HENRY H. SCADIN DAIRIES

1915

Friday, January 1
Ther.: 18+, 38+, 28+

A beautiful New Year day. Dewey and I cut some wood this forenoon. There was a meeting at the school house this afternoon, mostly in the interest of the Farm Life School. Kate and I attended. There was more spirit manifested than at any previous meeting.

Saturday, Jan. 2
Ther.: 28+, 42+, 34+

Another fine day. Dewey and I worked up more wood. I fixed up and sent off by mail a lot of postcards. Had a card from mother. She was visiting in Jackson this week.

Sunday, Jan. 3
Ther.: 25+, 43+

It has not been as bright today, and there seems to be a storm brewing. Have spent most of the day in reading. Kate and Dewey went to Sunday School this afternoon. Kate and I called at Freeman's tonight.

Monday, Jan. 4
Ther.: 26+, 44+

A pleasant day. Charlie Case was here with horse and wagon drawing wood. This afternoon I went to attend a committee meeting, relating to our proposed club.

Tuesday, Jan. 5
Ther.: 22+, 42+, 36+

Cold this morning. Bright and clear this forenoon. Clouding fast this afternoon and raining steadily tonight. Went to P.O. for the mail and got the big can filled with oil. We got some wood in the shed, so are as ready for stormy weather as possible.

Wednesday, Jan. 6
Ther.: 36+, 44+, 38+

Heavy rainfall all last night and today. We did nothing much but read and write. The clouds are breaking up tonight and the stars are showing.

Thursday, Jan. 7
Ther.: 32+, 48+, 32+

Been a bright and mild day. Dewey and I cut some wood this forenoon. Mr. Garrett brought more fodder and some lumber. This afternoon I did some lime-sulphur spraying.

Friday, Jan. 8
Ther.: 27+, 40+

I walked over to Hendersonville this morning, carrying a few apples to the Corwin's. Had a settlement with Mr. Baker for pictures sold. Mr. Freeman walked back with me this afternoon, and we had a muddy walk.
Saturday, Jan. 9  
Ther.: 30+, 42+, 32+

It has been a bright day, but with a chilly wind. I took some wheat over to Merrill's mill early this morning and had ground into graham flour. This afternoon there was a meeting at the school house and The Blue Ridge Club was formed. Against my wishes I was elected president.

Sunday, Jan. 10  
Ther.: 20+, 44+, 32+

It was cold this morning. Kate was the only one to get up to Sunday School. This afternoon we took a walk by the trail to the far end of the place. Have been reading a good deal.

Monday, Jan. 11  
Ther.: 32+, 34+, 34+

Began raining this morning and froze on so it was icy for a while, then got down to raining harder and has kept it up. Dewey's new watch came and seems very nice. We got some popcorn by mail, too.

Tuesday, Jan. 12  
Ther.: 34+, 36+, 34+

Very breezy all day and tonight there is a gale blowing from the northwest. Dewey and I did some wood chopping.

Wednesday, Jan. 13  
Ther.: 30+, 52+, 36+

The wind was terrific during last night. Today has been calm, bright and warmer. I cut some wood this forenoon, and this afternoon Kate and I tried to rub grease off some young apple trees, that I had put on to keep off rabbits.

Thursday, Jan. 14  
Ther.: 30+, 52+, 38+

A very pleasant day. I did a lot of spraying on the young fruit trees. Ewart Blackwell began working at wood cutting with Dewey. A fearful earthquake is reported from Italy.

Friday, Jan. 15  
Ther. 35+, 52+, 37+

Spraying material poisoned my hand badly and I could not go on with the work today. Went over to Mr. Stepp's and got a gallon of syrup. Carl Case is hauling us some wood today.

Saturday, Jan. 16  
Ther.: 32+, 48+

Bright this morning but clouding during the day and with a chilly wind. I did some wood cutting and put broom sedge around some young apple trees.

Sunday, Jan. 17  
Ther.: 48+, 54+

Began raining last night and has been at it all day. We have stayed close at home, reading and writing.

Monday, Jan. 18  
Ther.: 56+, 58+, 50+
Rain all last night and all today, but clearing and becoming cooler tonight. I did some cleaning in the organ so it goes finely once more. Kate and Dewey did the washing.

*Tuesday, Jan. 19*
*Ther.: 30+, 34+, 28+*

Much cooler today. Cut wood, shelled corn and chored about the place. Had a letter from Hiram and it seems settled now that we will buy the land from him that lies in front of our house.

*Wednesday, Jan. 20*
*Ther.: 22+, 24+*

Quite frozen this morning. Kate and I walked over to Saconon this forenoon and I carried a "Turn" of corn for Mr. Merrill to grind for us. We made a couple of calls on folks. This afternoon I went to Henry Revis's to engage him to do some surveying.

*Thursday, Jan. 21*
*Ther.: 17+, 24+*

Cold morning all right. Henry Revis came this forenoon and we ran the lines for the land we are buying of Hiram. Mr. Edney came down from his store and took dinner with us, and looked about over our place with me.

*Friday, Jan. 22*
*Ther.: 24+*

Not so cold today but very chilly. I sawed some wood, and got a lot of stove wood into the woodshed. I made out the check to Hiram and sent it with the deed to him. Dewey went to Hills tonight to play games with Raymond.

*Saturday, Jan. 23*
*Ther.: 36+*

It has been drizzling rain all day. Our try to have a meeting of The Blue Ridge Club was a failure, too few came out. I called at Mr. Garrett's this evening as he is quite sick.

*Sunday, Jan. 24*
*Ther.: 36+, 42+, 30+*

Stormy day. I went over to Mr. Garrett's again and Mr. Freeman went with me. Dewey called on the O'Gormans taking them some apples. It has grown colder and the rain is freezing on tonight.

*Monday, Jan. 25*
*Ther.: 30+, 43+*

All outdoors very icy this morning, but it got warmer and the ice melted. The sun shone pleasantly this afternoon. Dewey is sick with a hard cold. Kate went to see how Mr. Garrett was, and reports him better.

*Tuesday, Jan. 26*
*Ther.: 30+*

Been very cloudy all day. I made a printing of plain paper but it was slow work. Dewey is sick with a severe cold.

*Wednesday, Jan. 27*
*Ther.: 32+, 42+*

Kate began coloring on the plain paper prints, and they are coming out very nicely. This afternoon I went to see Mr. Garrett and found him much better. Called on Luther Ward, too. He gets about on crutches.
Thursday, Jan. 28  
*Ther.: 34+, 32+, 28+*

Been growing colder all day. I salted a lot of plain paper to have ready for sensitizing and printing. Dewey was up and dressed today, so feels much better.

Friday, Jan. 29  
*Ther.: 18+, 46+*

Cold this morning. I got up early and sensitized paper, making a fair sized printing today.

Saturday, Jan. 30  
*Ther.: 28+, 46+, 36+*

I made another printing of plain paper today though clouds made the printing go slow. Kate is working at the coloring. Dewey is up and about, but feels rather weak.

Sunday, Jan. 31  
*Ther.: 30+*

Cloudy and misty all day. Kate and I called at Freeman's. Their baby boy is very sick. Then I went over to see Mr. Garrett for a while. We had dinner and supper all in one.

Monday, February 1  
*Ther.: 56+, 58+, 50+*

It rained all last night and just pours down this morning. It has rained all day and was quite warm. I worked at salting paper, getting a good supply ready for silvering. Kate and Dewey did the washing.

Tuesday, Feb. 2  
*Ther.: 52+, 52+*

Very pleasant this morning but wind, clouds and rain squalls followed during the day. I made and finished a printing on water color paper. Dewey and Ewart went at work in the woods again.

Wednesday, Feb. 3  
*Ther.: 32+, 36+*

Grown colder today. I worked at the wood pile and puttered about generally all day. Dewey and Ewart did chopping and sawing. I received a letter from T. Baxter White, who lives in southern Californian now.

Thursday, Feb. 4  
*Ther.: 22+*

I silvered paper this morning and did a very fair sized printing.

Friday, Feb. 5  

Very foggy, misty and some hard showers. It was too dark for Kate to do any painting. I mounted up some colored prints. Kate was to have a woman's meeting at the school house this afternoon but met with disappointment. A Farmer's Union meeting was held tonight.

Saturday, Feb. 6  
*Ther.: 36+, 54+*
I walked to Hendersonville this forenoon and found roads fearfully muddy.

I had dinner with Mr. Baker and Mrs. Barber. Had a number of our new pictures to show them, made on water color paper. We feel encouraged to go on with that style of pictures. Got home about dark.

*Sunday, Feb. 7*
*Ther.: 30+, 43+, 32+

Kate, Dewey and I took a walk to the other end of our place this forenoon and found much to interest us. Kate went to Sunday School this afternoon. Mr. Wilkins was here a while, also this evening Mr. Hill and Raymond.

*Monday, Feb. 8*
*Ther.: 22+, 36+, 26+

Kate and Dewey did the washing this forenoon and I worked with Ewart making a road up into the woods. This afternoon I worked about the house and went for the mail and the boys finished the road. It has been cold and windy.

*Tuesday, Feb. 9*
*Ther.: 22+, 38+, 30+

Real sharp this morning. Dewey and I worked in the woods this forenoon. This afternoon Mr. Hamp Jones hauled wood for us, and Dewey and I helped.

*Wednesday, Feb. 10*
*Ther.: 16+

Cold again this morning. I silvered and printed a lot of plain paper for colored pictures. Two teams were here today hauling wood and we have a pretty good sized pile now.

*Thursday, Feb. 11*
*Ther.: 22+, 49+

A pleasant day. Dewey and I worked some at sawing wood and we cut up a dead pine in the woods.

*Friday, Feb. 12*
*Ther.: 34+, 58+

Dewey and I put a foot log across the far brook this forenoon and dug some on the trail. This afternoon I shelled some corn for a grist, as we use considerable corn bread now. Kate and Dewey called at Hills tonight. Farmers Union was to meet tonight, I couldn't go.

*Saturday, Feb. 13*
*Ther.: 30+, 59+, 50+

I took a grist of corn over to Merrill's mill this morning. It has grown quite warm and is pleasant, though stormy looking this evening. I put some non-leak stuff on part of the wood shed roof this afternoon.

*Sunday, Feb. 14*
*Ther.: 48+

Been raining a good share of the day. We stayed close at home, reading and writing. The Freemans called this afternoon, driving their new horse and buggy.

*Monday, Feb. 15*
*Ther.: 50+
Rainy day and quite warm. I packed a few of our nice apples and mailed them to cousin Claude Price in Mich.

Tuesday, Feb. 16
Ther.: 38+, 36+

I printed and finished some postcards, and some prints from brother Will's films. A team was here drawing wood this afternoon, so Dewey was busy with them. It is cooler and clearer tonight so I prepared for plain paper work tomorrow.

Wednesday, Feb. 17
Ther.: 29+, 50+, 37+

A pleasant day. Our wood hauling was finished today. I made a printing of plain paper.

Thursday, Feb. 18
Ther.: 22+, 50+

It was quite cold this morning. I made a printing on plain paper again today. Had a pleasant letter from Jessie White, who is living in California. Dewey went to a "Working" at one of the neighbors this forenoon.

Friday, Feb. 19
Ther.: 28+, 42+, 36+

A sunny day but a chilly east wind. I printed again today. Blanch Case made us a call this forenoon. Dewey and Mr. O'Gorman drew pine brush into gullies this afternoon. Had a letter from mother.

Saturday, Feb. 20
Ther.: 22+, 44+

Cold morning. Dewey and I worked on the trail to the "Far Pines" this forenoon. We have it now to the farther end of our place and down by the big black walnut tree. The Blue Ridge Club met this afternoon and disbanded in favor of the Farmers Union.

