

# HENRY H. SCADIN DAIRIES

## 1917

*Monday, January 1*

Spent New Years Day at home, mostly at chopping wood for the fireplace. It has been warm and pleasant.

*Tuesday, Jan. 2*

*Ther.: 42+*

Got about quite early this morning and went over to Hendersonville, having a ride in a lumber wagon. It seemed very pleasant early, but turned cloudy and chilly for the day. I settled with Baker and took dinner with them. Did some errands at the stores, got my Christmas ring fitted to my finger and marked then walked home in the mud, which is pretty bad in the roads now.

*Wednesday, Jan. 3*

*Ther.: 52+, 62+*

There were several showers this forenoon. I wrote some letters and cards, sawed a little wood and pattered about generally. We had a letter from Dewey and it was 10 degree below 0 there last Sunday.

*Thursday, Jan. 4*

*Ther.: 46+, 65+*

Been real warm day. I cut some weeds and grass this forenoon and wrote three letters. This afternoon I wen to a saw mill on Mr. Staton's place to see about getting some firewood.

*Friday, Jan. 5*

*Ther.: 52+, 60+, 40+*

A heavy shower this morning. I sawed and chopped some wood in the shed, then shelled a lot of corn. This afternoon I took a business trip to some of the neighbors. I had cleared off nicely and was very pleasant. Mr. Byers brought me a load of baled hay tonight. As we are retiring a north wind blows hard with a rain squall.

*Saturday, Jan. 6*

*Ther.: 34+, 50+*

The wind blew heavily all last night, but it had cleared up this morning and has been a clear day. I did some chopping this forenoon. This afternoon I had to go to mill with a grist of corn, and went to the Case mill south west of Dana.

*Sunday, Jan. 7*

*Ther.: 24+, 52+*

Eclipse tonight. Frosty morning. Kate and mother went to Sunday School and then home with Charlie Hyder's folks. I walked over and we all had dinner with them and spent most of the afternoon. It clouded up and I have worried about not being able to see the eclipse tonight, though it seems some like clearing up.

*Monday, Jan. 8*

*Ther.: 34+, 54+*

I got up before 1 o'clock and continued taking peeps at the moon all during the eclipse and it was quite satisfactory. Alton Martin with a one horse wagon came this afternoon and helped me get up some wood.

*Tuesday, Jan. 9*

*Ther.: 34+, 62+, 42*

A very fine day. I made up a batch of verse-cards, so could not work out in the lovely weather. A man named Williams, who says he had traveled in 38 states called on me this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Jan. 10*

*Ther.: 34+, 62+*

Very pleasant and warm forenoon. I cleaned out the cow shed and fertilized the young York Imperial apple trees. A letter from Dewey had a photo of their Foot-ball team. He writes that there is plenty of snow there. Mother and Kate made a call at Huggins this afternoon. The wind blows and it seems cooler tonight.

*Thursday, Jan. 11*

*Ther.: 29+, 22+, 14+*

The ground was white with snow this morning and there were some lively squalls during this forenoon. It has continued to grow cold all day, with a strong north wind. This morning I put a lot of wood in the woodshed, and have sawed up some during the day.

*Friday, Jan. 12*

*Ther.: 8+, 30+, 22+*

Very cold morning and not warm any time today. It took good fires to keep the house warm. We got a box of fine oranges from Hiram and we tested them tonight. Kate and I called at Marshalls' this afternoon.

*Saturday, Jan. 13*

*Ther.: 22+, 28+, 32+*

Cloudy and foggy all day and tonight it is raining and freezing. Spent most of the forenoon sawing up wood, for the chilly air required good fires in the house. This afternoon I took our mantle clock apart and oiled it, and now it is running all right again.

*Sunday, Jan. 14*

*Ther.: 32+, 42+, 26+*

It grew warmer and rained during last night but cleared up this morning and was a pleasant day. Leonard Huggins came in their Ford and took Kate and mother to church and we all went there for dinner. Prof. Melton brought another preacher with him today and they were both at Huggins' for dinner, too. I got back home in time to write to Dewey.

*Monday, Jan. 15*

*Ther.: 30+, 34+, 28+*

It has been a stormy and dark day, raining and sleeting more or less all day. The outdoor is all ice tonight. I have kept the fires up and sawed some wood. Have done considerable reading.

*Tuesday, Jan. 16*

*Ther.: 29+, 40+, 36+*

Sleet and ice this forenoon, but fast melting off this afternoon. This was mother's 76<sup>th</sup> birthday. Kate and I gave her a book. I did some mowing of the old grass in the yard as it cut easy when frozen. I went over and called at Garretts this afternoon. We had a note from Dewey, and he was at Burlington attended a conference of Y.M.C.A. He was having a good time.

*Wednesday, Jan. 17*

*Ther.: 36+, 52+, 36+*

Real pleasant about all day. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Marshall came and took dinner and spent the afternoon with us. I found a telephone wire was broken and spliced it with a piece of baling wire so it works all right tonight.

*Thursday, Jan. 18*

*Ther.: 40+, 62+, 36+*

Billy Case came with his horse and wagon and helped me draw up wood this forenoon. Lee Staton began drawing wood here, too, so it looks as though we would have fuel from now on.

*Friday, Jan. 19*

*Ther.: 28+, 44+, 34+*

Lee Staton finished drawing the 5 cords of wood this forenoon and I paid him for it. It has threatened storm all day. We had The Vermonter that tells of the school Dewey is in, and it is an interesting article to us.

*Saturday, Jan. 20*

*Ther.: 34+, 52+*

Worked up some wood and cut a lot of broome straw in the young orchard. I called at Hill's tonight, taking them some oranges and bringing home a quantity of sausage and liver. Been a pleasant day. Mr. Gibbs brought the new barrel of lime-sulphur out, and we put it in the cellar.

*Sunday, Jan. 21*

*Ther.: 38+, 58+*

There was some rain during last night and this morning, but it faired off and was a fairly pleasant day. Charlie Hyder and wife, Mrs. Justice, Mrs. Mitchell and two children came and had dinner with us and spent the afternoon.

*Monday, Jan. 22*

*Ther.: 48+, 52+, 44+*

It rained during last night and was cloudy all today. I helped Kate at the washing this morning and we got it out early. I wrote a short article for Dewey to print in their school magazine if he likes it. This afternoon Jimmie King came and helped me saw up some wood.

*Tuesday, Jan. 23*

*Ther.: 28+, 44+, 34+*

Some cooler. I walked over and called on Ewart Blackwell this forenoon. He had a leg broken some time ago, but I did not hear about it at the time. This afternoon I went to see Mr. Garrett, and then went over to look at our young orchard.

*Wednesday, Jan. 24*

*Ther.: 34+, 50+, 44+*

Been drizzling showers during the day. A long letter from Dewey described his stay at Burlington, but as he was quarintened in his room by a scarlet fever scare, it leaves us very anxious.

*Thursday, Jan. 25*

I walked through the mud to Hendersonville this forenoon. Called at "The Cedars" to see a Mr. McGriffin and his sister Mrs. Hullon. Had a pleasant call. Did some errands about town and walked home this afternoon called at Planks. My new grist mill has come, so I can soon see about grinding corn and wheat. It has cleared off and is growing colder.

*Friday, Jan. 26*  
*Ther.: 24+, 46+*

This has been a pleasant day. This forenoon I split some pine wood and set up the new grist mill and gave it a trial. Believe it will work well when I get all fixed. Chopped and sawed and split more wood this afternoon. We didn't get any word from Dewey.

*Saturday, Jan. 27*  
*Ther.: 26+, 49+*

Fairly pleasant all day with clouds and sprinkles tonight. I split up a pile of stove wood this forenoon. Ground a peck of corn and a little graham flour on the new mill this afternoon.

*Sunday, Jan. 28*  
*Ther.: 36+, 60+*

Warm, pleasant day. Mother has had a sick headache all day and sat up but little. Kate went to S.S. and church, but I remained home, and wrote a letter to Dewey. Mrs. Hill and Raymond came over for a while this afternoon and the boy and I walked up on King Mt.

*Monday, Jan. 29*  
*Ther.: 44+, 68+*

A warm day. Heavy showers this morning then bright sunshine the rest of the day. Helped Kate wash this forenoon then wrote some letters. This afternoon Kate and I went across the brook and got some poke root, and dug up a vine to set near the house, then I cut out a lot of dry sedge grass in the vineyard.

*Tuesday, Jan. 30*  
*Ther.: 44+, 64+*

Another warm and pleasant day. We transplanted the chrysanthemum roots, a rose bush, and took down the pea trellis wire from the last years garden. I manured some more shrubs and apple trees.

*Wednesday, Jan. 31*  
*Ther.: 40+, 58+, 54+*

Pleasant day. I printed and finished a lot of Verse-cards. Grandma Case came and made mother a visit, and had dinner with us. We had a letter from Dewey and he is all right except a cold. Had a letter from Prof. Green, too.

