

# TONNY CALDERWOOD'S DIARY

## January 1 to December 31, 1967

*transcribed by Elizabeth MacLean*  
*Note: Tonny wrote all of the entries in 1967*

From Alta Burgess 1966 Christmas

Jan. 1, Sunday	Happy New Year to all. A beautiful calm New Year's morning. The sun should shine. 26°. A beautiful forenoon, but clouded up about the time we came from church and started snowing lightly during he P.M. changing to drizzle during evening and then snowing lightly again during night. Helped house chore, fed animals and went to church. Helped Albert B. with collection and communion. Came right home. Stripped up, slack salted fish, and had fish and potatoes for New Year's dinner. Rested this P.M. Invited up to the Eliot Beveridges at 5:00 P.M. The Jack Bauers there. The Peters supposed to be but weren't. Home at 7:00. Watched the Ed Sullivan show and Andy Williams show. To bed weary.
Jan. 2, Monday	Snowed enough to track a cat during night. Wind about north this morning 5 to 10 mi. Cloudy. Temp. +33°. Another day of this year gone all ready and it's been a nice day too. Helped house chore. Fed animals and then split on woodpile above barn until 12:15, finishing the job. Hurrah! All this wood I've been working on should have been burned last winter as it is blown ups etc. that has laid longer than it should have. Watched the Tournament of Roses with Nan while we lunched. Uptown to see boat come. No mail again today. Down to Alta's to do two washes. Had coffee with she, Sheila and Marcia. The baby is growing like a weed. Home, fed and watered animals, lugged in wood. Had scallop stew for supper. E.J. Hopkins here to get Pease's gate key. He's going to haul gravel off the beach. Up to Don Witherspoon's to visit this evening. Had a nice time. Home about 11:00.
Jan. 3, Tuesday	A beautiful calm morning but hazy. Considerable white frost; wind will be S.W. this P.M. Sun coming up nicely - 24°. Has been a nice mild day and I accomplished two nice jobs too. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then split into Ashley junks the two bedding down trees in big pasture that I cleaned up and junked with McCulloch last winter. The third bedding down tree has died since and must be cut now. Took me till nearly 1:00 P.M. Lunched, rested a little while and then took my plows up to Mrs. Pease's barn so I'd have room to put my pulp wood trailer in bottom of shop. Did it as soon as I came back from Mrs. Pease's. Fed and watered animals. Lugged in wood. Played a couple games cribbage. Read our two days mail. Received thank you notes from Barbara Whipple and June Hopkins. Watched a little T.V. - Red Skelton show and Daktari.

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<p>Jan. 4, Wednesday</p>	<p>A heavy overcast morning. Air east-north-east. Looks rainy. Temp 34°. Started snowing lightly about 9:30 and continued most of day and evening, but didn't amount to anything. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Boy, was I disgusted today. Brought my XL-12 into kitchen, filed it and cleaned it up, then took it onto porch to start it, and it wouldn't start even after I put a brand new plug into it. It was only about three weeks ago that I took the saw to Payson's to have it worked on after which it ran beautifully that day. I just can't win. Lunched. Rested a while then uptown to shop and see boat come. Visited Hiram S.B. on our way home. He gave us some cooking and eating apples. Home, chored, played a couple games cribbage, read mail - a letter from Abbie and suppered. Invited the Ames down to play cribbage this evening. Edith and I won the three games. Had a lunch about 10:30.</p>
<p>Jan. 5, Thursday</p>	<p>Snowed a little during night. Probably an inch all told. Trees are nasty. Air still N.N.E. High overcast. +27°. Became a nice sunny day. Helped house chore. Shoveled off porch, but first I peeled enough of H.S.B.'s apples to make a dish of sauce and so Nan could make a pie. Fed animals and then went to garage with XL-12. Steve worked on it about an hr. discovering that the oil seal on drive shaft was leaking and the oil was getting on points. Pints completely ruined. Having a new seal, points and condenser sent over from Payson's. Home at 11:30. Paul Quinn here putting a receptacle back of refrigerator. Lunched. Rested. Uptown to see boat come. Stopped in at Aunt Ell's to see the opening of Bob Williams' grocery store. Everyone treated to coffee and doughnuts. Called on Leigh and Nettie W. on our way home. Had a nice half-hr. visit with them. Home, fed and watered animals, lugged in wood. Read mail - letter from Bud and Loretta. Suppered, and watched some television.</p>
<p>Jan. 6, Friday</p>	<p>Clear and cool. Looks like it may be sunny. Wind W.N.W. at 20 mi. right now at 7:30 A.M. Temp + 28°. A nice day but very cold penetrating wind. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then tried out the new Swedish axe that Mr. M. gave me for Christmas. Worked very well, much like my machete, only better in that it has a regular length axe handle. Cut all the regrowth on the junk outside pasture fence across from hog pen piece. Then started trimming up young spruce inside butchering place gate. Worked till 12:15. Lunched, rested, then uptown in Jeep. Took tin cans and such to dump, got 4 cans gas at Brown's, saw boat come. Had coffee with Alta, stopped at L. Grant's to get three bags stove coal he's giving me, but he was choring at Lamont's to we came home. Chored. Read mail - letters from Mrs. Fay, the Dicky Fays, and Olive G. Suppered. Watched a little T.V. and looked at Shumway seed catalog; also Burpee's.</p>
<p>Jan. 7, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful quiet morning. Hardly a cloud in the sky. Cold +13°. Air North. Looks like it might be sunny. Has been a beautiful day but became very raw this P.M. After the wind breezed up easterly. Started snowing about 5:15 P.M. but changed to rain during evening. I helped house chore and fed animals. Then put our Christmas lights, etc. up over head. Spent rest of P.M. out inside butchering place gate trimming up young spruce. Have quite a bunch ready to cut. Lunched. This P.M. we went to the garage - Wayside - got my XL-12 and went up to A.W.B.'s. Junked and cleaned up his old horse chestnut tree in front of house. Took us not quite an hour. Down to shop and see boat come. Came home. Chored. Played a couple games cribbage. Read mail. A letter from Marion Howard. Suppered on baked beans, then watched Dating Game, Newlywed Game, Lawrence Welk, and Hollywood Palace. Also a little of Gunsmoke.</p>

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<p>Jan. 8, Sunday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog. Snow all gone. Calm +40°. A damp day, sprinkling and very foggy this P.M. and evening. Breakfasted, fed animals, cleaned up and went to church. The wooded sections of the roads a glare of ice. No sanding had been done on our road until we came home. 30 in congregation plus 12 in children's choir. Helped Lewis Haskell take up collection, Home. Had fricasseed chicken, dumplings, etc. for lunch. Very good. Rested a while this P.M. Then Nan walked over to R.M.'s and I wrote letters. One to A.W.B. plus the bill for cleaning up his chestnut, one to Moccasin-Craft about Nan's moccasins that haven't come; ordered Dec. 10 and one to Mercedes. Chored. About 6:00 rode uptown to mail letters. Had hamburgs at Aunt Ell's. Home and watched television. Very foggy driving. Reported the bell not ringing on Goose Rock light this morning.</p>
<p>Jan. 9, Monday</p>	<p>Dull and very overcast, but foggy has lifted. Air north. Temp +34°. A beautiful day, mild and almost windless. Helped house chored. Fed animals, then uncoupled wood hauling trailer off tractor, coupled onto S.B. trailer and went over to Tumbledown. Nan over in Chevelle and helped me lug a load of hay out through stable to trailer - 30 bales. Big doors tightened up for winter. Home, unloaded hay in back end of barn floor. Then we hauled in a load of the brush I made Saturday forenoon, and put it around over Nan's gardens. Lunched. Rested a bit, then out to eastern end of hog pen piece to cut the cherry trees and alders that have grown to edge of field. Used a tank full of gas, then limbed. Didn't quite finish. Chored and lugged in wood. Played a couple games cribbage. Read mail - a letter from Edna B. Suppered. Invited the Bernard Mills down to play cards. Edith and I won 3 out of 4 games of 83. Had a good time.</p>
<p>Jan. 10, Tuesday</p>	<p>A very dull overcast morning. 32°. Air easterly. Very heavy clouds. Very fine snow for a while this A.M. Helped house chore. Fed animals, then out to eastern end of hog pen piece to finish yesterday's job. Took nearly an hour. Filed XL-12 here in Kitchen, then out to big oak tree in western field, cut and junked the 5 young oak trees and trimmed the limbs. These oaks west of the clump of big maples beyond the big oak. Mrs. M. asked me to cut them to open her view. Had tears in my eyes when I did it. I in to lunch at 1:30. Uptown to shop at boat time. Lottie Ames body brought from Bangor. Funeral tomorrow. Called on Ernie Boy on our way home. Found him okay. He gave us a slack-salted fish and a couple turnips. Home, chored, read mail. A letter from Mercedes. Had fish and potatoes - fish out of freezer and washed turnip for supper. Good. Watched Red Skeleton and then listened to Pres. Johnson's state of the Union message.</p>
<p>Jan. 11, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful calm quiet morning. Looks like the sun might shine. What nice chances for those who may wish to go to Rockland. We'd like to go Friday to see Shorty Thomas' gang at Owl's Head schoolhouse if the weather's mild. A big gamble this time of year. Has been a nice working day. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then went out inside butchering place gate with tractor, S.B. trailer and XL-12 to get a load of brush for Abbie's flower gardens. Nan went up after Ern. He helped load the brush, we took it over and spread it on flower gardens. Home. Nan took Ern home, and I went out to the big oak tree and hauled in the trimming up brush off four spruces I'm going to cut. Brought it in and put it on Nan's flower garden below Red Astrican tree. Lunched, cleaned up and went to Lottie Ames' funeral. Very few people there. Then down to Alta's to do wash. The Ames and Aunt Mertie over to tea before we left. Home. Chored and weighed up 20 bales hay for Judy Brown. Emery H. hauled it. Read mail. Suppered, watched some T.V. and played cribbage.</p>

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<p>Jan. 12, Thursday</p>	<p>A pretty morning. Just an air W.S.W. Practically clear sky. Cooler. +20°. Made a nice working out day but wind became raw S.W. this P.M. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Nan and Alta started for Vinalhaven about 10:00. Edith Williams came up after them. I coupled onto the S.B. trailer, hauled the rest of my Banks road wood from above shop to dooryard - had a full load thrown in, then out into pasture and hauled in the two bedding down trees I clifted a few days ago. Had a full load tiered in, then a second load of 3 tiers and balance of uncut limbs. Lunched. Took ashes out of stove and some other chores, cut a little more brush on Montgomery's road to go in Jeep, then uptown. Saw boat come, then down to Alta's and put the brush on her gardens. Stopped at Lawrence Grant's to get a couple bags coal he was giving me. Then home. Was choring at barn when Nan returned. Read mail. Suppered - fish hash. Watched a little T.V. Wrote a letter to Ed Carey apologizing for not granting his request for a loan. Peg called tonight to say Sam was operated for gallstones last Monday. Coming along okay.</p>
<p>Jan. 13, Friday</p>	<p>Still dark now at 6:30 but should be a good day. A dusting of snow last evening. Air S.W. Temp. 28°. Now getting ready to go to Rockland. Went to Rockland. Nice trip over. Only the Basketball Squad and Linda Patrick aboard. O, yes, Buddy Curtis and Auditor too. Nan did a little shopping. I got hair cut at Paul's, we bought some hamburg, cookies, etc. at A&amp;P, then taxied out to Owl's Head to Mercedes'. Had coffee - she'd just made a nice coffee cake. Visited rest of A.M. Tunafish sandwiches for lunch. June Hopkins and Thomas out to visit a little while after 2:00. After they left we walked down to Owl's Head harbor to see where the dredger was deepening the harbor. Quite a hill to walk up coming back. Jim arrived from work about 5:30. Suppered about 6:00 on the hamburg we took down. Lottie made a tossed salad. Very good. About 7:45 Bill Hopkins arrived to go to the Owl's Head school with us to hear and see the Shorty Thomas program. It would have been very good if the amplifiers had been adjusted down. Slim Clark was with them and very good, but all so loud. We left at intermission, couldn't take any more. Bill back to Mercedes' with us where we had coffee and a lunch. To bed weary at 11:30. A long time since morning. Jim has to get up at 4:00 to be to work at 5:00.</p>
<p>Jan. 14, Saturday</p>	<p>A nice quiet morning. Very heavy white frost. About 28°. Had a nice quiet breakfast with Mercedes. Had just gotten cleared away when Bill H. and David arrived in Cadillac to take us to Hope to Aunt Barb's to get a half bu. of Jacob's Cattle Beans - a peck for the Beveridges and a peck for us. I helped Bill \$1.50 on gas. Found Aunt Barb's and Orrie in good health. Orrie very friendly. Took us out to see the new team they had just purchased recently. A black roan and a dapple chestnut, wgt. about 1500 - a nice looking team. Back to Rockland about 12:00 where Bill dropped us off and took Lottie back to Owl's Head. Finished our shopping, lunched at Coffee Shop and to boat. A nice trip home. Talked with Bricks Mills and Rex Crockett. House not as cold as when we came from V.H. Christmas Day. Started fires, took ashes out of Ashley, chored at barn, read our mail, a letter from A.W. with \$4.00 check enclosed. Suppered on baked beans. Watched Lawrence Welk after watching Dating Game and Newlywed Game. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>Jan. 15, Sunday</p>	<p>A dull morning. Air S.W. 10 mi. or so. Temp. 38°. When we arrived at Mercedes Friday forenoon, she told us that Eva Hopkins had passed away the night or afternoon before. Her funeral is this P.M. She's the last one from mother's generation out of Sleepyville; Lena and Leslie Dickey being in a nursing home. Has been a beautiful warm day, well up over forty. Helped. House chores. Fed animals. Cleaned up and went to church. 37 in congregation. Down to Alta's to haddock chowder dinner. Then the three of us went to Eva Hopkins' funeral. Very small group. Took Alta and Edith A. home. Came home by way of Ern W.'s to leave him a cake Pat sent up Thursday, then stopped at the Beveridges to leave beans. They evidently were out walking. Came right home by way of Mullen Place road. Only home a few minutes when the Overmans and Alta came. Had tea and cake. Chored after they left. Had western sandwiches for supper. Popped corn. Watched a little T.V. Programs seem to get poorer and poorer.</p>
<p>Jan. 16, Monday</p>	<p>A beautiful flat calm morning. Sun rising pretty. Temp. 26°. Looks like we could have stayed in Owl's Head for the weekend without the house freezing. Has been a nice day and evening. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Coupled onto pulp trailer and started collecting the wood that I made a year ago gathering banking brush. Had part of a load around Uncle Tim's ledge above O.P. Field and by young oak on right side of road towards R.M.'s. Finished load from edge of toilet field with limbs. Piled it along by night pasture fence above barn. After lunch Nan had to go to town to help undecorate church. Short job. 14 of the garden club there. I hauled out 2 more loads this P.M. from toilet field area where Don and I cut the vista through to big oak last winter. Was just finished with chores when Nan returned. Rested a little while then cleaned up for supper. Invited Garnet and Clara down for supper. He and I had hot biscuits with Bull's Heels; Clara and Nan had lamb chops. Nice supper. Went home about 9:30. To bed weary.</p>
<p>Jan. 17, Tuesday</p>	<p>Young William G. Bunker's birthday - 1 yr. A very cloudy dull morning. Wind about W.N.W. Temp. has risen from 24° last evening to 30° now at 7:15 A.M. Radio says much colder tonight. Has been a very, very disagreeable day for working out doors here on Indian Point Farm. Strong S.W. wind all day. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then hauled in two loads of alders from swamp below Big Oak. Nan over to inspect R.M.'s house and helped me a while. So disagreeably windy I didn't go back out this P.M. Went to town with Nan about 2:30. Started wash at Alta's up to see boat come then back down after wash. Home by way of middle road. Fed and watered animals, and lugged in wood. Read mail, suppered and was just starting to play cribbage when Harvey and Shirley C. arrived. We played 4 games cribbage. Harvey and Nan won all 4. Then we played 2 games 83 and they won one of that. Had a lunch of cheeses and crackers followed by cake with raspberries and whipped cream. Elmer Carver taken to Togus today. His legs are bothering him again.</p>

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<p>Jan. 18, Wednesday</p>	<p>Wind up to 40 mi. N.W. now at 7:00 A.M. Looks like a cold wave was going to catch us. Has dropped from +40° during last evening to +20° this morning and promises to grow colder all day. Worst cold spell of winter so far all across and down through the U.S. Two years ago today or this morning the temp. was 18° below zero and vapor was flying mast high through Little Thoroughfare from West to East. Has been a cold windy day but not as disagreeable as yesterday. Helped house chore. E. Hopkins here after Mrs. P.'s gate key this morning. More gravel off the beach - there will be nothing left. Fed animals. Then to wood hauling. Hauled out another load of alders and limbs from below big oak finishing the limbs. Brought most of this load down here to house as they were chopping size. Lunched. Nan up to B. Joyce's at 1:30 to have hair set. I hauled out three loads wood from below big oak finishing that job at 4:15. Rex C. after 2 bales hay. Had coffee with us. Growing cold tonight. 10° above at 4:30. Chored, lugged in wood, read mail, only papers. Ham hocks, taters and dandelion greens for supper. Watched a little T.V. To bed weary.</p>
<p>Jan. 19, Thursday</p>	<p>A real cool morning but wind has dropped out so not so bad. 2 degrees (two) above zero. High overcast. Air coming N.E. will get snow probably. Glass high - 30.7. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Had warmed up to 10° above when I started wooding. Out to wood lot above R.M.'s in pasture above well and had a whole load between what Don and I cut on my side of line, and what I cut last year in my opening, brushing last yr. Second load from R.M.'s sunset vista on my side of boundary. Had lunch about 1:00. Don and Cynthia blew in before we'd finished lunch. He has an injured hand from a leaner sliding down and hitting him. Didn't break any bones. Stayed till after 3:00. After they left I shifted trailers from pulp trailer to S.B. one; when out above R.M.'s again and brought in a load of 2 ft. big butts and some smaller 2 ft. pieces on my side of boundary. Snowing hard while I was choring. Read mail. Suppered. Shared and cleaned up and up to Budget Com. Meeting at Selectmen's office. Snow stopped and moon out. Those present - Selectmen, treas., road com., Jerry Fernald, Bob Smith, Frances Raymond, Edwin Thayer, Preston Lincoln. Nan spent evening at Alta's. Home from Alta's at 11:00.</p>
<p>Jan. 20, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful winter morning. Looks like it might be sunny and warmer. Air W.S.W. Cloudless. 20° above. A very nice day warming up some. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then to Indian Point with tractor and S.B. trailer and brought in 1 1/2 loads of 2 ft lengths from my side of vista clearing. Then had a small load of oak wood from around the big oak where I cut some small oaks Jan. 10 to open up Mrs. R.M.'s view. This finishes my wood gathering. Must have seven cords at least beside limbs. Finished at 1:00 P.M. Lunched. Rested a little while, changed clothes, and uptown to see boat come. Then called on Aunt Grace Cooper - her 81<sup>st</sup> birthday. Nan took her an apple sauce cake. Visited about a half hr. Treated to cake and ice cream. On our way home called at the Jack Brown's to leave money for grain. Had coffee with them. They have their new living room all ready to put their paneling on wall. Home, chored, read mail. A letter from A.W.B. telling me I was welcome to the wood off area north of Fuller Cemetery that Don and Dicky cut for him a couple or three years ago. Doubt if it's any good by now. Suppered, watched a little T.V. and soaked feet.</p>

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<p>Jan. 21, Saturday</p>	<p>Wind blew hard N.E. or N.N.E. early this morning to 4:30 then eased off and is out S.W. now at 7:30 A.M. High clouds aplenty. Temp. 36°. Has been a nice mild day except for S.W wind blowing so this A.M. Helped house chore. Fed animals, then started up XL-12 and junked up the big 2 ft. lengths I hauled in from edge of toilet field and Indian Point pasture. The sawdust nearly blinded me as the wind blew around the ends of woodpile so. Used 2 tanks of gas. Had just finished when Nan came up to tell me that Jennie had invited us up to dinner to scallop chowder with short biscuits. We went and had a nice time. Then took them on a ride around island, down west district as far as Bartlett's Harbor, and back by Morrow's. Back downtown to see boat come. Gave Marion Hopkins a ride home to Jessie's. Chored, fed and watered animals, read mail. Hulled corn for supper. Invited up to the Ames for evening. Watched Jackie Gleason, Lawrence Welk and Hollywood Palace. Home about 11:00.</p>
<p>Jan. 22, Sunday</p>	<p>An unbelievably calm mild morning for Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Temp. 38°. Considerable high cloudiness. Air North. Made a nice day. Mild and pleasant. Day started out by E.J. Hopkins bringing Mrs. Pease's gate key back. Stayed maybe a half hr. Then Rex and Paul Q. came to get the search light for the old blue panel. Paul gave me \$5.00 for it, which I gave to Alta. We were almost late getting to church. 34 in congregation. Brought Alta home with us, and I made a poverty stew for dinner. It turned out very good. Rode around island and down to Crabtree's Point when taking Alta home at 4:00. Home and thrashed chores through. Due at the Beveridges at 5:00 to supper. Enjoyed it. A fancy sandwich loaf. Played a game of Scrabble after. Calderwood was low man with a score of 64. Mr. B was high with a score of 134. Home about 10:00 and watched Andy Williams show.</p>
<p>Jan. 23, Monday</p>	<p>A very, very dull morning. Sure looks rainy. Wind E.N.E. 10 to 15. Temp. 36°. A few sprinkles on porch now at 7:45 A.M. Rained like old furyation this A.M., foggy all P.M. What Calderwood accomplished this day would fill a very small thimble. Helped house chore and tended animals. Then laid on couch and rested and read. Had lettuce sandwiches for lunch. Played a few games of cribbage, then went to town to shop and see boat come. Came home by way of north shore so Nan could leave some shirts, etc. at Cynthia's as she's collecting clothes to send to Pine Lands. Didn't visit as Don wasn't home. Home, fed and watered animals and lugged in wood. Read mail. Nan had a short letter from Ada. Had some of R.M.'s Christmas steak for supper. Invited the Ames down to play cribbage this evening. Edith and I won 3 out of 5.</p>
<p>Jan. 24, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice quiet calm morning. Quite overcast. Temp. 25°. Seems like a March morning. Must try to get a load of sawdust for bedding, and a load of hay from Tumbledown today so I can get going on Income Tax Material. Became a very foggy day. Air very penetrating. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then up to Elliott Brown's sawmill with tractor and S.B. trailer to get a load of sawdust for bedding. Piled it in tie-up. Back up and got a second load to put over and through Nan's raspberries. Just enough to do a good job. As soon as lunch and I'd rested a few minutes, I went over to Tumbledown, tossed down and lugged out through stable door 34 bales plus 2 bales of straw. Hauled it on S.B. trailer. Piled it in back end of barn floor and left the trailer in front of it. All equipment under cover except grade blade and Jeep. Over to R.M.'s with Nan to check house. Chored, lugged in wood, read mail. A nice letter from J.F. Dyer in California. Played a couple games cribbage. Crabmeat sandwiches for supper (out of freezer). Watched a little T.V. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>Jan. 25, Wednesday</p>	<p>Air out E.N.E. again but fog's gone. High overcast. Looks snowy. +26° temp. Was 68° in New York yesterday. A warm day about working but chilly penetrating air especially this P.M. Was slow getting going this A.M. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Brought XL-12 into kitchen, filed it and shortened clearers. Thought I was starting up to Hiram's at 10:15 when in reality it was 11:15 when I got there as my watch had stopped. As Wilson had started dinner, I drove down to the Fuller Cemetery to look at the wood left by Don W. when he cut the vista down "Old Barn Hill" north of cemetery for A.W.B. about 3 winters ago. Probably 2 cord there but a hard hill to get it up. In fact I think I have enough half-good wood laying around now. Probably enough for a yr. anyway. Also walked down into Poole's place. Back up to H.S.'s, picked him up and back down to A.W.B.'s. Worked in grove between his western field and old barn field. Cut and junked into 2 ft. lengths four large trees. A good hr. Home, lunched, uptown to shop, saw boat come, did a wash at Alta's, home by way of middle road. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail - the paper. Suppered. For supper we had haddock chowder made out of the remains of my poverty stew. Good. Watched some T.V. Perry Como had a nice show.</p>
<p>Jan. 26, Thursday</p>	<p>Very thick-a-fog. Calm. Air S.W. Temp. 37°. Hard weather for grasslands. Heaving badly. Has been a nice mild day. Fog cleared up nicely about noon and Nan's wash dried nicely. Didn't get anything done out doors. Worked indoors writing letters to clear the way for Income Tax work. Wrote letter to Moccasin Craft about Nan's moccasins which haven't come that I ordered Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, \$66, although we received the cancelled check from the bank. Also wrote a letter to Elmer Carver, he's in Togus again, and a letter to Sammy Beverage giving him some Calderwood Information for genealogy. First thing this morning I peeled the apples H.S. gave me yesterday, and Nan made 2 apple pies and some sauce. Uptown at boat time. Sent package down to Pat by Kippy G. - Mike's boots. Home by way of middle road to leave H.S. an apple pie. Home, chored, cleaned up and up to Bernard Mills to supper. Had a dandy time and a nice supper. Boiled ham and dandelion greens. Played 3 games 83 - Nan and Bricks won 2. Played 3 games cribbage and Mrs. M. and I won the 3. Home about 11:00.</p>
<p>Jan. 27, Friday</p>	<p>Arthur S.C. born this day 1918. A dull overcast morning. Wind N.E. or E.N.E. Temp. +30°. Arthur would have been 49 had he lived. The weather some different than when he was born. The thoroughfare frozen over so hard that Dr. Lyford came from V.H. across the ice with a team. We were living at the Dean Place then. So much snow, men were shoveling the roads day after day as snow storm followed snow storm. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then started Income Taxing by taking material off calendar. Left off to go to town at boat time. Home by way of North Shore. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail - only paper, played a game of cribbage. Suppered. Finished taking material off calendar. Last night and today the worst snow storm in Chicago's history. Wind out E.N.E. here tonight and starting to sleep and rain. Blowing up to 40 or so as we go to bed. R.M.s telephoned tonight. Back in N.Y. from Colorado and heading for Europe the middle of Feb.</p>

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<p>Jan. 28, Saturday</p>	<p>Stormed all night. Maybe an inch of snow and sleet on ground. Winds up to 50 this morning, just about east. Rough here in Little Thoroughfare. Rained hard all A.M. Wind dropped out about noon, and came in foggy some this P.M. Wind around to westward about dark. Accomplished nothing today. Both of us seem to have colds. Helped house chore. Shoveled off porch when I went to barn to feed animals. An inch or more of mealy stuff. Rained enough today to make the walking slippery tonight. Spent most of day reading. Played a few games of cribbage. Didn't go to town at boat time. My grain for animals supposedly came this P.M. but Jack didn't bring it down. Chored, lugged in wood, read mail - no letters, just papers and Farm Journal. Had baked beans for supper. Watched Dating Game, Newlywed Game, Lawrence Welk and part of Future Stars Award.</p>
<p>Jan. 29, Sunday</p>	<p>Very dull and overcast. Spitting snow right now at 7:45. Air N.N.E. Temp. +26°. Spit snow on and off all day by spells but amounted to nothing. House chored, cleaned up, and went to church. 29 in congregation. Came right home. Had a picked up dinner. Nan did some adding on machine on my farming accounts for me. Vegetables sold amounted to about \$400.00 plus app. \$100.00 for potatoes. Hay sold from Jan. to June of last yr about \$500.00. Would have done considerable better if I'd been home to take care of and pick at right time. Probably had 240 or more dozen corn go to waste except for fodder. Rested a little while. Betty, Jack and Boys came about 3:30 bringing me 2 bags grain. Had coffee with us. Chored and up to the Preston Lincolns at 5:30 to Turkey supper and evening. The Don Witherspoons also present. Had a nice supper and nice evening. Home about 11:00. Cooler tonight. 18°.</p>
<p>Jan. 30, Monday</p>	<p>Clear. Some clouds. Sun should shine. Temp. + 16°. Wind N.W. up to 25 mi. Has been a nice day on the cold, windy side. Helped house chored. Fed animals, then went to work on Income Tax material. My work off farm - helping Don W., what little tractor work etc amounted to \$1147. Uptown at boat time. Home by way of middle road, and over to Watson's to see Jimmie Brown about helping Jack and I on calf. He took us on ride inland rover to see where Elliott Brown is logging - everything cut clean - what doesn't make logs Jimmie shoves into a pile with bulldozer and burns. Then out onto oak hill where he's cleared a lot by rotoring junipers. Home, over to Montgomery's to find the furnace out. Furnace had blown a fuse for some reason. Had B. Hurd come down. He got furnace going but found the filters very dirty. Will do a cleaning job tomorrow. Chored here at home - Read mail. Suppered - lamb chops out of freezer. Worked some more on tax material. Over to check on furnace about 8:45. Going okay.</p>
<p>Jan. 31, Tuesday</p>	<p>A beautiful winter morning but cold and windy. Has blown hard N.W. all night. 25 or more per hr. now at 7:30 A.M. Temp 16°. Has been a beautiful day and warmed up nicely in sun. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Rex here after R.M.'s keys so he could clean the furnace this morning. Worked on my Income Tax material all A.M. About 1:00 as we were lunching H.S.B. called to say he had his wood all cleaned up and would like some more taken down so after I shaved we went up, getting there at AW's at 2:00. By using a ladder we put a pulling rope on five large ones and two small ones along the road and pulled them down. Junked two of them into 2 ft. junks. Other two laying flat. Left off at 3:30 to go to Alta's to do wash. Alta at Guild. We watched kids sliding on the Haven Inn's field inside picked fence. They were having a great time. Had coffee with the Ames when we picked up clothes. Home, checked R.M.'s furnace, chored. Suppered - ham hocks and dandelion greens. Worked on Income Tax Material and watched T.V.</p>

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<p>Feb. 1, Wednesday</p>	<p>A fluff of snow before daylight. Air N.E. Very heavy overcast now at 7:00 A.M. Temp. +30°. Well by Golly, we got through Jan. without any tough snowstorms or real cold spells. A wonderful winter so far. Snowed softly all A.M. Made trees very nasty. Helped house chore. Fed animals, then went right up to A.W.B.'s and limbed and junked the trees we took down yesterday. Was beginning to dampen through when I finished. HS and Wilson not there. Home by way of south road. Filed XL-12 here in kitchen, then rested till lunch time. Made western egg sandwiches for lunch. Uptown to gas up at boat time. Just the small B&amp;R and one man came off ferry. Home by way of Ernie Boy's to get a couple turnips. Checked R.M.'s furnace, weighed up 20 bales hay for Judy Brown. Emery Hopkins came after 10 bales in his Kellogg Jeep. Fed and watered up, lugged in wood, read mail and suppered. Had corned bull brisket, dandelion greens, etc. Bull meat of last yr. about gone. Watched Talent Spotlight, The Virginian and Danny Kaye.</p>
<p>Feb. 2, Thursday</p>	<p>Edith Ames birthday. This is sure one calm mild morning for Ground Hog Day. +30°. Smoke goes straight up from chimney and comes down below bait house. Water beginning to ripple up now at 7:30 A.M. Started snowing as we were eating breakfast, con'd all day and well into the night. Swept the porch off twice while doing chores, and shoveled it off before dark when I did night chores. Probably about 10 inches. The biggest storm of the season so far. Worked on Income Tax Material some this day. Snowplow down about 4:00 P.M. Had April frozen pea soup for supper. As good as though it was made today. Watched T.V. this evening - Shorty Thomas program, Coliseum, My Three Sons and "Lincoln of Illinois" by Hallmark. Very good. Porch beautiful tonight with porch light on. Railings built as high with snow as they'll hold. Still snowing as we go to bed at 11:00 and sounds like the wind is breezing up. Has been a warm storm. About 30° all day.</p>
<p>Feb. 3, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like it might be a cold windy day. +12° above. Wind about 10 mi. right now from north, and snow blowing. Quite a bank in our driveway between the mugo pines. Plenty of snow. Snowplow down about 8:30. Helped house chore. Snow shoed up to barn, fed animals, then kept on over to R.M.'s to check furnace. Okay. Real disagreeable at top of hill, wind just about north and blowing a good breeze. About 18°. While I was gone Nan shoveled about half the porch off. Snow kept sticking to shove. Hotted shovel up and put the paraffin to it. About 3:00 I finished the porch and to the woodshed, also shoveled around the rhododendron tree. Snow piled onto it. Cleared away snow on front of grader blade so I could get to it with tractor. Cleaned out driveway to mailbox corner. Then a couple trips to barn but didn't finish the job. Hands got too cold. Fed and watered animals, lugged in wood, read mail - had a card from Dalon in Florida. Played cribbage, suppered. Watched some T.V. Programs are mostly pretty poor this winter. Called the Oldroyds this evening. Found them okay.</p>

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<p>Feb. 4, Saturday</p>	<p>Well it didn't come down to zero last night as predicted. +18° by us this morning. Air N.E. looking a lot like snow. Heavy layer of clouds. Quite a little snow squall this A.M. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Warmed the tractor up, and finished cleaning out the barn road and in front of big barn doors. Rolled my pulp trailer back a bit more and dropped the front of it to give me room to put the tractor in bottom of shop with grader blade on. Back in house about 11:00 and Nan washed my hair before lunch after she finished washing hers. Up to B. Joyce's at 1:00 to Bertha could set Nan's hair. I played 4 games cribbage with Martin, and in all 4 games we were both in the last 5 holes when the game was won, and Calderwood won the 4. Saw boat come. Down to Alta's to do wash. Had coffee with her, Invited Milton over. Edith down to Pamela's. Home by way of middle road. Tended animals, lugged in wood. Checked R.M.'s furnace. Snowplow in this morning. Read mail. A note from Mrs. Fay. Suppered. Unfroze baked beans. Watched T.V. Even set up to watch heavy wgt. wrestling at 11:15. Pretty cruel and unsportsmanlike I call it.</p>
<p>Feb. 5, Sunday</p>	<p>Very foggy, calm and how the snow has gone. Especially where it's been plowed. +38°. A beautiful, beautiful day - warm like spring. Helped house chore - fed animals, cleaned up and went to church. Pretty sloppy on roads. This was "Chaplain Sunday" in memory of the four Chaplains of World War I. The Legion and Auxiliary were guests at church. 4 of each group present. 31 in all in congregation. Helped Albert B. with collection and communion. Came home by way of north shore. Beautiful looking across water to mainland. Lunched. Rested a little while. About 4:00 we started for Pulpit Harbor to call on the Thorntons. Clara has had a sick back the last week. Out this P.M. first time. Had a nice visit. Home about 6:00. Fed and watered animals. Lugged in wood. Suppered on sardines and toast. Watched T.V. this evening. The new Smothers Brothers Show quite good. Watched Ed Sullivan.</p>
<p>Feb. 6, Monday</p>	<p>A nice clear morning at 6:30. Looks like a good day coming up, but has grown cold. +17°. Air west 10 mi. Has stayed cold all day but clear. Helped house chore. Tended animals, then went right to work on Income Tax Material, and stayed with it until nearly 1:00. Lunched. Rested a little while, then uptown about boat time to shop. The Foster Morrisons returned from their California trip today. Down to Alta's after boat came. Had coffee with her. Marcia there. Home shortly after 4:00 to check on R.M.'s furnace. Chored. Read mail. No letters. Baked potatoes, yellow beans and cold sliced corn beef for supper. Worked on tax material until 10:00. Then laid awake to listen on the radio to the Cassius Clay - Ernie Tirrell championship fight. Never have I been more disgusted with radio advertising. Tirrell stayed the 15 rounds but lost. An unsportsmanlike wrestle. Cold tonight. 6° above.</p>

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<p>Feb. 7, Tuesday</p>	<p>+6° this morning with air north east. Heavy overcast. Promises another bad snowstorm with gale winds this P.M. Promise came true. Had a real one starting about 11:00 and real tough all P.M. and early evening. Would guess a foot or so but quite light. Wind not as high here as some times. Helped house chore, fed animals, then worked on my Income Tax Material. Today pretty much shaped it up. Nan over to call on the Carvers a few minutes this A.M. Carver feeling better but pretty lame. Nan took them a jar of frozen raspberries and frozen corn on the cob. R.M. called on telephone this A.M. Going to Europe shortly. Did P.M. chores before dark. Colon very late tonight. Got stuck over by Tumbledown barn. Had to wait for snowplow to show up to get him out and plow him over here. At least 7:00. Can't understand why the plow doesn't accompany him round [on] a night like tonight. Has stayed at +10° or a little below all day. Cold getting into the house. Hard to keep it really warm. Watched some T.V.</p>
<p>Feb. 8, Wednesday</p>	<p>Wind has dropped out, and it's a white, white world this morning, also still holding at 10° above. Looks like lots of banks from kitchen window here. Sun should shine which will help some. Yesterday we were told that Monday morning at 3:00 Ernest Brown had disappeared out of his hospital bed in Knox Hospital, and was found just before noon sleeping in the Stanley House. He was bare foot and dressed only in his hospital Johnny and bathrobe. Apparently suffered no ill effects. Helped house chore and shoveled off porch. Warmed tractor up while tending animals, then cleaned out road to barn and in front of barn doors, our door yard and to our mailbox corner, then cleaned out Carver's road and his orchard turn around. The snowplow had been in to R.M.'s this morning, so I went over to check the furnace on the tractor and cleaned out a turn around over there. Finished about 12:00. Lunched, rested a little while, then uptown at boat time by way of N.S. road. Quite a lot of snow fell. Home and chored. Preston and Audrey called to bring some spruce cone wreaths to be dried out. Visited a half hour. Read mail, suppered, played cribbage and watched a little T.V. Spotlight on Youth and The Virginian.</p>
<p>Feb. 9, Thursday</p>	<p>Looks like a beautiful winter day coming up. Air S.W. Very high light clouds. Should be sunny. Temp. +20°. Has been a nice day. Helped house chore and fed animals. Then went to work on Income Tax Material. Finished shaping it up this A.M. and started copying. Left off to go to town at boat time. Down to Alta's to have coffee with her, but she wasn't home so Edith A. invited us over. Had coffee with her. Home by way of middle road. Stopped to pick up our vehicle registrations at Toot Waterman's. Just home when Emery H. came after the rest of Judy B.'s hay. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail - only papers. Suppered. Then went to work on papers again. Finished at 10:00. Didn't have such a big income as last yr. What with no animals to sell. Figured \$128.72 S.S. pay't and \$179.00 Income Tax = \$307.62. Watched the Dean Martin show.</p>

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Feb. 10, Friday	<p>A very dull overcast morning with N.E. wind 20 to 25 mi. now at 7:30 with plenty of promise of more snow. Temp. +28°. Forgot to write of Wednesday morning that I peeled the Northern Spy apples we bought in Hope last fall, and Nan made 2 pies and sauce out of them. Have already eaten one. There is nothing like a Northern Spy apple for pies. Very fine snow all A.M. but amounted to nothing. Well I've done it once more. I've completed my Income Tax papers, writing check, checking them over etc. before breakfast. Helped house chore and fed animals. Then after we walked over to R.M.'s to check furnace I spent rest of P.M. doing desk work. Filled out registration blank for vehicles and trailer, wrote a letter to R.M. to see if our check had gone astray and then wrote a letter to Marion Howard. Enclosed a copy of my Ferdinand Cooper writings on Little Thoroughfare. Lunched, rested a few minutes, shaved and uptown at boat time to mail important papers. Had coffee at Alta's. Home, chored and lugged in wood. Had cracker and milk for supper. Cleaned up and up to the Martin Joyce's at 7:30 to play cribbage. Bertha and Calderwood won 4 out of 7. Had a nice time. Home about 11:00.</p>
Feb. 11, Saturday	<p>Owe Jimmie Brown helping with calf. Not a very pretty morning. Quite an overcast. Wind westerly 20 mi. or so. Warm about 35°. Radio says much colder tonight. It's been a nice day except the strong wind W.S.W. all P.M. Also a busy one. Helped house chore. Fed animals. Then at 9:30 started splitting on the big junks above barn that I sawed up with chain saw back Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>. At 12:00 Nan came up to tell me that Jack B. and Jimmie Brown were coming down as soon as lunch to help dress out the calf. Thrashed a quick lunch and they arrived as I was ready to go to barn. Had good luck. Were finished and cleaned up at 3:00. Animals dressed out very good. Close to 300# I'd guess. Rested a little while, then chored and cleaned up. Had the Lawrence Grants and Don Witherspoons down to baked bean supper, ham, hot biscuits, blueberry pie, etc. Nan, Alice and Cynthia played Scrabble during evening; we men folks talked. Had a nice letter from Bud and Loretta tonight. They were planning to visit during Easter vacation but her folks are flying east to visit at that time.</p>
Feb. 12, Sunday	<p>My Gracious, it's grown cold since last night. +25° at 11:00 P.M. and now at 7:00 A.M. it's 2° above zero. Strong W.N.W. wind 25 mi. or so right now. Sun is shining, very few clouds. The sun has shone all day but has it ever stayed cold. Dropped to 2° below before we had breakfast. Then didn't get above zero all day, getting down to 10° below this evening. But the worst part was the wind. Up to 40 mi. nearly all A.M. and over in gusts. All ready to go to church but too much wind to leave fires. We've been told there were about 80 there as this was Boy Scout Sunday. Looks like we were the only backsliders. Tended fires and wrote a few Valentines. About 3:00 P.M. the wind had dropped back to normal so we rode to town by way of north shore and west district to mail the Valentines so the Bunker boys would get them Tuesday. had coffee with the Jack Browns on way home. Amazing how cold the car got in that short time. Home and chored. Of course last night had to be the night I would forget to shovel sawdust back over the draw off pipe in cistern. Had to use hot water and torch to free it. Very cold tonight and windy. Watched Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers show. To bed at 11:00.</p>

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<p>Feb. 13, Monday</p>	<p>H.S.B. said it was 20° below at 11:00 at his house last evening. 18° this morning. Man, oh man, has it blown this night. Puffing over 45 mi. several times while I was replenishing the fires at 2:45. Kept up till most daylight. Now at 7 A.M. it's 8° below and we have a real white bridge across to Stimpson's. Wind has dropped to less than 10 M. right now. A nice day warming up to 10° above during the middle. Helped house chore. Fed animal, then walked over to R.M.'s to check the furnace. Spent rest of A.M. splitting on big junks above barn that I worked on Saturday. Finished them and started splitting the 2 ft. Ashley wood on the unsawed pile. Lunched, rested a while, then back up, and split until 3:30. Last night when I chored I had no lights in barn so today I tried a new fuse and still no lights. I thought the wind had probably broken a wire outside of barn. Paul Quinn came down and discovered that the glass fuse was shorted. New fuse - lights. Valentines from Oldroyds, Olive G. and Jannie O.B. Suppered and watched a little T.V.</p>
<p>Feb. 14, Tuesday</p>	<p>Happy Valentines. A nice clear cloudless morning at 6:30. 2° above zero. Expect the Thorough fare is really tightened up. Enburg couldn't get across to get the engineer yesterday morning, so the boat didn't go until the Libby came up around with him after they got their ramp clear. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Some different is the feel of the weather this morning. By 9:00 A.M. it was up over 20°. Walked over to R.M.'s, checked his furnace, then kept on up onto pasture vista to split some of his fireplace wood. Lugged my maul, 2 wedges, and axe in. Worked 2 hours until I got disgusted digging my wedge out of the snow every time it dropped and covered with snow every time I picked it up. Gloves wet through and had to change to mittens. Lunched. Nan made a beautiful two layer Valentine cake this A.M. Cleaned up, changed clothes, and uptown about 2:30. Put in one wash before boat come, then back down to do a second. Alta home from Guild about 4:00. Had coffee with she and Marcia. Home and chored. Snowed enough this A.M. to make icy spots very slippery. Received a beautiful bouquet of carnations, iris and jonquils from Pat and family tonight. Read mail - only papers, suppered - fried chicken legs, green peas etc. Watched a little T.V. Wrote to A.W.B. before breakfast this morning. Thanked him for offering me the wood Don cut below cemetery, but said no. Too hard to get home.</p>
<p>Feb. 15, Wednesday</p>	<p>What a change. +36° this morning. Wind about west. Water has eaten through ice in by Bull Rock to Aunt Sarah's little island. Hope it clears out before it comes colder tonight. Very dull clouds this morning. By golly, the water did eat through from west to east, but still plenty of ice. Has been a beautiful sunny day, melting since early A.M. Fed heifer, then up to H.S.B.'s in Jeep to take down four big trees at A.W.B.'s. Worked 2 hrs. limbing and junking in 2 ft. lengths. Home 11:30. Lunched at 12:00 then over to R.M.'s to work on fireplace wood. Took shovel along and cleaned out snow along side of pile. Much more enjoyable than yesterday. Worked until 3:00, inspected house and home.</p>

