

# TONNY CALDERWOOD'S DIARY

## January 1 to December 31, 1965

*transcribed by Elizabeth MacLean*

Note: Tonny wrote all of the entries in 1965

From Prudy and Sal Christmas 1964

Jan. 1, Friday	A cold Happy New Year. 10° above and blowing a gale N.W Most of snow blown overboard. Well, the new year started out good. Discovered a flat forward tire on the Jeep after I'd backed down out of the driveway and gotten stuck. Put on spare, chored both barns. Didn't have water for cows this morning. We went on milk route in Jeep. Brought our frozen foods home out of Bill's freezer as they are shutting everything off when they leave tomorrow. Rested 3/4 hr., pumped, lugged in firewood, watered up, shut off pump, and chored both barns. Cold tonight and blowing hard. About 8° above.
Jan. 2, Saturday	Cold and clear but wind has dropped out some. About 6° above this morning. Cold really blown into bldgs. Clear but stayed cold all day. Very penetrating chill. Chored both barns. Well driller gave us a scare about 1:00 A.M. by coming to house to tell us he'd struck salt water. We can't detect it though, and he couldn't when he went back up. Went back to drilling. Down over 130 ft. now. Delivered milk in Chevelle. Came right home. Rested 3/4 hr., lugged in wood and chored both barns. Invited up to the Milton Ames' for evening. Had a nice time. Talked and watched television.
Jan. 3, Sunday	A dull, grey, cloudy morning, and cold. Well driller at work just after seven. 10° above. Wind about N.N.W. 15 to 20 mi. per hr. A disagreeably cold day all day. Chored both barns. Thrashed milk around in Chevelle. Nan stayed home. Quite slippery driving. Made good time getting round so I had a chance to rest about an hour and a half before starting P.M. chores. Don't believe the well driller made much progress this day. Think he had a struck drill most of time. I'm beginning to think we're going to have a no good hard luck hole. About everything has gone wrong that could. Finished chores about 7:45 tonight. Watched Ed Sullivan and Bonanza.
Jan. 4, Monday	Much high cloudiness and dull. Not quite so cold. 18°. Still windy N.N.W. Came out a nice day. Went over and started pump and then chored at Tumbledown. Shut off pump and chored here. Went on milk route in Chevelle. Nan went with me. We were late getting started and slow getting around as it was so icy on roads. No sanding done except on main drag. Saw boat come and then came home. Split C. Cobb Ashley wood what time I had. Chored both barns. Down from barn before 8:00.

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<p>Jan. 5, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice pretty morning coming up. Wind N.N.W. about 10 to 15 mi. 15° above. Chored both barns. We went on milk route in Chevelle. Nan did wash at Burgesses. Prudy told us Alta had picked up an infection and had a little temperature, so couldn't come home with him yesterday. Had a lunch and split on Cobb Ashley wood what time I had. Put yesterday's splitting into woodshed. Must get some more slab wood hauled up from dump piece as I'll be getting short in woodshed. Chored both barns. A little late getting started for this barn as I talked with Elliott Brown about hauling some gravel onto Montgomery's road. People are driving through my field. Said he'd haul some in. Not so cold tonight, about 26°.</p>
<p>Jan. 6, Wednesday</p>	<p>A very overcast heavy morning. Looks like snow. Wind on water looks to be S.W. 30° temp. Over to start pump this morning then over to do Tumbledown chores. Shut off pump and then chored here. Elliott Brown was as good as his word last night. Worked on Montgomery's road today with two trucks. Hauled at least 8 loads of gravel in on it. Some just above the corner of my barn pasture, and some over the hill in the bad place where Nan got stuck in Chevelle. Well driller still pounding away. 150 ft. and maybe 2 gal. a minute flow. Went on milk route in Chevelle. Came right home. Rested about a half hour and then chored. Invited the Thorntons down for evening. Had a nice visit.</p>
<p>Jan. 7, Thursday</p>	<p>Golly. It's cold this morning. 8° above, but thankfully not much wind. Looks like it might be a nice day coming up. North wind airing up now - 15 mi. Well driller finished 3:00 P.M. 165 ft. - flow 5 gal. Static level - 13 ft. - became 18 ft. Chored both barns. Well driller just pumping out when I went to this barn, measured flow - 36 inches or 4 1/2 gals. per minute. Watered up and finished chores to go on milk route. Nan staying home as B.J. down to give her a permanent this P.M. As soon as I got back the driller pumped the hole, measured the depth - 165 ft. - the flow - a good 40 inches or 5 gal. per min. I decided we wouldn't gain much by continuing on as we now have a good flow, and a good reservoir. Static level about 12 ft below ground level, giving us a good 50 ft. to start on or 225 gal. Split a little Cobb wood, took Bertha home and chored both barns.</p>
<p>Jan. 8, Friday</p>	<p>Has warmed up 24° above. Dull, calm and spitting snow. Just enough snow fell on ice to make it damned slippery. Chored both barns. We went on milk route in Chevelle. Nan did wash at Burgesses so we watched boat come while clothes were finishing. Came home, started pump, toted in firewood, and lugged into woodshed what Ashley wood I had split. Changed clothes, watered up, shut off pump, and chored both barns. Started raining while I was doing home barn chores. Rained more or less all night. Most of snow gone but still some bad icy spots.</p>

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<p>Jan. 9, Saturday</p>	<p>Raining hard this morning. Wind about south south west up to 20 mi. Temp. 34°. Rain tapered off, has taken a good part of ice and snow with it. Still pretty slippery through wooded strips like the Turner woods. Chored both barns. Watered up and went on milk route. Nan stayed home to do some cooking. After I came home she walked over to Montgomery's to check on house and I rested a half hour. Split a little Ashley wood, filled wood boxes, and chored both barns. Invited the Ames down for evening. Had a nice time. Stayed until after twelve. Mrs. Burgess returned from hospital this P.M. Edith says she appears to be feeling pretty good.</p>
<p>Jan. 10, Sunday</p>	<p>Quite cold. Considerable high cloudiness. An air N.N.W. 15° temp. Chored both barns. Watered up and went on milk route with Nan. Stopped down to Burgesses but Mrs. B. was sleeping. Drove down to Snow's before we came home to see the new addition that's being built down there. Came home, rested a half-hour and then chored both barns. Doug Stone blew in with Montgomery's wash so we had to take that over between chores. Finished up and up to Beveridges to a snack supper at 7:30. Very good and had a nice time. Home 10:30.</p>
<p>Jan. 11, Monday</p>	<p>Cold N.E. wind. 14° above and heavy high clouds. Sun trying to come through. Did come through and made a beautiful day. Was just starting chores when Nan decided she ought to go to V.H. if Pat could come after her as we didn't get down Christmas time. Went uptown in Jeep about 9:30. I chored, bottled milk, washed utensils, had lunch, and ready to go with milk at 1:00 P.M. Visited with Mrs. Burgess fifteen or twenty minutes. She's looking the most rested I've seen her in a long time, and says she's feeling good. Saw the boat come and then thrashed home. Started pump, lugged in wood. H.D. came with grain, changed clothes, watered and was just going over to shut of pump when Nan came. Chored both barns. Watched the Andy Williams Show. To bed weary. Down to ten above again tonight. One of these very beautiful still, cold bright evenings.</p>
<p>Jan. 12, Tuesday</p>	<p>Good Gracious - warmed up to 26° and blowing 20 to 25 miles. S.S.W. Looks like a storm making up. Didn't make a storm. Has been a fair day but very disagreeably windy S.W. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk -first time since the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. As soon as she left I watered up and finished barn chores. Then started hauling the sawed slabs from dump piece to woodshed. Put the first load tiered into woodshed, the second on woodpile by shed. Hope they continue to dry out in shed as they're wet some. Chored both barns.</p>

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<p>Jan. 13, Wednesday</p>	<p>A calm, quiet a morning as I've seen in a long time. Hard to tell which side is up looking at the little islands between here and Burnt Island. Wind less than nothing. Temp. 24°. Quite some cloudiness. Montgomerys arrived on P.M. boat. Made a nice day but I didn't accomplish much. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. She had just left when Knowlton came hunting telephone trouble in our line. Had found it up towards the Little King's somewhere. Asked him about fixing my phone at the barn sometime, and he said he could do it right then if it didn't take too long. Well, we worked on it till 2:00 when he had to go, and it still wouldn't go. Something inside the phone not working right. Put cows back in. I'd turned them out first time in a month or so. Watered and fed up, and had just finished tiering up the wood put in woodshed yesterday when Nan returned. Spent the rest of time I had splitting Ashley wood. Lunched and chored both barns.</p>
<p>Jan. 14, Thursday</p>	<p>Started drizzling last night. A fluff of snow this morning. Wind N.W. Temp 24°. This has been a good day but has blown up to 40 miles per hr. at times N.W. and is it ever growing cold. From 20° above at 2:00 P.M. to 14° below at 9:00 P.M. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. As soon as she left, I started pump and watered up, lugged in grain, etc. Had just gassed up and started XL-12 to go cut brush when she returned. We went out through butchering place gate and up by birch grove and cut a full trailer load. So cold and windy when we came in we left it on trailer. Lugged in wood and chored both barns. Cold blowing into bldgs. Tonight. Watched Bewitched, Peyton Place, and Jimmie Dean show. Montgomery dropped in for milk just as we were eating supper. Dressed in his raccoon coat.</p>
<p>Jan. 15, Friday</p>	<p>"Man oh man, what a morning!" 18° below zero, vapor flying tree-top high from west to east and an air N.N.W. What a chance. Up twice during night tending fires. Looks like the sun might shine which should help some. Did shine but what a cold day. Didn't get above zero on our glass all day and dropped right down to 10° by dark. Elsie 2 Jeep started right up for me. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route. Nan stayed home. Roads pretty icy in places. Swung down to H. Demmons on way home. As soon as I got home I started right in on chores. Filled woodboxes, coal for kitchen stove, and then chored both barns. Very cold in bldgs. tonight. Held at 10° below all evening. Fortunately wind has dropped out some. Much, much too cold to suit me.</p>

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<p>Jan. 16, Saturday</p>	<p>Another bitter one. Still 10° below zero and wind has swung out N.E. and breezing up. Radio says we're in for a hell of a snowstorm. Glass very high - 30.75 and started to drop. _____ gale warnings. How are we going to take it with the intense cold. Well, most of the storm passed us by. Got maybe a half inch of snow and some wind and stayed real cold. Zero all day. Chored both barns. Watered up. Used hot water to start water in cistern. Didn't have to use torch. Jeep started right up good. We went on milk route in it. Waited down to Brown's to get chains put on as the roads are very icy in spots. Came home and started right in choring. Bldgs. very cold. Chores done and over to Montgomerys to a steak supper by 7:30. Had a nice time. Started a coal fire in kitchen after coming home. Had one last night too. Was told today that Buster Stone had passed away.</p>
<p>Jan. 17, Sunday</p>	<p>Here it is still cold, but snow has stopped a minus 2 below. Wind still N.E. but dropped out some. Has been fair all day but stayed cold. Chored both barns. Was doing home chores when Mr. Montgomery came to barn to see if I wouldn't like to go call on Ernie Boy with him. Didn't see how I could what with milk delivery, pumping, etc. but that I'd try. Thrashed milk out in Jeep, came right home, over to start pump. Had to use torch on intake pipe at water level. Heavy ice now in spring. Was thawing pipe in cistern wall at barn with torch when Mr. Montgomery appeared. Watered up, shut off pump, and went up to Ernie Boy's with him. Found Ernie Boy having mink trouble - only two hens left. Otherwise okay. Have chored both barns and to be early 9:00 and pooched.</p>
<p>Jan. 18, Monday</p>	<p>Calm and cold all night. 4° above zero. Moon very bright. Almost like day the entire night. Became a nice day but cold all day. Montgomerys left this morning. Over there first thing before starting chores to get a plant Mrs. M. gave Nan. Chored both barns. Fed and watered up and went on milk route with Mrs. C. in Chevelle. Mrs. Pease's hill still very slippery. Watched boat come. Well driller returned. Came home. Split Ashley wood what little time I had. Chored both barns. To bed weary. Edwin Williams' bill as follows: to drilling well 165 ft. @ 8.00 per \$1,320, casing - 13 ft #3.00, 39.00, sales tax on pipe 4%, 1.56, transportation to NH - equip. 10.00 = \$1,370.56. 6 gal. per min - static level 12 ft. settled to 18 ft. Mrs. Fay to stand one-half of this acct - also 1/2 installation.</p>
<p>Jan. 19, Tuesday</p>	<p>Wind N.N.W. temp 10 above clear maybe. Made a good day but didn't get above 20° at any time by our thermometer. Chored both barns. Well driller dismantled outfit and moved to Cobb's after pumping our well again and checking flow. Still 5 gal. Watered up and went on milk route with Nan in Chevelle. Did barn wash at Burgesses, and visited a few minutes. Thrashed home, pumped, watered up, and chored both barns. Nice to have it a bit warmer. +15° tonight.</p>

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<p>Jan. 20, Wednesday</p>	<p>Very dull heavy overcast. 18° and looks very snowy. Hates to come daylight. Wind looks to be N.N.E. Have written to Mrs. Fay enclosing well driller's bill. Didn't get the letter finished. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route. As this was "round the island" run we didn't get back till most 3:00. Snowed all day and made considerable snow. It was a nice day in Washington, D.C. for the Inauguration ceremonies and parade. Saw Pres. Johnson take his oath of office before we left with milk and watched the parade from the time we got home to 4:30. Chored both barns. Down from this barn last time about 8:15. Watched some television till eleven o'clock to see a little of the Inaugural Balls in Washington - only 5 of them.</p>
<p>Jan. 21, Thursday</p>	<p>A nice clear, sunny morning. 10° above. Wind about west or a little more out - 10 to 15 mi. Has been a beautiful sunny Jan. day. Chored both barns and what a mess I found up here. Two cows loose, No. 9 heifer back of the cows and Black Hiram heifer had gone in to ground mow. The young heifer in there loose in barn floor. What a mess - what a mess. Finally got it cleared up and animals back in place. Watered and fed up and went on milk route with Nan. Came right home and finished letter to Mrs. Fay I started yesterday morning. Rested a half hour and then chored both barns. Watched Bewitched, Peyton Place, and Jimmie Dean show. Time has come when I must get to work on Income Tax Material. What a grind. A beautiful moonlight night tonight. Nan did barn wash at Burgesses today.</p>
<p>Jan. 22, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice sunny one coming up. Maybe some cloudiness. Wind S.W. 15 to 20 mi. with temp. 20°. Has been a good Jan. day, about as warm as any we've had being about 30° at sunset and then breezing up N.W. to be 10° above in the evening. Chored both barns. Was planning to stay home to get some chores done but thought it would be too hard walking for Nan, being around the island run. We came right home. Nan went over to Montgomery's to get a raincoat for Mrs. M. I went right out to start pump. Watered up, lugged in grain, etc. Shut off pump, lugged in firewood and chored both barns. Mrs. Montgomery called on phone this A.M. asking Nan to send her raincoat to her by P.P.</p>
<p>Jan. 23, Saturday</p>	<p>Gee-hover - it's cold again - 2° above zero - wind N. to N.W. 5 to 10 mi. Much high cloudiness. Has been a good day but penetrating cold all day. Chored both barns. Watered up and fed up as soon as I finished milking. Nan delivered milk and I went right to work on the Cobb "Ashley" junks. Worked right on them until after Nan returned and made quite a snowing. Left off at 3:15, had ice cream and rested a half hour. Chored both barns. Nan didn't go over to Tumbledown with me tonight. Don and Cynthia spent evening with us. Had a nice visit.</p>

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<p>Jan. 24, Sunday</p>	<p>Another grey dull cold morning. 6° above. An air N.E. Looks snowy. Started snowing about 10:00 and snowed all day and into the night. Wind struck up to 40 mi. per hr from eastward tonight making banks in unusual places. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up to go on milk route. Came right home and I started taking Ern's time and other material off calendar. Had lunch of fried bacon sandwiches and then chored both barns. Down from this barn last time 7:15. A very tough night. Watched the new Chuck Conners program - "Branded." Quite good. Also Bonanza. Temp. went up to about 22° just after dark and hung there most of night.</p>
<p>Jan. 25, Monday</p>	<p>Back down to 12° above again this morning. Wind on water looks as though it has some N.E. in it still. Has stopped snowing. Has been a very pretty day with plenty of snow in our dooryard and from here to be barn. Got out of dooryard and up to barn okay by using the Jeep. Chains already on. Snowplow turned round at Carver's corner about 7:00 A.M. We went on milk route in Jeep. Came right home. Pumped and watered up. H.D. supposed to come with grain but didn't. Shut off pump, shoveled snow off porch, filled woodboxes and chored both barns. As weary tonight as though I'd worked. Geo. Beverage, young George, Nettie and Albert left for California this morning. Flying out. Stay month of Feb. 2 more milk customers gone.</p>
<p>Jan. 26, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice morning and a nice day. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up. Nan delivered milk so I could work on Ern's acc't about making his S.S. pay't. Succeeded in getting records off calendar along with his time, and was just ready to figure up his time after Nan returned when the Beverages arrived after their Jacob cattle bans. Had coffee and cake with us. Chored both barns. H.D. came with grain. Had no trouble getting to barn.</p>
<p>Jan. 27, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny January morning. 16° above. Just an air N.E. More snow during last night with the wind about last North East so that H.D.'s tracks to barn are blown full, and snow softened enough to be heavy. Snowplow down while I was doing chores at Tumbledown. Decided to go on milk route with Nan as walking was so bad. Chored and watered up here before going in Jeep. Had one of the Chevy's tires mounted up and put on left fow'd corner of Jeep at Wayside. Nan did a wash at Burgesses. Came home and chored both barns. Practically all snow gone off tarred roads tonight as it melted so today, but plenty left in our driveway and to barn. Gus Tomer told us uptown this P.M. that the well driller had struck 20 gal. per minute at 80 ft. at Cobb's. Hurrah for them.</p>
<p>Jan. 28, Thursday</p>	<p>A nice pretty morning. Cold 10° above. Wind breezing up west. Hard walking as snow is crusted and one breaks through every step or slips where there were tracks already made. Chored both barns. Couldn't water up before going on milk route as I have to pump first. Came right home. Finished up Ern's S.S. acc't and put pay't in mail. He worked 1105.00 or so more for us last yr than in 1963. S.S. pay't was \$25.26 for each of us. Pumped, watered up, and chored both barns. It's go, go, go. Wind blowing raw S.W. this P.M. and evening. Seems much colder than 20° above.</p>

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<p>Jan. 29, Friday</p>	<p>Here it is cold again and promises to be still colder tonight and tomorrow. 4° above, clear, wind 15 mi. and west. Sun coming up nice. Has been a cold day all day. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route with Nan. Came right home but by way of middle road to see how lumberers were doing at the foot of old barn hill. Elliott Brown is cutting the big stuff on A.W.B.'s hill back of Fleischmann's. Worked what time I had on Ern's acc't getting it all okay to make a copy for him. Chored both barns. Cold tonight. Nearly down to zero. Had a nice letter from Mrs. Fay tonight with check enclosed for her half of artesian well. She evidently plants to come to Bull Rock herself next summer. Is flying to Florida for month of Feb.</p>
<p>Jan. 30, Saturday</p>	<p>Clear and cold. 2° above zero. Wind west 15 mi. Not a cloud to be seen from this kitchen window. Nice to see the sun working back and daylight getting longer - almost an hour. Sun setting between bull barn and barn now. Chored both barns. Watered up and fed up and went on milk route with Nan. Stopped at Jennie O.B.'s a moment on way home as Nan wanted to pick up a crib quilt top (patchwork) that Etta had made. Came right home but didn't have time to do any paperwork. Rested a few minutes, then filled woodboxes and chored both barns. Watched Lawrence Welk, part of Hollywood Palace, and Gunsmoke Cold tonight - hanging right on 10° above.</p>
<p>Jan. 31, Sunday</p>	<p>Another beautiful January morning. Clear cold and going to be sunny. Little Thoroughfare frozen clear across. Will be frozen in if this weather holds. Down to 2° above again this morning. Chored both barns. Such a nice sunny A.M. that I let the cows out to exercise and rub around. Nan delivered milk and as soon as she left I started pump, went right to the barn, put cows in, watered up, lugged in grain and fed up. Was just going over to shut off pump when Nan returned. We had just gotten squared away and ready to rest a little while when Dr. Raleigh and Mildred blew in. They stayed until it was time for me to start pre-barn chores. Thrashed the chores through both barns as we had the Beveridges down to supper - meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, etc. Had a nice evening.</p>
<p>Feb. 1, Monday</p>	<p>A nice morning, but still cold. +10° above. Warmed up to a beautiful day. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up. Nan delivered milk and I worked on Income Tax Material all the time I had. Rested a half hour and then filled woodboxes and chored both barns. Camelita Finnigan and Bernard Dyer married in Rockland last Saturday. My, my, my.</p>
<p>Feb. 2, Tuesday</p>	<p>Well what do you know, it's up to 20° and has been all night. Is practically calm, and Little Thoroughfare has opened itself up after being frozen over two days. Very cloudy. Snowed feathers during night. Ground Hog saw his shadow so clear it scared him back into his hole. Sun came out the middle of forenoon and made a beautiful day. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up. Nan delivered milk and I spent all the time I had on Income Tax material. Nan also did a wash at Burgesses. Left off work early to pump and water up. Chored both barns. Well driller back and moving up to Beveridge colony today.</p>



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Feb. 3, Wednesday	Another sunny pretty one but cold. 6° above. Just an air west. Has been a nice sunny day, but stays cold except in sun. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up. Nan delivered milk. Well driller down after casing pipe, and stopped in to have his checks - Mrs. Fay's and ours. Spent all the free time I had working on Income Tax material. Filled woodboxes and chored both barns. To bed at 9:30 as we're both weary.
Feb. 4, Thursday	Another nice one coming up, and still cold. 4° above. Thoroughfare skimmed cross again. Calm. Has been a beautiful day. Chored both barns. Gus Tomer and Sherm Cooper here when I came from this barn, getting a petition to have the ferry boat crew live in town. As it is now the engineer has to commute back and forth to V.H. Not very convenient in bad weather. Nan delivered milk so I could work on Income Tax Material. Am making a fair start now. Nan did another wash at Burgesses. Chored both barns after doing house chores.
Feb. 5, Friday	Another beautiful, beautiful sunny calm morning. It has got to be calm because we're frozen over solidly. Really cold. 2° above. Has been a very nice day but became very penetrating cold this P.M. to start snowing just as I came from barn tonight. Chored both barns. Nan delivered milk. As soon as she let I went right over to start pump. Probably at least 6 inches of ice in spring. Watered up, lugged in grain, etc. Shut pump off and then spent rest of my time working on Income Tax Material. Chored both barns.
Feb. 6, Saturday	Must have snowed most of night. Three or four inches on porch. Trees are loaded. Very cloudy. 12°. Little Thoroughfare really bridged this morning. We're told the North Haven has had considerable time getting out of Thoroughfare the past few mornings. Hard to tell which way the wind may be with Little Thoroughfare frozen over. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up, and went on milk route. Nan stayed home to housework. Came right home, rested a half hour, filled woodboxes and chored. Watched Lawrence Welk, Hollywood Palace, and last half of Gunsmoke.
Feb. 7, Sunday	A very, very dull grey Feb. morning. 20° and looking very much like more snow. Air N.E or N.N.E. Didn't snow, made a fairly good day. Sun managed to shine a little in P.M. Snow settled considerably. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up, and went on milk route. Nan was going to stay home, but decided to go at last minute. Picked up two baskets of clean wash at Charlene's for Montgomery. Took them over in Jeep when we returned from milk, and by backing part way down his hill to get near the house. Managed to get stuck. Got out by considerably shoveling and churning. Then took a box of clothes up to Fay's, and in trying to get the backdoor open and shut again, I twisted the key off. "O dear, o hum." Invited the Burgesses down for evening and they arrived at 6:00 just as I was getting ready to go to barn. Things look very very bad in Viet-Nam. They've shot down four of our planes. Hell is a-popping.

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Feb. 8, Monday	Rained during night and still looks wet this morning. Looks like the tide was going to win over the ice again in Little Thoroughfare. May break through today. Chored both barns. Couldn't water up before going on milk route as water was low. Nan stayed home. I came right home, pumped and watered up. Had to make second trip to spring before I finished watering as engine stopped. Water in gas. H.D. arrived with grain while I was at spring. Finished watering up, lugged in grain etc, shut off pump, and chored both barns.
Feb. 9, Tuesday	By golly, the tide and weather did the job yesterday. Little Thoroughfare is open again. Let's hope to stay open now. A bright sunny morning but colder. 20° wind N.W. about 15 mi. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up before going on milk route with Nan. Thought I'd better go as it is so icy walking wherever the ground isn't bare. Came right home. Worked what little time I had on Income Tax papers. A half hr. to a time isn't going ahead very fast. Rested a half hour, and then chored both barns after filling woodboxes. Too weary tonight do any book work.
Feb. 10, Wednesday	A clear morning but lots of high cloudiness. Wind E.N.E. 10 mi. and cold. About 6° above. Slowly warmed up and started snowing feathers about 2:00 P.M. Chored both barns. Didn't water up before Nan started with milk as I had a heifer to breed. As soon as Nan left with milk, I started pump, went right to barn, bred the No. 2 heifer in tie-up to the Holstein bull (this is the third time I've bred this particular heifer), can't get her to settle, and watered up. Cistern running over when I finished. Shut off pump, snow had started so I lugged in wood, and then spent remainder of P.M. on Income Tax Material. Chored both barns. Worked on material again this evening. Snowed enough to make very slippery walking in places. Ice under snow. Had a card from French Alps from Montgomery tonight.
Feb. 11, Thursday	A very dull but quiet morning. Almost foggy. 30°. Very hard, quite slippery walking. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route with Nan as the walking was bad although it had softened up a lot. A most beautiful day overhead with a feel of spring in the air. Took a ride down west district way on our way home after watching boat come. Chored both barns. Watched Peyton Place and Jimmie Dean show tonight although Channel 8 comes in very poorly lately.
Feb. 12, Friday	Very dull and overcast. Air E.N.E. 23°. Happy Birthday, Honest Abe. Rained more or less all day, making walking pretty slippery. Chored both barns. Watered up and went on milk route with Nan. Came home just before the boat came. Worked what little time I had on Income Tax Material. Filled woodboxes and chored both barns.
Feb. 13, Saturday	Up early and worked on Income Tax Material. A nice morning and a beautiful day. Could feel a promise of spring in the air. Chored both barns. Went on milk route as it was so slippery. Pumped and watered up as soon as we got home. Then it was chore time again. No Lawrence Welk program tonight, so we went to bed shortly after nine. Pretty weary. Growing cold tonight. Almost down to 10° above.

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Feb. 14, Sunday	Really cool this morning. 2° above. Air N.W. Sun coming up nicely. Looking like it might be a pretty day. Up before six and worked on Tax papers. Has been a nice day, but still considerably slippery. Chored both barns. Nan took milk so I could work on Tax papers. Have them pretty well ready to copy tonight. Worked all the time I had on them. Tax will be considerable smaller this year with no capital gains on Calderwood Island. To bed weary about 10:00.
Feb. 15, Monday	Up at 5:15 to work on tax papers. Must be in mail tonight. A pretty morning coming up. Calm +15° above. Glory Hallelujah. I did it, I did it. At 3:55 P.M. I finished the last copy and wrote the check of 251.00. Got it in mailbox ahead of Colon. Check covered \$146.00 Income tax and \$105.00 S.S. Nan of course took the milk so I could finish this job. Grossed over \$7,000.00 off the two farms. Nan went to Garden Club meeting after delivering milk. Home at 4:15. Filled woodboxes and chored both barns. To bed early. Didn't sleep any last night planning to get up early. Nat King Cole died last night or this morning. Only 45.
Feb. 16, Tuesday	S.W. wind up to 25 miles this morning. 24° temp. Hazy sun coming up. This is another day I haven't accomplished much. Chored both barns. Separated our excess milk this morning, 2 qts. of cream. Nan delivered milk and did a wash at Burgesses. As soon as she started out I pumped and watered up. Had intended to make out a statement of Ern's time acc't for him, but discovered the casting on the Ashley stove that holds the feed door was very loose, so I spent an hour tightening that up and putting stove cement around. Had noticed for a week or so that the stove appeared to be getting too much draft. Should be better now. Smiley, the telephone man here about 4:00 P.M. and had coffee with us. Chored both barns. Watched television a little while and to bed.
Feb. 17, Wednesday	Cold again this morning. 10° above. Wind N.W. Sun has come up clear. Has been a beautiful sunny day, but hasn't warmed up like one would expect for so nice a day. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up. Nan delivered milk, and I crawled away and rested, trying to get rid of some of my mid-winter aches and pains. Old age is creeping up on me it seems. Filled woodboxes and chored both barns a little early, as we were invited up to Thorntons for evening. Had a nice time. Lobster stew for dessert. Cold but a clear and beautiful moonlight night. 10° above.
Feb. 18, Thursday	How the weather has changed. 20° above and the wind out to the southard 15 to 20 mi. per hr. Supposed to have snow today. A very dull grey day. Started snowing as I started morning chores and snowed hard until after 1 P.M. A little soft so it stuck some to the icy places. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route. Nan stayed home. Came right home and was going to rest a few minutes when Carver came over selling Avon. Thus went my rest period. Filled woodboxes and chored both barns. Watched a little television this evening. Jimmie Dean show good. A pile of colds or flu around. Will be luck if we escape.