Sunday, Feb. 21
Ther.: 24+

Quite sharp again this morning, but it grew warmer fast. I stayed close at home all day, reading and writing. Kate went to Sunday School this afternoon.

Monday, Feb. 22
Ther.: 42+

Shelled some corn for a bread grist, and some that I took up to the mill here and had ground for cow feed. It has been a pleasant day.

Tuesday, Feb. 23

Kate and Dewey had the Freeman horse and buggy today and went to town to get dental work done. It has been raining about all day and is soaking down tonight. Mr. and Mrs. Howes and a brother and wife came up to spend a day or two.

Wednesday, Feb. 24

It cleared up this morning and was as warm as spring till evening when a cool wind arose. Our company started back to Tryon this afternoon. Mrs. O'Gorman is real sick today, bleeding at the lungs.
Thursday, Feb. 25

Chilly winds today. I went to Hendersonville with Mr. Freeman and we made arrangements with the Greater Hendersonville Club to have a page in their Booklet. Mrs. O'Gorman is still very sick.

Friday, Feb. 26

Attended Farmers Union at the school house tonight. The meeting was not very interesting to me, as the buying of a car of fertilizer was the main topic. Tonight the sky looks like a coming snow.

Saturday, Feb. 27

This forenoon I grubbed up a patch of new land by the barn and fixed it so Kate and Dewey planted some potatoes this afternoon.

Continued to do some grubbing of brush and young pines this afternoon and went for the mail, but the daily failed to come so we hear nothing today from the war. It has been a pleasant day.

Sunday, Feb. 28

More or less cloudy today but some sunshine. Tonight is has commenced to rain. Dewey went over to Fruitland with the Hills this afternoon. Kate went to Sunday School and I took a good nap. Called at O'Gorman's and found his still very sick.

Monday, March 1

A light snow on the ground this morning and cold enough to say the month came in like a lion. I had to cut up some wood and keep the fires going briskly.

Received a San Francisco paper describing to opening of the great Exposition there. Cousin Charlie Pierce sent it.

Tuesday, March 2

Ground frozen hard this morning. Dewey has been working on a chicken yard, and I helped him set the posts.

Mrs. O'Gorman is still very sick. Kate went over there a little while at noon.

Wednesday, March 3

Ther.: 34+, 52+, 36+

A rather chilly wind today but otherwise quite pleasant.

This forenoon I took a few apples to Mrs. Mitchell and her children and then went to Mr. Hills to get my shoes he brought from the repair shop. He gave me some scions from an apple tree I wish to have growing.

This afternoon Dewey and I cut down corn stalks.

Thursday, March 4

Ther.: 42+

Dewey and Billy Case were plowing and getting their cabbage patch ready today.

I went to Garrett's and got some dynamit, then went to our orchard site and blew up some more tree places for our young apple trees. Carl helped me after dinner. It was a raw, cold day, and I wished I had not gone. It is sprinkling tonight.
Friday, March 5  
**Ther.:** 32+, 34+  

All out door covered with ice, which kept accumulating most of the day, and has broken many trees and put our telephone completely out of commission. The ice on trees, shrubs and grass has looked very beautiful. Kate has been painting and I have mounted some pictures.

No mail came today, so we got no papers.

Saturday, March 6  
**Ther.:** 32+, 50+, 40+  

The ice went off this forenoon, but left many broken trees, though our fruit trees did not suffer much.

I pruned some grape vines and two peach trees. Some peach trees ordered came by mail this afternoon and Kate and I took a few that he had come with ours over to Mr. Marshall.

The telephone has been patched up tonight so that it works again.

Sunday, March 7  
**Ther.:** 32+, 42+, 28+  

Some heavy wind and snow squalls this forenoon, and growing cold with squalls tonight. I have stayed close at home all day, reading and keeping fires going.

Kate and Dewey went to Sunday School this afternoon. Have been reading of farm Hydro-Electric works, and believe we could install one on our place here.

Monday, March 8  
**Ther.:** 28+, 34+  

Cold, windy and squally all day. I worked some of the wood pile, and did some reading and writing. Called at O'Gormans just before noon. Received a magazine with an article in it by Mr. Dyer, so I expect he sent it. There were several pictures of the old Mass. Home for illustrating his piece.

Tuesday, March 9  
**Ther.:** 26+, 42+, 36+  

Quite cold today. I walked to Hendersonville this morning and from the road where we can see the Balsam Mts. the sight was beautiful as they were covered with snow. I bargained to sell the old cow to the butcher and have to take her away Friday. I had dinner with Bakers and got some card board to bring home. Called at the Library to see the librarian as I used with be acquainted with at Toxaway years ago, when she ran the news stand at the Inn.

Wednesday, March 10  
**Ther.:** 30+  

It still holds cold, but the sun warms the air in the middle of the day. I did some grape vine pruning.

Thursday, March 11  
**Ther.:** 34+, 48+, 36+  

Did considerable pruning of peach and young apple trees and more of the grape vines. This afternoon I put out some young apple and peach trees on the slope we bought of Hiram. My broken rib gives me a good deal of trouble when I am at work.
Friday, March 12  
Ther.: 30+, 36+

This forenoon I took our old cow away to be used for beef. We have had her almost three years. Dewey has been under the weather all day. This afternoon I dynamited places for and set out 9 new peach trees. Kate is staying near her incubator tonight as she expects chickens soon.

Saturday, March 13  
Ther.: 28+, 52+

We have all been hard at work all day. I have been pruning young apple trees and grape vines and also fixed a bed and sowed sweet peas. The air is cool yet, but the day was very pleasant. Kate and Dewey have been working at the coop and yard for little chicks. They are hatching in the incubator this evening. Received some letters for the Sanders and we wonder how soon they will get here.

Sunday, March 14  
Ther.: 30+, 52+

We had many callers today, Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Heyward were here to dinner. Mr. Garrett called this forenoon and we together went over to call on the O'Gormans. I found little time for reading today. Wrote to mother and Hiram tonight.

Monday, March 15  
Ther.: 28+

Quite cold early this morning but grew much warmer during the day. I worked on the new orchard site all day, Carl Garrett helping me. We about finished the dynamiting and planted the peach trees. Dewey and Billy were setting cabbage plants this afternoon. Tonight Dewey and I took eggs over to Mrs. Hill and I got some milk there. It looks stormy.

Tuesday, March 16  
Ther.: 38+, 42+

Rain, sleet and slight snow squalls, made this a stormy day, so I could not go on with orchard work. Developed the plates I exposed when the ice was so heavy on the trees. Expect Lige and Martha Sanders will get here tomorrow and this is not nice weather for them to come. Dewey and Billy finished planting their cabbage.

Wednesday, March 17  
Ther.: 30+

A cold, windy day. Dewey and I went down the trail and cut out some fallen timber. This afternoon cousins Lige and Martha Sanders came to make us a visit on their way home from Florida.

Thursday, March 18  
Ther.: 20+, 34+

Frozen quite hard this morning. I went to mill this forenoon and took cousin Lige with me. This afternoon we all but Dewey went up on King Mountain to see the view.

Friday, March 19  
Ther.: 32+, 42+

It looked very stormy this morning, but cleared up at noon. This afternoon I went to the orchard site, where Mr. Garrett and I set 39 young apple trees. Tonight it looks very stormy again. Kate took Lige and Martha over to Hills this afternoon, and while there she tried milking the young cow we intend to buy.
Saturday, March 20
Ther.: 30+, 42+, 36+

A real snowstorm during last night and this morning left 3 inches of snow on all outdoors. It turned some warmer and melted much snow this afternoon but it looks and feels very wintry. I printed and finished some photos from the ice negatives made last week, and kept the fires roaring. Took Lige up to see the stores and meet some of the folks late this afternoon.

Sunday, March 21
Ther.: 26+, 44+, 30+

Well frozen up this morning and considerable snow still covering the ground. Have been close at home all day. Kate and Martha went to Sunday School this afternoon. Dewey went over to Hill's tonight and milked the young cow we talk of buying. It is clear but cool tonight.

Monday, March 22
Ther.: 22+, 31+, 28+

Cold, with wind and snow squalls. I dropped a log on one of my toes this morning, bruising it badly and making me very lame. We could do little today but keep up the fires.

Tuesday, March 23
Ther.: 26+, 30+

Continues cold. We sawed up some more wood and kept the fires busy. Dewey got Mr. Freeman's horse and wagon and took a bushel of corn over to Merrill's mill and had it ground. Kate took her chickens out of the house this evening and put them in the little pen.

Wednesday, March 24
Ther.: 28+, 49+, 35+

Did up pictures and sent to Tryon. Made some copy negatives for the cousins this afternoon. Developed films for Will and myself tonight. Dewey had the Case horse this afternoon and plowed the garden.

Thursday, March 25
Ther.: 28+, 54+

Did some pruning of small apple trees this forenoon and Dewey sprayed them. This afternoon Lige went with me and got Mr. Garrett and together we set out 56 apple trees on the orchard site. It grew much warmer today.

Friday, March 26
Ther.: 44+

Went early this morning to work with Mr. Garrett in planting trees on our orchard site. We had a nice forenoon but not so pleasant this afternoon as it grew cooler and showered some, but we completed the planting of the main orchard. Lige, Martha, and Kate had Billy Case's horse and our wagon and came over to see us this afternoon.

Saturday, March 27
Ther.: 36+, 36+, 34+

Kate was sick all last night, and I had to get out a little past four this morning to get her water to steam her lungs. She has been in bed all day, but feels some better tonight. There was a squall of snow this morning, then a mist about all the day.

Sunday, March 28
Ther.: 28+, 50+
Cold again this morning. Lige and I took a walk over to Oleeta Falls this forenoon as it was bright and pleasant. Found that heavy rains last fall and winter had washed all foot logs across brooks away, making it more difficult to get there. Kate got up and ate a little dinner.

Monday, March 29
Ther.: 28+

Cold this morning, but a nice day. Mr. Garrett and I set out the grape vines, cherry, plum, and summer apple trees on our company place this forenoon, which finishes our planting for this spring. This afternoon Lige and I took a walk around King Mt. and found the scenery very fine. Mr. Hill brought our new cow and calf over this morning.

Tuesday, March 30
Ther.: 28+, 36+, 28+

It looked so stormy this morning that I hurried in some wood and then a snow storm broke upon us, and it has stormed all day. There was over 3 inches of snow at noon. I made some photo prints for Lige and Martha.

Wednesday, March 31
Ther.: 28+, 42+, 34+

Cold early this morning but warmed up so that much of the snow melted. Cousins Lige and Martha left for their home in old Michigan this forenoon. They will reach there tomorrow night if all goes well. Dewey's calf has been sick today and we are fearful it may die. Kate had the misfortune to bruise a toe badly with the barn door tonight.

Thursday, April 1
Ther.: 30+, 51+

This is Kate's birthday and we had no present for her, as have been able to go nowhere to get anything. It has been warmer today and the snow has about gone. Dewey and I saved up a few pine trees, broken by the ice storm last month. Have been pruning young fruit trees on the place I bought from Hiram. Dewey's calf is better.

Friday, April 2
Ther.: 30+, 40+, 34+

It has been a chilly day with squalls of snow. The women's society met here with Kate this afternoon, but with small attendance. Dewey and I did some work on the public road between us and Hiram's place. I had to do some wood sawing as this cold weather takes good fires to keep us warm in the house.

Saturday, April 3
Ther.: 30+, 38+, 30+

All out door white with snow again this morning. It melted off where the sun could get at it between the flights of blizzardy clouds. We did but little work out of door because of the cold wind. I called at O'Gorman's toward night, finding Mrs. O'Gorman up and about the house.