*Thursday, February 1*  
*Ther.: 52+, 50+, 22+*

Worked at cutting up wood considerable today. It has grown cold very fast this evening. Kate and mother went to a missionary society at Refuge church this afternoon.

*Friday, Feb. 2*  
*Ther.: 7+, 12+, 4+*

A very cold and windy day with a few squalls of fine snow. The wind drove the cold into our bath room so that pipes froze and Kate and I had hard work to thaw them. Tonight I drew off all the water from tank and pipes. We got no paper today, so have no news of the cold wave elsewhere.

*Saturday, Feb. 3*  
*Ther.: 4-, 24+, 16+*

The wind blew all night and most of today, too, getting quieter toward night. I stayed up most of last night to keep fires so everything in the house would not freeze.

*Sunday, Feb. 4*

*Ther.: 20+, 40+, 6+*

It seemed pleasant this forenoon and Kate and mother went to Sunday School, but I stayed home and kept up fires. The Huggins family came down and had dinner with us and spent most of the afternoon. Just at night a blizzard came down on us with snow squalls and a rapid fall in temperature. Mr. Wilkins was here for supper and a little visit. He had to go home in the cold wind.

*Monday, Feb. 5*

*Ther.: 2-, 14+, 8+*

I was up most of last night keeping the fires up. The wind blew fiercely all night. I had the cow blanketed and the oil stove in the cellar. It has stayed pretty cold all day, and I put up a stove in the fireplace think it would heat up better and take less wood but we don't enjoy it as well as the open fire.

*Tuesday, Feb. 6*

*Ther.: 8+, 38+, 30+*

Some milder weather with less wind. I took down the stove and opened the fireplace again. Mr. Marshall called this forenoon to get some milk. Got the water on in our water-works and chores are easier.

*Wednesday, Feb. 7*

*Ther.: 26+, 50+, 36+*

Grown warmer today. I put in a considerable time at the woodpile. Kate and I did the washing this forenoon and the sun came out bright to dry the clothes. A letter from Dewey told of 20 below 0 up there last Saturday morning. He has snow shows now and writes he can manage them all right.

*Thursday, Feb. 8*

*Ther.: 38+, 44+, 40+*

There were sprinkles of rain at times during today, and cloudy all the time. Did my wood sawing in the shed. Went to the P.O. and store with the wheelbarrow to get kerosene and a box of prunes.

*Friday, Feb. 9*

*Ther.: 30+, 24+, 16+*

A strong north wind came up this morning and it proceeded to grow colder at once. Spent most of the day reading and cutting up wood.

*Saturday, Feb. 10*

*Ther.: 10+, 38+, 30+*

Sharply cold this morning. We had to mend a leak in a water pipe caused by freezing. I trimmed a lot of cards that Kate had colored. It was quite pleasant during the middle of the day and grew warmer.

*Sunday, Feb. 11*

*Ther.: 30+, 42+, 26+*

A nice bright day. Kate and mother went to Sunday School and I got to the preaching service. Wrote a letter to Dewey and did some reading.

*Monday, Feb. 12*

*Ther.: 18+, 34+, 22+*

A rather cold day all through, but quite pleasant. This afternoon I went to the company orchard and rewrapped some trees that the paper had come off from.

*Tuesday, Feb. 13*

*Ther.: 14+, 37+, 30+*

Cold morning, but growing warmer. I chored about on the place and worked at the woodpile. Mrs. Allen, mother of the teachers here, died about 1 o'clock this afternoon. Kate and I called there tonight and took them a few apples.

*Wednesday, Feb. 14*

*Ther.: 28+, 44+*

Cloudy a good bit today. I sawed some wood and cut some broom sedge. We had a letter from Dewey telling how he is enjoying the New England winter, and about the going on snowshoes. He has not lost any faith in Vermont as a place for a home yet.

*Thursday, Feb. 15*

*Ther.: 40+, 57+, 38+*

Rain during last night and this morning, but cleared up before noon. Kate has the grippe and has been in bed all day. I shelled some corn and ground a peck on the little hand mill.

*Friday, Feb. 16*

*Ther.: 28+, 50+, 34+*

Pleasant but cool day. Just pattered about all day. Mrs. Mitchell and children were here this afternoon.

*Saturday, Feb. 17*

*Ther.: 28+, 53+, 44+*

It was quite pleasant this forenoon, but clouded up and began raining this afternoon. I put some wood in the shed and cut up some for tomorrow. Sent some samples of our Verse-cards over to Asheville to see if we could get a chance to sell them there.

*Sunday, Feb. 18*

*Ther.: 44+, 58+, 50+*

Rained all last night and this forenoon, then cleared off bright for the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bird, of Stearns were coming out, but the storm and muddy roads cut out their call. He telephoned from Hendersonville.

*Monday, Feb. 19*

*Ther.: 48+, 58+, 52+*

More rain about all of today, with only a gleam of sunshine on the distant mountains about sunset time. I spent considerable time looking over a new New England land catalogue that came today. We are in a quandary as to plans for the future.

*Tuesday, Feb. 20*

*Ther.: 54+, 66+*

We had a very heavy shower this forenoon, then it cleared up and was warm and pleasant this afternoon. I trimmed most of our peach trees this afternoon, cutting them heavily.

*Wednesday, Feb. 21*

*Ther.: 38+*

I walked over to Hendersonville through the mud this forenoon. Took a few apples to lawyer Staton to show how well they keep in our cellar. Had a talk with him about renting our house for next summer. It has been a fine day, and I found better walking as I came home this afternoon. A letter from Dewey told of warmer weather up there, but still plenty of snow and no damage from the freeze.

*Thursday, Feb. 22*

*Ther.: 44+, 60+*

Warm, beautiful day. I spent most of the day mounting up some colored pictures. Mrs. Hiram Pace and some of her children called on the folks this afternoon. Being the birthday of Washington there was no mail today.

*Friday, Feb. 23*

*Ther.: 36+, 50+*

More or less rain all day. I went out toward Sugar Loaf this afternoon to make a photo of a dead child. Had to come back home in showers. Had a letter from Mr. O'Gorman and he writes as though they would like to be back here again.

*Saturday, Feb. 24*

*Ther.: 48+, 64+*

Pleasant and warm day. I printed and finished photo views. Kate and mother walked over to the Garretts this afternoon. We had a box from the Dennises with a few oranges of a rare kind.

*Sunday, Feb. 25*

*Ther.: 34+, 54+*

Nice, pleasant day. Mother and Kate went to church, but I stayed home all day. Wrote to Dewey and to Mr. O'Gorman.

*Monday, Feb. 26*

*Ther.: 44+*

It looked stormy this morning, but cleared up pretty well. I helped Kate wash. Took a bunch of pictures and walked over to Hendersonville this afternoon to put them in Baker's Art Gallery. Road part way home with Mr. J. A. Maxwell. The going is not good yet but is improving.

*Tuesday, Feb. 27*

*Ther.: 50+, 74+*

So warm today that coat and vest had to come when I was at work. Cleaned out the cow shed and got in some fresh bedding for her. I ground a little wheat for graham flour. This afternoon I fixed a bed for sowing sweet pea seed in, and did a little sprouting on a spot of new ground for some early potatoes. This is the night Dewey and his comrades go to Randolph to debate with some other boys.

*Wednesday, Feb. 28*

*Ther.: 54+, 62+*

Kate and I planted a few hills of potatoes this forenoon, just to say we had put them in in February. I hoed the asparagus bed too. A letter from Dewey had the program of their Farmers Week exercises. I went out hunting a man to help me do some work next week, and called on Ewart Blackwell. Stopped at Mr. Hills and we went through his orchard finding many fruit buds dead from the cold. A thunder shower came on before I got home.

*Thursday, March 1*

*Ther.: 38+, 52+*

Rained quite hard during last night and more or less all today. I did some wood sawing in the shed and spent a lot of time reading.

*Friday, March 2*

*Ther.: 38+, 38+, 36+*

Been a drizzling day. Pless Garrett came here and we got the big spray pump in working order. It is raining quite hard tonight.

*Saturday, March 3*

*Ther.: 38+, 50+*

Rain last night and today, though it was so Kate and mother could go calling this afternoon. I went to the woods and cut a few small trees and brought the wood to the shed in the wheel barrow.

*Sunday, March 4*

*Ther.: 46+, 54+*

Rain almost steady all day and continuing tonight. We all stayed close at home.

*Monday, March 5*

*Ther.: 22+, 28+*

It turned cold during last night and the sun came up clear this morning for the first time in many days. Helped Kate wash this forenoon. King Justice came and we cut and sawed up some wood. I ran over to Mr. Marshalls a little while just before noon to talk over with them about correspondence schools for Walter.