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<p>Feb. 19, Friday</p>	<p>Another dull grey morning, and cold. 10° above. Air N. Chored both barns. Fed up and went on milk route with Nan. The Witherspoons have finished in Cobb's Woods and have started clearing a vista on the Will Sampson farm from the house to Fresh Pond. Came right home from delivering, took living room stove pipe down, cleaned it out. It was quite well filled, took out ashes, and also out of kitchen stove. Over and started pump, lugged in wood, and then watered up. Lugged in grain too. Over to Tumbledown and then chored here. I expect that over the past few days we've made the greatest decision of our lives - we've decided to give up our milk route March 1<sup>st</sup> and sell our animals. It's all become too much of a strain for us. The question of what we'd do if I was suddenly hospitalized is ever uppermost in our minds. Not a soul we could hire to take over, even for a few days. Maybe the decision may be for the best, but at present I haven't the least idea how we'll make a living.</p>
<p>Feb. 20, Saturday</p>	<p>Gorry Peters, has it grown cold, and the wind ever blow in the night. Mosta gale at times. 0° at 7:00 A.M. wind N.W. 15M. Looks like the sun might shine. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route with Nan. She did barn wash at Burgesses. We watched boat come and then came home. Split some Cobb Ashley wood, filled woodboxes, and chored both barns. Telephoned a for sale ad to the Swap Sheet Editor tonight advertising our herd for sale. Twenty-seven years of work all cancelled by a few strokes of a pen. How can I face it.</p>
<p>Feb. 21, Sunday</p>	<p>Cold but wind has dropped out. 2° above. Pretty well skimmed across again here. Have written 30 of our discontinuing notices this morning. About as many more to go. Sad, sad, sad. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route. Took ride down west district on way home. Came home by way of N.S. road and stopped at the Beveridges a half hour or so, as Nan wanted to look at Mrs. B.'s yarns. Came home and chored both barns. Watched Bonanza and Candid Camera. Still cold tonight.</p>
<p>Feb. 22, Monday</p>	<p>Had warmed up to 20° when I got up this morning and started snowing almost before I had the fire built. Really made snow so that there probably was six inches anyway by the time we went with milk. Went in Chevelle and I found out one thing for sure - these new cars aren't much in snow as they have no guards to keep the snow from coming up all around the engine. By the time we came back to Tumbledown barn it was as full under the hood as though I'd shoveled it full and the engine was skipping. During the time we were out Johnny had come over this way with snow plow so we came alright the rest of way. Pumped and chored. Well, we've reached the point of no return. We mailed notices to all our customers today that we're through the first of March. Finished writing notices this morning. Nan addressed envelopes on typewriter.</p>

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<p>Feb. 23, Tuesday</p>	<p>Man oh man is it cold this morning. A solid 0° with winds up to 50 mi. by gusts. At least part of the snow has blown over board. Has been a beautiful day but stayed very cold. Chored both barns. Only way I could get Jeep out of dooryard without shoveling was to go out by forsythia bush. Watered and fed up and went on milk route. Went in Jeep and stopped at Wayside to have chains repaired. Watched boat, stopped at Abbie's on way home to inspect. 25° above in her living room. Came right home, and had just changed clothes when H.D. came with grain, and I am completely out. Watered and lugged in grain and chored both barns. Customers received their notices in mail this P.M. Only 4 called to say they feel badly about it. Lawrence and Austin talk like they'd like to buy a cow.</p>
<p>Feb. 24, Wednesday</p>	<p>Gracious Peter, have we got a bridge across to Stimpson's this morning. Real ice and down to zero but calm. Sun shining beautifully. Johnny W. into Montgomerys at 7:00 A.M. with snowplow. Big banks by my pasture fence. Little Thoroughfare frozen clear out to eastern end of Burnt and Stimpson Island. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route in Jeep. Nan did a wash at Burgesses. Several customers appeared to feel bad about us closing out. Watched the boat come - the Oldroyds arrived - down to Burgesses to get clothes, then home. Jimmie Brown waiting here to talk about buying a cow, coming down again tomorrow night. Took Nan over to inspect Montgomery ranch. Chored both barns. Watched the movie "The Key to the City". Clark Gable and Loretta Young. Had seen it once before. Very good. 6° above tonight.</p>
<p>Feb. 25, Thursday</p>	<p>Wind E.N.E. - 35 to 40 mi. this morning. Has warmed up to 22°. A big snow or rainstorm due today. Chored both barns. Started snowing fierce while I was choring and had changed to rain before we started out in Jeep to deliver. Rained hard all the way around and I was really wet and cold when we got home. Changed clothes from skin out, rested an hour and then started chores with winds at 60 or more and pouring rain. Went over and started pump and of all nights, the damned engine run just long enough to pump enough to water up with. Don't know what's going to hold the barn together the way it's blowing. Over to Tumbledown to clean out and feed up but didn't attempt to water up. Didn't go back up to this barn to milk as it was blowing too hard.</p>
<p>Feb. 26, Friday</p>	<p>Well, the storm has passed and the wind is out S.W. blowing back right now at 6:30 A.M. up to and over 30. Must pick up the pieces from yesterday's unbelievable storm. Wind E.S.E. up over 60 while I was trying to do chores last night and truck 75 at least once. What an afternoon and evening. Over to start pump first thing this morning, then over to Tumbledown to water up and feed up. Back and shut off pump after filling tubs at this barn. Chored both barns. Watered, fed up and went on milk route in Jeep. Watched boat come, and then came right home. Just getting clothes changed when Squire came to look at animals. Then was just getting ready to do milking chores when Jimmie Brown came to look at animals. Thrashed around to get up to Burgesses to annual Christmas party. Just Jim, Prudy, Milton and I there for men. Aunt Kath, Shirley, Edith, Mercedes, Alta and Nan for ladies. Nan slipped down when we came out of Burgesses. Snowing hard.</p>

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<p>Feb. 27, Saturday</p>	<p>Clear and cold again this morning, 10° above. Sunny. Must have stopped snowing as soon as we got home. A nice pretty day all day. Had to use Chevelle for chores this morning as the Jeep refused to start for me. Starter just whirred - guess probably a starter spring broken. We went on milk route in Chevelle too. Visited with Nora and Clara Waterman about a half hour on way home from delivery. Phyllis and her children there. Started P.M. chores as soon as we got home. Nan didn't go to Tumbledown with me tonight. When I came from this barn last trip, Bill H. had called to say he'd like to spend the night with us. He flew on this A.M. and is doing Income Taxes. Arrived down here about 10:45. The two George Beverages flew home this A.M. Nettie and Albert arriving on P.M. boat.</p>
<p>Feb. 28, Sunday</p>	<p>A very pretty morning but cold. 8° above and we're skimmed across again. The gale Thursday night had cleared us out. Air S.W. Had coffee with Bill and then chored both barns. Watered and fed up and went on milk route. Well this is it, the last and final run. It doesn't seem possible, and the big question still unanswered - what do we do now to offset our milk business? Just get the animals moved out immediately and then try to get our feet braced. Came right home from delivering, rested an hour, then pumped, filled woodboxes, watered up and chored. Watched Bonanza and Candid Camera.</p>
<p>March 1, Monday</p>	<p>Indian Point Farm milk route is now a business of the past. Overcast, dull and grey. About 20°. Wind N.N.E. 1 mi. town Meeting day this day. Have already been asked to run on a board of selectmen. Who do they think they're kidding? Chored both barns and separated all our morning's milk - about 4 qts. cream. Cleaned up and went up to Grange Hall to Town Meeting dinner (chicken pie) and then down to town meeting until boat time. Same board of selectmen elected, as well as same other officers. Plenty of money raised too. Doug Stone down after milk tonight. Then James S. Brown came after some. Slowed me down doing chores.</p>
<p>March 2, Tuesday</p>	<p>Clear with high cloudiness. Wind N.W. Temp. 30°. Chored both barns. Wrote a letter of thanks to Rankin Grain Co. Inc. this morning for the many kindnesses and good service they've given us over the years. Separated our morning's milk. Put tags on the Jeep, got it started, and went up town. Nan did two washings at Burgesses and I had Pat take the starter off to see what was wrong. The whole outfit was very dry for one thing. Watched boat come, came right home. I split Ashley wood while Nan walked over to Montgomery's. Edith and Milton came after milk. Then Squire blew in just as I was getting ready to go to Tumbledown. He went with me and then up here with me to milk the heifer he's interested in. Stayed to supper with us.</p>

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<p>March 3, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny March morning. Practically calm. Temp. 26°. Chored both barns. Pumped and watered up. Left our bottles in carriage house as we started around both routes to gather up empties and leave bills. Had to thrash as we didn't leave here till most 1:30. got downtown at 4:00. Also took along 12 new bags for Milton Ames and 20 for James Carlton, Vinalhaven. Thrashed home, rested 15 minutes and started chores. James S. Brown here for milk. Came just after I'd gone to barn, and stayed till nine. Says the road is getting so soft into his father's, he can't take a veal in there to dress it out, which means I've got to rig up in this barn. Damn it. I'd hope to get through this mess. Everett Wall called tonight to say he'd give me \$1050 for the 13 animals unseen. Quite a come down from what they're worth without making more mess, but guess I can't.</p>
<p>March 4, Thursday</p>	<p>Another nice March morning. A man just called from Newport inquiring about the cattle. Ferry service and all sure makes it complicated. Doubted if he's come. Chored both barns. Watered and fed up. Separated our milk. Up to barn at 12:30 to clean up and get ready to kill the bull for E.J. Jimmie came at 12:45. We had him ready to skin when E.J. and Emery came. At noontime Wall called to say he's have to know then about the animals so he could make arrangements to come get some tomorrow. Not having heard again from the Newport fellow, I had to tell Wall he could have the animals, and I'll be damned if the Newport fellow didn't call from Rockland at 1:30 saying he was ready to come on boat to look at animals. Guess I'm supposed to give the animals away. Bull dressed out nicely. Finished about 3:30. Jimmie had coffee and pecan pie with us. Chored and am really pooched. Working on that animal pooched me.</p>
<p>March 5, Friday</p>	<p>Mild but very overcast. Calm 32°. E.J. and Emery here after bull at 7:30. Chored both barns. Became a nice day. Separated our milk. Had a plugged sink line to fuss with along with everything else. Jimmie brought down his sink plunger when he came which cleared it. Met him at Tumbledown at 12:45 and brought home the big veal. Dressed it out and also the one from the cow Jimmie bought. Two beautiful veals. Hadn't quite finished when the cattle buyers came. Chored both barns. To bed very weary. Life is becoming more complicated every day. Pd Ernest Brown \$5.00 for his trouble and telephone calls. Edwin's half veal \$39.00. Prudy 78# \$39.00. Mrs. Felton's veal 218 1/2 - \$120.18.</p>

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<p>March 6, Saturday</p>	<p>Wind N.E. up to 25 M. Very dull and overcast. Will rain before noon. Up to barn at 5:45 and had it cleaned out before cattle men came. He pulled another good one on me this morning. Claiming he made his offer on 12 cows and 2 young stock instead of 11 cows and 2 young stock like I told him on the phone. Had to come down another \$37.00 - half of what he figured he offered per cow. They took five and the larger of the two heifers. Now I must still keep the rest until another week-end unless he can come sooner. If Jimmie and Squire get theirs today, I'll still have six to take care of - two of the milkers. Well, the boys did get theirs while I as doing chores this morning. I had Jim's milked out, but Squire took his as was. Then they hauled the calf cow home from Tumbledown for me. Separated our milk this morning. Started to drizzle so I filled woodboxes. We rested until 1:30. Then while I was pumping Nan went up to Beveridges to borrow my bean scale, quartered and weighed Prudy's and Edwin's veal - 155# and quartered Mrs. Felton's. Delivered them. Mrs. Felton's weighed 219# liver and all. Some veal. Came home and chored. The Witherspoons visited with us this evening. Two birthday cards tonight, from Thelma and Sherman and Helen Baird.</p>
<p>March 7, Sunday</p>	<p>Very overcast, almost drizzly and foggy some. Very soft under foot. My barn road took a beating yesterday. Wind N.N.E. just an air - 30°. Chored both barns. Only two cows to milk now. Quite a change from eight. Through almost before I start. Bottled our milk this morning, and then I trimmed the skirts, cheeks, etc. from the two veals and bull, so Nan could cook them. Rested until 2:00 P.M., then went to town in Jeep to mail letters, plus Birthday cards to Thelma and Ben Ames. Took ride to west district, then came home by way of Ern's. took him a couple qts. milk, a jar of cream and a check on account. Home and chored. Down from barn before seven. Watched Lassie, Ed Sullivan, and Bonanza.</p>
<p>March 8, Monday <i>Tonny's birthday</i></p>	<p>Happy birthday to us born this day. A pretty calm morning. Considerable high cloudiness. 30°. Has been a beautiful day. Chored both barns. Separated this morning's milk. Rested a while after we got things cleared away until Hiram called about 1:00 to talk and wish me a Happy Birthday. Wheeled down four wheelbarrow loads of manure onto tulip beds and flower gardens. Coons are digging bulbs out and eating them, damn then. Unloaded the milk bottles in Chevelle into carriage house and went to town. Saw boat come, did Tumbledown chores on way home, got a pail of salt water ice for ice cream, lugged in wood, and chored here. Nan made me a birthday cake, and we had the Burgesses and Ames down this evening. Had a nice time. Started the tractor up this P.M. - first time since we hauled the load of banking brush in. Cards from Etta &amp; Jennie, the Winslows, Ann Miller, the Burgesses \$1.00, and Ames \$1.00.</p>



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<p>March 9, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another nice sunny morning. Just an air N.E. Temp. 30°. A nice day but accomplished little. Chored both barns. Bottled the milk this morning. Nan did several churnings with her electric mixer this A.M. Went out on porch this morning to get what was left of last night's batch of ice cream to find it had been cleaned out by a coon. Maybe a small scoop full left. Damn him. He's even digging up Nan's tulip bulbs and eating them. Rested a while, got the bull's legs ready to cook for bull's heels, went uptown to get tractor gas, and gas the Jeep, watched boat come, got my present from Pat and Mike (by Joel Wooster), and came home. They gave me a heavy insulated vest and a handy six. Very nice and thank you.</p>
<p>March 10, Wednesday</p>	<p>Calm and quiet. 30°. Lots of high cloudiness. Became a nice day. Chored both barns. Separated our morning's milk. Nan did more churnings. I finished splitting the C. Cobb Ashley wood and threw up base of slab pile. Rested a while and then drove to the Turner Gate in Jeep. We walked in to the farm and found that the storm of Feb. 25 had really peeled the paper off the roof of the long eastern shed, nearly half of it. Also another junk on the S.E. corner of dormer next to our patch of last yr. And a small piece off the N.W. corner of north side of main house. Also impacted Mrs. Pease's place. Home and chored both barns. Watched "The Virginian" on television.</p>
<p>March 11, Thursday</p>	<p>Another nice milk morning. Sun coming up nicely. Snowed enough so I can see coon tracks on porch. Ground is white. 28°. Air S.W. Became a nice day but cooling this P.M. to be down to 20° tonight. Chored both barns. Bottled the milk. Nan made up the butter she churned yesterday. Rested a while, then worked on XL-12, cleaning it up. About 1:30 we went over to spring and while pumping worked on the blown ups above the spring. At the end of an hour we came out, drove up to Geo. Beverage's field, and walked in to the Freddie Alexander farm to see if I had guessed right when we were looking across from the Turner Place yesterday, and I was. How that place has grown up since I hauled rocks out about 1929, and Elliot has made a great gravel pit in the center of what's left of the field. Was just finishing my barn chores when the cow dealers blew in. Will be around tomorrow morning at 5:45. Watched Peyton Place and Jimmie Dean show.</p>
<p>March 12, Friday</p>	<p>A nice morning but cold - 18° this morning. Strong northerly wind. Ground frozen hard. Up at 5:20. Milked the two cows before the fellows took the four here at 5:50. Then loaded the three at Tumbledown. My last morning of chores - for better or for worse. Sad, sad, sad. Bottled our last milk. Had breakfast, cleared away, and then rested till after noon. Drove over to Montgomerys in Jeep and cleaned up the old pear tree that had been cut down back of the house. Came home, packed the wool that has been hanging in the top of the shop for years, 23#, to ship away to have spun into yarn, and then went uptown to get groceries. Drove over to Hallowell's &amp; into to look at cottages on way home. Stopped at Tumbledown to put a hasp and paddock on barn door. Home to supper and watch television. A long evening.</p>

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<p>March 13, Saturday</p>	<p>Another beautiful morning. 20°. Westerly wind 15 to 20. clear and sunny. No chores this morning. Had breakfast, cleared away, and was just getting ready to go up after Ern when he blew in - he'd walked down. (He'd sent word by Colon last nite that he wanted us to come after him this morning). He wanted to call Margret P. While he was here I cut his hair, the first time since I cut it before last Thanksgiving. He had scallop stew and rhubarb pie with us, and then I took him home, stopping at the sawmill a little while. Dodged down to Hiram's to get bag of potatoes. Came home and then Nan and I went uptown to boat. Came home. Jimmie Brown here after bottle caps. Had supper, cleaned up to go to Burgesses this evening. The Ames there. Everyone pretty weary.</p>
<p>March 14, Sunday</p>	<p>Another beautiful March morning - 20°. Wind W.N.W. Up at 8:00. Took a real complete, full length bath, dressed up and went to church. Called at the Jack Brown's on way home to leave a jug of milk. They gave us a slab of home cured bacon, and 2 big slices of ham (home cured). Should be delicious. Had rested a little while when Garnet and Clara drove in. Had a nice visit with them. They left about 5:00, and then I lugged in wood and we had supper. Had planned to get ready to go to Rockland tomorrow morning but Nan thinks we should take tomorrow to get ready in, and go Tuesday morning. Okay. Wrote to Isa and Dorothy about the roofing off the Turner house. To bed early without watching television.</p>
<p>March 15, Monday</p>	<p>A beautiful, calm, sunny morning and at 6:30 Nan decides we should go to Rockland. 25°. Thrashed and caught boat. Nice trip across. I took taxi out to Sheppard Chevrolet to see about an adjustment on Sampson's bill for Chevelle burned out clutch last Dec. 29, while Nan had her hair washed and set. Then we hired a room at Thorndike and checked our bags. Called Mercedes and talked with her. Took the 12:40 bus to Camden and visited the Rankins and their grain store. Also called at the "Country Store" to see Vance Laite and to get a hair cut at the shop overhead. Mr. Rankin insisted on taking us back to Rockland and then down to Owl's Head by way of Crescent Beach. Had a nice supper with the Oldroyd's after which we and they called on the Bill Hopkinses. After the Oldroyds went home Bill took us on a tour of the house he's buying and then tour of the new Rockland District High School. Some someplace and then to the Thorndike and bed. Pooched. What a full day.</p>
<p>March 16, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another beautiful one. 28°. Up about 8:00. Both took baths in our private bathroom. I shaved and then we met Jim and Lottie outside hotel. Jim had gotten the day off and was taking us riding. After breakfast at the Coffee Pott we struck out Route 1 up along coast to Bucksport - Verona Island bridge and along down through Ellsworth to Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Island. Had our dinner at a lunch room in Bar Harbor and then rode around over the island but couldn't go up on Mt. Cadillac because of ice and snow. What a terrible thing that fire of 1947 must have been. Back to Rockland before 5:00 P.M., got our bags and on down to Oldroyds. Had supper and the Hopkins were in during evening. To bed saddle-sore and weary, but boy oh boy, what a nice ride and day.</p>

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<p>March 18, Thursday</p>	<p>30°. Not so nice a day but pretty good. This is homeward bound day. Had a leisurely breakfast with Lottie and then came in to Rockland about 10:30. The first people we met was Carl and Alyce just getting back from Gertrude's and Gil's. Did some last minute shopping, had dinner at the Thorndike, and then down to the boat. A nice trip across. Found the house okay but real cold. Looks as though some of the plants had chilled - a day or two will tell. Had just gotten the fires going when Carver came in with our box of grapefruit that Colon left Monday night. Evidently Colon had taken the mail back Tuesday night for he brought four day's mail tonight. We had a nice letter from Mrs. Fay - she's coming down with Abbie in April. Broiled an A&amp;P steak for supper and then to bed very weary. It's very very nice to be home after a lovely trip. Everybody was so kind and thoughtful.</p>
<p>March 19, Friday</p>	<p>Uncle Will's birthday. Home just in time. It's foggy and rainy this morning. 32°. Calm. Didn't rain much of any. Hung damp until the middle of P.M. when it cleared off nicely. Cleaned off the top of my desk today, going through the letters, ads, etc. that I've saved for 2 or 3 yrs. Also straightened out my last yr.'s income tax material and made Ern's 1964 account out for him. Uptown at 3:00 in the Jeep to get a few things at store. Saw boat come. Irvan and Lena Stone returned from Florida. Home, lugged in wood, read mail, suppered and watched television.</p>
<p>March 20, Saturday</p>	<p>Cold this morning. 18°. Air N.E. Sun came up nicely. Clouded up to make a disagreeable chilly day this P.M. Started snowing while we were uptown this P.M. Nan did a wash at Burgesses. I spent my free time today picking over the material on my desk and cleaning out my left top drawer. Nan finished churning the cream we left in icebox when we went to mainland. The last of Calderwood's milk and cream. Home after boat came. Lugged in wood and read mail and papers. Watched television. Channel 8 very poor. Guess we'll have to take set to Vinalhaven.</p>

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<p>March 21, Sunday</p>	<p>I reckon we came home just a right time, or everything would be frozen up. 12° above. Ground white with snow. Wind west 15 mi. Sun came up nicely. Cleaned up, had breakfast and went to church. Came home, cleaned out the other two drawers in my desk, and then over to Tumbledown to help Squire get a half-ton of hay. Gave it to him as I felt I'd overcharged him for the cow judging by what I got for the rest of the bunch. Had just rested a few minutes when the Burgesses drove in. Stayed to supper and to 8:30. Watched Bonanza and to bed.</p>
<p>March 22, Monday</p>	<p>Another sunny morning, but cold. 16°. About calm. Has been a very nice day, except for wing being very raw this P.M. Well believe it or not I've finally done what I've talked of doing for years and years. I've gone through the last of my accumulated papers, receipted bills, etc in the top of the living room closet, and made a big bonfire of most of them. Nan has worked over the butter again that she churned Saturday, ironed, and also helped me. Late this P.M. I weighed up 200# hay in home barn for Hazel Brown's girls horse. Suppered after filling woodboxes and then watched television.</p>
<p>March 23, Tuesday</p>	<p>Sun came up very prettily but is now smearing up. 20°. W.S.W. air. Made a nice day all day. Had breakfast, went through the material in our metal safety box, discarding some. Nan did housework, then we rested awhile after which I put a few blown out panes of glass back into shop windows. Must get some more glass. Window sashes are so worn there's no room for brads or points. Uptown before boat came to do shopping. Went by way of middle road and stopped at the Sampson farm to look at the job that was done burning up the barns. Found a couple pair of good door hinges and a latch (storm door). Up to Burgesses to a nice supper and evening. Believe it or not we were ready and waiting to get there at 5:45.</p>
<p>March 24, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny winter morning. Wind N 15 mi. Temp. 18°. Has been a nice day but cool. Breakfasted, worked around house, lugged milk bottles out of entry down to top of shanty. Also dumped out our cooling tubs and put them in top of shanty. Pumped and while pumping, worked on blown ups above spring. Nan in with me. We made quite a showing. One more hitch will finish the mess. Came out about three. Lunched, wrote a thank you letter to the Merriams - they enclosed a ten dollar check along with their last milk check as a gift. Also a thank you letter to the Oldroyds for the nice time they gave us. Suppered and watched television awhile. Talked with Ronny Curtis tonight about putting paper on the Turner Farm bldgs. when it blew off in Feb. gale. First decent warm day.</p>

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<p>March 25, Thursday</p>	<p>What a beautiful month this has been. Another nice day. Not a single stormy day since the first of month that we could rest and enjoy. Wind N.N.W. - 10 mi. Temp. 20°. Has been a very good day. Had breakfast, did some house chores, ground an axe and my machete, and then filed my XL-12. Started inside butchering place gate to clear and widen the old town road up by birch grove to where I cut the wood against Cobb's land last yr. Worked until Nan was ready to go to Bertha's to get her hair set. Went with her and visited with the well driller at Harry Worrell's during the hour. Then downtown and home, worked another hr. In woods. Then had supper and up to Burgesses to watch Channel 8 programs.</p>
<p>March 26, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like a change coming in the weather. Very heavy overcast. Wind S.E. 30°. Had breakfast, house chored, over to Montgomerys to put tags on Land Rover plates, and then out to work inside butchering place gate. Nan stayed out with me until she began to dampen through from the snow that started falling about 10:00 A.M. Snowed most all day, nearly till dark when it rained for a short time. Burned two piles brush. I stayed in till after one when I began to dampen through. Rested this P.M. Bill Hurd in a few minutes. Brought check for his last milk. Montgomerys arrived this P.M. Stopped in to get keys. Up to Ern's before dark as he sent word by mail that he wanted to see me. Wants some wood hauled out. Back home and supper.</p>
<p>March 27, Saturday</p>	<p>Clear, cool and windy. 20 mi. N.W. 30°. Was just getting ready to eat breakfast when Montgomery blew in first time. Wanted to borrow a hack saw. In during day four more times. After breakfast I unloaded the brush that has been on the trailer since last January, and then loaded the trailer with my sawed slabs on dump piece. Took it up to Ern's and unloaded it right into his woodshed. Then went out into the woods with him after filing his chain saw and junked up blown ups for him nearly two hrs. Cleared a road through to his cleaned up area and hauled out a load of dried limbs for him. Was just unloaded when Nan drove up to say Montgomery had been out three times to see me. Came out again as soon as I got home. Wanted to talk future plans but didn't make any suggestions. We went uptown with him at boat time in Land Rover, then as soon as we got home we went up to Aunt Ruth's in Chevelle to get ironing. Back and tried to watch our Sat. night programs but channel 8 wouldn't come in. To bed weary.</p>
<p>March 28, Sunday</p>	<p>Winter again. 18°. Wind west. Just an air. Beautiful day and a full one. Breakfasted, cleaned up and went to church. Home, changed clothes, some and up to Beveridges to a nice dinner. Roast mutton, potatoes, cauliflower, etc. with pecan pie for dessert. Home about 3:00 P.M. Rested a while then took a walk up to old Mullen house to see the improvements that had been made this winter trimming up and cutting out trees, then a ride around the pond, home, changed clothes, and over to Montgomerys to a delicious steak (4 in.) supper. Home at 10:00 - full to overflowing with discomfort all night. Two big meals in one day.</p>

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<p>March 29, Monday</p>	<p>A pretty pretty morning. 18°. Air N.E. By nine A.M. wind had aired up, sun had gone, and it has been raw and disagreeable all day. Ronny called at 6:30 to say Sonny could work at Turner Farm today. We went in about 9:00 and worked right straight through without lunch to 3:30. Had to go back to town to get 3 more rolls of roofing and more strapping. Pretty raw and chilly at times. Had just had a bite to eat after getting home when Montgomery came in. Fierce to buy the rest of cellar hold field and more of the point pasture. I can't see it right now. Supper, watched television, and to bed.</p>
<p>March 30, Tuesday</p>	<p>Started snowing during night, and still snowing now at 7:00 A.M. Probably 3 inches quietly. Sun came out about 9 A.M. and really took the snow. Became a pretty P.M. Had breakfast and rested this A.M. Went to town by way of north shore road about 2:00 P.M. Frank Sampson visited in Chevelle with us a half hour or so when boat came. Home and suppered. Montgomerys called about 6:00 a few moments. Up to Jennie's and Etta's to play Rook this evening. Played 7 games. Nan and Etta won 4 of them, but Jennie and I had the larger total score. Had a nice evening.</p>
<p>March 31, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another beauty. Sunny but windy. N.W. 20 mi. Temp. 16°. Well, this is an anniversary. 27 yrs. ago today we moved to Little Thoroughfare onto Indian Point Farm. Who'd believe it? It doesn't seem possible. What a month this has been. Just one little snowstorm in the whole 31 days. Breakfasted and house chored. Nan did a couple washes here and I worked in young growth above butchering place gate. Not going ahead on road very fast as I've cut too wide a swath. Have cleared right back to fence above gate. Worked until most 5:00 taking out time for a lunch and to weigh. Hazel Brown up another 200# of hay at this barn. Watched the Virginian and Dick Van Dyke shows tonight.</p>
<p>April 1, Thursday</p>	<p>Good morning April and a pretty one it is too. 20°. Air N.W. Breakfasted and did house chores, filling the woodboxes, etc. Nan cleaned our bedroom, wall, ceilings, windows and woodwork, and I worked in woods above spring while I was pumping. Finished cleaning up the blown ups and leaners and am ready to haul that batch out anytime. Came in about 1:30, had lunch, changed clothes, and went to town by way of west district. Had seen a lot of smoke and wondered where the fire was. Watched boat come, John Lermond visited in Chevelle with us. Went to office to declare valuation. Home, and went out above butchering place gate. Worked about an hour. Trimmed up what I left yesterday and cut as much more. Supper and watched television.</p>

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<p>April 2, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice one coming up. A little smeary, calm temp. 20°. Has been a nice day. Decided about the middle of A.M. to go to Vinalhaven, so made ready to go as we especially wanted to take the television down to Lewie Merritheu - channel 8 wouldn't stay snapped in an the picture narrowed in. Got down there just before 12:00. Left the television and then up to Pat's and Mike's. Had a lunch and then while the children were sleeping I went back down town. Visited with H.G. at bowling alley after checking in on television. Bowled a couple strings with Greg, first time in over 30 yrs. About 70. Sawed down the stumps in Mike's lawn before super as I had the XL-12 with me. After supper I went up to the new bowling alley with Mike to watch the leaguers bowl. The girls up later and we bowled a couple strings. I have no difficulty getting the balls down the gutter. Back to Pat's and to bed.</p>
<p>April 3, Saturday</p>	<p>Another pretty one. Wind N.W. Temp - 25°? Mike went to work at Lewis' at 7:00. After a leisurely breakfast I kept house while Nan and Pat went shopping, then after they came back, I continued to babysit while they raked and cleaned up the dooryard and hauled a load of cultch to the dump. While the babies were sleeping after lunch, we all had a nap. Then I went downtown and loaded the T.V. Pd \$4.50 for labor charge. Took Little Mike up to new alleys to bowl a couple strings. Nan, Pat and baby came up shortly behind, and at 5:00 we started for home. Home at 5:45. Fires out of course but house not cold like last time. Read our 2 days papers and televisioned a little while. Reception some better than what we've been having. To bed weary and so lame from bowling I can hardly walk.</p>
<p>April 4, Sunday</p>	<p>Another handsome one. Wind N.W. Sunny. Temp. 30°. Last night as we were coming home, and broke out of Turner woods, there were 4 deer tearing up across the Gillis' field, white flags a flying. Quite a sight. Breakfasted, cleaned up and went to church. Came home by way of north shore road to get some milk at Arlene's. Had been home only a little while when Jimmie Brown came with a check for second and final payment on his cow. He only stayed a few minutes, then we had ice cream and cake before riding up to Don's and Cynthia's. Visited a while then took them on a ride around the island and down to west district. Came home, suppered and watched the hr. show on Gen. Douglas MacArthur, then Bonanza. Boy, are we over lame from bowling.</p>
<p>April 5, Monday</p>	<p>Another sunny pretty one, and is it ever dry out top of ground. There would be no stopping a fire now. 32° - air N.W. Breakfasted, helped with house chores, filled the XL-12 and worked above butchering place gate. Trimmed what I left sawed down Thursday P.M. and used up two tanks of gas more during day. Made quite a start along the old road this day. Another day should see me pretty well through it. Unbelievable how it has grown up. Over to Montgomerys a few minutes after lunch to check on house. Nan continued to clean house today, also varnished bathroom floor. Suffered through the Academy Awards for movies tonight. Pretty draggy. To bed very lame and weary.</p>

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<p>April 6, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another pretty one. Wind - air N.W. 30°. Made a good showing on road this day but pooched it all late this P.M. Was just making the last half minute cut before getting through at 4:30 when the saw whipped across into my right knee. Put an ugly 3 inch gash right across the side of my knee joint. A half inch further across the knee and I'd severed the big tendon over the knee. Nan had just come from washing at Burgesses and had walked into the woods. We walked out and Nan took me up to the Dr.'s. Had to wait as he'd just gone to H.D.'s to sew up a child's head - fell on a rock. He took one stitch in my knee, and then pulled the rest together with tape. Pretty tender and stiff tonight but not very painful. I'd be in a mess if I had two barn full of chores.</p>
<p>April 7, Wednesday</p>	<p>Still another beautiful one. White frost last night. Wind S.W. and S. this P.M. and raw. Dr. Shields down this A.M. to give me a shot of penicillin and dressed the wound. Looked good and clean. Have laid around the house all day. Wrote a letter to Isa Ames enclosing Ronny Curtis' bill on Turner Farm Job and also J.O.B. and Son for material. Came to about \$55.00 plus my work time of \$11.55. Also made out our last milk tax sheet - \$1.64. Uptown a few minutes at boat time - 4:30 but boat had beaten us. One boat serving both islands now. Home, suppered and watched television till nine.</p>
<p>April 8, Thursday</p>	<p>Not so pretty, almost drizzling this morning. Temp. 32°. Southerly wind. Leg apparently coming along okay. Started to rain middle of forenoon and kept up well late into afternoon, but really didn't amount to much. Have just laid around reading and resting; have accomplished nothing. Had to take the adhesive tape off the back side of my knee this P.M. as it was blistering me leg so. Lottie called from Owl's Head tonight. Have watched Rifleman, Daniel Boone, My Three Sons, Bewitched, Peyton Place and Jimmie Dean tonight.</p>
<p>April 9, Friday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning. Sun coming up in back of Burnt Island now. 32°. Air S.W. Red Winged blackbirds arrived yesterday. 2 beautiful ground pigeons on lawn this morning. Doctor down to dress knee this A.M. Is looking very good. Says it will be two or three days yet before can use it much. Walked to barn and back twice to check water in cistern. Forgot key to padlock on door first trip. Uptown late this P.M. to shop and see boat come. Don and Cynthia called this evening. Also Harvey and Shirley, Harvey brought back Uncle Will's gun that Bill Gregory gave him after I'd loaned it to Bill for yrs.</p>
<p>April 10, Saturday</p>	<p>Another nice morning but air appears to be N.E. +32°. Has been a peach of a day. Wind became N.W. Another day of laying around. Walked over to spring and started pump about 1:00 P.M. Then weighed up a couple hundred pounds of hay for Hazel Brown. They came for it while I was doing the weighing. Uptown to see boat come and to get week and groceries. Home, suppered, and back up to Burgesses to watch television. Home at 11:40.</p>



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<p>April 11, Sunday</p>	<p>Palm Sunday. Another pretty one. What a spring to really get some work done if only a man were young and ambitious. 38°. Air N.W. Cleaned up and went to church. Dorothy and Eliot Beveridge called for nearly a half-hour just as we'd started getting ready for church. Brought us a bag of parsnips. Gave Frank &amp; Orilla a ride down to west district and back on our way home from church as he was telling about the fish hawk building on their nest down by Cabot's. First one we've seen this year. Home and rested a little while. Over to Montgomerys with a B &amp; R package. Jack, Betty and boys called a little while about 5:00 P.M. Betty was collecting serving dishes for Uncle Herb's and Aunt Ruth's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary reception next week. Suppered and watched television. Lawrence Grant - 235# hay from home barn.</p>
<p>April 12, Monday</p>	<p>A chilly dull, overcast morning. Wind N.E. 40°. Could rain. Started a drizzly rain with some snow flakes mixed in about 9:30 and kept it up most of the day and into the evening. Nan cleaned some in Pat's room. I burned the brush on house garden and the pile of raspberry canes on garage garden. Then I went out inside of butchering place gate and burned all the brush piles below the pile of old logs. Began to get dampened through so came in about 1:30. Spent rest of P.M. reading. Watched a little television this evening. Montgomerys called by telephone this A.M.</p>
<p>April 13, Tuesday</p>	<p>Weather still dull and wet. Must have rained and snowed considerable during night. Wind still N.E. 30°. Worked out in woods this A.M. until 12:30 when chain saw chain snapped in two. Trimmed up what I had sawed down last Tuesday when I sawed my knee and then finished sawing the small stuff out of the road and trimmed that. Everything dripping wet. Started to junk up some blown-ups further, along when my chain snapped in two. Cleaned up, changed clothes, left Jeep at Brown's to have Pat get windshield wiper working and patch floor, and took the Vinalhaven boat to V.H. Had supper party at Pat's as it was Loren's first birthday. The elder Bunkers and Hooker Claytors there. Wes stayed down. Loren is a cunning little boy.</p>
<p>April 14, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice sunny day. Wind N.E. Chilly. Nan helped Pat paper the walls of what will be the spare bedroom this A.M. I took Little Mike on two walks, first up to the dump and down to Harland's shore and then after coming back from there we walked down to the Library corner, up around by Plato Arey's, down the third street there, and home again. Downtown while children were sleeping this P.M. and got hair cut. Nan did some shopping after the children woke up, and then Pat brought us up to the ferry landing about 4:45. Mike showed us through the new Lewis cottage. A beautiful place. Home at 5:45 and glad to be back. Had a Bud Carver T-Bone steak for supper.</p>

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<p>April 15, Thursday</p>	<p>Sun rose nicely but clouding up. Wind W. or W.S.W. - 30°. Has been a good day but raw with wind off water S.E. then coming out S.W. this P.M. and back to S.E. with rain all night. Repaired my chain saw chain and worked in woods up near Cobb's line, clearing up blown ups and cutting several about getting to the wood of last year. Came out about 1:30 so Nan could go uptown in Jeep to gas up and do a wash at Burgesses. One more tree to clean up out by Cobb's line and I'll be through out there. Spent the rest of P.M. on the growth between fence and road from butchering place gate in this way. Got in about halfway. Abbie called tonight to say she'd be bringing her own conveyance and keeping it here during her stay. So wouldn't need our Jeep. Mrs. Fay coming with her.</p>
<p>April 16, Friday</p>	<p>Raining hard this morning and rained hard all night. Southerly wind gusting up to 40 this morning. Didn't accomplish much this day, except to make out seed orders. One to Allen, Sterling and Lothrop, and one to Burpee's \$21.00 and 10.00. Cleaned up and went uptown in Chevelle to meet Abbie and Mrs. Fay as there were so many cars lined up that Abbie couldn't get her car aboard the Libby. Brought them down to Abbie's and visited with them a little while, lugging water for Abbie and trying to turn her Servel refrigerator on but not gas enough. The Fisher family came tonight too. Left our Jeep for Abbie to use until the boat makes a special trip tomorrow.</p>
<p>April 17, Saturday</p>	<p>A pretty morning. Wind or air westerly. A nice day all day. Worked on day before yesterday P.M.'s project. Finished cutting and trimming the area. Then cut the growth around the telephone pole midway of the hog pen piece and around the electric light pole and the brook at this end of the same piece. Cleaned up and went up town just before boat came. Went to Legion Hall to Uncle Herb's and Aunt Ruth's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary reception. Quite a time. Stopped at Abbie's on way home in Jeep to help Abbie put a new door into garage - one to replace the kitchen door in house. Nan came home by middle road to get potatoes at Hiram's. We visited with Abbie and Mrs. Fay a little while. Up to the Peters to spend evening. The Bun Smiths and Don Witherspoons there.</p>
<p>April 18, Sunday</p>	<p>Happy Easter Day. Sun came up beautifully. Air west. 31°. A beautiful day. Went to church. A large crowd there compared to most Sundays, but small to what it should have been. Came home by way of N.S. road, taking a ride out on to Oak Hill. Jimmie Brown has cleared up a lot of trees over there. Rested this P.M. Up to Burgesses this evening. Sheila home this weekend. Paul Quinn came in. Had pineapple sherbet and cake for refreshments.</p>