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<p>Feb. 16, Thursday</p>	<p>Well, the cold spell forecast for last night didn't catch us. It's 40° this morning at 6:15 and starting to sprinkle. Wind S.S.W. - 10 mi. or so. Pretty dull and overcast. Stopped sprinkling and sun almost came out during A.M., then drizzled again at noontime, then cleared and grew colder before dark. Helped house chore, fed heifer, then over to R.M.'s to work on fireplace wood. Finished the pile I've been working on and shoveled around two other piles. Inspected house on way home. Rested a little while. Lunched. Shaved, and uptown at boat time. Paul Quinn has traded his Pontiac for a Ford pick-up. Had coffee at Alta's. Edith A. also there. Home. Chored and lugged in wood. No mail except papers. Had some of the calf's liver for supper. Good but doesn't compare with lamb's liver for me. Watched T.V. this evening. Also played a game of Scrabble. 10° above tonight and just after dark the wind hit over 60 mi. per several times N.W. Had dropped to 20 or less by 11:00 P.M.</p>
<p>Feb. 17, Friday</p>	<p>10° above this morning. Was calm but breezing some W.N.W. now. Some high clouds looking almost smeary. Sun shone nicely but stayed cold all day in shade about 15°. Helped house chore, fed animal, then over to R.M.'s to split wood. Could keep comfortable except my feet in my L.L. Bean boots. By the way L.L. Bean died just a few days ago at age 94. Inspected R.M.'s cottage and home at 12:00. Lunched, rested a little while, then back over for a couple hours after inspecting Mrs. Fay's house. Mice have been in every box of D-Con I put out. Home at 4:15, chored and lugged in wood. Read mail - only the paper. Cleaned up and ready for the Bernard Mills when they arrived for supper at 6:00. Served baked potatoes, roast pork, apple sauce, etc. Lemon Meringue pie for dessert. Played 3 games 83 - Edith and I won 2 - then played 2 games cribbage and we won both. Served ice cream about 10:00. Growing cold again tonight. Down to +10°.</p>
<p>Feb. 18, Saturday</p>	<p>Cold again. A +2° this morning. Air N.N.E. Vapor flying. Lots of high cloudiness. Helped house chore. Played a game of Scrabble. Fed animal, then over to R.M.'s to check furnace and to work in woods. Clifted fireplace wood 2 1/2 hrs. Lout of 1:00. Lunched, rested a short time; then uptown in Jeep to shop and see boat come. Thoroughfare well iced across. Engineer staying up here now - at Hurd's I think. Down to Alta's to coffee. Edith A., Aunt Mertie, Rosanne and Cyndy there. Came home the middle road and called at the Beveridges to get a dozen eggs. Visited a half hr. or so. Home, chored, lugged in wood and suppered. Watched Dating Game, Newlyweds, Lawrence Welk and Hollywood Palace. To bed weary.</p>
<p>Feb. 19, Sunday</p>	<p>Another dull overcast morning. Plenty cold. 6° above. Air about NNE or maybe N. Has been cold but sunny all day, a nice day and a full one. Chored, cleaned up and went to church. Church not quite warm enough to be really comfortable. 32 there besides the 3 in choir plus Etta and Mr. Overman. Invited to the Lawrence Grants to dinner. They didn't get to church today. Had a nice time at Grants and a nice dinner; roast lamb, smashed potatoes, string beans, carrots, salad etc. Came home about 3:30. Tended animal, lugged in wood, replenished coal fire in kitchen stove, our first of season., then up to the Don Witherspoons to supper at 6:00. The Lincolns and Richards there. The Peters unable to attend because of colds. A nice supper - baked turkey, baked potato, salads, home-made brad, etc. An especially nice evening as they kept the damned television gong continuously from the moment we arrived until we left.</p>

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<p>Feb. 20, Monday</p>	<p>Air ENE. Very dull, high overcast. cold + 14°. Last yr. this date a -10° below zero and tomorrow last yr a -14°. Looks like snow. Did start snowing a real fine snow about noon and kept up into evening. We heard the snowplow come about 11:30 P.M. Helped house chore. Then threw up edges of woodpile here by woodshed and put a tier of Ashley wood into woodshed. Fed animal and over to check R.M.'s furnace. Split fireplace wood until 12:15. Home, lunched and then took Nan up to Garden Club meeting at Memorial Room. They worked on cone wreaths. I visited a couple hours with Ben Ames, then dodged over to call on Milton Ames and Spinney at their workshop at Hallowell's. Snowing pretty hard by that time. Picked Nan up down town and came right home. Chored. Had to thaw draw off pipe on barn with hot water as I forgot to shovel sawdust back over the pipes last night. My second offense. Read mail - the paper. Played a game of Scrabble. Suppered. Played a couple games cribbage. Watched a little T.V.</p>
<p>Feb. 21, Tuesday</p>	<p>Rained hard right after we went to bed. Foggy and warm this morning. 34°. Air NNE. Still plenty of snow left. Didn't accomplish much this day. Light snow falling sticking to the trees most of day. Spent most of time in house except for doing chores. Played a couple games of Scrabble and a couple games of cribbage. Uptown at boat time. Did a wash at Mrs. Burgesses. Shoveled out her path. Home and checked R.M.'s furnace. Fed and watered animal, and lugged in wood. Read mail - the papers. Had just cleared away supper when Shirley called to say she and Harvey would like to come down. Played 3 games 83 after watching a special Andy Griffith Show. Tennessee Ernie and Don Knotts on with him. Very good. Shirley and I won 2 of the 3 games. Weather cleared to a beautiful evening. Harvey Demmons here with a fgt. package for R.M. this forenoon.</p>
<p>Feb. 22, Wednesday</p>	<p>Happy Birthday, George, and a bright clear morning. Wind SW 15 to 20 mi. Temp. 18°. Very disagreeable all A.M. but wind dropped out to be a nice afternoon. Another day when I didn't or haven't made a hundred. Helped house chore. Fed animal. So disagreeably windy I didn't attempt to go over to R.M.'s to split wood. Out here inside butchering place gate to see about taking down the trees left from banking brush, but too much snow. Played a game of scrabble. Rested a little, lunched, studied my seed catalog, changed my clothes and to town at boat times to get mail. Stopped at Jack Brown's to pay for bag of grain - are square to date - had coffee with them. They and boys had just returned from Rockland. Stopped at H.S.B.'s to get some eating potatoes and some for cow. Also a bag of gift apples. Home and got stuck going over to check R.M.'s furnace. Had to get tractor out. Chored, suppered, watched The Virginian and Perry Como Special. To bed weary for not working.</p>

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<p>Feb. 23, Thursday</p>	<p>Happy Birthday Uncle Sherman. A dull Feb. morning. This side of Little Thoroughfare solid full of drifting ice. Yesterday we were all clear. Temp. 32°. Radio says a bad snowstorm due today. Air NE - ENE - and the radio was right. Started about 10:00 A.M. and snowed hard well after dark. Considerable wind with it. Traffic disrupted all over Maine. Helped house chore. Fed animal, and then weighed up a ton of hay for Elliott Brown. He and Phip came after half of it about 10:30 and we're coming after the balance but stormed too hard. Spent most of rest of day enjoying storm, playing Scrabble and Cribbage. Smart enough to lug in my wood before snow got bad. Wallowed to barn to feed and water animals, and to mailbox to get mail. Colon came while I was at barn. Had a letter from Abbie. She's just had a bunch removed from her foot. Called her on phone tonight. She's coming along okay. Watched Daniel Boone Show and the Dean Martin Show. So much snow the Maine Turnpike closed tonight.</p>
<p>Feb. 24, Friday</p>	<p>Well, this is a white, white world and is the snow ever blowing. One sure thing - what goes through our dooryard doesn't blow back. It goes overboard. Snowbanks everywhere. Reckon this will be a day of cleaning out. Probably a foot of snow fell. A beautiful sunny morning but growing colder. 22° now. Was 26° when I got up. Wind about west 25 to 30 right now. Has been a very sunny day with plenty of snow blowing. Didn't attempt to plow out dooryard or road as snow was blowing so. Wind out farther than usual so snow banked in unusual places. Don't know whether my tractor blade will handle so much or not. Waded to barn to tend animal this A.M., then this P.M. about 4:00 I snowshoed over to R.M.'s to check the furnace, doing my chores on way back. Plenty of snow and plenty of banks. Have spent most of day playing cribbage and Scrabble. Amazing how rapidly the sun is working northward. Set directly back of trees on Uncle Tim's ledge tonight from kitchen window, and rises almost up to the end of Stimpsons. Mark Curtis and Jamie Hopkins in this A.M. to see if we wanted some shoveling done. Useless with so much wind.</p>
<p>Feb. 25, Saturday</p>	<p>Another clear cold one. 10° above this morning with wind freshening up WNW. A beautiful day with the sun very bright on snow and has stayed cold all day. Helped house chore, rigged up in my insulated coveralls and went over to shop to get tractor out. Couldn't clean out snow to road backing up to save me, so much ice underneath no traction. Finally got up to road by going down around shop and up across corn patch. A lot of snow everywhere. Finally cleared road down by house and out of dooryard driveway. So much snow no place to put it. Then succeeded getting up through to barn. So much snow above power house I had to keep backing into it as far as I could, grab a blade full and pull it ahead, then shove it out over the side. Plowed Carver out too. A lot of snow there also. Uptown just after 1:00 so Nan could get her hair set. I visited with Martin. Saw boat come. The Dalon Browns returned from Florida. What a snowy mess to come home to. Down to Alta's to coffee. Edith, Aunt Mertie, Rosanne and her children there. Snowplow had been in to R.M.'s when we got home, so we checked house. Worked another hr. with tractor clearing out in front of barn and opening road to shop. Chored. Read mail, suppered. Watched Lawrence Welk, and Hollywood Palace. Weary tonight from so much tractoring.</p>

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<p>Feb. 26, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny winter morning. Cold +14°. Wind 15 to 20 mi NW. Snow has blown into road considerable since last night. Ernest Brown returned home Friday from hospital after his car smash up of Dec. 11, and I thought I was in a long time. Has been a beautiful day, but hard on the eyes - bright sun on the snow. Helped house chore. Went to church. Held it in Memorial room - warmer. 36 or so present. Came home by way of middle road. Swung over to Jimmie Brown's to get a dozen eggs. Home, lunched, made a batch of pineapple sherbet. Invited the Overmans down to tea. Enjoyed them. Played a couple games Scrabble after they left. Did barn chores and lugged in wood. Had a peanut butter sandwich for supper. Watched the Ed Sullivan Show and Smothers Brothers Show. Still cold tonight. 14°</p>
<p>Feb. 27, Monday</p>	<p>What a beautiful, beautiful winter morning. Sun coming up pretty as a picture at the end of Stimpson's. Calm. +8° at 5:00 when I tended the Ashley. +12° when I got up at 6:10. Hiram called last night to say he and Wilson sprouted my potato eye potatoes Saturday. They needed it badly, the potatoes I mean. Thank you Hiram and Wilson. A busy day and a beautiful one. Helped house chore after breakfast but before breakfast I peeled enough Hiram apples so Nan made two pies and a dish of sauce. Spent most of the A.M. cleaning out the roads again. Blown in pretty hard between here and barn. Snowplow into R.M.'s during A.M. After finishing here and Carvers I went over to R.M.'s and cleaned out the turn round. Checked house. Lunched. Brought our old kitchen table up from shanty and put it in milk room. Must bring our side of animal down from barn where we hope it will thaw up. Has been hanging frozen 23 weeks now. Over to R.M.'s with packages, then up town. Saw boat come. Down to Alta's to coffee. Orilla S. there. Home by way of North shore. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail - a nice letter from A.W.B. Suppered. The Milton Ames down this evening. Played 2 games Scrabble after watching Iron Horse.</p>
<p>Feb. 28, Tuesday</p>	<p>Well, here we have another light soft sticky snowstorm. Started just as the Ames were going home last night. Probably an inch or so on porch. Trees a nasty mess. Glad we have firewood under cover. If we're to accomplish anything in February, it must be done today. 34°. Air appears to be out about south. Amazed to see how the snow banked last night from SW. Spent most of A.M. cleaning roads out again with tractor. Snow very heavy and hard to push. Over to R.M.'s and cleared out that turn around again. Blew in badly over there. Snowplow in after dinner. Jack &amp; Betty down about 10:00. We weighed the animals in qtrs, brought my side down to milk room on sled; Jack put his in back seat of his car. Animal weighed 325#. Pretty good for 10 months. Had coffee. Finished snow removal after they left. Don't know where I'll put the next batch. Uptown at boat time. Got 2 cans working gas. Stopped at Brown's on way home to help him lug in his meat. Had coffee. He has his new living room nearly paneled. Looks very good. Home, chored and lugged in wood. Then weighed up 20 bales hay for Judy Brown. Emery hauled 12 of them. Suppered. Was playing a game of Scrabble when the Witherspoons blew in. Visited until 11:00. Had apple pie for treat. Saw in Courier tonight that Buck Ogier was back in hospital. Called Mrs. O. A blood clot in leg this time.</p>

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<p>March 1, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well, here it is March. A dull overcast morning. Air about north. Temp. +22°. Snowed fine most of A.M. but didn't amt to anything. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Then up to Hiram's to sprout my Early Rose potatoes. Went through 11 or 12 boxes. White ones not started yet. home about 11:30. Cut up most a pail of culls for heifer, and put out the eight bales of hay of Judy Brown's so Emery could get it. Lunched and rested a little while. Uptown at boat time. Picked up a grocery order for H.S.B. at Williams' and delivered it on way home. Ben had Hiram plowed out by the time we got there so we could drive right to house. Home, played a game of Scrabble, tended animal, lugged in wood, read mail - only the paper - suppered. Fried haddock. Brought home from H.S.B. a couple of my A.W.B. Idaho potatoes. Baked them and they were very good. Wouldn't say they're any better than my Early Rose though. Watched Talent Spotlight and The Virginian. Played another game of Scrabble and to bed. What a mess of snow around everywhere.</p>
<p>March 2, Thursday</p>	<p>A beautiful winter morning. Sun has come up nicely. Left the point of Stimpson Island behind this morning. Rising over the middle of Calderwood's now. A cold morning. +8°. Air west. What a mess of snow. Has been a beautiful mostly sunny day but has stayed cold. Helped house chore. Cut up most a pail of culls of heifer. Fed her. Played a couple games Scrabble this A.M. Cut two rib chops off animal this noon and fried them for lunch. I think we'll have some mighty good eating in a few days now. Transferred our frozen foods back into upright freezer after lunch so we can have first meat in our chest freezer. Upright all nicely defrosted. Put on snow shoes and walked over to R.M.'s. Checked furnace, then up into pasture vista. Shoveled away from one side of the long pile of fireplace wood, also off of it so I can clift on it tomorrow. Came home through the woods and out over the stile. What a mess of snow, and how our wood lot is going to waste. Unbelievable how the open spaces and roads have filled in. Went to dump with cultch about 4:00. Then down town and home by middle road. Chored, read mail - the papers and Farm Journal and suppered. Watched Country Caravan, Coliseum and Dean Martin Show. Called the Oldroyds tonight to tell them about Buck Ogier being in hospital.</p>
<p>March 3, Friday</p>	<p>Golly, it's warm this morning. Looks like March. +30°. Calm and the ice cakes are quietly floating through between here and Stimpson's. Considerable high cloudiness. A beautiful, beautiful warm, sunny day. Snow softened a little on top. Helped house chore. Cut up more potatoes for animal. Over to R.M.'s at 9:15 to check house. Then snowshoed up to R.M.'s vista and started clifting on the pile I shoveled out yesterday. Came out to lunch at noon. Rested a little while then back in and worked to 4:15. Out, Coffeed, chored, lugged in wood, read paper, and suppered. Invited the Martin Joyce's down to play cribbage this evening. Bertha and I won 3 out of 5. Treated them to blueberry pie, pineapple sherbet and coffee. Had a nice evening. Nan walked over to R.M.'s at noon time and rode back with me.</p>

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<p>March 4, Saturday</p>	<p>A nice kind of a morning Clear and fair. Temp. 26°. Airing up NW. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Then over to R.M.'s. Checked house. Then snowshoed up on to hill and finished clifting the pile I worked on yesterday. Out at 12:00. Lunched. Rested a little while. Then uptown in Jeep to get gas, shop, do wash, etc. Saw boat come. Carl and Alice Beverage returned from Maryland this day. Down to Alta's and had coffee while clothes were doing. Rosanne and children there. Home by way of north shore road. Chored. Read mail. A letter from Abbie tonight. Freezer baked beans and brown bread for supper. Watched Dating Game, Newlyweds, Lawrence Welk, Hollywood Palace and Bob Lord Show. Boy, did we ever get slapped down today. Nan talked with Betty Brown this forenoon and was told that they, the Browns, had Lawrence Beverage help them cut up and package their half of the calf after the supposedly enjoyable time we had last year doing the same job on the bull. Oh dear, oh hum. Don't know whether we'll recover or not. And we were so afraid of hurting their feelings if we shouldn't ask them to help us. One never knows, does one?</p>
<p>March 5, Sunday</p>	<p>A dull overcast morning. +18°. About calm. Well, I back slide again today. My cold was at such a nasty stage I figured I'd only be an annoyance in a group. Has kept a handkerchief pretty busy. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Laid around and studied my Farm Journal and seed catalogs. Had ham sandwiches for lunch. Invited the Thorntons down to supper. Had four rib chops broiled off our animal. They were very good along with baked potatoes and green peas. Canned peaches for dessert. Had just started to snow finely when the Thorntons arrived as I was lugging in my wood so they only stayed till 8:00. Watched Ed Sullivan, Smothers Brothers and Andy Williams. Has made quite a little snow.</p>
<p>March 6, Monday</p>	<p>Happy Birthday, Clyde Ames. Well we've had another snowstorm. Looks like maybe 3 inches. Air still ENE Temp. 34°. Snow plow down here at corner about 6:00 A.M. Town Meeting Day - 1967. Went by way of middle road to pick up Hiram. Arrived at Com. Bldg. just as the warrant was being read. Quite a turnover this day. Forrest Adams, Edwin Thayer, and William Hurd elected selectmen. Lawrence Beverage elected road commissioner. Ivaloo Brown given a \$50.00 raise on her town clerk job, and Mary Waterman \$150.00 raise on two of her three jobs. Voted to borrow \$10,000 to help toward expense of changing ramp to bow loading if the state would agree and plenty of money for everything. Finished about 4:30. Home by way of Hiram's. Brought home 2 bags potatoes for ourselves and cow. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail, a birthday card and note from Mother Hubbard. As weary as though we'd worked. To bed early. Read a while.</p>

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<p>March 7, Tuesday</p>	<p>A birthday card from Clara Waterman tonight. Well here's another snowstorm. Started just before daylight. Maybe an inch has fallen now at 6:30. From 6 to 12 to come so says the weatherman. Air NE. Temp. +30. Did get plenty, nearly a foot but fortunately not the high wind that the weatherman warned of. Got a nice job done today. After house choring and feeding animal, we started cutting up and packaging our side of meat. Had good luck and had it done shortly before two, even though we stopped an hr. to rest and lunch. During that stop the new road com. and A. Adams came in to telephone for help. They'd slid the town truck off the road going in to R.M.'s abreast of where our hen houses used to set. Emery H. pulled them out with tractor. Looks like Elmer Hopkins was going to get some town work. Rested an hour, then over to R.M.'s to check furnace and to do my P.M. chores. Had trouble turning around over to R.M.'s because of so much ice underneath. Finally got Jeep back into our dooryard. By Golly, when the snowplow came ahead of Colon it nosed up by our driveway. A long time since that has happened. Watched Red Skelton show.</p>
<p>March 8, Wednesday</p> <p><i>Tonny's birthday</i></p>	<p>Well, Happy Birthday to us born this day. A real beautiful picture card morning. Sun shining beautiful on the undisturbed snowfall. Calm. Temp. 22 or 23°. Will take some plowing to clear out our roads. Fortunately it's March instead of beginning winter. Well, I did it, both here and Carver's, but it took some doing. Had some job getting room for the snow. Helped house chore first thing, then uptown in Jeep to get package Pat sent up. A nice decorated cake made to look like a dress shirt with necktie on under cellophane. Very pretty and good too. Also a box of Irish linen handkerchiefs from the boys. Franklin ground our hamburg for us. About 8#. Came right home. Worked almost steady until after one thirty moving snow. Lunched, our hamburg and spaghetti. Then uptown to see boat come, and to Alta's to have coffee. Home, made another snow trip on our road to barn, then over to R.M.'s to check furnace and to clean out turn around. Chored. Read mail. Had a letter from Mrs. Fay and cards from Mercedes, Jennie, Thelma, Aunt Mellie, the Thorntons', Ernie Boy, Alta with a book of stamps, the H. Calderwoods, and Helen and Harry. Mercedes also sent me a green pullover shirt. Suppered. About 7:30 Jimmie Brown blew in with a couple doz. eggs and visited to 10:30. Had cake, coffee and ice cream. Farewell this birthday.</p>
<p>March 9, Thursday</p>	<p>A beautiful calm morning with so much frost on the apple trees they look like they were iced. Cold +14°. Wind will be SW this P.M. Some snow flurries during the day especially this P.M. Helped house chore. Fed animal, wallowed down below Fay's to take a snow picture of the house and down to shanty to get a couple tubes bottle caps for Jimmie Brown. Having let the living room fire go out, we took the stove pipe down and cleaned it out. Bad but not as filled as some times. Also took out ashes. Over to R.M.'s to borrow their vacuum cleaner and to take a couple snow pictures. At 12:00 I snowshoed up onto Indian Point, shoveled out a pile of fireplace wood and clifted it. Out at 3:00. Lunched. Rested a little while then did night chores. A birthday card from Etta B. tonight. Also a check of 28.00 from Penn Hallowell for vegetables 1966. Watched some T.V. ending with Dean Martin show. Both seem to be weary tonight. 3 hrs. splitting fireplace wood at R.M.'s. At least 2 foot of snow on level in woods.</p>

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<p>March 10, Friday</p>	<p>Lots of high cloudiness this morning. Sun going to have a job getting through. Warmed up to 34°. Air SW 10 mi. or so. Probably will be raw. Sun did come out and the thermometer up over 40°. Sure softened and settled the snow. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Then over to R.M.'s. Checked furnace, snowshoed up onto wood lot, shoveled out and off a pile of wood took a half hour, then split until noon time. Back home, lunched, rested a little while, then uptown to see boat come and to do two washes at Alta's. She wasn't home, so Edith Ames invited us over for coffee. Had a nice little visit. Home, chored and lugged in wood. Our colored slides came tonight. Only 15 were printed so several were spoiled. Light got on film evidently. Suppered. This evening Preston and Audrey came in to bring a cone wreath and visited till nearly 11:00. Marion H. came about 8:30 selling Avon and stayed nearly as long. Had coffee, ice cream and cake. 2 hrs. splitting firewood R.M. \$4.00.</p>
<p>March 11, Saturday</p>	<p>Well, here it is thick-a-fog. Looks like a light air southerly. Temp. about 35°. Snow has got to settle. And boy did it settle. Up to 50° this P.M. Surprising how the woodpiles and ledges came out This has been one of the prettiest of days; sunny and calm on the water. Didn't accomplish anything worthwhile. Had the back door trot all A.M. Helped house chore and fed animal. Played a couple games of Scrabble. To town by way of north shore road. Saw boat come and shopped. Came right home as we were having the Overmans and Alta down to supper. Baked beans, brown bread, sliced ham, pickles, etc. with ice cream and my birthday cake for dessert. Seemed to enjoy it. Showed some of my slides during evening. Had a letter from Sammy Beverage tonight wanting more Calderwood family information.</p>
<p>March 12, Sunday</p>	<p>Well the sun beat me up this morning. Most 6:30 when I rolled out. The house well cooled off as the living room fire didn't respond when I replenished it last night. Air NE. Temp. 26° Has been a beautiful day but didn't thaw much of any. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Went to church service. Girl Scout Sunday. 42 present besides the 11 scouts. Mrs. Overman sang with Mr. Overman. Very good. Came home by way of west district and north shore. A bad fire over handy to Camden but no mention on radio that we could get. Played a couple games of Scrabble and lunched. then about 4:00 struck out to get some pussy willows for Alta and Mercedes. Down middle road, picked up H.S.B. and looked at cutting conditions down at A.W.B.'s. Snow settled enough so we'll try cutting some tomorrow. Hiram's ambitious for 80 yrs. old. Kept on around north shore. Found pussy willows up by Ennie Piper's old place. Back down middle road to drop HS off, then downtown to leave pussys at Alta's and home. Lugged in wood and chored. Had a very light supper then up to Jimmie Brown's to deliver a couple rolls bottle caps and egg cartons. Visited till after 10:00. Played Carom. Jim is a whizz at it. Treated to hamburg and coffee. Also called on well driller a minute.</p>
<p>March 13, Monday</p>	<p>A pretty morning, sunny and nice, but wind hangs northeast. 20°. Wind pulled out SW before noon. Became very raw. Thought I was going up to take down trees for H.S.B. this A.M. but the weather report discouraged him. After helping house chore and caring for the heifer, I went out on Indian point and finished splitting the pile I shoveled out and worked on Friday. finished at 12:00. Home and lunched. Took Jeep to Wayside Service for inspection. Had tail and stop light repaired and new dimmer switch put on. Nan picked me up at 2:45 and I went to town with her. Saw boat come, then to Bertha Joyce's so Nan could get hair set. I played 3 games cribbage with martin. He won 2 of them. Home. Brought Jeep along. Chored, read mail, suppered. Tried to read a little but fell asleep. To bed at 9:30. 2 1/2 hrs. splitting fireplace wood R.M. \$5.00.</p>

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<p>March 14, Tuesday</p>	<p>Well we have a rain storm this morning. Should settle the snow still more. a quiet one. Practically calm. Temp. 36°. Let up a while this A.M. then started again at noon time for a couple hrs. Didn't make any hundred this day. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Finished reading the town water system survey. Played three games Scrabble. Had lunch early and was rigged up at 12:00 to go out on point to work awhile when it started raining again. Read the industrial edition of the Courier, went to town to shop at boat time. Stopped at H.S.B.'s on way home to get some potatoes for animal and ourselves. Home, chored, lugged in wood, read mail. Had hard boiled eggs and lettuce sandwiches for supper. Watched Daktari, T.V. Jubilee, Red Skelton, and Petticoat Junction.</p>
<p>March 15, Wednesday</p>	<p>Darned if this month isn't nearly half-gone already and practically nothing done. So much snow has slowed us up. 24° this morning. air NNE. Sun came up pretty but is cloudy now at 7:00. Peeled enough H.S.B. apples for sauce before breakfast. Bacon and eggs for breakfast. Helped house chore. Fed animal, then over to R.M.'s. Checked house. Lugged XL-12, gas and oil, toolbox, etc. up on to vista ridge and started cutting and junking trees that will be in way of woodshed. One on his side of line, the rest on my side. Junked his into fireplace wood and mine into Ashley junks. Out for lunch then back in. So much snow it's miserable working. Can break through anytime to over knees. Nan out the last hr. and helped burn brush while I trimmed limbs and piled up. Didn't charge for last hour trimming limbs and brush burning. Made about a cord of wood. Snowing when we came out. Dangerous walking with snow on ice. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail. A St. Patrick's card from the Oldroyds. Watched T.V. and played Scrabble. Had a roast of the calf for supper. Delicious.</p>
<p>March 16, Thursday</p>	<p>Well here it is still snowing a very fine snow. Has snowed all night but can't see as it's made very much. Maybe a couple inches. Nan heard the snowplow during night. Supposed to be a gale of wind this P.M. Temp. 25°. Air less than 10 mi. NE. Two yrs. ago this morning date we started our ride to Bar Harbor with the Oldroyds in their Volkswagen. Called Mercedes this A.M. to see if she was ready to start out again today. Alta there. Well, this is another day I haven't made a hundred. Surprising how many of those days there are any more. Helped house chore. Fed animal. So much ice under snow and slippery. I drove to barn in Jeep. Road so full had to buck it several times. Stopped snowing before noon. Played a couple games Scrabble. Lunched. Up to sawmill about 1:15 to watch the work. Quite a setup now, with planers and all. Home and to town at boat time. Called on the Lawrence Grants on way home to leave them a piece of round of our baby beef. Had coffee with them. When we left darned if Squire didn't give us a mess of deer chops. Can't win with that fellow. Shortly after I came from hospital he brought us down a whole leg of lamb. Home by way of north shore and ran into the darndest snow squall and wind. Could hardly see. Over and checked R.M.'s. Discovered that the new road commissioner had backed up by our driveway and cleaned us out, and also Carver's. People won't like that. Will have to clean out barn road tomorrow.</p>

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<p>March 17, Friday</p>	<p>Who says spring is about to arrive. Thermometer right on +10° at 6:00 A.M. Air NNW. Must get hot today to make up for yesterday. Well, I got hot but didn't make much money. After helping house chore and feeding animal I started up tractor and began to clean snow out of road to barn. Finally got up through and was pushing back around edges of turn around in front of gate when the right hand bottom link snapped in two right where adj. fork fastens on. Then went to Wayside with XL-12 to have rewind mech. cleaned and oiled. Home, filed chain, lunched. UP to A.W.B.'s at 1:30 to cut and junk trees for H.S.B. Home at 3:45. Chored and lugged in wood. Suppered. Up to Selectmen's Office at 7:00 to meet with Selectmen and planning board. Discussed water system and town truck situation. Nan spent evening with Shirley C. I went down after meeting. Watched County Caravan, Coliseum Ringling Circus, and Dean Martin Snow. 2 1/4 hrs. treeing for HS Beverage at A.W.B.'s \$6.50. Cold tonight. 6° above when we came from town at 11:00 P.M.</p>
<p>March 18, Saturday</p>	<p>Real winter weather. 5° above now at 6:30. Calm. Sun has come up nicely. Partly skimmed across to Stimpson's. Has been a beautiful day but cold, and how quickly anyone can change their plans. Decided at 6:30 I should go to Rockland to do errands. Made the boat with about five minutes to spare. Paul Quinn, Dave Cooper, Mr. Overman, dot Howard, Alice Brown, &amp; several H.S. kids aboard. To shoe repair shop first to have one of my L.L. Bean rubbers sewed, then to Paul's to get hair cut. Had coffee at coffee shop along side Alton Mills. Went up to fire station to see Ron Russell but was his day off. Met J.F. Dyer in Thorndike and visited with him awhile. He's just back from west coast and southland. Finished my shopping, then treated to lunch at Thorndike by F.J. Had hot chicken sandwich. To boat just after 1:30. Alta returned from Helen Baird's. The Irven Stones from Florida. Played cribbage with Frankie Demmons coming home. Took Alta home from boat. Shoveled out her walk and steps. She and I had coffee at the Ames. Milton laid up again with bad back. Has set in chair night and day since Wednesday. Home. Checked R.M.'s, tended animal and chored. Side lift bar for tractor came in mail tonight. Had haddock fillet cakes for supper from the Bairds. Watched some T.V. this evening but very weary. To bed after Lawrence Welk. Still cold +8°.</p>
<p>March 19, Sunday</p>	<p>Palm Sunday. What a beautiful sunny morning. Just as nice as yesterday. Still cold. +8°. A nice day and warmed up some. Helped house chore. Cleaned up and went to church by way of north shore rd. Only 29 besides a junior choir of 5 plus the adult choir of 4. I think. Home. Roast baby beef sandwiches for lunch. Rested a little while this P.M. Inspected R.M.'s, bed and watered animal, took in yesterday's wash that we hung out this morning, lugged in wood, and was ready for the Beveridges when they arrived at 6:00 to have supper with us. Had our hamburg with spaghetti, lettuce salad, hot biscuits, etc. with apple pie out of freezer for dessert. While we were having pie Marion Hopkins came in with our Avon order. Had pie with us. Spent evening playing Scrabble. Nan won first game. Eliot won second.</p>

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<p>March 20, Monday</p>	<p>Last night when we went to bed at 11:00 the temp. was 28°. This morning at 5:30 it was back to 22°. Got up at what I thought was 6:20 and after getting fire going and dressing, discovered it had been 5:20. O well, a good way to start a new week. Calm with heavy overcast. No sun showing. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Took broken lift arm off tractor and put new one on. Cleaned out road between house and barn. Plenty of snow to try to get rid of. Took me till 10:30. Coffeed, rested a few minutes, lunched. Nan went to Garden Club meeting at Memorial Room this P.M. I worked out on vista ridge from 1:00 to 4:00. Cut, junked and piled up several trees. Charged 1 1/2 hrs. to R.M., balance to self as I trimmed limbs etc. Out at 4:00 and up to Jack Brown's to get my two bags of grain, but no one home. Home and chored. Suppered after reading paper. Nan learned this P.M. that Harvey C. fell overboard at town float last night and nearly drowned. Don Enburg happened to arrive and succeeded in pulling him out. Had been in water plenty long enough. Tried to watch some T.V. tonight but too weary. A nice Perry Como show, but slept through most of it.</p>
<p>March 21, Tuesday</p>	<p>Had a couple of our t-bone steak for supper Very good. A beautiful spring morning. Sunny and just an air northerly. Spring did arrive at 2:40 this morning, we're told. 24°. has been a beautiful day, so good in fact that Mrs. C decided we'd better go to Vinalhaven to see the grandchildren. Did our chores here and was uptown at 9:30 to find that Enburg had gone to Pulpit Harbor to break ice with his boat; with Pat over across waiting. Finally got Harvey C. to take us across in Prospero about 15 minutes late. Pat took us right up to Bunker Hill to see Woodrow's new house. It's going to be a beautiful thing when done. Some papering already done but of course no second floor laid yet etc. Enjoyed the children, little Mike coming home to dinner. Pat Brown kept house for Pat so she brought us up at about 4:30. Enburg waiting. Home and chored. Called the Ames to see how Milton was coming along and Edith invited us up for evening. Home at 11:00. Milton showed some of latest slides.</p>
<p>March 22, Wednesday</p>	<p>A sunny morning and snowing. Temp has dropped from 28° to 24° since I got up. Wind ENE 10 to 15 mi. now at 7:45. Has been a good day but raw easterly all day. Was slow getting going this morning so have accomplished very little. Helped house chore. Fed animal. As I had to meet with the planning board at the pumping station at 11:00 I figured it not worthwhile to go out on vista ridge - wind wrong anyway - so went out inside butchering place gate what time I had. Used a full tank of gas taking down, trimming and junking a clump, then started hand trimming. Left at 10:45. All but Jim Ducky Brown there when I got there. Looked over and discussed the situation until nearly 12:00. Came home by way of Jack Brown's to get grain but he doesn't come home to dinner. Home, lunched, rested a while, uptown to get groceries, saw boat come. Stopped at Wayside on way home to have Steve put a rental battery in Chevelle as it didn't want to start here at home or uptown. Acted like a dead cell. put Chevelle battery on charger. Stopped at J. Brown's to get grain. He helped me lug it to road from barn. Didn't visit. We walked up to Ern's on way home to take him a roast of our baby beef. Gave us a couple turnips. He's getting so unkempt it makes one's heartache. Clothes so awful dirty and hair so long and uncombed. Home, chored, checked R.M. Suppered and watched a little T.V.</p>

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<p>March 23, Thursday</p>	<p>A purple finch in our bush this morning. Not a pretty morning. Raw, dull NNE wind. 5 to 10. Temp. 24°. Looks very snowy. Glass has been very high. Dropped some now. Called Mercedes last night. Dr. did an exploratory on Jane Wednesday and found no sign of cyst or tumor on ovaries. Gets explanation of x-rays etc. next Tues. Always something to keep the cat's tail short. Well I haven't accomplished much this day. Wrote Easter cards, helped house chore, etc. Had just filed XL-21 and was ready to go out when the Witherspoons blew in. Visited till noon, had lunch with us, then visited till 2:30. Spent what time left in P.M. out inside butchering place gate cleaning up yesterday forenoon's work and took down a few more trees. Nan out and burned the brush. Snowed feathers enough so trees were nasty. Weighed up 10 bales hay for Judy Brown and Emery H. hauled it. Cleaned up and up to Memorial room at 7:00 to Communion Service. 21 present. Home, suppered and watched Dean Martin show what we didn't sleep through.</p>
<p>March 24, Friday</p>	<p>Still winter weather. Raw and disagreeable air NNE 10 mi or so. Temp. 26°. Plenty high cloudiness. The RM's are back from Europe and he called on phone yesterday A.M. Another day when I haven't made a hundred. Snowed feathers most of day so didn't make me feel very ambitious. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Tried Chevelle again and it wouldn't start until I worked a screwdriver between terminal clamp and terminal on battery while Nan worked started. Drove Chevelle to garage; Steve put our battery back in and put on a new terminal clamp. Home, coffeed and lunched. Rested an hour, then uptown at 2:30. Nan had hair set at Bertha's. I saw boat come, then visited with Martin a little while. Down to Alta's to do wash. Coffeed with she and Shirley C. Home about 5:30. Chored and lugged in wood. Easter cards from children and grandchildren, Etta, Jennie, Sam and Peg, and Violet. Suppered. Harvey and Shirley down this evening. We played 3 games 83. Harvey and Nan won 2. Treated them to apple pie.</p>
<p>March 25, Saturday</p>	<p>Another winter morning. Plenty of high cloudiness. Wind N to NNE 15 to 20. Temp. 28°. Enough NE in wind to be raw. Snowed some by spells during day. Helped house chore. Fed the animal a cut-up turnip this morning instead of potatoes as the turnip we got of Ern's Wednesday were very woody. Out inside butchering place gate what time I had this A.M. cutting in small growth. Used up a tank of gas in XL-12, trimmed and piled what I took down and junked. Rested after lunch, then up town to shop at boat time. While we were at parking lot Foster M. came up and gave us a pint of nice shucked out clams. Down to Alta's to coffee with apple muffins. Home by way of H.S.B.'s to get a bag of potatoes. Have now used up and fed out all the culls HS picked up last fall so it's nice once more to have real potatoes again. Home, chored and lugged in wood. Read mail, suppered - a can of spaghetti - and watched T.V. - the Dating Game, Newlywed Game, Lawrence Welk and International Teen-Age Pageant. Miss Norway won. Miss USA first runner up.</p>

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<p>March 26, Sunday</p>	<p>Happy Easter, Everyone. Winter still hangs on. Plenty of high cloudiness, and an air that still has a trace of NE in it. Temp. 35°. Not a very spring like day for Easter clothes. A beautiful, beautiful day and thawing all the time. Snow has really given up. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Went to church by way of north shore road. A nice service with beautiful flowers - 9 potted lilies and three or four other arrangements. 80 to 85 present in congregation and choir. Home, lunched, and rested a while. Such a beautiful P.M. We inspected Abbie's mansion - she called this A.M., coming in 3 weeks, kept going to Jimmie Brown's to get a couple doz. eggs, then up around N.S. to Pulpit Harbor, downtown and home. Had a delicious clam chowder for supper made from Foster M.'s clams. Watched TV this evening - Ed Sullivan, and Smothers Brothers. Mrs. Alice Sampson passed away tonight about 8:00. 92 years.</p>
<p>March 27, Monday</p>	<p>Rushed the season - took off the 2 kitchen storm windows. Looks like a nice day coming up. Sun not shining yet. too much high cloudiness. Air still has east in it about NNE. Temp. 35°. A beautiful, beautiful spring day. Snow has sure settled and water has run. As Nan wanted to get Christmas decorations out of kitchen windows we took the storm windows off this morning. Helped house chore and fed animal. Then over to R.M.'s vista ridge. Nan spent A.M. in R.M.'s house vacuuming as the floors were covered with what appeared to be snow fleas. Never saw anything like it. Hard work in woods breaking through snow so. Worked 5 hrs. or more. Worked all on my side of line today; I used up over 4 tanks gas, also trimmed the limbs. Legs most as tired as when I learned to walk last fall. Chored, read mail, and suppered. Cleaned up and up to call on Frank and Orilla this evening. Found them home alone. Had a nice call. Took them some mincemeat turnovers. Downtown to mail letters and home.</p>
<p>March 28, Tuesday</p>	<p>Went to Augusta this day. A pair of red-winged blackbirds appeared this morning. Not so pretty a morning. Light fog, and has rained some during night. Air southerly. Temp. 35°. What a full day this has been. thrashed around to get animal fed and watered with reserve supply and up to boat at 8:05. Invited to go to Augusta with group to attend hearing before committee about changing our dock to bow loading. 12 of us went up on Greyhound Bus, about 18 more went by cars. The Thorntons and Lloyd went, Dr. Hosmer, Mr. Overman, Forrest Adams, Mike Williams and many others. Had an enjoyable and interesting trip up and back; lunched in the state house cafeteria. Also had an enjoyable few minutes in the state museum with Lewis and Ida Haskell. Back to Rockland shortly after 3:00. We were going out to spend the night with the Oldroyds but couldn't get them on phone. Stayed foggy all day and drizzled some. Home here about 5:00. Chored, lugged in wood and suppered. Up to church about 8:00 P.M. to see Mrs. Sampson as the casket will be closed at funeral tomorrow. Came right home and to bed about 9:00. Very weary.</p>

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<p>March 29, Wednesday</p>	<p>1 hr. splitting fireplace wood R.M. \$2.00. Still considerable foggy. Really eating the snow. Air northerly. Temp. 36°. Stayed foggy most of A.M. Quite nice this P.M. Snow going fast and R.M.'s road is getting very soft. Helped house chore and fed animal. Then walked over to R.M.'s vista ridge. Shoveled along the side of the pile of fireplace wood I made a few days ago and clifted it. Then shoveled along a pile of mine and worked on that until 11:15. Inspected house on way out. Snow fleas still getting in. Lunched, cleaned up and up to church at 1:00 to Mrs. Sampson's funeral. Not a large crowd there. We came right home and I spent rest of P.M. out inside butchering place gate. Used one tank gas taking down, junking and trimming. Cleaned up what I took down. Chored and lugged in wood. Read mail and suppered. Had the rest of Foster's clams fried. Delicious. Watched The Virginian and then played a game of Scrabble. To bed at 10:00 weary. Just now getting lame from riding yesterday.</p>
<p>March 30, Thursday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning, air north 5 mi. or so per hr. Temp. 34°. Ground froze a little last night. A beautiful day and a full one. Helped house chore, fed animal, then up to A.W.B.'s at 8:15 to work for Hiram. Took down the remaining big trees along road west of A.W.B.'s driveway and junked them into 2 ft. junks. Used 5 tanks gas. Trees very limby. Last one jumped stump and went across road. No harm done. Cleaned it right up. Home at 11:00. Rested a half-hour or so, lunched. Filed XL-12. Out inside butchering place gate and burned the brush I've made the last couple times I've worked out there. Uptown at boat time. Came right home, threw in brush fires, chored and lugged in wood. A bad place broken through in front of Carver's driveway culvert, the full length of it. Marion's cart stuck in it when we came home. Had a nice letter from the Fishers tonight. Hoping to come to NH during April vacation. To bed weary after watching a little T.V. 2 1/2 hrs. with saw at A.W.B. for H.S.B. \$7.50.</p>
<p>March 31, Friday</p>	<p>Another beautiful sunny morning. Cooled down to 28°. Ground looks to be frozen quite hard. Air northerly. 29 yrs. ago today we moved to Indian Point Farm. Nan made a pecan pie this A.M. to celebrate the occasion. Helped house chore, fed animal, then Nan took me over to R.M.'s in Jeep while road was frozen. Lugged saw, gas, etc. up onto vista ridge. Took down and junked into fireplace wood the remaining marked trees on R.M.'s side of line. Clifted it and added it to one of the already clifted piles. About 3:00 started burning brush and clifting some of my Ashley wood. Nan walked in about 3:00. Out at 4:30. Chored, lugged in wood, read paper and suppered. Had a nice fried chicken [dinner with] green peas, potatoes etc. Very good. Pecan pie was very good this noon. Cleaned up and up to Selectmen's office at 7:00 to planning board meeting with Selectmen and water engineers. Engineer explained what we might do to increase summer water supply etc. Very interesting. Home at 11:00. All there except Jimmie Dalon Brown - has cold. 1 hr. with saw for R.M. - \$3.00; 2 1/2 hrs. clifting wood R.M. - \$5.00.</p>

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<p>April 1, Saturday</p>	<p>Good morning, April. Sun came up nicely but immediately clouded up. No sun now at 6:45. Air SSW. Temp. +36°. Frost coming out of road considerable. What a bird day. Saw 2 flocks wild geese this A.M. and 1 flock this P.M. Cow birds arrived this A.M., also a fox sparrow. Has been a beautiful warm sunny day. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Worked out on R.M.'s vista ridge till after 2:00 splitting my Ashley wood. Split slow today. No frost. Had sweat so when I came in that I changed to my summer skivvy. Lunched, rested a little while then uptown at boat time by way of north shore road. Mother Hubbard returned from Maryland this day. Met Owen G. and Carl Bunker - both returned the last few days. Home, chored, read mail and suppered on baked beans from freezer. Watched T.V. this evening. Must get my seed orders made out, and some of my seed potatoes up sprouting.</p>
<p>April 2, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful, beautiful spring morning. Sunny and warm. 40° already. Calm. The most beautiful and warmest day of the season thus far. at 3:30 the thermometer was at 70° before the sun reached it, and after church when we came home about 11:00 it was uncomfortably warm to sit on the porch. Weighed up 10 bales hay for Judy Brown this morning and put it out so Emery H. could haul it. Also took brush from along our porch front and dragged it onto garden. Only 30 plus choir at church. Helped with Communion. After lunch we rested a little while but it was so hot in the living room and so nice out doors that we took off the rest of brush around house except what was frozen down, took off the banking paper along porch. The jonquils up 3 or 4 inches under paper, what the mice hadn't ruined, then took off the living room storm windows plus living room storm door window, and lugged them over to shop. About 4:00 went on ride. Called at the Thorntons to see how their colds were coming along. Stayed and had a supper lunch with them. Home about 7:30. Chored. The Witherspoons blew in about 7:30 and visited until after 10:00.</p>
<p>April 3, Monday</p>	<p>Sprinkled last evening and rained some during night. Warm this morning. 46° or so now at 7:00 A.M. Snow really disappearing. Wind about west 10 miles or so. Boy, a nice day but how it has blown. Up to 40 or so all P.M. WNW. Helped house chore, fed animal, and then spent rest of A.M. splitting on my Ashley wood on vista ridge. Walked in and out. Rained hard for a few minutes as I was coming out about 12:15. Lunched. Then Nan and I went clamming and exploring. Walked up along shore clear to Cobbs NE island off point and dug our clams along there. Nothing but little ones. Some one has completely dug the place over. Home at 2:30. Uptown to do wash and see boat come. Had coffee with the Overmans and Alta. Boat late by way of Vinalhaven. Home about 5:00. Chored and suppered. A nice letter from Mrs. Fay tonight. Played a couple games of Scrabble this evening.</p>