Sunday, April 4
Ther.: 26+, 48+

Cold this Easter morning, and the wind still blowing, but it has quieted some this afternoon. Dewey went to the Baptist church exercises this forenoon, but Kate feels too miserable to be out and I did a lot of reading. This morning I found a few trailing arbutus blossoms on our place.

Monday, April 5
Ther.: 33+, 64+, 52+
Grew warmer today and we did a good bit of outdoor work. I hoed and fertilized a number of young fruit trees and Kate and Dewey did some planting in the garden. The wind blew a gale this afternoon and there was a little sprinkle and a rainbow.

*Tuesday, April 6*
*Ther.: 42+, 72+*

Summer came on all of a sudden today. I went with Mr. Garrett to our orchard site and we sprayed all the little trees and also put some fertilizer around them. This afternoon I did some spraying of young trees at home.

*Wednesday, April 7*
*Ther.: 80+*

Warm day. There was a few peals of thunder off to the south this afternoon. Dewey and I had Billy Case's horse today. We sprayed most of the large apple trees this forenoon and this afternoon Dewey plowed and fitted some ground for potatoes. I did some pruning of apple trees. Kate has washed some wheat.

*Thursday, April 8*

Dewey and I planted a patch to potatoes today. I sprayed some apple trees for Billy Case. Hoed around some fruit trees. It has been warm and pleasant all day.

*Friday, April 9*
*Ther.: 48+, 90+, 56+*

Dewey and I have been hard at work all day hoeing young trees. Kate has been cleaning house, which is too hard for her.

*Saturday, April 10*
*Ther.: 54+, 70+*

Kate and Dewey went to Merrill's mill with grists for flour, meal, chicken feed etc. I made a large printing of postcards. The wind has blown very hard from the south all the afternoon.

*Sunday, April 11*

Kate and Dewey took a drive over to Fruitland this afternoon. They got home just before a rain storm broke. Mr. Freeman called and we went to our woods and gathered some arbutus.

*Monday, April 12*

I walked to Hendersonville this morning to do a lot of errands. Had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Corwin. They are very enthusiastic about California, and intend to move there next fall. It has been a fine clear day.

*Tuesday, April 13*
*Ther.: 38+, 61+*

Cooler weather. I printed and finished a batch of postcards. Dewey has been hoeing fruit trees.

*Wednesday, April 14*
*Ther.: 38+, 60+*

There was frost visible this morning, and there has been a chilly east wind all day. I have not felt well and so could not work as I wished to do.

*Thursday, April 15*
Have felt some better today. Dewey and I fertilized and hoed around some young apple trees this forenoon. It stays cool but pleasant.

_Friday, April 16_
_Ther.: 32+, 68+_  
Right down to the freezing point early this morning. There was a talk on pruning, spraying and caring for apple trees at Hampton Jone's today, given by a government expert and the county colaberator. I went this forenoon and both Dewey and I this afternoon. It was very interesting. Have been reading about California tonight.

_Saturday, April 17_
_Ther.: 52+_  
Kate and Dewey had Billy Case's horse today and did some plowing on the next ridge to the north, for tomatoes, potatoes, pop corn etc. This afternoon I finished stopping seam leaks on the metal roof of our wood shed. There was a meeting at the school house tonight to start the movement for a fair next fall. Much warmer.

_Sunday, April 18_
Dewey had the misfortune this forenoon to discharge his rifle accidentally and the ball pierced the end of the forefinger on his left hand making a bad wound. Mr. Hill took us to the doctor at Hendersonville this afternoon and had his finger dressed. We hope he will get along all right. It has been a very pleasant day.

_Monday, April 19_
_Ther.: 40+, 78+, 60+_  
Worked among the fruit trees about all day. Kate planted some garden peas this afternoon. I went to Mr. Hills this evening to take the eggs and get some milk. The air is very smoky and it is so dry.

_Tuesday, April 20_
_Ther.: 80+_  
Warm and dry. I did a lot of hoeing about grape vines today. Dewey's hand is very sore now.

_Wednesday, April 21_
_Ther.: 78+_  
Did more hoeing and fertilizing among grape vines. Kate and I planted a few potatoes over on some "New land" this forenoon, then we gathered some beautiful arbutus blossoms. Tonight Kate transferred a "gum" of bees to a new hive and it was exciting work.

_Thursday, April 22_
_Ther.: 54+, 56+_  
Cooler weather but no rain. I spent most of the day fixing up a new hive, and Kate tried transferring another "gum" of bees. This was to be Daisy Burlingame's wedding day at Brevard.

_Friday, April 23_
_Ther.: 52+_  
Made another bee hive today and Kate and Dewey transferred bees to it tonight. Leaves are coming on the forest trees and apple trees are blossoming, but no where near as profusely as last year. Our early strawberry plants are in bloom.
Saturday, April 24  
Ther.: 44+, 82+  

It was real cool this morning and there was dew on the ground, the first is a long time. Made another hive today and tried to help Kate with the transferring tonight, but got so badly stung I had to retire from the fray. I seemed very warm in the middle of the day.

Sunday, April 25  
Ther.: 48+, 82+  

This forenoon I went over to Mr. Garrett's and he, his father, and I went to look at the new orchard, finding the trees putting out very nicely. The bees have been bothering Kate today, one of the transferred swarms leaving the hive and going in with some others. Kate and I called on the O'Gormans this evening, then came back by the orchard to see the blossoms.

Monday, April 26  
Ther.: 52+, 86+  

 Been almost hot today and continuing very dry. I did some hoeing in the strawberry bed this forenoon. Pruned some apple trees this afternoon. Kate and Dewey are transferring the last old gum of bees tonight.

Tuesday, April 27  
Ther.: 52+  

Weather running about the same, but there was a shower west and north with some thunder this afternoon. I worked on cleaning out the trail this forenoon for a while. Lee Hill came tonight and put in a Lightning Arrester. The thunder storm period is almost here we think.

Wednesday, April 28  
Ther.: 54+, 88+  

Finished cleaning out the "Wildacres" trail this forenoon. Mr. and Mrs. Corwin were out here and took dinner with us, spending the afternoon and looking about over the place. Bert Barber, his mother and sister and Mrs. Dr. Mory made us a call coming out in an auto. There was some sprinkles and a heavy clap of thunder this afternoon.

Thursday, April 29  

Worked at staking and tying up grape vines most of today. This morning I took the camera and made some exposures on dogwood trees in full bloom, also one of our quince bushes.

Friday, April 30  
Ther.: 50+  

Have been pruning apple trees today and it is hard work in such brushy old trees. There has been no sign of rain today.

Saturday, May 1  
Ther.: 54+  

It looked very stormy this morning and did sprinkle quite a bit but broke away and was clear this afternoon. Dewey and I loaded the big spray pump on to the wheel barrow and sprayed 14 of the large apple trees this afternoon. It was hard work, but we knew the spraying must be done.

Sunday, May 2  
Ther.: 45+
It was real cool early this morning. Dewey went over to Fruitland to hear the Bachelaurate sermon at the Institute. Kate went to the Advent church, but I was too lazy to go to anything. We had a shower toward evening and it made the growing things turn a green color, and start new life.

Monday, May 3

We had more rain this forenoon which was good. Mr. Garrett and Mr. Gibbs came this afternoon for the spray pump and we finished spraying the large apple trees before they took it away. Afterward I used the air sprayer on some small trees. Went over to Mr. Hills with the eggs tonight.

Tuesday, May 4

Ther.: 64+

This morning I made some hills to plant melons in and did put in musk melons. This afternoon I did more pruning of apple trees. The wind blew hard all day.

Wednesday, May 5

Ther.: 48+, 70+

Been cool today. I worked up some hills to plant pumpkin seed in this forenoon. Kate and Dewey went to school doings at Fruitland with Mr. and Mrs. Hill tonight and so were out very late.

Thursday, May 6

Ther.: 46+, 74+

I spent most of today hoeing and trimming the little trees in our partnership orchard with Mr. Garrett. Dewey spent the day at Fruitland. Suppose mother left Detroit this morning, and will get here tomorrow. It is cloudy tonight. The morning was very cool.

Friday, May 7

Ther.: 62+

We had rain most all of today and a very heavy shower near noon. Kate had Mr. Huggins horse and buggy and went to Hendersonville to get a tooth fixed and to meet mother, who came on the Carolina Special. They got home all right despite the storm. The Tax Lister was at Dana today.

Saturday, May 8

Ther.: 54+, 74+

Dewey and I have been working on the trail over the place most all day and now have it so a round trip came be made. It has been a pleasant day. Mother seems to be feeling pretty well in spite of her long journey.

Sunday, May 9

This was Dewey's 17th birthday, and to celebrate we all went to the point in the "Far Pines" and had a picnic dinner, Mr. Hill's family joining us there. It was a pretty hard walk for ma. After dinner the others went up on King Mt. but she and I came home by the trail slowly. It has been a fine day.

Monday, May 10

Ther.: 44+

 Quite cool this morning. I have been making postcards. There were a number of callers came in to see mother this afternoon. We failed to get our daily paper and I wanted the war news today, to learn more of the steamer Lusitania sunk by a german submarine last Friday.

Tuesday, May 11
Rained all day so that I did very little work. Had to keep a fire in the fireplace all day.

Wednesday, May 12  
Ther.: 56+

It was cool this morning and there were some showers, but it cleared off this afternoon. Mr. Freeman got Hamp Jones with a team and road drag and we all worked on the road from here to the stores. Kate went to the school house to hold a woman's meeting, but no one came.

Thursday, May 13

Pleasant all today. Mowed some weeds this morning, then Dewey and I finished fixing the road. It looks very well now. This afternoon we worked more on our trail and opened up two springs so drinking water can be had from them. Kate made strawberry shortcake for dinner, the first of the season.

Friday, May 14  
Ther.: 54+

Kate and Dewey planted peanuts this forenoon. I made trellises for rose bushes and hoed some grape vines.

Saturday, May 15  
Ther.: 56+, 87+

Been a warm day. Did some mowing in the yard this morning then made trellis for some grape vines. This afternoon Dewey and I sprayed the grape vines this afternoon, then he got ready and rode his wheel to Tryon. I called at O'Gormans and Marshalls tonight.

Sunday, May 16  
Ther.: 86+

I went over this morning to see how Cecil Huggins was and found he was much improved. Then I went on and made a call on Mr. Wilkins and looked at his poultry yards. There is a good breeze today but it is warm. I shaved off my gray beard that I have had for nearly two years. Kate and mother went to Sunday School this afternoon.

Monday, May 17

A very fine day. Dewey came home this forenoon and thinks he rather live up here than down at Tryon during the summer. I helped Kate do the washing this morning then picked some strawberries. I mounted some pictures this afternoon and planted some musk melon seed.

Tuesday, May 18  
Ther.: 44+, 75+

It was pretty cool this morning. I worked at making postcards all day.

Wednesday, May 19  
Ther.: 56+, 56+

It has been cloudy and misty all day, with a shower or two at about noon. Mother, Dewey and I went to Hendersonville this forenoon so mother could have her eyes tested for some glasses. They came home at noon and I stayed to see a real estate agent and talk over some ideas I have in mind. I walked back home this evening.

Thursday, May 20  
Ther.: 54+
There were clouds and mists all this forenoon, but it broke away some this afternoon. I spent most of the forenoon in mowing weeds about the yard and orchard.

Friday, May 21
Ther.: 62+

A very pleasant day after the morning mists cleared away. I sorted, mounted, signed and fixed up some pictures and cards, that I want to take to Highlands and Lake Fairfield next week. Dewey and I went to Mr. Hills tonight and got the new cow, and we hope we can keep this one.

Saturday, May 22

Did more cutting of weeds this morning while it was damp and cloudy. The fire blight is in our apple trees and I did some work among them this afternoon. Our strawberries are doing nicely now and we are having a feast of shortcake and berries and cream.