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<p>April 19, Monday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice morning coming up. Some high cloudiness. Cold 28°. Air W. Has been a nice day. Over to Montgomerys to haul off the brush Nan took off Mrs. M.'s flower garden. Put the brush on one of our brush piles out beyond. Worked in woods out on ridge while pumping cistern full of water. Filled both chain saws, lunched, then out to wood lot inside Cobb's line to junk into Ashley junks and clean up the big dead tree I left sawed down the last day I was in the. Used McCulloch. Then junked up into Ashley junks a big tree on Birch Tree corner that don W. left in heavy lengths. Shifted from there to beyond school house to start trimming and junking the trees that the light company toppled into the woods when they run the line through. Got the largest one pretty much junked into Ashley pieces. Nan uptown and walked into Turner Place with Abbie and Mrs. Fay. Found somebody had been shooting out windows. Up to Community Bldg this evening to see movies by Garden Club - Migratory birds, butterflies, and Litter Bugs.</p>
<p>April 20, Tuesday</p>	<p>Considerable overcast - calm 32°. Mrs. Fay goes back with Clara Waterman to Mass. This morning. Has been a nice day. Drove into the Turner Place to look over the broken windows and measure up for glass. Found six panes broken out completely and counted 10 more with one or more holes through them. Uptown to get glass and glazier points but could get only 2 - 7 x 9 panes and had to have 2 6x8 panes cut. We stopped at Abbie's on way home to invite her over to supper. Got to work out beyond the old school house on yesterday P.M.'s project about 12:00. Worked there until 4:30. Nan came out and we went uptown again. Met Jerry Fernald and went into Turner Place with him. Was able to see some B.B. shot on floor in room so we know it was done with air rifles or rifle. Home at 5:30 to get ready for supper. Had a nice supper and evening.</p>
<p>April 21, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another beautiful morning but it stays cold. 30°. Air eastern or N.E. A nice day this A.M. but very raw this P.M. Had to wear a frock working up in night pasture. Spent all of A.M. at Turner Farm replacing glass and patching glass - 7 new panes and several patches. Weighed up 10 bales of hay for Hazel Marden as soon as I got home. Nan did two washes at Burgesses. The P.M. we spent pruning the bedding down trees in the night pasture and trimming the limbs into firewood. Made quite a change. One more part day up there and I must get going on something else. Abbie over a few minutes before supper. Seeds came from Allen Sterling and Lothrop. Also my first issue of Successful Farming.</p>
<p>April 22, Thursday</p>	<p>Rained during night. Pretty wet this morning. Wind Westerly. 32°. Cleared to a very nice day. This A.M. we burned a large part of the brush we made yesterday P.M. in the night pasture, and also a pile for Montgomery up on his pasture side hill. Walked down onto our western beach, Stone Cove beach that is. Found probably 10 or 12 fathom of new nylon potwarp. What a mess the trees are, all blowing in. spent P.M. up by the old O.P. ledges limbing and trimming up the trees there. Left off long enough about boat time to go uptown to get an insured package out of post office - a twelve hold Martin house Mr. Montgomery sent us. Must find time to put it together now. Over to Abbie's to a nice supper. The Beveridges there too. Home at 9:00. Watched Bewitched, Peyton Place and Jimmie Dean show.</p>

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<p>April 23, Friday</p>	<p>A nice clear morning. Air N.E. 30°. Quite a chill in the air all day. Worked up in corner of night pasture beyond O.P. ledge. Finished limbing and trimming trees down into corner. Spent nearly all P.M. assembling the 12 hole Martin House that came yesterday. What a job. Just one-tenth enough instructions. Now I've got to find some way of reducing the size of the doorways. Big enough for a yellow-hammer to go through. Garnet and Clara down this evening to help write out cemetery cards. Had a nice time. Has rained a little this evening as well as snowed.</p>
<p>April 24, Saturday</p>	<p>A nice clear morning but cold. 28°. Air N.E. Stayed nice all day. Nan helped Abbie clean a bedroom this A.M. I went up to Brown's shop to get a piece of thin pine to make reducers for the big bird house openings, also some screws at Wayside. Made twelve reducers finally after splitting four or five while making them. Dug Nan's flower garden up by hands, pretty wet, while she repaired the bird house on telephone pole. I put that back up. We lunched, rested a few minutes, uptown to shop, saw boat come, home, worked over in shop again until after mail came. Putting the reducers inside of house openings. Used stove bolts and it worked pretty good. Had Abbie over to baked bean supper and evening.</p>
<p>April 25, Sunday</p>	<p>Clear, calm and cold. 24°. Just an air westerly. Went to church. Met Sherm and Helen Baird there with the John Lermonds. The Bairds had a couple by the name of Crane with them. Rode down to Snow's new building after church and looked it over. Quite a chance from what it was during the winter. Windows from ceiling to floor. Saw Abbie off on boat, then visited with the Bairds at Link Davis' apartment at the casino a little while. The Sampsons there. Came home and rested. Up to Burgesses this evening. Had to call the Coast Guard to tell them the light was out on Goose Rock Light. Saw first eave swallow arrive this A.M. The Bairds visited at Burgesses this evening also or too.</p>
<p>April 26, Monday</p>	<p>Overcast, cloudy and raw. Wind S.W. 15 to 20. 34°. Damn this fast time. Why fool with nature? There's only 24 hours in a day. Started to drizzle about 9:00 and rained and drizzled a large part of the whole day. Changed the oil in the rototiller and started it up. Didn't start good like last year. Had started getting pretty wet by that time so I rigged up and went up by the old O.P. ledges and burned the brush I made the other day. Then shifted out beyond Carver's to burn the brush piles alongside of road. Finished about 2:00 P.M. Lunched, rested a little while, then spent remainder of P.M. in top of shop. Started to build a bird house to go on front of woodshed. Had the Bairds and Burgesses down to supper. Sliced ham, dandelion greens, salad etc. Had a nice time. Showed some of my color slides during evening.</p>

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<p>April 27, Tuesday</p>	<p>Must have rained nearly all night. Still foggy and heavy overcast. Calm. 34°. Not much sun today but fairly comfortable to work outdoors. Over to start pump this morning, dug hole in S.E. corner of Nan's rocked-in garden, put colony house onto pipe pole, and placed the outfit inside a piece of six inch tile in the hole I dug. Used beach gravel around the pipe pole. Shall have to use concrete if we keep it there permanently. Shut off pump, rotered about an 18 ft. strip on edge of below power house garden. Made three furrows. Planted two rows of Burpeeanna peas, and one row to Buttercrunch and Early Prizehead lettuce, and Asgrew Wonder Beets. Also made a furrow in Nan's garden, manured it, and planted Nan's sweet peas. Nan took Helen Baird and MaryLu into Turner Farm this P.M. I finished the bird house I started yesterday. Up to Ern's a few minutes after supper. Came home by way of southern road.</p>
<p>April 28, Wednesday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog and calm. 38°. Everything wet. Took off our storm windows this A.M. Made another row on below power house garden and Nan planted a pound of onion sets. I rotered another fifteen feet or so on same garden, and then the upper half of house garden. Think I shall plant all this piece to potatoes this yr. Spent rest of P.M. hauling limbs and wood out of night pasture - 2 loads. Nearly cleaned it up. Received a letter form Isa Ames with check enclosed for the two jobs I've done there, along with checks for Brown's shop and Ronny Curtis. Also a letter from Mrs. Fay offering me 50.00 a month yr. round to take care of Bull Rock and plant her garden. We went over to Abbie's after supper to dig Pat a mess of greens.</p>
<p>April 29, Thursday</p>	<p>Clear, sunny, calm and cold. 32°. A very nice day. Nan thrashed around to be uptown at 8:15 to go to Vinalhaven with Helen Baird and Mrs. Burgess. Went in Helen's station wagon. I cleaned up what was left of the limbs outside of O.P. tree group, and what Ern and I trimmed last yr. Making a road across end of oak tree field. Had a fair load in both places. Then brought in a load of 4 ft. wood from Indian Pt. - some D.W. has cleaned up for Montgomery in my lot. Rt. hand side rail on trailer completely let go so I had to replace it. Took 2 hrs. or so. Brought in a second big load from Indian Point completely cleaning it up, including what I'd cut making brush. Was loading the alders alongside of road across from hog pen piece when Nan returned from V.H. Had nearly a load there. Cleaned them up. Wasn't supposed to be weary after giving up animal chores everybody told me but we seem to be.</p>
<p>April 30, Friday</p>	<p>Another cold one. White frost 30°. Calm. Sun coming up nicely. Has been a nice day. Have worked very briskly. Moved 5 trailer (S.B.) loads of sawed slab wood from dump piece to wood pile by wood shed. Put the second load into the wood shed and tiered it up. Nan helped me considerable, and we cleaned the pile up. Then hauled up the odds and ends of lumber that we threw out when we sawed the slabs last spring. This cleans up the dump piece except for sawdust piles, pieces of bark, etc. Helen Baird made a short door step call this P.M.; invited up to the Ames this evening. He showed us a few of his colored slides taken with his new camera. Very good. Home at 12:00.</p>

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<p>May 1, Saturday</p>	<p>Good morning pretty May Day. 40°. Northerly air. Sunny. Has been a very nice day all day. Made three more furrows on below power house garden. Hauled a trailer load (S.B.) of manure from manure pile to end of garden. Manured out the three rows and planted two of them to Blue Bantam peas and the third to parsnips, Bloomsdale spinach, New Zealand Spinach, and Swiss Chard. Then planted Nan's dwarf sweet peas alongside of rhubarb on edge of house garden. Ernie Boy blew in about 1:30 and stayed until we had to go uptown at three. Stopped at Tumbledown barn on way home to weigh up a load of hay for Lawrence Grant. Then up to H.S.B.'s to get a couple boxes of potatoes to start sprouting. Hazel Marden came after a couple hundred pounds of hay just as we'd finished supper.</p>
<p>May 2, Sunday</p>	<p>Looks like another nice one coming up. Air N.E. 32°. Has been a beautiful day, but things are getting very dry again. Cleaned up and went to church. As we started a little early we went by N.S. road and were just in time to see the Watson family take off in their plane. Rev. Mitchell of V.H. spoke at church today as Mr. Merriam is unwell. In to Fuller cemetery looking around a few minutes. Saw boat go, home about 1:30. I finished the bird house and placed it on end of wood shed that I started a few days ago. Nan made an apple and a lemon pie. We rested a little while. Invited the Beveridges down to supper - fried chicken, baked potato etc. Had a nice evening.</p>
<p>May 3, Monday</p>	<p>Nan washed at Burgesses. Another pretty winter morning. 27°. Calm as a kitten's sleep on the water. A nice day but very raw and disagreeable this P.M. Put tags on tractor and trailers this morning, took grade blade out of bottom of shop, put plow controls on tractor, and hitched onto plow. Started for H.S.B.'s at 9:30. Furrowed his small garden back of barn, then plowed his big garden at end of house, mostly before lunch. Nan stopped by on way to town to say Vance Laite was coming from Camden at 1:30 and wanted to meet me at Mrs. Pease's. Nan came back and picked me up, and I met him. He's looking over the place about making repairs. Back to H.S.B.'s at 3:00. Furrowed his little garden at end of garage, plowed a new piece out beyond western end of barn and then made 25 furrows on big garden. Home at 5:00. Williams, the well driller, called on us this evening, an hour and a half or so.</p>
<p>May 4, Tuesday</p>	<p>Foggy and damp this morning. Almost calm. 38°. Became one of the nicest so far. Northerly wind which is really drying out the top of ground. Spread potatoes in top of shop to sprout. Then up to Ern's to plow. Spent nearly a half-hour hunting for Ern but couldn't find him. Had his old strawberry garden over half plowed when he came out of woods. Finished that garden and then plowed him one at western end of house. Started to shear his two sheep at 12:30. One had never been sheared and the other only as a yearling. At least 3 yrs. wool on them. Also trimmed their feet. Took over 2 hrs. Came home and was going to plow Mrs. Fay's garden only to discover that the trip cable on plows had broken coming home. Spent remainder of P.M. hunting along road for U bolt clamp but couldn't find it. Went to Cemetery Meeting at Memorial Room this evening after calling on the Merriams a few minutes. Took him a \$100 gift check from Vance Laite. Took Ern to meeting and back home again. Voted to have work day at cemetery this Thursday at 1:00 P.M.</p>

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<p>May 5, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another pretty one. Air westerly. 38°. Has been a beautiful day. Changed the oil in lawn mower and got it going. Nan mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn in front of house. I put new wire cable on plows, and plowed a new garden at Fay's by big cliff ledge in front of house. Raked chopped up weed stalks off old garden, and plowed that. Then we both raked and cleaned up around Fay's house. All we can do until we haul the cultch off and Forest gets through. Up to Ern's after lunch. Harrowed his two pieces, and then harrowed the center ridge in his road. Took shingle off end peak window in Tumbledown barn on way home. Harrowed Fay's two pieces. Cleaned up and up to Castle at 5:30. Had a nice supper with Beveridges. Potato salad, broiled hot dogs, etc. Very good. Home at 9:00 and to bed. The wool off Ern's two sheep weighed 43 1/2 lbs.</p>
<p>May 6, Thursday</p>	<p>One nice day after another. Air north. 38°. Another beauty - very nice. Took harrows of tractor and hooked onto S.B. trailer. Put new reverse belt onto Simplicity tiller and finished rotoring house garden. Gathered up everything I could think of that we might need at the cemetery - chain saw, hand saw, spades, rakes, maul, hammers, etc. Got there at 1:00. Worked with "Chick" mostly. Squared ends of fence posts and junked them with XL-12, bored and laced them. Others went along, took wire off broken ones, refastened wire, etc. Dalon and Jimmie hauled off old posts and cultch that the women folks raked up. Made quite a showing but didn't get fence along north side touched at all. Must use another day. Invited up to Thorntons this evening. Home and to bed weary at 11:30.</p>
<p>May 7, Friday</p>	<p>A nice sunny winter morning. Calm as calm. Garden all white with frost. 30°. A good day but chilly wind all day. Pumped. Put plow onto tractor and thrashed up to H.S.B.'s to finish furrowing out his gardens for him - \$8.00. Brought home most a peck of my big Fernald white potatoes to start sprouting. Rotored Mrs. Fay's new garden, took up our two big clumps of peonies that have grown for years in the center of our lawn, separated the clumps and replanted them along Nan's garden stone wall. Uptown at boat time to gas for tractor, and groceries. Home and re-rotored part of house garden. First planting of lettuce and beets showing. Watched Rawhide tonight. To bed weary.</p>
<p>May 8, Saturday</p>	<p>Heavy cloudiness and cold. 40°. Has been disagreeably chilly all day. Strong S.W. wind. Not a pretty morning. Worked on Mrs. Fay's garden this A.M. Worked the chobbed up sod from harrowing and rotoring across the piece into the dead furrow, then furrowed it out with potato hoe. Had eight furrows. Planted the two net to bank to peas. Outside row to Alderman, second one to Freezonian. Too windy to plant beets, lettuce and carrots, and too cold to plant beans. Trimmed the dead grass out of my Chinese elm hedge before lunch. Garnet and Clara came with a nice mess of cod heads all ready to fry. About 1:30 Corrine Demmons came with my 8 bags of Fertilizer. Loaded our rototiller into Jeep and took it to garage to have a furrower rigged onto it. Frank did the work. \$1.50 pd. Home and fried cod heads for supper. Very good. Watched Lawrence Welk and Gunsmoke. Stopped at Haskell's on way home to get some onion sets for Mrs. Fay.</p>

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<p>May 9, Sunday</p>	<p>Happy Mother's Day. Sprinkled a few drops last night as we made ready for bed, but amounted to nothing. A dull, cold morning. Cloudy S.W. wind. 40°. Cleaned up and went to church. Nan stayed home. Went by way of Ernie Boy's to leave him his whetstone which I brought home the day I sheared his sheep. Only 24 at church, pretty small showing for Mother's Day. Mr. Mitchell spoke again today. Home, lunched, and then went on a tour of inspection - Montgomery's, Abbie's, the cemetery on the Cora Ames farm that the Legion is cleaning up, the Fuller cemetery, the Stan Quinn place at Pulpit Harbor, and then to Garnet Thornton's to return a dish. They took us through Valentine's and Norton's bldgs. Home, suppered and watched television. Jimmie Brown dropped in a minute to pay for the leftover grain I sold him. This is the first warm night we've had this spring.</p>
<p>May 10, Monday</p>	<p>My, but it is warm this morning. Nearly up to 60°. Had sprinkled some during night. Flat calm. A full day. Sprinkled considerable this A.M. enough so we got damp some. Nan cleaned up the flower garden in front of Mrs. Fay's picture window. I fertilized her garden and planted a row of beets, a row of carrots and a half row each of Early Prizehead and Buttercrunch lettuce. On outside row 20 ft. of sweet peas. Also a half double row of onion sets. Damp enough by 11:00 so we left off. Pat called to ask if we'd meet she and children at ferry landing at 11:30. Nan went after he and I started working up manure in ground mow. Had stopped raining after lunch so little Mike and I screened some of Forrest's grading material and filled in the old flower trench in front of Mrs. Fay's house. Then while Mike was sailing his boat on beach, Ern and I dug a small mess of clams. Ern drove in about 3:30. Brought us a piece of Pollock. Ern went uptown with us when we took Pat and children up at 5:00. Home and tried out the furrower on Simplicity rotor on house garden. A good furrow but not quite deep enough.</p>
<p>May 11, Tuesday</p>	<p>A very dull morning. Almost calm. Air N.E. An occasional sprinkle. Heavy clouds. 44°. Finished working up the manure in ground mow. Then lowered the furrower on Simplicity another inch or so by boring another hole in furrower Went through the furrows by hand that I made last night then completed furrowing the garden with the rotor, and went through them by hand. Have 23 furrows for potatoes and outside one for dahlias. Uptown at Boat time to get some things at store. Home by way of H.S.B.'s to pick up dahlias. After supper I cleaned bean vines, pumpkin vines etc. off long corn garden back of barn and burned them. To bed weary. Had first mess of our rhubarb sauce.</p>



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<p>May 12, Wednesday</p>	<p>Foggy with grass very wet this morning. 42°. Cleared to a so very nice day. Over to Tumbledown first thing this morning to let H.S.B. into barn to get some manure out of ground mow. Have told him he could have half of all he wants to clean out. Then up to Mrs. Pease's to clean up the dead starlings in house. Must have swept up the remains of at least six. Then home to cut the dead canes out of Nan's raspberries. Cleaned over half before going up to Burgesses to lunch - corned hake - home and finished the raspberries. Took plows off tractor, hauled raspberry canes to beach and burned them, cleaned up the piles of rakings around Fay's to shore and burned them, cleaned up the pile of weeds and sods at end of her woodshed and filled hole near ledge, hauled 100 spade fulls gravel of my beach to our garage driveway. Cleaned up the sawdust piles and chips off dump piece, raked where the wood piles were and spread it among raspberry bushes. Weighed up ten bales hay for Hazel Brown. Second lot dandelion greens for supper. Up to Memorial room to alumni meeting tonight. Only 7 of us there. Home at 10:15. Nan stayed home.</p>
<p>May 13, Thursday</p>	<p>Nan mowed our lawn along with Fay's today. Sun came up pretty as a picture. Just an air S.W. Fields and laws are greening up beautifully now. A good enough working day but chilly with wind off the water. Started to rain about 4:00 P.M. and rained real hard during evening. Nan started cleaning at Fay's this A.M. Cleaned Mrs. Fay's bedroom except windows and swept upstairs. I spent all day hauling wood in from Cobb's wood lot that Don W. cut. Had 5 loads on pulp trailer and 1 load on S.B. of Ashley junks. Would have got another load of odds and ends out of Cobb's Park, where I cleaned up the tree over ladies slippers last spring, if rain hadn't stopped. Uptown just at boat time. Called on Betty and Jack on way home to see when he'd be wanting to turn animals out. Had a cup of coffee with them. Home, supper and watched television. Told Jack he might turn his horses out at Mrs. Pease's if he'd assume responsibility for fences and tide fences.</p>
<p>May 14, Friday</p>	<p>H.S.B. gave us a mess of rhubarb. Wet and cold this morning but sun is shining. Wind N.N.E. 10 mi. 38°. Must try to plant some of my potatoes this day. Became a very nice day. Wind backed in northerly. Nan worked up to Mrs. Fay's this forenoon dug a big pan of greens, planted another row of onions on our below power house garden, and I don't know what else. I cut up all my sprouted potatoes in top of shop, 6 10 qt. pails full, dropped them on house garden, 18 1/2 rows, fertilized them, and then covered them with plow on hand cultivator. Made and fertilized an onion row for Nan. And started to rotor some of below powerhouse garden, but rotor engine had a refusal spell - dirt in gas, I guess -so got very little done. The Peters and Witherspoons down after 2 yds. Manure for Peters. Visited with them a half hr. or so. After supper up to H.S.B.'s to get more potatoes and checked on Calderwood lot in fuller cemetery. Must mow it. Kept on downtown and then home.</p>

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<p>May 15, Saturday</p>	<p>Another white frost. Calm and sunny this morning. Bet I lost the dahlia roots I left laying on ground last night. 30°. Nan did housework as well as make two pies - rhubarb and blueberry. I cut up and dropped four and a half more rows potatoes, fertilized them and covered them. Rotored a little more on below power house piece, made 3 more furrows, manured them and planted 2 to Freezonian peas and the other to 1/3 carrots and balance to mixed beans, top crop and green pod. Put plows on and plowed Marion Hopkins garden this P.M. Came home, shortened cable up on plows, uptown to shop and see boat come. Home and suppered after Bun Smith came after load of manure at 5:00. Started to break up a piece beyond shop after supper where before I came down here there had been a garden sometimes. Watched L. Welk and Gunsmoke. Rory Calhoun on as special guest. First rhubarb pie from H.S.B.'s gift. Plowed M. Hopkins garden \$5.00 pd by cash May 30.</p>
<p>May 16, Sunday</p>	<p>Very overcast. Air N.E. 45°. Pumped before cleaning up for church. Found white violets while over to spring. Had a hamburger at Aunt Ell's after church. Thelma Burgess is running it. Mr. Merriam conducted church service this day. So few people go to church, it's sad and discouraging. Saw boat go. Came home by way of Charlie Brown's pond to watch for birds. Rode out onto Oak Hill to inspect Jimmie Brown's work cleaning up junipers. Home and rested. Took walk over home fields looking for yellow rocket. Found some. Looks now as though I got a nice catch last summer of Birdsfoot trefoil and alfalfa on oak tree field. Part of field I used millet on as nurse crop didn't catch so good. Had supper. Invited up to Burgesses this evening. Just they and us. Prudy so lame he can hardly walk.</p>
<p>May 17, Monday</p>	<p>A miserable looking morning. Very cloudy and damp. Wind S.E. 42°. Mr. Rankin called to say he could send sugar over to us with Ern Whitmore's order today. 60#. Almost sprinkled at times this A.M. and did rain like old furyation most of P.M. to 5:00. Needed some good dirt badly to fill up the depressions on the Calderwood Lot in Fuller Cemetery so opened up the old garden ridge beyond this house garden, took probably a yard of dirt off the sod, then put sod back, bringing ridge nearly down flat. Started for cemetery with tractor and trailer also lawn mower about 11:45. Mowed and raked the lot, also Uncle Rye's. Filled the three depressions and had them mostly raked off when the rain and thunder shower started. Benny Brown drove in and told me I'd get soaked without oilskins so brought me home to get them. Rained hard all the way home on the tractor. Rested a little while, suppered, and then took ride up to look at cemetery job, and then downtown to see if Forrest Adams wouldn't finish up at Fay's as he could clean place up.</p>

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<p>May 18, Tuesday</p>	<p>Heavy overcast. Everything very wet. Air N.E. Temp. 42°. Mrs. Fay's peas are poking through ground. Another nasty day to work outdoors. Bobolinks arrived. Heavy mist at times this A.M. and really rained this P.M. from 2:00 P.M. on. Went back up to cemetery first thing this A.M. to put what dirt I had left in trailer onto lot, raked it over, and spread some grass seed on. Pressed it down with shovel. Coming home the pole in trailer broke under hitch, so I shortened pole and repaired damage. Nan cleaned up to Fay's this A.M. As soon as lunch, I put scoop on tractor, picked up the rocks left back of Fay's house from their open rock well last fall (full scoop load), and dumped them on my rock pile at western end of barn. Then picked up the rocks I'd picked out of her garden and put them on rock pile. About 2:00 P.M. Jack B. brought me a load of shoulder cleanings, some of which I'll use filling Mrs. Fay's sweet pea trench, back of her garage. Ern down this P.M. to call Margret. Rained so hard I left off work. Ern rode to town with us. Had to buy new stovepipe for Mrs. Fay's kitchen stove. Adam's crew back to work late this P.M.</p>
<p>May 19, Wednesday</p>	<p>Still very wet and foggy. Must have rained during night. Know it did during evening. 42°. Calm. What a nice job we did this A.M. Cleaned up all the old trash on the seawall of both Bull Rock beaches and burned it on our western beach. Had at least six trailer loads. Also set probably a hundred bottles adrift. Comical to see a lobster boat go through later and the time he had fishing bottles. Then put scoop back on tractor and hauled two loads rocks off sea wall (pot ballast rocks and bricks) up to rock pile back of barn. Took to 1:00 P.M. This P.M. Nan went up to do a couple washes and I filled up Mrs. Fay's sweet pea trench (3 scoops full) and graded in front of her garage doors (7 scoops) out of the load of shoulder cleanings J.B. brought me yesterday. Nearly used them up. Getting pretty misty and damp. Through at 5:10.</p>
<p>May 20, Thursday</p>	<p>Still thick-a-fog and damp. Practically calm - air S.W. 42°. Rhubarb sauce from down back for breakfast. Spent all the A.M. raking at Fay's after I leveled down the big hump Flo left last year over the sink well. Raked that off, the fill in front of her garage from yesterday, her sweet pea fill, and the old vegetable garden. All are ready for grass seed now. Nan mowed all of our lawn today. This P.M. I used scoop to haul manure out of ground mow (pretty hot stuff) to below power house piece and spread it on. If I hadn't left off at 4:30 to go to town I'd have finished it. Had just loaded the scoop again after coming home when the rain came. Really rained for a couple hours or so. The Cobbs arrived yesterday for summer. H.S.B. here a few minutes this P.M. with a bundle of bags for me to ship back with mine. His getting manure out of ground mow at Tumbledown.</p>

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<p>May 21, Friday</p>	<p>A pretty morning again. Sun shining brightly. Has been calm but airing up N.E. Everything pretty wet. Spent the whole A.M. at Fay's. Sowed grass seed on the pieces I worked on yesterday and then mowed paths to beach and garden. Nan mowed the lawn. Have the place looking pretty good now. Finished cleaning out ground mow. Finished topping "below power house piece" and had three scoops for western end for pumpkins and squashes. This P.M. I cleaned ashes out of stove, filled woodboxes, mowed grass in front of manure pile, loaded it on Jeep, took scoop off tractor, hitched to harrow and harrowed Marion Hopkins garden. Mr. Cobb called a few minutes just as I got back from there. Took grass up to Jack Brown's and had coffee with them. Jack plans to bring the animals down Sunday. Inspected Abbie's on way home. Suppered and watched Rawhide. Betty Brown told us that Ted Beverage died this morning in hospital in Conn.</p>
<p>May 22, Saturday</p>	<p>Cold Souwester - 20 mi. 40°. Sun shining so may warm up some. Didn't warm up like it should. Very raw and disagreeable S.W. wind. Over to Tumbledown this morning, brought old J. Deere spreader home, and spread six loads manure on big corn piece on well piece. Nan worked at Mrs. Montgomery's with Greta this A.M. Ira Curtis down this A.M. to see if I'd care to go to work painting for him. Jimmie Brown and Claire here just after lunch to borrow my cow controls. Put plows on tractor about 3:00 P.M. and started to plow what I top-dressed Thursday, and what I manured today. Left off at 4:00 to go to town to do week-end shopping. Home at 5:30. Went out at 6:10 and finished plowing corn piece. Supper at 7:00 and watched television.</p>
<p>May 23, Sunday</p>	<p>Started as a nice sunny morning but has all clouded up. Air N.E. 45°. Have written to Mark Bailey while having coffee this morning. Cleaned up and went to church. Came home before boat left today, raked the soil out of the road that tractor brought off well piece while I plowed last night. Then raked Nan's gladioli bed over. Planted a row of string beans in Mrs. Fay's garden - 1/2 yellow wax - 1/2 long green. Made 5 furrows in Nan's gladioli bed and we planted the glads. Set out 40 pine seedlings that Lewis Haskell gave us - 10 along brook bank below raspberries, 11 out in spite fence, 3 replacements in row below power house, and 19 or 20 outside of pasture fence across road from hog pen piece where I cleared off this spring. Saved four to take down to Pat. Jack B. and family arrived with the two animals at 3:15. Put them in barn pasture, nice feed there now. Browns stayed till 5. I watered the animals and then we rode uptown to have a hamburger at Aunt Ell's. Sampsons there. Took us up to ...</p>

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<p>May 24, Monday</p>	<p>A nice winter morning. Cold. N.W. air. 42°. Became one of the nicest days we've had yet this spring. Nan started cleaning house with the "Select Cleaners" at the Jackson cottage. I cleaned out the Chevelle and wiped the windows, as I'm using it as pallbearer car. Plowed on piece beyond the shop until 9:45 when I cleaned up to meet the boat, then to church. Lawrence Grant, Bricks Mills, Lloyd Whitmore, Don Witherspoon and John Waterman other bearers. Down to boat after trip to cemetery thinking I might see some of the family. Only saw George Brown and his wife. Came right home. Finished plowing shop piece, piece back of garage and broke up the dump piece. First time I've ever plowed that and the piece beyond shop. Fertilized and hoed first and 1/2 second planting of peas. Nan worked over to Montgomery's a little while after coming home this P.M. Watched television a little while after supper. To bed weary.</p>
<p>May 25, Tuesday</p>	<p>A calm quiet morning. 45°. Considerable cloudiness. Nan worked house cleaning again today. Became a lovely day. Finished fertilizing and hoeing second planting of peas. Picked rocks off piece beyond shop – 3 scoop loads – put them in brook ditch beyond raspberry patch. Hitched onto double harrow and went to lift it, but no lift. Gasket underneath tractor let go, and pumped all hydraulic fluid onto ground. Went to garage and Frank found out what was wrong. Had to order new gaskets. While there Haley Mills came looking for me, he had brought a stone over to put on Rose's grave. Went to cemetery with him. Had dinner with Frank and Orilla. Came home in Frank's pick up. Rotored all the rest of the piece below power house, except the long corn piece, then rotored piece back of garage. Was furrowing piece below power house when Nan came from work. Finished it. Took ride around North Shore to town after supper. Wanted Nan to see Rose's stone. Home and watched Red Skelton and Peyton Place. Planted our flowering crab in spite fence. Replaces the one the coons broke off last fall.</p>
<p>May 26, Wednesday</p>	<p>Everything wet. Rained considerable during night. Looks like a good day coming up. Air northerly. 50°. An excellent one - very warm. Went right to work on garden below power house. Deepened 5 furrows, manured them and planted to corn right on the manure - 3 rows Seneca Beauty, 3 rows Earliking. Fertilized remainder of rows I planted, 1 top crop beans, next Imp. Golden Wax, Lowe's Champion, 3 shortest rows, Fletcher cukes, 3 next shortest rows - Marketer cukes, and 2 wired rows to Alderman Peas. Junior came just before dinner with Foley and Clark - road men. Went over to Tumbledown with them. Man oh man, are they going to take a hell of a slice of my big field clear the whole length. Agreed to give me one hundred dollars damage, reset fence along field with new cedar posts and 2 new culverts at field drive-ins. Montgomerys arrived this P.M. Out a few minutes this evening. Wanted me to help him some right off. How can I and get my corn planted. 3 or four days will make a big difference right at this time. Uptown about 6:30 to do wash and looked at the piece on back side of Julian Frost's lot that he wants plowed and leveled. Had hamburgers at Aunt Ell's on way home. Up to garage just after lunch to bring tractor home. Nan mowed lawn and cleaned some up to Fay's today.</p>

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<p>May 27, Thursday</p>	<p>Cloudy, cold and overcast. Sun trying to shine. 42° S.E. wind. Has been disagreeably chilly all day and downright cold tonight. Have really thrashed. Harrowed the long well piece corn path and the dump piece, picking rocks as I did so. Furrowed well piece with rototiller, fertilized it, just over 2 bags and worked in four rows with hand cultivator before going uptown just before 5:00 to get bas. Came home by way of middle road. Stopped at grange hall to see the repair work being done on walls in entry. Eliot Beveridge there - had been painting. Invited us to stop at his farm on way home. Had a nice half-hour, but was it ever cold. No furnace fire and very small one in fireplace stove. Really put the brush to our stoves when we got home. Suppered and watched some television. Heavy thunder shower and rain this evening.</p>
<p>May 28, Friday</p>	<p>A very dull calm wet foggy miserable morning. 42°. Must have rained a lot last night. Stayed dull most all day. Even sprinkled a couple times. Nan worked up to Mrs. Fay's cleaning all A.M. I cut and put together the kitchen stove pipe for there. Other one all rusted out. Finished working fertilizer into corn rows from yesterday. Dropped 4 lbs. Of corn seed - 2 of Earliking and two of Morning Sun. Filled the piece. Covered it with hand cultivator. Wearisome work. Nan mowed Fay's lawn this P.M. We finished about 5:00. Rested a half-hour or so. Suppered, cleaned up and spent evening at Lawrence &amp; Alice Grant's. Their 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Witherspoons and Peters there too. Home at 12:00.</p>
<p>May 29, Saturday</p>	<p>Another dull, calm morning. Air off water. Looks showery. 50°. Nan worked over to Montgomery's nearly 2 hrs. this A.M. I started the day by pumping. Broke handle in hammer when taking door off pump house so had to replace that. Then went to work planting. Planted 1 row each on below power house piece of broccoli, brussel sprouts, and cabbage. Also a few tomato seed. Then dug, manured, covered and planted 45t hills on corner back of barn corn piece - 6 outside hills of Big Max Pumpkin, 9 of Jack-o-Lantern pumpkin, and 10 of Buttercup squash. Then planted 20 hills of W. Horticultural pole beans and set the poles. Shifted back to piece below power house and planted 2 rows of black-eyed peas and 2 rows of Kinghorn yellow wax beans. Leaves 5 empty rows. Lunched about 2:00, rested a few minutes, and then went up to cemetery to mow and trim the lots. Downtown just as boat came. Loaded to capacity. Many summer people here. Deacon Fisher and his love came yesterday. Home and harrowed piece beyond shop before supper.</p>
<p>May 30, Sunday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice day coming up. Air N. 50°. Has been a beautiful one. Did housework and went to church. Legion and Auxiliary present. Bill Hurd read honor roll, Jerry Adams read Gettysburg Address. Stayed downtown until boat went. Stopped at Brown's Cemetery to leave a bouquet on Uncle Will's lot, then swung into both other cemeteries. Looking very good for the most part. Picked up our lobster order at Don W.'s, and called on Leigh and Nettie a minute. Came home and cooked our lobsters out back. Each ate one, then went for a ride down to the end of Crabtree's Point and down to Bartlett's Harbor beach. What a mess Mike Williams has made of the beach down there. Home and over to let Montgomery's dogs out, but they had already returned from boat trip. Home again and had the Beveridges down to lobster supper and evening.</p>