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<p>April 4, Tuesday</p>	<p>Gorry Peters - winter has returned. 22° and blowing hard NW 20 or so. Clear and sunny now at 6:15. Wind swung out SW about noon and has been very raw. Helped house chore, fed animal, and then out onto vista ridge. Worked all A.M. finishing yesterday's pile and another one. Home at 12:30 to lunch. Back in about 1:30 taking XL-12 in. Had a pile of large Ashley 2 footers that I thought would split much easier if sawed in two so I junked them into foot lengths and split them. Finished just after 3:00 and piled up. This finished my wood splitting out there except for the 2 foot stumps I must saw down when snow is gone. Uptown at 4:00. Saw boat come then down to Alta's to do wash. Took her a jug of drinking water. Town water terrible with chlorine. Home after 5:00. Chored, read mail and suppered. House uncomfortable with this SW wind, now that we've taken our storm windows off. Watched Red Skelton Show. To bed weary before 10:00.</p>
<p>April 5, Wednesday</p>	<p>Cussed SW wind still blowing 10 to 20 mi. Very raw. Temp. 36°. High overcast. Raw and disagreeable all A.M. becoming quite nice this P.M. Changed back to my winter skivvie top this morning. Helped house chore, fed animal, then piled over and tiered the 2 ft. Ashley wood I split above barn a while back. Will make a rim for my woodpile when I split same. Too much snow to even saw yet. Removed the brush from Nan's flower gardens and dragged same onto house garden to burn. also removed what was left around house. Was frozen down Sunday. Removed tarred paper from around trees too. After lunch I made out my seed order to Harris Seed Co. Inc. amounting to \$40.35 plus \$.75 for sweet peas. Left for town about 2:30. Stopped at Abbie's to see how Dr. Raleigh was making out sanding her fireplace floor, then stopped at Hiram's to get some eating potatoes, and to bring home my A.W.B. seed potatoes to start sprouting. Downtown. Saw boat come. Home, chored. Suppered, watched The Virginian and finished copying my seed order.</p>
<p>April 6, Thursday</p>	<p>Another dull morning. High overcast. Air NE or NNE. Temp 36°. Back to winter. Snowstorm beginning before noon and keeping up most of P.M. but of course not building up any. Helped house chored, fed animal. Filled XL-12, took ashes out of kitchen stove. Then Nan and I went out by our big oak by oak tree field and started cleaning and cutting to open oak up. Lots of chokecherry and wild cherry along field edge. Nan burned brush while I trimmed big stuff into firewood. Worked until 1:00 P.M. before coming into lunch. Snowing hard and getting damp. Lunched, rested a little while, then made ready to go to town. Took Alta a jug of water, a bag of potatoes and a mess of steamer clams. Went down after boat came and had coffee. Alta invited the Ames and Aunt Mertie over. Home about 5:30. Chored, read mail, a letter from Mercedes, suppered - had broiled deer chops, a gift from Lawrence Grant a while ago, tasty but not tender. Watched some T.V.</p>
<p>April 7, Friday</p>	<p>Still winter. A cold NE wind 15 to 20 mi. now at 7:15 - has been snowing some. Heavy high clouds. Temp. 34°. Peeled enough H.S.B. apples so Nan made a pie, and some saucer. Helped house chore. Fed animal. cleaned up my XL-12 around chain sprocket, filed it and took down clearers. Spread out my A.W.B. early red and Idaho russet potatoes on Pat's bed to sprout. Invited up to Alta's to dinner. Fried tongues and cheeks. Very good. Home by way of H.S.B.'s. Brought home my Norland Early Red potato eye seed. Laid them out on Pat's bed and on floor to sprout. Did chores a little early as were invited up to the Beveridges at 5:00 as they wanted to invite us to go to Canada with them to the World Exposition in May. Home about 6:00. Suppered. Watched the T.V. - 2 Jamboree. Tried to read our papers, but slept more than read.</p>

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<p>April 8, Saturday</p>	<p>Corydon Brown's 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Nan had Toni at B. Joyce's. A sunny morning but cold Snow flurried enough last evening so you could track a cat on porch. 30°. Ground chilled. Air NNE. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Then over to big oak by oak tree field to clear some more. Brought Aunt Viola's big birch clump right out into open. Used 1 tank gas in XL-12 this A.M. and two this P.M. Left last sawing laying for Monday. Out to lunch. Nan up to Bertha's this P.M. to get Toni. Back into woods for Calderwood until 4:00. Had just finished wood lugging chores when Nan returned. Read mail - only papers. Suppered - steamed clams - the last of what we dug last Monday. Very good. Just getting ready to watch Saturday night programs when out went the lights and stayed out. Trouble evidently on VH side. Played a game of Scrabble by candlelight, then to bed. Lights back on at 2:30 when we woke up.</p>
<p>April 9, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny spring morning - on the cool side though. 30° with white frost. Calm. Became a beautiful day even though the wind came out S to SW from noon on. Helped house chore and fed animal. Cleaned up and went to church by way of north shore road. Beautiful out over water. 35 at church in congregation. Stopped at Arlene's shop on way home to get milk and cream. Built fire in our outside fireplace as soon as we got home and fried tongues and cheeks for dinner. Boiled Early Rose potatoes plus dandelion greens from freezer also. A very good feed. Weighed up 15 bales hay for Gary Beverage about 2:00 and he and the Little King came for it. 342# = \$6.84 pd by check. About 4:00 we rode around north shore again, down west district to narrow place, had coffee by side of road below old church where we could look out over Pulpit Harbor, down town and home. Chored. Suppered. Watched some T.V.</p>
<p>April 10, Monday</p>	<p>Well, here we have a touch SW rainstorm. Winds up to at least 40 mi. at times. Started before 4:00 A.M. Not much of a day to start house cleaning at R.M.'s. They're due to arrive Wednesday. Rain stopped about 9:00. Nan walked over to R.M.'s to start cleaning, and as soon as I gassed up the XL-12 and sharpened my limbing axe, went over to clear up the sawing down I left Saturday by the big oak. Finished cleaning up the mass about 11:10. Down to R.M.'s to have coffee with Mrs. C. The furnace was making so much noise every time it snapped on that we called Bill H. to come down. I went back up to work using a tank of gas on the alder edge west of big oak and had them nearly trimmed up when Nan was ready to come home and Bill was walking in. Back to house with him. He put new nozzle point on ignition and adjusted making quite a difference. Also lighted hot water heater and fixed a pilot light on gas stove. Home, lunched about 3:30, then rode to town, part way to west district and home north shore way. Chored. Read paper, suppered. Roast baby beef sandwiches. Played three games cribbage and a game of Scrabble.</p>
<p>April 11, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning but cold 26° and very windy. About north and up to 40 mi. at times. Has blown hard about all night. Ground frozen considerable. Pat down from Brown's this A.M. about 9:00 to put battery into Landrover and onto light plant. Had no trouble getting in and out. Nan worked over to R.M.'s until after 12:00. After I fixed XL-12 and fed animal, I worked on corner beyond big oak again. Finished trimming what I didn't get done yesterday, then cut a full tank of gas on upper end of same place taking alders clear back to spruces. Had coffee with Nan at R.M.'s, then trimmed what I cut today. Out about 1:30. Weighed up and put out 10 bales hay for Judy Brown. E.H. hauled it. Lunched. Rested a short time. Uptown to do several chores. Washed at Alta's, bought bond at P.O. for Loren's birthday, left literature at Eliot Beveridges on way home. Didn't stop. Home, chored, read mail, suppered and watched some T.V.</p>

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<p>April 12, Wednesday</p>	<p>The Sherman Coopers 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Sure is winter weather again. 22° now at 7:00 A.M. and blowing 15 to 20 M or more about N. Ground frozen hard. R.M. due this P.M. Should bring some good weather with them. Got a good job done this day. Ground frozen hard so I took grader blade off tractor, fastened onto pulp wood trailer, and hauled out my Ashley wood from out on R.M.'s sunset vista ridge. This is the wood I've been clifting for myself recently that I cut on my side of line. Had 3 big loads and a load of limbs. Brought limbs home to house. The Ashley wood I pled on ledge by my little island oak in field. Should dry nicely. Nan helped me with two loads of the wood and then limbs. Finished about 21:00. Lunched, then unloaded the limbs by swing tree. Threw up the base of woodpiles in dooryard. R.M.s arrived about 3:45. Drove right in, then brought out their Mercury to park above "below power house piece." Using Landrover. Brought us a 4# jar of honey and a big can of Roth pre-cooked ham. Up to Jimmie Brown's to get 3 doz. eggs about 6:30. Didn't stop. Ted Williams, well driller, dropped in about 7:45 and stayed on hr. or so. Bothered about Abbie's well but couldn't get her on phone. Watched Danny Thomas show and Danny Kaye show.</p>
<p>April 13, Thursday</p>	<p>Happy Birthday Loren - 3 whole yrs. Calderwood elected chairman of planning board. Lewis Haskell elected Secretary. A beautiful sunny calm morning. Cold. 26°. So beautiful calm in fact that at 6:15 I was burning banking brush on our house garden. Burned nicely and what smoke. Nan came out and we burned the grass around edge of garden while brush was burning down. After breakfast and helping house chore, I took rest of banking paper off house and spread it to dry. R.M. in this morning. Let him have my tractor tags for Landrover as his hasn't come. Ground my axe and worked on my limb pile under swing tree till lunch time. Rested an hr. or so, shaved, cleaned up and uptown at boat time to get work gas and groceries. Down to Alta's, to coffee, the Ames also there just from Rockland. Home, chored, read paper and suppered. Back uptown to meet with Selectmen and planning board. Nan visited with Alta. Down there from office in time to watch Dean Martin with them.</p>
<p>April 14, Friday</p>	<p>Sun came up beautifully but has clouded over now. Calm. Just the faintest air SE or S 36° temp. Has been a beautiful day. Of course the wind aired up raw this P.M. First thing after helping house chore, I rolled up all the banking paper, tied it up and put it in bottom of shop. Also the strapping. Then took off our back storm windows and Pat's end window and put them in top of shop. Spent rest of A.M. and to 1:00 P.M. out on swamp between R.M.'s road and big oak working on alders etc. Used two tanks gas XL-12, and then trimmed nearly 1 cutting. Nan trimmed along fence on back side of oak tree field. Lunched at 1:00. Rested a little while, then worked on limb pile until time to go to boat. Visited with Garnet and Clara a little while on parking lot. Home. Worked on limb pile again until nearly 5:00 Finished the load I hauled in Wednesday. Chored, lugged in wood. Read our paper. Suppered. Watched Friday night Jamboree and Tarzan. R.M. stopped in a minute when he came out for his mail about 8:15. Played a game of Scrabble and to bed weary. I made a score of 315 - first time over 300.</p>

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<p>April 15, Saturday</p>	<p>Winter again. Fine snow tearing through dooryard with wind increasing from E to SE 15 to 20 mi. now at 6:45. Temp. 38°. Has been a nasty day all day. Snowed all forenoon, then changed to drizzle about boat time this P.M. stopping about dark. Yesterday morning while having my pre-breakfast coffee I copied in last yr's fuller Cemetery annual business meeting report into Secretary's book. This morning I made out R.M.'s wood working bill from Jan. 1 to date - \$92.50 and he came in the forenoon and paid it by check. Also gave me a Swiss Army type jack-knife worth at L.L. Bean's about eight dollars. Didn't accomplish much this A.M. Over to Abbie's at 1:00 to let B.H. connect water and light icebox. Nan swept up D-Con containers and did some dusting. We also placed some furniture around. Uptown at boat time. Abbie came, also Clara W. Phyllis S. came with Aunt Kath. Came right home to help Abbie unload her station wagon. Had it full. Then home. Chored. Cleaned up and when Abbie came over at 6:390 we three walked over to R.M.'s to a steak supper and evening. Nice supper and a nice time. R.M. brought us all out in Land Rover after.</p>
<p>April 16, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, it's snowing again as I build the fire at 7:00. Ground real white from yesterday's storm. Has eased now at 8:00. Wind still out in Eastern section of compass. Temp. 36°. Snowed by spells occasionally most of day easing off toward night. Sure got fooled this A.M. Had breakfast, fed animal, shaved, etc. and was just starting to change clothes for church when Nan discovered the sink spout was plugged up. Back into work clothes, up to Jimmie S. Brown's to borrow plumber's helper and went to work on drain. By the time we got it cleared church was just starting. Nan made a cake this A.M. We rested an hour or so. Then returned Jim's helper, down to Arlene's to pick up a carton of milk and a pt. of cream, on downtown to see boat leave (the Silsby bound west for spring cleaning); home, getting a pail of snow on the way. Made a batch of ice cream. Read and played a game of Scrabble. Invited the R.M.s and Abbie in for dessert at 7:00. Ice cream and cake. Stayed till about 9:00. After they left we watched the Smothers Brothers Show and then Andy Williams.</p>
<p>April 17, Monday</p>	<p>Hurrah First Martin at 7:15 A.M. R.M.s left this morning. Sun came up beautifully then clouded right up. High overcast now. Calm. Air NE. Temp. 36°. We got a good chore done this day. After house choring and feeding animal, we went over the hill. Nan to close R.M.'s house, and I went right to work limbing up what I took down and left Friday. Took me to 1:00. Helped Georgie and Reg get the rest of ton of hay I had weighed up for Elliott Brown out of barn. Lunched on R.M.'s scallops and leftover vegetables. Back over hill. Took down rest of alders along road and cherry trees etc among small oaks. Trimmed them and piled the brush. Nan helped awhile. A lot of burning to do now. finished at 4:30 and weary. Before I came in Phyllis Sappington and Jean Stanley Start had made a dooryard call with Aunt Kath. Must go to boat tomorrow morning to see them. Chored. Read mail - the paper. Suppered and flopped onto couch. Watched the Perry Como show at 9:00. To bed at 10:00. Started raining some time in night.</p>

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<p>April 18, Tuesday</p>	<p>A wet dull cloudy sprinkling morning. Wind NE or ENE. 15 to 20 M right now at 6:30 A.M. Temp. 36°. A rainy day all day and evening with easterly to SE winds well up over 30 mi at times. Cleaned up and thrashed uptown at 7:30 to see Phyllis S., Jean Stanley Start and Mal Lavin before they left on boat. Down to have coffee with Alta, but Edith A. called us over to have coffee with her as Alta wasn't up. Visited with Alta a few minutes after. Jeannie Grant still in hospital. Home about 9:30. Fed animal and a few other chores. Spent a large part of the day resting. Played 3 games Scrabble. Chored. Read mail - Courier and paper. Suppered - delicious - scallop stew. Invited the Ames down to spend evening. The girls knitted while Milt and I chatted. Treated to ice cream and cake from Sunday. Still raining and blowing when they went home at 11:00.</p>
<p>April 19, Wednesday</p>	<p>Happy birthday Frank Sampson. Still raining and snowing. A nasty morning with everything soaking wet. How can anyone get any enthusiasm [about] this weather. Wind still out ENE up to 10 mi. or so now at 6:45. A wet day well into afternoon with everything dripping. Helped house chore and fed animal. Spent A.M. hunting and looking up Genealogy information for Sammy Beverage. Started a letter to him. Scallop stews for lunch. About 2:00 went over to R.M.'s in Land Rover to pick up rubbish, then to town by way of dump. Left R.M. laundry at Lincoln's, saw boat come - the Floyd Calderwoods arrived - down to Alta's to do a wash - had coffee with her. Home, chored, cleaned up and over to Abbie's shortly after 5:00. The Eliot Beveridges also present. Had a nice supper and evening. Home about 9:00. Harris Seeds order arrived tonight. Looks like a lot of planting. Sun came out nicely about 5:30 P.M. How much nicer.</p>
<p>April 20, Thursday</p>	<p>Well, what do you know. It isn't raining. Sun came up beautifully, but has clouded some now. Calm. Airing up N. Temp 38° at 6:30. This has been a nice day and a full one. Helped house chore and fed animal. Nan went to town to get groceries and meet Pat and children. I gathered up some auto tires and started the job of burning the alder brush etc out on big oak swamp. I thought that Mike and Loren might be interested in helping me burn but they weren't. Couldn't stay out long enough. Made a pretty good showing but wind blew too hard NNW to be enjoyable with a fire. Pat brought her car across so had her own conveyance. Left to go home at 2:30. Nan and I went to town at boat time as I hope to see Jack Brown along road somewhere but didn't. The Fishers arrived. Said hallo to them as we came home. Mr. and Mrs., the Deacon's wife and Cal's girlfriend. Home, chored. Abbie to supper with us and evening. Much more like her old self than usual. to bed weary at 9:30.</p>
<p>April 21, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful clear calm sunrise but wind already started to air up. Wanted to finish my burning this A.M. Cold 32° now at 6:00 A.M. Made a beautiful day but wind blew harder than I liked. Helped house chore. Fed animal. Was just getting ready to start work when Mr. and Mrs. Stan Fisher called. Had coffee with us and walked up into night pasture to see view from cliff. About 10:00 went out by big oak to burn more brush. Nan came out and helped and we finished the burning at 12:00. Had coffee and cookies while fire was burning down. Over to Abbie's just after 1:00 to help her plant 4 birdhouse poles. Then to town from there about 2 by way of north shore road looking for Jack Brown. Wanted to reach some decision on animal. Found Jack working abreast of Lawrence Grant's. He gave me permission to do anything I wishes about the animal as he doesn't want her for freezer meat now. Saw boat come and visited with al Rogers on parking lot. Home by way of Jimmie S. Brown's. He's interested in buying heifer. Just finished chores when Mr. Fisher came with a mess of clams. Thanks much. Suppered and watched a little T.V. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>April 22, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning but wind is airing up SW now at 6:30. Warm 40°. Looks a little smeary. A pair of Martins on wire (light) right now, in fact, two pairs. Accomplished one nice job this A.M. and that's about all from this day as it started raining hard about 10:00 or 10:30 and continued until night. Helped house chore, fed animal then up into OP field by grafted apple tree where I sawed down and trimmed the wild cherry trees along ledge, also cleaning up the mess I left when I sawed the limbs off of apple tree last spring to put grafts in. Started to rain almost before I'd finished trimming, so I had a nice fire on the plowed piece burning all the brush but got wet doing it. Changed clothes when I came in. Warmed up, lunched, finished reading E.B.'s "Solomon the Seal." Uptown by way of E.B.'s to return manuscript, invited back at 5:00. On to town, saw boat come. Dropped Nan off at B. Joyce's on way home, as I was to meet Jimmie Brown at 4:00 here to look at heifer. He bought her. \$75.00 and \$5.00 for grain in barrel. Back up to get Nan. Treated to coffee and buns. Stopped at Beveridges on way home a half hr. Home, chored. Read mail. Suppered. Delicious parsnips from the Beveridges. Watched Lawrence Welk and Hollywood Palace. Moon out nicely at 10:30.</p>
<p>April 23, Sunday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning but wind breezing up strong westerly 15 to 20 now at 8:15. Looks like a busy day today with hay to weight for Judy Brown and Jimmie coming after heifer at 1:30. Temp. 40°. A full day. Fed animal for last time this morning. Went to church. 36 in congregation. Saw boat leave at 1:00. Eight cars went. North Haven stopped on way west from Swan's Island. Home. Jimmie Brown and Dalon came after heifer. Weighed up and put out 10 bales hay Judy Brown and 10 bales hay Marie Demmons. E.H. hauled Judy's. Preston and Audrey brought R.M.'s laundry back. Visited nearly an hr. Finished letter to Samuel Beverage. The Thorntons arrived at 4:30 to help address cemetery notice cards. Stayed to supper with us. Home after Ed Sullivan. Watched the Smothers Brothers Show and to bed.</p>
<p>April 24, Monday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny calm morning. 40°. Up at 5:30. Have brought my calendar notations up to date. Must get loose ends gathered up today to go to Rockland tomorrow. May have to go into hospital again. Lining over stomach ruptured or something. A poor day to work outside as it started raining about 11:00 and kept it up well into afternoon. Accomplished one nice little job though. I finished the limb pile here under swing tree, the smallest of what came off the oak three vista last fall. About 11:00 we took garbage cans and laundry over to R.M.'s in Landrover, then drove it around island to activate the battery. Saw Jack Brown by his house and gave him the check for his half cow. Home. Lunched. Eliot Beveridge came for rototiller about 1:45. Invited them down for a half-hr at 5:00. To town to do many chores like leaving cemetery cards with Bob S. to mail. Saw boat come. Did wash at Alta's. Cleaned out the ditch under her walk so water would run under. Had coffee with Ames. Home. Beveridges came at 5:00. Suppered. Read mail. Had shampoo. Watched Tie Wanna [Tijuana] Brass. To bed.</p>

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<p>April 25, Tuesday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning. Air N or NNE. Temp. 40°. Farewell for a time. Well here I am back again after an absence of three days. Thankfully didn't have to have an operation at present. Dr. Morse says it's better to wait until next fall unless I want to lose my entire spring's work. Had a nice trip across. Bought hair cut, then up to Dr. Morse's office to make appointment. Earliest was at 5:30 this P.M. Called Jim O. and he came in and picked us up. Boy, have they got rotten colds. Jim's better but Mercedes getting a new one. Had coffee and visited an hr. or so. Then went on ride around Owl's Head onto Buttermilk Lane, over around and down to Friendship waterfront, very clean and neat and nice. Lunched in car outside a little lunch room along way. Back through Thomaston to Owl's Head. At 5:00 Jim took us to Rockland to Dr. Morse's office. At 5:45 Dr Morse probed and punched my abdomen and decided that as long as I'd wear a support I'd be okay to fall when work slacked. Hurrah, must get home to my planting. Back to Owl's Head and supper. Harold Bray and wife came in and spent evening. To bed weary from a full day and also apprehension.</p>
<p>April 26, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny day and warm. Just made for us. As soon as house work done, we struck out through Rockland up along coast to Bucksport bridge continuing down to Ellsworth and along to Mt. Desert to Southwest Harbor to McKinley where the ferry goes to Swan's Island. Swung out to Bass Harbor light station and around. Had a very nice lunch at the little lunch room looking across to the C.G. base at S.W. Harbor. Lunch room called the 4 R's. Home through same route, getting home about 5:30. Suppered. Was going out during evening but telephone was out about calling anybody and Jim and I rode into Rockland to pick up Jane. To bed saddle sore and weary. Rode almost 200 miles since morning. Quite different from riding on North Haven for the Calderwoods. Jim's a wonderful guy to ride with, does his driving so easily, never frustrated or excited.</p>
<p>April 27, Thursday</p>	<p>Another beautiful lufly day, nearly calm. After housework, cleaned up, rode into Rockland. Shopped at Ted's Saw-Mor and Grants. Then out through Rockville and Simington's Corner, round about and into Camden. Stopped on Camden waterfront a few minutes. Back onto main street in Camden and had our lunch at restaurant near Smiling Cow. Roy Beverage's daughter works there. Met Bricks and Edith Mills there, and they said we might put our groceries into their Falcon to come to NH. Had a very nice hot chicken sandwich plate for lunch, then back to Ferry Terminal by Old County Road, calling on the William Hopkins a moment. Bill home from school, better from cold. Sat in a car with the Mills coming across. Nice trip. Transferred our groceries to Jeep and home. Started both stoves and had the house warmed up in no time. Invited the Mills down at 5:00. visited a half-hr. or so. am so glad to be home. Potato eye seed already to be planted. Just get rotor-tiller home from Eliot B. Had broiled chuck steak for supper. Read our 3 days papers. Bob Smith dropped in collecting on Cancer Drive. To bed again weary. HS Beverage called on phone tonight. Ready for plowing first of week.</p>

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<p>April 28, Friday</p>	<p>Came home right day. Wind breezing up NE and very raw this morning. 40°. Must get back into saddle now and get going. Glad to be home. Guess I might just as well stayed on the mainland as I really didn't set the world on fire today. After helping house chore and getting square around, we went up to Eliot Beveridge's to get the roto-tiller back - he hadn't used it - and is starting the first of week for Canada to the Expo. Stopped at Jimmie Dalon's to get a dozen eggs. Home. Took Land Rover over to R.M.'s and put it in garage on new concrete floor. Also inspected house. After lunch I changed oil in tiller, filled it with gas and it started good. Left it idling while I raked some weed growth off below power house piece, and darned if the V-belts didn't start dragging like they did last year, and the reverse belt burned in two. Thus ended any rotoring today. Ordered belts and fertilizer from Rankin Grain. Uptown to do wash. Saw boat come. Got a belt of Pat at Brown's which may fit. Home by way to H.S.B.'s to bring home some potatoes to put up to sprout. 9 boxes not really full. # Early Rose, 3 Jerry potatoes, and 2 of Early Snowflake - potato eye seed. Chored and read mail after going through the Snowflake seed picking out misshapen ones etc. Beef stew for supper. Called the Oldroyds tonight - they're better. Played a couple games of Scrabble.</p>
<p>April 29, Saturday</p>	<p>Gracious, how it blew last night. Wind about NNE but has slacked off some this morning. Very overcast. Temp. 40°. A very disagreeable raw windy day. Had to wear more clothes than during the winter. Helped house chore. Worked over in bottom of shop on rotor tiller. Put on new reverse belt I got of Patsy yesterday, and it fitted, but I tried every trick I knew to stop the belts from dragging even to dropping the engine one washer. Finally succeeded and the outfit worked nicely. How cold it was though. Coveralls, hooded sweatshirt and all. Hands were most uncomfortable. Rotored a strip about 20 ft. wide on road edge of below power house piece, and the same on upper side of house garden. Too wet to be best. Shaved after lunch, made out H.S.B. wood work bill, uptown by way of NS road. Very rough on water. Took some Mrs. M.'s clothes to Corinne. To town. Home. Sprouted and picked over some seed potatoes. New baked beans for supper. Watched Lawrence Welk show.</p>
<p>April 30, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning but that damned NE to NNE wind is still blowing. 40° cold. Clocks went ahead an hour tonight. Well, we got fouled for fair this A.M. Had both cleaned up and getting ready for church when we were taken with "Back door trot" and were quite busy for a couple hours. Don't know what caused it unless change of water on mainland. Didn't dare attempt church for fear we'd be forced to leave in midst of service. Pumped and laid around this A.M. Cooked us salt fish and potatoes for dinner. Good. Fixed us right up. So hot in house we decided to go for a ride about 3:00 just as Mr. Overman drove in to see if we were sick. Didn't stop as we were afraid it might be something the baby might catch. Rode to town, then up middle road and around north shore. Seemed like hundreds of martins at overflow of Fresh Pond and at Charlie Brown's pond. One wonders where they all nest. Home. Nan worked on her gardens and raked. I finished picking over my potatoes in Chevelle I brought from H.S.B.'s the other day and spread them in top of shop. Finished about 6:00. Suppered. Watched Ed Sullivan Show and Smothers Brothers. Clocks turn ahead tonight.</p>

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<p>May 1, Monday</p>	<p>Good Morning, May. My, but you're calm and cold. 32° with a white frost. Sun has come up nicely. This has been a beautiful one, and best of all the wind didn't breeze up. The winds of the last few days have been the worst on the water on record. We really accomplished a lot today. Nan weeded and edged her garden and tulip circles, besides doing a lot of raking. I made 7 furrows with potato hoe on eastern edge of below power house garden, and 5 furrows on upper edge of house garden. Cut and planted my Norland Early Red potato eye potatoes. Had nearly 3 pails cut seed. Sprouts plenty long. Planted 6 rows on below power house garden and 5 rows on house garden. Only had 2 pails fertilizer so last 2 1/2 rows on below power house garden didn't get any. Must side dress. Covered with plow on hand cultivator. Rotored another 2 ft. on house garden. About 2:30 went to town in Jeep to get work gas, then to dump with raking cultch, to H.S.B.'s to get the rest of my seed potatoes, back to see boat come at 4:45 - North Haven back on run now - home. Lugged potatoes up into shop and spread them out to sprout. Suppered - sweet potatoes, boiled celery, mashed parsnips, broiled rump steak (ours). Very good. Played a couple games of Scrabble and to bed weary. Seventeen of my games average out at 203.6 per game.</p>
<p>May 2, Tuesday</p>	<p>Not so pretty. Very overcast and almost foggy. Calm. Temp. 42°. A raw damp day all day. Had planned to really accomplish considerable this day but have been bothered. First thing Eliot B. came for rotor-tiller. While loading on Jeep discovered the forward v-belt was just hanging together so helped him put on a new one. Then I put pulp trailer up in back end of barn floor, and the SB trailer along side it. This will give me room to put my plows in back end of shop. Hitched onto scoop and started picking rocks of greensward piece on OP field. Eliot returned with rotor-tiller. The rotor shaft had started out. He then took it to garage. Steve discovered that a ball bearing had chewed itself up. Ordered new parts from Rankin. With Nan's help I finished picking rocks about 1:00 P.M. Lunched. Stopped at Abbie's on way to Mrs. Pease's after harrows so Nan could get a blouse to send Abbie. Found a number of dead starlings in Pease house. Up to Cunningham's with Nan to see T. Williams for Abbie. She wants her well deepened 50 ft. but he had left bag and baggage equipment and all on this noon boat. Home, harrowed on new piece twice over until I nearly froze. Lugged in wood. Suppered. The R.M.s called on phone tonight about 7:15. Coming about the 21<sup>st</sup>. Harvey D. came with my 1/2 T-8-16-16 just before lunch. We were playing a game of Scrabble when the Witherspoons blew in. Visited until 11:00.</p>
<p>May 3, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well here it is gentle raining again. Harrowed my piece just in time, and I was supposed to plow for H.S.B. today. Cold. 40°. Air NE. Supposed to be down to freezing tonight. How it did rain all A.M. and part of P.M. A heavy fine type rain but fortunately no wind. Helped house chore and played a couple games Scrabble this A.M. This P.M. after rain stopped I cleaned out the ditch at end of my barn driveway colvert - someone had driven over end of same - straightened it as much as possible and then lengthened it with the piece of well casing that Williams left when he drilled our well. Put posts back at end of colvert to keep people from crowding ends if possible. Straightened up Mrs. Fay's gate posts and took out her cellar windows. Uptown at 4:30 to see boat come. Invited down to Ames at 5:00. They invited us to go on a riding trip this week-end. Rather soon after being over to Oldroyds last week. A tempting offer though before summer work rassel. Home about 6:00. Started supper and played a game of Scrabble. Had just started eating when Frank and Orilla came in. Had a nice visit to 10:30. Believe it or not the Moccasins I ordered for Nan the 10<sup>th</sup> day of last Dec. came today. Really rapid service. A late Christmas present.</p>

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<p>May 4, Thursday</p>	<p>Wind came NW during night and has cleared the fog out. Looks like a good day coming up. Am now writing a letter of thanks to the Ass't Vice-pres. of the Essex County Bank of Lynn thanking him for speaking to owner of Moccasin Craft about my neglected order. Has been a busy day. Took bag covering off Mrs. M's bushes. Cleaned boxes, paper bag, etc. out of milk room down into top of shanty. spaded up Nan's sweet pea bed very wet, then made 6 furrows on house garden with potato fork. Wet, but better than I expected. Fertilized the six, planted 3 rows Burpee peas next to potatoes, and next two rows toward shore to Greater Progress peas. On first third nearest house of sixth row I planted Buttercrunch lettuce, second third, Crosby Green top beets, and last third, parsnips. Covered with plow on hand cultivator. Finished harrowing piece in OP field. Up to Fuller Cemetery at 4:45 to meet Garnet to look over conditions to make report tomorrow night. Down to Alta's to do wash. Home about 6:00. Had our first mess of dandelion greens for supper. Cooked in shoulder water along with potatoes. Delicious. Rested this evening.</p>
<p>May 5, Friday</p>	<p>Hello, Mr. Barn Swallow, you're right on time. Same date last year. Calm and quiet. Looks rainy. High overcast 40°. Started drizzling about noon and was quite wetting for a spell. Did dishes this morning while Nan went to B. Joyce's to get hair set. Took harrow off tractor and went up to Mrs. Pease's to get plows. While up there I put a board over a hole in the eave finish over the back front door. The only place I can find where the starlings may be getting in. Home. Plowed the upper half of the piece beyond shop, the remaining lower half of house garden, and as much of what's left of the triangle part of the "below power house piece" as I could before getting too soft. Lunched. Drizzle stopped my work for a time. Made Nan's sweet pea furrows, manured and fertilized it and planted the peas. Uptown to see boat come. Home, suppered and back up to cemetery meeting at Memorial Room by way of middle road to get Mary Jane. Only 12 of us present but had a nice time and a nice lunch following. Home 10:30.</p>
<p>May 6, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful picture book morning. Calm, and the sun has come up beautifully. 40°. Must start thrashing now to get ready to catch boat. May we have a nice week-end, please. The next three days are from memory. Had a nice trip across. The Ames met us at the dock. After an errand or two in Rockland we started out Rt. 1 eastward through Lincolnville Beach swung off to Stockton Springs, Cape Jellison etc. and back onto main drag to Bucksport. Had lunch in car just beyond entrance to Fort Knox, then back to bridge and across Verona Island through Bucksport through Blue Hill and Surry to Ellsworth. On through to S.W. Harbor to Hinckley Boat yard at Manset to see fiberglass yacht being built for Crocker. Around about and back to S.W. Harbor to get rooms at the Harbor view Motel. Very nice rooms except the oil furnace room was at the head of our bed. Ate a nice supper at the Restaurant of the 4 R's where we ate with the Oldroyds a short time ago. Didn't do any evening riding. Watched Lawrence Welk on T.V. in our room. To bed weary. Up at 5:30, showered and ready to have breakfast in the Ames room at 7:15. Rode around over S.W. Harbor to N.E. Harbor, to McKinley ferry landing and along back to pick up road to Ellsworth. Saw the biggest man at a small crossroad store before we left Mt. Dessert Island that I've seen, would guess over 400 lbs. (continued on May 7) ...</p>

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<p>May 7, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful, beautiful day until it clouded up this P.M. and made a very bad easterly rainstorm tonight. (continuing from May 6) ... then onto road back to Ellsworth to Bucksport, swinging off to Fort Knox again. This time the grounds were open and we enjoyed a nice hr. inspecting the outside of the Ft. Milton took some pictures. Mine gave out last night at S.W. Harbor. Back by bridge and on up through toward Belfast. Pulled off at side of road and ate lunch. Then on through Belfast to Windsor and S. China or vice versa, can't remember and onto to Hussey's General Store. Oh yes, stopped at Farrington's in So. China. Lots of merchandise but I called it a cheap joint. Enjoyed Hussey's General Store much more. Then on through Union on Rt. 17 and on down to Rockland. Got rooms at Trade Winds Hotel 14 and 15. Had a nice supper at the Barbecue Pit, Bay View Hotel. Then out to Oldroyd's to spend evening. Had a nice time. Back to Rockland and to bed weary. Slept well. Up at 5:45 after a nigh of high wind and heavy rain. Bathed, shaved etc. and ready to go to breakfast at Coffee Shop at 7:15. Back to room to read morning papers. No boat for home this morning.</p>
<p>May 8, Monday</p>	<p>Enjoyed our room for another night so rough in bay. Wind dropped out but still not good. Foggy with rain by spells until P.M. Struck out for Camden to stop at Rankins to get crow Repellant etc., then round about to high back roads to Union to stop at Fuller Equip. Co. I wanted to get a part for my old John Deere rake but didn't. On through Union and back to Rockland. Enjoyed the rides but can't get over the desolation of so many places, especially the condition of the farms. Didn't see one of what I called a prosperous farm. Had a nice supper at Coffee Pot, Rockland Hotel. Met Rev. and Mrs. Merriam there. Up to Rockland Shopping Plaza to shop, then back to Trade Winds. To bed weary again tonight. Tuesday morning - showered and shaved ready for breakfast shortly after 7:00 at Newbert's. Closed out our rooms and to boat at 8:30.</p>
<p>May 9, Tuesday</p>	<p>Foggy but wind has practically died out. What air there is comes easterly. Started this morning on yesterday's page before I realized I had caught up. Had a full load on boat what with Mariner's equip. from Camden to repair Watson's tennis court. Home from boat about 10:50 to find the house very cold. Only 41 outdoors. Soon had our two fires going and the house warmed up. Lunched after getting squared away. Checked on R.M.'s house. Turned on gas and started gas hotwater heater, as Nan started cleaning tomorrow. Roller bearing came for tiller, so we went to garage in Chevelle. Had Jimmie put in a new set of plugs, points, and condenser and change our rear wheels to summer wheels. He's ordering a new muffler before we can get inspected. Downtown to get a package from Ames we left in their car. Home to find Mary Jane waiting for us. He wants me to work on his chainsaw. Isn't running good. Checked on potatoes in shop. Started fire in shop to dry it out some. Suppered. Min called from N.Y. tonight and then Tommy called from Portland, Me. He, Barbara and children are arriving here Thursday. More complications. Played a game of Scrabble and to bed. How nice to be home, the best part of going away.</p>

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<p>May 10, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning but everything soaking wet. A hard chance to do any planting. Temp. 40°. Air NNW or thereabouts. A full day. Nan and Edith started cleaning at R.M.'s. I started fire in shop to help my potatoes sprout, then put my A.W.B. potatoes off Pat's bed into boxes and took them out into woodshed. They're getting too well sprouted and ground too wet. Took Chevelle up into cowyard, connected hose to pump in barn and gave Chevelle a good washing. Very dirty so made quite a change. Took our power lawn mower out of shanty, changed oil, etc. Had coffee with girls at R.M.'s, then mowed our lawn in front of house and between garden and road. Mower started up nicely. Took plows of tractor, put on scoop and up to Fuller Cemetery at 12:30 to haul material onto roads. Garnet, Ern and Dalon helped. Used all the material we had. Chick and Ern worked on North fence. Lena Stone and Clara Thornton worked some. Home at 4:00. To town with Nan to get groceries. Suppered. Both pretty weary tonight. Played a game of Scrabble and to bed.</p>
<p>May 11, Thursday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunrise. Sun now more than halfway the length of Burnt Island. Air WSW. Temp. 40°. Up at 5:15. Lots of getting ready to do. Nan did a lot of housework changing both beds, etc. as they're to have our bed and we'll sleep on the living room couches. I put the screens on the bedrooms, picked out a peck of potatoes for the Ames, filled out potato firkin, and several other chores. Picked up the big rock in scoop, I plowed out on shop piece the other day, and put it up by the end of my barn driveway colvert. Put plows on and up to H.S.B.'s by 8:45. Plowed his whole piece west of house and his pea piece west of barn. Plowed okay but plenty wet next to driveway side. Home at 11:40. Nan up to Alta's to do wash. After lunch we gathered tools together, went over to Fisher's, put Russet grafts in two wild apple trees hey had over there, came home, put Russet grafts in the two limbs of my drafted O.P. tree that didn't take last yr., and two grafts in the wild apple below shanty. Uptown to meet boat and Whipples. Followed them home. Visited, suppered and visited. Children are pretty and cunning. Wouldn't know Debby.</p>
<p>May 12, Friday</p>	<p>Started to rain last evening and has rained all night. Water almost standing on garden. What chance do my peas and potatoes stand? Cold too. 40°. Wind has worked around into western qtr. Boy, have things been wet today. Everything soaked. Replenished fire in shop. Then Tom helped me work up the winter's manure in ground mow. A lot there but finished about 11:00. This P.M. I took the pea fences off Mrs. Fay's garden and mowed her lawn front and back. The Whipples rode to town. To finish P.M. I dug a basket of greens and helped Nan pick over enough for supper. Had Whipple roast beef, baked potatoes, greens, etc. Very good. Had to go to planning board meeting with Selectmen this evening. They're calling a town meeting right away to get action on an 8-inch water line to booster tank from Grange Hall and to see what the town wishes to do about the snowplow truck. Home about 10:00.</p>

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<p>May 13, Saturday</p>	<p>The sun is shining. Wind is blowing some NNW. Temp. 40°. Feels like a fall morning. Has been a beautiful day other than windy. Tom and I up to Ern's this A.M. to get his chainsaw adjusted in and running right for him. Home about 11:00. Elmer Hopkins' men cleaned up what was left of my old manure spreader shed that Maynard Greenlaw tore down in Feb. Looks better. This P.M. I tried to plow the little garden I used to have by power house but too wet. Shifted up onto O.P. piece and widened that out as much as I plowed last fall. Now about 150 ft. wide but of course the furrows shortened as I worked this way. Made 3 furrows on house garden with potato hoe. Tom uptown late this P.M. to get lobsters of Jim Brown to have tomorrow. Suppered on baked beans. Watched television tonight, Lawrence Welk, and Hollywood Palace.</p>
<p>May 14, Sunday</p>	<p>Happy Mother's Day. A beautiful calm sunny morning. Gardens should dry out a little today. Pat sent Nan up a nice red pocketbook yesterday. 40° Temp. Has been a beautiful day all day. Wind came off water for a while then kept on out around to SW. Tom and Deborah went to church with us. 45 in congregation, 6 or 7 in choir. Nan had a wash going at Alta's while we were at service. As soon as we came home, I weighed up and put out 150# hay for Marie Demmons. Built fire in fireplace, and cooked off clams and lobsters. Had picnic out back. Delicious. Up to Eliot Beveridge's in Jeep to get rototiller. Whipples went with me except Becky. Came right home and rotored 1 1/2 hrs. on western edge of O.P. piece until 6:00. Very light supper tonight. I had crackers and milk. Tom showed his slides tonight on his base in Philippines and a few of San Francisco. About 9:30 who should blow in but Dick Bloom. Visited a half hr. or so. Haven't seen him since I went to hospital last August.</p>
<p>May 15, Monday</p>	<p>Well, here it is ready for another rainstorm. Wind out NE and very overcast. Temp. 40°. Looked so rainy. I went out at 6:15, fertilized and planted two rows on house garden to Greater Progress peas, and made 3 more furrows before breakfast. Still hadn't started to rain so after breakfast, I fertilized and planted 3 more rows of Greater progress peas and finished furrowing the garden by hand. Added oil to rototiller engine to be ready to use this P.M. Oh yes I rotored what was left of house garden before I furrowed it out. Started fire again in shop. Potatoes sprouting very slowly. This P.M. I rotored on O.P. piece until rain drove me about 2:30. Rained very hard for a couple hrs. Tommy uptown this P.M. in Elsie to get me some working gas. He worked on Elsie this A.M. cleaning plugs etc. Nan and Edith Ames worked at R.M.'s cleaning this P.M. Just as we were finishing supper, Jimmie Brown blew in to see if I'd work with him at Watson's this summer. Would have liked to but didn't dare attempt such a strenuous job this season, what with a repair job coming up. Another nice opportunity lost, no doubt.</p>
<p>May 16, Tuesday</p>	<p>Well, the rain has stopped again but really isn't clearing yet. Plenty of high cloudiness. Wind appears to be westerly or WSW. Temp. 40°. Considerable cloudiness all day and wind stayed raw. Built fire in shop again to help potatoes. Took plows off tractor, put on saw rig, and Tom and I started on wood pile above barn. Begun on big limbs and alders. About 2 1/2 hrs. this A.M. Finished the limbs this P.M. and did the outside pile of 4 ft. wood even though I went to town with saw belt to get Pat to shorten it by 1 1/2 inches. Tom took Barbara and children walking out to Indian Point. We finished sawing about 5:00. Suppered and spent evening visiting. Tom tells us they must start back to N.Y. Thursday. Have enjoyed their visit.</p>