Sunday, May 23
Ther.: 54+

This forenoon I went with Mr. Garrett to look at our young orchard and we found the trees growing very nicely. We walked about some on a very picturesque place joining ours. This afternoon and evening we have had some good showers.

Monday, May 24
Ther.: 86+

Spent most of the forenoon tying up grape vines. It got very warm in the middle of the day. Dewey put the new cow in the pasture today along with Mrs. Case's cow. We picked 12 quarts of strawberries this afternoon.

Tuesday, May 25
Ther.: 54+

Left home this morning for a trip to the mountains. Stopped at Brevard between trains and made some calls and met Mr. Malpass on the evening train for Lake Toxaway. We walked up to Crisp Inn tonight by moonlight.

Wednesday, May 26

We came on today which has been a beautiful one, stopping at Fairfield Inn where I sold some pictures to people. We got our dinner at Cashirs and reached highlands soon after 6 o'clock.

Thursday, May 27

It began raining this forenoon and so spoiled my doing any photo work. I made a call at the Sanatorium and at the Bascom place.

Friday, May 28

Stormy and cloudy all today. Mr. Malpass started back for Sapphire this afternoon, but I am staying another day, though I do nothing but read.

Saturday, May 29

Left Highlands this morning and walked to Sapphire, coming through old Chimney Top Gap on the trail. I stopped a while at Fairfield Inn, and tonight I am stopping at Mrs. Burlingame's. It has been a fairly pleasant day.

Sunday, May 30
Stayed at Burlingames till after dinner, then came to Crisp's where I am spending tonight. There was a shower of rain in the early afternoon, but it has turned real cool tonight.

Monday, May 31
Ther.: 54+

Got out of bed at 4:30 this morning and walked down to Lake Toxaway to catch the morning train. Prof. Snyder came down from Fairfield and we journeyed together to Hendersonville. I did some errands in town then walked out home in a drizzling rain which is making muddy roads. Found the folks well and strawberries still on the bill of fare.

Tuesday, June 1

A drizzly, dark day. I have been resting from my trip. I sent some berry plants by mail to Miss Staub. The blight is working badly in our apple trees.

Wednesday, June 2
Ther.: 54+, 74+

It did not rain this afternoon, though there were showers this morning. I was sick this afternoon so did not work. Our sweet clover is showing up well now and must be cut soon.

Thursday, June 3

Quite a pleasant day though looking rainy part of the time. Mowed some sweet clover this morning and put it under cover this evening. It will be hard to cure such damp weather. Made some photo exposures on laurel bushes and from the Knoll, which I developed them tonight.

Friday, June 4
Ther.: 56+, 76+

I worked all day at postcards. No rain today.

Saturday, June 5

Stormy looking day and did rain some just after noon. Cut a little more sweet clover, but we had to gather it up rather wet. Kate and I called at the Freeman's tonight. Mrs. Freeman's mother and a sister are visiting them, coming up from Florida.

Sunday, June 6
Ther.: 54+

Been quite pleasant today. Mother attended the Advent church this forenoon, and took dinner with "Grandma" Case. I took a nap and then a walk to look at the wonderful bloom on laurel and to look at the young fruit trees.

Monday, June 7
Ther.: 80+

Mowed grass in the orchard and some sweet clover in the field. There were heavy showers this afternoon which wet the hay and made the ground very wet. Mrs. Mitchell and children made us a visit and were here for dinner.

Tuesday, June 8
Ther.: 60+, 80+
No rain today, and I spent considerable time cutting and drying sweet clover. Dewey has been spraying vines and trees with a solution for killing plant lice. When I went for the mail this afternoon I got some red clover blossoms for Kate to use as a tea for medicine.

**Wednesday, June 9**  
**Ther.: 55+**

A breezy, cool and pleasant day. I cut more sweet clover, and stired out what has been cut. This afternoon Mr. Welmur came out from town in his auto, bring his folks. He and I went over the trail and looked the place over as he is going to list it for sale and try to dispose of it for us. They stayed for lunch and ate strawberries with us. Dewey and I piled up the hay this evening.

**Thursday, June 10**  
**Ther.: 50+**

Another fine day, but very cool early in the morning. I tried making a photo of the sweet clover as it stood, then mowed it down. Mr. Freeman sent his horse and wagon this evening and we got it all in the barn. Dewey has been hoeing apple trees all day. Mother walked up to the stores twice today.

**Friday, June 11**  
**Ther.: 54+**

This was our 31st wedding anniversary, but we worked hard about all day just the same, only going to call on our neighbors the O'Gorman's this afternoon. I managed to pick enough strawberries this evening for a shortcake tomorrow, which will probably be our last for this season. I got in the last bunches of sweet clover. Hoed and fertilized remainder of young fruit trees below the brow of the hill this forenoon.

**Saturday, June 12**  
**Ther.: 60+**

There was thunder and a little sprinkle with much threaten of rain this afternoon, but it did not stop our work. Dewey and I hoed and sprayed the potatoes down on the flat. We also started a ditch up to a spring in the pasture field. It is pleasant work to be making improvements, but they do not bring case at once, of course.

**Sunday, June 13**  
**Ther.: 60+**

A real warm day, almost hot at times. The folks all went to church this forenoon, then Kate and mother went home with Mr. Hill, and Dewey and I went across after a shower was over and we all took dinner with them. There was a real hard shower this afternoon just before we came home. The clouds are very beautiful these days.

**Monday, June 14**  
**Ther.: 60+**

There were some heavy showers during today. I picked several quarts of strawberries, so we still have shortcake for dinner and berries as sauce other meals.

**Tuesday, June 15**  
**Ther.: 60+, 82+**

Rain again today. Kate and I have been whitewashing on the woodshed when it was not raining.

**Wednesday, June 16**
Took 4 x 5 camera Kodak, etc. this morning and walked to Saluda by way of the new road from Flat Rock. It is a good road but not much scenery. I took the train there and came on to Tryon and got out to Howes in time for dinner. A long rain storm this afternoon held me here and I am staying all night.

Thursday, June 17

Walked up on Tryon Mt. this forenoon and tried making some photos. Had dinner at Skyuka Inn, which is opened again. There was a shower just after noon. Tonight I am at Log Cabin Inn.

Friday, June 18

This has been a beautiful day and I have made the most I could of it, going about over the mountain and making exposures of plates and films. The air was so clear that the far southern horizon was perfectly plain. This afternoon I came down the mountain and am at Conner's tonight.

Saturday, June 19

It was hot and muggy this morning, but the day has passed without rain. I picked a few cherries this morning and ate all I could hold also. Took the noon train and came to Hendersonville and so on home this evening. Tonight I have been developing plates I exposed on Tryon Mountain.

Sunday, June 20
Ther.: 58+, 85+

It grew warm this forenoon then a heavy thunder storm came on at noon. I managed to pick a couple of quarts of wild strawberries. Called on Mr. Phillip Ward this evening and he took me to see some of his land and a fine spring he has. Kate and Dewey went to call on some people a couple of miles away tonight.

Monday, June 21
Ther.: 64+

Cloudy and rainy weather. I did some mowing of grass and weeds this forenoon. This afternoon I made some prints.

Tuesday, June 22
Ther.: 82+

It has been pleasant all today. I worked at postcards making. Dewey is hoeing the fruit trees.

Wednesday, June 23
Ther.: 62+

Last night was very windy but today has been pleasant. I made 214 postcard photos, which kept me busy.

Thursday, June 24
Ther.: 48+

Coolest morning we have had for a long time. I was busy fixing up photos this forenoon. This afternoon I walked to Hendersonville and back. I went to take Mr. Wetmur some pictures of our place, and a written description.

Friday, June 25
Ther.: 62+

Worked about on the place all day, mowing weeds, and grass, and spraying young trees with lime-sulphur to try and arrest leaf blight which is coming on badly. It has been a pleasant day.
Saturday, June 26  
Ther.: 52+

Spent most of today with Mr. Garrett hoeing our young apple trees. We find the rabbits are eating the new growth and gnawing some of the trees. We had some ice tonight and made ice cream for the first time this summer.

Sunday, June 27  
Ther.: 54+

It has looked some stormy all day. We have feasted on frozen fruit and ice cream. Mr. Hill and family were here this afternoon.

Monday, June 28  
Ther.: 78+

Looked rainy all day. This forenoon Mr. Garrett and I sprayed the young apple trees in our orchard to see if the lime-sulphur would keep the rabbits away from them. Dewey and I hoed the tomato plants this afternoon. Mr. Garrett and family came and ate strawberry ice with us this evening.

Tuesday, June 29  
Ther.: 70+

Rainy day. I made up a small batch of postcards. We had a feast of ice cream again tonight which used us all the ice.

Wednesday, June 30  
Ther.: 64+

Mowed some grass and weeds this forenoon. As it cleared it got very warm. This afternoon we had a very heavy thunder shower which did much washing and gullying in the roads. Kate sold balance of the young chickens today, keeping only some pullets.

Thursday, July 1  
Ther.: 60+

Did some mowing this forenoon until stopped by shower. Did some fixing at the barn yard this afternoon. It is warm and muggy weather.

Friday, July 2  
Ther.: 58+

The weather came off so fine that I fixed up the camera and walked over to Sugar Loaf Mt. this afternoon and am going to spend the night at the Beulah House. I came by the new road up the Lamb Mountain.

Saturday, July 3

This morning I walked over Sugar Loaf and on to Chimney Rock Mt. where I found some of the grandest of scenery. I had a few huckleberries for dinner and stayed under a huge rock cliff during a shower. It was not a fine for photo work as yesterday, but I tried several exposures. I went down in the Broad River Valley tonight and am stopping at Logans Hotel.

Sunday, July 4

I went up on Chimney Rock again this forenoon and the views were superb. I came down the mountain about 3 o’clock and after a shower I left for home, going up the auto road to Bat Cave, and then up Reedy Patch road. I
stopped at Slick Rock Inn and had some bread and milk, then struck out on the home stretch. Some rain made the walking rather bad and got me some dam but I reached home all right about 9 o’clock.

_Monday, July 5_
_Ther.: 66+_  
It rained during last night and about all of this forenoon, but cleared up this afternoon. I did developing of my Chimney Rock negatives and have some very good ones. I still feel pretty tired from my long hard tramp.

_Tuesday, July 6_
_Ther.: 54+_  
This has been a pleasant day. Dewey and Billy Case picked some of their beans and took them to the cannery this afternoon. I took my camera and went on a hunt for a view of Tryon Mt. but could not get what I want. Had a letter from Mr. Dyer written from the farm in Pelham, Mass.

_Wednesday, July 7_
_Ther.: 56+, 82+_  
Beautiful day, but very warm in the sunshine. I cleaned out the path up on the Knoll this morning, then I picked 2 quarts of red raspberries, so we had a shortcake for dinner. This afternoon I sprayed the tomato and melon vines with bordeaux.

_Thursday, July 8_
_Ther.: 66+_  
I walked over to Hendersonville this morning and Kate rode with Mr. Hill. I arranged with Mr. Wetmur about the advertising of our place, and with Mr. Baker to frame up some photos for him to hang up in his office. Kate bought a new coat to wear when she and Dewey go north. We both came back with Mr. Hill.

_Friday, July 9_
_Ther.: 82+_  
Worked at hoeing about grape vines and trees this forenoon and spraying grapes with bordeaux solution this afternoon. Rot is appearing on some of our grapes. Kate and Mother went to Hendersonville this afternoon with Mr. Hill.

_Saturday, July 10_
_Ther.: 62+_  
Dewey went to Merrill’s mill with grists of wheat, corn and rye this forenoon having Mr. Freeman’s horse and wagon. I hoed a lot more grape vines. There was a shower this afternoon.