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<p>May 31, Monday</p>	<p>Cloudy and overcast yet air appears to be northerly. 48°. Became a nice day although it became pretty chilly in V.H. this P.M. and sprinkled a few minutes. Gathered a large bouquet of Mrs. Fay's daffodils this morning and then went to the program uptown at 10:00. Then to the Fuller Cemetery to put flowers on Mother's lot and Aunt Viola's. Went in Jeep as we planned to go to V.H. about 12:00. Surprised the Bunkers. They were just ready to have sandwiches before the services down there. Went downtown during services and then started home about 3:30. Sheila and Bucky had come to call on Pat and Mike. Enburg came right across fro us so we were home about 4:20. Changed clothes and Nan mowed part of Fay's lawn and then part of ours while I rotored the new garden by shop, tossing the rocks into piles as I did so. Just finishing when Jimmie Brown appeared to see if I'd care to work at Watson's for a year, and at what price. Probably giving up the chance of a lifetime but am too tied up for the season.</p>
<p>June 1, Tuesday</p>	<p>Clear with high cloudiness. Wind W.S.W. Temp. 46°. Came through a second unrestful night for both of us. Don't know why unless it's the lobster we ate Sunday. Nan worked over to Montgomery's this A.M., then cleaned up to Fay's. I furrowed out piece beyond shop, fertilized it, worked in fertilizer, dropped corn seed and covered it. Had 7/12 rows nearest shore to barbecue, next 17 1/2 rows to Honey and Cream, and last 3 upper rows to Seneca Beauty. Then just before supper we fertilized the last 5 rows on "below power house garden," and set out 125 cabbage plants - Early Jersey Wakefield. Have 75 more to set on back of garage piece. Only ordered 100 but they sent 200. Took ride up Bank's road after supper. Man oh man what a slash they're making on Bank's hill. Every tree inside a 66 ft. strip. Makes one sick. No respect for a thing. Min called tonight on phone. Violet has been in hospital with appendix. Fred has been in hospital with gallstones. Erma Waterman called on phone to offer Nan a part-time job this summer working for young Pingree.</p>
<p>June 2, Wednesday</p>	<p>Very heavy overcast. Looks very rainy. Just an air S.S.W 48°. Almost rained this forenoon. Started mizzling about 11:30 and about 1:00 P.M. it started raining in good shape. Rained all P.M. and into evening. Nan worked up to Fay's all P.M. Has the house nearly under control now. I furrowed garden back of garage and the garden on dump piece. Finished about 11:30. Was just getting ready to spread fertilizer in furrows back of garage when it started mizzling, so went out to oak tree field and gathered yellow rocket. Had a sizable arm full. As soon as lunch I fertilized 4 short rows back of garage and set out the rest of cabbage plants - was quite wet when I finished. Called Mrs. Fay this noon and talked with her about the house. Uptown about boat time, after resting a little while. One of Elmer's trucks hauling me out several loads loam from Montgomery's excavation for new room.</p>

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<p>June 3, Thursday</p>	<p>Very overcast and wet. Nan went cleaning at Crocker's with Edith, Audrey and Lena. I started out by pumping and caulked watering trough while cistern was filling. Weighed up 10 bales hay for Hazel Brown, ground scythe, my single bitted axe, and the hatchet Nan gave me a year or so ago. Mowed the grass from my rhubarb patch up along Mrs. Fay's fence and raked it up. Cleaned up the rest of the gravel in Mrs. Fay's gate way. Put some on barn road and the coarse stuff in hole by manure pile. Also raked off Forrest's grading along back of Mrs. Fay's house. Finished about 1:30. Lunched. Showered by the time I finished so worked in shop a little while. Then went out inside butchering place gate and brought in about 50 fence posts large and small. Was trimming them ready for sharpening when Nan came home. Loaded the grass and hauled it up to Squire Grant's. Home and over to the Montgomery's to lobster supper and evening. Very good.</p>
<p>June 4, Friday</p>	<p>Rained hard last evening and in night. Very cloudy. May clear. 42°. Nan worked with girls cleaning at Crocker's again today. I'm ashamed to write that my day's work wouldn't make a very big pile. As soon as Nan left I cleaned ashes out of stove, cleaned out the Chevelle and cleaned the windows in it. Was going into shop to get axe to sharpen the posts I brought in yesterday when I heard an animal below to cover the bull was out of the pasture. Either I left the small gate open last night when I was thrashing to get H. Brown's hay covered in the rain, or the bull got it open for he was out. Finally cornered him and got a rope on him after he'd raced around over the gardens etc. Repaired some fence back of barn, sharpened yesterday's posts, cleaned up and went uptown to drive some of the Hopkins family to Edith's funeral - cemetery. Nina, Elmer, Eleanor, Cora and Alton Lewis rode with me. Came home after boat left, weighed up 10 bales of hay at Tumbledown for Cuddy back uptown to see Brian Ames' tractor brought across on ferry. Rained most of P.M. by spells.</p>
<p>June 5, Saturday</p>	<p>Looks like a good day coming up. Thunder shower and rain last evening. Calm. 50°. Came out to be a beautiful day. Aired up some S.S.E. and then dropped out late PM Nan worked over to Montgomery's this A.M. I posted and strung hen wire on my 2 rows of 3<sup>rd</sup> planting peas. Frezonian. Then repaired the posts and wire of the two short rows I put the wire on a few days ago. Brought in a roll of short lightweight hog wire from pasture and posted and wired Mrs. Fay's two rows. Also her sweet peas. Mr. Montgomery called at 1:30 and wanted me to go to Bald Island with him in Papoose at 2:30 while changing my clothes Ernie Boy blew in after his wire stretcher. Sorry to had to leave him. Had a nice trip. Bald Island is a real hatchery for Eider Ducks. Nearly stepped on one before she left nest. Beautiful view from top of island. Came home around North Haven island. Home at 5:30. Helped Nan mow some of our lawn and she set out 6 tomato plants on Mrs. Fay's garden.</p>



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<p>June 6, Sunday</p>	<p>A very warm night last night and still warm this morning. 60°. Calm and sunny. A beautiful June day but the saddest thing happened this A.M. Just as we stopped outside of church, Brian Ames came over to tell us that Louise Smith, Bob's girl, had died about 10:00 - supposedly heart trouble - about 3 yrs. Old. This was Baccalaureate Sunday. A small crowd there. Waited uptown to see boat go. The Montgomerys left. Came home after having a hamburger at Aunt Ell's. Rested a couple hours, then went over to Montgomery's to check on things, and to bring home the odds and ends. Found they'd gone off and left the outside door in dining room open, so it does pay to check. Picked a bouquet of tulips and rode up to call on the Thorntons. Mrs. Whitmore is up there with them. Not very well. Home about 5:00. Nan made apple sauce cake and I finished mowing our lawn started yesterday.</p>
<p>June 7, Monday</p>	<p>Looks rainy. In fact has sprinkled on porch about 6:15 this morning. Looks clearing at 6:30. Nan worked with girls at the Frazer cottage. I went right to work on dump piece garden. Spread 3 bags fertilizer in furrows, worked it in with hand cultivator, and then dropped the piece to corn using crow repellent on it. Planted first fifth end next to raspberry brook to Illinichief 1/2 #, second fifth lochief 1/2 #, third fifth Golden Cross Bantam, fourth fifth Ern's special Spring Gold, and last fifth to Mason's Golden Midget. Covered with plow on hand cultivator. Would have been finished when Nan came home if shower had stopped me a half hour at 3:00 P.M. After Nan came she helped me fertilize and plant the 8 sort rows next to bank to Mason's Golden Midget. In dead furrow we planted 5 hills on rockweed to cucumbers. The road boys brought 3 loads wood from Bank's hill this P.M. Planted Mrs. Fay's sweet peas over tonight. Letter from Edna Butman today.</p>
<p>June 8, Tuesday</p>	<p>Looks like a fair day coming up. 50°. About calm. Has been a nice day. Very warm. Nan went to Rockland on morning boat. I started the day by pumping and caulked the front bottom seam in the watering trough at barn while cistern was filling. Hope I have it tight this attempt. Went right to work on Mrs. Fay's garden and hoed all of it. About 12:00 when I finished. Then started on our below the power house piece. Hoed and weeded it all to beyond the third planting of peas. Everything doing nicely except carrots. First planting of corn just coming. Three C.G. boys appeared by water this A.M. to run new telephone cable between Carver's and us and the bank pole to light house. Didn't finish tonight. I was just finishing hoeing last row of peas when Nan returned from Rockland. After resting a little while she went over to water Mrs. M.'s garden and I finished mowing our lawn and mowed part of Fay's. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>June 9, Wednesday</p>	<p>Looks rainy this morning. Calm 60°. Showered quite hard a few minutes just after 2:00 noon, otherwise a beautiful hot day. Nan worked cleaning with girls this A.M. I started right in on garage garden as soon as I had cleaned the ashes out of the Ashley to have ready to move for summer. Fertilized the furrows on garage garden, worked it in and planted it all except the two short rows next to raspberries. 34 hills on rose bush end of rows next to cabbage to Rainbow corn. 2 full length rows next to raspberries Wyoming Wonder Peas, 3<sup>rd</sup> row - alderman, 4<sup>th</sup> row - Asgrew 40, 5<sup>th</sup> row Fordhook Wonder, 6<sup>th</sup> row Kinghorn and Imp. Golden Wax, 7<sup>th</sup> row Top crop and Lowe's Champion, and 8<sup>th</sup> row Lowe's Champion. Finished covering about 1:00. Cleaned up and went to Louise Smith's funeral but was 15 minutes late as they set the time ahead from 2:00 to 1:30. Whole front of church full of flowers and church full of people. Home about 3:00. C.G. boys finished up this P.M. Rolled up their discarded wire after they left. Suppered, then up to H.S.B.'s to get potatoes, stopped at cemetery to see flowers, and called at Jack Brown's to see when he could help me move our stove. Not home. Home and to bed.</p>
<p>June 10, Thursday</p>	<p>Another hot one coming up. Calm 55°. Nan went to work by way of middle road to see if Ern could help me this day. As soon as she left I put scoop onto tractor and started picking rocks by piece beyond shop. Had nearly a half scoop full when Ern arrived. Had 2 scoop loads off that piece, then picked the loose sods into wheelbarrow and put them in dead furrow on lower side of piece. Picked rocks on long well piece next using wheel barrow and transferred them to scoop at end of piece. Corn coming up on that junk now. Started on dump piece before mail man came and finished rocking about 1:30. Used barrow on this piece to and dumped the rocks into brook by raspberries. After lunch we gathered the sods on dump piece and put them in dead furrow. Then cleaned 1 load weeds and roots off garden back of garage. Nan have gardens ready for cultivation. Finished at 4:00. Spent time till Nan came putting rocks into brook. Dot Beverage's boys came after Jim Oldroyd's piano tonight.</p>
<p>June 11, Friday</p>	<p>Last night about 5:30 the wind suddenly struck N.W. and blew up to 50 M. per hr. For a short time. Nearly ruined the flowers. Cold this morning 50°. A nice morning though. Nan worked with girls cleaning again today. I spent all A.M. working for Mrs. Fay. Finished mowing her lawn, straightened up the fence along road and along back of house, drove 2 culvert posts, brought settees down from woodshed, launched Bernice, rowed over to Stimpson's to put window in woodshed that had dropped down, checked on the place, rowed down to Aunt Sarah's and home. Plenty of N.W. wind to row against too. Blew very hard about the time I was ready to come home. Home at 12:30. This P.M. I brought some small trimmed stuff in from butchering place gate, made small stakes, drove them on each side of my two rows of second planting peas and used 2 pieces of the C.G. telephone wire on each side of the peas to hold them up. Wind very rough on them last night. Watered the cabbages after Nan came home while she filled Franklin's window boxes. Rested after supper until after 9:00. Cleaned up and went to Community Bldg. to Graduation Dance. A waste of time. Orchestra a total pooch and so was the crowd. Matthew B. arrived P.M. boat.</p>

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<p>June 12, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful, beautiful sunny calm June morning. 50°. Has been a dandy day. Nan cleaned with the girls. Went in Chevelle and had oil changed at Pat's and did wash at Burgesses. I started in by fertilizing and mixing the two short rows on garage piece - next to raspberries. Put beet seed in soak. Then lowered the mailboxes 8 inches as instructed by P.M. Went over to Tumbledown in Jeep and brought home an oak pole out of a sulky plow, some piece of equipment. Found it in top of carriage house. Dismantled left hand side of stake wood trailer and used the pole for a side rail putting the stake irons on, etc. Also repaired cross pieces. Finished the job about 2:00 P.M. Lunched and then went up to Ern's to haul him out some wood. He was gone in his car so I went in and loaded a load of dry limbs. He was back when I came out of woods. Helped unload. Home at 5:00. Helped Nan water gardens at Montgomery's and then planted my row of beets and set out 30 lettuce plants. The Lincolns visited an hour or so when they brought Montgomery's wash down tonight.</p>
<p>June 13, Sunday</p>	<p>Strong S.E. wind. 25 mi. or so. Cloudy, raw, and disagreeable. Very raw all day. I went to church and helped take offering and serve communion. Albert B. has kink in back. Nan stayed home to do housework and cook. Watered animals after coming home. Did a lot of telephoning about alumni banquet tickets this P.M. Uptown to see boat come, expecting Abbie and Eleanor, but they missed boat. Jack Brown down as soon s boat came to help me take Ashley out of living room. We took separator out of milk room and put Ashley in front of window. The Browns had coffee with us. Wrote letter to Edna Butman. Stayed home this evening. Rained during evening.</p>
<p>June 14, Monday</p>	<p>Damp and wet all Am Better this P.M. until 4:30 when it started to rain and rained into evening. Nan worked with girls again this day. I pumped, then thinned out the row of lettuce on piece below power house. Transplanted over 100 plants in garden back of garage. Took me to 1:00 P.M. Mowed our lawn front and back this P.M. Abbie and Eleanor arrived on A.M. boat and at lunch time Abbie called to ask us to stop in as Nan came from work. Visited with them an hour and then they came over to have pea soup supper with us. Had new lettuce out of our garden. This was our second serving. First Saturday night.</p>
<p>June 15, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice day but cool. 44°. Nan worked cleaning house with girls. I weeded Mrs. Fay's carrot row, then thinned her row of lettuce, transplanting into the carrot row which is mostly emptiness. Also transplanted some along the lettuce row. Started up to Ern's about 10:00. Hauled out 2 loads limbs and 4loads wood. Home 5:10. Nan was over to Montgomery's watering. Weighed up 400# plus of hay here for Squire G. making a ton in all. Gave him our separator. Paid \$30.00 check for hay and \$1.00 cash for tube of caps. Jack Brown and Jim Morse down after red panel truck just before dark. Gave it to Jack. Supposed to get tires and wheels back. Spent considerable time this evening on telephone about Alumni tickets. About 92 taking tickets. The hall will be filled.</p>

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<p>June 16, Wednesday</p>	<p>A calm, pretty June morning. 45°. Nan worked cleaning house with girls. I was just getting ready to start work when Jack arrived with the wheel we took off the wood trailer last night to put on the panel. While he was here he helped me get the blue panel out of cow yard and down along side of shop where the Chevy set. As soon as he left I lugged water, and watered all the lettuce transplants and cabbage transplants. Started for Ern's about 10:30. Hauled out 7 loads wood, cleaning up all but 1 load which we couldn't get to. Finished 4:30. Still several load limbs left in. Came home through Mullen Place and saw well driller. Down about 12 ft. and not enough flow to measure. Over to Montgomery's tonight to find the workmen had left the house open and my nice stand of hay has really caught hell where they've hauled rocks for concrete. I'm madder than hell. No respect for anything. A delicious mess of spinach for supper.</p>
<p>June 17, Thursday</p>	<p>Beautiful calm sunny morning. 40°. A real winter beauty. Almost frost. Has been a nice day. Nan worked with cleaners. I watered lettuce and cabbages, also Mrs. Fay's lettuce and tomatoes. Then started cultivating the well piece corn with hand cultivator. Left off at 10:45 to clean up to go up to Vaughn cottage to have lunch with cleaners and husbands it being Lena and Irven's 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary. Nice time except Irven had gone to Rockland. Down town to get a scythe stone, and a three-pronged hoe with a cutter on back. Home to finish cultivating the well piece and then cultivated the piece below power house. Finished just before Nan came home. Watered up at Montgomery's. Invited out to Cobb's at 6:00. They wanted to show us their water under pressure, a new gas and wood stove, etc. Home and was just finishing supper when Abbie blew in. Quite worked up over letter from Light Co. asking about Emery H. coming onto light line and that about all the signers had given their consent. Mr. Cobb had told me two falls ago that everyone but me had given their consent. Checked with Ambie on it for Abbie and to date only Cobbs, Fisher, and Carver had consented by letter. And I have Mrs. Fay's written consent to send in. A fine example of what happens when one person runs around amongst a group instead of having a meeting.</p>
<p>June 18, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like another nice one coming up. 50°. Cloudy some. Another nice one. Nan worked with girls at Chestons. I watered lettuce and cabbage. Then mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn and clipped around the house, woodshed, etc. The Young Dicks supposed to arrive tomorrow. Handscythed along the edges of our house garden, along the edge of lawn by pin-oak tree, and then mowed along fence of night pasture above Uncle Will's woodpile edge, so I can pile some cord wood along the fence. Cleaned up the grass and hauled it to Squire Grant's in Jeep. Home just at 4:00. Worked on limb pile till Nan got home. About 5:00 we started out to deliver Alumni tickets and collect money. Home at 6:30. Suppered and weary to bed.</p>

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<p>June 19, Saturday</p>	<p>Another beautiful, beautiful morning. Calm and sunny. Sun rising nearly over the northern end of Burnt Island, and setting well above pasture gap. The very longest days now. Nan worked at Cheston's with girls. I watered lettuce and cabbages in the three gardens. Then started hauling out the wood from over above the spring. Pumped while hauling first load. Had 3 big loads of sawing wood and a heaping load of limbs. Piled the sawing wood up by night pasture fence by Uncle Will's woodpile ledge. Also chopped up a few limbs to make room for the load of limbs here by our oak tree. Nan home about 3:00. Watered at Montgomery's. Cleaned up, shaved and downtown at 6:00. Visited with the Irven Stones before going to Alumni Banquet at Grange Hall. They went up with us. Nearly 100 people there. This was our 40<sup>th</sup> and there were 7 of us present - Emma, Nellie, Thelma, Irven, Owen, Joel and self. Had a nice time. Bailey the supt. spoke. Took the Stones home and visited a little while.</p>
<p>June 20, Sunday</p>	<p>The Dickey Fays arrived last night with guests. This is the prettiest of the pretty mornings go. A beauty. Calm, sunny and warm. Happy Father's Day. Watered lettuce and cabbages before going to church. Nan stayed home to catch up on housework. No, she didn't either. She went along when I went to church, and did a wash at Burgesses. She did housework before church time. We came right home and were resting out back when Sherman, Helen and Stewart called. Stayed 1/2 or 3/4 of an hour. They were going somewhere on a picnic. After they left we had a fire in fireplace and cooked us some hot dogs. About 3:30 we put outboard on Bernice, sailed around two little islands off Alexander Place and up into Mullen's Cove. Cobbs were on their beach so we stopped there a few minutes. Home, uptown to see boat come and to get some milk at Arlene's but boat isn't making two trips Sunday until next Sunday. Nan made cake for Garden Club picnic at Mullen's Beach tomorrow after we came home. Watched T.V. this evening.</p>
<p>June 21, Monday</p>	<p>A nice morning. Wind S.W. 50°. Summer starts today and the day's begin to shorten. Nan worked with the girls cleaning at Hallowell's. I watered lettuce and cabbage. Was getting ready to go out to work when Eleanor T. Called for Ern to see if I wanted him to help me after he finished a job for Abbie. Came about 9:45. We hauled 4 big loads of small wood and alders from inside butchering place gate cleaning up everything from last yr's cutting and all I cut this yr. To get a road up through against Cobb's line. The 5<sup>th</sup> load not quite half full. Watered up over to Montgomery's after Nan came home. Had first mess of beet greens tonight for supper. To bed early and weary without chores to do. Capt. Elmer Joy got through his long spell of suffering this A.M. Olive Gregory returned from Maryland yesterday. Called us tonight.</p>

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<p>June 22, Tuesday</p>	<p>About 50°. Very overcast but doubt if it'll rain. Wind wet. We need rain oh so badly. Didn't rain, became a very hot day. No wind until late in P.M. Nan worked with girls cleaning. I watered cabbages and lettuce and weeded Mrs. Fay's beans and onions. Then went to hauling out wood. Got out 4 big loads from out next to Cobb's in where it has been two yrs. Would have gotten a fifth load if I hadn't taken a longer noon hr. because it was so hot. Nan set out some petunias after she came home and I worked on limb pile a little while. Cleaned up and over to Abbie's and Eleanor's at 6:00 to supper. Had a nice one and evening. She had her eastern flat rotored yesterday.</p>
<p>June 23, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another beautiful hot one. Calm as a kitty's ear. Dry, dry, dry. Nan worked with cleaners at Saltonstall's. I started out by pumping and watered the cabbage and lettuce. Then went right work hauling out wood. Hauled one big load of sawing wood from next to Cobb's line like yesterday, then a load of wood and limbs from beyond the old school house where I cleaned up the light line mess last spring, then a load of wood and limbs from Cobb's Park by the ladies' slipper patch, and then a big load of limbs from yesterday's hauling. One more load of wood and limbs and a couple loads of Ashley junk and I should have the wood surrounded. Milton and Brian down about noontime to see about borrowing a horse rake. Matt in just at lunch time on errand and had lunch with me. Over to Montgomery's after Nan came home. She watered up and I put burlap around the two box bushes to keep the dogs away. Don and Cynthia called this evening a little while.</p>
<p>June 24, Thursday</p>	<p>Heavy wind with thunder shower and a little rain last evening. Wind S.W. this morning, almost foggy and dull. 58°. Another nice working day although it sprinkled a couple times this A.M. Nan worked at Saltonstall's cleaning with the girls. Believe it or not I've done it. I've conquered the wood, limbs and all. Finished at 11:45. Another full load of limbs and two S.B. trailer loads of Ashley junks. Cleans everything up as far as I know. Really have some wood pile, were it all together in one spot. Mowed all our lawn this P.M. and hoed Nan's gladioli garden. Also worked through the three rows of beans on below power house piece that didn't come up good. Had cookout supper tonight. Fried bacon and onion, also egg. Took ride to town after supper to see rotoring job being done on Bessie Grant's pasture, came home around pond. Watched Peyton Place.</p>

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<p>June 25, Friday</p>	<p>Another beautiful dry one. 50°. Westerly wind. Nan worked at Saltonstall's cleaning with the girls. Pat and children brought Nan up some groceries at noontime. As soon as I watered the cabbages and lettuce, I spent the entire day replanting and hoeing. Replanted the black eyed peas, 1 1/2 rows instead of two, replanted the other 1/2 row and two rows of Kinghorn yellow beans to various yellow string beans. Hoed one row of corn and the two short wired rows of Alderman peas, worked the weeds out of the cabbage, broccoli, etc. rows, and what was supposed to be cucumber rows, and planted a package of cukes. Worked through what few pumpkins and squashes had come up, most a total loss, and replanted the pole beans. Spent all P.M. on piece beyond shop. Chopped some witchgrass and replanted all the skips and they were plenty. Had quite finished covering when Nan came home. Watered at Montgomery's. Had just finished supper when A.W. and Emma blew in. Took us on a ride and treated us at Aunt Ell's. Stopped to see Julian Frost a minute about the job back of his house. Pat and children up to Saltonstall's at noontime to visit girls. Sent me a green Jersey T-shirt for Father's Day.</p>
<p>June 26, Saturday</p>	<p>The most beautiful of beautiful mornings. Air North. 42°. Nan finished at Saltonstall's with the girls today. I watered the cabbages and lettuce, then cultivated the potato piece (house garden) with hand cultivator. Some are all budded, ready to blossom, and some are just coming through the ground. Going to be hard to hill them up. Thought I would cultivate the dump piece too, but corn not really up enough. Took all but inside rotors of Rotorcul and went through well piece corn. Then started weeding and hilling it by hand. Left off at 4:00 to go up and see boat come. Nan did wash at Burgesses. Worked corn some more after coming home. Have it nearly a third hilled up. Suppered, watched television a little while, and to bed.</p>
<p>June 27, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful dry one. We're going to dry up and blow away. Two weeks of unbelievable hay weather and it's been so dry the hay couldn't grow. Watered the cabbages and lettuce before we went to church. Down on parking lot a few minutes after church and then went to Aunt Ell's to have dinner. Sat with Arthur B. and Emma. Nan had chicken salad. I had pot roast. Both very good. Came home, rested out back awhile, but wind was very disagreeable, watered up over to Montgomery's. Took a ride up to Watson's to see a plane take off, and then cruised our Tumbledown field trying to find strawberries. Completely dried up. Have never seen less in that field since I owned the place. One more dry spring like this one and Maine farmers may as well close out. Had cracker and milk supper with the Abbie's, then they came over here and had rhubarb pie with us. Watched Ed Sullivan and Bonanza.</p>

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<p>June 28, Monday</p>	<p>Cool and windy. S.W. Sun is shining, but hazy. Nan worked with girls at Bigelows. I went right to work on Mrs. Fay's garden. Hoed clear through it and gathered up the weeds and loose sod. Then mowed her whole lawn to make the place look a little better for her. She and Arthur arrive tomorrow A.M. Finished at 11:00 and went right to hoeing on long well piece of corn Was just finished when Nan came home at 4:15. Then we went up to Fay's and put in some screens and Nan hung some curtains. Matt hasn't made the house look any better by living in it. Had a mess of beet greens out of Mrs. Fay's garden for supper. She has a beautiful row. Pretty weary this night, didn't do much after supper. Watched T.V. a little while.</p>
<p>June 29, Tuesday</p>	<p>Mrs. Fay and Mr. Arthur Fay arrived this A.M. Another dry one. Unbelievable. Nan worked at Pratt's with girls. I watered cabbages and lettuce, and run scuffer hoe through Mrs. Fay's garden again. Pumped. Posted and run baling twine on both sides of two rows of first planting peas. Jimmie Brown brought Saint Regis pulp man down to see me while I was stringing peas. Then run baling twine on both sides of the two rows I used telephone cable on when I posted them a while back. Also used baling wire on the tall wired two rows to hold them against the wire. Spent rest of P.M. hilling up my six rows of early corn next to tall wired peas on below power house piece and hoed along through cabbages, etc. Was cooling off working on limb pile when Nan came home. Watered over to Montgomery's. Suppered and rested. Watched T.V. a little while.</p>
<p>June 30, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another dry hot one but not as hot as yesterday. Nan worked at Pratt's with girls cleaning house. I watered cabbages and lettuce. Then worked over the pumpkin and squash bed, also pole beans. Plenty of weeds but practically no squashes and pumpkins. Cultivated garden back of garage with hand cultivator and hoed around cabbage. Rotored through dump piece corn - less than half came up. Spent remainder of P.M. hilling up the potatoes. Brian Ames came just before 4:00 looking for rocks for his septic tank well, and slowed me up. Would have finished them otherwise. Mrs. Fay called a few minutes shortly after Nan came home. Then we wrote a card to Prudy - he's in hospital in Lewiston - took it to town to mail and had supper at Aunt Ell's. Home, rested a little while and to bed.</p>
<p>July 1, Thursday</p>	<p>Still another dry one. Sunny but cold. 50°. Nan worked cleaning at Pratt's with girls. I watered cabbages and lettuce, finished hilling up potatoes, last five rows that I planted right out of cellar hasn't come up good at all. Cleared umber and stuff out of ground mow, built rail fence across front of it, and sawed opening out through western end so the two animals could get in out of the flies and heat. Spent rest of P.M. sharpening mower knives (3) and ground hand scythe. Over to Montgomery's to water gardens after Nan came home. Up to Fay's at 6:00 to refreshments. Clara Waterman there also. We were just cooking hot dogs out back here at home for supper when Irven and Lena drove in. stayed till 9:30. Watched Peyton Place and to bed. Letter from Sam and Peg. They'd like to spend weekend of July 11 with us.</p>



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<p>July 2, Friday</p>	<p>Same as yesterday. Hot and dry. Cool this morning. 42°. Wind disagreeable S.W. this P.M. Nan finished cleaning house with girls today. Before she left for work she helped me get Bernice up onto bank and onto horses. I mowed around the boat and then scraped and cleaned it out inside. Took me all the A.M. Had to pump at lunch time. Sanded railing on porch and had one section nearly done on porch side when Nan came home about 3:00. With her help we finished the inside and railing on steps about 5:30. Cleaned up, suppered and then went to town by way of North shore road as Nan wanted to do wash. Had an ice cream at Aunt Ell's and then visited with Mrs. Burgess until after Peyton Place.</p>
<p>July 3, Saturday</p>	<p>Wind still breezy S.W. Some high cloudiness. 50°. Kept clouding up and breezing up S.E. until it started showering about 1:30. Nan went right over to Montgomery's the first thing this morning and cleaned the house until 3:00 P.M. Found the house pretty dirty where the workmen had been going in and out. I started right in on the outside of the porch railing as soon as I'd watered the cabbage and lettuce and painted the undersides of the sections and the faces. Then painted the wide skirt board above the lattice. Was in corner by kitchen steps when Nan came to lunch. Went out to start again at 1:30 and the first shower came. Went over to shop and painted 1 1/2 pairs of the new window sash. Uptown at 3:30 to do July 4<sup>th</sup> shopping. Saw boat come. Home and put Montgomery's groceries in his refrigerator. Over to Abbie's a short spell. She returned from school last night. Home to supper. The Fishers called a little while this evening to report their phone out of us. Montgomery called to say an engine had put a rod cut through the blocks at Falmouth, Mass. Flying in tomorrow noon to Watson's field.</p>
<p>July 4, Sunday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog this morning at 5:30. Burned out to be beautiful day now at 8:00. Cleaned up and went to church at Old Church at 10:30. Nan stayed home and made two rhubarb pies along with other work - one for Montgomery's. Up to Watson's landing strip at 12:00 to pick up the Montgomerys. - Mr. and Mrs., young Mr. and his two children. Rested out back this P.M. About 5:00 P.M. we took the Fishers over some lettuce. They entertained us with their microscope looking at bugs and flowers, and then had us stay to supper. Enjoyed it. Out with the Montgomerys in the Papoose at 7:45. Sailed around Stimpson's Island so to see the sun set back of Camden Mountains. Home at 9:30.</p>
<p>July 5, Monday</p>	<p>Another nice dry one. Some high cloudiness. Hurried around to get uptown at 9:00 to have Enburg take us across in Prospero so Mike could come after us, as big ferry broken down. Parade at 10:30. Little Mike dressed as Daniel Boone in Nursery Group. Met quite a number of folks I hadn't seen in a long time while on street, among them Ivan Quinn &amp; wife, young Hollis Burgess &amp; Charlotte, and several others. The parade was good. Mike and Pat brought us up to ferry landing about 4:00. Saw boat come and then came home. Over to Eleanor's a little while - Abbie has gone back to school - home and supper. Had just gone out to hoe on beyond shop piece when Squire and Alice came. Had a nice evening with them. Has come in foggy tonight.</p>

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<p>July 6, Tuesday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog and wet. Think it may have rained a little during night. Air S.W. Cleared middle of A.M. and became a nice day. Nan worked at Montgomery's this forenoon. I handscythed around shanty, below wood pile, below Nan's woodshed flower garden, and her clothes yard among trees, leaving off long enough to repair Mrs. Fay's stove linings and write a letter to Sears ordering a new set of linings for her. Was just finishing mowing when Nan got home. We trimmed up the trees down back, threw brush over bank, and then burned it. While burning the brush I trimmed up the tree that blew down over the bank a couple winters ago and we burned those branches up too. Hope the trunk will go adrift. After lunch I rotored shop piece and hoed several rows before going to town. Discovered that something has pulled up nearly all the corn from the replanting job I did on the piece. After coming back from town I hoed until supper was ready. 6 more rows to go. Watched T.V. a little while and to bed weary.</p>
<p>July 7, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning. Calm and cold. 44°. Breezed up S.W. but remained a good day all day. Pumped, and while pumping, watered the cabbage and lettuce, and hoed four of the six remaining rows of corn on shop piece. Finished the other two, then started painting porch rail a second coat. Painted top and inside edges, then painted outside edges and skirt board. Didn't do undersides second coat. Nan took Mrs. Fay to town and on a ride this P.M. Finished painting about 5:30. Supposed to be a heavy rain storm tomorrow. Cleaned up before supper. Up to Burgesses this evening. Edna and Bob here for two nights. Paul Quinn, Sheila, Floyd and his wife in kitchen. Appeared we were too old for the young folks. Home about eleven and to bed. Ann Calderwood and Floyd Calderwood's anniversary. Guess that's what they were celebrating in kitchen.</p>
<p>July 8, Thursday</p>	<p>Well, it is raining this morning and there's plenty of wind too S.S.W. Cold and raw +50°. Rain didn't last long. All done by 9:30 or so. Nan worked over to Montgomery's this A.M. I did up dishes, etc. and then wrote letter for information on a coon trap I've seen advertised many times in the Farm Journal. Mr. Montgomery's new cook arrived along with his car on A.M. boat. He came over to get me to help him unload a writing desk combo and get it into the house. Lunched about 1:30 and then mowed out the spite fence plot. Did pretty good. Only mowed off one little spruce. Also mowed around garden by garage. Cleaned up the grass around latter and most half of the former - a big Jeep load and hauled it up to Jimmie Brown, about 6:00. Home and suppered. Watched Bewitched, Peyton Place and Jimmie Dean.</p>

