family. They really had some lovely presents. The Bunkers brought us up to Ferry Landing just after four. Home and chored. Was pretty choppy in Thorougfare. Quite a westerly wind. Down from barn last time 8:50. Opened our presents after we got cleared away. Had some nice ones. Nan gave me a beautiful quilted reversible coat, and a wind gauge set. I gave her a blouse, stocking and waterproof boots. Received a beautiful 40 some pound box of oranges and grapefruits from the Fays; Fruits of the Month and Hudson Bay blanket from the Montgomerys.</p>
<p>Dec. 26, Thursday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Looks like a nice morning but cold. Westerly wind now. 5° above now at 7:00 A.M. Back to the old grind again. Chored both barns. By getting fouled up on my pumping the 24th I had no water for cows this morning. Went on milk route with Mrs. C. Came right home, snowshoed over to start pump, lugged in wood, changed clothes, and then to barn to water up. Cows really put the water away. Over to Tumbledown to chore. Very penetrating cold tonight. 8 above chore time. Down from this barn last time before 8. Christmas came to an end quickly. Only a paper for mail this day. Watched the Jimmie Dean Show this evening and then to bed.</p>
<p>Dec. 27, Friday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold this morning. Nearly 5 below and the wind's from Stonington. Vapor is really flying. If we get a snowstorm this cold - man oh man. Looks thought it might be a nice day. Has been a good day but cold all day. Chored both barns. Went on milk route with Jeep. Nan went with me. Came right home. Nan took out Christmas tree and cleaned up living room. I started up tractor, took off saw rig, put grader blade on, and scraped some of the snow out of driveway. Pretty cold tractoring. Chored both barns. Don, Cynthia and Dick here when I came from barn. Stayed the evening. I showed a few slides they brought and a few of ours.</p>
<p>Dec. 28, Saturday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Snow flakes drifting down this morning. Enough to track a cat on porch. A very dull grey morning. 8° above. Has been a nice day but cold. Chored both barns. Went on milk route in Jeep. Nan did a wash of barn clothes at Burgesses and then did a wash of light clothes after we came home. I rested a few minutes and then pumped and chored. We were invited up to Burgesses to spend evening but were too late, too weary and to cold to go. Watched Lawrence Welk and Gunsmoke.</p>
<p>Dec. 29, Sunday</p>	<p><i>Tonny:</i> Cold. Ten above. Snowed about 4 inches of quiet feathers this A.M. and then tonight from dark to 10:00 P.M. it snowed as much more. Chored and went on milk route in Jeep. Fixed up the checks from Ives and Bill Hopkins for Calderwood's Island to send over to bank. Started chores early. Up to Eliot Beveridge's to buffet supper at 7:15. The Witherspoons and 3 Raymonds there. Had a nice evening. Supper consisted of sliced goose, pheasant, ham, two kinds of salad, potato chips and rolls. Plum pudding and cake for dessert.</p>

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Dec. 30, Monday	<i>Tonny:</i> Cold again or still cold. 4 above and growing cold all day. Strong N.W. wind. Chored both barns. Went on milk route in Jeep. Nan did wash at Burgesses. I wrote note to Dr. Emerson before starting chores; also ordered bottle caps. Pumped and chored. Boy, was it ever cold going out across the ridge tonight. 4° below. H.D. brought grain. We seem to be weary tonight. Going to bed at ten.
Dec. 31, Tuesday	<i>Tonny:</i> A beautiful calm cold morning. 6 below zero and how beautiful it was at 3 o'clock when I replenished the fires. Beautiful full moon shining on the snow as light as day. Glass up to 30.7 - almost as high as I've ever seen it. Has been a nice day but cold. Chored both barns. Delivered milk in Jeep. Nan stayed home to do some housework. Rested a half-hour or so before I started chores. Has warmed up to 10° above tonight and is a beautiful full Monday evening. Watched the Jack Benny and Gerry Moore Show and then watched the New Year's Party at Grand Central Station in New York City. Some crowd.
Special data	Wednesday Jan. 1 1964. A Happy New Year to All. Glass dropped back to 30.4 Radio says a heavy snowstorm with gale winds is coming today. Sure a pretty morning.