_Sunday, July 11_

A very fine day. We all went to church this forenoon as Prof. Melton, of Fruitland Institute preached. He came down and took dinner with us. Mrs. Case’s cow got out of the pasture and Dewey and I had to go and fix the fence this afternoon.

_Monday, July 12_
_Ther.: 66+_  
This morning I went with Mr. Garrett to try fixing some of our young apple trees that rabbits are chewing. This afternoon Dewey and I hoed out the peanut and sweet potato plants, then we worked a bit on the trail.

_Tuesday, July 13_
_Ther.: 64+, 80+_
Tried to rain this forenoon, but finally cleared up and was beautiful weather. I made a small printing from the Chimney Rock negatives, and some are very fine. Dewey continues painting about the back porch.

*Wednesday, July 14*
*Ther.: 62+, 86+*

Pretty hot day. Took the camera this afternoon and went to Oleta Falls but the water was low for a photo. I called on Mr. Merrill as I came back.

*Thursday, July 15*
*Ther.: 66+, 92+*

Hot in the middle of the day. There was a lecture on the fly and his disease breeding ways, up in front of the Baptist church, after which the doctors gave treatment for the prevention of typhoid fever. Kate, Dewey, and I took the inoculation, and my arm has pained me all the time since.

*Friday, July 16*
*Ther.: 88+*

Another hot day. My arm has been so lame I have worked very little, finishing a few photos, picking a few berries, plums, and apples. Mr. Freeman called this afternoon with a friend of his from Florida.

*Saturday, July 17*
*Ther.: 66+, 89+*

Mr. McAbber cut a bee tree on our place this morning. I don’t know how they made out for honey. We all went over to Mr. Pleasant Garrentts and took dinner with them and visited a while with them. I did some hoeing in the orchard. We have some beautiful Yellow Transparent apples on our young trees. The few peaches we have are commencing to ripen.

*Sunday, July 18*
*Ther.: 66+, 89+*

Weather like yesterday, with a big threaten of rain toward night, but none reaching us. O’Gorman is real sick with a sore throat, and I have been over there twice today. Kate went with me tonight and steamed his throat. The folks from Baker’s Art Gallery autoed out here and made us a call this afternoon.

*Monday, July 19*
*Ther.: 64+, 90+*

Warm weather continues. Dewey rode his wheel over to Hendersonville this forenoon and got some paint brushes and a cow bell. I went over to O’Gormans and helped do up his chores. He is feeling some better today. Took my camera and made some portrait exposures this afternoon. Did some whitewashing on the poultry house.

*Tuesday, July 20*

Considerably cloudy with some showers today. Dewey and I hoed around young fruit trees. Mr. Corwin came out from town this evening and will spend the night with us.

*Wednesday, July 21*
*Ther.: 78+*

Cooler today. We all took dinner at Marshalls and had a visit with them. Some Savannah people who have a summer home north of here called while we were gone, but I saw them a little while at the corners as I was coming home.
Thursday, July 22
Ther.: 56+

Did mowing of weeds this morning, then sprayed the tomatoes with Bordeaux. This afternoon we went to the P.O. store to take the second treatment for prevention of typhoid fever.

Friday, July 23
Ther.: 52+

Very cool for a summer morning. I walked over to Hendersonville to do some errands, pay my license as a photographer and see the folks at the Baker’s Art Gallery, where I took dinner. Had a ride a good share of the way home with Mr. Leele Pace. We are having some fine peaches on one tree now.

Saturday, July 24
Ther.: 54+

Did some weed and brier mowing this morning, then Dewey and I went at cleaning up and repairing the long trail, which job we nearly finished by night. We need rain again now very badly.

Sunday, July 25
Ther.: 58+

A very quiet, beautiful day. The folks went to Sunday School this afternoon, but I took a “snooze.” This evening I went across and called at Hill’s for a little while.

Monday, July 26
Ther.: 58+

Worked on trails about all day. Dewey helped me this afternoon and we got the new trail complete to the Fern Spring, and it opens up some attractive parts of our place.

Tuesday, July 27
Ther.: 60+, 88+

It has been a hot day. We need rain very badly. I made a batch of postcards. Dewey has continued work on the trail.

Wednesday, July 28

Mr. Freeman came for me this morning to go and witness the will of an old lady who lives about two miles south. Hot and dry.

Thursday, July 29
Ther.: 64+, 88+

Hoed around apple trees with Dewey this forenoon. This afternoon we took the third and last treatment for typhoid. There was a sprinkle of rain but not enough to do much good.

Friday, July 30
Ther.: 64+

Did not work hard today, but did some painting on the house. Mr. Wilkins and a brother from New York called this afternoon. They are talking of buying some land in the neighborhood for a chicken farm. We had a feast of ice cream tonight as Billy Case brought us some ice.

Saturday, July 31
Ther.: 64+, 92+

Very hot. I made a printing of postcards. Mrs. Hill and Bertie Mar came over this afternoon and ate some ice cream with us.

Sunday, August 1
Ther.: 70+, 92+

Hot this forenoon, but there were thunder storms about this afternoon which cooled the air. Lightning burned out one fuse of our telephone. I have been close at home all day, as I have not felt real well. Mother spent part of the day with Mrs. Mitchell.

Monday, Aug. 2
Ther.: 68+, 92+

Today I wrote to the agency at Highlands to put up all our pictures and postcards for sale at half price, as I want to close them out. It was very hot in the middle of the day. A good shower came this evening. This afternoon I took the large camera up on King Mountain to take some cloud photos as it was most beautiful.

Tuesday, Aug. 3
Ther.: 70+, 88+

We had rain during last night and good showers this morning and this afternoon. Kate and I went over to Mr. Garretts this forenoon. He and I went to look over our orchard. The trees are growing nicely, so are the weeds. Mrs. Freeman gave Kate some pine apples that were just from Florida.

Wednesday, Aug. 4
Ther.: 68+, 86+

I made a few large photo prints today, from the negatives I got on King Mt. Monday. They have very fine cloud effects. Did some weed mowing in the yard.

Thursday, Aug. 5
Ther.: 65+, 81+

A very pleasant day. I put up a lot of small colored pictures and got very tired over the work. Mr. Freeman came this evening with a man and boy boarding there, and I took them over our “Wildacres” trail. It has grown cool.

Friday, Aug. 6
Ther.: 56+

I gathered some very fine champion peaches this forenoon. Went to Hendersonville this afternoon to take pictures to Baker’s, do some errands and attend the Chautauqua, where I heard a good Glee Club sing, and a lecture on “The New Agriculture” by a Dr. Vrooman. The town is quite lively now with summer visitors. We had a fine water melon that Billy Case gave us.

Saturday, Aug. 7
Ther.: 53+

Very cool morning, but got good and warm in the middle of the day. This afternoon I went out with the camera and tried for some photos of children. Kate and I called at the O’Gormans this evening. I took them a couple of the photo views I made from the mountain.

Sunday, Aug. 8
A very pleasant Sunday. Kate and mother went to church this forenoon and took their lunch along so as to go on this afternoon to the Children’s Day exercises at the Advent church. Dewey and I had dinner alone. Kate came down home and I went back with her. After the exercises we went to Mr. Huggins home for a call and on to Flemings a little while. We had ice cream and watermelon at the Case’s across the road tonight.

Monday, Aug. 9  
**Ther.: 62+**

Worked about home all day, doing some painting on the house over the front porch this afternoon. Had a letter from brother Will and they were having a time at the Homecoming in Dexter.

Tuesday, Aug. 10  
**Ther.: 66+**

Helped make butter this morning so as to know how when I am alone. "Grandma" Case spent most of the day here visiting Kate and mother. I cut some dead limbs out of a chestnut tree on "The Brow" out in front of the house this afternoon.

Wednesday, Aug. 11  
**Ther.: 68+**

We had a shower during last night, and some more today which is very welcome.

Thursday, Aug. 12  
**Ther.: 62+**

Did some weed mowing this morning. Painted some on the porch railing this afternoon and cut out blighted limbs on some young fruit trees.

Friday, Aug. 13  
**Ther.: 60+**

I went to Hendersonville this forenoon to draw some money to pay for Ry tickets etc., for Kate and Dewey on their trip north. Got back home at 1 o'clock.

Saturday, Aug. 14

Did considerable weed mowing this morning and after a shower this afternoon. We had some ice cream tonight, and I got a big watermelon for eating tomorrow.

Sunday, Aug. 15  
**Ther.: 62+, 86+**

Hazy weather today. This is the last Sunday we will all be together for a long time perhaps. We wanted to be quiet and alone but folks came in to say good-bye to Kate and Dewey.

We had ice cream again this evening and the Hills were here to help us eat it.

Monday, Aug. 16  
**Ther.: 66+, 88+**

Warm and muggy weather. Kate and Dewey have been very busy packing trunks and grips. I walked up on King mountain with Dewey this afternoon.

Tuesday, Aug. 17  
**Ther.: 67+**
We arose early this morning, the team came and Kate, Dewey and I with their baggage went to Hendersonville. I saw that they had tickets, sleeping car accommodations and every thing fixed for their trip to Washington, then as the trail was late I left them and came home with the wagon. Bertie Mae Hill stayed with mother until I got home. Mother will keep house for me a month or six weeks. It will be lonesome here but I want this lad to have a chance in life that I fear he could not get in this place.

*Wednesday, Aug. 18*
*Ther.: 66+*

Been cloudy all day with mists from the east, and rain tonight. There was a Farmer's Insititute here today and I attended both forenoon and afternoon. Ma went this afternoon. It was good but the attendance was very slim. I had a card from Kate written at Salisbury last night. The little cow had her right horn knocked off tonight. I got soaked going after them.

*Thursday, Aug. 19*

I made up a lot of post cards today. I have to hurry to get all chores done and any other work of account. It has rained about all day. Did not hear from the folks today.

*Friday, Aug. 20*
*Ther.: 60+, 66+*

Very cloudy and rainy all day. Made postcards again. Mother had a card from Kate written Wednesday, and they were then on the boat going to see Mt. Vernon. She wrote that it was a fine day there.

*Saturday, Aug. 21*
*Ther.: 62+, 81+*

I made postcards, finishing the order from Fairfield. It cleared up during last night and had been very pleasant all day. Did not hear from the folks.

*Sunday, Aug. 22*
*Ther.: 54+*

Real cool this morning. Went to church this forenoon. Wrote a few letters and did a little reading this afternoon. We wonder how the folks spent the day. Expect they are in Springfield, Mass.

*Monday, Aug. 23*
*Ther.: 52+, 78+*

Another cool morning. Mother and I did a washing this forenoon. Had a card from Dewey written last Friday, and they were in New York City then, ready for the train to Springfield. I went over the trail this afternoon to cut out any new briar or weed growth that had come up.

*Tuesday, Aug. 24*
*Ther.: 56+*

Mother and I made up about 10 pints of grape juice this forenoon, which I hope will keep all right. Our grapes are pretty good this year in spite of some rot. It was a week ago today that Kate and Dewey left for the north.

*Wednesday, Aug. 25*

I fixed up a box of grapes and plums for Baker's folks and took them over this forenoon. Got the circulars about "Wildacres" from Mr. Wetmur. Met Hiram at the 1 o'clock trail and we rode out with Elbert Pace. Mother attended the meeting at the church. We were disappointed at not hearing from the folks today.
Thursday, Aug. 26
Ther.: 56+

Hiram slept on the porch last night on a cot just as I do. This forenoon he went at fixing a spring on his place. I have been mowing grass and weeds in the door yard. Ma and I got letters from Kate today written at Nellie's, in Springfield, Mass.