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<p>July 9, Friday</p>	<p>Calm, hazy and quiet. Looks like a nice one coming up. 50°. Has been a good day. Nan went up to Bertha's at 8:15 to get a toni. I cleaned up the rest of grass on spite plot and loaded it into Jeep. Then I cleaned up the mowing I did the other day around shanty below wood pike out in back of woodshed and down under trees. Raked and piled it in the depressions I went to fill up. Took plow trip gear off of tractor, gassed up, and went up to Mrs. Pease's at 10:00. Took mower out of barn and mowed out Mrs. Pease's place. Mowed out Merryconeag yard on way home. Discovered pitman rod bolts were or had loosened up so rod had worn the bolt holes and was thrashing around. As it couldn't be tightened up I had to put on my new one I've had as a spare. Started for H.S.B.'s at 3:00. Mowed the trip beyond this woodshed, around barn and gardens and over and around ledges, also the elm tree corner east end of the house. Home at 6:00. Took the Jeep load of grass to Jimmie Brown, R.M. Jr. flew in with Watson tonight.</p>
<p>July 10, Saturday</p>	<p>Foggy. Everything wet. S.W. wind. Kept getting damper until about 10:00 when it really started raining with thunder and lightening. Rained real hard for a spell and then rained at intervals until 2:00 P.M. or so. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I started hoeing corn on dump piece. Had to leave off to go start pump and hadn't much more than started again when rain drove me. Sharpened two mower knives. Rested an hour or so, then went to town in Jeep to get inspection sticker. Leaky windshield wiper motor so couldn't get one. Shopped and saw boat come. Over to Abbie's and Eleanor's a little while. Home, suppered and watched TV a little while.</p>
<p>July 11, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful, sunny clam morning. Everything pretty wet. Had to get up to Pulpit Harbor before 10:00 this morning as I had to open windows, distribute hymn books and ring bell at 10:00 and again at 10:30. A Reverend Elliott of New York spoke this morning. Very good. Home as soon as church. We picked two 12 qt. pails of peas and shelled them this P.M. First and second lots right in together and third planting ready to pick. Up to call on Garnet and Clara a little while this evening. Took them a mess of peas. Mrs. Whitmore very poorly. Not able to eat anything. Home at 10:30. First green peas of season for supper tonight.</p>
<p>July 12, Monday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice one coming up. Westerly air. 60°. Has been a real North Haven day. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I picked a heaping 12 qt. Pail of the Freezonian peas this morning - 9# and then went to hoeing on dump piece corn patch. Finished it at 1:00 P.M. Forrest Adams bought 7# of the peas \$1.75 pd. Bill Hopkins stopped and talked awhile with me when he came from Montgomery's. Says his ferry is broken down again, engine smashed, credit completely gone, and arse over head in debt. Doesn't know what he's going to do. As soon as lunch 2:00 P.M. Nan went up to Burgesses to do two washes. I mixed up the gallon of mill-end paint I bought at Brown's and started painting the porch floor. Had one section done when Nan returned. With Nan's help we finished two more, bringing us nearly to kitchen door. Called on Mrs. Fay and Matt a few minutes after supper. More peas tonight. Very good.</p>

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<p>July 13, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another beautiful one coming up. Calm and sunny. Some wind S.W. this P.M. otherwise a beauty. This has been a busy full one. Nan made 2 apple pies this A.M. early, and then did housework. I picked 14 qts. peas, pumped while doing it, then repaired kitchen steps on porch putting in new edge boards on, two bottom steps, and then two new pieces on porch itself. Started painting lattice about 12:30 (Brazil Green) and with Nan's help after she returned from town after another gallon of mill end paint, we finished it about 5:00. Mixed up the new gallon mill-end, and finished porch and steps about 6:30. Ernie Boy blew in about 4:30 and helped on porch floor. Wants me to come up and mow around his house for him. New gal. of mill-end about 20 shades darker grey than first gal. Painted the milk room floor and entry floor after supper. Finished 9:20. Watched Peyton lace and then to bed poached. Montgomerys and Cobbs had peas this day.</p>
<p>July 14, Wednesday</p>	<p>Wind S.W. and lots of high cloudiness. Doesn't look now as though sun would get out. Sun did come out and made one of the hottest days of the year. Picked peas this morning, enough for a good mess for Mercedes (a peck) and a peck for Forrest Adams. Painted milk room floor and entry floor a second coat. Nan took Mrs. Fay up to meet A.M. boat as they Bob Jones were arriving. As soon as she came home we lunched, cleaned up, and took the 1:00 P.M. boat to Rockland. It being Mercedes 49<sup>th</sup> birthday, we wanted to go see her. So cold going over we had to put on coats and so hot in Rockland we nearly passed out. Got haircut, did some shopping, and then took taxi to Owl's Head about 3:30. Surely surprised Mercedes. Had peas and lettuce for her and Nan took her a bottle of perfume. After supper Jim took us on a ride up Mt. Battie and down to the Camden waterfront. So hazy we could see only out to Mark and Saddle Island from tower but must be beautiful on a clear day. Back to Owl's Head and to bed about 11:00. Pretty warm about sleeping but did pretty good. Didn't see any gardens that looked very good. Found one place where Nan got a nice box of strawberries.</p>
<p>July 15, Thursday</p>	<p>Another sunny hot one. A great hay day. Up and had breakfast with Mercedes and Jim. Had taxi come for us about 8:45. Did a little shopping in A&amp;P and then down to boat. Nice trip over. Boat half hr. late leaving Rockland, radar trouble, so we didn't get home until 11:30. Went right to picking peas. Checked cistern and had to pump while doing so. The Fays are really using some water. Picked 5# peas for Cobb, 4# for Montgomery, 4# for Carver and then picked the first planting pretty thoroughly for ourselves, second time with "World's Record" and pretty short podded. Had probably 12 lbs. So hot we went out back of house for shade and shucked them after 4:00. The Jones down to call on us a little while. Just getting ready for supper when Eleanor called to ask us over to see the new windows in their kitchen. A three mullion window instead of the two single windows with a space between. What a dandy place it would have been for a picture window. Home and suppered. Watched Bewitched and Peyton Place. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>July 16, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning - calm and sunny. Has been a nice one. Up at 5:30 as I had 2 days diary to write. Picked 6# of peas for Sampson first thing. Then scraped Nan's Zimmerman settee so she could paint it. Paint very hard shape especially on seat. Broke into our second gallon of white paint, mixed it with what was left of first gallon and then painted the front screen door inside and out the kitchen screen door and casing inside and out, and the outside of entry door. Also painted the window stools along front of house. Now have the front of place looking fairly good. Ernie Boy blew in about 4:30 to pick himself a mess of peas. I finished painting about 5:30. Then Ern helped me pick a 12 qt. pail of peas and pull some weeds. Had Abbie and Eleanor over to supper. Stuffed baked pork chops, green peas, and mashed potatoes. These pork chops cost 47 cents apiece and bacon is \$1.00 per pound. Looks like we'd have to stop eating this summer the way prices are going up.</p>
<p>July 17, Saturday</p>	<p>Another calm pretty one. 50°. Potatoes and corn growing like old furyation these hot days. Nan worked over to Montgomerys awhile this A.M. I picked 2-12 qt. pails peas and pumped while doing it. They sure are using some water up at Fay's. Then I mixed a qt. of white paint into our mill-end paint to lighten it some, and painted the skirt boards under milk room and try. Two Coast Guard boys here trying to straighten out the telephone system to Goose Rock. No luck. Cleaned up paint tools and containers and put them in shop. Uptown about 1:00 to deliver peas. Home and mowed lawn, and Nan took dip while I soaked feet. Back uptown to meet Sam, Peggy and Kathy on 4:40 boat. Home and suppered.</p>
<p>July 18, Sunday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog, sprinkling at times, and stayed foggy all day Up about 5:30. Breakfasted, then Sam, Kathy and I went clamming down below shanty. Got our clam rocker nearly full after which Kathy and I went to church, while Nan, Sam and Peggy explored the Mullen Place Park. After dinner I took the Gilchrists on a foggy ride over the island. Nan stayed home as she thought Pat might call about coming up. She did call, but ferry service was so poor she decided not to come. About 5:00 P.M. I started a fire in our outside fireplace and steamed the clams for supper. They were delicious. Only a very few left. This evening I showed the slides Sam brought of JoAnn's wedding, and then showed some of mine. To bed about 9:30. We all seem to be weary.</p>
<p>July 19, Monday</p>	<p>Has cleared some but think it may have rained some during night. Still very overcast. Light breeze S.W. Became a good day. Up at 5:30. The Gilchrists left for their trip to Bar Harbor and the Bluenose Ferry this morning. We enjoyed their stop-over. Picked 2-12 qt. pails peas this A.M. and pumped. Then Nan and I shucked them and she froze them late this P.M. Finished shucking at 1:00. Lunched, rested an hour, believe it or not and then hoed the garden back of garage. Had time left before six to tie the peas up to wire on the two short rows on the below power house piece. Hiram, Sammy and boy brought our old couch back from A.W.B.'s after supper. A.W. and Emma came in their car. Visited awhile.</p>

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<p>July 20, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another pretty one coming up now the overcast has cleared. 58°. Nan worked over to Montgomery's this A.M. R.M. returned in his big yacht this P.M. I took twine and stakes from first and second planting of peas and staked and strung the peas back of garage. Then skin picked the first and second planting of peas. Had probably 17 or 18 qts. We shelled them out back of house and finished about 1:45. Prudy called a minute when he read meters. After lunch I cleaned the scrapings out of Bernice and painted all of inside. Finished about 6:15. Ernie Boy brought us down a mess of turnip greens about 5:00 and scraped on outside of Bernice while I painted inside. The King mowing sides of road today and mowed clear into Montgomery's. What a waste when I'll be mowing in a few days. Turnip greens for supper. Good.</p>
<p>July 21, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another calm beautiful morning. Good hay days going to waste. Pumped and skim picked the two rows of Freezonian peas. About 2/rd of a bucket. Carver over at mail time and bought 4<sup>th</sup> of them. As soon as I finished the peas Nan and I finished painting the inside of Bernice and as soon as I finished scraping the side outside that Ern worked on yesterday P.M. we painted that. Didn't have paint enough to do other side. After lunch I put the new plastic bearing into drive shaft sleeve on mower and went up to Ern's. Mowed between his buildings, around his house and garden, and below his stable. About 1 1/2 hrs. with running time. Fisher stopped me as I came by. Introduced me to his brother. Talked there a half hr. or so. Uptown this evening to Burgesses as Nan wanted to do a couple washes.</p>
<p>July 22, Thursday</p>	<p>Another beautiful one. All off one mold. Started out by mowing the junk between barn and Mrs. Fay's so I could start work on drilled well. We visited dooryard style with the Jones a few minutes as they're leaving on noon boat to visit his people. Another season ended and we didn't have them down. Took mower off tractor. Up to Eliot Beveridge's to get my drag rake. Raked the sides of road into Montgomery's and out along road to end of hog pen field. Picked it up on pulp trailer and put it into bull barn. Nan took Mrs. Fay uptown to see Jones off and brought me another gallon of white paint. While they were gone I mowed any part of Mrs. F.'s lawn that needed it. Scraped the other side of Bernice and painted it. Finished about 5:30. This morning Nan discovered that the coons had smashed hill out of her raspberries. Had Jimmie Brown come down with his dog tonight and we got one in our culvert by raspberry patch. One less to eat things.</p>

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<p>July 23, Friday</p>	<p>Almost foggy and very overcast. Looks rainy but air is S.W. A nice working day, but not a real handsome one. Nan worked in house and made cake for Grange Fair this A.M. My first job was to straighten up the raspberries as much as possible that the coon had smashed down. Couldn't see as they were troubled last night. Then picked 60 or so fence posts from material I threw out when I hauled in firewood. Sharpened them into trailer, collected other material and wire and went out into pasture below frog pond piece to build fence. Nan took cake and vegetables to Grange by way of Ernie Boy's to get him to come down and help me this P.M. Crowbarred and drove posts and run hog wire from abreast frog pond gate across clearing to corner of laid down piece in pasture. This will keep the animals from going to Indian Point. Then repaired the rail fence from bedding tree corner down to main gate. Now really to turn animals into that part of pasture. Ern helped me this P.M. Finished at 6:00. Suppered and watched television.</p>
<p>July 24, Saturday</p>	<p>Another dandy day. All hay days and not doing any. Never have I seen hay going backward any faster. Pumped and worked on Bernice. Caulked and put screws to garboard streak on both sides of keel. Then puttied and painted bottom a second coat. Hand raked the hay between barn and Fay's and hauled it into bull barn on pulp trailer. Finished just in time to dash up to boat and get groceries. Home to baked beans for supper. Eleanor and Abbie stopped in to have supper with us after being entertained at Mrs. Fay's. About 7:00 Edith Ames called to invite us up to spend evening. Went. Chatted and watched the Miss Universe pageant. Won by Miss Thailand. Home at 12:00.</p>
<p>July 25, Sunday</p>	<p>Very heavy and overcast. May burn out. Calm. Became the hottest day of the year. 96° in shade here about 3:00 P.M. Cleaned up, breakfasted and went to church. Mr. Merriam tendered his resignation effective Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. No doubt the best thing, Mrs. Merriam being so miserable, but it makes one sad. Home and lunched then we went clamming. Got a good mess. Nan went to a Denny Bok concert at V.H. this P.M. with Abbie. I rested awhile, then uptown at 6:00 to meet Nan and to meet the boat. Buddy Whipple and his bride arrived, a very attractive young lady. They've been camping upstate. Will be staying until Wednesday. Steamed clams for supper. Just as good as last Sunday.</p>
<p>July 26, Monday</p>	<p>No end to these beautiful days, but wait until I start haying; I'll change them. Bud and I put Bernice overboard this morning, and believe it or not she hardly leaks any. Pulled some pea vines for animals and then Bud and I started digging artesian well ditch at 10:00 A.M. Worked until nearly 1:00 and then lunched. Pretty hot. About 3:30 I started again and worked until 6:00. Have part of it down full depth. Bud took his lady love on a ride this P.M. and then went scuba diving a little while. Had a nice supper of new potatoes, new green beans (first mess), hamburgers. Showed them some of our slides this evening. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>July 27, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another good one coming up; and it's been as good as it looked. Started pump and went right to work on ditch at 9:00. Worked till 12:30. Then back to work at 2:00 and finished the full depth part at 4:15. Very hard dry digging. Now have to dig shallow ditch for pump cable from Fay's pipe line to barn. Turned the young stock in to the shut off part of big pasture after finishing ditch. Turned on the water at trough only to find that the damn plastic connector at shut off was leaking. Will have to dig that up now Bug took his lady love sailing in Bernice this A.M. and riding this PM. State tarring road right now. Showed some more slides this evening.</p>
<p>July 28, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another calm pretty one. Has been a dandy. Bud went scuba diving this A.M. and again this P.M. over by Aunt Sarah's little island. Got 30 or more scallops. Rode down to Bartlett's Harbor with him before supper so he could get some lobsters of the Haskell boys to take back to N.Y. As soon as I got cleared away this A.M. I hooked onto mower and mowed around shop, between shop and shanty, between power house and barn and then well and hen yard piece. After lunch Bud helped me take watering trough from barn to pasture as my pasture trough has a big crack in bottom plank. Then over to Tumbledown to take side-delivery out of double garage. Raked the hay at Mrs. Pease's before coming home. Cooked off Bud's lobsters out back before supper. Just visited this evening. To bed about 9:30.</p>
<p>July 29, Thursday</p>	<p>Plenty of high cloudiness. Calm. Will probably burn out. Quite a heavy dew. The Whipples left for New York on this morning's boat. What a day this has been. Fouled up one way or the other all day long. Uptown first thing to see Bill Hurd about fixing my shut-off and to get gas. Home, strung a row of peas back of garage, and dug up shut off. Then hand raked around edges of pieces I mowed yesterday and around the obstacles and finished with side delivery. About 3:00 went up to Mrs. Pease's to get baler out. Was nearly an hour getting it ready for action and the engine going. Then baled the hay there. Came home and was baling the well piece when the shear pin in sheep fork let go. While balking above the shop at end of corn piece one of the pick up teeth bent and bound in back of the side shield and we lost an hour getting that clear and replacing it. All of 7:30 when we started to haul in. Used pulp trailer so could haul only 34 bales per. Had 4 loads and spilled the last one before we got to barn. After 9:00 when we shut barn door. Oh dear oh hum. A fine way to start out. Should have had 10 cows to milk. Had to lug water over to animals as Bill didn't come down.</p>
<p>July 30, Friday</p>	<p>Cool this morning. 50°. Calm and sunny. A beautiful one. Fire hazard is mounting every day. Bill Hurd didn't come yesterday and didn't come today. Lugging water to animals. Unloaded last night's last load of hay and stowed all of yesterday's away on eastern scaffold. The mowed the new piece in pasture. Went right over to Abbie's and mowed between house and brook, the old orchard and a small area west of her garage. Home to lunch. Nan uptown to do 2 washes this P.M. I went up to Mrs. Pease's, picked up the hay I baled yesterday, and put it on her barn scaffold. Home and raked pasture piece. Then over and raked Abbie's. Finished 6:30. Just ready for bed after Peyton Place when Deacon Fisher drove in, bringing us a half-dozen mackerel. Stayed nearly an hour. 24 bales at Mrs. Pease's. 136 bales yesterday.</p>



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<p>July 31, Saturday</p>	<p>Another handsome one. Oh to be young and full of ambition and to accomplish the seemingly impossible. A full day. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. As soon as breakfast I watered animals from well. Bill hasn't been near yet, pumped and while pumping picked nearly a pail of beans. Sharpened mower knife, and mowed O.P. piece, sister piece, and piece against little pasture. O.P and sister piece really dried up and flattened down a lot of vetch in it. Had to take time out to tighten drive belt on mowing machine. Dumped Mrs. Fay's garbage overboard for her. Soon as lunch hitched onto baler. Baled piece in pasture, over to Abbie's and baled her junk. Back home with baler. Back over to Tumbledown after hay wagon. Back home and hauled in pasture piece - two loads - 132 bales. Eleven more than last yr. Back over to Abbie's and picked up that baling - about 66 bales. Rolled it into Tumbledown barn. A bad woods fire broke out this P.M. down by Carrying Place bridge on Calderwood's Neck. Vinalhaven about 2:00 P.M. and was out of control for some time. Looked pretty bad for a while. One of our machines and many men went down. Ern saw smoke and shoed up at Abbie's just as I finished baling. Came over and helped us haul in the pasture piece.</p>
<p>August 1, Sunday</p>	<p>Another beautiful day and a really full one. Up early. Watered animals. Raked the O.P., sister and piece against little pasture. Deacon Fisher over to look at my maples just as we were washing up to go to church. Helped with collection and communion. Met Junior Beverage. First time he's been here since his mother's funeral. Came right home. Stowed away hay in this barn then over and unloaded hay in Tumbledown barn. Brought wagon home. Had a few cookies and milk, and then baled what I raked this morning. With Nan's help, hauled it all in. 215 bales - about 20 more than last yr. Finished about 5:15. Over to Abbie's and Eleanor's a little while, home and suppered, and then out in Papoose with the R.M.'s. Went up to Marsh Cove and back. Saw the old <i>Henry Underwood</i> at anchor. That boat was toting herring away back when father was weiring about 1914. Had a very nice sail. Home and to bed.</p>
<p>August 2, Monday</p>	<p>Very cloudy overcast. Looks rainy. Stayed cloudy and disagreeably cool all day, starting to rain just as we're going to bed. Nan worked over at Montgomery's this A.M. I watered animals, and pumped. While pumping I stowed away hay in barn. Finished the job and unloaded the hay wagon after shutting off pump. Considerable ledge showing in spring now. Ran uptown this P.M. to help Bertha Joyce work in garden around Community Bldg., and do wash at Burgesses. I picked Mrs. Cobb 2# beans, and then sharpened three mower knives. Finished so that I prepared some beans for our supper before Nan got home. Garnet called about 4:00 to say Mrs. Whitmore passed away about 3:00. Wanted to get word to Ern about Mrs. Whitmore. We went up as soon as Nan came home. Then home and prepared several quarts of beans for freezing. To bed early.</p>

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<p>August 3, Tuesday</p>	<p>Rained very good a lot of the night. Should help the surface soil a little. Garnet called this morning to say Mrs. Whitmore's funeral would be tomorrow at 1:00. A little lazy getting going this morning. Watered animals. Nan did housework and made a couple loaves of date and nut bread - one of them for the Thorntons. I worked over in shop on the new windows. Went over the three I had painted, and puttied them, then went over seven more, sanding and puttying. When the glass was set in the sash the putty didn't come to the edge of the sash so the paint wouldn't draw to the glass good. While we were looking at our mail, Mrs. Fay dropped in and had coffee and nut bread with us. About 2:30 we cleaned up and went up to call on the Thorntons a few minutes taking them a loaf of cake. The Haskells and Mrs. Grant there. Our gardens pretty discouraging after seeing what water had done for Garnet's. Home and took Mrs. Fay to boat to meet Mrs. Bailey and Samantha. Home, suppered and back uptown to have dessert at Aunt Ell's. A waste of time. Spent a dollar for a lot of noise. Young people pretty noisy bunch.</p>
<p>August 4, Wednesday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice day coming up. Wind S.W. 10 mi. Sunny. Has been one of the nicest. A beautiful day without being too hot. Nan worked over to Montgomery's this A.M. He blew in just as we had finished breakfast with a 5# jar of honey (Maine) for us. Very good. I picked 5# peas for the Montgomerys first thing and some _____ squash. Pumped. Hitched onto mower, and as soon as I shut pump off I started mowing western field. Came within ten minutes of finishing it before we had to clean up to go to Mrs. Whitmore's funeral. Was pallbearer with Owen and Lawrence, Lewis Haskell, Don W. and Geo. Beverage. Finished western field after I came and also Montgomerys. Nan back up to Garnet's at 5:00 to help them pick tame raspberries. Picked 8 or more boxes. We had a vegetable supper I'd gathered before Nan got home - potatoes, spinach, yellow beans, and carrots. To be weary. Side delivery raked western field before supper except Montgomery's.</p>
<p>August 5, Thursday</p>	<p>Should be a nice day coming up. Some high cloudiness. Watered animals. More tar on our road this A.M. Went over and handraked side hills and edges of Montgomery's farm and finished it with side delivery. Then mowed on frog pond ridge, frog pond section and oak tree field. Mowed at least 1/2 of it. Changed to baler and started baling western field about 1:45. Nan went up to work at Guild sale. When she came home I was just taking my second load into barn. Had unloaded and stowed first load. Nan helped me pick up third load, and Matt helped me unload it - 215 bales in three loads. Thrashed to get washed up and up to Fay's at 6:00. Home and suppered and watched Bewitched and Peyton Place. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>August 6, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like another dry one. Will be a full one if I do what must be done today. It has been a nice one but didn't get it all done, but day sure was full. Pumped and while pumping, picked nearly pail of yellow beans on garage garden. Also picked 2# green beans for Elmer Carver. Raked yesterday's mowing, then finished mowing the oak tree field and what I could of toilet field. Pretty much worn out by Montgomery's workmen and trucks. Baled as soon as lunch. Ready to haul in at 3:00. Managed to get in 2 loads and left over a load out. Had to clean up and go to the Witherspoons for a clam and lobster supper. Al and Ann there. Had a nice time. Was slow getting the hay in because I have to do so much stowing away in barn. Getting pretty well filled up. Put in 14 bales in the two loads.</p>
<p>August 7, Saturday</p>	<p>Pretty cloudy but suppered to be hot and humid. Must get hay in before showers come. Has been a hot day but very smoky. The worst forest fire in Maine since 1947 going down by Machias, 15,000 acres burned already. Started out by stowing away in barn and finished unloading wagon. Forrest Adams came to Mrs. Fay's to get some boards and had Teddy help me for about 15 minutes. Made quite a difference. Finished raking the oak tree field after rolling the bales left out last night - 97. Baled it and was ready to haul in at 2:00. Had the second load in barn at 4:00 but was so very badly bunged up for room I decided to wait for help. We went uptown to shop and see boat come, and then right home. When Matt came from store he helped me stow away and unload in about 15 min. Suppered and watched Lawrence Welk. To bed weary.</p>
<p>August 8, Sunday</p>	<p>Looks like another dry one. Very smoky. Wind S.W. 15 to 20.60°. Altogether too much wind with fire hazards what they are. Very, very dangerous. All outdoor fires curbed. Pumped before going to church. Reverend Clam preached the sermon. Came right home and tried to rest out back in hammocks, but wind was very uncomfortable. At 2:00 P.M. we went up to Mrs. Pease's pulp slashings to pick raspberries. Tinderbox dry. Got about four qts. From there downtown to see boat leave. On way home met Edith and Milton who'd been over with Nan's cleaning money. They came back and had ice cream with fresh raspberries on them. Later after they left I picked a mess of Lowe's Champion beans and we had them with new potatoes and fried chicken legs for supper. To bed early and read a little while.</p>
<p>August 9, Monday</p>	<p>Foggy. Wind still S.W. Sprinkled a few drops this morning early. Was almost rainy large part of day. Did shower a wee it about boat time this P.M. Watered animals. Picked 4-12 qt. Pails peas and nearly a pail of beans. Rested a little while at noon time then spent considerable time pulling weeds in garden below power house. Uptown about 4:00. Nan washed at Burgesses and I delivered peas and beans. The story goes that the N.H. - V.H. ferry closed down as of 5:00 P.M. today. What is the next chapter? Mr. Bailey arrived on P.M. boat. Home and shelled peas for supper. There's a boatload of cars and people arriving every day yet there doesn't seem to be many people around.</p>

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<p>August 10, Tuesday</p>	<p>Foggy, damp, overcast and cool. Some different from what we've been having. Air still S.W. Pumped. Watered animals. Picked the beans on piece below power house, and about a pk. Of peas on garage piece. In the meantime Jack Brown brought me a second hand culvert to use below the house here (the one there has had bad holes come in it). Mr. Montgomery called just as Jack was leaving and stayed probably a half hour. Didn't find out what he wanted. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. and went raspberrying at Mrs. Pease's this P.M. a while - about 2 qts. I caulked the watering trough in pasture after repairing the shut off pasture fence and turning the animals into it and then sharpened two mower knives. Took ride around island this evening. Heavy thunder showers up over the mainland north of us. Lightning looked like fireworks display.</p>
<p>August 11, Wednesday</p>	<p>Cloudy and cool. Looks like a dull fall morning. Damp and drizzly, even rained a few minutes during A.M. Watered animals. Mowed Mrs. Fay's property and hog pen piece as soon as lunch. This finishes the mowing of Indian Point properties. Hand-raked the edges and obstacles of Mrs. Fay's mowing. Prepared some string beans for freezing before supper. This evening G. Thornton called to say he had some more raspberries for the Montgomerys and did we want to come after them. Had a nice evening. The last two days the North Haven has had to take over the V.H. run so has been nearly 7:00 before getting here in afternoon. Libby broken down.</p>
<p>August 12, Thursday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning and now at 7:00 A.M. it's thick-a-fog with the air S.E. Cleared before noon to a nice day. Pumped and suction came out on spring before cistern was full. Changed suction to the old plastic one for next time to reach deeper. Will have to go careful until Bill hooks up the artesian. If we'd had the herd of cattle this summer the spring would have given out 6 weeks ago likely. If rain doesn't come soon farming will be a dust bowl job in this locality. Stowed away the hay in barn. Raked the hay on hog pen piece and Mrs. Fay's after baling up all my grain bags. Had 3 bundles - 136. Baled the hay. 42 on hog pen piece and 28 on Fay's. Took the bags to town to Harvey Demmons' truck at boat time. Home and hauled in the hay. Left Fay's on wagon in barn. Barn quite well filled with what of last yr.'s was left.</p>
<p>August 13, Friday</p>	<p>Friday the thirteenth and a very hot day it's been. Watered the animals. Started to get the porch floor ready to paint again. Had to scrape quiet a bit of it near the rail as a mold seems to have come up through the first coat. Then had to replace the two boards on the front bottom step. Company arriving at Mrs. Fay's on A.M. boat among them Mr. Arthur and Mark. Mark stopped to talk with us on his way from boat. Nan spent A.M. cooking for Legion Giant Food Sale. Went up to help out at sale this P.M. It was time for lunch by the time I'd finished the repair job, planning down the edges etc. So very hot on porch after lunch that I didn't attempt to paint, but worked on limb pile in shade during P.M. Picked a half pail of beans just as Nan returned. Uptown this evening to Legion Play and then to a dance (cattle schooner). Calderwood's Hall. Noisy. The play was quite good. Discovered tonight that I'd skipped 2 bales of hay on hog pen piece so didn't finish haying yesterday on Indian Point.</p>

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<p>August 14, Saturday</p>	<p>Another beautiful hot one, even though there's fog back of Stimpson's. has been a nice one. Pumped and while pumping, watered the animals, unloaded the hay off wagon, and stowed it away. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I started painting the porch floor a second coat. Got one section done by 12:30 besides priming the new pieces I put in the other day. Cleaned up and went uptown to Festival Parade. Very poor showing. Mr. and Mrs. A.W., Ern W. and Nan and I acted as judges. Gave first prize to Frankie D. and Paul Quinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 3 girls on horses and the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the girls with donkey. Waited to see boat come. Then the Fishers invited us to have supper with them at Aunt Ell's. Enjoyed it. Home, rested and then back up to dance. A nice orchestra but crowd seemed small. Practically no summer people.</p>
<p>August 15, Sunday</p>	<p>Very thick-a-fog and dripping wet. Wind S.W. A lot of apples under Red Astracou tree so I peeled them before breakfast, and Nan made a pie. Went down to summer church today. Took ride to west district on way home. Rested and had a light lunch. Uptown to watch crowd when boat left. Visited at Burgesses a little while. Home, picked us our first cabbage and had a nice supper. Don and Cynthia called about 8:00 and spent evening.</p>
<p>August 16, Monday</p>	<p>Looks like another beautiful hot one coming up. Has been a hot one. Pumped. Nan worked at Montgomery's this A.M. I picked the 5 rows peas on garage piece and the two wired rows on below power house piece. Had over 5 pecks. Picked over a pail of peas. Painted another section on porch floor. Weighed up vegetables and uptown to deliver them after 3:30. Nan did two washes at Burgesses. I took Frank Waterman a mess of peas and was going to visit with him a few minutes, but he wasn't home. We came home after boat came. I had to get another gallon of mill-end paint in order to have enough to finish porch floor and steps. Has gone up \$.40 since the last gallon. Repaired some beans and suppered. To bed before 9:00. Both weary.</p>
<p>August 17, Tuesday</p>	<p>Very thick-a-fog and about calm. Didn't have anything very definite in mind to do today, it being foggy, and thought I might go up to Hiram's to mow for him, but couldn't get him on the phone. Nan worked at R.M.'s this A.M. I had just finished watering the animals when Prudy came to run the wire in barn for they sub-pump and float switch. While helping him, V.L. B. came to see if I'd use Jack's bull on his cow. He returned with cow about 12:00. Then I dug a foot deep ditch to barn from the deep ditch I dug back along - this to bury the cable in. Lunched about 1:30. Prudy came back and we finished wiring except for float switch. Bill didn't come to put in pump as he was supposed to. Finished P.M. from 3:30 on limb pile. Had Mr. and Mrs. Fisher over to supper. Baked ham slice, green peas, new potatoes, new apple sauce and apple pie. Enjoyed the Fishers company. They're leaving next week.</p>

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<p>August 18, Wednesday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog and damp. Sprinkled some this A.M. Didn't make a very good day. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. Then went to a tea party at Emma Beverage's this P.M. I spent most of the A.M. working on Lowe's Champion beans getting them ready for Nan to process and freeze when she came from R.M.'s. Had 10 or so bags. Guess I made a mistake using the bull yesterday. He has spent his time today roaring. Worked on the limb pile a while this P.M. Not much enthusiasm for tearing into it a day like today. Awfully lame down low as though I had inflammation. Cleaned up and over to Abbie's and Eleanor's to supper at 5:30. Smothered chicken, potatoes, green peas, cukes, etc. A nice supper. Home at 8:30.</p>
<p>August 19, Thursday</p>	<p>Really thick-a-fog. Can hardly see the barn. Cleared some during day. Watered animals and cut them some corn stalks. Pumped. Started selling Earlicking corn. Hitched onto rotary mower and mowed Abbie's 2 road to brook pieces. Visited at Fisher's new bldg. On way home. It is going to be very nice. Pine paneling around living room. A nice fireplace faxed in beach rocks by Mrs. Fisher. Now Dr. Raleigh is building in kitchen shelves, cupboards, etc. worked on limb pile after I came home. Nan went to V.H. with Mrs. B. to spend day with Pat and children. Pat came up after them. Mrs. B. visited at the Williams'. Had a nice mess of corn for supper. Sent Pat down a mess of new peas, corn and potatoes.</p>
<p>August 20, Friday</p>	<p>Rained hard during night. Calm and clearing this morning. A nice day and a busy one. Alphonse arrived just after eight and started assembling the well pump, pipe, cable etc. Then Rex came about 10:00, torched off the casing, put pump in well etc. and we were ready to connect to electricity just before eleven, but wiring was wrong in barn so everything was hot. Prudy came back with them as soon as lunch and finally got things straightened out, and float switch in and working so we started pumping out about 300. Blew 2 fuses in power house before wiring was right. Pump discharging 9 gal. a minute. Pumped out first time in about 50 minutes. Rex also repaired broken plastic adapter down by shut off to pasture through. Filled in that hole and put some dirt around pipe in ditch by well by hand. Power went off in V.H. so couldn't pump well second time. Came on about 5:30. Abbie and Eleanor over to supper and evening.</p>
<p>August 21, Saturday</p>	<p>Hurrah! We're finally connected to our drilled well. Another beauty coming up. Calm - 50°. Up to barn at 6:40 and started pump. Stopped pumping at 7:30. Water very clear and looks good. Rex came before 8:00 and we cut into Mrs. Fay's line, connected up and started pumping into cistern at 8:30. Now if it will only prove out satisfactorily. Put bearing rock under adapter joint in pipes and filled in some fine dirt around pipes. Ready now to fill ditch by tractor. Took rotary off tractor, hitched on to regular mower and started for Hiram's at 10:30. Mowed for him until nearly 4:00. Mowed junk eastward of woodshed, both junks on millstream side of road, the little junk nearly up abreast of Duffy's camp, sides of road and then finished time on a junk full width of main field. Home just in time to dash up to shop and see boat come. Home and suppered. Then invited up to Dr. Raleigh's for evening. Ken showed slides of some of his trips. Quite good.</p>