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<p>May 17, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning but wind cold SW. Temp. 42°. Has been a nice day but wind has kept it cool. Tom helped me finish sawing my woodpile above barn. Finished at 11:00. Coffeed. Started fire in shop and other chores to lunch time. This P.M. I finished rotoring fall plowed part of O.P. piece, furrowed it with rotor, had 26 furrows, then rotored half of spring plowed part. Left off at 4:45 so we could cook clams and lobsters out back for supper. Wind too cold to eat out there but sure enjoyed them here in the house. Sat around and visited their evening. All pretty weary. Sawed wood for Eliot Beveridge 1 3/4 hrs. \$8.00.</p>
<p>May 18, Thursday</p>	<p>The Thomas Whipples left this morning for N.Y. A beautiful calm morning and a good working day but no sunny and drying. Fried bacon and eggs for breakfast. After the family left, Nan made ready to go to Snow's and I washed up the dishes, etc. At 8:50 was up to Eliot Beveridge's with tractor and saw rig. He got Ernie Boy to help and we had his pile done before 10:30. Visited a few minutes hearing about his Expo trip. Then home. Before taking saw rig off I sawed my pile of big AW Beverage spruce limbs here by oak tree. took me till nearly 1:00 P.M. Lunched. Coupled onto SB trailer, loaded 4 or more wheelbarrow loads of dirt into it off pile dumped from R.M.'s cellar hole, and on up to Fuller Cemetery to repair and work over Aunt Viola's lot. Home just as Nan got home. After resting and having coffee, we went back up in Jeep with mower and mowed the Calderwood lots and Uncle Rye's. Home, suppered, and both spent a weary evening. Some nice to get back into our bed again.</p>
<p>May 19, Friday</p>	<p>Rained some during night. Very overcast this morning. Air appears to be easterly. 44°. A busy one even though it rained most of A.M. and first of P.M. Sun almost succeeded in getting out this P.M. Nan worked at Snow's. I washed dishes, then started fire in shop after sawing up some of the cultch wood over there. While fire was starting I swept up the area of floor that didn't have potatoes on it. Spent rest of A.M. pitching over the manure in ground mow. Boy, was that stuff ever hot and did it steam. Worked up nicely. Lunched about 1:00. Rotored some on below powerhouse piece, maybe 15 ft. wide but became too wet. Then rotored most of the half I'd plowed on shop piece, also too wet. Shifted to O.P. piece and finished rotoring that about 5:15. Now ready to finish furrowing. Up to dump and to Thorntons after supper to get dahlias and gladioli. Home before 10:00.</p>
<p>May 20, Saturday</p>	<p>Some high cloudiness, wind WSW to west. Kind of foggy. Temp. 48°. A nice day except for SW wind. Nan cleaned at R.M.'s. I started on upper side OP piece. Fertilized and planted two outside part way rows to North Star and Northern Belle-Hyd corn mixed some left from last year. Then the southern half of next 4 rows to Spring Gold - Hyd Corn. The northern half of first 2 full lengths rows to Greater Progress peas, the third northern half row to Spartan Arrow Green Beans, and the 4<sup>th</sup> northern half row to Kinghorn Wax beans. Pretty cold yet for corn and beans. Furrowed by hand 4 rows on below power house piece and 5 rows on shop piece. Fertilized them. Cut the seed and planted them for rows on below power house piece and the two upper rows plus 14 hills on shop piece to A.W.B. red potatoes. Ken Mills in dooryard at 4:30 with the Albert Mills. Nan and I dug some dandelion greens, suppered and were invited up to the Ames. Up in time to go on ride with them. They showed us through Doug Stone's new house. What a mansion but what a mess around it. Unbelievable in both respects. Home at 10:30. Both very weary and I'm sure lame from this week's work. Sawing wood and all.</p>

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<p>May 21, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful day except for S.W. wind breezing up. so very weary we didn't attempt to go to church. Except for Nan preparing the dandelion greens for freezing that we dug last night, we rested until 2:00 P.M. Out in hammocks awhile till wind drove us. Uptown after two to send some vegetable seeds down to Pat by Mike. Then took Jennie, Etta, Mrs. Florence Brown and Marjorie on a ride. Up to Seaview Cemetery and Fuller Cemetery, then up middle road, down here to R.M.'s, back down to Crabtree's Point, downtown and home. Nan dug enough greens for supper. She had seven pints for the freezer this morning. When looking over my garden today I found several potatoes through the ground planted May first. Lettuce and beets coming too. So cold, how can anything grow. Suppered and watched a little T.V. - Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers.</p>
<p>May 22, Monday</p>	<p>Calm and overcast. Darned if it doesn't look rainy again. Cool this morning. 38°. Became a good day and a full one. Nan worked at Saltonstall's 5 hrs., then did a wash at Alta's on way home. I picked 2 wheelbarrow loads rocks off dump piece, rotored Mrs. Fay's garden, very wet, plowed dump piece, plenty wet, but plowed good, up and plowed Ern's garden, plenty wet on lower end, home, cut up my A.W.B. Idaho Russet potatoes. Bill Hurd down to turn on Fay's plumbing while I was lunching. After lunch I made another furrow on shop piece and planted Idaho Russets. Finished the row having 14 hills A.W.B. red potatoes, 2 full ones, and 23 hills on next row. Nan home by then. Helped her dig a big batch of dandelion greens. Got other mower going and we mowed the lawn except out back. To town in Jeep at boat time to get work gas. Gave Dorothy Ames a ride home from boat. Back down to get gas. Gave Bernard Mills a ride home. Visited a half hour or so. Olive G. feeling better now. Home, suppered and watched a little T.V. Eliot Beveridge came for rotor tiller while we were digging greens.</p>
<p>May 23, Tuesday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog when I woke up at 4:00. Started bell. A beautiful moonlit night when we went to bed. Now at 6:45 it's burning out to a beautiful calm Grumpy morning. 40°. Hiram SB said it was exactly 30° by his thermometer yesterday morning. The nicest day so far and another full one. Nan over to R.M.'s, then up to Fay's 4 1/2 hrs. I pumped, cleaned out and swept out our shanty toilet, built fires at Fay's, mowed their lawn, to shore and all, put dirt on her flower beds off her garden. The mowed our lawn along gardens on western side of our road. Planted our dahlias along lower side of house piece. A card in mail from Cobbs at World Expo in Canada. This P.M. I fertilized 8 rows on O.P. piece next to planting of May 20<sup>th</sup>, worked it in, dropped a pound of Silver Queen White Hyd. corn and covered it with hand cultivator. This is almost seven rows 94 day corn so I'm taking quite a chance but I've always wanted to raise some. Supposed to be even better than yellow. Edith Ames down greening this P.M. Uptown at boat time. The R.M.'s came. Home. Nan washed her hair. I weighed up 10 bales hay for Judy Brown and put it out for Emery H. Suppered. Up to B. Joyce's at 6:30. Nan had her hair set. Then downtown to special town meeting. Town voted to repair present town truck and plow and to lay 8 inch water line underground from Grange Hall corner to booster tank beyond cemetery. Home 9:30. Played a game of Scrabble and to bed weary.</p>

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<p>May 24, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice calm morning and looks like a nice day coming up. Tide very low as this was full moon yesterday. Supposed to have been down to freezing last night but only 40° by us this morning. A nice day and another full one. Nan cleaned at Fay's all day. I went right to work on OP piece. Fertilized 14 or 15 more rows next to yesterday's planting, 2 bags fertilizer, worked it in, and dropped 2 lbs. Earliking - 67 day corn. Covered it with hand cultivator. Had almost 14 rows. Finished that part of piece plowed last fall. Plenty of rocks to be picked. Finished covering about 1:00. This P.M. I rotored Mrs. Fay's garden again; still plenty wet. Knowlton down to repair Mrs. Fay's lead in wire. After rotoring Mrs. Fay's garden I rotored rest of triangle part of below power house piece. Lower edge very wet, but was grassing in badly. Finished about 5:00. Dodged up to H.S.B.'s to get a box of Early Rose potatoes. Home, suppered and then sprouted the potatoes. Preston and Audrey down this evening to get some Early Rose for seed. Visited till 10:00. Mr. M. called in this morning. Brought a jar of honey, jar of marmalade and a jar of black raspberry preserve. Brought me a beautiful agatized dinosaur bone necktie choker - only 140,000,000 years old.</p>
<p>May 25, Thursday</p>	<p>Wind right out here NE 10 to 15 mi. Looks plenty rainy with heavy overcast. Temp. 45°. What a miserable disagreeable, raw cold day this has been. Nan cleaned at Fay's this forenoon. I rotored on dump piece doing the edges and ends for nearly 2 hrs. getting more disagreeable all the time. Finally gave up in disgust, put on more clothes than wore during winter, and dug a big mess of dandelion greens. Ended by picking the last ones over in house. About 12:30 went up to H.S.B.'s and sprouted my remaining potatoes. probably 8 or 10 bu. Home before 2:30. Uptown Nan did 2 loads wash at Alta's. Only Sheila and baby home. Alta making wreaths at Legion Hall. Saw boat come. Came right home. Rain started while uptown. Changed into winter clothes and out to Castle with Beveridges to a delicious broiled steak supper. We took dandelion greens. Quite a storm but it was nice with a good fire in fireplace. Showed their Expo slides late at home. Their house nearly as cold as the Castle as they have let their furnace go out.</p>
<p>May 26, Friday</p>	<p>Still a disagreeable NE rainstorm and colder 40°. Hard on what planting I have done. Rained all day and hard by spells. What little accomplished this day could be piled in a very small pile. Did dishes etc. this morning. Nan left Chevelle at Wayside on way to work to have new muffler put on, oil and filter job and grease job done. 13,250. Read yesterday's papers and rested. Copied my Fuller Cemetery meeting notes into my record book. About 3:00 I started for Williamson's by way of middle road. Wanted to check Fuller Cemetery lots. Should be mowed again before Memorial Day. At Williamson's about 3:30. Boy, what a cold place to work a cold damp day like today. No fire except kitchen stove. Had coffee with Toot. Downtown a moment. Brought Chevelle home as we cane. Chored and suppered. Watched little T.V. and to bed weary but why for me. Saw first wild pear bloom on middle road.</p>

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<p>May 27, Saturday</p>	<p>The Sandy Hunters arrived. The rain has topped and the wind has dropped out but air still easterly and cold. Very overcast. 40°. Remained overcast and raw all day. Nan worked with the girls at Williamson's. I house chored, pumped, inspected gardens, peas and potatoes coming very slowly, dug a mess of dandelion greens, up to Jimmie Brown's to get eggs and then downtown to get groceries and meet boat. Ada and husband came but had to leave car in Rockland. Home, visited with them till noon. Had haddock chowder for dinner. Nan came home while we were eating. This P.M. Ada helped Nan at R.M.'s a little while. I took Sandy on a walk over farm. While they rested a while I rotored on dump piece, very wet, but big clods worked up easier than when I rotored Thursday. Bobbie Fisher, wife and child visited with us nearly an hour before supper. Had baked beans for supper. Spent evening visiting.</p>
<p>May 28, Sunday</p>	<p>This sun is with us again. A beautiful morning. Air N 40°. About like late Sept. A beautiful day and a full one. Folks walked around while Nan and I were house choring. Then I took the Hunters clamming below the dump piece. Got a good mess. While there Carol Lee Gates, father and mother called on us. After, Nan put up lunch, we started riding about 11:00. Up north shore road to Crabtree's Point, back to town, ferried to VH about 1:00, down to Pat's about 1:30. visited there, then took folks on ride to Arey's Harbor and Poole's Hill. Visited Woodrow and Elizabeth's new home on way back to Pat's. Gassed up at Jim Calderwood's on way home. No gas in NH. Across about 5:30. Home by way of middle road and Mullen's Park. Hadn't had supper when the Thorntons visited. Had just finished supper when the RMs visited. Would have taken us out in Papoose this P.M. if we'd been home. To bed 10:30.</p>
<p>May 29, Monday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning. Sunny and calm. Air northerly. Cool. 40°. How am I going to catch up? So far behind. A beautiful day all day. Mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn before breakfast. As soon as breakfast the Hunters went walking out around Cobb's. Nan house worked and I rotor-harrowed the dump piece. finished getting across from where I left off Sat. night, then all over it again. Dried out fast. Steamed clams out back for lunch. The Deacon came with nearly a pail full while we were steaming ours, and had lunch with us. Had a delicious rhubarb pie from our Buffie patch for dessert. Rotor-furrowed the long part of dump piece before going to 3:00 boat with Hunters. Home, finished rotor-furrowing dump piece, mowed our lawn. Nan mowed out back then we went to cemetery to mow our lots. Home, suppered, rested a while, then up to Alta's to visit. June, Mercedes and Ida there. Also the Sampsons. The 3 Oldroyds came home to spend night with us. To bed at 11:00.</p>
<p>May 30, Tuesday</p>	<p>My golly, cold it is. Frost. Crispy on lawn 36°. A beautiful calm sunny morning. Up at 5:00. Up working on Mrs. Fay's garden before 6:00. Furrowed it with hand cultivator plow, fertilized it, worked it in with hand plow. Tared [?] and planted 2 rows peas. row nearest bank - Greater Progress, next row Freezonian. Bacon and eggs for breakfast. Cleaned up, and uptown at 9:30, putting flowers on Uncle Will's lot en route. A nice parade and program. Met several of the summer folks. Home at 11:00. Had fire out back. Steamed the Deacon's clams. Also had fried chicken for lunch. Then cooked off some lobsters that Austin Grant gave the Oldroyds to take home. Took the Oldroyds to 3:00 boat. Home, rested a half hour then out in Papoose with Mr. M. Went up to and around Bald Island. Lots of Eider Ducks up there. Home through Calderwoods and Shaw's and Calderwood's and Stimpson's. Had coffee with the M's. Up to Eliot Beveridge to get rhubarb roots. Will plant them along edge of house garden next to my Chipman Canadian Rhubarb. Didn't visit. Came right home.</p>

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<p>May 31, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful NW morning. 44°. Out at 5:30. Dug up rest of way along edge of house garden from where Chipman rhubarb stopped, digging out the climbing strawberries, fertilized the row and planted 10 hills of Eliot Beveridge rhubarb. Breakfasted. Planted on Mrs. Fay's garden, 1/2 row onion seed, 1/2 row carrots, 1/2 row beets, 1/2 row lettuce, 2 half rows Kinghorn Wax Beans, 2 half rows Spartan Arrow Green beans, and her sweet peas. Put up pea fences. Then put on screen doors and window screens. About 11:00 started fertilizing dump piece, did all 4 1/2 bags. After lunch worked in 7 rows of fertilizer, cut all my Jerry potatoes in top of shop, 6 pails, dropped them with Nan's help - 4 1/2 rows next to road, and covered them with Landplow. Finished about 5:00. Then over to check Abbie's house. Rested. Suppered and rested. Played a game of Scrabble and to bed. Hiram called tonight to say that he'd finally got his piece furrowed out by Dalon. He's been fussing over a week waiting for the Haskell boy to rotor and Dalon to furrow.</p>
<p>June 1, Thursday</p>	<p>Welcome beautiful calm June morning. Air westerly. Temp. 40°. Up at 5:15 and up to Fay's to start gas refrigerator. Nan worked with girls at Bowditch's. Mr. Bailey is supposed to arrive this A.M. Arrived P.M. boat. Before 8:00 I started cutting potatoes. Cut 4 pails Early Rose, worked fertilizer into more rows, dropped and covered the 4 pails, cut 3 more pails of Early Rose and 1 of Norgold Russet, dropped and covered those. Had 7 full rows and 2 half rows Early Rose and 2 1/2 rows Norgold Russet. More Russets tomorrow. Cut another 1 1/2 pails Russets (potato eye potatoes) and a pail of Snowflake White (potato eye) before 5:00 P.M. Then over to help R.M. put his storm doors under house. They were supposed to have gone this morning but decided to go tomorrow morning instead. About 1:15 when I was dropping my 2<sup>nd</sup> lot of potatoes Frank S. drove in with Luther Glidden. Visited with them 3/4 hr. or so. Mr. Bailey stopped to pick up keys on way through dooryard.</p>
<p>June 2, Friday</p>	<p>The Cobbs arrived. R.M.s left. Boy, is this a beautiful Grumpy morning. Calm as a kitty's ear and sunny. 44°. Another full one. Nan worked with girls. I put cultivator onto hand cultivator and cultivated the 5 rows of Norland Red potatoes on house garden and the 6 rows on below power house piece. Worked the fertilizer into rest of dump piece rows, dropped the rest of Norgold Russet seed, 6 rows, and finished out the piece, 4 short rows next to bank with Snowflake White. (Both from potato-eye seed. Worked up more ground on shop piece with roto. Just getting ready to furrow when rotor shaft pin sheared off 2 lost out [?]. Made 4 furrows by hand and planted rest of cut Snowflake seed. Up to Elliott Brown's and plowed his garden. Took rotor to garage and had new bolt put in shaft. Home, plowed rest of shop piece and about half of piece above power house (greensward). Nan had flat tire on Chevelle (right rear) on way home by Emery's. Over and put on a snow tire. Rained hard during same and after. Suppered. Cleaned up and uptown to do two washes. Alta not home so we visited with the Ames. Home about 10:30. Mr. Cobb called a moment this A.M. while I was cultivating. Nan worked at Bowditch's.</p>

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<p>June 3, Saturday</p>	<p>Another Grumpy morning. Couldn't be prettier. Saw first apple blossoms. Wild pear and wild cherry now in full bloom. Temp. 50°. Another beautiful day and another full one. Nan home worked, cooked and washed, and then worked over to R.M.'s a while. I cut the rest of Snowflake potatoes, a 14 qt. pail full, rotored and furrowed 8 more rows on shop piece, dropped and covered the seed. Had seven rows. Side dressed these rows after covering. Last 22 hills on shop end of last row just small whole potatoes - Snowflake. What will I get as a crop? Lunched. Rotor-furrowed 12 more rows in OP piece, fertilized, dropped seed and covered 13 rows and rest of Earliking row with Butter and Sugar Hyd corn (mixed yellow and white) 78 days. Greater Progress peas planted May 20<sup>th</sup> just breaking ground. Mowed Fay's lawn. Nan mowed ours. Rested. Suppered. Made ready to have Mr. Bailey down to supper, but when he hadn't shown at 6:20 I went up and he was eating his own. Had completely forgotten the invitation. Well, he missed a nice supper of baked beans, hot dogs, and hot biscuits. Took R.M.'s washes up to Lincoln's after stopping at Fuller Cemetery on way to look it over. Looks pretty good. Visited till 10:30 with the Lincolns. Saw our first apple blooms of season above Bertha Joyce's. Ernie Boy down this P.M. to see if I'd harrow for him.</p>
<p>June 4, Sunday</p>	<p>Almost a Grumpy morning, not quite. Some high cloudiness, air SW. Temp. 52°. A beautiful day but wind breezed up strong SW Up at 5:45. Out and hoed my row of lettuce, beets and parsnips and my first 5 rows of peas before breakfast. Also pumped. Cleaned up and went to church. Baccalaureate Service. About 100 there. On parking lot a little while, then home. Planted Nan's glads on her sweet pea garden and above shop where I had the Bank's Road wood piled. The Overmans called in dooryard a half hour or so. Nan over to water Mrs. M's garden later; I finished plowing the new piece above power house and then plowed the long well piece. Plenty soft on lower edge. Through about 6:00. Had intended to go up to call on Don and Cynthia this evening but Mark Bailey came in to call and stayed until after 8:00. He arrived on P.M. boat with his friend Fred and Fred's girlfriend. They're planning to put a hot water heater in Uncle Will's house. To bed after watching Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers Shows.</p>
<p>June 5, Monday</p>	<p>Another Grumpy morning. Temp. 44°. Looks like a beauty coming up. Up at 5:15. Ready to start for Ernie Boy's before 6:00. Up there at 6:00. Harrowed his garden. Home 6:45. Breakfasted and washed dishes. Nan worked with girls at Bigelow's. Harrowed over 2 hrs. on Hog Pen piece. chopping up the old corn stalks and discouraging the weeds and witch grass. Fertilized and planted the last 7 rows on house garden - 2 rows Greater Progress Peas, 2 half rows Genderetto Green beans, a half row Kinghorn Yellow Wax, a half row Another yellow, Bib Lettuce, Beets, Spinach, Swiss Chard, Carrots, Onions, French Horticultural Beans, Romaine, Pole Beans and Princess Cucumbers. Rotor furrowed rest of OP piece, 12 rows, fertilized them, dropped the corn and covered 13 rows of Butter and Sugar Hyd. Finished at 5:45. Nan watered Mrs. R.M.'s garden after work. Just finishing supper when Marion Hopkins came in with 4 of the 7 new pups their dog had a month ago. Cunning but not for us. Wouldn't Old Swipes be pleased if we had another dog.</p>

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<p>June 6, Tuesday</p>	<p>Still another Grumpy morning. Beautiful. 48°. Our Red Astracou tree just starting to bloom. Our Cortland is going to rest this year. Has been a nice day. Pumped first thing. Nan worked with girls at Bigelow's. I washed dishes, then started rotoring edges of long well piece getting corners and edges I couldn't get with tractor plow as I rolled down hill this spring. Harrowed the piece with tractor harrows, roto-furrowed it. Had 10 full length rows instead of the 11 last yr. Should be better wider spaced. 7 shorter rows on western corner. Fertilized all - 3 1/2 bags 8-16-16, worked it in, planted western half including shorter rows to "Wonderful" Hyd yellow corn. A little over a lb. Covered with hand plow. Finished 4:45. Suppered and up to B. Joyce's at 6:30. Nan had her hair set and Bertha cut mine. Home by way of village. Didn't stop anywhere. To bed weary.</p>
<p>June 7, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice morning but wind already breezing up SW. Temp 50°. Blew very hard all P.M. Nan worked with girls at Cardoza's. I finished planting long well piece after hilling up my early potatoes on house piece and below power house. Planted eastern half long well piece to Spring Gold Hyd Corn. Re-rotored triangle part of blew power house piece. Made 11 rows, three with roto, 8 by hand, fertilized them, worked in seven and planted 7. 30 to Fordhook Wonder peas, using Freezonian to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> row, 2 rows Royalty Purple Pod Beans and 2 rows Wade Green beans. Harrowed lower part shop piece and greensward piece above power house. Over to R.M.'s with Nan. She watered gardens, I pumped out Papoose. Plenty of wind getting out there in his little fiberglass tender. Up to bailey to lobster supper. Mr. Bailey, Mark, Fred and Becky, his fiancée. Had a nice time. Mark and Fred are putting in a hot water heater.</p>
<p>June 8, Thursday</p>	<p>Rained some during night. Very overcast and heavy this morning. Almost calm. 52°. Ern blew in about 8:00 instead of coming at noon time to help pick rocks. Too wet to work around gardens so we sailed the Papoose to Brown's to gas her up. Home at 9:00. had dried off some, so we put up fence on the 3 rows peas I planted yesterday, and Nan's sweet pea fence. Then picked the rocks off the shop piece and started on long well piece. Ern had to be home at noontime to see Colon, so while he was gone I put scoop onto tractor and picked up the rocks along edge of road that I'd tossed out of dump piece. Ern back about one. We finished picking well piece and shifted up onto OP piece. Corn, peas and beans coming up fast now. Got picked about 2/3 the way across last fall's plowing. Plenty of rocks on that section. Ern left about 4:00 and I kept on another half hour or so. Rested a little while, suppered and rested. Both too weary to go to graduation program and dance. We truly are growing old. Called Mercedes on phone. Her cold is better. Played a couple games of Scrabble and to bed. Ern helped me pick rocks 6 hrs.</p>

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<p>June 9, Friday</p>	<p>Rained during night. Quite foggy this morning. Started bell about 5:00. Air NE. Temp. 50°. Rained part of forenoon, clearing this P.M. Nan worked with girls at Pratt's. I pumped this morning and pitched over manure in ground mow. Had to make two pumpings as the Bailey shad about emptied the cistern. Burned my empty fertilizer bags on triangle piece while it was wet. Pulled, cleaned, cut and packaged 6 qts. Valentine rhubarb to freeze. Ernie Boy blew in at lunch time and we finished picking rocks on OP piece at 3:00. Shaved, cleaned up and over to Pratt's at 3:45. Nan showed me through house. Beautiful floors just redone, and new wallpaper. Milton gave me a second hand metal sink. Downtown to get tractor gas and see boat come. Home. Mowed some on lawn. Suppered. Finished filling cistern. Thinned out lettuce row. Has been a beautiful evening. Quite a shock in today's mail - a bill from Dr. Morse of \$411.00 more than what the federal health insurance covered. Insurance allowed \$245.00. It'll take some corn to pay for that. Close to 550 doz. more than I'll sell this year. Ern helped me pick rocks 2 hrs.</p>
<p>June 10, Saturday</p>	<p>Not such a pretty morning. Wind is SW 10 mi or so now at 6:00 A.M. and feels cold although the thermometer is 54°. Some cloudiness. A beautiful day and the warmest thus far. Had hardly finished breakfast when Elliott Brown blew in to see if I'd harrow his garden. Stayed an hr. or more. As soon as he left I planted a row of Jersey Wakefield cabbage seed on below power house piece. Then went to work at Mrs. Fay's. Mowed all her lawn, and trimmed around house, shed, spruce trees, and garden. Took till after 12:00. Lunched, then up to Elliott Brown's to harrow. Took less than an hour. Nan worked over to R.M.'s a couple hrs. this P.M. Home from Elliott's and harrowed piece above power house again. Re-trimmed 3 spruce rails and repaired Mrs. Fay's rail fence. Had a little shower while doing same. Uptown to see boat come. People arriving every day now. Home. Out to Cobb's at 6:00. Had a nice visit. Home, suppered, and tried to watch Lawrence Welk but guess we both slept through some of it. To bed weary.</p>
<p>June 11, Sunday</p>	<p>A truly North Haven June morning. A Grumpy morning in fact. Very beautiful and warm already. 55°. Had been a wonderful day. Didn't play fair, didn't go to church. Planted a row of beans in Mrs. Fay's garden and hoed between her pea rows before breakfast. Cultivated peas and potatoes with hand cultivator on house garden after breakfast. Then Nan and I mowed the whole of our lawn. At 10:30 over to R.M.'s Nan watered gardens and I started Papoose and brought it in to float. Home and rested a couple hrs. in hammocks. Lunched, put up lunch, and ready to go on sail when the Beveridges arrived by invite at 3:00. Up to Bald Island and went ashore there. Place covered with eider duck and gull nests. Then up to Eagle Island. Anchored in the Owen Quinn Cove. Walked up across island to call on Marion Howard. Island growing up terribly like North Haven. Back to boat and had supper aboard. Then home through Calderwood's and Shaw's and back of Stimpson's. 8:00 P.M. Had a very enjoyable day. Saw a couple mamma ducks towing their little ones back of Calderwood's.</p>

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<p>June 12, Monday</p>	<p>Thunder shower early and rain. Calm now but no sun. 50°. Has been a chilly one with easterly wind, and a shower at noontime. Nan worked at Penn Hallowell's. I did dishes, then went to work outside. Evidently the shower this morning blew fuses for we had no lights until noontime. Rotored rest of shop piece, picked rocks, furrowed it, had 10 rows, fertilized it, worked it in and planted it to Sugar and Gold hyd. two color corn - 57 days. Started rotoring piece above power house. Shower at noon time knocked me off. Lunched, rested, then back to work. finished rotoring, picked rocks, furrowed, fertilized, worked it in and picked rocks again. Ready to plant tomorrow morning. Nan worked at Mrs. Fay's after coming home. Mrs. F. supposed to arrived with Arthur tomorrow morning. Suppered on ride later. Got eggs at the Beveridges, Lloyd and Louise Crockett there. Didn't see them. First time Louise has been back since they left the island. Kept on around to dump, then on downtown and home.</p>
<p>June 13, Tuesday</p>	<p>A hazy morning, looks thick in eastern bay. Air NE. Temp 50°. Has been a beautiful day. Nan worked with girls at Saltonstall's. I planted the powerhouse piece to corn. 7 rows to Sugar and Gold and 3 rows to Butter and Sugar. Also dropped Young's pumpkin seed in outside rows. Started plowing hog pen piece about 9:30. Started on shore side. Plowed over half before I cleaned up to go to Rockland on 11:00 P.M. boat. Had several errands to do. Went to bank to transfer money to check account to pay Dr. Morse, to Sav-Mor Market to buy some groceries, and other errands. Home at 5:00. Only Susie Wooster and I as walking passengers. Two cars. Mrs. Fay and Arthur visited us a few minutes. Both looking well. Suppered. Plowed a half hour or so on hog pen piece. Got too chilly to be comfortable. Played a game of Scrabble and to bed weary.</p>
<p>June 14, Wednesday</p>	<p>A quite nice morning. Air SW. Temp 48°. A very disagreeable day with raw SW wind and cloudy. Nan worked with girls at Saltonstall's. I pumped and inspected OP piece with grass really getting ahead of me, coming faster than the corn. Finished plowing hog pie piece. About 3/4 hr. Spent rest of A.M. and most of P.M. rotor cultivating OP piece. Got clear across fall plowed part. Corn not advanced enough to be good and quite skimpy. Ern blew in after lunch to help me pick rocks on dump piece but I wanted to work on OP piece so had Ern hoe the two half rows of peas on OP piece while I finished rotoring. Then he and I worked through the 2 half rows beans and 2 half rows corn. Finished about 4:30. Invited up to Mrs. Fay's at 6:00. Had a nice hour. Home, suppered, and rested.</p>
<p>June 15, Thursday</p>	<p>Looks like another raw chilly day. Wind SW most 15 mi. now at 6:30. Temp. 50°. Quite overcast. Has been a good working day but almost showered during A.M. Over to Abbie's first thing to turn up heat, pick up D-Con boxes etc. Abbie and Eleanor supposed to arrive on P.M. boat. Home and spent all of A.M. chopping with grass of OP piece. Got clear across the spring plowed part. Corn just beginning to come up. Lunched. Hilled up for second time the potatoes on house piece, also the potatoes on below power house piece and then upper 5 rows on shop piece first time. Spent rest of P.M. maybe 1 1/2 hrs. rotoring road side of hog pen piece. Left off about 5:00 shortly after Nan got home. Cleaned up and had the Fay's and CK Cobbs in at 6:00. Had a very nice hour. Then suppered and rested and to bed. Looks foggy tonight so turned on bell. Had our first mess of lettuce out of our garden tonight at supper. Abbie and Eleanor arrived last boat.</p>

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<p>June 16, Friday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog but promises to be hot and dry. 64° at 6:15. The hottest day of year so far. H.S.B. called this morning to see if I had any leftover corn seed. Came for it and visited about an hour. Had a nice time looking gardens over. After he left I harrowed enough with double harrows on hog pen piece to give me about 20 rows. Made 16 with rotor tiller. In to lunch about 1:00. After lunch spread 4 bags 8-16-16 in the 16 rows and worked it in with hand plow. Over to pump out Papoose while Nan watered Mrs. M.'s flower gardens. Home, suppered and rested some. Mrs. Fay and Arthur left on noon boat. House empty now till first of July. Her garden not coming good at all. Looks like small stuff would be a total pooch.</p>
<p>June 17, Saturday</p>	<p>A Grumpy morning. Hazy like a hot one coming. Calm. 65°. Overcast most of A.M. with occasional sprinkles. Nice this P.M. To work on hog pen piece at 8:00. Dropped and covered 16 rows corn, side nearest road, then made two more furrows with hand plow, fertilized them, dropped seed and covered. Finished about 1:00 P.M. Had 10 rows Spring Gold Hyd. 67 days nearest road and the 8 rows Buttery and Sugar Hyd - 78 days. Don't expect to plan rest of piece. Getting too late in season. Over to Tumbledown to meet Mike B. when he came to move Abbie's piano. Pat sent my Father's Day present up by him - a beautifully frosted cake showing a scarecrow man in a corn field - very good. Also a plate of fudge. Hand furrowed rest of triangle piece with hand cultivator. Weeded Nan's sweet peas and some of her tulips. Cleaned up and met Nan in Turner's Woods. Back up to see boat come and shop. Home, rested and to Alumni Banquet at Grange Hall. Held upstairs. Only about 60 present. Had a nice supper, turkey and fixings. Nellie Robinson only other member of my class present. Mr. Wendall - high school principal spoke. Had a nice time. Gave Alta and Sheila a ride home, also the David Coopers. David to be present again this year. Frances Raymond vice-president.</p>
<p>June 18, Sunday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog all night. GR Light not going when we came home last night, and bell wouldn't start for us. Reported it to CG Base. Bell started about 5:45 this morning. Calm. Temp. 60. Considerable thunder and rain during night. Has been calm but overcast all day with occasional sprinkles. Spent A.M. getting ready for the Bunkers' arrival at 10:30. Nan made sandwiches etc. and I brought Papoose into float, etc. Took Pat, Mike and children up around Bald Island to see ducks and back through Calderwood's and Shaw's and back of Stimpson's. A very ugly smell going today even though it was calm. Had our lunch aboard boat after we tied back up at R.M.'s float. The B.'s had to go home at 2:00. It's hard to tell but I guess they enjoyed the sail. Three small children are too many to watch board boat. Uptown after they left to get our lobsters of Austin which we were supposed to get this morning but Austin went out to haul. Cooked them out back. Over to Abbie's and Eleanor's at 5:30. Then invited them over to have a lobster supper with us. Later watched the Smothers Brothers Show. This is Eleanor's birthday.</p>

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<p>June 19, Monday</p>	<p>A very cloudy overcast morning. Air northerly. Chilly. 56°. Overcast most of day, wind chilly off water in P.M. Washed dishes from last night and this morning. Then wheeled manure from ground mow to plant pumpkins and squashes on. Planted 8 hills Butternut Squash in dead furrow on eastern edge of OP piece, 8 hills of Young's Beauty pumpkin on eastern edge shop piece. 3 rows in peak of triangle piece to Table Queen Acorn Squash, 3<sup>rd</sup> row east of peak to Eat All Squash, and on part of a row further east a package to Burpee's Cucumber. Then mowed all of Mrs. Fay's lawn, and all of ours except back of house. Finished just before 2:00. Lunched. Sharpened and planted 16 poles for my Roman pole beans. The damned cut worms are chewing my beans off right at ground level. Nan right over to R.M.'s to work from work. I hoed 5 rows first planting corn on OP piece. Had just finished supper when Sheila, Bucky and Baby came to get a jug of water and potatoes. Run over two new boxes of slides through projector later. They came today. Most of them pretty good.</p>
<p>June 20, Tuesday</p>	<p>Another cool fall morning. 52°. Air NE. Very overcast. Started mizzling about 1:00 and rained all PM and evening. I started the Fay's hot water heater this morning, did some other chores, then uptown in Jeep about 9:30 to get groceries, and do some other errands. Saw boat come - Charlie Beveridge arrived - also the Garry Nortons - came home by way of H.S.B.'s. Got a couple boxes eating potatoes; stopped at Mary Jane's to see if he was okay. Home about 11:30. Lunched and looked at mail. About 1:00 it started mizzling, changed to rain, and rained all P.M. and evening, and I think all night. Didn't accomplish much this P.M. other than getting a full woodbox and warming the house up in good shape. A very disagreeable cold day. Nan over to R.M.'s an hour after she came home. Mrs. Bailey, Samantha, Mrs. Garfield, Abe and the two girls arrived on first P.M. boat. Up to call on them a few minutes after supper. Fred's girl - Becky, sent us some Aunt Mary's corn seed by Samantha. Supposed to be a super white eating corn.</p>
<p>June 21, Wednesday</p>	<p>Very, very wet. Wind still ENE on thereabouts 20 to 25 now at 6:15 and rained a short time ago. Temp. 50°. Rained some this A.M. G. Thornton called tonight to say we'd had about 2 1/2 inches rain since yesterday noon. 5 or 6 inches around Portland. Water standing on my garden between the rows. Except all my last plantings will rot. Shall have to plant Mrs. Fay's over if it dries out. Did dishwashing and other chores. Sprouted the two boxes potatoes I brought home yesterday, then up to H.S.B.'s and sprouted all that's left. Brought home 2 more boxes. Must try to sell. Have maybe 5 more bu. Home about 1:00. Read mail and lunched. Accomplished nothing this P.M. Over to R.M.'s with Nan as soon as she came home, and helped her make 4 beds. Back only a little while when Ruth Beveridge blew in. Visited nearly an hour. Have been here since Saturday. Lyford still laid up with his bad back. Suppered. Too ride around island and part way to Crabtree's Point. Wet, disagreeable and foggy. Used wipers part of time. Nan worked with girls at Barnes.</p>

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<p>June 22, Thursday</p>	<p>Foggy and very wet. Could rain easily again. Calm. Temp. 52°. The 5 rows Norland Early potatoes on house garden nearly touching between rows. Beautiful. 6 rows across road not nearly as advanced. Planted same day too. Another miserable, wet, disagreeable partly foggy day, also chilly this P.M. Dishwashed and chored. Pumped and while pumping weighed up a bu. potatoes for Jennie Beverage, a half bu. for Milton Ames, and had a peck and a half of culls for Alta. Cleaned out the Jeep, fertilizer bags etc. and delivered the potatoes before lunch. Saw Helen Baird at Alta's. Treated to a piece of squash pie. Home, ground scythe, mowed around edges of house garden, garden below powerhouse, around Nan's sweet pea garden and along edge of road by pin oak. Cleaned it up and loaded it into Jeep. Garnet and Clara called just as Nan got home. Visited nearly a half hour. Nan over to R.M.'s a hour. I took grass up to Jimmie Brown. Cleaned up and up to the Baileys and Garfields at 6:00 to a clam and lobster supper. Home about 9:00. Supper was very enjoyable.</p>
<p>June 23, Friday</p>	<p>Still wet and still foggy. Wind out SW instead of NE and east for a change. Occasional sprinkles on windows. Temp. 54°. Has been a miserable wet day. Rained very hard most of P.M. Water standing right on gardens. Dishwashed and made a bowl of Buffie Rhubarb sauce. Wrote a letter to Samuel Beverage - more family information. Took the Garfields and Baileys down to Joe Amesbury place in Jeep. Mrs. G. wanted to look at it as it's for sale. Man oh man, how the place is growing up. From there to Rockfellow's so they could talk with Don W. He says the Amesbury sisters are asking \$20,000. Home lunched. Didn't accomplish much this P.M. as it rained very hard at times. Did pump, inspect gardens without walking on them, and walked over to pasture spring. While there I took off southern window shutter and put on screening. The way my pasture is growing up makes me want to cry. Will have to get my rotary going. Mrs. M. and Greta arrived on late P.M. boat. Over to help them unload station wagon. She brought Nan a flat of lettuce to set out. Home, suppered and played a couple games Scrabble. Nan worked with girls at Crocker's.</p>
<p>June 24, Saturday</p>	<p>Still very foggy, and must have rained more during night. Calm. Temp. 52°. Will have to have some hoeing weather soon or witch grass and weeds will be higher than plants. Fog finally burned out and sun shone some. A busy day but not much accomplished. Dishwashed and other chores. Handscythed across ends and bank side of dump piece, and between shop and shop piece. Then uptown to get work gas and to do 2 loads wash at Alta's. Saw first boat come with cars, bus, etc. for the King and Queen of Thailand who arrive at Watson's today. Home, hung out wash. Cleaned up mowings, loaded Jeep and up to Jimmie Brown's in time to see 1 of two planes land at Watson's. A long line of sightseers there. Home, took Papoose up to Browns' to gas up. We used 15 gal. gas on our two Sunday excursions - \$5.15. Home 3:34 to find Nan already home. Lunched a little and rested a short time. Cleaned up and over to Abbie's and Eleanor's to beef stew supper. Very good. Started to come in foggy again so I came home to start bell, but no start. Something wrong evidently with our control system. Reported to Coast Guard. Back over to Abbie's. Home about 8:00.</p>

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<p>June 25, Sunday</p>	<p>Strange - bell started about 5:00 A.M. and control system is working. Some fog around this morning. Sun came up around re ball like the moon. Wind SW. Temp. 60°. Stayed foggy all day and wind breezed up SW Pumped first thing this morning. That hot water heater at Fay's sure makes a difference in the amount of water being used. Didn't get to church as housework had built up on Nan so. Breakfasted and helped wash dishes. Then while Nan was cooking, doing a couple washes here, etc. I hoed corn on upper side of OP piece. Not a chance to do a thing in gardens since last Monday. Witch grass and weeds are going to get ahead of me. Got 2 1/2 rows done. R.M. supposed to arrive in Cygnet II but turned back into Boothbay Harbor so much fog. Uptown about 2:00 to send a package of lettuce and ham down to Pat and a pair of sneakers to Little Mike. Visited with Bill H. on parking lot and he treated us to ice cream at Williams. Home after boat left. Suppered. Up to call on Lyford and Ruth Beveridge after. Had a nice visit. Home and to bed at 10:00.</p>
<p>June 26, Monday</p>	<p>Up at 5:00 to a clear sky and no fog. Turned off bell. Up to stay at 5:30. Air WSW. Temp 60. Still a lot of high cloudiness, but should be a good day. Became a beautiful day and a very busy one. Washed dishes, etc. then over to R.M.'s to put large tender on Cygnet II mooring - they arrived at 10:30 this A.M. Home, set our Nan's Mrs. M.'s lettuce along new rhubarb planting - 24 plants, worked about 2 hours on Mrs. Fay's garden. Hand cultivated all of it, replanted beans, lettuce and skips in pea rows, also peas under sweet pea fence. Only 2 sweet pea plants showing. Beets, onions and carrots appear to be coming a little. Hand cultivated the potatoes on shop piece. Ready to be hilled now. Buds on some of the early white. Hoed 2 rows corn on OP piece. Just having lunch at 1:30 when Jimmie Brown blew in to see if I'd mow Watson's landing strip between now and 8:00 A.M. tomorrow morning. Had to get mower out of Mrs. Pease's barn. Connected up and up there to Watson's to start mowing at 2:55. Finished at 6:05 with two halts for planes landing. Home, suppered. Nan had mowed part of our lawn after coming home. June and Bill Hopkins down this evening. Borrowed mother's old couch out of shop that we used when we first came down here. Mrs. M. out a few minutes with Scooter and George Mooney while the Hopkins here. Mowing Watson's airstrip 4 hours \$24.00. First peas starting to bloom. Nan worked with girls at Cheston's.</p>
<p>June 27, Tuesday</p>	<p>Nan worked with girls at Cheston's after working over to R.M.'s this A.M. A beautiful Grumpy morning. Calm as a kitty's ear. A fine chance for the King &amp; Queen to take off. Has been one of the best. Helped house chore, then went to hoeing on OP corn. After doing six rows or so I decided that rotoring between the rows might help some, used the rotor on the rest and what a difference loosing the dirt made about hoeing. Finished the fall plowed part about 5:30. Nan was mowing the rest of lawn when I came down from field. Cooked us a rump steak out back and suppered out there. Arthur and Emma called on us this evening. They arrived last Friday and moved up to farm today. Held up on account of septic tank not being in. What a beautiful day this has been, and already the days are beginning to shorten and the sun has started its journey south. Right now it's far enough north back of Burnt Island to shine into the kitchen through our bedroom window.</p>

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<p>June 28, Wednesday</p>	<p>Nan worked with girls at Cheston's after working over to R.M.'s. Another beautiful Grumpy one. Hard to tell which side is up. Temp. 54°. Has been a lovely one and a full one. Mowed at end of house garden where I park my equipment before breakfast. Helped house chore, pumped while cleaning up the grass. Took it to Jimmie B's. Up to Mrs. Pease's on way home to get mower blockings. Took mower off, put on harrows and harrowed shore side of hog pen piece. plenty wet. Roto-cultivated all the dump piece, took from 10:00 till after 1:00. Ern came about 12:30. Picked rocks while I rotoed. Lunched. Shifted to upper side of OP piece. Picked 4 wheelbarrow loads rocks, roto-cultivated the six outside rows and then hoed the 2 half rows of peas and the 2 half rows beans. After Ern went home I made 8 furrows with hand furrower where I harrowed this morning, fertilized them, and worked it into 3 before supper. Making these to plant Aunt Mary's corn on that Becky, Mark's friend Fred's girl friend sent me to try. Probably won't have season enough to mature, but must try it. Nan finished mowing our lawn after work. Up to B.J.'s after supper to get her hair set. A full day. Ern helped me 4 hours.</p>
<p>June 29, Thursday</p>	<p>Another Grumpy morning. Nan worked with girls at Crocker's after working at R.M.'s. Beautiful but cool, 48°. Air takes smoke from NE Aired up some off water but stayed nice. Up at 5:30 and worked on hog pen piece before breakfast. Worked in the other 5 rows of fertilizer, dropped the seed and covered the eight rows, 7 to Aunt Mary's white corn and 1 to Mason's Golden Midget. As soon as breakfast, gassed tractor up to Mrs. Pease's to get rotary mower and at Mullen's Park at 9:00. Rotoed around old Stone house area, the Mullen Orchard, around Mullen barn area, out eastern end by pulp sluice, and then down above north beach among white birches. Took 6 3/4 hours. Frank mowed with regular mowing machine. Home at 4:00. Had coffee, took rotary off tractor, gathered beet greens for supper. rested, suppered and went on ride through Mullen Park to show Nan what we'd done, downtown and home weary. First beet greens of season. Delicious.</p>
<p>June 30, Friday</p>	<p>Nan worked at R.M.'s this A.M. and helped the girls at Crocker's this evening. No Grumpy morning this. Cold, wind ENE. Fog coming in. Started the bell at 5:40. Temp. 48°. Foggy and almost drizzled this A.M. Cloudy and raw this P.M. raining some from 4:30 into evening. Helped house chore. Nan over to R.M.'s. I hilled up potatoes on shop piece with hand plow, the peas on house piece and the second planting of potatoes on below power house piece. Put furrower on hand cultivator and run it through some potatoes. They should about take care of themselves now. Cleaned up and to Rockland with Nan on 12:00 boat. Did some errands while she went to dentist. Pat over to dentist too so we saw she and Mike. I took taxi out to call on Ron Russell on West Meadow road, but just as I got to house he was being called back on duty by sheriff department, so rode back into town with him. Didn't get a chance to look his farm over but he told me he was in the process of selling out. Home on 4:30 boat. Ten cars aboard. Had a quick supper - 6:15 and back uptown so Nan could help girls settle the Crocker cottage. Invited with Milton. Girls worked till 10:00. Home to bed weary at 10:30. The worst spring cleaning houses yet. Carpenters or plumbers working at about every cottage. Farewell June.</p>