Friday, Aug. 27
Ther.: 64+

Been misty and cloudy all day. Mother and I made up 15 pints of grape juice this morning. Have been mowing weeds a good share of the day. Had a card from Kate. Dewey was going to Amherst, Wednesday.

Saturday, Aug. 28

Been doing a lot of weed mowing today. Churned this morning and got over 2# of butter.

Sunday, Aug. 29
Ther.: 54+

Went to church this forenoon. Took a walk with Hiram down on his new trails and to his fine spring of water this afternoon. Wrote a letter to Kate.

Monday, Aug. 30

Hiram and I did most of the work about the washing this forenoon. I did more mowing of weeds. A card from Dewey written Friday, said they were ready to leave Springfield the next morning. Hiram and I ground some apples with the meat chopper tonight, to try making a bit of cider.

Tuesday, Aug. 31

Some showery this forenoon so visited with Hiram most of the time. He and I picked some grapes this afternoon and we carried a pail of them over to O’Gormans. Had a card from Kate and they were at the end of their journey in Vermont Saturday. She writes it is cool up there.

Wednesday, September 1
Ther.: 56+

The wind from N.E. with cool mists blew so hard during last night that Hiram and I had to move into the house with our cots. He left this morning on his way to Detroit. This afternoon I gave my time to helping on a highway bridge. Had a letter from Kate with pictures showing the hotel at Randolph Center where she and Dewey were stopping over Sunday. I guess she is a bit homesick just now.

Thursday, Sept. 2
Ther.: 52+, 18+

Spent considerable of today working on "The Knoll," cutting weeds and brush and slicking it up a bit. Mother went to church and Mrs. Harley Justus came home and took dinner with us. Had no word from the folks today.

Friday, Sept. 3
Ther.: 58+

It has been cloudy with mists all day. I picked grapes this morning, giving some to Freemans and O’Gormans. Mowed grass and weeds this forenoon in the old orchard till I broke a bolt and had to quit. Did not hear from the folks. Picked 4 bushels of carlin apples and put in the cellar this afternoon.
**Saturday, Sept. 4**

It rained so much today that I did very little work. Wrote a letter to Kate. Had a card from her and Dewey was having trouble with his eyes. They had rented some building and were getting ready to settle. I am afraid they are having a rather hard time, but hope to hear good news later on.

**Sunday, Sept. 5**

It rained hard during last night with a heavy south wind. I had my cot inside and slept there. There have been showers all day and mother and I stayed close at home. It seemed like clearing up tonight.

**Monday, Sept. 6**

Been pleasant today. Mother and I got the washing out at 9 o'clock this forenoon. Mr. Freeman came and bought some grapes of me. This afternoon I went over to Mr. Frank Pace's to call on Mr. Wilkins and his mother. No mail today as it is Labor Day and a national holiday.

**Tuesday, Sept. 7**

_Ther.: 60+, 80_+

Getting warm weather again. I churned this morning and then mother and I put up more grape juice. Picked about 20# of grapes and sold to Mrs. Jonathan Case. Had a letter from Kate written last Saturday. They were getting settled in the little house she had rented. I mowed some Soy Beans this afternoon to try and make hay of.

**Wednesday, Sept. 8**

_Ther.: 56+, 82_+

Cool this morning and a very heavy dew. I have worked hard mowing and getting up Soy Bean hay. Had Claude Morrison with team and wagon. He did some discing on the creek bottom too. Mother had a card from Dewey. It got hot during the day, and I sweat profusely.

**Thursday, Sept. 9**

_Ther.: 60+, 85_+

Very warm and close all day, making me sweat profusely. I finished mowing Soy Beans this forenoon. This afternoon there came a shower before we got up the bean hay, so that load was wet. Had a long letter from Kate, telling of the cottage they have rented and what she wishes packed and sent. Claude Morrison finished discing on the flat this afternoon.

**Friday, Sept. 10**

_Ther.: 66+, 86_+

Another hot day. It thundered and threatened to rain this afternoon but the showers went around. I dug over the ground in the little chick yard and sowed it to rye. Washed the harness which had mildewed. Sowed rye on the flat this afternoon. Got the bean hay spread out and dried enough to put in the barn.

**Saturday, Sept. 11**

_Ther.: 66_+

Churned this morning. It is a hot day. Had another long letter from Kate and she was feeling better than when she last wrote. They were going to keep the little cottage she had rented for the winter. This afternoon I went up to Billy Case's and had my hair trimed.

**Sunday, Sept. 12**

_Ther.: 62+, 87_+
Warm day. I went to church this forenoon as Prof. Melton preached. Mother went to the baptizing this afternoon
with the Freemans. Mr. Baker, Mrs. Barber and Bert came out in their car this afternoon and spent some time. I
could treat them to some grapes. No rain.

Monday, Sept. 13
Ther.: 64+, 83+

Mother and I did washing this morning. I went over in the pasture this forenoon and found chinquapin nuts very
thick. Had a letter from Kate and she is writing very cheerfully. Mother and I packed the large packing trunk with
things Kate wrote for and I have it nearly crated ready to ship. There was just a little shower this afternoon.

Tuesday, Sept. 14
Ther.: 66+, 82+

Continues warm but pleasant weather. I did churning this morning, getting 2# of butter. Picked some more grapes
and took a few over to O'Gormans.

Wednesday, Sept. 15
Ther.: 78+

Went with Elbert Pace over to Hendersonville this morning. He took the packed trunk and I sent it by freight to
Dewey. Did some errands in town and then walked home, getting back before 1 o'clock. Though warm it is breezy
and not hot, like previous days.

Thursday, Sept. 16

Warm and dry. I wrote to Dewey today and sent the key to the trunk. Dr. Freeman, his daughter, Mrs. E. B.
Freeman and a girl cousin came over this afternoon and took the walk around the trail. Had a letter from Dewey.
He don't know yet whether he will like New England better than here.

Friday, Sept. 17
Ther.: 58+, 82+

I printed some postcards today and also did a little work outside. Mother had several lady callers this afternoon. I
received a tie from Kate, sent for my birthday tomorrow.

Saturday, Sept. 18
Ther.: 58+, 82+

I am 54 years old today. Mother had made me a cake and gave me $2. We had dinner with the Hills. Got no letters
from the folks and feel a little disappointed. It holds warm and dry.

Sunday, Sept. 19

The Baker's came for mother and I in their auto car this morning and gave us a fine day of sight seeing about
Hendersonville. We went to Lake Oceola, Lake Kannga, Flat Rock country, out near Horseshoe, over on the
Haywood Road, through Laurel Park etc. We had dinner with them, and got back home about 5 o'clock. It has been
a nice day, breezy and with some clouds.

Monday, Sept. 20
Ther.: 82+

Mother and I did a washing this morning. Got in some dry sand and dust for the hen house this afternoon. Had a
letter from Kate and one from Dewey. They seem to be all right, though some homesick, I think. It looks stormy
tonight.
Tuesday, Sept. 21
Ther.: 66+, 42+, 58+

It rained a little during last night and there was lightning and thunder, but it did not amount to much. I churned and worked butter this morning, so had both butter and eggs to take to the store this afternoon. Had no letters today, but sent a short one to Kate. The wind shifted to the north and it has grown real cool. We had fire in the fireplace tonight.

Wednesday, Sept. 22
Ther.: 46+, 48+

Very cool this morning. I roped up mother's trunk this forenoon and Mr. Crane came for us at 11 o'clock. Mother left on the 1 o'clock train for the old home in Michigan. It will be very lonesome for me now and I could hardly endure it only that I feel it all for the best in the long run. I called at Mr. Corwin's and Bakers, and then walked home.

Thursday, Sept. 23
Ther.: 40+, 60+

Cold enough for frost this morning but there was none visible about here. I dug a few potatoes today and wish I could get them all now while that are dry. It looked tonight like a coming storm and we have not yet had the equinoctial. Mother must be either in Detroit tonight or home. It seems pretty lonesome here now, and will take me some time to get adjusted to being all alone.

Friday, Sept. 24
Ther.: 48+

Warmer today, but a very pleasant one with no sign of rain. Beside the necessary housework I spent all day digging potatoes down on the flat. Mr. Freeman came this afternoon with his horse and wagon and hauled them up to the house for me. I had a card from Dewey, and a package from Hiram containing a fine gold watch chain, which I am sure was a present for my birthday.

Saturday, Sept. 25
Ther.: 42+, 70+, 54+

Cold again this morning. I had to churn this morning, and did not warm the cream enough so was bothered some. I wrote letters to Dewey and to Hiram and a card to ma. Sorted potatoes and put them in the cellar. Had no letters from any one today.

Sunday, Sept. 26
Ther.: 46+, 79+

Warmed up considerable today. I attended Sunday School at Refuge church this forenoon. Went over to Mr. Garretts this afternoon, but did not find Mr. Pleas G. at home, so I went on and called at his father's.

Monday, Sept. 27
Ther.: 80+

Quite warm today. I had a lot of housework to do this forenoon. Made gems and bread, cottage cheese and apple sauce. Picked up some chestnuts and packed a box with them and chinquapins and mailed to Dewey. Had a letter from Kate and a letter and card from mother telling of her safe arrival home. I had a dish of red raspberries with a few strawberries for supper tonight.

Tuesday, Sept. 28
Ther.: 60+, 74+
A heavy fog this morning. I churned, having an easier time of it than last Saturday. Dynamited around a young apple tree by the poultry house, that has not grown well, the ground being hard. Wrote a letter to mother and a card to Kate.

**Wednesday, Sept. 29**
*Ther.: 62+*

I hustled about this morning and got off for town. I dressed up more than usual, went to Mr. Black the barber, and had a shave and hair trim, then got Mr. Baker to try for my photo so I can send to Kate and mother. I took dinner with them and Miss Artie and her mother brought me most home in their Auto. I had nice letters from Kate and Dewey, but don't believe they think yet they will always want to live in Vermont. A cool and foggy wind from the east.

**Thursday, Sept. 30**
*Ther.: 58+, 56+, 52+*

A rain set in last night and has continued all today with some very hard downpours. It was so cool I kept a fire going all day. Wrote a letter to Kate and a card to mother. Shelled a bushel of corn and puttered about generally.

**Friday, October 1**
*Ther.: 66+, 80+, 60+*

It stormed hard during last night, but has cleared up this morning and is much warmer. This afternoon I gathered a good lot of chestnuts from under one of our trees. The air is very clear tonight and the stars are brilliant.

**Saturday, Oct. 2**

Had to churn and bake this forenoon and it kept me busy. I had the last bunch of grapes from our vines today. Did not hear from the folks today. Mr. Baker sent me samples of the photos he made of me last Wednesday and I think them wonderfully good.

**Sunday, Oct. 3**
*Ther.: 46+, 70+*

Cool again. I put on my best clothes and attended the Baptist Sunday School and preaching service at the Advent church this forenoon. Took dinner with the Freeman's and spent part of the afternoon with them.

**Monday, Oct. 4**
*Ther.: 56+, 68+*

I did my first all alone washing this morning, and was fortunate in getting clothes dry at noon just before rain set in. I called at O'Gormans this afternoon. Had a letter from Kate, and they seem to be getting on all right. I sent here one each of the photos Mr. Baker made of me and guess she will be surprised.

**Tuesday, Oct. 5**
*Ther.: 62+, 70+, 62+*

It rained very hard during last night. I churned this morning, and took butter and eggs to market this afternoon when I went for the mail. Had another letter from Kate and she seems to be getting on famously in Vermont. The trunk I shipped had got to them all right. It rains again tonight.

**Wednesday, Oct. 6**
*Ther.: 56+, 60+, 54+*
Damp and cloudy all day with some showers. A hard rain during last night. I wrote letters this forenoon and baked bread. Am having to keep up the cow because she gets so many acorns to eat in the pasture that it hurts her.