*Tuesday, March 6*

*Ther.: 14+, 42+*

Sharply cold this morning. Worked at wood sawing most of the day. It was very pleasant during the day.

*Wednesday, March 7*

*Ther.: 22+, 42+*

I did some spraying this forenoon on peach trees and a few grape vines, until my knapsack sprayer gave out. This afternoon it looked so very rainy I did not dare start the use of my other pump, so worked at tearing down an old shed and wheeling up some wood. King Justice pruned some of the old apple trees and helped at the shed work. It rains tonight.

*Thursday, March 8*

*Ther.: 44+*

We sprayed all the grape vines and some young trees today. It has been pleasant but some breezy.

*Friday, March 9*

*Ther.: 34+*

Mr. Grice came with his horse and wagon this morning and we took the big spray pump and sprayed the large apple trees. This afternoon we went to his home and did a lot of spraying. It was about dark when I got home and my hands are very sore from the lime-sulphur solution.

*Saturday, March 10*

*Ther.: 26+*



This has been a very nice day. Mr. Justice helped me with the spraying and we got a large part of it done. Kate went to Hendersonville with Mrs. Foutz. It has grown warmer and buds will be starting out again where not killed by previous cold spells.

*Sunday, March 11*  
*Ther.: 48+, 71+, 58+*

This has been almost a summer day. My hands and feet are so sore I stayed close at home all day. Kate and mother went to church and mother went home with Mrs. Mitchell for dinner and the afternoon. Kate went over to see Mrs. Hill this afternoon.

*Monday, March 12*  
*Ther.: 58+, 58+*

Kate and I did the washing this morning and she hung out the clothes, but showers came up and she took them in. I got some wood into the shed and ground some wheat into graham flour. Wrote some letters and kept a little fire in the fireplace. Between showers this afternoon I pruned some grape vines.

*Tuesday, March 13*  
*Ther.: 54+*

Been a misty and cloudy day. I pruned a lot of grape vines this forenoon, but it proved chilly work.

*Wednesday, March 14*  
*Ther.: 44+, 60+*

Foggy all the forenoon, but clear and pleasant this afternoon. I finished some photo prints and then pruned a lot of grape vines. A letter from Dewey stated that he had been selected as one of the speakers for commencement, which is a great honor.

*Thursday, March 15*  
*Ther.: 42+, 54+*

Somewhat cooler again. Did some more pruning. Kate helped me finish up the spraying of young apple trees this afternoon. We sowed the sweet pea seed.

*Friday, March 16*  
*Ther.: 41+*

I worked on the road up toward the center both this forenoon and afternoon. There have been some showers during the day and stormy looking weather. Lee Hill did some plowing in the field across the brook this afternoon and I got him to haul up some wood tonight. Today's paper tells of a revolution in Russia and the abdication of the czar.

*Saturday, March 17*  
*Ther.: 40+, 60+*

Rain during last night and this forenoon, but cleared up fine before noon. This afternoon I cleaned the cow shed, cut some sedge grass for bedding and trimmed the last of the grape vines.

*Sunday, March 18*  
*Ther.: 30+, 42+, 32+*

Colder this morning, and a strong north west wind brought some snow squalls that made the ground look white for a little while. We have all stayed at home all day, but Kate and I took a bit of a walk over on Arbutus Ridge.

*Monday, March 19*

*Ther.: 23+*

Frozen ground this morning and too cold for us to do the washing on the porch. The wind blew hard during last night and this forenoon. There was a great circle around the sun this afternoon, and stormy looking sky. I pruned some young apple trees.

*Tuesday, March 20*

*Ther.: 42+, 62+*

A very fine day. I continued pruning work. The accounts in the papers seem to indicate that war with Germany is almost certain.

*Wednesday, March 21*

*Ther.: 50+, 64+*

Rain this morning with considerable fog. Cleared up this afternoon. I shelled some corn then picked my prunings.

*Thursday, March 22*

*Ther.: 34+*

There was frost on the ground this morning. I spent about all day at the little company orchard, spraying and triming the young trees. It looked very stormy toward night. Our weekly letter from Dewey came today and he seems all right.

*Friday, March 23*

*Ther.: 43+, 52+*

This has been a rainy drizzly sort of a day. I ground some wheat and some corn for our bread. Sawed a little wood for fires, and loafed about the house a good bit.

*Saturday, March 24*

*Ther.: 46+, 56+*

We had a very heavy rainfall during last night, and the brooks are high today. I did a little chopping this forenoon over in the woods. Walter Marshall came for mother and Kate and I walked over there, where we all had dinner with them and spent most of the afternoon.

*Sunday, March 25*

*Ther.: 34+, 56+*

A very pleasant day. The folks went to Sunday School and I followed in time for preaching. Mrs. Hill and Raymond called late this afternoon.

*Monday, March 26*

*Ther.: 36+, 48+*

It was pleasant this morning so Kate and I did the washing and the clothes dried, but this afternoon it set in to rain, and continues stormy tonight. I put papers in the fireplace and set the chimney to burning out which it did very thoroughly.

*Tuesday, March 27*

*Ther.: 48+, 60+*

Cleared up this morning, but there came hard winds, squally looking clouds and a growing chill this afternoon. I worked a little at repairing the trail this forenoon and this afternoon I helped work on the road up by the school house.

*Wednesday, March 28*

*Ther.: 32+*

Freezing weather this morning. Mr. Hill came for mother and Kate and I walked across to their home, where we all took dinner today. A letter from Dewey states that sugar weather is on up there and the snow melting.

*Thursday, March 29*

*Ther.: 32+, 64+*

I walked over to Hendersonville this forenoon to do a number of errands and see about sleeper reservation for mother. It is breezy and the mud is drying fast.

*Friday, March 30*

*Ther.: 42+, 64+*

A nice warm day. Spent the forenoon in working on the road between here and the corners at Dana. Mr. Isreal was working with me. Did more cleaning up on the trail this afternoon.

*Saturday, March 31*

*Ther.: 42+, 71+*

A warm spring day. I was working on the trail this forenoon and have it in good shape all around now. This afternoon Mr. Curtis came over in his care and brought Mrs. Plank and the girls. I piloted Mr. Curtis and the girls up onto King Mt.

*Sunday, April 1*

*Ther.: 50+, 71+*

This is Kate's birthday and mother and I gave her a few presents. It has been a fine warm day, but very windy this afternoon. Kate and mother went to Sunday School this forenoon. I wrote to the lad.

*Monday, April 2*

*Ther.: 56+, 67+*

There was a sprinkle of rain this morning but it cleared off before noon. Some ladies called to see mother before she starts for home.

*Tuesday, April 3*

*Ther.: 38+, 60+*

Cooler and pleasant. I cut some chestnut trees and split out stakes to use in building a cross fence in the pasture lot. Pruned some more of the young apple trees this afternoon.

*Wednesday, April 4*

*Ther.: 46+*

Pleasant all forenoon, but clouding and stormy looking this afternoon with rain tonight. I put out a row of everbearing strawberry plants this afternoon. Mother has packed her suitcases in readiness to start for Michigan tomorrow.

*Thursday, April 5*

It poured rain during last night and there were heavy showers this forenoon. I got Mr. Hill with his mule and duple buggy and we took mother over to the train and I saw her on the sleeper for Cincinnati. I dread to see her go, but know she wants to be in the old home. It cleared up this afternoon and grew cool.

*Friday, April 6*  
*Ther.: 38+, 50+*

A cold wind blowing hard all day. I went over to Owensby's this morning to see about help in building a fence and also called at Hills to get our horse blanket and Kate's shawl. I did very little work but to cut up some wood.

*Saturday, April 7*  
*Ther.: 38+, 62+*

A pleasant day. Had a telegram this morning from mother and she was in Detroit last night, though very late by missing connection at Cincinnati. John Owensby came with mule and wagon this afternoon and we hauled the wire and stakes for the pasture fence.

*Sunday, April 8*  
*Ther.: 46+, 48+*

Easter and a cold rain from the east all the forenoon. We stayed close at home all day, reading and writing and taking a nap. I went to the woods and got some trailing arbutus blossoms this afternoon.

*Monday, April 9*  
*Ther.: 35+*

Been a cool, clear day, with a stiff north wind. I helped Kate do the washing, then took some tools over on the north hill where we are building a fence. This afternoon Mr. Owensby and his boy helped me stretch the wire and we complete the fence. All the country now is excitement over the war with Germany.

*Tuesday, April 10*  
*Ther.: 34+, 62+*

A warmer day. I tied up grape vines. They are starting out fast now and are going to come much better than I expected. Kate spent part of the afternoon with Mrs. Hill.