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<p>July 1, Saturday</p>	<p>Howdy, July, let's have some good growing weather, please. Almost cold, overcast morning. Wind SW. Almost foggy. Temp. 54°. Cool all day and foggy more or less. Nan worked over to R.M.'s and then helped then helped the girls at Crocker's this P.M. a while. I helped house chore; hoed our dahlias, pole beans and shell beans, then rotor-cultivated the long well piece. Quite a lot of skips in western half planted to "Wonderful" corn. Hilled up potatoes on dump piece with hand cultivator plow. Finished the last few rows after a late lunch. Mail didn't come till 1:30. Now a trip through the potatoes in a few days with the rotor furrows should take care of them nicely. Mowed our lawn at western end of house garden around machinery, then mowed all of Mrs. Fay's. Uptown at 4:45 to get work gas and oil. Home by way of H.S.B.'s to get box of potatoes. He's about as discouraged with his garden as I am with mine. A lot of his plantings haven't come good either. Suppered. Nan up to Beveridge's after supper to get eggs. To bed at 9:30 pretty weary. Winter is just around the corner - Sears Fall and Winter catalog arrived today.</p>
<p>July 2, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, here it is really thick-a-fog this first Sunday of July. Calm. Temp. 60°. Had a nice early walk in fog checking gardens etc. Breakfasted, cleaned up and to church at PH church. Plenty damp and cool for some folks with no heat there. Helped Albert B. with collection and communion. Home, lunched. Nan rested out back in hammock while I sharpened two mower knives. Suppered to help F. Sampson mow tomorrow. Uptown to see 4:20 boat leave. Mr. M.'s son left on it. Home. The Preston Lincolns and Preston's brother's and wife called. Took pictures of R.M.'s Cygnet II, had coffee and cake with us. Back uptown to Alta's to spend evening. The AW Beverages, FW Sampsons, and Robert Butmans there. Edna and Bob start back home tomorrow morning. Had a pleasant evening. Home at 11:00.</p>
<p>July 3, Monday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog and wet. Calm. Not much of a mowing morning. Temp. 62°. Believe me it hasn't dried up much today. Very damp all A.M. starting to really rain about 11:30 and poured for an hour and half or so. GT said it started raining about 10:00 at PH and made 3 inches. Put regular mower onto tractor, knife in, filed up etc all before breakfast this morning, ready to go help Frank Sampson do some mowing if weather clears, but didn't. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I rotor cultivated the spring plowed half of OP piece. Corn hasn't come good at all. Some is 4 inches high, some is just coming through ground, and some hasn't come at all. Took me from 8:00 to 11:30. Really started to rain just as I finished. Sharpened my third mower knife. Lunched. Cleaned up and up to Alta's about 1:30 to visit with Bertha Hodge Warren. She hasn't been here in years. Took her to 3 o'clock boat. Shopped. Visited with the Fishers on way home. They arrived last night. Home, suppered and was reading paper when they came in bringing my knife back that I left over there. Only stayed a half hour or so. After they departed we played a game of Scrabble and to bed. Still very foggy.</p>

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<p>July 4, Tuesday</p>	<p>"Hurrah for the 4<sup>th</sup>." Still very thick-a-fog Calm. 62°. Doesn't look like much of a day for a community picnic at Mullen's Park. Burned out to a beautiful day about 10:30. Out this morning before breakfast and mowed out back around fireplace and clothes-line. Breakfasted and helped housechore. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I picked rocks off power house piece, then rotor cultivated it. Finished 10:30. Nan home and hung out yesterday's wash. Up to Mullen's Head Park at 11:00 to Community Picnic. Had a good time. A beautiful day and a big crowd. At least 200 I'd guess. Watched the children play games in field in P.M. Uptown about 4:00 to try to get mail but PO was closed. Home and I rotor cultivated over half on OP piece of what I went through yesterday morning before rain drove me. Suppered on fresh salmon, carrots and potatoes. Dug one potato for fun, size of 3/4 inch hole. First blossoms showing today and first planting of corn on OP piece is knee high if knees aren't too high from ground. First peas only blossoming, also second planting. Uptown this evening to watch block dance on parking lot. Quite a crowd there. Margret - R.M.'s grandchildren's companion - came home with us and had coffee and ice cream. Met the Thorntons on way and rode to town and back with them from Tumbledown Farm. Has been a nice 4<sup>th</sup>.</p>
<p>July 5, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well, what do you know, starting raining again at 4:00 A.M. and has rained hard. Is beginning up now at 6:30 but air on water appears to be easterly. Several showers during A.M. Nan worked over to R.M.'s. I helped house chore. Cleaned up and swept up top of shop some. finished hand scything out back, around shanty and Bernice, between shop piece and Fay fence, from shop piece to Mrs. Fay's garden and ground Nan's gladioli bed above shop. Lunched. Ground scythe and up to Alta's at 3:00 to hand scythe for her and clean it up. Nan did a wash. Alta not home. Had coffee with Mrs. E. Ames. Uptown to shop and see boat come. Home by way of Jimmie Brown's to leave Jeep load of grass. Home, suppered and read our two days papers. To bed at 9:00 weary.</p>
<p>July 6, Thursday</p>	<p>Gracious, looks like it might be a nice day coming up now at 6:00 A.M. Calm and sunny but everything awful wet. Temp. 52°. Has been a nice day but very wet about mowing. Replanted the last planting of peas on house garden - 2 rows, the two rows of beans on house garden, and the 3 rows of wired peas on below powerhouse piece. Left home at 9:00 to go help F.S. mow. Started in Cheston's big field. At 11:30 one side of socket connection on pitman rod broke in two, and three sections on knife let go at same time. Came home in Green Brier, repaired knife - 3 new sections, to garage to get socket welded, Jimmie Dyer did it - back to Cheston's at 1:30. Helped finish mowing north side of road, then shifted to Rockyfellows. I mowed side hill while Frank mowed around driveway and below house. Then I swung in with him. finished at 3:50. Home, put new swatch board on mower, sharpened knife, suppered, then planted 2 1/2 rows Greater Progress peas on below power house garden and hilled up the 4 rows beans there. To bed weary as usual.</p>

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<p>July 7, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning but cool. 48° at 5:30. Heavy dew. Kind of smeary now at 6:30. A beautiful day and a full one. Nan worked over to R.M.'s, then helped Betty Brown clean at Geo. Lewis house. I left home just after 7:30. Down to Eunice Brown place and started mowing at 8:15. Frank arrived about 8:45. Finished at 11:00. Shifted to Dick Bloom's. I took half hour nooning. Finished there at 3:00. Swung up to A.W.B.'s on our way home and mowed the field on western side of his driveway. Home just after 4:00. Had part of lawn in front of house mowed when Nan came home after 5:00. They worked overtime tonight. Suppered. Cruised gardens after supper planning tomorrow's work. Must hill up potatoes on dump piece first thing. We were starting a second game of Scrabble when Alta and Julian Frost came. Visited with us until 10:00. Had better luck than yesterday - only break down was a broken section - put in other knife, and lost a guard. Had a spare with me. A branch on a cat spruce grabbed Frank's tractor wiring ruining rotor button and distributor cap while at Nichol's.</p>
<p>July 8, Saturday</p>	<p>Almost a Grumpy morning. Just a tiny air SW. Temp. 48°. If I get done what I must do today I'll really be busy. A beautiful day and real warm. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I helped house chore, then went right to work on triangle garden. Planted 1 1/2 rows Royalty Purple Beans, 1/2 row, a full one, and another half to Tendercrop Green Beans, and a half row to Eastern Butterwax. Also 2 short rows next to peak to Ruby Queen Beets. Clara Waterman in dooryard to see if I'd mow out Merryconeag for her before Monday. Hilled up Dump Piece potatoes with rotor and furrower. Coming good now. Hoed 4 rows corn on powerhouse piece before lunch. Ern came as I finished lunch. Rotor cultivated upper half of spring plowed part of OP piece and we hoed the whole of spring plowed parts. Finished at 4:30. Uptown to get gas, shop and see boat come. Home, read papers, and suppered. Had been resting a few minutes when Lawrence and Alice Grant dropped in. Had a nice visit with them. To bed weary at 10:00. Lots of skips on spring plowed part of OP piece. May plant beans in them.</p>
<p>July 9, Sunday</p>	<p>Pretty hazy like fog over water. Air SW. Cool 60°. Sun hidden now at 6:45. A dull day sprinkling at times. Foggy tonight. Shaved and bathed. Gathered my Buffie and Chipman rhubarb and prepared it for freezing. Nan took enough for a pie and I had 4 pie-sized freezer bags full. The rhubarb clump E. Beveridge gave me a while ago made 10 hills and nine of them appear to be coming good. Nan cooked and then uptown at 10:15 after Pat and children. I sharpened 2 mower knives. Nan dropped Pat off at big field to look for strawberries. After children came I made Loren a boat and we took the children down on Fay's beach to play. Pat walked home. Lunched. Took family uptown about 2:15. Home by way of NS. Saw plane take off at Watson's. Nan went strawberrying at Mrs. Pease's. I started hilling corn on long well piece with hand cultivator plow. Got short section done and two long rows when rain drove me. Nan came home. Had just started to relax when the Fishers brought us a mess of clams. They played a game of Scrabble with us. Nan out first but Mrs. F. had largest score. Over to their house to clam chowder supper. Later he projected my last two boxes of slides. Better through his projector than mine. Think mine may have picked up dust somehow. Home and to bed about 9:30. Very foggy.</p>

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<p>July 10, Monday</p>	<p>Still very foggy but looks clearing overhead. May make a good day. Must mow Mrs. Fay's lawn along with so many other things to be done at once. The hottest day so far and a busy one. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I helped housechore, then went right to work on gardens. Transplanted 9 tomato plants from house garden to triangle garden they came up from last year - cleaned up the hand scythed hay from a few days ago, putting it in the low places down back and below the shanty, then finished hilling the corn on long well piece with hand plow. lunched, mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn, put sharp knife into tractor mower, mowed out Merryconeag, then up to Mrs. Pease's and mowed her fenced-in area. Nan strawberried up there. I helped fill second container after mowing. Got nearly 1 1/2 qts. Home. Back out to Merryconeag to take down 3 spruces by porch. Invited out to C.K. Cobb's for social hour in orchard. Very nice. Got cooled off first time today. Home and suppered. Had new potatoes from garden tonight, larger than golfballs. The Browns came with Mrs. F.'s laundry. Visited a half hour. Just leaving when the F. Sampson stopped in dooryard with the A.W.B.'s to see about me helping him mow tomorrow.</p>
<p>July 11, Tuesday</p>	<p>A Grumpy morning. Faintest air NNE. 62° at 6:15. Looks like another hot home. A nice day but not as hot as yesterday. Up to Staples Farm to start mowing at 8:15. Had a good start on north side of road when Frank came. Finished south side field just after 2:00. Took the two of us 9 1/2 hours. South field very rough in places. Then down to mow what we could around Sans [?] Witherspoon's place. Could have done a more satisfactory job with a handscythe. Home about 4:00. Nan strawberrying at Mrs. Pease's, then visited with Eleanor a little while. After I came home I replaced the lifting linkage on mower with a shorter piece of chain so outer end of cutter bar would lift higher. Has bothered me awfully on a side hill when tractor tipped. Sharpened 2 mower knives. Helped pick over strawberries. Suppered. Up to call on the Thorntons this evening it being Clara's birthday. Took them a strawberry basket of new potatoes. Home and to bed before 10:00. A beautiful evening overhead.</p>
<p>July 12, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well, I'll be darned. Woke up at 4:00 to find it thick-a-fog Started bell. air NE or ENE and it freshening a little now at 6:05. Temp. 56°. Stayed foggy and rained some this A.M. and like old furyation while we were uptown this P.M. Help[ed] house chore this morning while Nan made my new elastic belt. Cruised the gardens before breakfast. Witch grass and vetch coming right in behind my hoeing on OP piece. Started mowing out mailbox corner but rain drove me. Worked in top of shop. Handled up a hammer etc. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. Lunched. Up to Mrs. Pease's to sweep up starling remains and feathers. 6 or seven had gotten in there somehow sometime. Uptown to get work gas and do errands. Saw 2:30 boat come. Eastern Yacht Club is in - fog bound. Almost a downpour for an hour or so. Home by way of dump to leave cultch from Mrs. Pease's. Finished mowing out mailbox corner before supper. More hay everywhere than for years and we with nothing to eat it. Suppered. over to Eleanor after to play 4 games cribbage. She won 2 and we each 1. Home at 9:30.</p>

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<p>July 13, Thursday</p>	<p>Still thick-a-fog. Can't see the barn. Calm 54°. Has stayed plenty wet all day. Pumped and hand scythed in front of barn and outside of gate before breakfast. Helped house chore. Took tractor wheel to town in Jeep to put aboard B&amp;R to ship to Payson's. Backed Chevelle aboard Enburg's ferry for Nan. Down to visit family today. I came home by way of H.S.B.'s to get some potatoes as I sent most of what I had home down to Pat along with the clams Mr. Fisher brought us over the other day. Home, hauled a load of grass from barn to Jimmie Brown - a few minutes at Watson's to see blacksmith - then a load to Jimmie from spite fence, and a second load from spite fence to Eliot Beveridge. Lunched at 2:00. Rotor-hilled all of fall plowed part of OP piece. Witch grass and vetch coming in bad. Finished 5:30. Nan just gotten home. String beans on OP piece blossoming. Played a game of Scrabble while resting. Suppered. Watched Shorty Thomas show. Read a little while and to bed weary. Still thick-a-fog</p>
<p>July 14, Friday</p>	<p>Ern helped me hoe OP piece. 3 hrs. Still thick-a-fog. Can just see Bull Rock Calm. Temp. 55°. Very wet all day. Ground scythe before breakfast. Helped house chore. Handscythed between shop piece and bank to let the sun in on pumpkins, then mowed clear around OP piece including the deep corner back of western side. Took most of A.M. Weeded row of cabbage on triangle piece. Lunched. Ern blew in. We hoed the whole of fall plowed part of OP piece that I run rotor through yesterday except beans and peas. finished just before 4:00. Helped Nan pick over the box of turnip greens that Ern brought down, then we went strawberrying in Tumbledown big field. Got nearly two qts. Considerable hay on that farm too! Home and suppered at 7:30. Finished a game of Scrabble and started another. To bed weary. Awake at 1:50 by telephone ringing - Crocker family trying to get a hold of Milton Ames or Toots Waterman - wrong number. Crocker had a broken water pipe and was being flooded out.</p>
<p>July 15, Saturday</p>	<p>Well, here it is really thick-a-fog. Can't even see the barn, but at least these days are giving me a chance to get some of those "must" things done. Maybe I can get at the Hog pen piece today. Calm. 55°. Another full day of fog with a shower about 4:30. Picked over last night's strawberries before breakfast. Nan up in time to help finish. Helped with dishes then went right t work on triangle piece. Fertilized and planted the last 5 rows - 2 to Greater Progress peas, 2 to Eastern Butterwax beans, and last row to Jerry Wakefield cabbage. Then worked clear across triangle piece from peak to potatoes with hoe clearing weeds - needed it badly. Lunched at 1:00 - lobster bodies from R.M.'s. Nan worked over there this A.M. As soon as lunch we cleaned the weeds out of Nan's gladioli and sweet pea bed - needed it badly. At 3:00 started on hog pen piece with rotor-cul. Place full of mustard. Nan gathered a box for greens and I had 6 rows cultivated at 4:30 when rain drove me. Piece very wet. Uptown by way of E. Beveridge's to get eggs. Saw last boat come. Gave greens to Don Witherspoon, Clara Waterman, F. Sampson and Fishers. Home, suppered an called on Mrs. Fay. She all alone - Matt out to supper and evening. Regret to say her memory is slipping badly.</p>

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<p>July 16, Sunday</p>	<p>Still foggy. Can just see the barn. Calm. Temp. 55°. Glass is rising, should have something to clear this mess out. Handscythed around powerhouse garden and along powerhouse ledge by Nan's pines before breakfast. Worked all A.M. in lower side of house garden among carrots, beets, spinach, onions, etc. Conquered it about 12:00 as shower started. Didn't go to church as Nan's cold or allergy not good Like a bad cold since she went strawberrying up to Mrs. Pease's. Rested a little while, lunched, and was just finishing when R.M. came in, restless as a bear - Mrs. M. laid up with sore throat. Sun started to come out, fog lifted, so he wanted to go out in Papoose. We went with him, played around in Little Thoroughfare, around Stimpson's, up into Stone's Cove and Kent's Cove. Home about 4:30. Changed back into work clothes, picked rocks off lower side of shop piece and started to rotor-cultivate it. Got through 5 rows when rain drove me again. Uptown to mail letter ordering hillers for Rotor-Cul from Wards and had hamburgers at Williams for supper. visited at the Fishers on way home. They have company - a Mr. and Mrs. Babbidge. Home at 9:30.</p>
<p>July 17, Monday</p>	<p>Not so thick - can just make out Bull Rock. What a spell. Looks like everything was going to rot with wetness. Potato tops have grown so tall they are like tree grown in a thicket. They're going to mash right down. Calm. Temp. 58°. Helped house chore. Started cultivating on shop piece where I left off last night when Frank S. called to go up to Pingrees to cabins to mow. Changed to rotor and up there at 9:00. He mowed sides of road and filled with regular mower. I mowed middle of road, down between cabins and small field with rotor. Down to Stan Quinn's old place. Jimmie Walker's at shortly after 11:00. Had to spend 3/4 hour or so cleaning up cultch before I could start rotoring. What a hell of a mess. Dumps, torn down buildings and what not. Finally finished at 3:00 after winding rotor up in wire, stalling engine and binding in gears. Mighty lucky not to have punctured tires. Home, finished cultivating shop piece corn and hilled it with hand plow. Rotor cultivated 4 or 5 more rows on hog pen piece. Piece plastered with mustard. Delicious greens. Had some for supper. The Fishers with company dropped in about 8:30 for an hour.</p>
<p>July 18, Tuesday</p>	<p>Not quite so thick. Can make out Aunt Sarah's little island now at 6:15 A.M. Calm and very wet. Temp. 60°. Fog hung around all day. Pumped before breakfast. Helped with dishes. Went right to work on hand scythed hay around gardens working it between rows of corn and along edges. On triangle piece put it around tomatoes and between pea rows. Cultivated powerhouse garden to corn, hoed the six un-hoed rows, then hilled them all with hand plow. Finished that job about 3:00 and shifted to Hog Pen piece. Hilled 4 rows there, then went to pulling weeds and mustard. Got through 2 rows by 6:00. Nan to Rockland this P.M. shopping. The Kellys are supposed to arrive tomorrow late P.M. boat. We were just finishing supper about 7:45 when Lyford and Ruth Beveridge arrived. Visited a couple hours. Enjoyed them.</p>
<p>July 19, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well, what do you know. It's foggy. Can just see Bull Rock but I'm betting it will burn out today. Calm. Temp. 58°. Did burn out some this P.M. Helped house chore. Nan up to see if Mary Jane could help me this A.M. I went right to work on hog pen piece. Hilled up with hand plow the rows I had cultivated then went to weeding. Ern came at 8:45. We worked steadily till after 12:00 to finish the weeding Lunched. Ern wheeled weeds off while I went right to rotor cultivating. Must have been a dozen or more loads of weeds. Never saw so much mustard. finished rotoring in time to go through long part of well piece corn single trip. Cleaned up and up to meet last boat. The Kellys arrived except Bobbie. Home, visited, suppered and visited.</p>

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<p>July 20, Thursday</p>	<p>Well, dog-gone, still very foggy. Didn't accomplish anything before breakfast. As soon as breakfast I went right to garage on tractor to have the new left Firestone Field and road tire and rim mounted at 2638 hours. Kelly went along in Jeep so we could bring the spare tire back to carriage houses. also had the larger drive sheave and new belt put on mower. Mowed round trip road to shore for Eleanor on our way home. The Stephen Ives dooryard called on us just before lunch. It was they who bought Calderwood's Island and she is Rev. John Crocker's daughter. Lunched and uptown to Franklin Gates at 1:15 to start mowing. Mowed about 2/3 of south side of farm to 4:30. Frank mowed on north side. Plenty damn soft in places. Would have gotten stuck no doubt if I'd had the old worn space on. Had to skip the corner west of tennis court. Home at 5:00. Cooked clams out back. Also had broiled chicken. Suppered and visited.</p>
<p>July 21, Friday</p>	<p>Believe it or not, it started raining about 3:00 A.M. even though we had a nice sunset last night. Already the sun is back beyond the pasture gap. foggy now at 6:15. Can just see outline of Stimpson's. Stayed foggy almost drizzling at times till mid-afternoon. Uptown as soon as breakfast in Kelly's Chevrolet Caprice with he and Gil to get 6 quarts oil. Home, changed oil and filter in tractor, 2641 hours, washed oil breathers, and air breather. Lunched. worked most of P.M. in Mrs. Fay's garden. Weeded it clear through and lugged weeds off. Tied peas up to wire with baler twine. Kelly helped me mow her lawn. Too wet and too tall but had to be done. Suppered. Dug two hills of my Early Red Norland Potato Eye potatoes for supper. Fourteen or so in the two hills largest nearly as big as a tennis ball. Just finished supper when June, Bill and Thomas dropped in for a half hour or so. Later we called on the Fishers so the Kellys could see their new fireplace, cupboards, etc. in new building. Home and to bed 10:30. Could see the moon through the fog one time this evening.</p>
<p>July 22, Saturday</p>	<p>The Kellys left this morning for N.Y. Well, here it is, thick again. Can just see Bull Rock. Calm. Temp 58°. Stayed foggy all day. Accomplished nothing before breakfast. Helped house chore after Kellys left for ferry. Pumped. Thinned out row of cabbage on triangle piece, and transplanted most a hundred in skips in cucumbers, squash, and in corn on western end of long well piece. Spent rest of A.M. hilling up with hand plow the part of Hog Pen corn that Ern and I weeded and cultivated Wednesday. Lunched, rested, then Handscythed last year's garden back of garage and around Nan's raspberry patch. They're beginning to ripen and there should be a lot if the coons leave them alone. Cleaned up and uptown to shop and see last boat come. Home and up to Mrs. Fay's at 6:00. Enjoyed an hour with she and Matt. Home and suppered. Read papers and watched Lawrence Welk. Bill from Payson Farm Mach. Inc for new tractor tire - \$75.35, calcium 4.00, air and water core, .75, tube patch .50, labor \$10.00 plus tax 3.20 - \$93.80 plus mower parts and tax \$39.32 - total \$133.12.</p>
<p>July 23, Sunday</p>	<p>Don't look now but it's still thicker than mud. Can just see Bull Rock outline. Calm. Temp. 60°. Stayed foggy all day. Cleaned up the grass I mowed yesterday P.M. and spread it on the garden back of garage. Cleaned up and went to church at Pulpit Harbor. 40 present. John Beverage spoke and sang. Did OK. Home. Nan broiled hot dogs on porch for lunch. Weeded my 3 rows wired peas and wee-hoed 3 rows long well piece corn. Uptown at 4:00 to see boat go. Home by way of Bartlett's Harbor. Black fog down there. Dug 2 hills of Snowflake white potatoes to try for supper. 18 in 2 hills but small. Only planted 6 weeks ago. Ate good. Had some of our frozen rump steak broiled on porch to with potatoes. Made out bill to Watson for mowing landing field - \$25.00 and took it up to Jimmie Brown's during evening. We visited about an hour. Home at 9:30.</p>

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<p>July 24, Monday</p>	<p>Gracious, still thick-a-fog. The 13<sup>th</sup> day since we've seen the sunrise and only seen it set a couple times. A breeze SW this morning. Temp. 60°. Cleared after a few sprinkles mid-forenoon to a nice day although fog hung around and came back in tonight. Up to Ern's as soon as breakfast to see if he could help me this A.M. Home, pumped, and started weed hoeing on long well piece. Ern came and we finished about 11:00. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. Was just going out to start on hog pen piece when Frank S. called to say he was starting at Loring's (Will Sampson farm) as soon as dinner. Lunched and up there at 12:30. He'd just struck out upper field. I struck out right in front of house to Ern's line and mowed that lower section. About 1:45 the chain lift on cutter bar broke and I had to go down to garage to get another piece of chain. Rilla came for me and I drove back in Green Brier. After finishing our junks we both mowed on small sections westerd of barn etc. Mowed till after 3:00. Home about 6:00. Suppered. Rested. Foggy again tonight.</p>
<p>July 25, Tuesday</p>	<p>Foggy some, can see Stimpson's through it. Wind SW. Rained some during night. Sure wet this morning. Temp. 62°. Rained like old furyation an hour or so this A.M. with thunder and lightning. Repaired and sharpened a mower knife before breakfast and filed guard points. Helped house chore. Jimmie and Joe Brown down to borrow my cyclone seeder. Had coffee with us. Worked in top of shop a while rearranging cultch so I could get at Uncle Will's old Edison Phonograph. Mrs. Cobb wants to see it. Picked a hat full of pears for lunch. First mess. Also beets for Harvard beets. Nan uptown to do two washes this P.M. I weeded through four rows corn on Hog Pen piece and started fifth one when fog out too wet. Garden all afloat anyway. Rested. Nan came home. We played a game of Scrabble. Suppered. Were just picking our raspberries when AW and Emma came. Visited until 9:30. We picked a quarter of berries. Just coming in good if coons leave them alone. New green peas and Norland Red potatoes for dinner.</p>
<p>July 26, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well, dog-gone. When I got up at 5:20 I could see Burnt Island plainly and the moon was shining brightly - first time in over 23 weeks. Now at 6:00 A.M. I can't even see Fay's house it's so thick, and the smoke from chimney drifts out across well corn piece. Oh dear, oh hum. also looks like it rained more during night. Calm. Temp. 58°. Cleared to a most beautiful day by 11:00. Pumped and picked a peck of peas before breakfast. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I went right to work on Hog Pen piece. Finished weeding it - 4 1/2 rows and mowed the blooming mustard on unplanted part of piece by hand. Had an early lunch and left here at 11:15 for Geselle's. There and ready to start mowing at 11:45. Frank arrived shortly after. I mowed barn field, helped Frank with orchard field, and then we both struck into big field. Finished it at 4:15. On my way home I mowed in front of and around Duffy's Camp - Dr. Hyle's. Home, suppered, picked a peck of peas after; should have picked more but too weary.</p>

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<p>July 27, Thursday</p>	<p>Believe it or not, we've got the start of a Grumpy morning. Saw the sunrise first time since the 11th. Calm. Temp. 56°. Has been a beautiful day all day. worked on mowing machine and sharpened a mower knife before breakfast. A heavy dew almost like rain. Picked a 12 quart pail of peas before starting for Geselle's at 9:30. Frank there ahead of me. We mowed the field beyond Geselle's house towards Morrow's and Frank mowed the boathouse road. Shifted out to main drag. I mowed the old Everett Beverage place while Frank was home to dinner and I was waiting for Nan to come with my lunch. Came at 12:30 and we ate at top of Kier's hill. Then helped Frank mow the first junk coming out from Morrow's towards Walker's. Hardest mowing piece I ever worked on Frank says it mows that way every year. Started for Bauer's at 2:00 (Bill Lobley's). Mowed there till 5:00. Made quite a start. Got all that part from barn towards shore. Home. Suppered. New peas, new potatoes, and fried chicken. Very good. Nan helped me pick another pail of peas after supper. Glad to say I'm not so completely body weary as last night.</p>
<p>July 28, Friday</p>	<p>Well, damn. Here it is thicker than mud again at 6:15. Can just see outline of Fay's house. Up at 2:00 and started bell. The Dickey Fays arrived last night on P.M. and are on Stimpson's. Nice to see a light over there. The air is south and temp. is 62°. A foggy day but a full one. Sharpened 2 mower knives and pumped before breakfast. Weighed up peas, dug potatoes, washed, weighed and bagged them after breakfast. Norland Red turning gout good while not real large, there is a goodly number under each hill. Put knife in mower, mowed 1 swath along side of road to barn and a place across road in front of barn so Fays could park their surplus cars. Supposed to be 5 there next week. Handscythed across bank end of hog pen piece and spread the hay on the unplanted part of piece over mustard. Also mowed the blooming mustard I didn't get a few day ago. Loaded the Jeep with hay by barn and took it to Jimmie Brown's after Nan came from R.M.'s. Home and loaded rest of mowing into Jeep. Small load. Lunched. Picked the 2 rows peas on OP piece - 2 12 quart pails. Dug 2 more clam rockers of potatoes and washed them. weighed and bagged peas and potatoes. Took second load of hay to JB's. To town with vegetables. Saw last boat come. Visited with Alta a few minutes when we took her some peas and new potato, also visited with the Ames a few minutes. Home and suppered.</p>
<p>July 29, Saturday</p>	<p>Still thick-a-fog but sun is trying to break through. Rained during night and there the tractor is setting out. Nan uptown with R.M. this A.M. in Papoose in fog. Forgot to put it in last night. You're slipping Calderwood. Temp. 58°. Calm. Burned out a little this P.M. but back in solid tonight. Went right to work on OP piece as soon as breakfast. Hilled the corn on spring plowed part with rotor cul, then the corn on power house piece. Picked 15 or so lbs. peas on house garden, and dug and washed some potatoes. Rotor cultivated the late plantings on triangle piece. About 12:00 decided to go over to the Oldroyds for night. Packed some potatoes, peas and lettuce for them. Pumped and some other chores. Took 3:00 boat. The young Oldroyds met us at dock. Got some hamburg to take out, Nan shopped and Jimmie took us to Owl's Head at 4:45. Had the hamburg, peas, potatoes and lettuce for supper. Mercedes invited Jimmie and Sada to stay. Then we'd just finished supper when Sheila came with two Gorham girlfriends. After an hour the girls left, Sheila stayed to wait for Bucky to come from Bangor at 8:30. Mercedes got him supper and they stayed to 9:45. Thus went our evening with the Oldroyds.</p>

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<p>July 30, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, it was thick-a-fog in Owl's Head too. Up at 6:45. Shaved, etc. Breakfasted with Mercedes about 7:30. Visited with her till 8:45 when Bill H. came to take us to boat. Solid thick all the way home. Home about 11:00. Had a light lunch. Rested a little while. Nan went to Vinalhaven to a musical concert at 2:00 and I worked in gardens. Hilled up with rotor-cul the corn on long well piece and 5 rows on Hog Pen piece. Nan home about 5:00. Had Swiss Chard and new potatoes for supper. Rode around north shore, downtown and home middle road after. Just home when Don and Cynthia blew in. Stayed till 10:30. The first time in weeks and weeks.</p>
<p>July 31, Monday</p>	<p>How about that? It's really thick at 5:45. Can't see Fay's house. Calm. Temp. 62°. Guess we're all going to mildew and rot. Bad about picking peas and beans will be ready in a few days. Dusted potato bugs before breakfast. Helped house chore. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I finished hilling corn on Hog Pen piece by using rotor-cul and then hand plow. Had just dug some potatoes and gathered beets for Ruth Beveridge when Frank came looking for me. Had an early lunch and up to Bill Lobley's at 12:45. I mowed 3 of the 4 small fields on south side of road and then helped Frank finish big field. At 4:00 we left for Jesse Brown's farm and at 6:15 we had the big field in front of house flat. Home and suppered. Nan had picked over a half bushel peas, dug potatoes, delivered orders, picked raspberries, and what not. Invited the Sampsons down at 9:00 to have fresh raspberries and cream. To bed after 10:00 Weary and saddle shore. Thunder shower while the Sampsons were here. 6 hours mowing for Frank Sampson at Bauers.</p>
<p>August 1, Tuesday</p>	<p>Heavy thunder shower this morning at 5:45. Plenty of lightning and very heavy rain. Now at 6:30 the fog is thick with air NE. 62° temp. Cleared some come noon and then another shower at late boat time with a downpour for a half hour or so. During the shower this morning the tallest Norway spruce between the parsonage and Preston Lincoln house was truck and sheared half its length. Sharpened a mower knife before breakfast while pumping. As soon as breakfast dug and washed enough more potatoes to make two boxes - weighed in at 97#. Took them to W. &amp; Co. in Jeep. Nan to town with cook in Landrover. Stayed to see first boat come. Luther Glidden came. Talked with him a minute. Home, finished sharpening mower knife. Pat and children up from VH from 11:30 to 2:00. Helped Nan pick her raspberries. Gave Pat the raspberries - likely 4 quarters - also probably 5# peas and a peck of small potatoes. After lunch I picked a 12 quarter pail of peas off OP peas. Sharpened another mower knife, repaired and sharpened a third one. Uptown in Jeep to see last boat come. Roads are plastered with tar now. Franklin sold all but a few lbs. of the potatoes today. Wants some more tomorrow. Home and suppered. How it did rain at boat time. Water standing on well piece corn.</p>

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<p>August 2, Wednesday</p>	<p>Well, what do you know. We had sunrise. Can see Stonington. About the first time in 3 weeks. Air almost N. Temp. 60°. A beautiful day all day. Dug 84# potatoes while pumping before breakfast. As soon as breakfast picked up and washed the potatoes. Took them to W &amp; Co. in Jeep and got work gas at Brown's. Home, changed from mower to rotor, and started for Crabtrees Point at 10:15. Took 3/4 hour to road to Lombard's. Rotored around building down by his wharf as he has a big party coming. Caterer setting up tent while I rotored. Then rotored some for Parsons at Matt Leadbetter house. Ate lunch 1:45 top of Lombard's Hill. Shifted to above Walker Ames' and rotored jib field of Geselle's next to town road. Plenty wet but managed to get it chewed down. Frank mowed regular mower at Parson's and Strong's. Home at 5:00. Changed to regular mower and up to H.S.B.'s at 5:45. Mowed his regular from woodshed by barn by garden and between his driveways and main road. Home at 8:00. Suppered. The Thorntons down with mackerel this evening. Stayed till 10:00. Smearing up. This good spell will be short lived.</p>
<p>August 3, Thursday</p>	<p>All smeared up, overcast and airing up SSW. Temp. 62°. Came in foggy and stayed foggy all day with occasional spatters. Didn't get anything done except book work before breakfast. As soon as breakfast, pumped and picked 3 pails of peas to fill orders. Nan picked one yesterday P.M. Then this P.M. I picked 3 more pails pretty much finishing the first and second plantings of Greater Progress. Put up 3 orders out of these, the rest we shucked before supper for supper and to freeze. Sharpened a mower knife and mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn this A.M. Plenty tall and plenty wet but can't see m to catch it when it's dry. Rested an hour or so after lunch. Pretty weary form yesterday. Nan worked on candy table at Guild Sale this P.M. and delivered peas. Had just finished supper when the Ames called to say they'd like to come down this evening. They came and we had a nice time. Played 3 games Cribbage. Edith and I lost 2. To bed about 11:00.</p>
<p>August 4, Friday</p>	<p>Still thick-a-fog. quite a breeze south or SSE. Temp. 65°. Stayed foggy and wet and rained some. Accomplished nothing before breakfast. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I picked 3 more pails peas, finishing second planting and dug a half bu. of potatoes which nearly finishes my 4 rows on house garden. Am saving outside row for seed. Rained quite hard for an hour or so after 12:00. Rested. Janet Crockett and her husband came about 3:00 for vegetables - visited a half hour or so. Then Kenneth Gillis called (he's interested in getting a piece of land on Little Thoroughfare). Interested him in the James Alexander property. Am supposed to get some information for him. Bagged vegetables and uptown to deliver about 5:00. Saw last boat come. Home and up to Mrs. Fay's an hour. She's all along as Matt took off for Kittery on P.M. boat to pick up his mother and Mark. Mark's car broke down at Kittery. Home and suppered.</p>

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<p>August 5, Saturday</p>	<p>First green and yellow beans of season. Well, it's thick-a-fog. Can just see Bull Rock now at 6:15 A.M. Light breeze seems to be SWS. Temp. 62°. What a summer if one were trying to hay. Would have to convert to green silage. Stayed foggy till late P.M. when it dried off some. Shucked peas for freezer before breakfast. After breakfast I pumped and weeded squashes along edge of OP piece. Picked 2 pails peas on OP piece about finishing them. Helped Nan pick her raspberries. O yes, I picked enough green beans for lunch but Ruth Beveridge blew in and bought them. Picked over and weighed up peas. Janet Crockett here to get more peas and order peas and potatoes for Monday. Lunched, rested a half hour, shaved etc. and uptown to 2:30 boat. Sent some shucked peas, lettuce and potatoes down to Pat by Pendleton. Sold him some peas. Home by way of Hiram's. visited with him a few minutes. Home and picked 3 pails beans on OP piece. 2 green - 1 yellow. Nan finished mowing our lawn. Frenched enough beans for supper. Invited up to Ames to watch Lawrence Welk, but too weary to go. Watched here but reception very poor.</p>
<p>August 6, Sunday</p>	<p>By golly, could see sunrise through fog. Now at 7:00 can see VH. I really believe we may have a fair day. Calm. Temp. 60°. Dug 90# potatoes before breakfast. Picked up, washed and weighed them after. Delivered 60# to Williams Shopping Center, 20# and beans to Barbara Adams, and 10# and beans to the Milton Ames. Had coffee with them. Saw boat come. Home and over to Stimpson's Island on a picnic with the Fays and Baileys. Home about 3:00. Started raining before we started eating so we ate in boathouse. Rested. Then Na and I dug 100# potatoes for W &amp; Co. Washed, weighed and delivered them. Saw last boat come. Home by way of Pulpit Harbor Beach and North Shore Road. Talked with Garnet and Alvin at Beach. Home, played a couple games of Scrabble.</p>
<p>August 7, Monday</p>	<p>Very heavy cloud cover but air westerly. Everything wet. Temp. 60°. Cleared to a beautiful hot day but very scalding. Will be no last to it. Picked a pail of peas (Burpeanna) and changed mower on tractor before breakfast. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I was up to Watson's landing strip at 8:10. Rotor-mowed the whole strip - very wet and hard mowing. Finished about 1:30, then Jimmie side-delivery raked it with Cub and I re-mowed it. Came out very good. Now if they'd have me mow it again in a couple weeks it could be kept good. finished about 3:45. Home, and Nan helped me pick beans on OP piece. Looks like a small crop - all went to tops. Picked a 12 qt. pail of yellow and 3 green. Rested, read paper, and suppered. Rested and played a couple games of Scrabble. Had a telephone call from Vance Laite this evening concerning Mrs. Pease's place. He's back in the hospital again. Gave me his address, Mary's address and the address of Mary's trust fund secretary. 7 hours rotor-mowing Watson's air strip - \$49.00</p>

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<p>August 8, Tuesday</p>	<p>Well, yesterday was sure a long spell of good weather. It's thicker than mud now at 6:00 A.M. Can't see the barn. Turned the bell on before daylight. Looks like there'd be plenty of rotoring this fall. Frank S. told Nan yesterday that the Cabots wanted all of Joe Amesbury's place mowed. That along with what he already has will take weeks. Air SW. Temp. 55°. Picked a pail of Burpeeanna peas before breakfast. Started for Dr. Poole's at 8:30 by way of garage to get a qt. of oil for tractor. Up to Poole's at 98:00. Finished rotoring at 12:15. Then up to Doug Stone's and rotored the new field he just bought of A.W.B. between his house and Hiram's line. Had finished and just stopped at H.S.B.'s when Nan stopped on her way home from washing at Alta's to say I could start on Loring's pond field if I wanted to. Started at 3:00. Worked till 4:30 spending nearly half my time tangled in barbed wire. What a job when the rotor winds up. Home at 5:00. Picked spinach for supper. Rested, and suppered. Irven and Lena Stone came in about 7:00 and stayed an hour. Then Alta and the A.W.B.'s came. Treated them to ice cream and fresh raspberries. Learned by paper tonight that Linc Sanborn, Vinalhaven, had died - 83 years old - town treasurer since 1926.</p>
<p>August 9, Wednesday</p>	<p>Foggy all night but cleared enough so I shut off bell at 5:30. Looks rainy now. Very overcast. Calm, Air southerly. Temp. 60°. Cleared to a fair day in middle of island but came in thick at 5:00 P.M. Pumped and picked a pail of peas before breakfast. Can't keep up with water since the Fays installed the hot water system. They use a half cistern a day easily and only Mrs. Fay and Matt there at house. Ready to start for Lorings at 8:25. Rotored all day when I wasn't unsnarling hog wire out of rotor and replacing belt in back end of rotor shaft. Finished the third I truck out yesterday P.M., struck out and nearly finished the junk between town road and pine trees. Nan brought lunch up and ate with me. Home at 5:00. Shelled a pail of peas for freezer before supper. Ruth Beveridge dropped in to invite us up to have dessert with them. Went about 7:30 after taking a bag of pea pods to Jimmie Brown's bull. Had chocolate pie with cream and coffee at Beveridges. This morning John Lermond dropped dead at Brown's Garage and tonight we were told that Calvin Fisher was electrocuted this P.M. while helping brush out a high line right of way. How will Mr. &amp; Mrs. Fisher stand it after having their eldest boy commit suicide two years ago. 7 1/2 hours rotor mowing at Lorings for FWS.</p>
<p>August 10, Thursday</p>	<p>Foggy with wind SW. Blew hard early this morning and may have rained a little. High overcast above fog and looks rainy. 62°. Stayed foggy all day. Shucked a pail of peas for freezer before breakfast. Nan had ten containers when she prepared them. Pumped as soon as breakfast. John Bailey arrived here from Vietnam last night. A fine looking Marine came out to say hello this morning. Started for longs at 8:45. Finished yesterday's junk in about 15 min., then struck out remaining junk between pines and pond. Had that nearly rotored out when Nan came with lunch and gas at 11:45. Two hot hamburgers from Williams. Finished that junk about 1:15. Struck out piece north side of road below hill and rotored on that to 2:30 or so. Home about 3:00 as I wanted to rest a little. Four days in succession rotoring is hard on arms and legs. Invited up to Fay's at 6:00 to visit with John. Home, suppered and went to Legion play at Com. Bldg. Made up of many short sketches. Quite good. Quite a crowd there. Home nearly 11:00. 5 hrs. rotor mowing at Lorings for FWS.</p>

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<p>August 11, Friday</p>	<p>Well, what do you know. A clear morning and also calm. Promises to be a good day. some land fog at 5:30. Shut bell off at 4:45. Temp. 60°. A nice day all day but mosquitoes miserably thick and hungry. Pumped and picked a 5# peas before breakfast. Just can't keep up with the water since the Fay's installed the hot water heater. Lucky we aren't just depending on the pasture spring. Started for Lorings at 8:45. Finished yesterday P.M.'s junk and then rotored upper corner of same field next to stone wall. Frank is doing top of the field with regular mower. Home at 11:45. Helped Nan gather Swiss Chard and beet greens. Then up in OP garden and finished picking the row of green beans; Nan had already picked a pail full. I got probably 12#, also picked part of yellow row - 3 qt. pail. Dug nearly 1/2 bu. potatoes, put up orders and uptown at 2:30. Nan supposed to work on Aux. food table but not enough food. Saw boat come and go. Home and gave Chevelle a quick wash. Swallows had messed it. Harrowed the unplanted part of Hog Pen piece with double harrow, also the 7 rows Aunt Mary corn. Didn't come up good at all and a bed of weeds. Suppered. Read mail. Samuel Beverage and family came in this evening bringing a genealogy book. After they left we called the Fishers. They had Calvin's funeral service yesterday. Sad, Sad, Sad. They still plan to come down next week. Min called tonight to say she and Violet were coming week of 20<sup>th</sup> with two of young Connie's children.</p>
<p>August 12, Saturday</p>	<p>Well, it looks like a second good day coming our way. Sun is up, air is north. Temp. 60°. Pumped, lugged in wood and picked 2# yellow beans for Pat; also gathered a couple bunches beets on some potatoes. Nan down in Chevelle to spend day with her. Changed from harrow to regular mower, and uptown at 9:00 to Franklin Gates. Finished mowing out south side of farm. Boy, what booby traps, and even more soft than when I mowed before. Home 12:15. Changed clothes and back up to John Lermond's funeral at 1:30. Church about filled. Down to Alta's after to have squash pie and coffee with she and Helen Baird. Then Sherm came from being pallbearer. Home, changed clothes and Sherm came to get some new small potatoes for his supper. Nan came home. I mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn. Suppered. Rested and watched Lawrence Welk Show. Something has happened that Channel 7 doesn't come in good. As I was ready to start home from F. Gates, I discovered that the cotter pins in upper lift arm pins have broken out and both pins had worked out and that the lift arm openings had twisted enough so that pins wouldn't go back through. It means I must have them heated and straightened.</p>
<p>August 13, Sunday</p>	<p>Overcast but a Grumpy morning. Hard to tell which side is up. Temp. 57°. Has been a nice one all day. Just did my bookkeeping before breakfast this morning. Made out my mowing accounts for F. Sampson. Came to \$621.25 so far this season. Breakfasted, pumped and bathed. made another boo-boo this day. Went up to shut off pump, instead just checked water in cistern, came out without shutting pump off. Ran until at least 3:30 before I discovered it. Water still overflowing from cistern, but likely hasn't done the pump any good. As soon as Nan got house work caught up we put our hammocks out back and rested rest of A.M. Had fire in fireplace and steamed clams and broiled hamburgers. Were just ready to pick raspberries and beans when Pat, Mike and the Carlton girl blew in from golfing. Gave them some raspberries and potatoes when they left. Had just finished picking beans when Dr. Raleigh and Mildred came after vegetables. Bought some beans and beet greens. Uptown to watch river traffic and see last boat come. Stopped at Mrs. Pease's on way to pick a few raspberries. Mosquitoes nearly lugged us off. Boat late. 7:00 or more. Home, suppered and watched last of Ed Sullivan show.</p>