_Thursday, Oct. 7_

Rain again during last night. Cloudy and cool all today. I did up a box of apples and chestnuts and sent by parcel post to Dewey. Had a letter from Kate today. I begun to feel that she is getting benefit from her sojourn up in Vermont.

_Friday, Oct. 8_

_Ther.: 46+, 42+

Been very cool all day, with a smart north west breeze. I went to Hendersonville to do some errands and get the photos Baker made for me. It seems cold enough to frost tonight.

_Saturday, Oct. 9_

_Ther.: 34+, 46+

Quite cold this morning and I ate my breakfast by the stove in the kitchen. Tonight it grows cold fast and we can escape frost no longer. I did a little repair work on the road, got some sweet potatoes, and vines for the cow, and sawed up a little wood this afternoon. Have a good fire to sit by tonight.

_Sunday, Oct. 10_

_Ther.: 26+, 40+

There was frost and ice a plenty this morning. Mr. Waters called on me this forenoon a little while. I went to church to hear Prof. Melton preach. Took dinner with Garretts and he and I walked over and looked over our young orchard. Wrote a letter to Kate tonight.

_Monday, Oct. 11_

_Ther.: 30+, 55+

Quite frozen again this morning. I had to bake gems for my breakfast and then a loaf of bread. I did some broom grass mowing to get litter for the chickens. Had two letters from Kate today. She expected I would get one on last Saturday.

_Tuesday, Oct. 12_

_Ther.: 34+, 64+, 56+

There was frost this morning, but no ice, and it has grown warmer today. Had a letter from Hiram and he plans to get here some day next week. I will be glad to have him with me. Did a little more grass mowing after I had churned this forenoon. This afternoon I cleaned the half of the poultry house that the hens are in. It was a dusty job.

_Wednesday, Oct. 13_

_Ther.: 54+, 70+

Continued my mowing of sedge grass in the house yard this morning. Fixed a log below a young apple tree to place the hen house cleanings around it. This afternoon I dug what few sweet potatoes there were, and called at Hills. There was a few sprinkles of rain. Made some cottage cheese, of which I am fond.

_Thursday, Oct. 14_

_Ther.: 60+

It rained during last night. I did more mowing this forenoon. Had to bake today noon as I was out of bread. It began raining again at noon and rained about all the afternoon. Had letters from Kate and mother. Received calendar pads for 1916.
Friday, Oct. 15
Ther.: 60+, 76+

Been real warm today. I made butter this morning, but only got a little over a pound. I had dinner with the Freeman's.

Saturday, Oct. 16

It was a beautiful day until 4 o'clock when one of the heaviest rains of the season poured down until nearly 5 o'clock. I did some more mowing of grass and weeds. Had a letter from Kate and I know by the tone of it that she had a homesick streak. A case of scarlet fever had come to the school and it was closed for 10 days.

Sunday, Oct. 17
Ther.: 72+

Foggy and misty all the forenoon. I attended Sunday School and it was 12:30 when I got home so had to scrape up a hasty dinner. Elbert Pace came and spent a good share of the afternoon, so I have had no time for either reading or writing.

Monday, Oct. 18

Fog again this morning but I did the washing anyway, and as it cleared and was sunny this afternoon I got the clothes dry. I picked up some walnuts this afternoon and raked up chestnut burs out on the "Brow." Had a letter from Kate and all seems well yet.

Tuesday, Oct. 19
Ther.: 58+

It began raining this morning and has drizzled all day. I had to bake gems and bread before breakfast. Churned and did some ironing this forenoon. I made a large corn meal pancake for my dinner. Took some eggs to the store to trade for oatmeal.

Wednesday, Oct. 20

There were some showers today and it kept cloudy. Had a long letter from Dewey. He has become a very good letter writer, but it too busy to do much writing. I took a bushel of potatoes up to the P.O. to be sent off tomorrow to the Baptist Orphanage. Went over to Mr. Hills tonight and had a visit with them. He is just back from the State Fair at Raleigh.

Thursday, Oct. 21
Ther.: 60+

It seemed like clearing weather this morning, but clouded and showered at noon. This afternoon I dug and trenched a place for sweet peas another year. There have been some fine cloud effects and it has looked very stormy, too. I took up and transferred a young cherry tree.

Friday, Oct. 22
Ther.: 60+

Baked some corn meal gems for breakfast. Fertilized and filled up the sweet pea trench this forenoon and began to cut out blighted parts of young apple trees.

Saturday, Oct. 23
Ther.: 46+, 68+
Quite cool this morning, but it was clear and sunny and warmed up. I cut some sedge grass for bedding the cow. Made a start on moving earth by the barn shed that threatens to rot the boards and sill. Brought out from the cellar and sunned about all the potatoes to see if I can stop rot.

Sunday, Oct. 24
Ther.: 40+, 70+

A very clear and pleasant day. I had so many chores to do I did not get a resting spell till after dinner. I called at O’Gormans a little while this afternoon. Expect Hiram will be with me tomorrow night.

Monday, Oct. 25
Ther.: 42+

Hiram came today and I was glad to see him. Had letters from Kate and Mother. It has been a fine day, but cars sound so plain I look for storm in day or so. Tonight I heard what sounded like a rat in the wall of our house, and it made me almost sick for I thought none could get in.

Tuesday, Oct. 26
Ther.: 48+

It has looked considerable like coming stormy weather today, but is clearing up tonight. Hiram and I shelled some corn, and this afternoon we went to Merrill's mill and had it ground so we can have gems and bread.

Wednesday, Oct. 27

I mowed some more sedge grass for bedding this forenoon. This afternoon we went to the orchard Mr. Garrett and I own, and came back by the O'Gormans, where Hiram made a call.

Thursday, Oct. 28
Ther.: 41+

Worked about home this forenoon and attended the funeral of Eddie Hill this afternoon. It is beautiful weather. Hiram is working on his camp grounds.

Friday, Oct. 29
Ther.: 40+

Cool this morning. I had to bake and churn this forenoon so was very late getting housework done. Hiram got dinner and did up the dishes, so I could get off early this afternoon to go and spray the trees in the young orchard.

Saturday, Oct. 30
Ther.: 46+

Hiram and I sawed a little wood this forenoon. This afternoon we took a tramp, going to Hungry creek a way I had never been, and then following up to Baxter and so on home. It was very pleasant. I had a letter from Kate and she states that the principal of the school thinks of touring down this way next year.

Sunday, Oct. 31
Ther.: 34+

Was so busy with chores I could not get to the Sunday School. Hiram and I went to Freeman's for dinner and to visit a little. Mr. Grant Pace and family were there, also. It has been a very nice day.

Monday, November 1
It has been some warmer today. Hiram and I did a fair sized washing this forenoon. This afternoon we went to a husking bee at Mr. Flemings. I only stayed a couple of hours for I have so much to look after at home.

Tuesday, Nov. 2
 Ther.: 46+

Did churning this forenoon. Mr. Freeman brought my bundle of fruit trees and I opened and heeled them in the ground this afternoon. I made a corn bread for dinner and Hiram warmed up potatoes and gravy. Had a letter from Kate. The wind is howling tonight.

Wednesday, Nov. 3
 Ther.: 40+, 59+

Hiram and I sawed some wood this forenoon, and I dug a few red raspberry plants to mail to Miss Staub. Did odd jobs about home this afternoon.

Thursday, Nov. 4
 Ther.: 31+

Cold enough to make a little ice this morning. I went to Hendersonville, staying for dinner at Bakers. Paid taxes for 1915 and did a number of errands. Got some cookies and a loaf of some kind of sweet bread to eat with our cocoa mornings. Had letters from mother and Kate.

Friday, Nov. 5
 Ther.: 68+

Warmer this morning. I churned and baked bread this forenoon. Hiram is putting parafine on his tent. I worked all day, but seem to get very little done.

Saturday, Nov. 6

We did some wood sawing this morning, then I wrote some letters till noon. Dug beets, carrots and vegetable oyster in the garden this afternoon. We are having sort of a plague of flies lately.

Sunday, Nov. 7
 Ther.: 68+

This morning I heard of the death of Luther Ward by an accident with his gun. It occurred Friday but his body was not found till yesterday afternoon. His funeral was this afternoon at Refuge, and was the largest in attendance I ever saw. It is still "Indian Summer" and quite warm.

Monday, Nov. 8
 Ther.: 70+

There have been some clouds during today, but quite pleasant on the whole. I had to do baking this morning as we were out of bread. Mowed some dry grass and weeds. This afternoon I have been doing spraying of the trunks of young apple trees to try and keep the rabbits from gnawing them. Mr. Freeman made us a call tonight.

Tuesday, Nov. 9
 Ther.: 70+

A very pleasant day. I churned this forenoon and put up 2# of butter ready for market. Had Hobart Case start moving earth from back of barn shed, but guess he has quit the job. I did more spraying with Lime-Sulphur this afternoon. Had a card from Kate. They had been to a concert.

Wednesday, Nov. 10
A cool but pleasant day. Hiram went to Brevard today intending to return tomorrow. I continued spraying young apple trees this afternoon and got them all done.

**Thursday, Nov. 11**

Ther.: 52+

Spent an hour or more at a corn shucking bee at Mr. Zeb Jackson's this afternoon. Did some pruning of blighted young apple trees. Hiram came back tonight and I waited supper for him. Had a letter from Kate.

**Friday, Nov. 12**

Ther.: 69+

I churned this morning and then Hiram and I went over to Mr. Johnnie Hills to a corn shucking where we had dinner and worked till 3 o'clock, then came home for I had to take butter and eggs up to the store. Eggs are brining the astonishing price of 31 cents per doz. It has looked some stormy all day.

**Saturday, Nov. 13**

Hiram and I sawed some wood this forenoon, then he went to his place to work and I wrote out an advertisement of this place to send to Country Life for placing in that magazine. It began to shower before noon, and has rained considerable the rest of the day. I brought the bed down from upstairs and put it up in the "Art" room to sleep on, as the cot was not very comfortable in cold times. I wrote to Dewey today.

**Sunday, Nov. 14**

Rained during last night and some this forenoon. Hiram and I have been at home all day, only taking a walk down his "Jungle" toward night. Billy Case came over this morning and trimmed my hair. It seems to be clearing weather tonight.

**Monday, Nov. 15**

Hiram and I did quite a washing this forenoon, but we worked in the house for it is growing cold and is very windy. Hiram left for Florida this afternoon and I walked a piece toward town with him. I put up the dining room stove this afternoon and had a fire there tonight, and needed it to make room comfortable. Had a card from Kate today.

**Tuesday, Nov. 16**

Ther.: 26+

Cold and frozen this morning. It took a long time to do the churning the cream was so cold in spite of my trying to warm it. This afternoon I went over to Garrett's and around by Marshall's and O'Gorman's. Very pleasant day. Had a letter from Kate and it still holds pleasant up there.

**Wednesday, Nov. 17**

Ther.: 23+, 58+

Colder than ever this morning. I find the rabbits will gnaw apple trees in spite of lime-sulphur so will have to wrap paper about them I expect. A letter from Dewey tells of his analyzing the soil I sent and that it is good only needing lime and more humus. This has been a fine day, too.

**Thursday, Nov. 18**

A terrific rain storm came up toward noon and the wind drives the wet into every weak point in buildings. I wrote a card to Kate thinking there might be no more mail for a day or two. I put paper around some apple trees this morning. Had a card from mother telling of aunt Em Williams death in Ann Arbor.
Friday, Nov. 19  
Ther.: 38+

The storm quit toward morning, but wind has blown hard during today. Mr. Garrett brought me some corn and also some nice apples. I have been in the house most of the day, as had a lame shoulder.