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<p>August 22, Sunday</p>	<p>Calm and a little overcast. Looks like another good one coming. Has been a good one other than rather cool and cloudy this P.M. Pumped the new well this morning; all okay but didn't shut itself off. Corned the animals, picked two doz. For Ben Ames, cleaned up, and went to our church. Dr. Lockwood of the N.E. spoke. Sixty people there. Home, rested a little while, and then went clamming. We got enough to have steamed clams for supper along with corn etc. Pat, Mike and children arrived about 4:00. Had to leave at 6:45. Daniel and his family came after corn about same time so had quite a group for a little while. Before the Bunkers came, Sheila drove in with Hollis and Lelya Burgess. Took Hollis up onto bluff above barn so he could look around. Cleaned up dishes after folks left and watched television awhile.</p>
<p>August 23, Monday</p>	<p>Started raining during night and rained considerable. Foggy and wet this morning. Pumped. Chored animals, gathered corn and beans for Phoebe Barnes. Pump shut itself off this morning. Put grader blade on tractor and filled the ditches at barn - water pipe ditch - and cable ditch. Then graded our road from town road to barn, cutting out the central strip. Everybody riding ridges. Used tractor until nearly 3:00. Lunched and then hand raked road until 6:00. Lots of sharp loose gravel rocks. Nan up to Mrs. Pease's a little while raspberrying late this P.M. Cleaned up, suppered and up to call on the Beveridges, Lyford and Ruth, a little while. They're laving in less than two weeks. Had a pleasant evening. Helen Baird called this A.M. to say that Wednesday would be best day at Union Fair and wanted us to come over that morning. Would meet us at boat.</p>
<p>August 24, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another beauty coming up. Morning pretty as a picture. Pumped and chored animals. Nan worked at Montgomery's this A.M. I spent all of A.M. and until about 1:30 picking vegetables - beans, peas and corn. The peas were skimmers, nearly a pail full from the 5 rows on garage piece. About or nearly two pails of beans green and yellow and 20 doz. ears of corn. After lunch at 2:00 P.M. I cut enough corn for the animals tomorrow morning and then enough for Thursday morning. Uptown at 3:00 to sell vegetables and Nan did a wash at Burgesses. Home by way of Jack Brown's to see if he'd come down Thursday morning and give the animals their corn. While eating supper, Deacon Fisher and bride came over with some clams for us, and invited us over to enjoy a fire in the new fireplace this evening. Had a nice time. Home at 9:45.</p>
<p>August 25, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice day but considerable high cloudiness. Up at 5:00. Pumped, fed animals, put another load over by light pole to be handy for Jack tomorrow morning. Picked a doz. corn for Mrs. Cobb and 1/1/2 doz. for the Bairds to take with us. Just barely made the boat as they were taking up the slip about 2 min. early. Frank Sampson went over too. Sherm, Helen and her mother met us at Wharf, and we went right to the fair. The women folks played considerable beano, and cruised the exhibition bldgs. We men folks watched the horse and oxen pulling, looked the animals over and toured the exhibition bldgs. Pretty interesting but quiet. Not much on midway. Left for Sherman's about 5:00. Had a nice supper with ham, potatoes, etc. along with the corn. Afterwards Frank &amp; I rode with Sherman down to Bremen to see a customer. To bed weary about eleven. Frank stayed at the Baird's too.</p>

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<p>August 26, Thursday</p>	<p>Very foggy all over. Up and had breakfast with the Bairds and Frank. Then we came into Rockland when Sherm brought Frank in to take morning boat. We decided to stay till P.M. as we had chores to do. I rode back out to Shepard's Chevrolet with Sherm. Wanted to find out what the results had been from the Co. about the burned out clutch last Dec. The head Co. refunded \$49.00 of the \$77.00 acct. Expect this was probably fair enough considering the trouble the garage here had getting the right clutch assembly etc. One of the Shepard's brought me back into Rockland. I got a haircut and met Nan by Thorndike. She had finished her shopping so we took a taxi out to Mercedes and had lunch with she and Winnie. About 2:00 Mercedes came back into Rockland with us and stayed till boat time. The Sr. Fishers aboard boat and asked us to stop in a few minutes on way home. Showed us the progress made on their new room in new bldg. Home and started to get supper. Left off to go up above barn to see if we could see the boat aground on Thomas' ledge but couldn't make out much except C.G. was standing by. Talked with Baileys a few minutes on way back. Suppered and to bed weary.</p>
<p>August 27, Friday</p>	<p>Some fog still but nothing like yesterday. Made a good work day. Spent some of A.M. catching up on "being gone" chores. Had to pump twice to fill cistern back up. Cut two batches of corn stalks. Walker Ames came after corn. Finished raking our road, put scoop on tractor and hauled off the raked rocks and sods. Put rocks (3 loads) in manure pile drainage ditch and sods (2 loads) on pile of ashes and fill back of shanty. Also cleaned up the rocks out of well ditch above barn. Pulled the hog weed and rag weed out of pumpkin and squash patch and from among pole beans. Cleaned up bolted lettuce, cabbage bottoms, and some pea vines and fed to animals. Dug 2 pecks of potatoes; nearly a row (about a qtr. of last yr.'s yield). June Hopkins here after corn this P.M. Ivaloo here this A.M. after Walker had been here. A.W. and Emma here a few minutes this evening. Then the Fishers over to see some of my slides.</p>
<p>August 28, Saturday</p>	<p>Some fog around but looks like a good day coming up. Has been a good working day. Quite warm. Pumped an corned animals. Picked beans and 3 doz. corn for Phoebe Barnes. Then picked more than 1 12 qt. pail more of yellow beans and over a half pail of green. Picked 27 doz. ears of corn. 16 of them first picking of Morning Sun. Loaded the Chevelle and started uptown about 3:00. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. We sold everything by the time the boat came except a few lbs. of beans. Home and suppered. Was watching the King Sisters' program when Mrs. Fay, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey and Matt and Mark came in. Mark played his guitar and he and Matt sang. Very good. Then we had a sudden thunder shower and terrific wind and rain. Wind up to 60 at times. Still storming when we went to bed.</p>



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<p>August 29, Sunday</p>	<p>A nice pretty northerly fall morning. 48°. Looks like the wind last night cleaned Minot's runway and slip off Burnt Island. Did. Fed animals corn, cut more corn, and pumped. Picked 2 1/2 doz. corn for C.K. Cobb, and 1 doz. for R. Montgomery. Went to church. Nan stayed home. Last meeting of season in P.H. church. Home from church and up to Bailey's to their anniversary dinner - 34<sup>th</sup>. Down from there about 3:00. Jimmie Brown down at 4:00 to get his cow bred. Turned the animals into ground mow. Left them there for tonight after he took his cow out. Suppered and was going up to Burgesses this evening, but were both too weary. To bed early. It's really disagreeably cold tonight.</p>
<p>August 30, Monday</p>	<p>Cold and windy. 42°. Plenty of high cloudiness. Stayed cold and windy all day except in sun. Pumped and corned animals. Repaired my old iron wheeled wheelbarrow; have had a replacement wheel holder for years, but haven't bothered to put it on. Wanted this barrow to leave out for wheeling corns talks. Mixed up gas and oil for chains saws and Nan took one up to A.W.B.'s about 10:00 on her way to help Cynthia at clean-up at Craft and Arts. Limbed and junked up tops for him on side hill between him and H.S.B.'s where Elliott Brown cut lumber. Had lunch with the B.'s Worked three hours. Then down to Fleischmann's to look over the clean up Art wants done around there sometime this winter. A.W. brought me home about 3:00. Cut corn and gathered corn. Had some of our special "barbecue" corn for supper. Very promising. Supposed to be especially good for freezing. Uptown this evening. Had ice cream at Aunt Ell's. Then called on Jimmie B. a half hour or so.</p>
<p>August 31, Tuesday</p>	<p>Happy Birthday, Patricia. Good Heavens, it's cold. 40°. This morning. Sunny. Has been a good day. Corned animals. Pumped from spring so water wouldn't get stale in pipe. Spring had only filled up to where it was last time I pumped. Painted another section and half of porch floor. Over to kitchen entrance now. Picked 3 or 4 lbs. of beans (nearly done for this yr.) and 30 doz. ears of corn. About finishes my Earliking and Morning Sun corn piece. Uptown just before boat came. Sent a package across to Pat by Enburg. Brought an order of groceries down to Montgomery's from Waterman's and then back uptown to finish selling corn. Called on Ben Ames a few minutes when I left his. Home and picked 4 doz. More corn for Oscar W. - Golden Midget. The Thorntons brought us down a doz. or more large cucumbers and while they were here the Lyford Beveridges arrived. Had a nice evening. Sold nearly \$25.00 worth of corn this day.</p>

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Sept. 1, Wednesday	<p>Very heavy overcast. Wind S.S.W. or S. - 15 mi. 50°. Sprinkled considerable during day. Quite damp at times. Fed the animals. Spent a large part of A.M. peeling apples for 2 pies, and a large bowl of sauce. Two C.G. boys arrived to work on Goose Rock controls. Run another double wire between Carver and us while more men worked on Lighthouse end. Now have the light itself rigged so it works by sun-ray - a certain amount of darkness turns the light on and a certain amt. of daylight shuts it off. They finished about 1:30 and had apple pie and coffee with us. Lena Chick here after corn. Also picked some for F. Sampson and Irven Stone. Martin Joyce here first of A.M. to get some. Cut corn. Uptown before boat came to leave corn and gas up. Thrashed home, cleaned up and up to A.W. and Emma's to supper and evening. Had an enjoyable time. Home just after 10:30. Raining and blowing. Picking Golden Midget corn now.</p>
Sept. 2, Thursday	<p>Rained all night I guess. Stove my corn down considerable. Up at 5:45 to check to see what time Goose Rock light went off. Finally at 7:10. Pumped and fed animals. Had to make two pumpings to get cistern full as I didn't pump yesterday. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I worked on limb pile all A.M. and made quite a showing. Had just gone to pick some corn about 12:00 when Prissy Hallowell came after a couple dozen. Then picked some for Mrs. Thatcher, Curly Joe, Franklin Waterman, and Colon. During P.M. Irven Stone came after some. Cut corn and hooked onto rotary. Was going over to rotor Montgomery's side hill but by the time I weighed up hay for Hazel Brown I didn't have time so rotored some in barn pasture. Uptown about boat time. Delivered corn. Stopped at Abbie's on way home and then they came over to supper with us. Had a farm raised supper - corn, potatoes, etc.</p>
Sept. 3, Friday	<p>A beautiful sunny fall morning. Heavy dew - 50°. Pumped, chored and fed animals. Cut corn. Nan did wash at Burgesses. Eliot Beveridge blew in this A.M. to see when I could haul out some wood for him. Over to Montgomery's and rotored his side hill. Then rotored my opening. Nan just getting home from washing when I got back. The R.M.'s out in big boat to Blue Hill today. Lunched and up to E.P.B.'s at 12:45 to haul out his wood. Had three big loads. Charlie helped us. Home about 4:00. Helped Nan cut up some pretty red Cortland windfalls for jelly juice. Invited the Baileys and Mrs. Fay down to see some of our slides this evening. Mr. Montgomery had blown in before they arrived and stayed to see some of the slides. They all appeared to enjoy them.</p>
Sept. 4, Saturday	<p>Another beautiful sunny calm fall morning. 50°. Has been a real Sept. day. Pumped and fed animals. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. Said Mrs. R. Seemed about as pleased with the side hill rotoring as anything she'd seen in some time. I spent most of A.M. picking beans. Got about 10#. Ern blew in just before Nan came about 11:00. Visited a half hour or so, then went down on Bull Rock to get some pictures of the P.H. dingy race coming through. Ern had lunch with us and helped me gather over 20 doz. corn. Really cleaned the long piece of Earliking and Morning Sun. Uptown about 3:30. Sold all but about 3 doz. Home and had corn for supper. Watched L. Welk and to bed. Both weary. Another summer season at a close and nothing accomplished. Where oh where has the summer gone?</p>

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<p>Sept. 5, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful calm sunny Sept. morn, but cool. 45°. Pumped and fed animals. Walker Ames here after corn before nine. Didn't get to church and we were expecting Winnie and boyfriend over from Rockland. Didn't come. This was Union Service at Village church. Rested in hammock a little while, but air off water was just a trifle cold. Had roast fowl and apple pie for lunch. I peeled the Yellow Transparents before breakfast that the Mistletoe Mauler gave me Friday, and Nan made two pies. Gave one to the Fay's. Uptown about 3:30 to watch the crowd gather to go on boat. Called on the Thorntons on way home. Took them some corn and they gave us some mackerel caught last night. Home, lunched, watched Bonanza and to bed.</p>
<p>Sept. 6, Monday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny calm Labor Day morning. The summer folks are on the move. Mrs. Fay, Mrs. Bailey and Samantha left this noon. Fed animals, pumped and up to Mrs. Fay's this A.M. to look at her cellar with her and to get last minute orders. Put mower on tractor and went over to Abbie's at 10:45. Mowed the junk below her little house that I usually mow and then struck out her western field. Nan over in Chevelle at 12:00 so we could see crowd go on noon boat. B and R truck and 9 cars went with people galore. Had us a hamburger while waiting so I stopped at Abbie's on way back and went to mowing. Finished her western flat and then mowed around my well house and to the eastard of double garage. Home, cut corn, suppered and then over to Stimpson Island to call on the Dick Fays. Only stayed a half hour or so as they had been invited to the Montgomerys for evening. Home, watched television and to bed. Mowing for Abbie 3 1/2 hrs. \$18.00.</p>
<p>Sept. 7, Tuesday</p>	<p>A fallish morning. Wind north - 50°. Has been a beautiful day. Pumped, fed animals and cut corn. Sharpened mower knife and over to Tumbledown at 10:45. Mowed out barn yard, in front of manure pile, and was mowing back of barn when Nan came over in Chevelle so we could go to boat. The Dickey Fays left today. A pretty short vacation. They have to move to New York now. Had a lunch in car on way home, and I went right to mowing. Finished little pasture back of barn, and struck out junk in big field. From field road to Mrs. Pease's line fence and up side hill to plum trees. Nearly finished it. Had to be home at 5:00 to pick corn for Penn Hallowell. Suppered. Managed to stay awake to watch Peyton Place and then to bed.</p>
<p>Sept. 8, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice calm morning but cloudy some. Made a beautiful day. Pumped and fed animals. Cut corn. Helped Mark B. straighten his rear bumper. Put 3 new sections into mower knife and sharpened it. Nan worked at R.M.'s this A.M. We went uptown to see boat go at noontime. Solid full again. North Haven is rapidly emptying out. Home, lunched, picked corn for Neal Holt and Emery Hopkins. Rested an hr. or so, then over to Tumbledown. Finished mowing yesterday's junk and mowed almost all the top of big ridge. Nan over at 5:30 to tell me we'd been invited up to the Baileys to steamed clams at 6:00. Thrashed home, cleaned up and went. Had an enjoyable time. Home about 7;15. Watched television a little while. Only Mr. Bailey, Mark and Matthew, and Carole Lee Gates at supper. The Baileys all leave tomorrow morning. Thus endeth another season.</p>

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<p>Sept. 9, Thursday</p>	<p>Looks like another pretty one. What a full, bothersome day. Pumped, fed animals, and cut corn. The Bailey men left this morning. Nan spent over 4 hrs. trying to get the house to rights a little, gathered up bedding, dirty clothes, dishes, etc. Was picking corn for Shirley Brown when Don and Cynthia came after corn. We visited with them among the gardens over an hour. Just over to Tumbledown and started mowing when the King arrived to see if I'd re-breed his cow. Finished the junk I was on last night, came home, changed to rake the King arrived with cow, bred her, lunched over and raked the two better parts of what I'd mowed home and got baler, baled the rakings, 54 bales. Home and got hay wagon, and just back over there when Squire Grant arrived to haul out of field. Am selling out of the field 70 bales to tons \$20.00. Squire was able to take 49 of the 54 bales. Home, picked corn for P. Hallowell, suppered, watched Peyton Place, and to bed weary.</p>
<p>Sept. 10, Friday</p>	<p>Ha. Raining this morning. Lucky I was bothered yesterday or I'd had some of the back side of ridge mowed. The Adams crew started repair on the inside of Uncle Will's cellar wall for Mrs. Fay., then worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I fed animals, didn't have to pump. Sharpened 3 mower knives. Rested an hour about noon time. Picked several doz. Corn and went uptown about 2:30. visited with Frank Waterman an hr. or so. He leaves tomorrow and this is the first time I've called. I'm truly ashamed. I tried once before but he wasn't home. Saw boat come. Home and picked corn for Raymond Beverage and Penn Hallowell. This is really giving my barbecue corn a work out. "A good producer and excellent eating." Abbie and Eleanor in a minute after corn and potatoes. Then Lawrence Beverage came to buy some milk equip. Sold him 2 boxes filters, a tub of caps. 24 milk bottles, one of my tall lugging cans, and our glass churn. Paid by check \$7.00 in full. Spent evening at the Thorntons. Most of house along road vacant now.</p>
<p>Sept. 11, Saturday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice one coming up. Has been. Fed animals. Spent all A.M. gathering about 20 doz corn, digging a half bu. potatoes for Forrest Adams. etc. It looks now like it was going to take the whole piece to make his 10 bu. he ordered last spring. Martin and Stillman came after four doz. corn this A.M. Bertha is heaving family get together tomorrow. Loaded the corn and taters into the Jeep and started uptown about 2:30. Delivered along the way. Nan put in a wash at Burgesses and we saw the boat come. Home, cut corn, pulled some weeds. Mr. R.M. came in to invite us out in the "Cygnet II." Up to the Witherspoons to spend evening. The Peters were there. Watched the Miss America contest. Miss Kansas won it. Home at 12:30. cold tonight. +38°.</p>

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<p>Sept. 12, Sunday</p>	<p>Still 38° at 6:00 A.M. Sun started up pretty, but considerable high cloudiness at 8:00. Fed animals, cleaned up, breakfasted, and was over to Montgomerys at 10:00. Started out before 10:30, and what a beautiful boat. Unbelievable the amount of room aboard, and how nicely it's fixed up. Went out the eastern end of Little Thoroughfare by Little Green ledge, up by Eagle, between Eagle and Bradbury, on up to Buck Harbor, then out around Cape Rosier and up into Castine. Docked there long enough to get another film for our camera. Saw the Maritime Ship, <i>State of Maine</i>, laying at dock, then over to the land-locked harbor where we anchored and lunched. Then on our way up the backside of Islesboro, down through between Islesboro and mainland, on down the bay the length of N.H., around Crabtree's Point, through Thoroughfare and home. A beautiful day, a beautiful sail, and a beautiful time. Fed animals and cut corn. Shorty drove in after corn. Over to Abbie's and Eleanor's an hr. or so after 7:30. They leave tomorrow noon. The end of another season.</p>
<p>Sept. 13, Monday</p>	<p>A nice morning with a white frost. 40°. Wind will be S.W. this P.M. Wrong. Wind came east N.E. Kept clouding up and started to rain about 5:30. Fed animals and cut corn. Also pumped. Nan went to V.H. Pat came up about 10:00 after her. I worked digging potatoes. Dug all but 4 1/2 rows. Only had 8 3/4 bu. weighed up and Forrest Adams was supposed to have ten. This will only leave me 4 1/2 rows for self for winter. Was still picking up when Nan returned at 5:30 and rain had started. She picked up the ones too small for sale. Had a wash tub full. If the potatoes had turned out like last yr. I would have had 40 bu. So goes it. Had to leave off twice to gather corn for people. We're both weary tonight. To bed early. Maynard Greenlaw visited about a half hr. or so when he came for corn about dark.</p>
<p>Sept. 14, Tuesday</p>	<p>A disquieting feeling day like before a storm. Warm in sun in lee but chilly where air off water. Nan worked over to Montgomerys this A.M. I fed animals and cut corn. Was just ready to try to work when Franze and Ann drove in. visited with them an hour or so. They stayed until Nan came from R.M.'s. Worked on limb pile what time I had during day. Gathered 4 doz. corn, cleaned up and went uptown after 4:00. Saw boat come, and then went to Memorial room to Mr. and Mrs. Merriam's farewell reception. Quite a crowd there coming and going from 4 to 6. Came home by long way around. Dooryard called on Jack &amp; Betty. He's started building another piece on his house. Then stopped up to Pettit's to look at the job being done, moving a piece off main house to a new foundation beyond pine trees. Home, suppered and to bed as soon as we watched Peyton Place.</p>
<p>Sept. 15, Wednesday</p>	<p>A dull, almost foggy, calm morning. Not very uplifting. Stayed disagreeable all day, trying to rain until it started about 5:45 P.M. Fed animals and chored around. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. At 9:30 I hitched onto stake trailer and went up to Ern's to haul out limbs for him. Hauled out 2 loads alders form down by his spring and 3 loads limbs from his woods. Pretty much cleans up his cuttings, except for scatterings we couldn't get to. Hauled out some staging poles for him. Home just after 5:30. Cut corn for animals. Suppered. Uptown to mail a letter and spent evening at Burgesses. Still raining when we came home at 11:00.</p>

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<p>Sept. 16, Thursday</p>	<p>Must have rained most all night. Very foggy and wet this morning. Cleared to be a nice day. Pumped and fed animals. Cut corn. Worked cleaning up pea vines on power house garden, and started to roll up wire. Also mowed and cleaned up weeds and hay around manure pile and spreader. Mrs. Burr down to call on Nan about 11:00 A.M. As soon as lunch Nan went up to Burgesses to do two washes, and just after 2:00 I coupled onto the rotary mower and went up to Ern's. Rotored the place in his field back of house that we hadn't been able to mow with machine the last few yrs. And then mowed a strip in his lower field on left hand side of road going to house. Made quite a change. Home about 5:30. Fed animals and suppered. Had golden Cross Bantam and new cabbage. Very good. Nan's present (Black loafers) came from Sears this day. Watched T.V. a while this evening.</p>
<p>Sept. 17, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny, calm morning but cold. 42°. Became very raw the last part of P.M. Fed animals and picked corn for Mrs. Cobb. Went over to Tumbledown about 9:30 and mowed the top and back of big ridge. Then mowed the old side hill piece and the ridge across from barn. Nan brought over lunch about 1:30. Starting raking big ridge about 3:00. At 4:00 Nan came over and we went to town to get gas. Saw boat come. Finished raking big ridge before coming home about 6:00. Disagreeably chilly. Nan made two apple sauce cakes, an angel cake, and a batch of pickles this day along with everything else. Not very good TV-ing tonight. Channel 8 so bad we couldn't watch Jimmie Dean.</p>
<p>Sept. 18, Saturday</p>	<p>Looks showery this morning but air is westerly. Have got to get that batch of hay cleaned up. A lot of green in bottom so I didn't dare bale yesterday. A full day. Fed animals, cut corn, cleaned ashes out of stove, etc. Ready to go over to Tumbledown at 9:30 when Jimmie Brown drove into dooryard to see if I'd work my tractor next week on Watson's landing field using their rock rake. Over to Tumbledown about 10:30. Raked ridge across from barn and side hill piece. Home after draw bar just after 12:00. Lunched, back over and baled. Finished at 3:00. Then bunched. H.D.'s wife and Frankie got 1 load - 43 bales. Squire G. down right after 4:00 and I helped him load. Then uptown with Nan. Back just as Squire and Peg finished loading second load making him 2 ton with what he got the 9<sup>th</sup> = 140 bales in all. H.D. couldn't come for more tonight as he had 2 trucks to take care of. About 110 bales left in field. I baled 240 some today. Home, fed animals, suppered and watched L. Welk and Gunsmoke. Well driller now down 240 some feet at Hiram's and still nothing. Discouraging.</p>

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<p>Sept. 19, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning. 46°. A day full to overflowing. Fed animals and cut corn. Cleaned up and went to church. A Mr. Overman spoke as a candidate. Snap judgment - better than good. Took Nan from church up to see the rotoring job I did at Ern's the other day. Then back down to have lunch at Aunt Ell's as Mr. Baines funeral was to be at 1:30. Came right home from funeral. Had just changed clothes when Mr. Montgomery came out to give last minute instructions, and to take me over to show how to start his light plant if necessary. Cruised his line with him to Stone Cove shore etc. and ended up by selling him my western field and toilet piece. (Something more to regret). Weighed up 200# hay for Judy Brown and helped Jack Brown load a load of manure. Jack and Betty visited with us a little while. Then Don and Leigh came after corn then Shorty and Foster. Then Bricks and Edith. The Mills visited with us until most 8:00 o'clock. We then went up to Jack &amp; Betty's to spend rest of evening. Sold western field and toilet field to Mr. Montgomery for \$7,000.00 plus whatever the capital gains may be.</p>
<p>Sept. 20, Monday</p>	<p>Rained sometime during night. S.W. wind 15 to 20 this morning. Very overcast. Just a fair to good day. Fed animals and cut corn. Worked on limb pile this A.M. as I was waiting round or Jimmie Brown to call me. Nan made a cake this A.M. and went to a Garden Club picnic at the Mullen Place. I finally called J.B. at 12:00 and he had just finished talking with the N.Y. office. He told me to come up this P.M. Had to go over to Elmer H.'s dump to get the rock rake. Raked all P.M. Rig does quite a job but there are an awful lot of big big rocks. Someone has to use the bulldozer all the time to keep them pushed off. Dicky does a lot of this. Home at 5:00. Picked 5 doz. corn Golden Cross Bantam for Steve W. for Lions and then a doz. for J. Haskell and a doz for chick Stone. Suppered. Had a couple ears of my old favorite lochief, but don't think it beats G.C.B. It and Deliochief is awfully slow developing. Watched To Tell The Truth and I've Got a Secret. To bed weary.</p>
<p>Sept. 21, Tuesday</p>	<p>Very foggy. Almost wet. But warm. 60°. Fed animals, gassed and oiled up tractor. Up to begin work at 7:35. Raked north side of lower half all forenoon as a IBM plane was supposed to come in about 10:30 if fog lifted. Did lift about eleven and became a nice day. Plane came in and landed and took off successfully about 12:30 but boy didn't the dust fly. Nan brought my lunch up and had lunch with me. She worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. Raked almost full length of south side this P.M. Filled most down to grade all the way. Home about 4:45. Am taking scoop up tomorrow to lug larger rocks off field with. Fed animals and cut corn for tomorrow. Invited up to Burgesses to supper. The A.W.B.'s there. Corned hake and taters. Very good.</p>

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<p>Sept. 22, Wednesday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog again but still warm. 60°. Became a really hot day. Up at 5:30. Fed animals, gassed tractor, and hitched onto scoop as I'm going to lug rocks off flying field this morning. Up to work at 7:30. Lugged rocks till about 10:00 Then raked rest of day. Field very dusty. Jimmie and earth-mover man now extending runway on north end. Home about 5:00. Fed animals. Finished cutting the corn on long well piece and shifted to dump piece. Started on golden Midget and Ernie Boy corn. Picked a dozen G.C.B. for R. Thayer. Suppered, watched the Virginian and to bed weary. Drove Jimmie's caterpillar bulldozer a few minutes this P.M. couldn't make it do a damn thing for me. Quite a knack to handling it.</p>
<p>Sept. 23, Thursday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog again this morning. Calm - 60°. Fed animals. Oiled rake wheels and gassed tractor. On job at 7:30. Raked all day. Dicky took up center flags and I raked from center out both sides after I made about 3 trips around to finish yesterday's raking. While I raked the earth mover was working the top soil off hump where Constance's house stood and stripping the low places. Finished raking out and started raking in. Fog hung in pretty heavy about all day. Jimmie in Rockland this day. I got home about 4:45. Cut corn, and cleaned up. The Burgesses and A.W.B.'s down to supper. Enjoyed them.</p>
<p>Sept. 24, Friday</p>	<p>Still foggy and very damp. Wind S.W. 10 to 15. 55°. Fed animals. Gassed tractor and oiled rake wheels. Up to Watson's at 7:30. Raked steadily all day. Finished raking into center, then started on outside and raked completely in again. Earth mover worked on north end and shoulder below Constance's house area. Was broken down all P.M. The dust the worst this P.M. it's been at all. On trip up the field it rode right along with me and the forward wheels and engine fan brought it right up into my face. Home at 4:30. Fed animals, cut corn and caulked the end seam in watering trough. It had suddenly started leaking. Suppered and watched Convoy, Peyton Place and Jimmie Dean show.</p>
<p>Sept. 25, Saturday</p>	<p>Foggy and looks the most like rain if has any day. 55°. Wind appears to be east or E.S.E. 10 to 15 M. Did rain most of A.M. and quite hard by spells. Was going to tighten up base pan on tractor and change oil first thing this morning but when I went to tighten pan I twisted off a stud bolt. Rigged up in oil skins and drove to garage. Steve tried to get broken stud out but couldn't without taking pan off so decided to leave as is as long as base didn't leak. Will order a new gasket and do it on next change of oil. Came home, changed oil and filter, washed both base and valve cover breathers, and cleaned and changed oil in air filter. Up to Watson's at 1:00 P.M. and raked all P.M. Raked whole field from center out. Earth mover finished at 3:00 P.M. Brought my scoop home when I came at 5:00. After I fed animals and cut corn we went over and picked the apples off Montgomery's largest tree for them. Had over 3 bu. Jack, Betty and Randy dropped in about 7:30. Brought us a nice mess of clams. Jack wanted to get a cylinder head bolt off old Model A in pasture for Ern's Elsie.</p>



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<p>Sept. 26, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful calm sunny fall morning. Cold 40°. White frost. A very full day. Fed animals. Cleaned up and went to church. Nan stayed home to keep things moving for a picnic on Fay's beach. Mr. Burton spoke at church. Came right home, changed clothes, picked corn for picnic, and went down to beach. Don and Cynthia, Eliot and Dorothy, Garnet and Clara, Peter and Erma and Squire Grant with us. Had steamed clams, boiled sweet corn, hot dogs, tomatoes, cukes etc and sweets. Then went over to Montgomery's to see their garden and look around. Just got home when Preston and Audrey came with Montgomery's wash. Over with them. After they left we took a ride up to see Jimmie Brown - he has to take one of Watson's horses to Conn. In a trailer - starting Wednesday morning and has invited us to go with he and Claire. Quite an undertaking I think. Stopped at Jack and Betty's on way home to see Jack would care for animals if we go. Had coffee with them. Home, watched Ed Sullivan and Bonanza.</p>
<p>Sept. 27, Monday</p>	<p>A fall norther. Cold 38°. Sun comes up pretty. Has been a nice day but cool. Fed animals and cut corn. Golden Midget corn not easy to cut as remaining ears very close to ground. Dug the rest of our potatoes 2 rows of Early Rose and two rows of _____. Bagged them. Picked our apples. Had nearly a bushel of Cortland and about a pk. of N.S. Took potatoes and apples up to H.S.B.'s Had a possible 5 bu. of potatoes for ourselves having sold Forrest Adams 8 bu. Should have had 35 bu. or so. Stopped at A.W.B.'s to look at 3 trees he wants to cut. Had gone to town on way to H.S.B.'s so Nan could put a wash in. Back to town and Nan put a second wash in at Burgesses. Saw boat come. Home and gathered squashes and pumpkins. Had 30 Butternut and 4 pumpkins for Jack-o-Lanterns. Raymond Beverage and Austin Grant down after corn. If my count is correct, their dozens makes 300 dozen. Wind has dropped out tonight and is growing cooler. To bed before 9:00. Weary.</p>
<p>Sept. 28, Tuesday</p>	<p>Winter has arrived. 30°, calm and sunny. Has been a nice day. Turned animals across road into barn pasture. Cut all the Golden Midget corn stalks on dump piece and hauled them to barn on trailer. Should be enough to last until Friday. Spent most of rest of day cleaning up gardens including Mrs. Fay's. Cleaned up pea wire and string and posts, dug onions etc. along with other going away chores. Uptown to see boat come. James B. came from Rockland with new horse trailer. Up to see him a moment on way home. Jack down at 6:30 to help me put animals in tie-up where they'll stay until I get back on Friday (I hope). Jack will tend them. Betty and boys with Jack tonight. So many last minute things to think of.</p>