*Wednesday, April 11*  
*Ther.: 34+, 64+, 56+*

Real warm day. Kate did some cooking and I carried it on the wheelbarrow up to the corner and Mr. Jim Hyder took the basket with his team on over to Blake Ward's, where the people gave the choir gang a picnic today noon. They are working on the new road there. We had a letter from Dewey and he was a bit sick with sore throat. I completed the pruning of young apple trees.

*Thursday, April 12*  
*Ther.: 43+, 72+*

A warm, pleasant day, but looking a little stormy tonight. Mr. Carlisle and Mr. Isreal came today and we cleaned out the well. It took about 4 hours to pump out the water. Had a letter from brother Will and he had been talking with mother over the phone. I suppose she got home yesterday.

*Friday, April 13*  
*Ther.: 52+, 66+*

Did some work about young fruit trees, taking off the paper protectors and hunting out borers. Kate is at work cleaning house.

*Saturday, April 14*  
*Ther.: 36+, 58+*

Continues cool. I fixed the ground for the vines we always grow on the porch lattice each summer. Also made a bed for pansy plants by the north chimney. Kate is working on her clothes getting ready for her coming trip to Vermont.

*Sunday, April 15*  
*Ther.: 38+*

Nice day. Kate went to Sunday School this forenoon, but I stayed home and wrote to Dewey. We were surprised by a call from Mr. and Mrs. Moore, of New York, who are on a horseback trip to Chimney Rock, Asheville and other places. They had lunch with us.

*Monday, April 16*  
*Ther.: 36+, 72+*

Much warmer today. Helped Kate do the washing this forenoon. Hoed some grape vines this afternoon. We sowed some flower seeds and planted out 14 tomato plants.

*Tuesday, April 17*  
*Ther.: 44+, 78+, 62+*

Been real warm. We are needing some showers to bring on the grass. I ground some wheat and corn this forenoon and then hoed around grape vines and fruit trees till noon. Fixed up some fence at the pasture this afternoon, and led the cow around to do a little grazing. There was to be speaking at the school house, and Kate and I went up but as no one was there we came home.

*Wednesday, April 18*  
*Ther.: 50+, 79+*

Been at work hoeing around trees and vines. I put the cow in the pasture for the first time this spring. There was considerable thunder this afternoon, and a very light shower. We failed to get a letter from Dewey today.

*Thursday, April 19*  
*Ther.: 52+, 83+*

Seemed very warm. I hoed most of the grape vines in the large vineyard. Billy Case came with his horse and plowed a piece of garden land, then we hauled a couple of loads of wood. Had letters from both Dewey and mother today. I am going barefoot evenings for the good of my sore feet.

*Friday, April 20*  
*Ther.: 54+, 81+*

Continues very warm. I began to sleep on the porch last night. Kate sowed flower seeds and I planted a row of sweet corn in the garden this forenoon. Hoed about some more apple trees this afternoon. Telephoned Mr. and Mrs. Moore at Hendersonville tonight and asked them to come out here tomorrow.

*Saturday, April 21*  
*Ther.: 56+, 71+*

Did some more hoeing this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Moore came on horseback to take dinner with us and walk around the trail. Ewart Blackwell was here this afternoon and we concluded a bargain, so he will move here to live in our cabin and look after our place. I hope to go up and see Dewey graduate in June now.

*Sunday, April 22*

*Ther.: 46+*

I have had a mean headache all today so have kept rather quiet. It has been so cool we had a little fire in the fireplace all day and this evening. Mrs. Foutz and David called tonight.

*Monday, April 23*

*Ther.: 48+*

Helped Kate with the washing this morning, then I went over to the little orchard where Mr. and Mrs. Garrett were at work and put in the balance of the day hoeing the young apple trees. We finished up the work, fertilizing them at the same time.

*Tuesday, April 24*

*Ther.: 46+, 80+*

Warm, pleasant day, but getting so dry. I cleaned the cow shed this forenoon. This afternoon I hoed around apple trees.

*Wednesday, April 25*

*Ther.: 52+, 64+*

It sprinkled a little this morning and has looked like rain all day with some distant thunder, but it is still dry. Have been putting lime and phosphate around cherry trees and hoeing it in. Went over to Mr. Hills late this afternoon to get Arsenate of Lead for spraying with.

*Thursday, April 26*

*Ther.: 52+, 70+*

Pleasant day. A letter from Dewey says his school will close tomorrow, we suppose because of the war, and so the boys can go to the farms to raise the food that will be required. He wrote for advice as to what he should do but as it upsets all plans we hardly know what to say.

*Friday, April 27*

*Ther.: 50+*

I walked to Hendersonville this forenoon to get spraying material for our grapes. There was school exercises there, and a street parade that was quite an affair. We had a card from Dewey and he had found a job on a farm near there, so was feeling better. I sprayed a number of grape vines this afternoon.

*Saturday, April 28*

*Ther.: 61+*

I finished spraying the grape vines this forenoon with the Pyrox. Today a picnic was held on the Refuge Church grounds to celebrate the completion of the new road, which is almost done. The chain gang seemed to enjoy the spread. Kate and I went up and took food and milk.

*Sunday, April 29*

*Ther.: 53+*

We had a nice shower this forenoon which will make things grow. I wrote to Dewey and Mother. Kate and I made a call at Marshall's this evening.

*Monday, April 30*

*Ther.: 50+*

I helped Kate do the washing this morning then she helped me start our apple tree spraying. We find most of them should have been sprayed several days ago. Late this afternoon Mr. Staton brought out some people to look over our place, the first to come who are really thinking of buying. We had a heavy thunder shower this evening.

*Tuesday, May 1*

*Ther.: 56+, 68+*

Quite cool and breezy. Kate and I sprayed the old apple trees. Mrs. Henderson and Irene called this morning and got some strawberry plants.

*Wednesday, May 2*

*Ther.: 46+, 68+*

Kate and I did a lot of spraying on the young fruit trees today. We had no letter from Dewey.

*Thursday, May 3*

*Ther.: 42+, 72+*

We finished the spraying for this time, this forenoon. I made some prints from the negatives of the road working gang. Had letters from Dewey and mother.

*Friday, May 4*

*Ther.: 56+, 67+*

A nice rain this forenoon, so I read a little and wrote a letter to brother Will. Worked around a few young apple trees this afternoon.

*Saturday, May 5*

*Ther.: 45+, 54+*

Been cool all day. I hoed around young apple trees. Ewart Blackwell brought a load of goods to the cottage this afternoon, and expects to move in next Monday. Kate and I covered some garden stuff tonight, as it is so cold we fear frost.

*Sunday, May 6*

*Ther.: 38+, 48+*

Cold this morning but there was no frost, and I think the danger is past. Kate went to Sunday School this forenoon. Ewart came with another load of goods this evening.

*Monday, May 7*

*Ther.: 46+, 50+*

Helped Kate with the washing this morning. Ewart and his family came to begin living in the cottage. It began raining shortly after noon and had kept it up all the rest of the day.

*Tuesday, May 8*

*Ther.: 44+, 52+*

There was a shower this morning then it cleared up and turned cool. I mowed some weeds this forenoon. Had a nice letter from Prof. Green, in which he gave praise to Dewey as a student, which pleases us very much. Had our first strawberry shortcake of the season.

*Wednesday, May 9*

*Ther.: 36+, 60+*

Helped Ewart saw up some wood this forenoon. There was a little frost to be seen this morning. Ewart and I sawed wood for me this afternoon and then hoed some trees.

*Thursday, May 10*

*Ther.: 46+*

Kate and I ate an early dinner and then walked to Hendersonville, as she had an appointment with the dentist. I came home a foot so as to be here for chores but she came out with Edgar Waters in his auto. It has been cool and breezy. A letter from Dewey says it still snows up in Vermont. We had strawberry shortcake for dinner.

*Friday, May 11*

*Ther.: 38+, 65+*

Mowed weeds this forenoon. Did a little touching up with paint on the house this afternoon. Had a letter from mother and she writes of disagreeable weather up there. It grew cool again toward evening.

*Saturday, May 12*

*Ther.: 42+*

Very cool and windy all day. I did a little hoeing this forenoon and cleaned the cow shed. We had strawberry shortcake for dinner. This afternoon Kate and I walked over to see Mr. Wilkins, but found him away. It is so cold tonight we covered up some garden stuff.

*Sunday, May 13*

*Ther.: 38+, 52+*

Pretty cold but no frost. Kate and I attended the funeral of one of Hamp Jones' boys, who died in Fingerville, S.C. This afternoon lawyer Staton brought some folks out to look at our place. Picked some strawberries this evening and covered the tomato plants again.

*Monday, May 14*

*Ther.: 38+, 58+*

Helped at the washing this morning. Put up a trellis for the growing sweet peas this afternoon. Picked more strawberries this evening.