Saturday, Nov. 20  
Ther.: 32+

Been a very pleasant day. I spent all the forenoon sweeping, dusting, and straightening about in the living room. Wrote a letter to Kate at noon. From her last letter I am thinking she don't care to try living in Vermont for steady.

Sunday, Nov. 21  
Ther.: 42+

There was an all day Sunday School rally at Refuge church, but I couldn't get there till afternoon. The house Elbert pace lived in burned about noon and they lost all their belongings. Mr. Freeman went away today to work awhile at book-keeping for a cotton mill in S.C.

Monday, Nov. 22  
Ther.: 31+, 30+

A very chilly sort of day looking like coming snow all afternoon, but has cleared and is cold tonight. I did some wood sawing and getting wood into the wood house. Had a letter from Kate. She worries so much about me I fear she don't enjoy herself much.

Tuesday, Nov. 23  
Ther.: 29+

Had to churn this forenoon. I planted a lot of black walnuts hoping they will grow and be of use in future years. Went over to Mr. Garretts tonight and made arrangements for them to take the cow until Kate returns if they can manage her. It is fine weather.

Wednesday, Nov. 24  
Ther.: 34+

Been a beautiful day. I fixed up some pictures to take with me to Tryon tomorrow. The Howes have sent me an invitation to eat Turkey at their table. I took the little cow over to Mr. Garretts this afternoon. I hat to be without here, but the care of milk and butter is too much work.

Thursday, Nov. 25  
Ther.: 30+

Got up at 5 o'clock, ate a bit of lunch and walked to Flat Rock to get early train to Tryon. It has been a beautiful day. The Howe's had a fine dinner and a pleasant company of people. I took some pictures down with me and sold more than enough to pay my expenses. Called at Conner's for a while. Came home tonight, walking from Flat Rock in the dark. Found every thing all right but only one egg.

Friday, Nov. 26  
Ther.: 44+, 58+

More or less cloudy all day. I churned my last lot of cream and put the butter away for future use. Had to bake both graham and corn bread today noon. Had a letter from Kate and some pictures of Vermont scenery she had colored. They are fine and will look good when I mount them. She has made them for Christmas presents. There is a thunder storm on tonight, and it rains hard at times.
Saturday, Nov. 27

It cleared up before morning and has been a bright day. This afternoon I went over to Mr. Garretts, taking my camera to try getting a group picture for them, and the 3 Ben Davis trees, which he and I took over and planted in our orchard.

Sunday, Nov. 28

I went up to Sunday School this forenoon, then went home with Mr. Marshall and stayed for dinner with them. This afternoon he and I went over King Mt. to a pasture lot that he owns and we talked over the possibilities for a Club place. It has been a nice day.

Monday, Nov. 29

It has been pleasant but chilly all day, and is growing cold tonight. I did some washing this morning, then some mowing of sedge grass for the hens scratch litter. Wrote letters to mother and Kate. Robert Wards baby boy died of diptheria this morning. I dug a bushel of potatoes down on the flat this afternoon, and guess the rest may get frosted.

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Ther.: 26+

Rather a cold day. I worked most of the time at making up calendars. Had to chop some wood, for kept all fires going.

Wednesday, December 1

Ther.: 26+

Been at the calendars all day. Spent the evening at Freeman's, as he was alone with the children and asked me to go over and sit with him. I got some more soil to send to Dewey.

Thursday, Dec. 2

Ther.: 30+, 40+

Worked on the calendars all day. Pleasant day.

Friday, Dec. 3

Ther.: 26+

I walk to Hendersonville and back, taking the calendars to Baker's Art Gallery. I had dinner there, too. Attended to insuring the house and furniture. Been cool but pleasant.

Saturday, Dec. 4

Ther.: 26+

Mr. Sidney Henderson has been hauling some wood to me. I fussed about all day seeming to make no headway at anything. Dug a bushel of potatoes this afternoon.

Sunday, Dec. 5

Ther.: 36+

It has been very stormy looking at various times today, and I thought that we might get snow soon, but tonight it has cleared up. I did a little reading this forenoon, but got no writing done at all. Called at O'Gorman's this afternoon and had a little visit with them. Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Raymond came over and spent some time with me tonight. They brought me some sausage and two pies. Have been looking at the stars a bit.
Monday, Dec. 6
Ther.: 32+

A very pleasant day. I wrote some letters and did up some pictures to send Kate for her to give acquaintances there. Had a letter from her and it was snowing hard there. I dug the last of the potatoes this afternoon.

Tuesday, Dec. 7
Ther.: 20+

Cold morning. Did considerable baking this morning, then got shaved and fixed things so I could leave. Walked to Hendersonville this afternoon, called at Bakers and tried to find old Mr. Marshall and wife but they were away. Attended the club banquet at Kentucky Home Hotel tonight, and got a ride in a Ford half way home afterward. Got home at just midnight.

Wednesday, Dec. 8
Ther.: 34+, 52+

Been a pleasant day. I went to Mr. Hills this morning to get the cards he brought out for me yesterday. Spent the forenoon in mounting up some pictures. I set out 7 fruit trees this afternoon. A hawk killed a nice pullet this afternoon and I am afraid will get more of them if I can't catch him.

Thursday, Dec. 9
Ther.: 38+

Been real cool and windy all day. I did considerable wood cutting and building of fires to keep warm. Mr. Sid Henderson has been hauling more wood. A letter for Kate says Dewey is now having his turn at barn chores at the school.

Friday, Dec. 10
Ther.: 26+, 48+

Cold this morning, but grew warm enough so I planted 2 apple trees this afternoon. It looked so stormy toward night that I went to the woods and gathered a few galax leaves, as I wish to send some as Christmas gifts, and if it should snow or come a freezing rain I might not get them.

Saturday, Dec. 11
Ther.: 36+, 26+, 30+

It began to snow just after daybreak. I hurried to get a few more galax leaves. This is our first snow of the winter. Tonight it lies 6 inches deep on the ground. It grew cold during the day but seems warmer tonight and it has stopped snowing. Had a letter from Kate and they were all right.

Sunday, Dec. 12
Ther.: 30+

It has been cloudy all day, with sometimes a bit of mist in the air. I went up to church and Prof. Melton preached, though there were but few out. The going through the snow is pretty hard. It has thawed considerable during the day, but there is plenty of snow left. I called at O'Gormans a little while tonight.

Monday, Dec. 13
Ther.: 34+, 26+

Sunshine most of today, but an increasing wind that is bringing a cold spell down upon us from the north-west. I did a small washing this forenoon, then baked bread and gems. Have been cutting up some wood this afternoon to keep my fires going.
Tuesday, Dec. 14  
*Ther.: 24+, 33+, 26+*

Cold and windy. I did up and mailed a couple of little Christmas remembrances that have to travel to the Pacific coast. Had a letter from Kate and she was wishing for more snow. Today's paper tells of a big storm up that way yesterday, so I guess they have a plenty now.

*Wednesday, Dec. 15*  
*Ther.: 28+, 36+, 34+*

A very cloudy day. At noon snow began to fall then there was a little rain, then it quit storming but continued to threaten. I packed some galax leaves and mailed to Kate. Paper today tells of snow blocked railroads up in New England.

*Thursday, Dec. 16*  
*Ther.: 36+, 40+*

Been a cloudy and foggy day. I did up several packages of pictures and galax leaves and mailed as Christmas remembrances. Mr. Garrett called on me this forenoon a while. I got no letter from Kate today and may not for sometime owing to the snow blockade up there.

*Friday, Dec. 17*  
*Ther.: 40+, 50+*

Very cloudy and began raining at noon, which it is keeping at tonight. I made some photos today. Had letters from both Kate and Dewey, so the mail is running again up there all. Kate mentioned snow but no such blizzard as I read was up that way.

*Saturday, Dec. 18*

Clear and pleasant today. I have been fixing up more packages to mail away for Christmas.

*Sunday, Dec. 19*  
*Ther.: 27+*

I had to bake gems and bread this morning, then with sweeping dusting and shaving it was dinner time, and just then Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Haywood came. Mr. Wilkins wanted some advice about setting some young apple trees and I went home with him to see his trees and show him how I do. It has been a fine day. I gathered some galax as I came home.

*Monday, Dec. 20*  
*Ther.: 28+, 32+, 28+*

It has been a very chilling sort of day and appeared to be preparing to snow, but tonight it has cleared off and is getting colder. Ewart Blackwell called on me this morning. I am thinking of trying to hire him by the year to work for me and live in the cabin in the orchard. Mr. Garrett was here a few minutes just after noon. I have been doing up pictures and leaves and sending by mail.

*Tuesday, Dec. 21*  
*Ther.: 22+, 38+*

The sun shone brightly today. Spent most of the day fixing up Christmas packages to send off and writing some letters. I took the molasses jug over to Marshalls this evening and left for them to fill some warm spell.

*Wednesday, Dec. 22*  
*Ther.: 22+, 42+*
A very pleasant day. Continued the writing letters and doing up Christmas remembrances. Had a card from Kate today. They haven't much snow up there now.

**Thursday, Dec. 23**  
**Ther.: 28+, 54+**

It grew considerable warmer today. I found another big rabbit in the trap this morning. Sent about the last of my Christmas packages today. Received a jar of jell from Will, a box of Dutch Christmas cakes from Dor and Elsie and a bath towel from Kate and Henry, also some cards. I planted the two remaining young apple trees. Sid Henderson finished drawing wood to me.

**Friday, Dec. 24**  
**Ther.: 54+**

A warm and pleasant day, but showing signs of a change. I didn't have so much mail to send off today, but received some cards, etc. This afternoon I chopped up some wood and put in the shed, and then I planted out the 3 young peach trees I had on hand. Tonight I visited at O'Gormans for an hour or so and they gave me a nice piece of cake to bring home. It has become cloudy.

**Saturday, Dec. 25**  
**Ther.: 50+, 52+, 28+**

A stormy Christmas again this year. Heavy rains until afternoon, then a colder turn and squalls of snow tonight. I had dinner with the Freeman's and supper at Hill's so I fared well if my folks are all away. I received some more presents, a box of candy from Kate.

**Sunday, Dec. 26**  
**Ther.: 24+, 42+**

Been quite pleasant all day. I have been close at home all the time, reading and writing.

**Monday, Dec. 27**  
**Ther.: 26+, 52+, 40+**

Some warmer today. Fixed up some pictures and mailed down to Tryon to be sold at the Drug Store. Had a letter from Kate telling how well Dewey is coming on in his examinations at school. Kate is very much elated over his big success in soils.

I was over at Mr. Garretts but did not find anyone at home. I took a look at our little cow. She is not as slick as when the lad or I cared for her.

**Tuesday, Dec. 28**  
**Ther.: 44+, 46+, 46+**

It has been a rainy day, and seems like it would continue all night. I have been reading most of the time. Mr. O'Gorman called on me for a while this afternoon.

**Wednesday, Dec. 29**  
**Ther.: 50+, 54+, 38+**

There was a very high wind all last night with a down pour of rain that washed the roads badly. I went over to the company orchard this afternoon to see if it was all right. Came back by where Mr. Garrett is building a new house for his brother-in-law Govan Jackson. Had a letter from Kate with note from Dewey.

**Thursday, Dec. 30**
A very pleasant and mild day. There was a white frost this morning, and as the broom sedge kept damp for a long time, I mowed a lot of it on the knoll. This afternoon I spent some time in cutting blighted parts from the young Yellow Transparent apple trees.

Friday, Dec. 31

Been pleasant all day, but looking a bit stormy tonight. I mowed broom sedge for a time this morning. Caught a rabbit in the box trap. Had a letter from Kate and they seem to be all right. I went to Marshalls toward evening and got a jug of molasses. After supper I took my lantern and went over to Garretts and stayed a while getting my can of milk to bring home.

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