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<p>August 14, Monday</p>	<p>Well, it drizzles this morning. Started sometime during night. Air NE. Temp. 58°. Rained most of A.M. clearing to a nice P.M. and evening. A beautiful half full moon tonight. Has been very rare this summer. Did bookkeeping and washed dishes. As soon as breakfast I donned oilskins and drove the tractor to Wayside Service. Jimmie D. heated and straightened the lifting forks that I bent Saturday. Home just after 8:00. Worked in top of shop awhile re-arranging. Had started snapping and frenching the beans we picked yesterday for freezing when Nan returned from R.M.'s. She started on her ironing. We hadn't finished either job when Mike B. blew in to have lunch with us. He'd been putting in a hot water tank for Helen M. Nan had 8 bags of beans for freezer. Uptown to see 2:30 boat come. Thought the Fishers might come but didn't. Home, sharpened mower knife. Hitched onto rotary mower and started rotoring piece in pasture beyond Carver's barn. Worked till 6:00. Suppered. Played a game of Scrabble, rested. The Bucklins telephoned tonight to say they'd like to come over to visit between boats Friday. Bucklin was one of my hospital companions.</p>
<p>August 15, Tuesday</p>	<p>Fog thick at 4:30. Started bell. Had cleared enough after sunrise so I shut if off. A Grumpy morning. Temp. 60. A nice day all day. Book-kept before breakfast - vegetables mowing slowly. As soon as breakfast I went out beyond Carver's and finished the job I worked on late yesterday P.M. Also rotored the corner outside fence where I cut off 2 years or so ago. Picked 2 1/2 more pails of green beans off row on OP piece. Spartan Arrow bearing well. Helped Nan finish picking her raspberries. Orilla S. dropped in between taxi trips just as we were lunching and had lunch with us. Changed to regular mower at 1:00 P.M. and mowed out R. Montgomery field including toilet field. Took exactly 3 hours and boy did it ever mow hard. I've thought all summer that once I started at home I'd have some good mowing, the hay having been cleared up last year, but no dice. Lodged and very wet underneath. More hay than in many years. Helped Nan finish mowing our lawn. Uptown to see last boat come. Still no Fishers. Home, suppered. Pumped. The Lyford Beveridges blew in about 8:00 to get beans. Visited till 9:30. 3 hours mowing R. Montgomery property \$21.00.</p>
<p>August 16, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning. But lots of land fog. Thick enough on water now so bell should be started. Should be a nice day. Has been all day. Did book-keeping, snapped and frenched enough green beans so Nan had 4 bags for freezer. Nan worked over to R.M.'s this A.M. I sharpened mower knife, dug a rocker of potato and spent rest of A.M. weeding and hoeing in last planting on triangle pieces. Arthur Fay visited with me a few minutes. Came yesterday P.M. Lunched. Over to Tumbledown with mower. Mowed back of barn from driveway to big doors, across tie-up end of barn and cow yard. Then mowed in front of carriage house and double garage. Nan over at 2:30 and we went to B. Joyce's. Nan to get hair set and mine cut. Checked on Fishers a minute on way home. They and the Deacon Fishers arrived on 2:30 boat. Home with mower, then back over to get side-delivery rake. Had dandy luck until I started out into road and got stuck in road ditch. Deacon Fisher hauled me out. Home. Suppered. Rested. To bed about 9:00. Some of the Baileys returned from Southboro this P.M.</p>

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<p>August 17, Thursday</p>	<p>Darned if this isn't the third Grumpy morning in a row. Looks like another nice one. Foggy enough on water so I started bell before 6:00. Calm. Temp. 60°. A nice day without a great deal accomplished. Got bothered. Book-kept, pumped and dug most a half bu. of potatoes before breakfast. Coupled up side-delivery, greased it, etc. Handscythed in front of this barn again and loaded it into Jeep. Hand-raked around worst obstacles and along bank in front of R.M.'s house. Started raking his big field. Left off at 11:30 to take grass and cull potatoes to JB. Home. Finished raking including toilet field. Lunched 1:45. Just ready to go clamming when Deacon Fisher blew in. He went with me below shanty. Got a good mess. Just finished when HD came with bales twine and bag of sugar. Then Mr. Fisher came. Before he left R.M. blew in. Lost over an hour in all. Finally got started for Mrs. Pease's to get baler after 5:00. Matt Bailey and the Deacon nearly came together on the Birch Tree corner. Matt blew both right side tires. I towed him to top of hill to leave his father's car. On up to Mrs. P.'s. Had good luck getting baler. Home shortly after 6:00. Deacon and Mr. F. went up there with me. Suppered. Had Mrs. Fay and Arthur down to see colored slides this evening. To bed at 11:00.</p>
<p>August 18, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning. Just a light westerly air. Temp. 60°. Still enough haze or fog so we left bell going during night. Expect this will be a full day. It was. Did bookkeeping. Breakfast. Went right to work on baler while pumping. The Deacon came over and did a grease job while I started engine after gassing up etc. Started nicely. Also helped me pick a pail of peas and beans together on below power house piece. Cleaned up and up to pick up the Bucklins on 10:30 boat. Home and visited with them. Nan back from R.M.s at 11:00. Steamed clams out back and had a nice lunch with blueberry pie for dessert. Took the folks on a ride around island and to west district. Hazy enough so they couldn't see mainland. Took them to 3:00 boat. Thrashed home, rolled hay in western field, except on the windrow toilet field and below R.M.'s house. Started baling about 5:00. Finished before 7:00. Helped HD load his B and R truck. Came back for second load. I sold Marie 3 ton out of field \$20.00 per ton - 80 bales per ton. Had about 200 bales this baling. In to supper about 7:45. Weary. Marie paid cash for the 3 ton of hay.</p>
<p>August 19, Saturday</p>	<p>Well, it's either foggy or pretty hazy. Bell went all night. Lights out a few minutes last evening, and generator on lighthouse didn't start. When lights came on the light stayed steady red. Reported it. A Grumpy morning. Should be a nice day. Has been a hot one. Pumped and dug over a bu. of potatoes before breakfast. Picked up, washed, weighed and delivered them to Williams Shopping Center. Got work gas at Brown's. Nan went with me and we saw boat come. Home, over hill and rolled the outside windrow in field twice, also below R.M.'s and toilet field. Then went clear around field through outside windrow by hand. Lots of wet places. Lunched at 1:45. Back over all, warmed up, spread windrow with SD rake, then baled it all. The Deacon bunched the bales as I baled. Had 96 making 284 bales off R.M. property. HD down later to get it in BR truck for Marie. Sold her the load over 3 ton for \$15.00. Uptown to see last boat come. Thought we'd see the last of ocean race but they were already in. Home and picked at least a half bu. of yellow beans off row and OP piece. Suppered after 7:00. Rested and watched Lawrence Welk show, what we didn't sleep thought. Rained hard during night, in fact it started before we went to bed.</p>

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<p>August 20, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, it's thick a fog. Rained considerable during night. Doesn't look very promising for a good day today. Calm. 60°. Foggy all day, raining with thunder shower this evening. Book-kept, frenched enough yellow beans so Nan froze 4 packages. Pumped. Breakfasted. Shaved and bathed. Rested. Didn't try to go to church as we were expecting a call from Buddy Whipple. Didn't. Over to R.M. at 1:15 to get last minute instructions. They were supposed to fly out with Watsons at 2:30 but too foggy. Picked 38# green beans off OP piece for R.M. Up to see plane take off but too foggy. Downtown to see boat go. Lots of people went. Home and made out my hay account with Judy Brown. Last fall she paid \$100.00 in advance for hay. Now she has sold her horse and I'm owing her \$12.96. Over to Abbie's and Eleanor's to supper - corned hake. Very good. Thunder shower and rain this evening. Home 8:30. Watched last of Ed Sullivan show. This is an anniversary. A year ago tonight I was taken to the hospital. I hate to think of it.</p>
<p>August 21, Monday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog. Started bell at 3:00 A.M. Now at 6:15 it appears to be clearing and sun trying to shine. Air westerly or thereabouts. Temp. 56°. A busy day but not much accomplished. Book-kept, frenched green beans before breakfast so Nan had 5 bags for freezer. Our water at sink has refused to run more than a drizzle so I spent most of A.M. working on that. Tried using a boat pup first to force water back through faucet but no luck. Finally went over to see Mr. Fisher and he came over with his air compressor. Forced air back through from faucet to cistern any boy did it stir things up. Water runs full size of faucet now. Evidently had gotten air bound. Side delivery raked the rotoring I did in pasture so I could better find the rocks which I must pick before I spread the rye straw on it from other barn. Will then try the bush and bog harrow on it. Over to Tumbledown and raked what I could back of barn and in cow yard. Home. Mowed Mrs. Fay's lawn and helped Nan mow ours. Gathered vegetables and uptown to deliver at last boat time. Visited with the Owen Grants a few minutes when we left potatoes there. Home, suppered. Violet called tonight to say she and Min would be arriving next Monday morning.</p>
<p>August 22, Tuesday</p>	<p>Well, it's thick a fog again. Started bell at 12:00 M. May be just an air SW. Temp. 58°. Foggy all A.M. burning out this P.M. Did bookkeeping. Had breakfast. Handscythed weeds off house garden. Must clean weeds and pea vines up. Over to Tumbledown and Handscythed in front of carriage house door, stable door, big doors, under manure windows, etc. Jack Brown visited with me. Offered me a chance to work with him on patrol job, taking Carl's place. Home. Nan and I picked a half bu. or more of green beans off OP piece. How those Spartan Arrows have borne. Lunched. Gathered tools etc. together to be ready when Ken Mills came at 11:00 to help me put new sill under big barn doors. had good luck. Got old sill all out from eastern door post to center post in cistern room, front jacked up in place and loose dirt all shoveled out and wheeled away. All ready to dig out and put rocks in. The Fishers brought us over a kettle of clams and had ham supper with us. I had to leave at 7:00 to go to a planning board meeting with selectmen. David Cooper has resigned as constable and traffic officer. The Thorntons and AW Beverages visited with Nan while I was uptown. Brought us some mackerel.</p>

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<p>August 23, Wednesday</p>	<p>Looks like a beautiful day coming up. A Grumpy morning. Pretty as a picture. Temp. 54°. A real NH day all day and a beautiful hay day, but I wasn't haying. Ken arrived before 7:00. We went right to work on barn. He worked on posts, jacks, etc and I dug trench two ft. more deep along where we removed the sill, and filled it with small rocks,, putting large bearings under carrying posts and barn door opening. Got new sills creosoted and in place and spiked. Ready now to butt out posts etc. Nan picked beans, weighed and bagged them and we made deliveries after 5:00. Visited with the Ames a few minutes. Had just gotten home when Mr. Cobb blew in all excited. His Jeep was stuck off road in swamp beyond old school house - sun in eyes. Over on tractor to pull him out. We were just eating supper when the Sr. Fishers came in. Visited maybe a half hour. The Ames were going to call on us but saw the Fishers here and kept traveling. To bed weary about 9:00.</p>
<p>August 24, Thursday</p>	<p>Bud and Loretta arrived A.M. boat. First corn of season. Boy, what a beautiful Grumpy morning, but fallish. 48°. Calm, hard to tell which side is up. A real NH day. Did bookkeeping and breakfasted. Was getting ready to go to dump with cans etc. when the Deacon came over to see about going to Union Fair tomorrow. Stayed a half hour or so. Took our can container and shop can container to dump. Came home middle road to Elliott Brown's to get plank for front of barn floor and a couple to use in Mrs. Fay's cellar. Skim picked the lat 3 rows of peas in house garden, picked 2 rows Purple beans and 2 rows green beans on triangle garden, also peas on wire, skim picked yellow beans on OP piece, and two half rows yellow beans on house garden. Picked 4 ears corn on OP piece for supper, good but not developed enough. Bud, Loretta and Molly arrived on A.M. boat. Also had Fisher steamed clams, potatoes and green peas over to Fishers this evening to talk with Bobbie about Union Fair tomorrow. Home about 9:30. Had first corn of season for supper. Good but not filled out enough to be best. A couple more days or so and should be good.</p>
<p>August 25, Friday</p>	<p>Well, it was thick-a-fog when I rolled out at 5:30. Started bell. a beautiful moonlit night when I was up at 3:00. Sun breaking out. Temp. 48°. Calm. Became a beautiful day. Made ready to go to Union Fair. Went with Deacon and Mr. Fisher, Peter and Bud and Loretta. Nan stayed home to take care of Molly. Deacon just got his Volkswagen aboard the ferry and that's all. One car left and no B and R truck at that. Boy, was it ever cold when we struck the fog through the bay but as soon as we left Rockland it became beautiful. Stopped at Payson's on way to fair to get a bearing for forward end of mower power shaft, and a top lynch pin. At fair at 10:00. Saw some beautiful exhibits in exhibition building, visited the Matthews Museum, and saw some beautiful horses and cattle. Enjoyed the horse pulling and cattle pulling. There were all the heavier classes. Last pull was 9400#. Back to Rockland in time to shop at A&amp;P. A beautiful coming home as it was foggy going over. Suppered at 5:30. Then down to Crabtree's Point in Bud's Chevy Suburban as he wanted to call Sherman Baird, but couldn't rouse him. Then over to Pulpit Harbor where he tried again but no luck. Visited the Thorntons a little while. Home and to bed as weary as though I'd worked.</p>

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<p>August 26, Saturday</p>	<p>Thick-a-fog when I was up at 2:00 A.M. Started bell. Still thick at 6:30. Calm. Glass very high. Preston Lincoln said it was 42° as his place yesterday morning. About 48° here. Foggy all day more or less making up to rain about 5:30. Did bookkeeping and shelled over a pail of peas for freezing before breakfast. Pumped and put plastic bearing into forward end of power take-off sleeve on mower. Coupled onto scoop and spent A.M. working out and lugging off large rocks on rotored piece beyond Carver's. As soon as lunch Nan and I picked a pail of green beans and I dug a peck of white potatoes for Lillian York. Nan went to Art Show, delivered vegetables, and visited Mrs. Burr. I coupled onto grader blade, graded a road from butchering place gate into piece beyond Carver's, then spent rest of P.M. digging out rocks with point of blade. Worked better than scoop for digging out. The Whipples went mackereling at P.H. this P.M. Caught 12. Suppered about 7:00. Were just watching Lawrence Welk show when the Deacon and Peter came in. Stayed till 10:00.</p>
<p>August 27, Sunday</p>	<p>Things look foggy and wet this morning. Bell has gone all night. Rained all A.M. Foggy rest of day. Did bookkeeping. Snapped and frenched over a peck of purple beans. Nan processed them this A.M. for freezer. Beans are getting ahead of us. Not selling. Too many people have gardens to give beans out of. Didn't do much this A.M. The Whipples rode to town. Had broiled mackerel, new potatoes, green beans etc. for lunch. Very good. Uptown this P.M. to visit Arts and Crafts Show in Library and Legion hall. Very interesting. visited the Fishers on way home. They leave tomorrow. How we hate to see all these places close for winter. Home, suppered and watched Ed Sullivan Show.</p>
<p>August 28, Monday</p>	<p>Very foggy but with some breeze this morning. Looks about SSW. Unbelievable how little wind we've had all spring and summer. Foggy with rainy showers this A.M. clearing some this P.M. Did bookkeeping and Nan and I had breakfast about 5:30. Ken Mills arrived at 7:00 and we went right to work on barn. Butted out center post in cistern room, then western door post and then eastern doorpost. Replaced boarding and finish. I butted out two of the flooring inside of sills, ends rotten and started putting floor plank back. Now have two more floor plank and outside sill plank to put it and boarding west of door to rail. Also the cleaning up, a half day probably. Am I ever disgusted. Buddy drove his Suburban right down through my heavy hay by shop to shanty and back to launch his boat. How will I ever mow it? Had a nice farm supper - broiled steak from our last fall's animal, green snap beans, new potatoes, sliced cucumber, etc. The white potato eye potatoes - Snowflake - are proving very good quality. The Thorntons down this evening to call. FWS called tonight. Wants me to help rotor Joe Amesbury place tomorrow.</p>
<p>August 29, Tuesday</p>	<p>Rotor-mowed for FWS at Joe Amesbury's 8 hours. Looks like a nice one coming up. Fog has cleared. Stopped bell at 5:45. Up at 5:30. Air SW. Did bookkeeping. Must dig some potatoes for W &amp; Co. H.S.B. all sold out. Did. Dug 100# of A.W.B.'s Red. Picked them up. Then coupled onto rotary mower and made ready to start for Joe Amesbury's place. Had breakfast and ready to leave at 8:10. Nan delivered the potatoes, got working gas and she and Violet came down to Joe's at 11:30 with lunch. Bud and Loretta down after they returned from scuba diving for scallops by Aunt Sarah's little island. Got over 100. Frank arrived at Joe's right behind me and we rotored all day finishing at 4:45. Home at 5:30. Had a nice supper of new A.W.B. potatoes, first mess of Romano pole beans, Swiss chard and fried scallops. Uptown this evening in Violet's mustang to ice cream. To bed weary.</p>

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<p>August 30, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning. Looks like white frost hanging over lowland. 56°. A beautiful day. Did bookkeeping. had breakfast taken care of at 7:00 as Bud and Loretta started for N.Y on 8:00 A.M. boat. Worked on tractor clearing gas line from tank; also added a quart of oil to hyd. system. Spent rest of A.M. and all of P.M. on barn finishing that job. Got rest of floor laid, doors repaired. Mess cleaned up, hold hay fork rope down etc. Now have the dirt to spread that came from under sill, new staples to put in door posts and the scaffolds to clean off and I'll be ready to put hay in. Wanted to mow some this P.M. but didn't have time. The summer is over. Mrs. Bailey out to barn to say she's leaving for Penna. tomorrow. We'll soon be all alone again. Had some delicious corn for supper off OP piece. Now ready to pick. We'll see if people will bray like they've been howling to. Hope they'll do better than they have on beans. have had two messes of Romano pole beans and they are delicious. Am sure enjoying Burpees cukes this season. Has been a long time since I could do that. Took Nan and Violet for a sail in Papoose after supper. Trolled up into Kent's Cove. No luck. Then a quick run to lighthouse and back. Boy, the mosquitoes were terrible.</p>
<p>August 31, Thursday</p>	<p>First selling of corn. Happy Birthday, Pat. Fog came back in again during night. Started bell at 1:00 A.M. Still foggy now at 6:30. Can just see end of Stimpson's. Breeze SW. Temp 55°. Cleared this Am, then heavy rain showers this P.M. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Pumped and spread dirt in front of barn that came from under sill. Started XL-12 and junked into shop stove length the longer pieces of old sill and floor plank. Lugged into top of shop. Picked beans, green and purple, cucumbers, dug white potatoes, gathered corn and picked up apples, Macs and Red Astracous, to take down to Pat. Did I ever get a surprise. Have been watching the 5 half rows of corn on edge of OP piece to get ready, and discovered the 13 rows of Earliking had been ready 3 or 4 days. Must make haste now. Picked about 12 doz., taking 2 to Pat and 5 to sell on VH. Nan made Pat a Birthday Cake. Across in Chevelle at 11:30. Had lunch with the Bunkers. Visited this P.M. Invited up to the Woodrow Bunker's new home to supper. A delicious meal, fried chicken with all the fixings, and a nice time. Started home 6:45. Across and home at 4:45. Farewell, August. Sorry to see you leave. Now we know fall is handy by, and then winter. Summer is much too short.</p>
<p>Sept. 1, Friday</p>	<p>Good morning, Sept. High cloudiness. Air SW. Temp 50°. A nice day and a busy one. Did bookkeeping. Breakfasted. Pumped and ground hand scythe. Mowed out tie-up end of barn where manure pile always was, inside of pasture fence back of barn where Jack fed animals, along ditch line at western end of barn plenty ff pig weed, rag weed, and ox heart. Also mowed across ends of power house piece and well piece. Picked green, yellow and purple beans, dug white potatoes, gathered Swiss Chard, beets etc. with Nan's help. Lunched. Picked 35 doz. Earliking Corn on OP piece. Uptown on parking lot at 2:30. Sold all the corn and delivered other vegetable orders. Home about 5:30. Gathered corn for B. Mills and Don Witherspoon. Suppered. Watched Friday night Jamboree and rested. Feeling fallish nights now.</p> <p>[note added on Sept. 3] Friday P.M., a body was found washed up on Van Twisk's beach down at Crabtree's point by John Brown's boy and Van Twisk's boy. Believed to be Willis Gannon, the pulp wood cutter. Remains taken to Rockland for autopsy.</p>

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<p>Sept. 2, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful fall morning. Should make a nice one. Breeze NW. Temp. 52°. Didn't. Clouded up and started raining at 12:00 noon. Hadn't finished chores when corn customers started coming. Two trips up to OP piece first thing. Then Frank S. called to see if I'd help him rotor Bill Hopkins place by Seaview Cemetery. Up there at 10:30 - rain drove us at 12:00 so we didn't finish. I had coffee at Lincoln's hoping rain would stop but didn't. got damp coming home. Cold today. Had to wear blanket-lined frock. Lunched. Rain eased off about 1:30 so Nan helped me pick about 20 doz. corn and we were uptown just in time to see Mercedes as she went aboard 3:00 boat. Sold corn on parking lot, and delivered our orders. Had coffee at Burgesses - Edna &amp; Bob there until tomorrow. Home. Cooked lobsters out back in rain. Violet invited Steve W. down to supper. Steve left about 8:15 and we watched Lawrence Welk show. Nettie Witherspoon passed away early this morning. 1 3/4 hr. rotor-mowing for FWS at W. Hopkins.</p>
<p>Sept. 3, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, the wind is westerly, it's very overcast and sprinkling. 50°. Rained most of A.M. and into P.M. Did bookkeeping, bathed, breakfasted and pumped twice to fill cistern. Picked about 4 doz. corn and Nan took Carver and the Hopkins each a mess. We're slackers again, didn't get to church - Union Service. Rested this A.M. and some this P.M. Dug a hill of my Norgold Russets for baking tonight - six good ones in the hill and they're good quality. Swept up my shop floor and burned trash in stove. Uptown to see crowd leave on P.M. ferry. Loaded to the hilt. Judy Quinn's husband injured when he jumped aboard ferry. Came back in to pick up doctor. Home. Had Abbie and Eleanor over to roast turkey, baked potatoes, new corn, cukes etc. plus Mac pie. A very good supper. Stayed till 9:15.</p>
<p>Sept. 4, Monday</p>	<p>Heavy high cloudiness but sun breaking out now at 6:30. Calm. Temp. 55°. Apples are dropping rapidly off our Red Astracou and Mac trees. Fall weeds are filling my gardens full. A beautiful NH day and a full one. Had done bookkeeping, had breakfast, and was digging potatoes when Lyford Beveridge blew in to see if we'd like to go out in the "Marcome" with them. Agreed to 11:30. Finished digging and picking up about 5 bu. of potatoes, and picked some corn. Nan and Violet prepared a lunch etc. and the Beveridges picked us up at R.M.'s float at 11:30. Went down through between Stimpson's and Calderwood's to Starboard Rock, fooled around among the islands there, anchored above Hay Rock or island, had a nice lunch, worked our way out around Coomb's Neck, headed toward Brimstone to the black buoy, then west around VH, inside Leadbetter's and home through Thoroughfare. A beautiful trip. Home at 5:00. Dug and washed a bu. of AW red potatoes and picked corn, both for Violet to take home tomorrow. Suppered on 6 ears of "Aunt Mary" white corn that Becky, Fred's girl at Mrs. Fay's brought us from Delaware. Very good even after being picked 2 days. Uptown to put Violet's car in line this evening. To bed as weary as though we'd worked. Lyford's boat a beautiful one but hard to see out of good. Trunk too high or platform too low.</p>

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<p>Sept. 5, Tuesday</p>	<p>Calm as a kitty's ear and looks like another beautify coming up. Pretty as a picture now at 6:15. Temp. 50°. A beautiful day and a full one. Did bookkeeping, then up to barn to wash &amp; weigh potatoes. Next time wash as soon as they're dug. Nan took W &amp; Co.'s 100# to town as soon as breakfast while I washed and weighed the rest. Dug a peck for Mrs. Fay to take home. Picked corn and bagged the potatoes. Took Violet to boat about 11:00 delivering vegetables along way. What a crowd left this noon. Seems like about everyone is taken off. Mrs. Fay and Matt left. Home by way of dump and Jimmie Brown's. Left him a couple boxes of small potatoes for bull, also bill for rotoring landing field. He tells me Watson has ordered a new John Deere 4 wheel tractor, plows, mower, harrow, wagon &amp; whatnot. Home, cleaned up, and back uptown to Nettie Witherspoon's funeral at 1:30. Home, lunched, and then got Fred to help me put two jack posts under Mrs. Fay's living room. Picked several more dozen ears corn for customers who came after it. Suppered and rested. Watched Red Skelton show.</p>
<p>Sept. 6, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful warm morning although overcast. 60°. Air westerly. Became the prettiest hay day of the season. Should be haying here at home. Did bookkeeping, pumped and gathered several doz. corn - Earliking going by. Ready to start out rotoring at 8:15. Started back of Preston Lincoln's where we left off Saturday, finished that and the job Philbrook place at 10:00 and shifted down to Cabot's farm. Started on the big north field across road from H. Crockett house, and even though Frank had to leave at 11:00 and again at 2:30 to drive school bus we finished the field just before 5:00. Mowed very hard - the hay heavy and swampy. Sheep had been running through it, and the Cabots had spread sheep manure on some of it. I ran out of gas just before we finished even though I started with a full tank. Frank happened to have part of a can with him. Home about 5:20. Picked some pole beans for supper and several doz. corn for customers. Nan delivered vegetables and brought my lunch down to Cabot's. We ate in H. Crockett's driveway in Chevelle. Had freezer steak, new potatoes and pole beans for supper - the Romano pole bean are delicious.</p>
<p>Sept. 7, Thursday</p>	<p>Looks like another hay day coming up but cool this morning. 46°. Calm. Some high cloudiness. Became a nice day but not as good as yesterday. Did bookkeeping. Breakfasted. Pumped and changed mowers. Started to mow out Mrs. Fay's property about 9:15. Boy, did it ever mow hard, driven through and tramped down with second crop up through. Finished in time to mow in front of barn before lunch. Changed knife, mowed little corner above shop piece, then mowed piece between field road and R.M.'s road and the part of OP piece I didn't put into garden. Took me to about 4:30, three hours. Ernie Boy down a few minutes during P.M. Brought us 2 turnips and a box of strawberries. Mowing is the hardest work I've ever seen it. So much hay with second crop up through it, and all lodged. Don't know how the machine and tractor stands it. Nan helped Dorothy B. at thrift shop and delivered vegetables this A.M. Invited up to Mrs. Fay's home to supper. Mr. Bailey, Mark and Carol Lee, Fred and Becky. Treated to lobster and clams. very good. Home about 10:00. Fred and Becky leave tomorrow morning.</p>

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<p>Sept. 8, Friday</p>	<p>Calm and a lot of cloudiness. Air southerly. Temp. 54°. Looks to be clearing some now at 6:45. Became a good day but not a real hay day. Did bookkeeping. Breakfasted. Finishing digging, washed and weighed Austin's 2 bu. potatoes. Those A.W.B. red potatoes really turn out and too big - the Snowflake White, excellent quality but more small ones. Pumped. Nan gathered corn and delivered it. Mowed more of our lawn and also Mrs. Fay's. I raked yesterday's mowing in upper field between the two roads, then in front of barn, and then Mrs. Fay's property. Lunched about 2:00. Rolled the raking in upper field and raked that part of OP piece not plowed. Mowed on north side of R.M.'s road from my pasture gates to rock pile at top of hill. What a mess of hay. Don't know how I'll ever work it. Finished at 5:00. Rested. Suppered. Watched T.V. Jamboree. Uptown by way of NS road to deliver Austin's potatoes. Watson's landing field lighted, also house. A beautiful sight. Stopped at Williams to have ice cream. Home and to bed.</p>
<p>Sept. 9, Saturday</p>	<p>Well it doesn't look so good this morning. Foggy or hazy enough so I started bell at 5:15. The sun comes up like a great red ball. The wind SW 10 to 15 mi. right now at 6:40. Temp. 60°. Fair but not a good drying day. Did bookkeeping, sharpened 2 mower knives, had breakfast. Dug, washed, weighed a half bu. white potatoes, gathered corn and picked peas with Nan's help. Nan stretched out picking and delivering vegetables especially corn. Rather inconvenient being in upper field. About 11:00 I rolled the hay between roads in upper field, then in front of barn and below Fay's. About 12:45 Ern came and we worked clear through the upper field hay by hand. Lots of nobbed up green spots. Needed just a little more drying weather so started baling about 4:00 and Bun Smith started loading Elliott Brown's platform truck. Had 96 bales on same, and some on Ford pick-up. Then I baled in front of barn and let lay - 13 bales. Too green for baling. Finished about 6:00. Too lazy to bale below Fay's. Will be sorry because it's going to rain. Didn't get to rake yesterday's mowing. Suppered and watched Dating Game, Newlywed Game, and Lawrence Welk.</p>
<p>Sept. 10, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, it's foggy; started bell about 3:00 A.M. and now at 7:15 it's sprinkling. Will be a batch of wet hay to tend. Air SW. Temp 60°. Really rained for a couple hours soaking my hay. Did bookkeeping. Pelled enough Red Astracou and Macs so Nan could make two pies and apple sauce. Nan cut and worked enough to make a batch of jelly juice. Oiled up and picked several doz. ears corn. Earliking and the 5 half rows on OP piece about had it. spring Gold on well piece ready to start on about Tuesday. Delivered 3 doz. corn to Aunt Ruth and a dozen to Lewis Haskell. Home and took a nice bath. What a depressing, miserable day. rested a little while, lunched about 1:30 and decided to take the 4:20 boat to Rockland. Took a taxi to Owl's Head and arrived at the Oldroyds just as they were having supper. Rode to Camden and back through Rockland stopping at Mazzeo's Market to shop. While at Camden we stopped at Public Landing to look at Cattle Schooners. Back to Owl's Head about 9:30. Jimmie and Sada stopped in to have coffee with us all. Mr. Bailey and Mark left on morning boat. Farewell till Thanksgiving.</p>

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<p>Sept. 11, Monday</p>	<p>A beautiful fall morning but blowing quite a breeze from north. About 40° at Owl's Head. Had a leisurely breakfast. Then rode to Rockland so Nan could do some shopping. Met the Franklin Gates in Coffin's Store and because they told me that the white sector was out of adjustment on Goose Rocks Light, I went down to Coast Guard Base to report it. Met Commander Walsh. Then Jim took us on a ride out through Cushing to Pleasant Point. Must be pretty at high water. Back to Rockland and lunched at the coffee Shop. Home on 1:20 boat. Nice trip. Talked with H.S.B. all the way across. Changed clothes and back into harness. Nan started cleaning up Mrs. Fay's house. I pumped, coupled onto rake, raked Friday's mowing on Frog Pond ridge and rolled the hay on Mrs. Fay's property. Very wet. Shifted to mower at 5:00 and out to Mr. Cobb's to mow out his farm - second crop. Finished just after 6:00. Nan invited out and we visited till most 7:30. Home and suppered. Just finishing when Frank and Orilla came. Visited till nearly 9:30. To bed as weary as though we hadn't been on vacation.</p>
<p>Sept. 12, Tuesday</p>	<p>A beautiful, beautiful calm sunny fall morning, but cool. 40°. Sun is now worked south to very tip of Burnt Island. 10 more days to be due east and west. Days shorting rapidly. A most beautiful day. Worked like old furyation but accomplished nothing. Did bookkeeping. Helped with breakfast and dishes. Nan worked up to Fay's most of day. Very heavy dew so I sharpened two mower knives and put the new non-fouling on non-clogging outer-sections on the two Ford knives. Rolled the Frog pond ridge hay about 11:00 and then that at side of OP corn patch and below Fay's. Up to see if Ern could help me spread this P.M. but he's helping the King so I worked on the Frog Pond ridge hay alone. Spread from 1:15 to six with a half hour out to visit with Franze and Ann. Still have six windrows to go through. I'm discouraged. Didn't get any mowing done or any baling either. Up to vote on state bond issues about 6:30 and to deliver vegetables. Home and suppered. Watched Red Skelton Show.</p>
<p>Sept. 13, Wednesday</p>	<p>Another beautiful Grumpy flat calm sunny fall morning. Temp. 50°. Beautiful all day and a full one. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and helped with dishes. Nan up to see if Ernie Boy could help us today but couldn't come till P.M. Up to Mrs. Pease's to bring home tedder. Did some repair on same, then teddered 3 or 4 times the part of Frog Pond ridge I didn't get spread yesterday and through what I spread yesterday at least once. Mowed center out of Oak Tree field, nearly from rock pile ledge above bunch of birches to little island. A lot of hay but mowed the best of any yet. Ern came and cleaned up corners, etc. below Fay's and in front of barn. Lunched, raked Frog Pond ridge hay, and baled it. Then baled the corner between night pasture and OP corn piece, and below Fay's. Hauled the hay from below Fay's and in front of barn to OP garden and shop garden for winter mulch. Bun Smith gathered up the hay off Frog Pond Ridge and by OP garden. Had 2 Elliott Brown truck loads. The Lyford Beveridges and Frank Sampsons down this evening. Ruth brought dessert - a lemon chiffon pie. Showed some of Lyford's slides, some of Frank's and some of ours. Too much talking to enjoy slides. Milton and Edith here a half hour or so before the others came. Would probably have spent evening. Brought me a check for 1/2 of John Deere rake - \$30.</p>

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<p>Sept. 14, Thursday</p>	<p>Here's another beautiful Grumpy morning. Calm, sunny and lovely. Temp. 48°. Ern says his squash and pumpkin vines were killed Monday night. A beautiful day. Did bookkeeping, breakfasted. Sharpened mower knife. To dump with Mrs. Fay's cultch and to town after work gas. Home and teddered yesterday's mowing on Oak Tree field. Then mowed the well piece from edge of corn patch to edge of hen yard piece. Hay heavy and ground very soft. Gathered together windfall appeals, peelings, cull corn etc and took them to Jimmie Brown's bull. Dodged up to Watson's to see new John Deere equipment. Jimmie took us on a tour of inspection of the Honeymoon cottage and out onto Oak Hill when he's clearing. Making quite a change. Home, lunched, teddered hay again. Picked with Nan's help the 2 1/2 rows peas on triangle piece just coming in. The coons have really been working on these peas. Also picked some yellow beans. Then picked some peas off Mrs. Fay's garden. Coupled onto rotary mower and mowed the weeds on house garden. Uptown to see last boat come and to do a wash at Alta's. Home by way of Betty Brown's to leave Mrs. Fay's wash. Home to find Lawrence and Alice calling on us after corn. Gave him a couple doz. culls off Earliking piece. Visited until 9:00.</p>
<p>Sept. 15, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like another nice one but not as pretty as yesterday morning. Air northerly. Temp. 55°. Smearred up all day, air NE. Very rough on back side of Stimpson's, edge of hurricane, I guess. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, fresh picked corn and cabbage. Weighed up potatoes and picked corn for CK Cobb. Handscythed along side of well piece corn patch and ground well, and shook it out. Hay so heavy along piece I couldn't mow the part swath with mower. Teddered oak tree piece and well piece. Mowed below shop to shanty well beaten down where Buddy drove through it, then mowed between powerhouse and barn. Plenty heavy there too. Lunched. Raked oak tree piece and well house. Baled oak tree piece about 140 bales - and Bun Smith came after it. Nan and I shucked over a peck of peas before supper for freezer. Suppered. Rested. Called the Oldroyds to see if they'd be coming Sunday - not definite yet. Talked with the Fishers to see how they're doing. Set my Havahart trap tonight and caught a coon inside a half hour. Damned if he didn't get away though when I dumped him into a barrel. Should have shot him right in the trap.</p>
<p>Sept. 16, Saturday</p>	<p>A nice quiet warm calm morning with lots of high cloudiness but sun came up nicely. Temp. 60°. A beautiful hay drying day. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, helped with dishes. Dug, washed and weighed 100# Snowflake potatoes for W &amp; Co., Inc. Picked other vegetables. Teddered hay on well piece once over so soft the tractor wheels messed things up. also teddered shop piece and powerhouse piece. Lunched. Hand raked in edges of shop piece and powerhouse piece and spread it. Gathered corn. 10 doz. or so, and uptown at 1:30 to see boat come and delivered orders. Home immediately except for stopping at Alta's a moment to visit the Dows who arrived this P.M. Went through well piece by hand narrowing up the windrows and airing them up in nice shape except where the tractor wheels mashed it down. Should be okay to bail tomorrow A.M. Finished windrowing after 6:00. Suppered. Invited up to the Ames this evening. Watched Lawrence Welk Show and then Milton showed some of his slides including the ones he took when we went to Bar Harbor this last spring. Home at 11:00.</p>

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<p>Sept. 17, Sunday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning. Sun came up like a ball of fire. A very heavy dew. Porch looked like it had showered. Temp. 55°. Set Havahart trap last night and there's a coon in it this morning. Don't plan for this one to get away. Didn't. A very hot day scalding for an easterly. Did bookkeeping. Made breakfast. Built outriggers on pulp trailer and cleaned up barn floor. Raked shop piece and powerhouse piece. Had iced tea under swing tree and oak tree and the Cobbs arrived by boat and joined us. Baled well piece except swamp part and very nearly got stuck. Rutted it badly. Went through shop piece and powerhouse piece by hand. Hauled well piece hay into barn - 59 bales. Windrowed shop piece and powerhouse piece by hand, baled same and hauled into barn. Left on trailer 50 bales. Finished 6:00 P.M. The Overmans made a dooryard call this P.M. Had only finished supper when Garnet and Clara came in. Took us on a ride around island. A beautiful full moonlit night. Home about 9:15. Watched Smothers Brothers Show. To bed weary.</p>
<p>Sept. 18, Monday</p>	<p>Finished mowing Indian Point Farm. Another Grumpy morning but high overcast. Sun came up into clouds like a ball of fire. Temp. 60°. A beautiful day all day. Did bookkeeping. Made breakfast and helped with dishes. Dug, washed and weighed 3 pecks potatoes. Unloaded yesterday's third load of hay and towed all the loads away. Pumped. Picked 4 doz. corn for Pat, also some other vegetables. She, Loren and little Bill up this A.M. to get vegetables for freezing. Mowed corner at end of long well piece, then hen yard piece, below little island piece, the two corners on opposite side of oak tree field next to oaks and the laid down piece in pasture, finishing Indian Point Farm. Done about 5:00. Slowed up as I had to repair swatch board and again when I would a grain bag into power take off shaft. Had been using it as a hay shield. The Ames in dooryard just as I finished mowing. Visited a half hour. Nan and Mrs. Cobb went to garden club meeting this evening. Alta and the Dows down. Showed them some of our slides. They, the Dows, leave tomorrow.</p>
<p>Sept. 19, Tuesday</p>	<p>A bill from J.O.B. and Son for gas and oil April, May, June and July \$108.00 Will take some rotoring to pay that. Another beautiful Grumpy morning. Temp. 60°. These last two weeks have been the most beautiful weather. A beautiful day and a full one. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Over to R.M.'s to pump out Papoose while Nan watered gardens. Took a sail up by Thomas' ledge to warm up engine. Thought we'd get some lobsters but Wolcott Hardie wouldn't sell as he had no scales. Home and teddered yesterday's mowing. Hay very green and heavy. Lunched, rested a half hour or so. Then back over to R.M.'s and rotor-mowed his pasture side hill. Didn't have gas enough to do my part. Uptown to see boat come and get work gas. Also deliver vegetables. Boat back on 2 trips a day now. Comes at about 4:30. Home by way of Elliot Beveridge's to get eggs from Lucy B. The Beveridges away on trip. Raked the hay on both sides of Oak Tree field. Boy, did I ever get wound up with hay twice. Must devise some sort of shield for those universal joints and shafts. Suppered. Tried to watch Red Skelton after watching the Tuesday night Jamboree (Beverly and the Green Mt. Boys). But slept through some - the Jamboree is going off the air.</p>

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Sept. 20, Wednesday	Ernie Boy helped hay - 4 hours. Looks like another Grumpy morning after the most beautiful moonlit night - a very heavy ground fog. Temp. 46°. As we came home yesterday P.M. we discovered that Mary Jane had had his farm all mowed out. Glad to see he's still showing interest. He's also cut some alders in his lower field toward Sampson's spring. a nice day but dew so heavy it didn't dry off till most noon. Did bookkeeping. Had new corn for breakfast. spent most of A.M. making shields for tractor power take-off and rake drive shaft. Dug nearly a bu. of potatoes. Raked pasture piece. Teddered the two pieces I raked last night and then Ern and I went through them by hand windrowing them at same time. Teddered pasture piece. Started baling the two pieces we worked by hand about 4:00 and Bun Smith came after it - 117 bales. Made good time except baler threw belt that runs the pick up sweeps. Lost nearly a half hour putting that back on. Cleaned up and up to A.W.B.'s and Emma's to a nice supper at 6:30. Smothered meat with all the fixing. Home about 9:30. Our last colored film came today made into prints instead of slides - damn it.
Sept. 21, Thursday	Looks like our good weather was gone. Very cloudy with air southerly. Looks rain. Sure would like to clean up pasture piece before it rains. Temp. 55°. Foggy some hardly drying off. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Picked seven dozen corn for the Thorntons and a couple more dozen. So afraid it would rain I raked hay on pasture piece and baled it - 92 bales. Baled with tension slacked off but still heavier than I liked. Bun came as I finished baling about 12:00 and I helped him load. Makes about 9 1/2 ton - 230 <sup>th</sup> . Lunched. Picked about 18 doz. corn off well piece, same piece this morning and took it uptown to sell about boat time. Sold it all. About \$18.00 worth today with Thorntons Nan to B. Joyce's about 12:00 to get Toni. Then downtown at boat time. Home after 5:00. Suppered and watched a little T.V.
Sept. 22, Friday	Nan helped Edith Ames at Saltonstall's all A.M. Foggy enough to start bell before 6:00. Started raining by spells about 8:00. Wind strong southerly Temp. 55°. Really rained by spells until P.M. Picked 5 doz. corn first thing for Nan to take across to Pat when she went to Saltonstall's. had breakfast, washed dishes, did bookkeeping, and several other rainy day chores. Tried to rest a little while. Had just gone over to shop after lunch to clean house when Nan came home. Helped her snap and french 4# yellow beans for freezing. Had 7 bags. Picked three or four more doz. corn and weighed up potatoes for Tom Thatcher and Forrest Adams. Uptown at boat time to deliver vegetables. Home and suppered. Had a nice smoked shoulder, potatoes and cabbage. Invited the Ames down this evening. Talked and visited. Very foggy making hard driving.
Sept. 23, Saturday	Check from Watson for rotor mowing land strip Aug 7 - \$49. Rained hard during night and real foggy this morning. Days shortening rapidly. Hardly daylight now at 6:30. Calm. Temp. 60°. Sun supposed to cross equator this day. A wet disagreeable day working in corn or mowing around trees. Did bookkeeping, breakfast and helped with dishes. Nan miserable with kink in hip. Weighed up 3 lots potatoes. Coupled onto rotary mower. Rotored between woodpiles and fence above barn, rotored out corner and across end of garden on OP piece, and then rotored my part of clearing on Indian Point pasture. Over to Abbie's to check house and rode around island. Lunched. Ern dropped in a few minutes. Picked spinach and S. Chard and about 18 doz. corn Uptown at boat time delivering as we went. Sold all. Home about 5:00. Had Arthur and Emma down to baked bean and ham supper. Watched T.V. during evening. The AW's leave for Conn. this week.