*Tuesday, May 15*

*Ther.: 46+, 70+, 60+*

Been some warmer today. I worked at making photo prints. Had Ewart mowing weeds. Received a letter from Mr. Freeman written the 5<sup>th</sup> and they were having a heavy fall of snow at Denver.

*Wednesday, May 16*

*Ther.: 48+*

We began packing away things for safe keeping while we are away in the north, and some to be ready for shipping should we stay for a long time. We had our letter from Dewey and he reports cold still up there.

*Thursday, May 17*

*Ther.: 76+*

I did photo printing and Kate continued packing. It grew warmer and seemed quite like summer. I called at Garretts tonight for a little while.

*Friday, May 18*

*Ther.: 45+*



We have been busy with the packing all day.

*Saturday, May 19*

*Ther.: 48+, 83+*

Continued packing today. It grew very warm in the middle of the day. Bertie Mae Hill made us a call this afternoon. We hear that Jack Case, who was a school mate of Dewey's had died and was buried today.

*Sunday, May 20*

*Ther.: 54+*

The friends of Baker's Art Gallery came for us this morning, taking us over town, keeping us for dinner and giving us a fine auto ride out to Flat Rock. We got home in time to do evening chores.

*Monday, May 21*

*Ther.: 48+, 82+*

We did the washing this morning and then spent the balance of the day packing and looking over pictures. Mr. and Mrs. Hill came over tonight and got the organ and guitar to keep for us while we are away. Very breezy today and so dry.

*Tuesday, May 22*

*Ther.: 62+, 70+*

We had some light showers in the middle of the day and some very heavy ones this afternoon. This evening there was a most brilliant rainbow. Mr. Garrett was here today and we put some storm sheds like, over some of the windows. Had a letter from mother.

*Wednesday, May 23*

*Ther.: 52+, 56+*

There was more rain during last night, but today has been bright and clear. We have continued busy with our packing.

*Thursday, May 24*

*Ther.: 38+*

We continued packing. Mr. Wilkins was here to eat shortcake for dinner with us. Mr. Garrett painted the porch floor for us this forenoon.

*Friday, May 25*

*Ther.: 50+*

Busy with our packing. Mr. Garrett helped this afternoon about making crates and nailing up boxes.

*Saturday, May 26*

*Ther.: 50+*

I walked to Hendersonville this morning with Mr. Garrett and Mr. Jonathan Case. Had a settlement with Mr. Baker, drew some money from bank to pay expense of our trip north and left our legal papers with Mr. Baker to put in his safe. There were a few short showers, but the road was not muddy as I came home. We have all packing about done tonight. I called at Hills for a few minutes tonight.

*Sunday, May 27*

*Ther.: 62+*

Rather busy if it was Sunday. The bees swarmed just as we were going to church, and Kate had to tend to them and show Ewart. We took dinner with Mrs. Foutz. There was a shower with lightning and thunder this afternoon. We were up pretty late tonight.

*Monday, May 28*

We hustled around this morning doing a few last things. Dennis Byers took us and our baggage to Hendersonville and we started on our journey. We had a fine afternoon to see the scenery in the Black Mountain Section. We took dinner in the dining car tonight so as to have the experience.

*Tuesday, May 29*

We got into Washington city this morning and then took the Colonial Express crossing the wonderful Hell Gate bridge at New York. It was drizzling some of the time today. We got out to Nellie's tonight, but we were earlier than they expected, so we had to find our way out from the trolley line best we could.

*Wednesday, May 30*

This was a holiday so Alfred was home and we cut some wood and started digging a well. It has been a nice day.

*Thursday, May 31*

*Ther.: 38+*

Today I made a trip to Amherst and Pelham and called on old acquaintances. Was around on the old place looking at some fruit trees with Mr. and Mrs. Dyer. Had dinner with Mrs. Aldrich and Mrs. Gilmore. Mr. Brown took me for an auto ride with his family and left me in Northampton where I took the train to Springfield and trolley out to Nellie's. Alfred came on the same car.

*Friday, June 1*

*Ther.: 52+*

It has been a dull and cloudy day with some drizzling rain this afternoon. I have been cutting up some wood and digging more at the well which I have to abandon because of stone.

*Saturday, June 2*

It has been rather cloudy and foggy about all day. We came near to losing the train at Springfield this morning by our trolley car getting stalled. It was an interesting ride up the Connecticut valley and along the White river to Randolph. Dewey was at the station to meet us, and the Auto bus soon brought us up to the Center, where we are nicely located for our stay here till Dewey graduates.

*Sunday, June 3*

There was some drizzle of rain this morning and thunder while we were in church. Dewey had dinner with us and this afternoon he took me through the school building and over some of the farm. He went back to where he works tonight.

*Monday, June 4*

A clear and beautiful day. Kate and I took a walk down the hill to the farm where Dewey is at work this morning and found him harrowing. Our trunks were brought up this forenoon, so we can have more clothes now, and other things to make us comfortable. Prof. Green took me for an auto ride out north of town this afternoon, showing me some nice country.

*Tuesday, June 5*

Helped about doing the washing this forenoon. Have been reading considerable and doing some writing. Dewey came again this afternoon and stayed for supper with us. He has to drill on his piece to be delivered at Commencement next week. There was some sprinkle of rain this evening.

*Wednesday, June 6*

Dewey got through with his work on the farm today, and I helped him bring up a load of his belongings. We attended an open meeting of the Grange tonight at the school hall, and had a very enjoyable time. Had a letter from mother today.

*Thursday, June 7*

Dewey and I started on a sightseeing trip this morning, taking the train at Randolph and going to Sharon, then walking over a pretty mountain road to the State Forest where we stopped for a while and talked with the superintendent and had refuge from a shower. Then we walked on to South Strafford and are stopping here for the night at Barrett House. We have seen some interesting country.

*Friday, June 8*

Dewey started back by way of Chelsea this morning and I went a couple of miles with him to Strafford, then he went on and I took the Auto-stage for Pompanoosie going down a picturesque valley. There I got the railway cars and came through to Concord, N.H. I called at the State House, and also county farm agents office, having a long talk with him and learning much about this section. Am stopping at the Ry. Y. M. C. A. building for tonight.

*Saturday, June 9*

This has been a pleasant day. I called at the Commissioner of Agriculture's office and had an interesting interview with him. Then I went to Cantoocook to see a farm agent. He was to show a Boston man some places and I went along, riding many miles in his auto and seeing some fine country but no places for sale such as we would care for. The main roads are splendid and we went by some pretty lakes.

*Sunday, June 10*

Took cars at 4:30 this morning and came back to Vermont. It has rained all day and I was obliged to hire an auto to come up to Randolph Center from the Station. Found Kate and Dewey all right.

*Monday, June 11*

It has rained all day so we had to stay in doors all the time. I helped Dewey pack up some of his books and Kate worked with him slicking up his room this afternoon.

*Tuesday, June 12*

It rained all last night, but faired off this forenoon. Dewey and I walked down to Randolph this afternoon. He subscribed for a \$100 Liberty Bond to help our country in the great struggle. He also got his new photos which are real good of the boy we think.

*Wednesday, June 13*

It has been a nice day. I helped Dewey get some of his boxes and his trunk over from the dormitory this forenoon. Students are gathering here today for graduation exercises. Had a little walk out to some woods and saw more mosquitos than I have for years.

*Thursday, June 14*

Students and former students gathered in today and tonight the graduation exercises came off at the Congregational church. They were very interesting and as our Dewey was Valadictorian and got through the ordeal with applause and honor, we feel repaid for the expense and trouble of sending him up here. The speaking and music was all very fine.

*Friday, June 15*

I went to Sharon again this morning and found out where on the "Strout" places was located. Had a ride with a young man who could give me information about things in general. I walked down through So. Stratford into Thitford township and found the place which I looked over quite well but it is no place for us. I came back to So. Stratford to spend tonight.

*Saturday, June 16*

It rained during last night, and has been very foggy and misty all day. I had a long walk back to Randolph Center, coming over the mountains and through the valleys at Tunbridge and East Randolph. Was out in one shower. I would liked to have had pleasant weather for the trip as there is lovely scenery on the road.

*Sunday, June 17*

A very rainy day. Am very glad I got back last night. Kate and Dewey went to church. Tonight we all had supper with Mrs. Dawin, Dewey's teacher of english.

*Monday, June 18*

We have spent a busy day in packing trunks and getting ready to start on our journey to Michigan. We went down to the farm were Dewey worked where we first came up, and had a nice supper with Mrs. Gilbert.

*Tuesday, June 19*

We left Randolph Center this morning and have had a pleasant day for travel. We came through the great Hoosie Tunnel, crossed the Hudson River at Troy, and are on the road to Rochester tonight.

*Wednesday, June 20*

We stayed in the fine Rochester station from about 2 o'clock this morning till 6:15, when we got a train to Wheatville where Dor met us with his large carriage and we came out to their home. It rained a little this morning, but had cleared off nicely this afternoon. This seems like a very good farming section.