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<p>Sept. 29, Wednesday</p>	<p>Very cloudy and overcast. 42°. Rained during night. Became a nice day. Well, we're off this morning, heading for Rockland and points south. Got uptown at 7:40 to find that Jimmie couldn't get horse loaded in time to catch boat but would be taking noon boat if he did get the horse aboard. We kept on to Rockland. Talked with Arthur and Emma going over. Nan waited in Thorndike while I had a haircut and then went out to Sutton's and to Spears to try to located some building jacks. No luck. Lunched and won to meet boat, and the Brown's. Jim had finally got the horse loaded about 10:30 after getting himself banged in the head, and his wrist hurt. Horse was cut up some too. Had Dr. MacDonald meet him at boat to give the horse a tetanus shot, then we had to stop at Miller's Garage so it was at least three P.M. when we left Rockland. Went out route 1 onto 95 then to Mass. Turnpike to 128, etc to Simsbury, Conn. Went through without trouble making 40 to 45 mi. per hr all the way [continues in Sept. 30]</p>
<p>Sept. 30, Thursday</p>	<p>[continues from Sept. 29] stopping only for gas, hamburgers etc. Arrived in Simsbury about 12:00 midnight and had trouble finding the school where we were to leave horse. Finally a policeman escorted us. Horse unloaded without trouble. About 35 to 40 other horses kept there. Had to come back out to Westfield, Mass. To find a Motel to stay at probably 25 or 30 miles - Westfield Motor Lodge - a nice place but costly \$16.00 for our room and then same for the Brown's. To bed about 1:00 A.M. Had us a nice hot bath about 7:30 this morning. A beautiful day. Started home about 8:30. Came quite a ways before we stopped in a town for breakfast. Had a nice one, and then on our way again. Swung off to look at the Sturbridge Village lay-out but when we found it would cost each of us \$2.50 to tour it, we just kept right on coming, and it's well we did for it was about 5:30 P.M. when we arrived back in Rockland. Left trailer at boat terminal and struck for Camden as Jimmie and Claire wanted to see the view from Mt. Battie. Coming dark when we got up there so lights were on. Very pretty. Back to Rockland to [continues in Oct. 1]</p>
<p>Oct. 1, Friday</p>	<p>[continues from Sept. 30] Thorndike Hotel where we got very nice rooms, 208 and 209 (us) \$9.00 per room, to supper at Newbert's and then back to bed. Up at 7:00, nice hot baths and out to breakfast about 8:15. Then up to Union to Payson's where I got a case of Homelite oil, grease gun points, a tractor base gasket etc, also bought a toy Ford Tractor for Little Mike \$2.75 and at Burgesses a 4 bottom plow for same. At Burgesses Jim bought some John Deere supplies. Then we hunted up Payson's apple farm where Jim bought 3 bu. of Mac's drops \$1.00 per bu. (nice ones) and we bought a bu. of same for Jack and Betty. Also a gal. of new cider. Back to Rockland through Camden where we called at Rankin Grain a few minutes. Started raining while we were at Burgesses and grew worse as day wore on. Really rained all P.M. and way into night with considerable wind. Back to Rockland about 11:00. Shopped at A&amp;P, put Land Rover and trailer in line at pier, had lunch at Newbert's, and then down to boat. North Haven made noon run to V.H. so it was 2:30 when we left for North Haven. Rained hard and rough enough so Nan said it was awful. Home by way of Jimmie Brown's to transfer our stuff from Land Rover to Jeep. Found a cold house but otherwise okay. A good fire soon warmed the place up. Very, very glad to be home and thankful too.</p>

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<p>Oct. 2, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning, sunny and clear. Rain stopped sometime during night. Really slept last night. Home looks mighty good. Has been a very nice day after the storm. Wind N.W. Put Abbie's bird feeder on Nan's end bedroom window, cut several feedings of corn off shop piece and hauled it to barn. Took kitchen screens off and put them over in shop. Repaired some of little pasture fence above barn and turned animals out. Picked 2 doz. corn for the Cobbs. Uptown about boat time to shop and gas up. Boat comes at 3:00 now. Stopped at Jack's and Betty's on way home and left them the bu. of apples we bought for them yesterday. Had coffee with them. Came home by North Shore to see Watson's plane take off. Suppered, watched L. Welk and to bed. Still weary.</p>
<p>Oct. 3, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning but cold. 32°. Almost a white frost. Wind will be S.W. this P.M. A nice day until noon, then clouded up to start raining about 4:00. Rained by spells during evening. Picked 2 doz. corn and took a bag of apples from Montgomery's cheese house to take along uptown when we went to church to leave with Enburg for Mike B. as he was up golfing. Went to church and communion. Mr. Barton spoke. Came home by way of middle road to check on Ernie Boy. His cold some better now. Home, lunched, rested. B. Mills after corn about 4:00 just as it started to rain. Turned animals back into barn pasture, and fed them corn in ground mow. Watched part of Ed Sullivan, part of Branded, and Bonanza. To bed weary. Trip must have taken considerable out of us.</p>
<p>Oct. 4, Monday</p>	<p>A dull heavy clouded morning, wind westerly. Looks like a November morning. 40°. Cold, raw and disagreeable all day. Cornd the animals and then turned them across into pasture. Hauled 3 loads manure in S.B. trailer over to Montgomery's and piled it back of his carriage house at end of poke of old timber. Up to Lamont's with tractor and rotary mower this P.M. Mowed pasture between barn and pond for Squire. Twice the tractor stalled and stuck in gear, and Squire had to take a strain on me with Lamont's tractor to release strain. Something about using power take off that causes this to happen. Left Lamont's at four - and on way home rotored Hiram's field swamp, nearly 3/4 hr. Cold all P.M. even though I wore coveralls and my black &amp; red milk coat. Spent evening trying to get warm. Must get our living room stove in and set up. Watched To Tell the Truth &amp; I've Got a Secret.</p>

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<p>Oct. 5, Tuesday</p>	<p>Cold, cloudy and wind N.W. - 30°. A blizzard last night on Mt. Washington. Has been very disagreeable all day. N.N.W. wind 20 to 40 or more all day. Nan worked over to R.M.'s all A.M. I tended animals, picked our pole shell beans, green tomatoes, and gathered our carrots. Had probably a half bu. of beans and nearly a canner full of carrots - 3 of them weighed over 3#. Spent some of A.M. gathering utensils together to take up to A.W.B.'s this P.M. to clean out his well. Met Don Witherspoon there at 12:30. Used my magnesium ladder first time, then baled it out - about 3 ft. of water in it - and then down in it, and cleaned it out. A good 2 ft. of the nastiest black mud in bottom. A deep well about 21 or 22 ft. and is built on ledge. Quite a stream of water coming in on one side ledge when I got the last of the mud out. Finished at 2:30. Then home and spent an hour washing up my oil skins, pail, ladder, etc. Nan did wash at Burgesses this P.M. Had to go over to check on Abbie's gate about 5:00 P.M. so rode around island before supper. Watched Peyton Place and to bed.</p>
<p>Oct. 6, Wednesday</p>	<p>Still cold but not as disagreeable as yesterday. Plenty cool all day. Sun did shine some. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. They are due last of week. I tended animals, took rotary off tractor, cut a load of corn on shop piece, and hauled it to barn on S.B. trailer. Worked on limb pile rest of A.M. Started for H.S.B.'s at 12:30 with tractor and mower. Mowed steadily from 1:00 to 3:30 mowing all of field to westward of barn that I hadn't already mowed and rotored. Then helped him break a hole through his cellar wall about getting his artesian well pipe through. Nettie's up there washing. Treated me to new molasses cookies and coffee. Home plenty cool about 5:00. Turned animals across, looked mail over and suppered. Watched the Virginia, and to bed. Weary these nights. Jimmie Brown, wife and 6 children started for N.H. this morning in Land Rover. Courage, courage, courage.</p>
<p>Oct. 7, Thursday</p>	<p>Our coldest so far. 28° and white frost. Really took dahlias last night. Hardly had a bloom this yr. Very cloudy Just ready to start outdoor work when Mr. C.K. Cobb came to see if I'd saw and split him some fire place wood out of what he gave me last spring as he's running short. A lot of his fireplace wood was stolen last winter. Had to go to garage to get plug for chain saw - XL-12. Had the job done when C.K. came for corn at 1:30. Spent rest of P.M. working on limb pile. One more 2 hr. stint will complete same. Will have quite a nice pole. Suppered and watched some television - A special Andy Griffith show, Bewitched, Peyton Place, and the Dean Martin show. Storm started some time in night. A real S.E. rainstorm with wind up to 50 miles per hr.</p>
<p>Oct. 8, Friday</p>	<p>Still heavy storm this morning. Rain driving across dooryard. Eased off before noon and stopped raining. Spent A.M. writing to A.W.B. making out vegetable accounts, weighing up shell beans and shelling some for lunch. Very good. Tasty. Rested a little while after lunch after putting 2 panes glass into window in eastern end of shop that the storm blew out. Rain drove 1/2 way across shop. Uptown this P.M. Had coffee with Mrs. Burgess and the Ames. Stopped at Sampson's way home to leave some shell beans, and square up our garage acc't. Home, suppered, read our mail and watched Convoy, Peyton Place, and Jimmie Dean Show. Learned tonight that the Carvers had done on their vacation, yesterday or day before.</p>

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<p>Oct. 9, Saturday</p>	<p>Looks like a good one coming up. Sunny. Wind S.W. Has been a nice day. Mr. Cobb over after some of his fireplace wood this morning. Managed to back his Jeep into Nan's little lilac bush. Skinned it up some. I tended animals, then helped Prudy wrap pipes under Mr. R.M.'s new part of house. Then finished cutting up our limb pile. Have a real nice one. Gathered some Swiss Chard and beets for the Ames, and some beets for the Burgesses. Uptown this P.M. A lot of summer people came yesterday and today. The R.M.'s among them. Home and suppered. Invited up to the Ames to watch television this evening. The Burgesses entertaining the new minister and wife and baby prospect.</p>
<p>Oct. 10, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful mild fall morning. Calm and quite warm. 44°. Started off by peeling enough apples for Nan to make two pies. Made one out of our own Macs. The other out of two or three kind of Cortlands, Gravestiens and Montgomerys. R.M. out just as I was going to tend animals. Wanted me to work for him tomorrow. Slowed us up so we had to hurry to get to church. Mr. Overman spoke this morning. Had his wife with him at end of service to meet the people. About 62 there. Had us a lunch on parking lot and watched boat go. Home by way of N.S. Rested a while this P.M. Invited out to Cobb's at 6:00 to enjoy fire in fireplace. A pleasant time. Nan took them out one of the pies, it having been their anniversary yesterday. To bed early to read awhile.</p>
<p>Oct. 11, Monday</p>	<p>Warm. 50°. Very thick-a-fog and wet. Calm. Was supposed to work for R.M. this day but he called this morning to say they had to go to Vermont to Mrs. M.'s uncle's funeral - would likely be back Wednesday. Put saw rig on tractor and was up to Eliot Beveridge's at 10:00. Sawn his pile finishing it at 12:00. Flo Arey helped us. Then mowed down to Ern's and sawed till 4:00. Maybe a cord and a qtr. left of what came out of his wood lot. Several cords also still to do from the road job. Had just been home a few minutes when the Thorntons drove in. Bought a dozen corn and stayed nearly an hour. Tended animals and suppered. Corn still very good. Watched Rifleman, To Tell the Truth, and I've Got a Secret. To bed weary. The Ames called this morning to see if we'd like to go on an auto trip with them the last of this week. Had to turn them down because we've already been and too much to do before freezing up time.</p>
<p>Oct. 12, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice mild calm morning. 48°. Should be sunny. But it wasn't. Clouded right up before we were through breakfast and had started to sprinkle occasionally before I started for Ern's. By the time I got there it was sprinkling some and kept getting worse. Only sawed about 3/4 hr. or less. Quite wet by the time I got back home. Marion H. and her two youngest children here this A.M. I changed into dry clothes, rested a while, then uptown just before boat time. Home and filed the cord wood saw before supper. Watched Rawhide, Red Skelton and Peyton Place.</p>

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<p>Oct. 13, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning and a beautiful day. Cut corn for animals and turned them into pasture. Ready to leave for Ern's at 8:30. Sawed steadily from 8:45 to 1:45 finishing everything he had in his dooryard, road wood and all except for the big knotty stuff he rolled out for Flo. Some wood pile he has. Must be 12 or 13 cord. Had my sandwich there at Ern's and then went over to Martin Joyce's. Ern took Flo over. We sawed there from 2:30 to 4:30. Didn't get half of it done. Home and weary at 5:00. Nan did two wash[es] at Burgesses this P.M. The Montgomerys flew home from Rockland this A.M.</p>
<p>Oct. 14, Thursday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice one coming up. Calm 30°. Has been a nice day, almost as nice as yesterday. Cut corn and turned animals into pasture. Over to R.M.'s at 8:00. Helped he and Forrest get the attic stair way into place and fastened. Then took the cellar windows out of half cellar, cleaned them all and put them on after taking off screens. Also took off screen doors. Put screens and doors back in half cellar. Through with me at 2:15. He wanted to watch last game of world series. Came home and we took up my patch of old fashioned daffodils that's been growing up by Uncle Will's wood pile ledge for a hundred yrs. Plan to set them out on spite fence piece. Uptown about boat time. Took some foliage pictures on way home. About a week late for best. Fed animals and suppered. Watched D. Boone, Death Valley Days, Bewitched, and Dean Martin show.</p>
<p>Oct. 15, Friday</p>	<p>Another calm mild morning. 45°. Looks like an air striking easterly. Cut corn and fed animals. Over to R.M.'s at 8:00. Helped him put odds and ends of lumber away over head in carriage house and to clean out back end of same. Then helped Mrs. M. plant upwards of 500 bulbs broadcast along where fence used to be beyond their well and up into pasture. Drove boundary pipes to mark out the junk of western field I've agreed to sell him. Rain came in sheets while I was home to lunch. Back over at 2:30 to help finish planting bulbs and then hand-scythed mess along side of carriage house to bring lilac bushes out in sight. Rained in torrents again this evening with winds over 50 mi. per hr. at times. Rain came in sheets against windows. Watched T.V. this evening. New Ch. 7 of Bangor started tonight.</p>
<p>Oct. 16, Saturday</p>	<p>A nice day after the rain last night. Really thrashed this morning. Cut corn, turned animals into pasture, breakfasted, gassed the tractor and was ready to roll at 7:50. Up to Martin's at 8:15. Sawed steadily to 12:00 and finished his pile. Ate my sandwiches there and then down to Leigh's at 1:00. Flo helped down there too. Also Ern. Sawed until 4:00. About half done. Home at 4:30. Corned the animals, suppered and watched television. Invited up to Burgesses this evening but too weary.</p>
<p>Oct. 17, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning but wind is N.E. 34°. Cut last of corn stalks on shop piece for animals. Went to church. Mr. Barton spoke. Saw boat go, then came home. Lunched and rested a while. Over to R.M.'s at 4:30 to tea. The Leigh Witherspoons, Shorty Beverages, and Mother Hubbard there. Home, suppered and watched Ed Sullivan and Bonanza. Montgomerys in just a moment this evening. They leave in the morning.</p>

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<p>Oct. 18, Monday</p>	<p>Wind S.W., will probably be raw today. 40°. Sun starting to come up. A very nice day. Wind didn't get chilly until late this P.M. worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. Helped Mr. Get the two tenders up from float and into back end of carriage house, took storm doors out of half cellar and put them on. Roofed over box bushes and put burlap around them for Mrs. M., took dirt out of flower kettles etc. Then out on point with them to look at place I suggested for hauling up his float and slip. By having a few pieces of ledge blown and cutting a few trees it'd be a dandy chance. Up to Leigh Witherspoon's and finished sawing his wood this P.M. Flo and Ern helped. Had coffee and molasses cookies after. Home at four. Tore a two inch strip off my drive belt this P.M. Marion Hopkins over taking Avon order this evening.</p>
<p>Oct. 19, Tuesday</p>	<p>A beautiful calm mild morning. Corned animals as turned them into pasture. Lots of corn on the stalks I'm cutting on dump piece now. Thrashed up to Ern's before breakfast to see if he'd help me today. We sawed three trailer loads of the large alders and young growth piled above barn that I cut inside of butchering place gate and along wood road last spring. Tiered the first 2 loads in wood shed; the last load on wood pile by shed. None of the three loads needed splitting. Uptown at boat time. Boat late now as it is also serving Vinalhaven. Stopped at Preston Lincoln's on way home to leave R.M.'s clean up wash. Met Morris Wood there. First time I've seen him since he built the chimneys in Uncle will's house when Fays bought it. Home and suppered. To bed weary. Nan worked at R.M.'s this A.M.</p>
<p>Oct. 20, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another beautiful calm mild morning. 45°. Has been a nice day. Corned animals. Started for town about nine to get new belt made for saw rig and corner frame repaired. Ern let me have his old 6 inch saw rig belt. Pat cut and spliced the Ernie belt and then bolted a piece of flat iron around the corner of saw frame where welding had broken. Even though we cut the new belt two inches shorter than the old one it immediately stretched so that the moment I tried it when I got home it was too long. Sent it back uptown by Nan this P.M. when she washed at Burgesses to have Pat shorten it again. Took saw rig off, put plows on, plowed part of shop piece, and then went up to Pulpit Harbor. Plowed Cunningham's garden, Garnet's garden, and Valentine's garden. Home about 6:00. Suppered and to bed early.</p>
<p>Oct. 21, Thursday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog. Wind S.W. 46°. Not thrashing ahead very fast this morning. Neither of us slept well at all last night. Peeled enough R.M. apples to make 2 pies and a bowl of sauce. Corned the animals. Took the S.B. trailer up above the barn had chopped a load of alders and small stuff from the pile we sawed out of Tuesday right into it. Took me to about 3 P.M. as Mr. Cobb slowed me up about an hour visiting with me. Uptown with Nan at boat time. She took one of the pies she made to the Auxiliary. Stopped at Jack's and Betty's on way home and had coffee with them. Invited up to the Peters this evening. They were entertaining the Sampsons, it being their, the Sampson's, 43<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary and Orilla's birthday. The Witherspoons, Bob Smiths and Pete's sister and husband there. Had a nice time.</p>

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<p>Oct. 22, Friday</p>	<p>Very dull and overcast. 45°. Wind about N.E. Chilly all day. Made out several bills after breakfast. Then corned animals. Unloaded yesterday's load of limbs, and tiered them into woodshed except for maybe the last two wheelbarrow loads. Cut up another trailer load finishing all my limbs. Put into bottom of shop again like yesterday P.M. Uptown after 4:00 to see boat come. Delivered manure bills to Irven Stone and Gus Tomer. Visited with the Stones a few minutes. Home and suppered. Called a surveyor in Owl's Head about surveying the piece I'm selling Montgomery. Says he'll come over in his own boat in a week or so. Has other jobs to do here too. Suppered and watched T.V.</p>
<p>Oct. 23, Saturday</p>	<p>Very foggy and wet. Did rain some first of last evening. Wind S.W. Trees shedding their leaves rapidly now. Dooryard full of our oak leaves. Corned animals. Unloaded yesterday's load of limbs onto limb pile under oak tree. Spent rest of A.M. and until after 1:00 P.M. splitting Ashley stove junks. Rested an hour or so and then uptown to do errands. Boat came at 3:00 today so we missed that. Had coffee at the Burgesses. The Ames returned from their trip this P.M. Home, read our mail and suppered. Cleaned up and went to a reception at Grange Hall for teachers. Only two teachers out of 5 present. A fair group of parents and not parents there. Home about ten.</p>
<p>Oct. 24, Sunday</p>	<p>A very dull very cloudy, very calm morning. 47°. Became quite a nice day. Corned animals. Cleaned up and went to church. Mr. Barton spoke. Nan stayed home. Went back over to Tumbledown as soon as I got home and weighed up 230# hay (10 bales) and put it out doors for Arlene. Then we went up and inspected Mrs. Pease's house. A shame the place is going to pot so. It is coming to need repair badly. Kept on a ride to Crabtree's Point to the old Herzog place. Walked out around the point on the old roads that Frank Sampson has rotored out. He has done a lot of rotoring down there. Then we stopped at Capt. Paulsen's on way home to see the log cabin he's building on his bluff. Quite a job. Has roof on main part now and is putting side walls on bedroom. Had just gotten home and was pumping when Jack, Betty and boys called to get some green tomatoes. Had coffee with us. Ada G. called from Irvington this evening.</p>
<p>Oct. 25, Monday</p>	<p>Clear and cold. 34°. Has been a nice day. Dug dahlias, corned animals and then started cutting surveying lines on the piece of property I'm selling R.M. Took S.B. trailer into upper end of O.P. field and trimmed and loaded the spruce limbs and wild cherry trees. Then shifted to upper end of toilet field and cut a line through the alders there. Trimmed them too. Had a full trailer load altogether. Piled them on woodpile above barn. Then back over the hill with XL-12 and trimmed through the spruces along toilet field. Also cut 3 dead trees abreast of big oak and junked them. Nan up to the Beveridges to a Garden Club meeting this P.M. Suppered and watched television.</p>



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<p>Oct. 26, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice morning. 40°. Wind S.W. corner animals. Put old spare tire on Jeep. Went up to Leon Crockett's, took two wheels and tires off old Chevy, took them down to Brown's and had Pat mount them for the Jeep. Put one in place of the forward one that blew out a while ago and mounted the other in place of the old threadbare spare. Nan met me uptown at 11:00 in Chevelle. We went to V.H. in Jeep taking some squashes and cabbage to Pat and the two Jack O'Lantern pumpkins for the boys with their initials on them. Little Mike feeling okay after falling through Woodrow Bunker's storm door, cutting his leg on the back and having 8 stitches taken in it. (This happened Sunday). Downtown while children were sleeping after lunch. Had me a haircut. Nan did some shopping at A&amp;P. Home at 5:45. Weighed up 224# hay for Judy Brown. Suppered and to bed early.</p>
<p>Oct. 27, Wednesday</p>	<p>A dull overcast heavy clouded morning. 40°. Air N.E. Corned animals. Gathered cabbages. Weighed up 6 for L. Witherspoon - 35#. Started raining so I made out Ern's acc't to date, took 10# onions up to Eliot Beveridges, our dahlia roots to Ern's to put in his cellar, also a few squashes and a few cabbages, kept on down to Leigh's to leave his cabbage, and then over to Thorntons to give them their plowing bill, but they weren't home. On downtown to shop and see boat come. Store to be closed from tonight until Monday. Home and split on Ashley wood until after 5:00. Read mail and suppered. Watched "The Virginian" and to bed. Living room too cold without the Ashley. Must get it set up.</p>
<p>Oct. 28, Thursday</p>	<p>Very, very dull morning. Sprinkling with an occasional snow flake. Looks like the dull days of November. Rained most of A.M. Spent a large part of it in house. Alphonse and Rex here about 11:00 to get keys to drain Fay's bldgs. I turned animals into night pasture and split on Ashley wood until A &amp; R came back after dinner to go to Stimpson's to drain house there. Took them over in Bernice. Also down to check on Aunt Sarah's. Boys helped me haul Bernice up and turn her over when we got back. Had coffee and a new white cake Nan had made. Then over to Montgomery's with clean wash. Rex turned water off by cellar pressure tank to prevent accident. Uptown to see boat come. Rained hard. Home. Split on Ashley wood until Jack, Betty and Randy came to help get Ashley in. Had it all set up and going by 5:30. Didn't get it in until middle of Nov. last yr. Somewhat more comfortable in house tonight. Watched Death Valley Days, Bewitched, Peyton Place, and Dean Martin Show. Snowed hard while the Browns were here. Porch well covered. Sad to see winter come this early.</p>
<p>Oct. 29, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like a clear cool day coming up, but ground is covered with that cussed white stuff. Makes everything nasty wet and cold. Corned animals. Hauled the watering trough from pasture to barn and placed it under cistern overflow. Drained my pump and hose in barn and made some repairs around barn where bull is horning everything to pieces. Worked on Ashley wood, finished splitting just in time to go to boat. Came right back home, tiered up wood etc. Read mail, suppered and watched television. Miss Teenage pageant on tonight. A New York girl won.</p>

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<p>Oct. 30, Saturday</p>	<p>Clear, cool and some wind westerly. 20 mi. or so. 35°. Breezed up to 35 or more at times during day. Had a nice fire this morning so made a batch of biscuits before breakfast and peeled enough apples so Nan made two pies. Corned animals. Dug a circle around our Crimson King maple so Nan could plant a couple dozen tulip bulbs. Dug up our row of parsnips on below power house piece and set them in a trench along side of Nan's gladioli garden. We shall see how they shall keep. Finished plowing shop piece. A poor job because it wouldn't scour. Clifted a few large 4 ft. sticks on house woodpile. Uptown to meet boat as Abbie and Eleanor were coming. Stopped there on our way home to leave them their keys. O yes, we were down to Pingree's this A.M. too to see where Foster wanted me to dump his four loads of manure when Jack can haul it (Jack working there to Dabney's today. Says he can haul tomorrow afternoon). Came home from Abbie's, read our mail, then took our baked beans and apple pie over there to share with them. Beans, brown bread and apple pie - very good. Home and watched Lawrence Welk. Then to bed weary.</p>
<p>Oct. 31, Sunday</p>	<p>Back to Standard Time this morning. Saw 14 Wild Geese swimming here in Goose Cove when I got up at 6:30. Watched them through glasses awhile and then they took off. A lot of Buffle Heads around too. Has been a pretty full day even if we didn't get to church this morning. Third time I've missed since Mar. 14. Rained a good part of forenoon. Had a slow breakfast, then Abbie and Eleanor in a few minutes about 10:00. They leave on the 1:00 P.M. boat. A long drive for so short a stay. Cut corn for animals after rain stopped. Nan took a walk to Cobbs and then planted tulip bulbs. I pumped and filled cow trough. Uptown to see boat go. Came right home, Jack came, and we hauled 4 loads manure down to Pingrees - 10 yds. Finished at 6:00. Then a little after 7:00 Jack &amp; Betty brought the boys down trick or treating. Only stayed a few minutes. Had a nice lobster stew supper, watched Ed Sullivan program, and to bed weary. Talked with Mercedes tonight, it being the Oldroyd's anniversary. Rained again this evening.</p>
<p>Nov. 1, Monday</p>	<p>Boy, has it ever blown all night, about W.S.W. Forty or more an hour, a lot of the time. Clear this morning. 40°. Very windy and disagreeable all day. Put saw rig onto tractor and put on belt I had Pat shorten the other day. Still plenty long enough. Before this day was over I'd adjusted the frame nearly clear out. Nan went up to see if Ern could come help me. He could, and I'd started on Bank's Hill road wood when he came. Sawed over half of that and then shifted to the pile above barn by Uncle will's wood pile ledge and sawed all but a strong cord of that. Wind very disagreeable, blowing the sawdust from the saw badly. Left off about 4:15. Tried to get Don W. to help this P.M. but he still has too much cold. Pretty disagreeably chilly when we left off. Filled wood boxes, read mail, suppered and up to Burgesses this evening. Nan did two washes. Home at 11:00 and to bed weary.</p>

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<p>Nov. 2, Tuesday</p>	<p>Wind blew again during night, and is blowing 15 to 20 now, about N.W. Real cool. 20°. More disagreeable this A.M. than yesterday. Eliot Beveridge blew in about 8:30 to borrow my beam scales and to sell us a lamb - 38 1/2 # @.45 plus liver. Ern came about the same time, and split on the Bank's Hill wood while I filled the cord wood saw. Finished sawing the pile above barn, the Bank's Hill pile, except four pieces I've got to chain saw, and sawed the whole of the big tier at end of house. About 2 more cd. To go. Filled woodboxes, read mail, suppered and watched Rawhide. Wind has dropped out tonight but is cool. 24°.</p>
<p>Nov. 3, Wednesday</p>	<p>Cloudy. Wind out to south. About 28°. Another disagreeable windy day, but not so cold. We spent a couple hours or so this A.M. putting Mrs. Fay's house to bed for winter- taking off screens and screen doors, putting on storm doors and shutters, and cellar windows, etc. House is a mess from the masons tracking all through it, and still not nearly done. Finished sawing the pile of wood left from yesterday. Nan helped me. Took us most 2 hrs. After lunch and resting an hour, I went over to Tumbledown, walked up in to end of big field, and cruised the line fence against Mrs. Pease's and along Elliott Brown's out to Bank's road. Took me about an hr. Nan met me up by Bank's road boundary and we went down to see to eh boat come. The new minister and family came. Staying at Burgesses tonight. Home, filled woodboxes, and put a short tier of Ashley wood into woodshed. Read mail, suppered, and watched The Virginian with telephone interruptions - 2 calls from Elliott Brown.</p>
<p>Nov. 4, Thursday</p>	<p>More wind. Strong S.W. 40°. Another very disagreeable, very windy day. Wind was S.W. this A.M. and then shifted to N.W. and blew harder. Corned animals. Towed J.D. spreader over to Tumbledown and put it in sheep pen end of barn along with H. Burgess spreader. Then took baler up to Mrs. Pease's barn. Still have to change oil in baler engine and winterize it. Home and lunched. Nan went to town for gas, etc. I took mower up to Mrs. Pease's barn and put it in front of baler. Came home, hooked onto rotary mower and rotoed Nan's raspberry patch. We hope it will come up new and good another spring. Filled woodboxes, split on house woodpile until mail came. Suppered and watched some television. Very windy N.W. this evening. Would be a bitter night if it was down to zero.</p>
<p>Nov. 5, Friday</p>	<p>Sunny, and the wind has dropped out some. 20°. A full day. Cut corn for animals and pumped. Then brought storm windows over from shop, brushed them and put them on. Then I brought 2 discarded storm windows down from Fay's wood shed - Mr. Fay told me yrs ago I might have any I could make use of - and by shortening them top and bottom I fitted them to the side windows in milk room and entry. Then by adding a side piece to a single sash, I used it as a storm sash on the end window in our eastern bedroom. Dark when I got cleared away. The most comfortable day we've had in some time but wind is breezing again tonight. When I went to barn to pump this morning I discovered that the window in eastern big barn door had blown to pieces and fallen out and smashed. Only been in there since I took over back in the 30's.</p>

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<p>Nov. 6, Saturday</p>	<p>Wind breezed up hard S.W. in night. About 30 to 40 miles per hr now. Plenty of heavy clouds. 40°. Peeled enough apples this morning or 2 pies and sauce. Corned animals. Then we cut up and packaged the lamb we bought of E.P.B. last Tuesday. Over to Tumbledown and rotor mowed the new piece on Strawberry Ridge. Lots of hay there. A shame it wasn't hayed when I did the rest but none either the last month. Also rotored the swamp above field road. Put rotary in Mrs. Pease's barn cellar. Uptown to see boat come with Nan. Brought tractor home when we came home. Was just lugging in wood when the animals showed up in dooryard. Had gotten out through night pasture fence. Succeeded in getting them back into ground mow and fastened them in before they really discovered they were free. Will have to tie them up in barn now Called Jack tonight about helping me sometime tomorrow.</p>
<p>Nov. 7, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful flat calm morning. How wonderful not to have the wind blow. 40°. Breakfasted and then corned animals. Went to church. Mr. Overman's first service. 52 in attendance. Raining when we came out. Came home by way of the Beveridges to get my beam scales. Didn't tarry. Home, lunched, and then rested a while. Jack down about 3:30 to help me tie-up the animals in tie-up. He and Betty had coffee with us. Watched Walt Disney, Ed Sullivan and Bonanza this evening. House has been very warm today with wind dropped out. Makes some difference.</p>
<p>Nov. 8, Monday</p>	<p>Air N.E. Cloudy 30°. Took our packaged lamb over to Montgomerys to put in their freezer and to get some clothes to ship them. They called this morning. Walked up onto Indian Point hill to look for banking brush. Took Ern's seeding drag up to him - he's gathering his turnips - but he didn't want it, so I brought it back and put it in my carriage house. Finished cutting the corn on dump piece, and piece back of garage, cleaned up all the blown cabbage, broccoli, brussel sprouts, Swiss Chard, beets, etc. and hauled them to barn for cows. Gardens ready to plow now except for bean stalks etc to clean off. Lunched. Took bush and bog harrow to Mrs. Pease's. Went uptown with Nan to mail clothes to the R.M.'s., put harrow away, and home. Lugged in wood and fed animals. Suppered, and then up to Burgesses. This their 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Nan made a cake to take up. The Ames were there too. Home 1:30. Had started to rain.</p>
<p>Nov. 9, Tuesday</p>	<p>Clear and cool. 20 mi. wind, offshore. 40°. Chored animals, weighed up, and lugged out 10 bales - 205# hay for Hazel Brown. Then took my double harrow up to Mrs. Pease's barn, and also put my big roller back in. Then put the side delivery into my Tumbledown double garage, and brought the hay wagon down out of big field. Home and repaired the tongue in my F.W. trailer - it's been broken since last spring - lunched, and then took the trailer over to Tumbledown. Uptown with Nan at boat time, then back and put the F.W. trailer and hay wagon into Tumbledown barn floor. Two more trailers and grader blade to go and I'll have the equipment pretty much under cover. Home, chored, split a little wood, suppered and watched some television.</p>

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Nov. 10, Wednesday	A beautiful sunny calm morning. 20°. Has been a nice one all day except for wind coming up raw this P.M. We really got a nice job done this day. Fed animals. Then Nan helped me get the banking paper in place around house. Used second yr. Paper so had to be pretty careful of it. Nan did a wash here while helping me - her white curtains. After getting the paper fastened in place I jacked up both corners of the milk room and entry putting a new post under the entry corner. Now there's as much room under the entry door as there was over it before. Put paper across the side of milk room and entry, then out to Indian Point with stake body trailer. Cut and hauled in a load of brush. Was just finishing getting it around on banking paper when Jimmie Brown phoned up to help kill Jack's bull. Jack arrived about 5:30. Everything went well and we finished about 7:45. Then suppered and to bed about 9:00 weary. Animal dressed out very nicely. Would guess it'd weigh close to 400.
Nov. 11, Thursday	A nice quite morning. Air easterly. Considerable high cloudiness. Started drizzling about 9:00. Jack down just as I was lugging in wood to help me haul bull offal away from barn. Dumped it in old cellar hole. Betty and boys with him. We had coffee. Spent rest of A.M. on woodpile splitting. Began to dampen through by 12:00. Lunched, shaved and cleaned up, uptown at boat time, and waited for mail. Then over to Thorntons to supper and evening. Had it been a good day this P.M. I was to help Garnet measure up and stake out some new lots in Fuller Cemetery but was too wet. Had vegetable salad and crabmeat warmed in butter with rolls. Apple pie and ice cream for dessert. Watched T.V. and home by ten.
Nov. 12, Friday	Plenty of high cloudiness. Wind easterly 15 mi. 40°. Has been a pretty comfortable day until late this P.M. Chored the animal. Took right front wheel off Chevelle to take to garage. Our first flat since we bought the car. Cut and hauled in another trailer load of brush, and placed it around house. Now have the house as banked up and ready for winter as I can make it. Cut this load by cutting two spruces among my young oaks beyond hill going to Montgomerys. Up to cemetery at 12:45 to help Garnet lay out and stake out some new lots. Laid out two rows - 28 lots. The ladies visited in the car in cemetery. We finished in time to go down to boat. Home, chored, pumped, put wheel back onto Chevelle, and split wood until mail came. Comes dark very early these nights. Breezing up easterly tonight. Glass very high. Had a letter from Sam and Peg inviting us down to Irvington for Thanksgiving.
Nov. 13, Saturday	Blew hard all night. Wind easterly 30 M.P.H. and drizzling. 40°. Has rained very hard by spells all day, probably the most of any storm since last winter. Peeled enough apples for sauce and a pie this morning. Fed animal. Collected tools and up to Mrs. Pease's in Jeep to winterize baler engine. Drained gas out of carburetor, sediment bulb and gasoline tank. Changed oil and put oil down through spark plug openings. Put the bolts on fly wheel the day I put the outfit away. Home, filled wood boxes, lunched, shaved, and uptown to shop and see boat come. Invited the Ames down for evening. Showed our slides we've taken this summer - 3 films - and watched T.V. Has eased off raining this evening.