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<p>Sept. 24, Sunday</p>	<p>Overslept. Didn't get up till after 7:00. Gloomy and raining now at 8:00. Air NW. Temp 50°. Rained most of A.M., clearing to a fair P.M. Did bookkeeping and breakfasted. Cleaned up and went to church. 34 in congregation. Came right home, lunched and picked some corn. made a sudden decision to go to Rockland on 4:20 boat as I wanted to go to Union to get repair part for John Deere rake I sold to Hallowell Point. Over in big field to get broken part off rake. Delivered a couple orders of corn and made boat okay. Bill H. took us right to Owl's Head. Took some corn along to go with Mercedes smothered chicken etc. Very good. During evening up to visit with the Hopkins awhile. Jim full of enthusiasm about his new job he starts on in October. Back to Owl's Head about 11:00. We Calderwoods slept very poorly. Hopkins coffee or something.</p>
<p>Sept. 25, Monday</p>	<p>A dull overcast morning clearing to quite a fair P.M. The Oldroyds didn't get up till about 8:00 so we had a late breakfast and didn't get going till 10:00. Up to Union to Fuller Equip. co. to order rake part, then to Payson's to get rotary shaft bolts, etc. Had a nice lunch at Elmer's restaurant. I had fried native shrimp, the others - pork chops. From Union out to So. Windsor to Hussey's Gen. Store, cruised that an hour or so, then came back to Appleton and along the ridge - what beautiful country and will be even more so in a week or so when the trees are in full color. From the Ridge to Hope to get a couple bags of Macs, and through Camden to Rockland to Owl's Head about 5:30. At 6:30 to Jimmie and Sada's to beef and vegetable stew supper and evening. Had a nice time. Back to Owl's Head by 10:00. Slept much better this night.</p>
<p>Sept. 26, Tuesday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning but cold. A heavy frost in Owl's Head but NH evidently escaped it. Up and ready to start for Rockland to shop a bit at 8:30. Home on A.M. boat. Only us as passengers other than the couple in the one car aboard. Found home quite cool. Started both fires and soon had the place comfortable. Lunched. Changed oil and filter on tractor. The "King" dropped in and visited nearly an hour. Rotored an hour on Carver's property. Picked 12 doz. corn. Nan picked beans and we went to town to make deliveries at boat time. Home and was just ready for supper when Carver came over to get his hair cut. Not much of a job as I only had to use clippers. Up to Thorntons to get some onions for pickles. Down to JOB's with them to see AW and Emma. They leave in the morning for Conn. Rode around island in Chevelle when we took the Thorntons home.</p>
<p>Sept. 27, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful fall morning. Strong SW wind. Has blown all night. Temp. 50°. Cool all day but fair. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Helped with dishes and then we went over to get Landrover out for inspection. Had to tow to start. Uptown in same to get inspected, get gas, have pole to straighten etc. Home by way of Watson's Landing Field to see the Burrs take off for N.Y in plane. Home and dug rest of white potatoes on ship piece and 1/2 rows of Red A.W.B. Probably 5 bu. in all. Lunched. Rotored rest of Carver's Estate - 2 hours, then over to head of Stinkey's Cove and rotored the alders and bushes on corner that made the corner so blind. Home and picked up the potatoes I dug this A.M. Nan spent her day doing wash, mowing lawn, making pickles etc. Supper at 5:30. About 7:30. Frank and Orilla came to visit and bring me a check for some of the mowing and rotoring jobs this summer, \$500.00. Then Garnet and Clara came. He brought the bill of Elliott Brown's for hauling loam &amp; gravel into Fuller Cemetery - \$124.00. OK'd it. Had a nice little party. Nan served coffee and ice cream. Can now pay our taxes - our largest outstanding bill.</p>

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<p>Sept. 28, Thursday</p>	<p>Dull with plenty of high cloudiness. Breeze westerly. Temp. 60°. Became a nice warm day. Did bookkeeping. Helped with dishes. Over to Abbie's before nine to start rotoring. Had good luck on her western brook piece. Had made a few trips around eastern brook piece when rotor slat on a turn and snapped the lock on side arm of tractor that holds the left restraint chain. Was able to rig up again with a chain out of carriage house. While doing so discovered the gear box on mower was loose on housing. Tightened that. Lost over a half hour. Home about 12:45. Lunched. While having lunch, the Beveridges visited to get rototiller. Changed to grade blade and up to Fuller Cemetery to spread and level the piles of loam Elliott Brown had hauled. Met Nan in Jeep at Tumbledown corner at 4:30 and went to town with her to deliver 4 bu. potatoes and corn. Home, suppered and watched some T.V including Dean Martin at 10:00.</p>
<p>Sept. 29, Friday</p>	<p>Raining hard. Strong S.W wind - 20 or more. Temp. 60°. This is an anniversary for Calderwood. A year ago today I returned from many weeks in Knox Hospital. It's been a full year. Did bookkeeping, had breakfast and helped with dishes. Nan completed a batch of bread and butter pickles - 6 jars. Sharpened and repaired 3 mower knives this A.M. Was just resting a few minutes after lunch when Frank S. came to get a few parsnips for his stew. Made us fifteen minutes late getting to Rummage Sale. Saw little of interest to buy, although some seemed to be doing allright. Down to Alta's to do wash and have coffee. Mrs. Jessie Carver there visiting. Quite sociable. We left in time to shop and see boat come. Came right home, changed clothes and up to Thorntons to supper. Toasted crabmeat sandwiches - delicious - also blueberry pie. Home at 9:30 and to bed.</p>
<p>Sept. 30, Saturday</p>	<p>Well, it's raining hard now at 6:30 A.M. Temp. 62° and wind about SSW. It looks now a though what we want to do in Sept. of this year will be done in a rainstorm. Supposed to dig three boxes potatoes along with other things. Rained by spells until 2:00. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, helped with dishes, pumped, checked Mrs. Fay's house, picked about 8 doz. corn. Ivaloo came for 1 1/2 doz., we froze 1 doz. raw to try and cooked off and cut from cobs the remainder. Had ten bags to freeze. Lunched. Over to check R.M.'s and pump Papoose. Picked about 16 doz. more corn and uptown before boat came delivering as we went. Saw boat come. Home and had an Indian Point Farm supper. New A.W.B. Russet potatoes, Early Jersey Wakefield cabbage, Burpees cucumber and some of our top of round steak. All very good. Invited the Milton Ames down to watch Lawrence Welk with us. Also the next program of country music. They leave for Delaware Thursday to visit Kerry. Tonight while we were eating supper a coon came lumbering into the dooryard inviting me to shoot him. I did.</p>
<p>Oct. 1, Sunday</p>	<p>Good morning October. May you be a nice month. Looks like a nice day coming up. Breeze westerly or WSW. Temp. 54°. Did bookkeeping, shaved and cleaned up, went to church. 31 of us in congregation. Helped Albert B. with collection and communion. Came right home, changed clothes and up to the Eliot Beveridges beach to a picnic dinner - broiled lamb chops, fried potatoes, roasted corn, salad etc. Very good. The Witherspoons and Mrs. Van Twisk also present. Home about 4:00 by way of Watson's landing strip. Saw IBM plane take off. Played us a game of Scrabble after coming home. Had a light supper and watched the Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers Show. Nan called Min on phone this evening. Abbie called us this morning.</p>

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<p>Oct. 2, Monday</p>	<p>Up at 5:30. Plenty of high cloudiness, but looks like a good day coming up. Air westerly. Temp. 52°. A beautiful warm day. Did bookkeeping, breakfasted, and out digging potatoes on dump piece just after 7:00. Dug, picked up washed and weighed 150# Snowflake for W &amp; Co., Inc. Have grown much larger than on shop piece. Nan took them to town. I went to garage about 9:45 with tractor and rotor to have blades sharpened and to replace the left-hand restraint lock on side lift bar that broke the other day when I was rotoring at Abbie's. Swung into Abbie's at 1:00. Rotored between house and brook, former orchard, in front of house to cranberries, corner west of garage, and struck out below cranberries along bank back to orchard piece. Nan brought lunch over and picked six or more quarts of cranberries - never saw them more plentiful. Home just after 4:30. Olive G. calling on Nan. Picked 3 or 4 doz. corn, weighed up a peck of potatoes, shaved and cleaned up and up to Sampson's to supper - beef stew with hot biscuits - delicious - apple pie for dessert. Home about 9:30. A full day. 5 hours rotor mowing Abbie's \$35.00.</p>
<p>Oct. 3, Tuesday</p>	<p>Looks like another nice one coming. Air westerly WSW. Temp. 50°. Porch very wet - heavy dew. A nice day and a beautiful one at Ketchum's farm, but not as warm as yesterday. Up at 5:30. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and was ready to start for Ketchum's farm at 7:50. Started right in front of house the length of field where Frank had left off and worked toward shore. He came at 9:00, left at 11:00, came at 1:00, left at 3:00 and then back before 4:00. Finished the whole field clear to shore and along sides of road outside wall. Took us to 4:30. Home just before 5:00. We were just sitting down to supper at 5:00 when Ken and Mildred came after cucumbers. Visited until 8:00. Watched and slept on Red Skelton and to bed weary. Arms and legs very tired. The R.M.'s phoned this morning. They're coming to NH Thursday. Nan has spent her day making pickles, chasing me around and delivering vegetables after gathering them. Coons struck corn on OP piece this night. 8 hours rotoring at Ketchums for F. Sampson.</p>
<p>Oct. 4, Wednesday</p>	<p>By Golly, it looks like another nice one coming up. Calm. Temp. 50°. Dew doesn't appear to be so heavy as yesterday when the grass stayed wet all A.M. Overslept this A.M. Didn't get up till 5:45. Must get a lot of chores done this A.M. so to move to Lombard's at Crabtree's Point this noontime. Frank doesn't have any school bussing the next 3 days. Nan worked over to R.M.'s 5 hours or so. I dug a bu. each of Early Rose and Jerry potatoes on dump piece. Jerries a total pooch after being best last year - small, very scabby, caked and misshapen. Picked up and washed potatoes. Dug my row of Norlands left for seed on house garden. Don and Leigh down for corn. Lunched at 11:15 and started for Lombard's at 11:45. There at 12:30. Started rotoring where Frank had begun by buildings but as soon as Frank came from lunch, we shifted out onto end of point and rotored there all P.M. Rough and rocky. Nan down for me at 4:45. Home and picked up my Norlands - 2 50# boxes. Handsome potatoes but too many small ones. Had A. Hopkins and dog come over this evening. Got a coon out by big oak in western field. He won't eat anymore in western field. He won't eat any more corn. To bed weary. Gave Arthur a \$1.00 for getting coon, also a mess of corn. 4 3/4 hours rotor mowing for F. Sampson at Lombard's.</p>

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<p>Oct. 5, Thursday</p>	<p>Overslept. After 6:00. Calm and cloudy some. Temp. +54°. Stayed cloudy all A.M., sprinkling two or 3 times. Down to Lombard's in Chevelle at 8:15. What a long drive. Frank ahead of me by half hour. Finished rotoring eastern and center section of point at 2:15 and shifted out around to NW side of point for remainder of P.M. Frank went home to lunch so I only took 15 minutes nooning. Home just before 5:00. Rested and suppered at 6:00. Up to Bertha's at 7:00, Nan to get hair set and Calderwood to get hair cut. Home and to bed at 9:00 weary. Nan gathered 7 doz. corn for the Thorntons who came for it this A.M., mowed lawn, etc.</p>
<p>Oct. 6, Friday</p>	<p>Rained during night. Dark, cloudy and flat calm now at 6:15. Rained hard during night. Temp. 50°. Has rained all A.M. clearing this P.M. Guess I needed a respite from rotoring as I was taken with a digestive upset last night at the Joyce's and just made the toilet when I got home, again at 2:00 A.M. and again at 7:00 A.M. so felt kind of let down. Rested this A.M. except for making out Mr. Cobb's seasonal vegetable bill - came to all of \$20.00. When he came in with check he was quite interesting in having Frank &amp; I take our tractors to Shaw's Island and rotor a day. Quite a project. Dug a rocker of Norgold Russet potatoes after lunch for R.M. Nan gathered corn and we took it over. Uptown to see boat come. The RM's came. He called in later bringing Nan 5 jars of Cooper Oxford Jelly. We came home about 4:30 and I picked a doz. corn for Clara Waterman. She and Nora came for the corn just in time to have supper with us - Baked Norgold Russet potatoes, baked Table Queen Acorn squash, new "Wonderful" corn and hamburg and spaghetti. Very good supper. The Watermans visited until 8:00. Growing cool tonight.</p>
<p>Oct. 7, Saturday</p>	<p>Cool this morning at 5:30. 38°. Calm. Aired up NW to 15 mi. or so. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and down to Lombard's at 7:45 in Chevelle. 8 1/2 miles. Worked in front of and below house this A.M. and part of P.M. Had been rotoring an hour when Frank arrived. Struck out field north of barn while Frank was home to lunch. Shifted out onto SW point middle of P.M. after finishing up front of house. I got stuck in swamp in front of house so Frank had to pull me out also sheared off rotor shaft bolt when striking out north field. Frank had to lave at 3:45 so I shifted from point back to north field and mowed another half hour making me an even 8 hours. Home before 5:00. Nan baked beans this day and invited the Thorntons down to have supper with us. Had a nice supper and evening. They went home as soon as Lawrence Welk show over. Nan made rosehip jelly today along with selling vegetables.</p>
<p>Oct. 8, Sunday</p>	<p>42°. Air SW. Some high cloudiness. Looks like a good day coming up. Made a nice day except windy easterly. Did bookkeeping, bathed and made breakfast. Had planned to go to church but decided I'd better try to get some potatoes out, at least enough for seed of my special ones, as it can freeze hard any time now. Working for Sampson leaves me no potato digging time. Dug my A.W.B. Russets on Shop piece, rest of my Snowflake (white) on dump piece and over two rows of my Norgold Russet next to them. Norgold Russets turned out beautifully. The RMs out and invited us out in Papoose at 1:30. Went up around to Oak Hill and around Chandlers Island. Saw as large a flock of white-winged coots as I've ever seen up by Mullens little island. Home about 3:30. Nan helped me pick up the potatoes. Had 3 bu. of A.W.B. Russets, 1 1/2 bu. of the Snowflake for seed, and 2 bu. boxes of Norgold Russets for seed and 3 bu. besides. Had supper of Silver Queen Corn (white) - delicious. Watched the Ed Sullivan Show and Smothers Brother Show.</p>

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<p>Oct. 9, Monday</p>	<p>Wind out SE or E now at 7:00 at 10 mi. Looks very rainy. 52°. Rained all of A.M. Very foggy all P.M. and evening. Did bookkeeping. Up to OP piece to pick Silver Queen corn for breakfast. Delicious. Nan worked over to RMs this A.M. They went to mainland. I went down to Lombard's, took left lift arm rod off tractor and took it to garage to have Steve weld a rod along the side of it for strength as it bent again since I bent it at Abbie's when restraint chain broke. Stopped at Mabelle Ames' to get 25 grain bags for potatoes. Came from garage by way of H.S.B.'s to see about putting potatoes in his cellar. Home. Shook out grain bags. Very dusty from hen's grain. Lunched. Picked 15 doz. corn and uptown at boat time. Home, read mail, and over to R.M.'s to supper and evening. Had lobster casserole made by Shirley C. Very good and also a nice evening enjoying fireplace. Home shortly after 9:00.</p>
<p>Oct. 10, Tuesday</p>	<p>Mother's Birthday - would have been 89. How it did rain before daylight. Laid awake from 3:00 to time to get up, then slept till 7:00. Very foggy now and drizzling. Air appears to be SE or E. Temp. 54°. Rained most of A.M. and stayed wet all day. Did bookkeeping. Had Silver Queen corn for breakfast. Peeled Mac apples for Nan to make a pie for tonight's supper at Dick Bloom's. Out to Hog Pen piece in rain to pick 6 doz. Spring Gold corn to cut from cob and freeze. Had 20 bags. Took us nearly to noon. Considerable time consuming work. Sherm Cooper and Ham Lockwood here at lunchtime to get corn and potatoes. Uptown at boat time, inspecting Abbie's house on way. Home after 4:00. Read mail, cleaned up, and down to Dick Bloom's to a lobster stew supper made by Curly Joe. The Don Greenlaws and J.F. Dyer there. The Jack Browns were supposed to be present but didn't come. Had a nice supper and evening. Home at 10:30.</p>
<p>Oct. 11, Wednesday</p>	<p>Looks like another wet one but can't tell yet. Still dark at 6:15. Calm. Temp. 54°. Became a beautiful sunny warm day, but very wet this morning. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Picked Lawrence Grant 7 doz. corn for canning like we canned yesterday. Down to Lombard's at 8:45. Put lift arm fork back onto tractor and ready to start mowing at 9:00. Finished north field, road from lower end of field through woods to Lombard's white house, around stable, two roads to vicinity of big cottage site, and then back down to 4 acre field and SW point. Frank's day well broken by school bussing. Was just finishing swamp side of 4 acre field when I discovered I'd stuck a limb through radiator shield into radiator and was losing water. Managed to pinch tubes to stop most of leak, but left off at 4:15. Will put in a can of radiator soldec tomorrow morning, hoping to stop leak rest of mowing period anyway. Nan to Vinalhaven visiting Pat today. I had wood lugged in, fire going and was taking up ashes when Nan came home. Suppered and rested. 7 3/4 hours rotor-mowing for F. Sampson at Lombard's.</p>

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<p>Oct. 12, Thursday</p>	<p>Abbie and Eleanor arrived. Still dark at 6:00. Can't tell about the weather yet. Temp. 50°. Became a nice day. Did bookkeeping. Made breakfast, and Nan had me down to Lombard's at 8:45. Warmed up tractor and put in pill. Ready to start at 9:00. Frank came soon after and we finished down on eastern shore road by wharf at 10:45. Had both tractors up to Jamie Wooster's farm and ready to mow at 11:15. I drove them both up. Struck out the place; Frank went to lunch at 11:30, then school bussed at 2:45, but we sure made a showing. I only took 15 minutes nooning. Left off at 4:30 and left the tractors by old house as we didn't quite finish. Frank brought me home. Nan worked a while for Mrs. M. this A.M., then was kept in the OP corn patch most of the rest of the day. Sold about fourteen doz. Makes it difficult for her when I'm away all day. Abbie and Eleanor arrived on P.M. boat till Sunday. Over a few minutes after corn. Then Jimmie Brown brought Donna down delivering flower bulbs. They visited a half hour or so. Had supper (baked beans) about 7:30. Tried to read paper after but too weary. 2 hours rotoring F. Sampson at Lombard's; 5 1/4 hours rotoring F. Sampson at Jamie Wooster's.</p>
<p>Oct. 13, Friday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice one coming up but cooler. 44°. Air northerly. Has been a nice one although a trifle cool this P.M. Did bookkeeping, breakfasted, and weighed up 50# Russet potatoes for W &amp; Co. Inc. Nan took them to town after she took me to Jamie Wooster place at 8:00. Ready to rotor at 8:15. Frank came at 9:00 and we finished the job at 10:15. Had a coffee break and then I drove the two tractors to Jesse Brown farm. Had them both there at 11:30. Frank went right to lunch from taking me back to get his tractor. Nan waiting at J. Brown's to have lunch with me. Struck through center of north field at 12:00. Frank back at 12:45, bussed at 2:45, then back and we nearly finished the field by 4:45. A much larger field than one is aware of. Home on tractor just after 5:00. Sheared off a rotary shaft bolt shortly after I started at noon, and Frank sheared off his just as we were finishing. Had a boiled dinner supper tonight using the pot liquor from our corn beef of the day before. To bed before 9:00 as we both seem to be weary. Plenty of deer sign where we mowed this P.M.</p>
<p>Oct. 14, Saturday</p>	<p>Plenty of high cloudiness now at 6:45 but expect a nice day. Air northerly. Temp. 44°. Became a nice day and a full one. Thought I'd really go to town digging potatoes, but got bothered all day. had to leave off to pick corn for Gus Tomer, then Ken Mills came to borrow a couple jack posts and I had to go over to Tumbledown to get one, then R.M. came by and said he could take Frank S. and I to Shaw's Island at 1:30 so we went. Found a nice beach to land the tractors on and think we could rotor the center part of island okay but not the western end, too rocky. Back about 2:45 and then lost another hour frigging around with R.M. out around Indian Point in boat. He's red hot to buy the rest of Indian Point pasture nearly up to where my tide fence used to go down. Claims he wants to protect himself. It frightens me now when anyone gets any designs on our property after the flim-flam Bill Hopkins pulled about Calderwood Island. Nan helped me pick up potatoes, but she had to leave off at 4:45 to clean up and go uptown to get Abbie - she putting her car in line. Then I had to leave off at 5:30 to clean up to go over to Abbie's. The Montgomerys were also present. Did manage to get potatoes picked and bagged about 10 bu. Russets and 3 bu. Early Rose and Jerry. Left them bagged on piece. The Don W's down this evening.</p>

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<p>Oct. 15, Sunday</p>	<p>Well it looks very overcast, almost foggy, with a promise of rain now at 6:45. Air SW. Temp 50°. Stayed rainy looking all A.M., clearing some P.M. Another Sunday we didn't get to church. Thought I'd better try to get ahead of a frost, so gathered our pumpkins off shop piece and powerhouse piece. had 5 wheelbarrow loads. Squashes on OP piece didn't amount to much (Buttercup or Butternut - the yellow one), but had some nice Table Queen Acorn on triangle piece. Jimmie Brown down after 3 wagon loads corn stalks off well piece - cleaned it. Used tractor to move wagon from road to garden and garden to road. Nan took up her gladioli bulbs. Uptown to see crowd leave on 1:30 boat. North Haven returned from Swan's Island and was loaded to the eyes when it left here, even without a B&amp;R truck. Had hamburgers while watching crowd gather. Home. Rotored stalks and pumpkin vines on powerhouse piece - very weedy. Took our seed potatoes up to H.S.B.'s cellar - 6 containers potato eye seed. Home and put windows into barn and closed barn swallow window in peak. Suppered. Watched Ed Sullivan Show and Smothers Brothers show.</p>
<p>Oct. 16, Monday</p>	<p>It sure is a dark looking morning now at 6:30, looks foggy and rainy. Wind SW. Temp. 52°. Almost drizzled this morning but cleared to a reasonable day by noon when the wind breezed up 35 mi. or more SW all P.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and made ready to start for Lamont's at 8:25. Went by way of NS road, stopping at dump with container of cans, etc. Then across Cunningham's to Lamont's. Rotored pasture below barn along pond spruces above barn in little pasture, and beyond house by sunken garden. Home across Cunningham's at 1:00. Nan just back from R.M.'s. They left on morning boat. Lunched, shaved and cleaned up, cleaned up Chevelle, and uptown shortly after 2:00. Nan went to Garden Club meeting and I met the 3:10 boat to drive the Chevelle in funeral procession - Leslie Dickey, Curtis, Jean, Goldie MacDonald and Helen Macdonald rode with me. How it did blow at the Sea View Cemetery. Brought Landrover home when we came from town and put it away. Lugged in wood, read paper, suppered and watched some T.V. 3 3/4 hours rotoring at Lamont's for Lawrence Grant.</p>
<p>Oct. 17, Tuesday</p>	<p>Wind has dropped out some and the temp. is 52°. Still dark at 6:30. Will be glad when we go back to Standard Time. A good working day. Wind aired up some late P.M. and fog came in. did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and ready to tart for Ketchum's on tractor at 7:45. Started in cubby Hole field where Frank had started Saturday. Frank came about 8:45 and we nearly finished that field, orchard and all. would have if I hadn't taken a long noon hour. Invited out to Sampson's to lunch - boiled haddock, potatoes, etc. Very good. Nan invited up. To town from the there in Chevelle during noon hour after gas. Frank had to bus at 2:45 and leave again at 4:00. I mowed to 4:30. Home on tractor at 5:00. Nan busy mowing lawn and picking corn - 5 doz. for Mrs. Davis. She's proving to be our best customer. Read mail, suppered and tried to watch Red Skelton show. Hard to stay awake.</p>

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<p>Oct. 18, Wednesday</p>	<p>Dark now at 6:15. Can't tell what the weather is. Think it rained during night. Temp. 53°. Rained hard by spells, a fine rain during A.M. Did bookkeeping, picked and cooked corn for breakfast. This Silver Queen a delicious corn. Picked 2 doz. corn for Pat Bunker, and doz. for Sampson. Nan had to meet Pat at ferry to get Conserve glasses so sent corn down. I started getting baler ready for winter, cleaning hay out of chamber etc. Rain drove me indoors. Peeled the box of green pears Mrs. M. sent Nan - 8 lbs. for Oriental conserve. Rain stopped, and I worked more on baler draining gas, putting oil into cylinders, etc, didn't change oil as I only used a few hours baling this farm. Just ready to take tedder to Mrs. Pease's when Frank called to say he was going to mow at Ketchum's this P.M. Ate my lunch on way and got there at 12:30. We finished the Cubby Hole field and made quite a start on Wash House field. Nan came after me at 4:45. Left NAA [?] in barn. Dr. Austin Lamont up from VH this morning to see FWS and wants all of Lamont Place piece rotored. Guess we won't get through this fall. Home, suppered, etc. Frank says this is 150 hours or more at Lamont's. Tomorrow he called to say he'd like us to rotor his farm. The Kittredge Place in Vinalhaven this fall. Now I know we won't get through.</p>
<p>Oct. 19, Thursday</p>	<p>Rained hard and blew hard during night. Wind SW this morning 15 or more but warm. 58°. Still dark at 6:15. Will be glad to go back onto Standard Time. Blew hard SW all day - disagreeable. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and Nan had me up to Ketchums at 7:50. Started where we left off in washhouse field yesterday and finished the field about 2:00 P.M. Then did an opening in what was pasture beyond this field. had to go to garage to have lift fork heated and straightened as the cotter pin in through pin evidently broke and let the pin work out enough so fork twisted when I lifted the rotor. The same thing happened when I mowed at Gates back in the summer. Was gone from job less than a half hour. Finished the P.M. on top of hill by driveway. Plenty of wind. Nan brought lunch up and ate with me. Worked in Thrift Shop with Dorothy Beveridge this P.M. Picked me up at 4:40. Home, read mail, suppered and watched Shorty Thomas' County Caravan and Daniel Boone. Had just gone to bed when Frank S. came to fill his water jugs. Bill Hurd had cleaned out the spring at Lorings today.</p>
<p>Oct. 20, Friday</p>	<p>Has been a beautiful moonlit night, and wind has blown hard too. Has swung farther into west. Cool. 42° now at 6:00 A.M. Will be cold on tractor this day. Has been a windy day but not nearly as disagreeable as yesterday. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast and Nan had me at Ketchum's at 7:45. Finished mowing around where old blacksmith shop set, mowed along road out to schoolhouse entrance and had struck into schoolhouse field when Frank came. Mowed road back in and we spent rest of A.M. and to 1:30 in front of barn in what was pasture - between the two new roads. Nan brought my lunch - hot beef stew. Down to Ray Thayer's at 1:30 to mow out his territory. Back to schoolhouse field at 3:00 and spent remainder of P.M. there. Put tractor back into Ketchum barn at 4:40 and Nan brought me home. Had meant to come home on tractor tonight but F.W. wanted to finish schoolhouse field tomorrow forenoon. Just got home when Ken Mills brought my jack posts back and then the Don Witherspoons came for corn. Suppered. Watched T.V. - 2 Jamboree and Tarzan. It's cooling off fast tonight. 34° as we got to bed at 9:15. 6 3/4 hours rotor mowing for FWS at Ketchum's, 1 1/2 hours rotor mowing for FWS at Ray Thayer's.</p>

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<p>Oct. 21, Saturday</p>	<p>By Golly, it's warmed up some. 42°. now at 6:00 A.M. Has been a beautiful moonlit night and wind dropped out about dark. Very red sunrise and threatened to rain all day but didn't until into evening. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast and lugged in wood. Must get some under cover soon. Nan took me to Ketchum's at 7:45. Started in again in schoolhouse field. Frank came shortly after and we were working to finish at noontime when about 9:30 one of my rotor blades snapped in two. We had to go to garage and put on one of Frank's second hand ones. Back to work at 10:30. Nan brought lunch up and ate with me on old schoolhouse lot. Finished field about 2:00, then back into Ketchum's to do a couple finishing touches jobs. Done at 3:00. Home, disconnected rotor, put on drawbar, towed tedder to Mrs. Pease's. Put tedder and roller into ground mow, came home, towed baler up, and backed into barn floor. A great relief as canvas cover was tearing all to pieces. Home, cleaned up and had the Sampsons down to baked bean supper and hot biscuits. Tomorrow Orilla's birthday and their 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Put baler away but didn't change oil as I only had 1 qt.</p>
<p>Oct. 22, Sunday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice day coming up. Some high cloudiness. Air SW. Temp. 44°. Has been a very good one. Tardy getting up - 6:30. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, bathed, pumped, put D-Con in barn, etc. At 10:00 started digging potatoes and dug till 3:45 except just time for lunch. Dug 3 rows Jerry and 2/3 row of Early Rose. Very discouraging what with cripples, deformed ones, scabby ones, sun-burned ones etc. Nan went to church, then after lunch went over to Abbie's and picked 6 qts. or so of cranberries. Helped me pick up the potatoes. Dumped them into trailer and put into barn for tonight to pick over tomorrow. Up to Eliot Beveridges about 5:30 to get a lamb (dressed). Got one for Pat too. Asking 50 cents lb. Visited a half hour. Home, suppered, and fell asleep on Ed Sullivan. Did watch part of Smothers Brothers. Working all week and Sunday too is too much.</p>
<p>Oct. 23, Monday</p>	<p>A pretty night but still dark at 6:15. Calm. Temp. 40°. A beautiful day except for airing up S.W late this P.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast - lamb's liver and bacon, lugged in wood etc. Cut lambs in two, weighed them, and hunt them in shanty. Pat's weighed 39 1/4 #, ours 42 1/2 #. Coupled onto side delivery rake, and put it away in Tumbledown garage. Then took mowing machine, after oiling cutter bar, up to Mrs. Pease's barn floor in front of baler, then home again, and took double harrow up to Mrs. Pease's barn cellar. Also repaired road gate where somebody had backed into it. Home, had a quick lunch, and back over to Abbie's at 1:00. Struck out her western flat and nearly rotored it out - 4 hours. Had hardly started when Aunt Ruth, Uncle Herb and Betty, the Beveridges and finally the Ames came cranberrying. Oh yes, Ern came too but didn't pick any - too crowded. Mowed till 5:00 and the Ames came over to visit a half hour or so. Just back from their trip to Delaware to see Kerry family. Nan did two washes at Alta's this P.M. Suppered. Up to Bertha Joyce's so Nan could get her hair set. Nan's order came from Sears tonight.</p>

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<p>Oct. 24, Tuesday</p>	<p>A warm night. 50° this morning. Still dark but appears to be calm. A beautiful day except for wind breezing SW this P.M. Did bookkeeping, and made breakfast. Ready to start for Abbie's at 7:00. Finished all I could of her flat in a half hour. Up to NS Cunningham road at 9:00. Mowed out that road and truck out junk on north side road. Frank came about 10:00, had to leave at 11:00. Finished that junk and then started the piece back of Cunningham's house. Rougher and rockier than all hell. Broke another blade about 2:00. Took old one off while Frank went to garage to get another SH one. finished that piece and spent remainder of P.M. in the corner of Charles Dyer field next to Cunningham's road. Nan came for me about 4:30. Put tractors away in garage by Lamont's tennis court. Home by way of Mrs. Pease's to get canvas off baler to put over our potatoes in barn floor. Suppered and tried to read mail but fell asleep. Very weary this night. Talked with Jim and Mercedes this evening. Would like to go over to Owl's Head this week-end, it being their anniversary.</p>
<p>Oct. 25, Wednesday</p>	<p>Overslept. 6:00 when I turned out. Looks like a nice day coming up. some high cloudiness. Temp. 50°. Remarkable how warm it's staying. Has been a nice day. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Slow getting going. 8:30 when I got to Lamont's in Jeep. 9:00 when ready to start rotoring. Frank arrived by that time. Rotored the two fields on left hand side of road going to NS from Cunningham's, beyond the one I rotored yesterday, then completely mowed out the old green Piper house field - very rough and covered with rocks. Nan brought up a warm lunch and ate with me. Home about 5;00. Nan weighed up and delivered some potatoes; also corn. Rested, suppered, tried to read paper and rested. Wind has swung into the southard tonight and glass is high. 7 hours rotor mowing for F. Sampson at Lamont's.</p>
<p>Oct. 26, Thursday</p>	<p>Dark, blowing 20 to 25 now at 5:00 A.M. Think the wind is still southerly. Warm, 52°. Started raining hard about 5:30 and continued most of A.M. Did bookkeeping and wrote a letter to Mr. Montgomery regarding my Stone Cove shore property. Made breakfast of bacon and eggs. Rested nearly 3 hours this A.M. Started to clear away about 11:00 as FWS came to get 4 jugs drinking water and he said we could work this P.M. so I made ready to be up there at 12:00. Had planned to deliver Halloween pumpkins this P.M. Oh dear, oh hum. FW arrived about 1:00 and we rotored on the section from where we worked yesterday to Bertha Joyce's. Didn't make much showing as it was so damn rough and rocky especially rocky, not to mention tree stumps and other hazards. Home about 5:00. Lugged in wood. Suppered. Tried to read paper but insisted on falling asleep. Marion H. over selling Avon this evening.</p>
<p>Oct. 27, Friday</p>	<p>Appears calm and collected, can't see as yet at 6:00. Up at 5:30. Temp. 40°. Moon was beautiful about 3:00. Most beautiful calm day and a full one. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Up to Lamont's in Jeep and ready to start rotoring at 8:30. Begun where we left off by Bertha's around well, worked back over old foundations away down towards shore, then across back of Bertha's house and made quite a showing on eastern section. About 11:00 the shaft on FWS' rotary that swings the blades snapped in two and he didn't get back with Elliott Brown's rotor until 2:00. About 11:15 one of the straps that straddles the dolly wheel of my rotor snapped in two. I took wheel off and worked without it rest of day. Came home on tractor at 5:00 and changed oil and filter. 2838 hours. We're just finishing supper - Haddock chowder - when the Stan Fishers blew in - had a bite with us. Then later in the evening Mary Pease Stone and Dee Dee visited with us. Mr. R.M. called on phone tonight but hadn't as yet received my letter. 8 hours rotoring for FWS at Lamont's.</p>

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<p>Oct. 28, Saturday</p>	<p>Started raining hard about 3:00 A.M. and is still at it hard now at 7:15. Wind breezing up hard SE 15 to 20 mi. Temp. about 45°. Rained hard to 8:30 or so, then gradually cleared to a pretty fair P.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Pumped and while doing so picked over and weighed up 103# potatoes (Russets) for W &amp; Co. Inc. Loaded Chevelle with pumpkins about 650, picked some corn for Fishers and Winnie Ames. Started out about 10:00 to deliver pumpkins to children around island. Got practically all of them. Left potatoes at W. &amp; Co. Inc. Mrs. Fisher rode with us. Home about 12:30. Had a hurried lunch and rode tractor back up to B. Joyce's at 1:30. We finished rotoring that cussed rough section at 3:30, then rotored an hour in Charlie's Brown field below Cunningham's. Some good to get in some decent mowing again. Left tractors in Lamont's garage. Brought rotor mount home so I can put on new blades tomorrow. Boy, were the old ones really battered up. Don't understand how they can cut at all. Had baked chicken, potatoes and squash for supper. Good. Watched Lawrence Welk Show and Country Music shows. Very good. Had planned to go to Owl's Head for weekend but didn't. 3 1/4 hours rotoring for FWS at Lamont's.</p>
<p>Oct. 29, Sunday</p>	<p>Time goes back an hour. Hurrah. A dull heavy overcast morning. Wind on water appears to be easterly. Temp. 42°. A nice day but raw. Up at 5:00 Standard. Did bookkeeping, bathed, shaved, and made breakfast. Didn't make church as Nan has a rotten cold. Over to check on the Fishers. They're flying out at 10:00. Home and got pumpkins for Marion's children, and put L. Beverage's hay out. Left pumpkins and took the Fishers to Watson's to meet Harjula. Home around island. Started big lawn mower up and mowed out the spite fence plot. Nan can plant some more Mrs. R.M. bulbs. Discovered the mice had already girdled both our flowering crabtrees there. Put new blades onto rotor bracket. Uptown to see boat go and have hamburgers. Home and thought I'd rest awhile. First Sherm Cooper came to see where he and Raymy Beverage could dig potatoes. Then Jennie B., Etta and Arthur Emerson came to get corn, then Sheila C. and Marcia came for corn and dug some potatoes, then Corinne Demmons came with her two youngest to get pumpkins, so my rest period didn't amount to much, also spent time hunting for a farm catalog for FWS. Made supper and watched Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers. Mr. Cobb called tonight - red hot to have Shaw's Island rotored. A busy time. Days are getting too short and wind too heavy to go down there this fall.</p>
<p>Oct. 30, Monday</p>	<p>Dog-goned if I didn't sleep to 5:30 Standard. Resting yesterday made me weary. Looks like a nice day but NNE wind will be raw. Temp. 40°. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and ready to start for Lamont's before 7:30. Ready to rotor below Cunningham's at 8:00. Had to put rotor bar back onto shaft before starting out. Worked in field where we left off Saturday. A very disagreeable work day because the wind blew so hard and blew the chopped cultch and goldenrod feathers etc. so Nearly blinded us. Made quite a showing infield as well as getting mowed out in orchard and around old foundations. New blades cut good but impossible to keep them sharp. Had hoped to make an 8 hour day only taking 15 minutes mooning, but gas line acted up so badly I left off at 3:30. Succeeded in coaxing tractor to Lamont's garage and there used air hose on tank connection above sediment bulb. Got gas to run more freely. Hoe about 4:20 plenty chilly. Picked up some corn for supper - very good still - and gathered a doz or so cabbage. Suppered and watch a little T.V. Made requests for Sears and Wards farm catalogs. 7 1/4 hours rotoring at Lamont's for FWS.</p>

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<p>Oct. 31, Tuesday</p>	<p>Plenty of high heavy clouds but should be a fair day. Wind on water appears to be NE 10 to 15 miles now at 6:00. Temp. 40°. Hope it won't be as disagreeable as yesterday. More chilly than yesterday but not as windy. Up at 5:20. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Up to Lamont's at 7:40 and ready to rotor at 8:00. Started in lower C. Dyer field where we left off yesterday. Worked there till coffee break time, then shifted down in C. Brown's field next to road to mow a strip for snow fence erection. Took till noon. Back and finished C. Dyer field by Frank wallowing through the wettest places. He can mow through places I can't go light as my tractor is so much heavier with weighed tires - 800 lbs. Spent the last 1 1/3 hours in what was pasture between Lamont's barn and C. Dyer field. Stopped at 4:30. Home just after 5:00. Added 2 quarts oil to Jeep engine. Rested - suppered - had a nap, then enjoyed the children trick or treating. Marion over with her 4 youngest, then about 8:30 Jack &amp; Betty came with their boys and Chuck Curtis. To bed weary.</p>
<p>Nov. 1, Wednesday</p>	<p>Good morning November. Let's be mild and gentle now. Flat calm and very overcast. Temp. 44°. Warm but very overcast all day. Sun almost broke through during P.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast and up to Lamont's ready to rotor at 8:00. rotored in pasture where we left off yesterday and worked there until 2:45. About a half hour earlier I snapped the shaft off the dolly wheel on rotor but finished the piece I had struck out. Lack of it makes the rotor go hard and hard to control the height of cut. Frank down to garage with me to get the wheel off his rotor that the shaft hasn't come for. Frank went deer hunting from there and I went down to Brown's to get a piece of 1 3/8 inch shaft and 2 washers of Pat. Left them at garage on way home so Steve can make a new shaft for my wheel tomorrow morning. Home about 4:00. Weighed up 3 pecks potatoes, and brought some limbs down to house in Jeep from pile above barn. Mail late as the Libby was stuck in mud off our wharf for a spell. Suppered and ready paper. To bed to read about 8:30. 6 1/4 hours rotoring for FWS at Lamont's.</p>
<p>Nov. 2, Thursday</p>	<p>Very wet this morning, evidently rained during night. Foggy and drizzly now at 6:00. Calm. Temp. 48°. Rained hard a fine rain most of day. Is going to ruin the rotoring. Did bookkeeping and started to make out an order to Sears. Made breakfast and then as soon as ready went right to work on potatoes in barn. Picked over and weighed up in bu. lots all that were in the trailer and all but 3 bags of what I dug and bagged the first Sunday I worked on them. Discouraging so many culls. Lunched about 2:30 and went to town leaving Ethel Wooster and Elmer H. each a peck potatoes on way. Saw boat come. The Libby having considerable trouble docking nights because of the extremely low drain tides. Home by way of NS about 4:30. Lugged in wood, brought our EB lamb up from Shanty and cut it up and packaged most of it - ran out of freezer paper. Cut up the saddles to Pat's lamb too. Nan took the _____ down the day she went last week. Had lamb chops for supper. Good. Watched Daniel Boone, Bewitched, Peyton Place and Dean Martin.</p>

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<p>Nov. 3, Friday</p>	<p>Golly it's warm. 60°. Very foggy. Calm all night but breezing up hard SW now at 6:00 A.M. Wind dropped out again but stayed wet all day. Did bookkeeping and worked on order to Sears. Made bookkeeping. Went right to work on potatoes again as soon as I got squared away. Picked over and weighed up the remaining four bags tied up all I'd picked over yesterday and today. Dug the remaining part row of A.W.B. red potatoes left on triangle piece. Nearly two bu. These potatoes grow very large with practically no small ones. Picked out a pail full 30 by count for seed and weighed up the rest to make another bag of reds. After lunch loaded 10 bags into Chevelle and delivered them as we went to see boat come. Home about 4:00 by way of NS. Added up our season's vegetables sales and with potatoes came to \$698.00. Potatoes amounted to over \$100.00. A lot of work involved for the amount of produce sold. Of course we lost a lot of corn because it came in too late for the summer people. Maybe a better spring for planting next year.</p>
<p>Nov. 4, Saturday</p>	<p>Still very thick-a-fog and calm. May have rained some during night. Temp. 50°. foggy all day and drizzly by spells. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Went back to work on potatoes as soon as I got squared away. Picked over 7 bu. of the culls from yesterday and day before. Had 5 bu. and a bag of small ones. Loaded these into Chevelle, sharpened XL-12 and went up to A.W.B.'s. Cut, limbed and junked into 2 ft. lengths a bunch of young spruce, so H.S.B. could have some banking brush. Then stopped at H.S.B.'s on way home, lugged my potatoes down cellar and dumped into boxes. This is the last year I'll bother people using their cellars - either I'll get some storage place of my own or I'll not save any roots crops. Home at 1:00, lunched, rested a half hour, loaded the Ames' 4 bu. tin Chevelle along with 3 bu. culls for Pat and went to town at boat time. Took Pat's across at 3:30 - Pat there to get them, and then delivered the Ames'. Didn't visit. Home, chored, read mail. Nan's order came from Montgomery Ward's. Suppered and watched T.V. Gave H.S.B. the bag of small culled culls from this morning's culling. 1 hour chain saw H.S.B. \$3.00.</p>
<p>Nov. 5, Sunday</p>	<p>Well, it isn't raining and it isn't foggy. Lots of broken clouds; appears to be clearing. Calm. Temp. 42°. Became a nice day. Did bookkeeping, finished my order to Sears, came to over \$60.00. Must wait for FWS to make me a rotor labor payment. Took a nice bath. Breakfasted. Didn't attempt to go to church as Nan's cold, while better, is in the barking stage. Such a nice calm morning we let both fires go out, and did a clean out job on both stoves - the ashes top and bottom of oven on kitchen stove, both stove pipes - the living room one was full, and cleaned the chimney from roof down through. It had a lot in it for being cleaned last spring, a pail full. Took us most of A.M. Up town to see boat leave. Home, lunched and walked out across pasture from oaks to point on shore that R.M. had selected as a new back boundary. Then kept on up along shore to our bound against Stone place, and back across pasture. Rested an hour, suppered and watched Ed Sullivan Show and Smothers Brothers. Had delicious sweet corn right out of garden for supper. That Silver Queen really is something.</p>

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<p>Nov. 6, Monday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice one coming up. Cool though +36°. Air SW. Not a cloud showing from kitchen window. Has been a beautiful day but cold riding a tractor and of course I went to work without wearing my insulated under t-shirt as I have been doing. Fine days since we rotored and I forgot it. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast and at Lamont's ready to rotor at 8:30. Worked out in pasture awhile - these rains have made conditions even worse than when we left off - and had shifted out to Albert's garden when Frank finally arrived. He had no one to help with school busses. Crow sick and Steve on vacation. Had to get Spinney to drive one. Shifted over to Charles Brown field and worked there all day - made quite a showing despite the wet spots. Nan brought up a hot lunch to me and we ate in Chevelle. Quite comfortable. Worked till 4:30. Home about 5:00. Quite a run to Lamont's garage to stable tractors. Supposed to be cold tonight. Covered dahlias roots, apples, etc. in woodshed with coats, bags etc. Suppered after reading mail - a note from Abbie and paper. Had baked potatoes, baked squash and delicious fried trout - some Sherm Baird sent us over frozen awhile back. Watched a little T.V. 7 1/2 hours at Lamont's rotoring for FWS.</p>
<p>Nov. 7, Tuesday</p>	<p>Looks like a beauty coming up although air on water appears to be NE. Temp. 36°. Didn't get as cold as predicted. Mr. R.M. called last night saying they'll be arriving the 21<sup>st</sup> for Thanksgiving. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Put on my insulated underwear this morning. Up to Lamont's and ready to roll at 8:15. Worked in upper end of C. Brown's field beyond wall towards swamp until Frank came. Then we shifted into main field where we left off yesterday. Completely finished that field before 3:00, wet areas and all. spent remainder of P.M. in area west of C. Brown's field wall. Going back to Lamont's garage the left lift bar on Frank's tractor broke in two. Towed rotor to little field by road and left it. Home about 4:30. Sprinkling as I came home. Snow squall downtown. Read mail - a note from Mrs. Fay - and paper. Suppered - baked potatoes and baked pork chops. Rested and watched a little T.V. 7 1/2 hours rotoring at Lamont's for FWS.</p>
<p>Nov. 8, Wednesday</p>	<p>Very dull and heavy overcast. Looks stormy. Wind NE about 10 M. Temp. 40°. Will be raw today. Sun did come out some but very raw riding tractor. More my insulated coveralls and sure enjoyed them. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. At Lamont's and ready to leave garage at 8:10. Started by gate in field east of road on Charles Brown place. Frank came about 9:30 and we had that field wiped out just after 11:00. Struck out field east of point to mill stream before lunch and made a nice showing on that this P.M. Nan brought me up hot beef stew for lunch, and we ate in Chevelle. Home about 4:30. No time to do any work after 4:30 now. Must get through for Sampson so I can get at my own fall work. No wood in woodshed, house banked down or any the rest of pre-winter chores. Read mail - paper - suppered, and rested, and watched the Bob Hope show. Cooled down to near 30°. Rotored at Lamont's for FWS this day - 7 hours.</p>