*Thursday, June 21*

I went with Dor to the station this forenoon for a load of coal that he drew for a neighbor. It seems like a fine country for farming and there are some good orchards. Dewey and I did a little hoeing of potatoes for Dor this afternoon. It has been a pleasant day.

*Friday, June 22*

Dor took us to the station this forenoon, where we took the train for Buffalo and from there to Detroit. At Detroit I telephoned to Will and he said to come out on the late train and he would meet us at Dexter, so we are at the old home.

*Saturday, June 23*

There were heavy thunder showers today. Will and Dewey went to Dexter this afternoon and got the trunks. I mowed some on the lawn and Kate and I made a call at Aunt Delia Kenny's and Fanny Ball's this afternoon.

*Sunday, June 24*

We all attended church this forenoon, where we met many old friends. Millicent was sick today and kept her room, so Will has had meals with mother and us.

*Monday, June 25*

Will and I spent today helping clean up the debris caused at the Outwater place by the cyclone of a few weeks ago. It was a terrible mess, one house being a total wreck. An orchard across the road is a sad sight so many great, nice apple trees ruined. There was a sprinkle of rain this afternoon then it cleared up. Dewey worked at cultivating today.

*Tuesday, June 26*

I did some hoeing in Will's garden today, while he and Dewey went away to help a tornado stricken neighbor saw up some logs for a new barn. It has been pretty warm all day. Kate went with Millicent to Ann Arbor this afternoon.

*Wednesday, June 27*

Will and I, Millie and Kate went to a working bee at Mrs. Sears place today where the same clearing up work was done as at Outwaters. Will's car gave out and had to be towed back home. Dewey worked in the garden.

*Thursday, June 28*

Been raining a good share of today. I wrote some letters this morning to friends in No. Carolina.

*Friday, June 29*

Will went to Ann Arbor today with chickens to sell and brought home a load of feed. I went to Howard Ball's and helped pitch hay for baling. It has been very pleasant all day. Dewey and Kate finished up weeding the beet patch.

*Saturday, June 30*

A good summer day. I worked a good share of the time at cutting down burdocks and canada thistles in the orchard. Had a letter from Mr. Hill of Dana which required an answer as he has found a man to look at our place.

*Sunday, July 1*

There were some thunder showers this forenoon, but the folks went to Sunday School and I got to preaching service. This afternoon Henry and his family came in their Ford and took Kate and I for a ride. We went to Dexter and called on Mr. and Mrs. Reeve, then came back by way of Scio and Delhi, seeing more of the destruction the cyclone had done.

*Monday, July 2*

I did considerable cutting of canada thistles. Picked a few sweet cherries and tried to fix some papers to scare the birds from the cherry trees.

*Tuesday, July 3*

The weather is pleasant now and farm work is being hurried. Tonight Bert Kenny took Will and I to Dexter where we attended lodge. I had not been since I lived here, some 10 or 12 years ago. It was very cool tonight.

*Wednesday, July 4*

We did no celebrating today, but saw many autos go by with people going out to the lake resorts. I hoed in the garden, planted some sweet corn, stirred out some hay, helped Dewey cut thistles, and chored about generally. Mother, Millie and Kate attended a Red Cross meeting this afternoon.

*Thursday, July 5*

Another pleasant day. Did some mowing of grass and weeds in the dooryard. Picked some sweet cherries, but the birds will get most of them.

*Friday, July 6*

Cloudy most of today and sprinkling tonight. Will got his car so it would run and Mother, Millie and Kate went to Ann Arbor this afternoon. I mowed grass, hoed some in the garden and fussed about generally.

*Saturday, July 7*

There was rain during last night. Will fixed up the old drill that our father used years ago, and put in a small field of buckwheat this afternoon. Been cloudy about all day.

*Sunday, July 8*

A pleasant day. Went to church this forenoon. Had dinner with Will and Millicent, so we all were together. The Burkharts, of North Lake, cousins, made us a call this afternoon coming in their Ford.

*Monday, July 9*

Nice day. I picked a few cherries this forenoon. Did some mowing and hoeing this afternoon. Went to lodge with Will tonight and Kate went up and made Elsie Cranson a visit. The car seemed to run all right.

*Tuesday, July 10*

Kate and I visited at aunt Delia Kenny's today, having dinner with gooseberry pie and supper with strawberry shortcake. In the afternoon I walked down and called on Ossian and Mary, and also on Gene Wheeler at his store. Millicent came after us in their car tonight.

*Wednesday, July 11*

Helped Kate do the washing this forenoon and hoed some in the garden. Will took mother, Millie and Kate to a Red Cross meeting at Ed Latson's this afternoon. Dewey has been cultivating corn. I had letters from Mr. Garrett and Mr. Hill and everything seems all right at Dana.

*Thursday, July 12*

Nothing special during today, as it was damp and foggy.

*Friday, July 13*

Will drew two loads of baled hay to Dexter for Howard Ball. Howard got his back hurt in loading hay this afternoon and is laid up in bed. Dewey cultivated the garden and we hoed the small patch of corn and the garden potatoes. Will and I went to lodge tonight.

*Saturday, July 14*

A very pleasant day. Will went to Dexter this forenoon to get a load of feed. This afternoon Millie took Kate, Dewey and I over to Henry Queal's where we will make a little visit.

*Sunday, July 15*

Dewey and I went with Henry over to his pasture land, where he gave salt to colts, cattle and sheep. Then he took us to see Strawberry Lake. This afternoon they brought Dewey and I back to Will's, but Kate is to stay for the week. This has been a warm and pleasant day.

*Monday, July 16*

Will started mowing in a large field of grass this forenoon, using his young horse in the team. There came a heavy rain just after dinner so no more work could be done, but I took a good sleep.

*Tuesday, July 17*

Will loaded up seven pigs and took them to Dexter this forenoon to market. I walked over to Delhi and took train to Ann Arbor, where I called on Nettie West and made a visit at aunt Hannah Price's. There was more or less rainfall all the afternoon, making it rather wet walking.

*Wednesday, July 18*

Everything so very wet we can do little work of any account. I picked a few cherries. Went to Wheeler's with Will this afternoon to a little pipe cutting and threading. A heavy rain passed just south of here. Had a letter from Mr. O'Gorman.

*Thursday, July 19*

Mowed the lawn and some grass and weeds in the lane this forenoon. Dewey tedded up the hay this afternoon but it is far from dry. Will went to Dexter with hay for Howard Ball.

*Friday, July 20*

This has been a real hay day and we improved it by get up 5 loads of nice hay this afternoon. There was a Red Cross meeting of the ladies here this afternoon.

*Saturday, July 21*

Mowed some weeds and hoed in the garden this forenoon. We got up two loads of hay this afternoon and then it sprinkled enough to dampen the hay so we could do no more. Millie took me out to Byron Kenny's, where I made a call, then Byron took me to Henry Queal's. It is getting to be real summer weather here now.

*Sunday, July 22*

Henry's folks took us for a long auto ride this forenoon, going to Brighton, where we called at Appleton's and coming back another road so we saw lots of country and several lakes. Lawrence's wife had dinner ready when we got back. There has been no breeze and it has seemed very hot all day. They brought Kate and I back to mother's tonight. Ralph and Nellie Williams were here to call tonight.

*Monday, July 23*

Helped Kate do a big washing this forenoon. I went to Bert Kenny's and picked 1/2 bushel of cherries this afternoon. Will and Dewey drew a couple of loads of hay. We had a chance to see Mrs. Phelps and Sarah, who are here on a vacation.

*Tuesday, July 24*

A great hay day and Will improved it by mowing and getting up considerable hay. It is pretty hot and we have to sweat a good bit. Molly horse was sick tonight and Will had to be up with her.

*Wednesday, July 25*  
*Ther.: 85+*

It has seemed very warm today. We continued the haying with good results. Had a letter from Mrs. Waters, telling of the serious illness of her son Fred, who was an old time chum of mine. Dewey was nearly used up mowing away hay.

*Thursday, July 26*  
*Ther.: 85+*

We got up the last of the clover hay today. It has been very hot. We called at Ralph William's tonight. Jessie Williams, a cousin I have not seen for years, is there for a short stay. Will came for us with his car and took us for a ride.

*Friday, July 27*  
*Ther.: 78+*

There came a breeze from the north today that gave relief from the heat, but it was a fine hay making day just the same and we improved it. I picked a few cherries, and Dewey went to the swamp after huckleberries tonight.

*Saturday, July 28*

Pretty warm again today and we have worked hard drawing up hay. Kate went to aunt Delia's this afternoon and Dewey and I were there for supper. Fred Taylor and the Jenks were there and we had a nice time. Mother, Millie and Kate were in Ann Arbor shopping this forenoon.