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<p>Nov. 14, Sunday</p>	<p>Pretty foggy. Wind out S.W. 40°. Wind 10 to 15 MPH. Sprinkled this A.M. Sun out nice this P.M. but wind raw from N.W. Fed animal. Shaved, cleaned up, and went to church. 52 present. Had coffee with Betty and Jack on our way home as I wanted to see him about taking the heifer home to his barn for the winter. Told him there was no hurry as a few days didn't matter to me. Home, rested a couple hours, then uptown to see boat come but was about 10 minutes late. Visited at Burgesses nearly an hour. Home, suppered, watched Ed Sullivan, Bonanza, Candid Camera, and What's My Line.</p>
<p>Nov. 15, Monday</p>	<p>Wind N.W. 22°. Started out sunny but high cloudiness now at 7:30. Very raw cold for a good day. Was going up to help Ern patch on back side of his house roof but too disagreeable on hands. Fed and watered animal. Sawed up the bull's legs about cooking them for "Bull's heels"? Spent all my day splitting on the Bank's Hill road woodpile after chain sawing the four big sticks left from sawing. Made quite a showing. Nan went to a Garden Club meeting at Memorial room this P.M. They are making preparations for Christmas decorations etc. Chored, suppered, and was watching T.V. when the Witherspoons blew in. Had a nice visit with them.</p>
<p>Nov. 16, Tuesday</p>	<p>Very very overcast. Sprinkling. S.W. wind. Ted and watered animal. Rained all A.M. Puttied and painted the two window sash I fixed up last fall to go in back side of ground mow. Hope to get them in this fall. Was having lunch about 1:30 when Don Witherspoon blew in with Ed Coffin, the surveyor. Spent rest of P.M. looking over the junk I wanted surveyed and discussing it. Back over to shop and primed two of our new window sash. No Bangor paper tonight, but we didn't know the boat didn't come until we were uptown tomorrow afternoon. We also have no telephone tonight. I guess we didn't realize it was so stormy this day.</p>
<p>Nov. 17, Wednesday</p>	<p>A stormy looking morning. Wind S.E. Was ready when Coffin came at 7:30 to survey the junk of western field I'm selling Montgomery. Run the junk off and surveyed it and came within 78 ft. of the eastern line from shore to Montgomery road lining up the way Mr. M. and I staked it out. While Coffin was lining in the angles, I plug drilled a hole in ledge at top of bank on eastern line and we put an iron bolt in same. All other corners marked by galvanized pipe. Rained so hard about 10:00 A.M. we came to house and had coffee and blueberry muffins. Then after we finished it was raining again so we spent an hr. in top of shop looking at my treasures. Uptown at boat time to get sand paper and a sash brush. Home and just started a fire in shop to paint when Little King came to get some hay. Weighed him up 29 bales. 640#. Watched the Virginian this evening.</p>

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<p>Nov. 18, Thursday</p>	<p>A pretty sunny morning. Breeze S.W. 22°. What a joke. Clouded up and at 9:30 was a tough snow squall. Lasted nearly two hrs. Make good tracking for a while. Fed animal. Nan did a wash at Burgesses and I painted on windows in shop until non. Peeled enough Baldwin apples for Nan to make a double batch of mince-meat, suing the meat from the cheeks and skirts of the bull. We froze the heart and tongue. Had nearly 12 qts. of mince-meat. Split some of the Bank's Road wood; went to town at boat time to get some jar rings, and then split wood till dark. Had just lugged in wood and taken in the wash when Jack, Betty and boys arrived with Mrs. Fay's wash. Had coffee with us. About 6:00 when they left. Suppered and watched Ringling Bros. Circus and Peyton Place.</p>
<p>Nov. 19, Friday</p>	<p>As pretty a morning as yesterday. More snow squalls? Has been a nice working day except for some wind. Pumped. Fed heifer. Weighed up 10 bales hay - 195# for Judy Brown. Lugged it out. Split on Bank's road wood pile. About 12:00 went up to Town Dump in Jeep when Nan went up to Bertha Joyce's to get a permanent and we picked up 100 used bricks from Bauers chimney (Bill Lobley's) and hauled them home. Nan wants them as an edging around her flower garden. Stopped at H.S.B.'s on way home to get some potatoes. Visited with him a half-hour. Stopped at Tumbledown to weigh 10 bales hay for Arlene - 224#. Home, unloaded bricks on power house ledge, split on Bank's wood until dark. About 15 more minutes to finish. Nan home about 4:30. Chored, toted in wood, read mail, suppered and watched some television.</p>
<p>Nov. 20, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning but winterish. 20°. S.W. air. Has been a nice working day. Chored animal. Finished splitting and threw up Bank's Road woodpile. Then cut a couple spruces on the edge of O.P. field and hauled the brush to house here for flower gardens. Painted the new side rails on my stake wood trailer (lobster buoy blue) and put it away for winter in Mrs. Fay's garage. Over to Tumbledown and brought home a S.B. trailer load of ground mow manure for flower gardens. Dug along bldg. Side of pile to get it away from bldg. Nearly 4:30 when I got home. Left manure on trailer. Cleaned up and was ready for the Thorntons when they arrived for supper at 6:00. Had hot biscuits, baked beans, bull's heels, cold roast lamb, cabbage salad, pickles, Harvard beets, and for dessert - mince pie.</p>
<p>Nov. 21, Sunday</p>	<p>Quiet but sprinkling. Looks like an air S.W. 30°. This is Thanksgiving Sunday. Fed animal. Cleaned up and went to church. 52 present. Came right home. Wrote a letter to Mrs. Fay enclosing copies of Bill Hurd's and Prudy's bills on drilled well. Prudy's \$29.00. Bill's \$446.00. Also made out an order to Sears for Nan's birthday present. Uptown at boat time to see boat come and to mail letters. Had an ice cream at Aunt Ell's. Home then up to Jack Brown's to borrow a roll of black roofing paper to use on barn walls where the animals tore off this summer. Ordered some from Rankin this day. Had coffee with the Browns. The Burgesses down this evening after church. Stayed till 11:00. Learned last night that "Gussie" Beverage dropped dead yesterday morning. Only 48 yrs. old. Only leaves Dot and Carl.</p>

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Nov. 22, Monday	<p>A very wet dull morning. Air N.E. Fed heifer. Well, I really accomplished a nice chore even if the weather was disagreeable. I replaced all the tarred paper on back wall and end wall of barn where the animals tore it off this summer. Now have the barn quite wind tight except around big doors. Then spent an hour or more getting the barn ready to cut up the bull tonight. Brought 3 horses and a door from Mrs. Fay's woodshed, and by using a door of mine made a nice long table about junking and wrapping. Uptown at boat time to shop and get necessary material. Went in RM's Land Rover to exercise it. Had an early supper. Jack and Betty down just before six to work on animal. Had three side all cut and packaged at 10:00. Then broiled one of the round steaks and had lunch. Quite good. To bed at 12:00. Their side of animal weighed 197#.</p>
Nov. 23, Tuesday	<p>Still wet. Must have rained considerable during night. 30°. Wind still N.N.E. Rained on and off all day. Fed heifer. Walked out to spring to check on water. Spring still a foot and a half below overflow. Walked out through pasture to Merryconeag. Cut up and peeled our two pumpkins and cooked it off. Nan made a pie. Uptown at boat time to take Gussie's first wife and two children to cemetery to committal service. The girl carried on something terrible. Had just returned home when H.D. came with my tarred paper, jack, cellar posts and sugar from Rankin. Jack and Betty arrived just after 6:00 to help us cut up and package our side of beef. Through just before 10:00. Our side weighed 195#. Had our pumpkin pie for a lunch. After Jack and Betty left we took our meat over to Montgomery's deep freeze, saving out over forty pounds (different cuts) for the Bunkers. Still have a large container of hamburg to be ground at Ernest's. To bed weary.</p>
Nov. 24, Wednesday	<p>What do you know. It isn't raining. It's clear and the sun may shine. A beautiful day and a busy one. Nan up to Burgesses to two washes this A.M. I fed heifer, pumped, cleaned up barn from meat cutting putting horses and door back to Mrs. Fay's etc. Spread Saturday's trailer load of Tumbledown manure on Nan's flower gardens, around rose bushes, and around trees where tulips are planted. Mowed and cleaned up the old fog around the end of house garden where equipment set; also cleaned old bean stalks, spinach plants etc. off below power house garden. Lunched, then took hamburg meat to Ernest Brown to be ground, and Land Rover to Brown's to be inspected. Left roll of tarred paper at Jack Brown's on way home. Didn't stop. Home, peeled apples for pie, boxed hamburg, and took it over to RM's freezer, also put Land Rover away. Nan made mince turnovers, apple pie, and two apple sauce cakes. Had nearly 25# hamburg. Gave Ernest a helping for grinding. Saved out 4# for Pat. Am giving them about 50# of the meat for their freezer.</p>
Nov. 25, Thursday	<p>A beautiful calm Thanksgiving morning. Cool. 20°. Nan went right to work on turkey. I helped with turnip and squash etc. I went to Thanksgiving service at church at 10:00. About 40 present. Pat, Mike and children arrived while I was gone. We had a nice dinner. Children very good. Then after dishes were done. Big Mike watched a football game, while Little Mike and I walked out across Indian Point pasture to Stone Cove shore and back. They had to leave at 3:00 as Enburg wasn't running after 4:00. Uptown to get the mail. Home, fed animal, lugged in wood, read mail, rested and watched some television. Pat and Mike took their deep freeze meat home with them.</p>



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<p>Nov. 26, Friday</p>	<p>Started raining some time during night. Looks like it was clearing however this morning. 36°. Has been a nice working day. Fed heifer. Replaced the bag over window in milk house that the bull destroyed last summer. Then over to Tumbledown with S.B. trailer to get a load of manure from tie-up end of barn. Pitched manure away from shingles along tie up. Set out 10 bales of rye straw for Ira Curtis. Home, spread manure on Nan's raspberry patch. Lunched, uptown to do several chores, and see boat come. Jeep running hot when we got uptown. Evidently low on water. Home, had coffee with Knowlton, telephone repair man. He has finally cleared our phone up for a while anyway. Nan's birthday jacket came tonight. Looks good. Up to the Witherspoon's at 7:30 to a buffet lunch. Their anniversary. The L. Grants, P. Lincolns, and G. Peters there. Had a nice time.</p>
<p>Nov. 27, Saturday</p>	<p>Very dull overcast. Wind N.E. Looks very snowy. Snowed hard in northern part of state but we got rain here all day and lots of it. Blew hard S.E. too. Pat and Mike went to Rockland yesterday non, and they found it plenty rough returning this P.M. Fed the heifer and weighed up hay this A.M. after filling woodboxes and taking out ashes ahead of the rain. Weighed up 10 bales (206#) for Judy Brown and 56 bales 1000# for Lawrence Beverage. Enjoyed the rain a little while, lunched, and then uptown to do Saturday shopping and see boat come. A pretty wet day for Greta Morrison and Victor Enburg getting married at church at 4:00 P.M. An invited time. Home, read mail, suppered and watched television. To bed after Lawrence Welk.</p>
<p>Nov. 28, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning. Sunny. Air S.W. 30°. Has been a nice one. Fed heifer. Have been to church. 51 in congregation. Then we parked on parking lot and saw boat go at 1:00. Loaded - at least six cars. Came home, changed clothes and helped Garry Beverage load his first load of their 1/2 T of hay. Cleaned it up second load. Franklin Waterman down after several boxes of manure for his wife's flower garden. About 4:00 we checked on RM's house and then Abbie's. Appeared OK. Rode around island and home again. Jack Brown succeeded in getting the rafters up on the new part of his house today. Tried a T-Bone steak from bull for supper. Very good. Watched a little T.V. and to bed.</p>
<p>Nov. 29, Monday</p>	<p>Looked like a nice day at daylight but snowing now at 8:00. Enough snow on porch to track a cat 28°. Snowed most of A.M. Fed heifer, then worked in shop on window sash after taking stake irons off old discarded trailer side pieces and junking the side pieces for shop stove. Gave the 2 barn sash second coat inside and out and one house sash first coat inside and out. Left off 1:00 P.M. and went uptown to Jeep with Nan when she went to Memorial room to help on wreaths etc. I got Bill Hopkins platform scales out of his bldg. And into Jeep. Saw boat come. Visited with Jennie and Etta a few minutes while waiting for Nan. Had coffee with Jack and Betty on way home. Then worked in shop until 7:00 finishing the painting I said I did before 1:00 P.M. Suppered and watched some T.V.</p>

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<p>Nov. 30, Tuesday</p>	<p>A pretty morning. Wind W.S.W. Cold - 22°. A little slow getting going but made a fair showing. Chored. Then we took RM's collection of P.P. packages over to Cheese house. Decided we'd try to clean up some of the brush etc. that's collected along the upper edge of the toilet field over the yrs. from blown ups etc. Nan succeeded in getting it practically all burned while I cut several trees and cleaned them up. Will open the big oak up good when we finish. Worked until 4:00. Home, read mail and suppered. Watched Rawhide, Red Skelton and Peyton Place.</p>
<p>Dec. 1, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny calm morning. Coldest of season. 15°. Being such a calm morning I thought it might be the best chance we'd have to patch shingles on back side of Ern's roof even though it's cold, but we'd no more than started when the wind breezed up so disagreeable S.W. we gave up after a couple hours. Not nearly finished. Really wasted time as the shingles are so far gone there's no such thing as doing a good job. He has the new shingles and all to reshingle the whole back roof. Got home about 12:00. Having let the living room fire go out, we took the stove pipe down and cleaned it out. Also bottom of chimney. It needed it. Over half filled the pipe, I mean. After lunch spent rest of P.M. out on yesterday's job. Have big oak pretty much opened up. Nan did wash at Burgesses this A.M. Watched 1966 Ice Capades tonight.</p>
<p>Dec. 2, Thursday</p>	<p>Another beautiful almost calm morning. 26°. Air S.W. The most beautiful day we've had in a long time. Went right up to Ern's this morning to finish repairing his ell-roof. Then spent nearly an hour helping trim his horse chestnut tree - branches rubbing hard on house roof. Home about 12:30. Lunched just as Prudy blew in to put up new antennae for us. Helped him. T.V. picture some different now. Cleaned eave swallow dropping boards at end of house and then patched the roofing paper over milk room and south end of house. Nan uptown this P.M. to shop with Cynthia for Garden Club presents. Had some bull hamburg for supper. Very good. Up to Joyce's this evening so Nan could get her hair set. Home and watched Peyton Place and Dean Martin show.</p>
<p>Dec. 3, Friday</p>	<p>A calm overcast morning. Air N.E. 30°. Has been a good working day but nothing like yesterday. Chored, then put plows on tractor, and plowed the dump piece where I had corn this yr. A little sticky on top but plowed OK. Considerable witchgrass had started up on this end. Then shifted out and broke up the hog pen piece. Plowed beautifully. Probably 12 yrs. since last seeding down. Finished about 2:00. Nan up to Memorial room to help on guild church sale this P.M. spent what time I had left after cleaning plows up and taking them off splitting on dooryard woodpile till dark. Nan home about 5:00. Read mail suppered and watched a little T.V., Jimmie Dean show in Carnegie Hall. Very Good. Talked with the Oldroyds on phone this evening. They're enjoying their new water supply - 90 ft. - 20 gal.</p>

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<p>Dec. 4, Saturday</p> <p><i>Annie's birthday and their wedding anniversary</i></p>	<p>Rainy morning. Southerly wind. 15 mi. 40°. Must have rained considerable during night. Rained more or less most of A.M. chored and then worked in shop. Painted the wgt. Figures on my beam scales, and then worked on windows sanding the puttying them. 4 more sash are now ready to prime, and four more to go. Lunched about 1:00 P.M. Uptown this P.M. to shop and see boat come. Waited until after 4:00 for the Burgesses to return from V.H. Pat was sending up presents by them. The Burgesses down to Hollis B.'s wife's funeral. Home by way of Arlene Brown's for eggs. Chored, read our mail and suppered. Scallop stew for main course. Had 14 anniversary and birthday cards tonight. Rest of Nan's birthday present arrived from Sears tonight. Up to the Ames' to spend evening. Watched T.V. The Burgesses there too. Home about 12:00.</p>
<p>Dec. 5, Sunday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning. Considerable high clouds. S.W. wind. 30°. Has been a nice day so good in fact that about 3:00 P.M. we took a walk in to the Turner Place to check on the bldgs. All appeared OK. Chored this morning and went to church. An even 50 this day. Came right home as soon as Communion. Rested a while, lunched. And then up to Turner Farm. Continued on uptown from Turner Farm, and called on the Lawrence Grants on our way home. Had a supper lunch with them, then they came home with us. We changed our clothes and the 4 of us went to church. About 30 present. Back home about 9:00. Did my chores and then watched the last part of Bonanza, Candid Camera, and What's my Line.</p>
<p>Dec. 6, Monday</p>	<p>Calm and overcast. Looks like snow. 30°. Did snow, all A.M. quietly Peeled apples for pie and sauce. Worked in barn all A.M. making forms around cistern so I could insulate around it with sawdust. Would have hauled some this P.M. but too nasty. Called H.S.B. about sawing down trees for him this P.M. but he thought it too wet. Nan had to go up to Cynthia's on an errand, and then down town so I worked on our oak tree project a couple hours. Cut a couple trees and considerable alders, and succeeded in burning a big pile of brush. Chored and lugged in wood. 2 more anniversary and birthday cards tonight. T-bone steak for supper tonight. Watched T.V.</p>
<p>Dec. 7, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice day but wind sharp and cold. 18°. An upsetting morning. Discovered first thing that cistern had emptied itself out during night. Checked all shut-offs at pasture gate, at the spring, and at Fay's and could find no leaks, so much conclude that the pump in bottom of drilled well remained open or picked up a foreign object of some sort and drained back. Weighed up 2 tons hay for Elliott Brown, Jr. this A.M. and Reg hauled it. Then weighed up 10 bales for Judy Brown. Split on woodpile awhile. Uptown at boat time. Filed Lawrence Grant's chain saw for him on way home. Also stopped at Jimmie Dalon Brown's to leave bill for work on Watson's air strip. Jim showed me his new hot water oil heater just installed. Quite a project. Home, read mail and suppered. Watched Rawhide, Red Skelton, and Peyton Place.</p>

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Dec. 8, Wednesday	A cold calm sunny morning. 12°. Fed heifer, pumped, and lugged in wood. Went to V.H. in Jeep. Took the Bunkers presents down to them; also Nina's crib for Pat to use in January. Today is the last day the ferry scow will be in service this fall. Got me a haircut at Swears' and then kept house while the ladies went shopping. Little Mike practically over his Chicken Pox and feeling better. Home here about 4:45. The Telephone Co. has finally transferred their cable to the Light Co. poles and taken up the small black jacks. Mike Williams was cleaning them up when we came home. They had been promised to me by Peanut. Such is life. Watched a little T.V. and to bed weary.
Dec. 9, Thursday	A dull overcast morning. Air N.E. Looks snowy. 30°. Didn't snow. Has been a nice working day. Hauled tow S.B. trailer loads sawdust from Elliott Brown's and put it around cistern. Opened up old stable door and shoveled it in through there. Nan helped me get the last of it in back of the cistern. Then swept down the ceiling and swept off the canvas cover on the cistern. Knowlton and F. Sampson here repairing telephone when I came with second load. Had coffee and cookies with them. Hauled a load of hay and rye straw from Tumbledown and put it along western end of barn and over water pipe. Now if I can get door closed back over, I'll have the western end as good as I can make it this fall. Christmas cards have started coming - 3 tonight. Rosanne Grant had a baby girl Tuesday - Cynthia Marie. Caught a kink in the left side of my back over hip this A.M. A miserable thing.
Dec. 10, Friday	A dull overcast morning. Looks very snowy but wind N.W. 10 miles. 30°. Peeled enough apples for two pies this morning. Fed heifer. Put sisal and tarred paper over cistern room door, and banked it with straw. Then over to Tumbledown and closed over tops of big doors with bags and across bottom with baled straw. Also put two panes glass in window in end of barn floor. Home, lunched about 2:00. Uptown just at boat time. Visited with the Thorntons a few minutes on parking lot, then did several errands. Called at the Witherspoons on one and then to Ernie Boy's with a pie. Home, chored, read mail, suppered. Invited up to Burgesses this evening. Nan did a wash while we were there. Oh yes, I weighed up the other half of half ton of hay for Little King and piled it outdoors this A.M. along with other jobs.
Dec. 11, Saturday	A dull cloudy morning. Air N.N.E. 14°. Cold but a good working day. Chored, then drove tractor to Wayside garage to have radiator checked. Also battery. Added a quart of Prestone to radiator, and water to battery. Out on Indian Point this P.M. Trimmed up the pile of small stuff the Montgomerys had cut and dragged out on top of the pasture earlier this fall, and then burned the brush. Nan out a while after coming from town. Also cut on the bunch on my side of line where I cut a load of banking brush this fall. Hauled in the Montgomery wood I trimmed in the Jeep. Invited the Jimmie Dalon Browns down to baked bean supper, and evening. Enjoyed them.

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Dec. 12, Sunday	A beautiful morning but cold. 8°. Air N.N.E. Chored and went to church. 57 with choir this day. Came right home. Rested a while. Lunched and then went out along road to gather a basket of fir boughs. Was just doing night chores when the Jack Browns and boys drove in. They had coffee with us and stayed about an hour. Watched Ed Sullivan and Bonanza this evening.
Dec. 13, Monday	Started snowing during early morning hours and really made snow this A.M. Plow down this P.M. Probably 4 in. Up early this morning to make out an order to Sears. Took it uptown in time to go on boat. Home, fed animal, breakfasted and worked on Christmas cards all day except for going uptown at boat time to get a couple of boxes to ship wreaths in to Mrs. Fay and Mrs. Dickey Fay. Nan made two door wreaths this A.M. and 2 fir pillows. All nice ones. Got practically all our out of town cards ready to go except to Vinalhaven. Pretty weary trying to watch television this night. To bed as soon as Peyton Place.
Dec. 14, Tuesday	Almost drizzly this morning. Looks as though it sleeted some during night. 30°. Air E.N.E. It had sleeted and everything a glare of ice. No schools anywhere in this part of state. Peeled apples for 2 pies this morning. The Montgomery apples pretty well used up. Was going to work in shop but couldn't get up runway. Dangerously slippery. Uptown in Jeep at boat time to mail packages. Stopped up by Mrs. Pease's to put on chains. No sanding done on this road at all. Home, chored, and made a poverty stew for supper. Came out deliciously. Our first Christmas package tonight - from the Kellys. Watched Red Skelton and Peyton Place.
Dec. 15, Wednesday	Still snowing lightly this morning. 26°. Dampening. Chored. Nan cleaned house at Montgomerys from 9:30 to 12:30 and I spent same amount of time on Indian Point hill side where I worked last Saturday. Cleared off another bunch of small stuff and cleared up a large blow down. Couldn't burn any brush though. Too built up with snow. Worked until I dampened through. Drove the Land Rover uptown at boat time to have radiator checked. Home, chored, suppered - lamb chops tonight - watched the Virginian and Bob Hope Special, and to bed.
Dec. 16, Thursday	Very calm and quiet. Still an occasional flake falling. Looks very snowy. Has been one of the calmest quietest days all day for December that I can recall. Helped Prudy wire over to Abbie's this A.M. and put a fluorescent light over the stove. Nan spent most of the day helping decorate at the Church. I worked in shop on windows a while this P.M. Chored. Read mail, suppered and watched television.

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<p>Dec. 17, Friday</p>	<p>Another nice calm one all day but not sunny. Thrashed around and went to Rockland to get Jerome Burrows to write up deed for R. Montgomery. Called Lottie about noontime and she and Jim came in and had lunch with me at Newbert's. A nice visit. Quite a crowd on boat going and coming. The Thorntons and Lloyd, the Witherspoons, M. Hopkins, Lena &amp; Irven Stone, and several others. Came home to find Nan not feeling good so went up to Dr. Hosmer's with her. Found her blood pressure to be very high for some reason. Has to go back again next Wednesday P.M. Has three different kind of pills to take and is feeling better tonight. Tried to watch Mitch Miller program but we both slept through some of it. A trip to Rockland is very wearisome.</p>
<p>Dec. 18, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning. -16°. Air N. Snow really shows up on ground in sun. Has been a nice day but snow makes quite a chill. Nan made two wreaths for church doors this A.M. and a swag for Mrs. Burgesses door. I cut our outside tree out below the big pine, brought it in, and set it in place - a beautiful fir. Weighed up and lugged out 248# hay - 10 bales for Judy Brown and then weighed up to have ready a qtr. ton-app. for the Little King. Last time he called me after dark and wanted it. We wired our outside tree and then went to town to do our errands, putting the wreaths on church doors etc. Nan did wash at Burgesses. We put swag on her door. Home, chored, lighted Christmas tree, put electric candles in windows and lighted them, so we look quite Christmassy. Tried to watch T.V. but slept more than we watched.</p>
<p>Dec. 19, Sunday</p>	<p>Another beautiful calm morning. What a December this has been. A heavy white frost this morning. Has been a nice day. Went to church. 57 in congregation - 5 in choir. Invited down to Burgesses to dinner. Stopped at Abbie's on way home to check furnace. She's supposed to come Tues. Or Wednesday. Jack, Betty and boys here when we arrived, ready to get heifer. Had coffee, loaded heifer, back up with them to unload heifer, visited a few minutes and then home. Snowing hard, big white flakes when we were coming home, making the slippery roads even slipperier. Worked on Christmas cards some this evening. Watched Ed Sullivan and Bonanza. Growing cold tonight 8° above. Both Montgomery and Abbie called this evening. Coming Tues. or Wed. Watched the two astronauts recovered from landing after 14 days around earth in space this morning.</p>
<p>Dec. 20, Monday</p>	<p>Clear and cold. 4° above. Stayed cold all day. Filled woodboxes this morning. Out to Cobb's at 7:45 to meet Don W. to help him in woods. Helped cut, clift and pile leaners and dead trees and to burn the brush. Don furnishes the saw and does the sawing. Don brought his dinner, it being so slippery driving and came in with me at noontime. Weighed up a qtr. ton hay for the Little King and put that and the qtr. ton I weighted up Saturday outside for them. They came after it after dark. Had 23 cards tonight. Worked on cards tonight. Am on local ones now.</p>

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<p>Dec. 21, Tuesday</p>	<p>Still clear and cold 8° above. Wind west 15 mi. Another cold one all day otherwise a nice one. Rex and Alphonse here to get Montgomery's keys at 7:15 to turn on hot water heater and put on gas tanks. Nan worked over there a while this A.M. I worked with Don W. at Cobb's. Clifted all forenoon on yesterday's cutting, then cut some more this P.M. from there through to Mullen line. The Montgomery's arrived this P.M. Over to help him unload his Buick as soon as work. Loaded to capacity with Christmas presents. His grandchildren are coming for Christmas. Watched Red Skelton show and Peyton Place. Wrote 27 Christmas cards.</p>
<p>Dec. 22, Wednesday</p>	<p>A clear cold one but not like yesterday morning. 20°. Wind W.S.W. 15 mi. or so. Worked out to Cobb's again with Don W. and finished up. Clifted fireplace wood from yesterday's cutting about six hours and then cut and burned some over next to Mullen line. Pretty hard work pounding wedges so much. Home, cleaned up and over to Abbie's about 5:00. She arrived this P.M. Had a lunch with her, and back home about 7:00. Finished writing our Christmas cards. To bed weary. Had a bushel box of grapefruit and oranges from Florida from Mrs. Fay tonight.</p>
<p>Dec. 23, Thursday</p>	<p>Not so cold or so clear this morning. 22° and cloudy, Wind about S.W. Worked with Don W. down to Baker's, Crabtree's Point. A long way from home with the roads a glare of ice. Went in Jeep as Don took his Mercury to garage to have oil changed and chains put on. Spent the whole day just junking and burning blow downs from the hurricanes of other years and also victims of the witch broom disease. What a mess but made quite a showing for one day. Home about 4:30. Abbie over to supper with us about 6:30. Had broiled bull steak and it was very good. Mince pie for dessert. Abbie went home about 9:30. We watched Peyton Place and Dean Martin show.</p>
<p>Dec. 24, Friday</p>	<p>Warm and cloudy. 30°. Already to start for work at 7:30 but started to rain so we didn't go. Nan worked over to R.M.'s a while this A.M. I wrapped her 6 prs. stockings and red pumps as from Santa Claus, and rested an hour or so. Shaved, cleaned up and started uptown to deliver presents before 1:00 P.M. Stopped at Ernie Boy's, Spinney's, Jennie and Etta's, Mother Hubbard's, Harvey's car and the Burgesses. Then Prudy and I hauled the Zenith Hi-Fi Record Player down here and uncrated it that I had bought for Nan. Back uptown, shopped saw boat come, home by way of middle road and left presents at the Beveridges but didn't stop. Home, looked at mail, uptown to tree exercises at church, called to see the Jack Brown trees and then spent evening at the Peters. The Leon Crocketts, Frank Sampson, Don Witherspoons, Bob Smiths, Lawrence Grants and us there. Had a good time. Home at 12:15.</p>

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Dec. 25, Saturday	A mild Christmas, nearly 40° starting to rain just before noon and has rained hard most of P.M. and this evening. Up before 7:00. Opened some of our presents, then Nan had to make beds over to Montgomerys so we had to thrash to get uptown at 10:10. Enburg took us across. Mike met us and we were down to Bunkers before 11:00. Man oh man, the amt of presents those people have. Had a nice dinner with them - the Mike Bunkers, Woodrow Bunkers and Hooker Clayters. Mike brought us to ferry landing at 4:00. Home by way of G. Thorntons to leave their presents. Stayed nearly a half hour. For presents to see first page after Dec. 31. Rested an hour or so, then over to Montgomerys at 7:30. Had a nice two hr. visit. Montgomery Jr. and his two children here with Mr. and Mrs. Young R.M. seems to be a dandy fellow. Sad not to have a mother with the children. Home at 9:30 and watched Hollywood Palace. To bed very weary.
Dec. 26, Sunday	Breezed up N.N.E. during night and snowed some before day light. Lights went out at 4:45. A birch tree came down across line out here by Birch tree corner and blew fuses by Little King's. Prudy and Edwin had lights back on about 9:30. Nan over to R.M.'s a while this A.M. We were just having breakfast after she came back when Mrs. M. and the little fellow came in for a moment. He had worn Nan's boots out sliding by mistake. Then we went over to check on Abbie as she wasn't feeling well, and her telephone is acting up. Home and rested a couple hours. Mr. M. dropped in a few minutes. Suppered, cleaned up and went to town to church service. A fair gathering considering the icy going. The young people took part in the service. The Senior R.M.s went. We came right home and watched Perry Mason. Cold and windy tonight. 10° above.
Dec. 27, Monday	10° above and still windy. Looks like it might be clear. Has been a good working day with sun coming out this P.M. cold all day. Worked with Don W. at Bakers. Had to go to Grange Hall in Chevelle as the windshield on Jeep was completely iced over. Home about 4:30. Chored, cleaned up, suppered and had things ready to show slides when the Sr. Montgomerys and Jr. Montgomery came. Showed quite a batch and they seemed to enjoy them. Went home at 9:30. Had just finished lugging in my wood when Betty and Jack dropped in. Had coffee and visited nearly an hour.
Dec. 28, Tuesday	Light snow all A.M. clearing to a nice P.M. Was supposed to have gone to Rockland to have eyes tested but didn't like the looks of the weather. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I pumped cistern and weighed up 1200# plus hay to have ready for Little King and Judy Brown. At 2:30 we went up to Watson's landing field to see Stanger come in to pick up Jr. Montgomery and children. Home and over to R.M.'s to see about some wood work he wants done; also wants the pile of old lumber and fence material moved over to S.E. corner of cellar hole field. Home, over to Abbie's a half hour or so, home and suppered, and then up to Milton Ames for evening. He showed slides taken with his new camera. They're very good.



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<p>Dec. 29, Wednesday</p>	<p>20°. Air S.W. Looks snowy again. Has been a good working day. Worked with Don W. at Bakers again today. Butch Peters helped us. Made quite as showing. Nan worked over to R.M.'s a while this A.M. Mrs. M. caught a kink in her back while Nan was there, and is in hard shape. Doesn't think they can leave tomorrow. Lugged Judy Brown's hay outdoors after I got home. Lugged in wood. Suppered, and went to bed early as we were both pooched. Just dropping off when H.S.B. called on phone. Just dropping off again when Al Rogers called on phone. May as well have stayed up.</p>
<p>Dec. 30, Thursday</p>	<p>Up at 5:45. Appears to be calm and clear. 20° Has been a nice working day. Worked at Bakers with Don w. and Butch. Nan worked over to R.M.'s a while this A.M. They left this morning. Garry Beverage after his 1/2 ton of hay about 5:00. Mr. M. called about 8:30 to say they arrived home about 6:00 and Mrs. M. stood the trip fairly well. He has 3 or 4 things he ants us to do about closing the house. He talks as though they plan to come up again this winter. Elmer Hopkins had quite a serious shock this morning.</p>
<p>Dec. 31, Friday</p>	<p>Warm and mild. Snow melting off. 30°. Took XL-12 along and sawed trees down and junked them for H.S.B. at A.W.B.'s 1 1/2 hrs. on way to work. Worked rest of day with Don W. and Butch at Bakers. Finished the job down there. Made a nice clearing. Hiram is cutting and cleaning up the bunch of trees in A.W.'s field between barn and road. Will look much better. Watched the Jimmie Dean show tonight. Too weary to enjoy even a good show. Farewell 1965. We called Bill and June H. on phone tonight.</p>
<p>Presents received at Christmas 1965</p>	<p>Nan gave me a heating pad, a pair of dress rubbers, and a Santa Claus present. The Montgomerys - 3 Hathaway shirts and a Savage over and under 22 cal. Rifle and 410 ga. shotgun. Many many other presents including the one we received together. See Name list. The Montgomerys bought Nan a beautiful coat with zip out lining "Misty Harbor."</p>