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<p>Nov. 9, Thursday</p>	<p>Has been a beautiful starlit night, and looks like a nice day coming up. air still NE and temp. 30°. A nice day but plenty cool. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and at Lamont's ready to roll at 8:00. Finished mowing out the C. Brown pond field by 10:30, and shifted back across the big field to the piece west of wall that we worked on Tuesday P.M. Finished that about 3:00, mowed second crop around Cunningham's cottage and an area of cultch NW of same cottage. Back to garage 4:30. All done now except a small piece by Albert's garden. A week ago I couldn't see and hope of ever winding the job up. What a chore for one man to have done. I think my time adds to about 84 hours and Frank's nearly as much. Home before 5:00. Read papers, suppered and watched the Shorty Thomas Show, Daniel Boone Show, and Dean Martin Show. 89 hours of rotoring makes me weary. 8 hours rotoring for FWS at Lamont's.</p>
<p>Nov. 10, Friday</p>	<p>A beautiful morning. Calm and clear. 30°. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Didn't try to get to Lamont's until after eight as we wanted to finish the last soft place by Albert's garden together and by Golly we finally have finished Lamont at 10:30. At one place in the job I couldn't see any hope or chance of getting it done, but it finished up rapidly finally. Shifted down to Bernard Mills and had him wiped out at 2:00, then did Mike Williams' yard (the Doug Stone place) what a mess, and it'll probably look even worse a year from now. Started at Ted Ross' at 2:45 and at 4:15 had his field done except for dogging around house and trees. Came home on tractor. First time in home barn since the 24<sup>th</sup> of October. Must get hot now and get some pre-winter chores done. No wood in the shed, house not banked down, storm windows not on, and man other things. Also we should make a trip to mainland this weekend. Up to Bertha Joyce's this evening, Nan to get her hair set and to have mine cut. Took her a big pumpkin and a cabbage. 2 hours Lamont's rotoring, the B. Mills, M. Williams and Ted Foss.</p>
<p>Nov. 11, Saturday</p>	<p>A beautiful flat calm morning at 5:30 but airing now a little NE at 6:00. Must thrash now to get ready to go to Rockland. Let's have a pleasant weekend and a humble heartfelt thanks to all those who over the years have made this country worth living in. Did a number of chores, washed up and shaved; had toast and coffee and made the boat - the Everett Libby still on. Jim O. met us. Out to Owl's Head. Had coffee, talked and visited, had tuna sandwiches for lunch, then out to Ed Coffin's to take him my title search papers of I.P.F and to give him some information. Then to Rockland to hospital to call on Mellie Gillis. Called at Dr. Morse's office but not open. Went on ride up through Rockport, Camden, Lincolnville etc to Warren, Thomaston etc. to Rockland and Owl's Head. Then to Bayview Hotel Steak Pit to broiled steak supper. Calderwood's treat it being the Oldroyd's 23<sup>rd</sup> anniversary Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Hence to So. Thomaston Grange Hall to a dance. Bill and June Hopkins and Jimmie Hopkins there. Invited them out to Oldroyds residence to coffee at 11:00. To bed weary at 11:30.</p>
<p>Nov. 12, Sunday</p>	<p>What do you know. This Calderwood didn't get up in Owl's Head till 8:30 am and then to a quiet rainstorm. Dawdled over breakfast, shaved, cleaned up and the four of us went to church at the Owl's Head Baptist Church. A pretty little church and an excellent sermon (a teacher from Christina School). Only trouble - a small group. Home, had coffee, then to Camden to have lunch at Yorkie's. Met Earland Quinn there and had a nice chat with him. For lunch - Alaska King crab sandwiches. From Camden to Hoe to Aunt Barb's - didn't find her home, then back through another way to Camden, back to Owl's Head. Rested a little while, back to Rockland to get pizzas, back to Owl's Head and ate them for supper. Jim showed his colored slides. Eber and Sada in during evening. To bed about 11:30.</p>

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<p>Nov. 13, Monday</p>	<p>Woke up to a wet world but quiet and nice. Up just before Jim started for work at 6:45. Had a leisurely breakfast and visited with Lottie until 9:30. To Rockland by taxi. Called at Conservation Office, Coastal Cleaners and Everett L. Spears Inc. Nan shopped. Had hamburgers at Coffee Shop, did grocery shopping at A&amp;P, to boat still the Everett Libby and home to North Haven at 3:30. Home at 4:00, built both fires and now have the place comfortable at 5:00 P.M. Wind started airing up NW about noon so there was quite a breeze coming home but a nice chance how some _____. Went up to Spears to order some roofing battings, etc. for end and front of Tumbledown barn. Read mail - nothing but papers - and rested this evening. Going to the mainland as hard work as working.</p>
<p>Nov. 14, Tuesday</p>	<p>Cool. 30°. Wind strong NW or west. Should be a good day. Must get into the saddle now. Had been a nice day. Too much wind to bank house or to put on storm windows, so started out by mowing Mrs. Fay's lawn - too much grass in places for the mower even in high position. Then Nan went over to Tumbledown with me and we weighed and put out all I had left of 1966 cut hay for Arlene Brown - 580#. Up to Jimmie Brown's a minute to see if he planned to cut any more corn stalks - he does. Home, and gathered together corn blossoms, corn ears, pumpkins and squash for Thanksgiving decorations at church. Lunched. On our way to town stopped at Tumbledown again and weighed &amp; put out enough 1965 cut hay for Arlene to make 1000#. Saw boat come, made deliveries and home. Lugged in wood and made ready for night. Read mail and had supper - Believe it or not we have white corn right out of OP garden and it was delicious. Up to Thorntons this evening with our dahlias and glads. Only saved a tub full of dahlias. Had a nice visit. Home about 10:00.</p>
<p>Nov. 15, Wednesday</p>	<p>Looks stormy. Wind breezed up strong ENE since midnight. About or nearly 25M right now at 6:30. Would like to get some wood into shed before it rains again. Blew up to 40 M at times. Very disagreeable. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Went right to work on woodshed, cleaning it out, piled over what little wood was in there and swept the floor putting the wheelbarrow load of dirt, chips etc among the raspberries. Wheeled in and tiered up all the wood at side of shed and all of what was left of my Bank's road wood under swing tree. Had a full tier across southern side &amp; full one across eastern and a full one on north side to coal box corner. As soon as lunch with Nan's help I hauled down a load of limbs and two loads split wood from above barn. Put these into shed making another full tier across to eaves and bal. thrown in loose. Then loaded trailer with limbs and left in barn. Finished just before 5:00. A good day's work and am well pleased. Read mail, suppered and rested. Nan watched a special part [way] through and shut it off disgusted. Growing cold and blowing hard tonight.</p>

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<p>Nov. 16, Thursday</p>	<p>Coldest morning thus far #25° and blowing hard N. Boy, how it blew all night. Will be disagreeable working out this day but did all day. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Have my tractor work account with F.S. Sampson ready to copy off calendar sheet for him. Have worked over \$1800.00 worth for him since I started at Mullen's Park before the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Will what I've done on my own at Watson's, Abbie's etc, my earnings off farm will be over \$2000.00. Went right to work in woodshed tiering up second tier to peak and making a third to peak from as low as I could get down to start it. Gave me room to bring down the load of limbs from barn, plus part of another load from above barn. Put bal. of load side of woodshed plus another load of limbs and a load of split kitchen wood and Ashley junk. Had time left to rotor the flat area at end of barn in night pasture. Should stop a lot less snow. Sun had set when I finished and were my hands cold in gloves. Nan worked at Thrift Shop this P.M. Had just finished supper a short time when Jack, Betty and boys blew in with Mrs. Fay's wash. Visited a half hour or so.</p>
<p>Nov. 17, Friday</p>	<p>Blew cold during night. At 3:15 A.M. it was 20° but when I got up at 6:00 it had warmed back up to 30°. Now at 6:45 it's very heavy cloudiness but wind has dropped out. Became a nice day if raw and did we get some nice chores done. Put all our storm windows on, and while I worked at that Nan cleaned windows inside. Then we planted 100 Mrs. M. bulbs in amongst spruce trees, and tulips and hyacinths around pin oak. Also cleaned up dahlia stalks and cultch on house gardens and burned it. Lunched. Over to Tumbledown and rotored coveyard at tie up end of barn and after I finished rotoring Abbie's cranberry flat, I rotored the triangle abreast of my double garage. Ronny Curtis down while I was rotoring Abbie's to see what I wanted done on Tumbledown barn - tie-up end papered down on to the shingles we put on the tie-up high 5 years ago and some on front side of barn where Forrest put in the new sills for me just before that. Home about 4:30. Rested, read paper, suppered and watched Jamboree and Tarzan.</p>
<p>Nov. 18, Saturday</p>	<p>Drizzly rain. Warm 44°. Nearly calm. Air appears to be SE. Rained most of A.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Dressed up in oil clothes and drove tractor with rotor to Wayside Service. Had Steve blow the golden rod fuzz and other cultch out of radiator core; so much had blown in there that the engine wasn't cooling good. Also had him blow back through gas line into tank. Then he sharpened the rotor blades and welded the bar that blades swing on. Frank welded and bolted a piece of angle iron under left hand corner of rotor frame. Frank fierce to take machines to VH to Dr. Austin's this P.M., it being warm but when we checked with Enburg he was just coming from putting the scow on railway for C.G. inspection till Tuesday. Home, lunched and back over to Fishers. Rotored their flat by house to the swamp toward head of cove. To town with Nan to see boat come, and rotored a few turns back of her set out row of spruces between their garage and house driveway. Home at dark. Lugged in wood, played a game of cribbage. Nan won, I won last night. My order came from Sears, and everything came, believe it or not. Watched T.V. New hyd. jack from Sears - 12 ton \$25.00 pd.</p>

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<p>Nov. 19, Sunday</p>	<p>A nice clear morning but must have rained considerable during night. Everything very wet. Wind west 44°. Has been a nice day but raw. Did bookkeeping, bathed, shaved, breakfasted and made ready to go to church. Had to get our fireplace screen - the one we had for Franklin stove down from overhead - to take along uptown to send across to Pat. They started using their new fireplace today. Expect the children will get a lot of enjoyment from it. 31 of us at church in congregation. Drove down to Bob Cobb's to get some bittersweet berries for Nan to put on Mrs. M's table. They arrive Tues. Back downtown to get a couple hamburgers and see boat go but too slow for boat. Home, changed clothes and up to Mrs. Fay's to put on storm doors, and put cellar windows in. Mr. Bailey arrived when the boat returned from Rockland. Symantha arrived Tuesday. Invited Mr. Bailey down to have baked beans with us tonight. Went home shortly after. We watched Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers.</p>
<p>Nov. 20, Monday</p>	<p>Temp. 30°. Wind west up to 20 mi or so. Very dull overcast. A nice day except for strong wind all day. Did bookkeeping, washed supper dishes, made breakfast. Over to R.M.'s first thing to get Landrover out. Started without towing. Alphonse down to put on gas tanks so helped me put Papoose's tender into boathouse. Came home in Landrover. Nan worked over there all A.M. Went to work on back of house. First jacked in corner by light pole and milk room and put shingles on top of post there - then started along back of house. Jacked, dug down and put in a cedar post by our bedroom window to hold house while I dug out and replaced the post west of our window - completely rotted. Then shifted jack and put nearly a 2 inch piece on top of next post west and shingles on top of next one. Really brought the back side up pretty good. Uptown in Landrover at boat time to get groceries etc. for RMs. Home by way of dump. Worked out back till dark putting rocks and dirt back around posts, dirt freezing. Read mail, cards from C.K. Cobbs and Violet W. and paper. Nan's stockings and my flannel pants arrived from New Process Co. Suppered and rested. Watched a little T.V.</p>
<p>Nov. 21, Tuesday</p>	<p>A beautiful Grumpy morning for November. Calm as a kitty's ear. Cool. 26°. A lovely chance to put on banking paper if I'd been ready. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Nan went to town to get R.M.'s groceries and do wash. I went right to work on house again. Jacked up out back and took a shingle from off post by bathroom, as door drags. Then opened up by corner post by end of porch and jacked the house the thickness of a board. Made a difference. Refastened the gutter strape along porch and tried to patch leak in gutter with roofing cement. Succeeded in making a mess. Strung down through leak and wind blew in over windows, me and everything else. Nan mowed part of our lawn before lunch. Cleaned up and uptown at 1:00 as pallbearer along with F. Sampson, Lawrence G., Don Witherspoon, Bob Smith and Milton Ames. I can't believe yet that it was Aunt Eda. She'd fallen away to nothing. Down to Ames to coffee after. Saw boat come. The RMs and Samantha B. arrived. Home, changed clothes and back over to Tumbledown to put roofing, strapping etc. under cover. Home and burned potato tops on shop piece. Read mail, cards from Jennie B., the Fishers and a note from Aunt Barbs; suppered. The RMs out a moment this evening to borrow eggs for breakfast. Brought us candy and pears.</p>

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<p>Nov. 22, Wednesday</p>	<p>Has warmed from 26° last evening to nearly 40° this morning. Wind looks SE on water. Very heavy overcast. Started raining about 10:30 and rained hard rest of day and into evening. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. R.M. out about 8:30 to get me to help him put on storm doors and cover box bushes with burlap. Then I walked across Indian Point with the RMs following the old stone wall which they had selected as a back line to the piece of property they wanted. From the shore we walked along above bank the rest of our western shore line to our bound against Stone place, then across pasture to frog pond field so they'd get an idea of what their line would be if they accepted my offer. They accepted. They came to house to have coffee with us. Took them home in Jeep as it was raining hard. Cleaned out stove and chimney in shop. Lunched and uptown at boat time. Had coffee with Alta, Edith Ames over. Home, lugged in wood. Read mail. Suppered. Watched some T.V. Still raining tonight.</p>
<p>Nov. 23, Thursday</p>	<p>Warm 45°. Thick-a-fog. Calm. Not a very pretty Thanksgiving Day but we have much to be thankful for. A busy day and rainy. Did bookkeeping and wrote out 2 copies of sales agreement for R.M. and self. Breakfasted. Helped Nan with vegetables. Over to R.M.'s to get signature on agreement copies. Home. the Bunkers arrived about 10:30. The R.M.'s out shortly after to see children. Had a nice dinner about 12:30 and visited with the children until they had to leave at 2:30. Uptown at 3:00 to see boat come and get mail. Frank S. and Lloyd W. visited with us on parking lot. Rained hard. An invite in mail to Kathy G.'s wedding Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Home. Chored, read paper and had a turkey sandwich. Back uptown to Union service at church. 12 Catholics and 12 of us Protestants present. Joseph Brown and Calderwood were only men other than Mr. Overman and Father St. Pierre. Father St. Pierre gave the sermon. Invited in to Sampsons after service. Treated to apple pie and ice cream as though we needed it. Frank paid me in full for mowing and rotoring to date \$1412.25. Had paid me \$500.00 back earlier in season. Not bad for a part time job. Home 11:00 or so.</p>
<p>Nov. 24, Friday</p>	<p>A dull overcast morning. Rain has stopped and wind strong from west 30 to 30 now at 7:45 A.M. Temp. 40°. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Spent part of A.M. doing chores in house. About 10:00 checked oil in transmission and rear end in tractor. Added 1 1/2 quarts to transmission. Rotored all the corn stalks on OP piece except Silver Queen hoping Jimmie Brown might be able to use them for his cows, but a phone call at noon says he's too busy for Watson to get any more. Up to Baileys at 12:30 along with Montgomerys to roast wild goose and pheasant. Very good but of course Calderwood had to have an attack of hiccups just as we were finishing and I sure had a miserable afternoon with them. Looks like my old trouble back again of a ruptured diaphragm. Uptown to see boat come. Too miserable to enjoy it. Home, changed clothes and went to barn to open up so Jack Brown could get a load of manure for H. Minot. Loaded truck through ground mow window. Worked manure away from back wall and sill and part way along end. Worked hiccups off so I felt better. Jack had coffee with us but couldn't enjoy it because the boys act so. A very light supper and relaxed this evening. 2 yards manure to Henry Minot by Jack Brown \$15.00. Pd Jack for hauling - \$3.00.</p>

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<p>Nov. 25, Saturday</p>	<p>Started raining during night and still raining now at 7:15. Calm, dark, dull and overcast. Temp. 40°. Rained all day and well into night. Did bookkeeping and had breakfast. The RMs left on boat this, also the Baileys. Over to RMs all forenoon cleaning things up until they return for Christmas. I took a nice bath over there before shutting off hot water. Home at noon and lunched on a piece of R.M.'s left-over broiled steak. Rested and uptown in rain to see boat come. Home by way of NS road. Lugged in wood. This noon when we came from RMs we checked Mrs. Fay's house. Down to shore and took in the hauling line. Must get a boat to take in toggle. Got wet doing it - taking in hauling line, I mean. Rained hard. Read mail, papers only, except card from the Oldroyds from Conn. Called them on phone at Owl's Head. They arrived home OK and had a nice trip. Suppered and watched some T.V. Have decided that I should go to hospital this coming week instead of delaying longer. I don't like this hiccupping trouble again. Have to go anyway to have incision rupture repaired. Not much courage for this trip. Must get house banked down before going.</p>
<p>Nov. 26, Sunday</p>	<p>Unbelievable the sun is shining, but how wet everything is. Temp. 38°. Air WSW. Didn't last long, rained hard again part of P.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, shaved, cleaned up and we went to church. Only 25 of us in congregation. Down to Alta's to smothered meat dinner. Very good. Took her to cemetery after to put bouquet of winter flowers on Prudy's lot. Rode around NS and down middle road to take her home. Dooryard called at Frank S. I told him I couldn't go to VH with him rotoring. Must get ready to go to Rockland early this week and want especially to get the house banked down first. Home, rained hard, rested an hour or so, lugged in wood, and went up to Don's &amp; Cynthia's to an anniversary buffet supper and evening. Had choice of lobster, crab and turkey. Very good - got through without a hiccup. The E. Beveridges, F. Raymonds, P. Lincolns, and G. Peters also present. Had a pleasant evening. Home 10:30. Stars out and the last star in Big Dipper handle was resting on tree tops over Carver's.</p>
<p>Nov. 27, Monday</p>	<p>Well it's stopped raining again and just a light air SW. May be able to get house paper on. Everything soaking wet. Temp. 40°. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Thrashed around to start putting paper on house ahead of wind. Took new roll of paper out of barn. Got north end and back side on before wind breezed too badly SW. Cut and piled corn stalks on shop piece. Very soft. Nearly bogged down. Wanted to spread piece with hay but thought it should freeze first. Rotored Silver Queen stalks on OP piece, then took rotor up to Mrs. Pease's barn on way home. I picked up a staging plank from the shed on Tumbledown barn that M. Greenlaw tore down last spring. Towed it home to use on banking paper. Lunched. Rested a few minutes, then took all of Nan's plants and our vegetables over to R.M.'s cheese house. I went to dump in Jeep and left R.M.'s wash at A. Lincoln's. had Jeep tested on anti-freeze at Wayside. Two quarters added. Nan up in Chevelle and had it tested. To town from there with her. Saw boat come. Came right home. Wind had dropped out so we thrashed rest of paper around house. Weighed it down with plank, rocks, wood, etc. No brush yet. Dark when we finished. Coupled onto grader blade and put into shop. Closed it up. All machinery now under cover. Read mail and suppered. Nan has also done wash, ironed etc. Sampson down this evening to bring new tractor seat cover from Ward's. Lots to do to close up a house.</p>

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<p>Nov. 28, Tuesday</p>	<p>Looks like a nice day coming up. Air westerly. Must thrash to take off. Farewell. Did get rest of chores done but was unable to shut off water. Uptown at 8:00. Nice trip across. Went to Dr. Morse's office to make appointment for 1:30 P.M. Took taxi out to Oldroyd's and stayed till time to come back in. Dr. Morse examined me and scheduled the operation for 8:00 A.M. Friday and for me to enter hospital at 1:30 tomorrow. Back to Owl's Head and had a nice supper with the Oldroyd's. About 7:00 Mrs. Brown, Dr. Morse's nurse called and said plans had been changed, that I was to report into the hospital at 7:00 tomorrow morning. Took a ride during evening to Rockland and Camden to see Christmas lights and decorations. Very pretty. Back to Owl's Head and to bed. Next few days written from memory.</p>
<p>Nov. 29, Wednesday</p>	<p>A nice morning. Into Rockland and to hospital with Jim. This day mostly taken up with getting settled, having x-rays taken, tests, etc. Very tiring. Was put into a third bed in a two-bed room. Only one open this morning. One bed taken by an elderly man who was out of his head part of the night and across the hall another man in traction was also out part of the time. Not a very restful night all told. Didn't get a thing to eat this day till 2:45 since 6:00 P.M. yesterday. Was getting empty. Nan and Mercedes in to see me this P.M. and the 3 of them tonight.</p>
<p>Nov. 30, Thursday</p>	<p>This day spent in preparation for tomorrow morning - blood tests, urine tests, having belly shaved, etc. Really a day of waiting. Nan and Mercedes in this P.M. and the 3 of them this evening. This means a lot of sacrifice for Jim as he has a lot of paper work to do on this new job.</p>
<p>Dec. 1, Friday</p>	<p>To the operating room at 8:00. Back down before 2:00 P.M. and moved into room 107. A very nice two bed room with the other bed empty. Operation successful and Dr. Morse said he was very well pleased with the way my first operation had adjusted itself. Also found plenty of tissue or whatever to close rupture without using webbing etc. Removed my appendix while he was doing the job. Removed all the scar healing from other operation so now I have only a slim straight line of 36 stitches. Not very good company this P.M. and evening. Plenty sore and sleepy.</p>
<p>Dec. 2, Saturday</p>	<p>Feeling better today. A Maine Maritime Academy sophomore brought into room at 5:00 P.M. with acute appendix. Neal Parsons from Damariscotta. Taken to OR at 5:30 - back down at 6:30. Enjoyed him for the next few days. Mamma and the Oldroyds visited. Also the Bill Hopkins' family.</p>
<p>Dec. 3, Sunday</p>	<p>Another day of improvement. Quite different from the other operation. Up on my feet and to toilet. Still dragging my anchor - the drain from appendix. Young Parsons up on his feet and moving about. This sure is a lovely room when the sun shines and the nurses are just as nice and thoughtful as they were last time. The Woodrow Bunkers have called on me and brought me a plant. Brud Clayter has been brought in very sick - his remaining lung filling up with water or something of that nature. Is in oxygen tent. [note added later] P.S. Brud died the Friday before Christmas. Had been taken to Portland.</p>
<p>Dec. 4, Monday  <i>Annie's birthday and their wedding anniversary</i></p>	<p>Making progress. Our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary - what a way to spend it, but could be worse of course. I have only to look around me here to see how fortunate I am. Many of these patients aren't gaining every day. Am able to move around in bed and rise up much more easily now. Helen Baird in to call along with the family and the Bill Hopkins.</p>

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<p>Dec. 5, Tuesday</p>	<p>Making progress. I think this was the day Garnet Thornton called on me during A.M. Nan and Mercedes in this P.M. and the three in this evening. Also some of the Hopkins. Garnet told me they'd just heard Aunt Eda's will read at the lawyer's office, and she didn't leave Clara a cent. Rumors of an estate of from \$50,000 to \$90,000. Left Ern \$20,000 in trust, some to church and cemetery, balance to Lloyd W. and Edna W. Gowen.</p>
<p>Dec. 6, Wednesday</p>	<p>This is the day that Neal Parsons went home this A.M. Only operated on last Saturday P.M. Who should be brought in shortly after noon to share my room than Von Godfrey, with a gall bladder operation scheduled for Friday morning. Other than Von calling on me once while I was in before, I haven't seen Von in years. How we did visit all P.M. and evening. First time I've seen his wife in 20 years or more. Nan, Jim and Lottie in, and some of the Hopkins.</p>
<p>Dec. 7, Thursday</p>	<p>This sure has been a day of getting ready for Von. all those x-rays, tests, etc. Alton Lewis in to call on me this P.M. while Nan and Mercedes there. They were in again this evening. Dr. Morse tells me I may go home tomorrow. Hurrah.</p>
<p>Dec. 8, Friday</p>	<p>A cloudy overcast day starting to rain about noontime, but not real cold. About 32°. Von taken to operating room before 8:00. His wife called Nan at Owl's Head before noon to say he'd come through the ordeal okay and had a gall stone as large as a robin's egg. Spent all A.M. waiting for Dr. Morse to come take out stitches. Only 36 of them. Came at 12:00. Nan and Mercedes came in at 12:00. I dressed and we were out in taxi at 12:30. Stopped at Sheriff's Office to get revolver permit signed, then to A&amp;P) and then to ferry terminal. Surprisingly rough coming home. Frank S. came right down aboard ferry in taxi for me and I had coffee with he and Orilla while Nan came home to get house warmed up. Found it pretty cold after ten days. Frank brought me down about 4:45 and in that time Nan had made quite a change. Was quite comfortable. Frank stayed and had a _____ with us. Suppered and went to bed early. Quite weary. Frank tells me that Ronny has started putting paper on the walls of Tumbledown barn.</p>
<p>Dec. 9, Saturday</p>	<p>A nice sunny morning. About 30°. Nice to get up in own home. Nan warmed it up nicely first. Have written on this diary some from memory. Carver called up and talked with me this forenoon and Franklin W. dropped in when he brought Carver down some groceries. Hiram B. called on phone this P.M. and talked long enough for Nan to go to town and back and get groceries. Didn't bother me as I could lie right on couch. After Nan came back we walked up to Fay's to check house then out to Cobb's mailbox and back and up to barn again while Little King weighed up 10 bales of hay and lugged it out. Nan over to check RMs this A.M. and brought our plants and our vegetables home. Enjoyed our mail, a nice supper and a quiet evening.</p>

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<p>Dec. 10, Sunday</p>	<p>Cooled off, 20° but sunny and warmed up. Didn't hurry about getting up but took my turn building fire this morning. Worked on this diary and did some reading. Rather weary from yesterday's walking. About noon when it had warmed up, Nan took me over to Tumbledown so I could see how Ronny's men were coming on the barn. Nearly finished end of barn all papered and strapped and front done except for a small section by tie-up door. Is going to cost me plenty but should at least save the new sills I have put in and looks so much better. This heavy paper lasts a well as what I had put on the roof of the carriage house years ago. I'll have no kick. About 2:30 Frank and Orilla dropped in to call, also Mr. Overman. Had coffee and cake. Then the Lincolns came with R.M.'s wash but couldn't stop and about 4:30 Edith and Milton dropped in and visited an hour. Suppered and watched Ed Sullivan and Smothers Brothers. When we came back from Tumbledown I walked home from Emery's.</p>
<p>Dec. 11, Monday</p>	<p>Very overcast with wind NNE looking very snowy with snow predicted. 20°. Decided while eating breakfast that we'd see if SHB could let Wilson help Nan get some living room wood down from above barn to pile on porch and cover with plastic to be so much more handy for her. Of course she had to go after Willer and take him back but it worked out okay as Mary Jane was down by mailbox and came down to visit on second trip. Then in an hour Nan took him home. Nan and Wilson brought down three Jeep loads, made two nice tier. I helped with the plastic and tiering. To town with Nan to see boat come, of course it was a half hour late so I sat longer than I planned to. Walked home from Emery's. Got our first Christmas card Sat. night - J.F. Dyer and 4 more this night. Yesterday we had telephone calls from the RMs, the Lyford Beveridges, and the Fishers.</p>
<p>Dec. 12, Tuesday</p>	<p>Started raining early last evening and has rained hard and blown hard all night. Wind has swung out SE. About 40° this morning. Has rained hard almost all day. Plenty of water everywhere. Peeled our Corningware dish full of my Northern Spy Apples this morning so Nan could make four apple sauce cakes. Nan also cooked the rest of the pumpkin she cut into at Thanksgiving time. Read some while resting. Started writing thank you notes and Christmas cards this P.M. Maybe got a dozen done. Also sent a "thank you" note to Courier to be printed. About dark rain had slacked off so Nan and I walked out beyond Merryconeag and back. Ditches and brooks running full. Read our mail and suppered. About 7:30 Don and Cynthia blew in bringing us a nice mess of shucked clams. Visited to 8:30. Clam chowder tomorrow for dinner. Hurrah.</p>
<p>Dec. 13, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful sunny morning. Sun is now rising so far south over Stimpson's Island that it shines in our sink window. Air SW. Temp. 40° A beautiful Dec. day except for everything being so soft. Didn't seem to be very ambitious this day. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Spent most of A.M. reading "The Incredible Victory" - the story of the battle for Midway. Unbelievable. Did start writing Christmas cards this P.M. while Nan went to town and gave Carver a ride up. So nice a P.M. I walked over beyond Emery's and nearly back to Merryconeag when Nan picked me up. Georgie and Reg came after a ton of hay for Elliott Brown Jr. Georgie weighed it up and I kept tally. Prepared the clams for chowder tonight that Don brought down last night. Delicious. Then just before supper Phip Brown brought us down a gift of a quart of scallops from Aunt Sarah's Island. A few Christmas cards tonight and two books from the RMs 1 ton hay Elliott Brown Jr. \$40.00 by check \$40.00.</p>

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<p>Dec. 14, Thursday</p>	<p>Looks like another pretty one coming up. Air S.W. Temp. 33°. Has been a pretty one. Nan worked over the hill most of A.M. taking the PP packages over and staying over to make 4 beds. I worked on Christmas cards all forenoon, getting most 30 done; many of them I wrote notes on. finished our clam chowder for lunch - delicious. Rested a little while - then rode to town with Nan at 2:30 to mail packages and cards. Visited with Elmer Hopkins a few minutes, then down to Alta's to have coffee. She invited Edith over. Home at 4:30. I went right to work frying out onions and getting a piece of deer meat from Alta ready to smother while Nan lugged in wood and took in clothes. I feel pretty helpless not being able to help. Peeled potatoes and made squash ready to bake. Played 2 games cribbage. Nan won both - double skunked me the first one. Suppered and watched a little T.V.</p>
<p>Dec. 15, Friday</p>	<p>Heavy overcast morning but wind appears to be westerly. Temp. 30°. The Blue Jays are drifting in like snowflakes. The only birds we have right now. Has been a nice day. Worked on Christmas cards all A.M. getting the mainland and VH ones ready. Now have only locals to do. Had the rest of Don's clams fried for lunch. Uptown about 2:30 to do shopping and saw boat come. Came at 3:50. Home and made ready a scallop chowder for supper. Invited Frank and Orilla down to have supper with us. Seemed to enjoy themselves. Stayed till after 10:00. Our box of grapefruit arrived from Texas tonight. Had 7 Christmas cards. Nan worked on her Christmas list this day. Also put fir boughs in windows. Wind has blown hard NW all day and is till blowing hard tonight. How time flies - a week tonight I came home.</p>
<p>Dec. 16, Saturday</p>	<p>Blew hard all night and still blowing hard this morning. Clear and cold. 19°. Looks like the sun might shine. Has been a beautiful day but Calderwood hasn't accomplished much. Read some. Nan wrapped Pat's and family's presents. After lunch Nan took packages over to R.M.'s in Chevelle, made a bed, and put away laundry. I walked over and up into vista on hill, back out and out to Cobb's house and back. Has blown disagreeably hard all day and this evening. The plastic we put over our wood on porch is all blown to pieces. Played a couple games of crib before mail came. I managed to win one. Had several cards and a Christmas letter from Peggy G. Watched TV this evening. Tried one of our new grapefruit for breakfast - very good.</p>
<p>Dec. 17, Sunday</p>	<p>Wind has dropped out some and looks like a beauty coming up. Temp. 20°. Has been a beauty and a beautiful sunset tonight. Also a beautiful moonrise right up across Cobb's Bar. Did bookkeeping, cleaned up and had breakfast. Nan decided to go to church, and I agreed to start dinner. Invited Alta to come down from church. Put a slice of ham in to bake, made potatoes and squash ready. The dinner turned out good. About 2:30 Lawrence, Alice and Reggie drove in, then about 3:00 the Beveridges came. About 4:00 the Grants and Alta left. Got to talking about old time foods with the Beveridges and of the Sunday night suppers we used to have as kids - like molasses syrup and hot biscuits. Suggested to the Beveridges that if they'd stay to supper we'd have some and darned if they didn't. So Nan made biscuits and I made the syrup. Really very good. They went home about 7:15. We watched T.V.</p>

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<p>Dec. 18, Monday</p>	<p>A flat calm pretty morning. Clear. 25°. Has been a beautiful day. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Nan worked over to R.M.'s a while this Am I worked on Christmas cards finishing all locals except what may come in unexpected. Got our lights going on our cedar tree this P.M. To town with Nan to buy R.M.'s groceries and our own, also mailed cards. Home after boat came. The Thorntons visited with us on parking lot. Elliott Brown came after dark with a load of sawed slabs for Mr. Bailey. Now I must find someone to put them into shed. Had quite a bunch of cards tonight. Martin, Bertha and Stillman down this evening. Bertha set Nan's hair and cut mine. Treated them to angel cake, ice cream and coffee. Starting to rain tonight.</p>
<p>Dec. 19, Tuesday</p>	<p>It rained some during night. Almost foggy this morning. Air SW. Temp 40°. Has been a beautiful day. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and washed dishes. Nan made ready to go to Vinalhaven to visit with Pat and to take down their presents. I spent A.M. reading the journals of Lewis and Clark. Very interesting. Mrs. Fay left it for me when she left this fall. Wrote 6 Christmas cards this P.M. to ones we've received but hadn't sent to. Mailed the cards just after 3:00 and walked to and part way down over Apple Tree Hill and back to Birch Tree corner when Nan picked me up returning from VH. Received quite a few Christmas cards tonight. Harvey C. and Marcia down to call a few minutes this evening. Brought me a pint of crabmeat. Good sandwiches tomorrow.</p>
<p>Dec. 20, Wednesday</p>	<p>Considerable high cloudiness this morning. Air appears to be west. Temp. a warm 40°. A beautiful day all day. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast. Peeled a saucer pan full of Cortland apples and cooked them so Nan could make several more apple sauce cakes. Spent rest of A.M. reading a book Pat sent up. Wrote 6 more Christmas cards. Enjoyed crab sandwiches for lunch. Called HS to set us out a half peck or so of potatoes. Went to town by way of middle road to get them. Visited with Hiram a minute by barn. Down town and saw boat come. The RMs arrived with their station wagon loaded. FWS visited with us in parking lot. Walked home from Tumbledown when we came home. Nan's Veg-O-Matic came from Freeze's. Also a package from Ada. About 15 cards. Suppered. Read most evening.</p>
<p>Dec. 21, Thursday</p>	<p>A beautiful flat calm cloudless morning. Temp. 26°. White frost. Sun just breaking over Stimpson now at 7:18. Shining through entry and kitchen door windows. Another beauty. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast and helped with dishes. Nan worked over hill this A.M. I read and wrote some Christmas cards. This P.M. I walked over to head of Stinky's Cove before Nan picked me up on way to town. Down to Alta's to do wash and have coffee. Her birthday - 61<sup>st</sup>. Mrs. Overman, Mrs. Baines, Rosanne and children there. Saw boat come. Kerry Ames and family arrived. Home. Left presents at Mother Hubbard's, Jennie's and Sampson's. Home. Chored. Enjoyed our mail. Had 15 or 16 cards. My Knapp boots came. A Christmas present from Nan. Watched the Dean Martin show. Had his family and Frank Sinatra and his family on.</p>

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<p>Dec. 22, Friday</p>	<p>Very overcast. Looks rainy. Air appears to be SW More than an air most up to 20 mi. Temp. 42°. Did rain. Started before noon and kept up most of P.M. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and helped with dishes. Nan hung out yesterday's wash. Spent most of A.M. reading on one of R.M.'s books. Nan made cookies after coming from R.M.'s. Wrote out 5 or 6 more cards. Uptown at boat time. Frank, Garnet and Clara visited with us. Mr. M. about sick abed. Had 101° temp. last night by Dr. Hosmer. Home by way of the Jack Brown's to leave their presents. didn't stop. Home. Nan lugged in wood, I pumped. Seven or eight cards tonight and a package from Violet. Suppered on lamb stew out of freezer. Read and watched a little T.V. To bed and read a little while.</p>
<p>Dec. 23, Saturday</p>	<p>Looks like a white Christmas for the children. Snowing hard now and ground is white. Probably an inch. Supposed to snow till P.M., then much colder. Received my bill from R. Curtis last night for Tumbledown barn job. Much better than I expected. 83 hours labor @3.00 \$249 plus a little lattice and nails and freight - total \$266.15. Snowed three inches or more. Stopped about noon. Pretty slippery driving this P.M. Did bookkeeping, had breakfast, and helped with dishes. Finished another of R.M.'s books - "An Operational Necessity." Very Good. Nan worked over hill this A.M. R.M. still indisposed. I wrote a few more cards and check to R. Curtis. This P.M. we went over to Abbie's to start the furnace. She's supposed to arrived tomorrow. I walked home from Tumbledown. Nan shoveled off porch and lugged in wood. Will be glad to cease being an invalid. Played a couple games of cribbage. Had several cards tonight, a fruit cake from the Kelly Boys and 2 exact boxes of Swiss Cheese, one from the Kelly Boys and one from Whipples Sr. Watched our Saturday night programs. Mr. Overman down with basket from Church. The Beveridges down with presents. Invited us to Christmas dinner.</p>
<p>Dec. 24, Sunday</p>	<p>Winter has arrived. 16°. Wind NW. In fact it arrived officially at 8:00 A.M. 2 days ago. Looks like a nice one coming up but will be cold with snow on ground. Don &amp; Cynthia down last night about 4:30 with present, couldn't stop. Has been a beauty but stayed cold. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast and helped with dishes. Nan worked over to RMs and then took Mary Jane's present up to him. He sent down fruit and a honey jar with honey. I spent A.M. reading. This P.M. I walked over to Tumbledown and back. Nan over to R.M.'s to help Mr. R.M. wrap some packages, then over to check Abbie's house and leave some groceries. Both home same time. Garnet and Clara called and visited. Both quite broken up over Aunt Eda's will. She left them nothing. \$5000 to Fuller Cemetery (to be invested only dividends to be spent), \$1000 to Pulpit Harbor Church, \$20,000 trust to Ern W., residue of same revert to Lloyd W. and Edna Gowen along with house. Oh yes and a \$1000 to Sherm Baird. Abbie arrived on P.M. boat. We and she over to the RMs to eggnog at 5:45. Home before 7:00. Abbie had hulled corn with us. To bed about 9:00.</p>

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<p>Dec. 25, Monday</p>	<p>Merry Christmas to all. Ho, ho, ho. It's cold. 10°. Calm. Looks like a beauty coming up. Sun will be showing in 10 minutes. Started out a beautiful forenoon but about noon snowed a little and remained cloudy all P.M. Opened our stockings Pat sent up, did my bookkeeping, cleaned up, opened our presents, and then had breakfast. Nan gave me a pair of Knapp ruff out Wellingtons. Mr. M. gave me a beautiful goose down filled jacket with fur collar, and three Viyella shirts. Mrs. M gave Nan a beautiful red suit-type dress. I gave Nan a Veg-O-Matic vegetable cutter, and a pair of white boots. When we go over for my check up this week I'll get her a Singer sewing machine. Didn't have much chance to do shopping before Christmas. Had the regular presents from the families including 2 boxes cheese. Nan over to RMs this A.M. Cleaned up and up to Eliot B.'s at 1:30 to a beautiful roast chicken Christmas dinner. Delicious and had a nice time. Home by way of town to mail letters. Never saw the town more deserted. Chored. I walked home from Tumbledown. Played a couple games cribbage. A light supper. Marion H. and Jamie visited us this evening.</p>
<p>Dec. 26, Tuesday</p>	<p>The day after Christmas and now we must get back into the saddle. Has rained during night, and is now clearing to come off colder. 42°. Strong SW wind 30 M or more. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and helped with dishes. Nan over to RMs all A.M. Had to help pack to be ready to leave tomorrow. Eliot Beverage down P.M. to load station wagon. Mr. M. hasn't been out of doors yet. I finished reading "The Eighth Day" by Thornton Wilder. Can't decide what I think about it. Lunched. When we were ready to go to town I walked mot to Mrs. Pease's when Nan picked me up. Saw boat come. Home. Lugged in wood, that is. Nan did. I cleaned out woodbox etc. Oh we stopped at Jennie's and Etta's on way home. They had presents for us. Not much mail for 2 days tonight - 2 cards, 2 appears and a small package from Bud and Loretta. Had baked potato, baked squash ad fried lamb chops for supper. Very good. Don and Cynthia visited with us this evening. Brought us a whole pail of newly dug clams.</p>
<p>Dec. 27, Wednesday</p>	<p>A beautiful winter morning. Just an air NW. Cold though 12°. Hurrah, the day have lengthened a minute. Will be nice to watch the sun work back. A nice chance for anyone wishing to go to Edna Dyer's funeral in Rockland today. Has been a beautiful one. The RMs took off this morning and just squeezed onto the boat. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, and helped with dishes. Then we both went over and worked till 1:00 P.M. on the place. I dismantled and took down tree and swept floors while Nan dismantled beds, washed dishes etc. They left the place in quite a mess. Home and rested a while. Had our lunch over there of a can of soup. I walked over and back. Made out Abbie's bill for rotoring \$103.25. Invited over to Abbie's at 4:30 along with the Beveridges. Had a pleasant hour. When the Beveridges were ready to leave the key twisted off in their Jeep switch and Na took them home. Home, read our mail, only the papers, a card from Jimmie Pendleton and a card from Isa and Dorothy Ames with a dollar enclosed for last summer's vegetables. Weary tonight, didn't even watch television. Made a date with Dr. Morse's nurse for tomorrow for check-up if weather permits.</p>

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<p>Dec. 28, Thursday</p>	<p>Breezing right up ENE but has warmed up to 26°. Was 14° when we went to bed. Nearly 25M an hour now at 7:10. Supposed to snow hard too. Guess I'll be chicken and not go to Rockland. Should have though for it evidently wasn't so bad but who wants to get caught in Rockland with Mamma home here. Did bookkeeping, made breakfast, the Beveridges came to borrow Abbie's gate key to get their Jeep home, wouldn't stop - helped with dishes. Nan spent A.M. working on new wash, clearing up living room from Christmas, etc. I spent A.M. shucking clams. Enough to make a mess for the Carver's. Nan took them over, then shucked enough for a chowder for us and to try. Still have a good mess left to steam. As soon as lunch at 1:00 P.M. we started out in Chevelle to leave R.M.'s wash at Audrey's, stopped at Wayside to have mounted snow treads put on, oil changed and new filter and sticker. On downtown to see boat come down to Alta's to coffee, but she wasn't home. Came home. I walked from Tumbledown, prepared taters etc for clam chowder, played a couple games cribbage, read mail. A marriage announcement from Julian Frost in Hawaii. Suppered. Linda and Rex visited with us this evening. Rex brought my Chevy wheel and tire back.</p>
<p>Dec. 29, Friday</p>	<p>Sure is a white world. Started when I went to get mail last night and is still a little. Probably 5 or 6 inches. Considerable wind now. Snowplow has just turned around at corner. 8:00 A.M. Temp. 26°. Kept snowing considerable during forenoon, but didn't make much accumulation. Probably had 8 inches or more in all. Did bookkeeping, had breakfast, and helped with dishes. Nan shoveled off porch. Then we spent A.M. writing letters. Nan wrote several thank yous, I wrote to Alden's about my revolver which I haven't received. I ordered it Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, to Alamo Fruit about the Kelly's grapefruit being spoiled, to Knapp Shoes about serving as their counselor and a sympathy letter to Mrs. Cobb. Mr. Cobb hasn't much chance - cancer of the pancreas. Rex C. came for his 3 bales hay about noontime in Paul's Jeep. Plowed out our dooryard and road to barn. Rested a little while, then walked over to head of Stinky's Cove and back. Played a couple games cribbage, read paper, delicious beef stew supper. Called the Oldroyds tonight. Hope they can come on tomorrow.</p>
<p>Dec. 30, Saturday</p>	<p>The Sampsons have a colored TV. Boy, is this a beautiful flat calm winter morning. A nice chance to go to Rockland if I had an appointment. Plenty cool. 18°. Only 2 days left now to do what we planned to do in 1967. Stayed beautiful all day and evening. Did bookkeeping and made breakfast. Helped with dishes, then while Nan put beans in to bake and made pie crust, I peeled Northern Spies for a pie. Wrote "thank you" letter to Mrs. Fay and one to the Dickey Fays. Also a "thank you" note to the church for the beautiful basket of fruit they gave me. Walked over to RMs and back to check storm doors. Found one swinging. Nan shoveled off porch and I helped with wood. Mercedes called at 1:00 to say they were coming over. Bob Sprague in with R.M.'s oil slip and visited awhile. Walked over to school house spring when we started for town. Met Jim and Mercedes at boat. Down to Alta's to have tea. Home. Visited. Had a nice baked bean supper. Invited Frank and Orilla down this evening. Had a nice time. This P.M. when Mr. Overman started to come off the ferry from Rockland, he slipped and fell, hurting his knee badly.</p>

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Sunday

Another beauty, just like yesterday. Temp. 16°. Smear'd up and started to air up about noon. Did bookkeeping. Had a nice breakfast of baked beans, fried ham (the Oldroyds brought) and eggs. Had a nice A.M. just visiting. About 11:45 steamed what was left of the clams Don W. brought a few days ago and had a nice lunch. Thrashed to get the Oldroyds to the boat at 1:00. Came right home and rested a little while. Mr. Overman dropped in and had coffee with us. His knee much better today. Had us a light supper, cleaned up and up to the Lawrence Grants to New Year's Eve party. The Don Witherspoons and Eliot Beveridge's there. The Franklin Watermans and Gordon Peters unable to attend. Had a delicious repast about 10:15. We came home about 11:00. Raining hard. Watched Guy Lombard's at Waldorf 11:30 to 12:00. Happy New Year to All.