*Sunday, July 29*

A fine breeze all today, but it was warm just the same. I wrote two letters and then took a nap. Kate went to Jackson with Fred Taylor and the Jenks' this afternoon to make them a visit of a few days. Will took us for a nice auto ride tonight.

*Monday, July 30*  
*Ther.: 92+*

A very hot day, but with a breeze, so we could continued the haying. We have extra work pumping water, as the engine is refusing to run. Cousin Jessie Williams was here this evening.

*Tuesday, July 31*  
*Ther.: 92+*

Another very hot day. We worked at the hay but took it moderately, getting it all up in good shape tonight. Dewey went to the swamp just after dinner and picked some huckleberries.

*Wednesday, August 1*

Will got out his reaper this forenoon and cut around his field of wheat. I went to the swamp and picked some huckleberries. I went again after dinner, but had to hurry back as a heavy thunder storm came up and it rained hard with a heavy wind that knocked down oats and corn. I drove up to Dexter this evening and got Kate who came back from Jackson.

*Thursday, Aug. 2*



This has been a fine and comfortable day. Kate and I went to the swamp this forenoon and picked huckleberries. Will took me down to a "Pig Sale" at Brookwater Farm, just after dinner, then we went at the wheat when we got back. He reaped and Dewey and I set it up. A former minister and his wife stayed with Will's folks last night.

*Friday, Aug. 3*

Another beautiful day. We finished cutting the wheat and setting it up this forenoon. Millie went to Ann Arbor this afternoon with the car and Kate and I went along. I got a new suit of clothes, hat and shoes. We made a call at aunt Hannah's and stopped at the Lomas place on our way home.

*Saturday, Aug. 4*

Kate and I went to the swamp this forenoon and picked huckleberries, getting a nice lot. I went again this afternoon for a small pail of berries and to explore new parts. Millie, mother and Kate went to Dexter this afternoon.

*Sunday, Aug. 5*

Cousin Will Cooper, of Jackson, with his wife and son came down this forenoon in his big auto. I had not seen him for years. There were several heavy showers this afternoon and tonight.

*Monday, Aug. 6*

A beautiful summer day. I helped Kate do a large washing this forenoon. Will went to Ann Arbor for a load of feed. This afternoon Dewey and I set over all the shocks of wheat so it can dry out.

*Tuesday, Aug. 7*

It has looked and acted like rain all day. We cut and set up the field of barley. I went to the swamp this morning and got a small bucket of huckleberries.

*Wednesday, Aug. 8*

Picked some more huckleberries this morning, then hoed in the garden until noon. We drew wheat into the barn this afternoon. Mother and Kate went out calling this afternoon.

*Thursday, Aug. 9*

A fine day, cool and pleasant to work. We finished drawing the wheat today. I worked at mowing it away in the barn. I also hoed the rows of strawberry plants in the garden.

*Friday, Aug. 10*

Will went to Ann Arbor with his car this morning and took me to Dexter, where I called on several old acquaintances and did some business errands. Dewey sent money to Randolph to make his last payment on his Liberty Bond. Dewey mowed a field of grass this forenoon and raked it up toward evening. Mattie Artz and Jay McColl came tonight to visit Will and Millie. Will is sick with a headache tonight.

*Saturday, Aug. 11*

A fine hay day and we got a stack almost completed. Jay, Mattie, Millie, Kate and I all went up to Dexter tonight for an auto ride.

*Sunday, Aug. 12*

Went to church today. There was a light shower this afternoon.

*Monday, Aug. 13*

Helped Kate do a big washing this forenoon and we drew a couple of loads of hay up on the stack also. This afternoon we finished up the haying and drew a couple of loads of barley and then a shower stopped us. Millie took their car to the garage in Dexter to be repaired.

*Tuesday, Aug. 14*

I went to the swamp this morning to get more huckleberries. Will went to Ann Arbor and Detroit to see about repairs for his car, so Dewey and I worked at drawing barley, Kate driving the team when we unloaded. It has been a fair day.

*Wednesday, Aug. 15*

I got more huckleberries this morning and helped a little with the barley. This afternoon I walked over to Delhi and got the train to Ann Arbor where I am staying tonight with Lew Bennett. Went to a concert tonight at the Hill Auditorium.

*Thursday, Aug. 16*

This morning took a look at Ferry Field, then Lew showed me the Building he cares for. I hunted up Mr. And Mrs. Doane and made them a visit staying for dinner. Mr. Doane went down town with me where I did a few errands, then I came back to Delhi and walked home.

*Friday, Aug. 17*

Will had to go threshing today, but all the rest of us went to the S.S. picnic at Independence Lake, where we had a very pleasant time. We met a number of old friends that we had not yet seen. Dewey drove the team with the hay rack and took Ralph William's folks with us.

*Saturday, Aug. 18*

Mattie took Kate and I to Hamburg this morning where we took the train to Howell. There we had a 3 hours wait for the cars to go to Lansing. We found that Lige and Martha had gone away for a stay till tomorrow night, so we took trolley over to where Llewellen Sanders lives, and they have made us welcome, so we are all right though somewhat disappointed.

*Sunday, Aug. 19*

We slept late this morning, so the forenoon soon passed. This afternoon they took us to the Agricultural College grounds and we enjoyed seeing the buildings etc. Tonight Lige and Martha got home and we are there.

*Monday, Aug. 20*

Lige has been sick this forenoon and could not go to his work. I took a walk down town and got some postcards. This afternoon Kate and I took the Interurban car and came to Jackson where we are staying with cousin Will Cooper's folks. Will took us for a long auto ride tonight and we visited his machine shop. He has been made factory manager at an increased salary.

*Tuesday, Aug. 21*

Walter took us to the station this morning and we came to Dexter. I walked out to Will's and Kate went to visit Mrs. Blood. This afternoon I went after huckleberries. Kate came out in a car with the Kenny's this afternoon. Tonight we made a call at Easterly's, who live on and own the farm that was Kate's grandfathers.

*Wednesday, Aug. 22*

I did little today but read and write. The ladies went to a Red Cross meeting at Bert Kenny's this afternoon.

*Thursday, Aug. 23*

Kate helped Will and Millie clean the school house today. I went to Ann Arbor and took a shoe for myself and two for Mattie Artz to be repaired. There was a meeting at the Court House where a young man explained a cooperative farmers society. There was a shower just after noon, and a hard rain while I was on the cars this evening.

*Friday, Aug. 24*

It has grown cold today and there has been some showers. I helped Kate do the washing this morning, then I walked out to Henry Queal's. Got out there at dinner time and found Henry and his man alone, the rest having gone to Howell. They came back soon and I walked back, called at Byron Kenny's and Fannie Ball's.

*Saturday, Aug. 25*

*Ther.: 48+*

It seemed almost cold to us all this forenoon. Mattie, Kate and I went to the swamp and got some nice blueberries. We have had a feast of them this summer. Dewey and Will are running the manure spreader. John and Herbert Bird with some of their folks were here for a call this afternoon. Kate and Dewey went over to Kenny's for a call this evening. A fine aurora tonight.

*Sunday, Aug. 26*

*Ther. 58+*

It was warmer today. I did lots of reading and fine my eyes are not standing the strain as they used to. Kate, Dewey and mother went to church.

*Monday, Aug. 27*

A very nice day. Mattie and I went to the swamp after blueberries this forenoon after I had helped Kate do the washing. Will went to Dexter this afternoon to get his car which has been repaired. Dewey and I drew some sand and gravel for the garage floor.

*Tuesday, Aug. 28*

There was rain during last night and a continual drizzle most of today. I had a telegram from Staton and Rector asking if I would accept \$4000 for the place at Dana, but I refused the offer.

*Wednesday, Aug. 29*

Will and Dewey put a cement floor in the garage today. Millie drove the car and the rest of us all went to the opening concert of the Chautauqua this afternoon. Mother is going to stay with Elsie Cranson the balance of the time. Will, Millie and I went up tonight to the concert and lecture. It was all very fine and there were good crowds.

*Thursday, Aug. 30*

I went to the swamp this forenoon and got some more blueberries. Went to the lecture at the Chautauqua this afternoon and to the concert tonight. A troupe of darkies did the singing and enjoyed some of it very much. The lecture was on Mexico and was quite enlightening. Kate, Dewey and Mattie did not go tonight.

*Friday, Aug. 31*

Millie, Mattie and Kate went to Ann Arbor this forenoon. Mattie stayed there and come to Dexter on the train tonight. The cartoonist and clay modeler at the Chautauqua this afternoon was good, as was the entertainer and his whistling wife. The lecture on heredity tonight was interesting. The weather continues fine and cool.

*Saturday, September 1*

I went again to the swamp and got more blueberries. We have had them for a month. All went to the band concert this afternoon except me. I picked a pail of pears, took a nap and started the night chores. Mattie and Dewey stayed home tonight and the rest of us went to the band concert. The leader is very spectacular in his directing. The children had a sort of pagent, or fairy play before the concert.

*Sunday, Sept. 2*

Went to church this forenoon and to the concert and lecture on Kipling and his writings in the afternoon. Tonight we went to the concert and lecture on James Whitcomb Riley and his poems, all of which made an interesting day. Mother came home tonight from her stay with Elsie Cranson during Chautauqua.

*Monday, Sept. 3*

I helped Kate do a large washing this forenoon. This afternoon I went for some more blueberries. Being Labor Day, there was no mail come out.

*Tuesday, Sept. 4*

Dewey and I walked over to Delhi this morning and took the early train for Detroit, where we spent the day at the State Fair. We saw areoplane flights, the first we had ever seen, and we were interested in farm tractors, of which there were a good many kinds. The exhibit of fruit was not very good as it is scarce this year. We came back on the night train and Will met us at Dexter.

*Wednesday, Sept. 5*

It has been damp all day with some showers and thunder. Tonight it is storming hard. Mother and Kate attended a Red Cross meeting at Grostie's this afternoon.

*Thursday, Sept. 6*

I picked some pears this forenoon and put in the cellar to ripen. This afternoon Kate and I drove up to Dexter to do some errands for the folks. Will has been fixing up his car for their trip to Ohio. Everything shows that the rain during last night was very heavy.

*Friday, Sept. 7*

Will, Millie and Mattie started this morning on their long auto trip to see Ray at Ashtabula, Ohio. It kept clouding up and this afternoon began raining, and continues to tonight. I drove horse and buggy up to Dexter tonight and met uncle John Twamley at the train. He has come to make us a visit of a couple of weeks. It was a wet trip.

*Saturday, Sept. 8*

A pleasant day, so hope Will is getting along all right. Have been visiting with uncle John most of the day when not doing chores. Kate went to aunt Delia's for supper and I went down to walk back with her tonight. Dewey and I were until dark getting chores done.

*Sunday, Sept. 9*

Henry Queal and family came out in their car and had dinner with us. It grew cold this afternoon and there was mists.

*Monday, Sept. 10*  
*Ther.: 34+*

It was cold this morning and I saw a little frost, but there was no damage. I helped Kate with the washing this morning. Helped Dewey some with his manure drawing. We have covered up some tomato vines tonight, anticipating a frost.

*Tuesday, Sept. 11*  
*Ther.: 34+*

There was some white frost this morning, but we do not think there was much damage. Dewey had to go to the dentist again this morning.

*Wednesday, Sept. 12*

This afternoon I helped Mr. Bayliss in his drawing up of oats and packing them away. Tonight Kate and Dewey sorted out the old leghorn hens to be sold.

*Thursday, Sept. 13*

I took the crate of old hens up to Dexter this forenoon and sold them for Will and Millie. They will not buy them after this week. Aunt Adelia and Ida were here for dinner today. Uncle John and I picked a few more pears this afternoon.

*Friday, Sept. 14*

Kate and I spent today in Ann Arbor calling on friends. We walked about among the University buildings and called on Bennett's, then we went to Doane's and stayed to dinner. We called at Dr. Blair's this afternoon, did a little trading and came to Delhi on the train where Uncle John met us with the carriage.

*Saturday, Sept. 15*

A nice warm day. Dewey had to go to the dentist again this afternoon, so I began chores early and milked all four of the cows. He brought ice cream home and we had it for supper. Mr. Andrew Smith was buried with masonic honors at the cemetery here this afternoon and we went up. Mother and uncle John went to aunt Adelia's for dinner.

*Sunday, Sept. 16*

Foggy this morning but cleared up later and has been a pleasant day. We all went to church this forenoon. The Easterly's took uncle John and mother for an auto ride out to Base Lala this afternoon. Kate and I took supper with aunt Adelia and Ida.

*Monday, Sept. 17*

Helped Kate wash this forenoon. This afternoon I took uncle John for a fishing trip to Independence Lake and we had a pleasant time but got few fish. It was dark when we reached home.

*Tuesday, Sept. 18*

Dewey had to go to the dentist again today. Kate and Leslie Queal came in their auto this afternoon and took Kate over to their place for a few days visit. We looked for Will and his folks tonight, but they failed to appear.

*Wednesday, Sept. 19*

I have been helping Dewey draw manure most all day. Will, Millie and Mattie came tonight about 8 o'clock. They had trouble with the car yesterday, so were a day late in getting home.

*Thursday, Sept. 20*

It has looked like storm all day, but it has grown cool this evening with a storm. I looked over some old things that are stored in a closet up stairs. This afternoon I walked out to Henry's to stay until tomorrow.

*Friday, Sept. 21*

I gathered some sweet clover seed along the railroad track near Hamburg this forenoon. Called on Julia Ball and saw her parrot and heard her Victrola. Henry began filling his silo this afternoon. Kate and Leslie brought us home in their Ford. It has been a very pleasant day.

*Saturday, Sept. 22*

Dewey was hauling baled hay for Howard Ball all day. I went to Dexter this afternoon and rode back with him on the rack. Aunt Iola came to Ann Arbor this afternoon and Millie and uncle John met her with the auto. Kate is sick tonight with a bad cold.

*Sunday, Sept. 23*

Kate was able to get up today noon and we all had dinner with Will's folks. Aunt Ella Burlchart and Flora called about noon, on their way to Ann Arbor. Several folks called this afternoon to see us, among them the Hubbells of Detroit. Kate had to do some of the packing as we plan to start south tomorrow.

*Monday, Sept. 24*

We got around early this morning in order to make our start. I went with Will in the wagon with our trunks and Millie brought Kate in the auto. Uncle John and Dewey came up too. Belle McCall met us at the station in Detroit and we have spent the afternoon and will stay all night with them in their lovely home. Clare and Winnie Hubbell called to see us tonight.

*Tuesday, Sept. 25*

This morning we took the train south and have been traveling through Ohio most of the day. We saw the Aviation Field near Dayton, and there were several airplanes up while we passed. There was evidence of frost damage down as far as Dayton. We have the Carolina Special with a sleeper for the night as we go on south.

*Wednesday, Sept. 26*

We were at Knoxville when we woke up this morning. The rest of the journey through to Hendersonville was pleasant and Mr. Hill was at the station to meet us, so we came right on out home and are getting settled. We have a fire in the fireplace tonight and it looks very pleasant to us. We find things in very good shape on the place as a rule.

*Thursday, Sept. 27*

It has been misty and rainy all day. I wanted to go over town, but had to give up the idea. We have been very busy all day unpacking our trunks and getting fixed to keep house again.

*Friday, Sept. 28*

The storm continues and acts like the so called equinoctial. I opened a barrel and a box so we could have more things and our dictionary, which we seem to need every day.

*Saturday, Sept. 29*

It continued raining all last night and drizzling this forenoon. We had a young calf come to the place this forenoon, so we hope to have fresh milk to use soon. I have ground graham flour and corn meal.

*Sunday, Sept. 30*

A fine day. Lawyer Staton brought his mother, brother and a man from Michigan, out here this forenoon to look around. We failed to get to Sunday School. I got a few chestnuts this morning. Called at Mr. Marshall's this evening and got some milk.

*Monday, October 1*

*Ther.: 34+*

There was some frost visible in spots this morning. Kate and Mrs. Blackwell did their washings together this forenoon. I went over town to see the Baker's Gallery friends, and pay our taxes. Court is in session and the town is full of the country people. Stopped at Mr. John H. Hills as I came home and arranged to have our phone in again. We have got the calf so he drinks his milk very well now.

*Tuesday, Oct. 2*

*Ther.: 34+*

Did some mowing of grass in front of the house this morning. Mr. Lee Hill came this forenoon and connected the wires so we have the telephone working once more. Kate and I gathered some chestnuts and a few apples and dug a pail of potatoes this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Oct. 3*

*Ther.: 36+*

Still cool mornings. Did more mowing of grass and weeds. Picked some apples this afternoon. They are a very short crop.

*Thursday, Oct. 4*

*Ther.: 46+*

I did some work on the road this forenoon. It has been allowed to get in bad shape. This afternoon I took a long walk, going nearly to Fruitland, where I saw a molasses factory in full blast. Met quite a number of acquaintances on the road. Tonight Mr. Alonzo King came to see about our cow, who has not been just right since her calf came.

*Friday, Oct. 5*

*Ther.: 50+*

It has been real warm today. I did more work on the road this forenoon and mowed some sweet clover growing around young apple trees. This afternoon we dug and sacked some potatoes.

*Saturday, Oct. 6*

*Ther.: 42+*

We picked the Limbertwig apples today and put them in the cellar. Had more than I thought we would. Mr. Hill and Raymond brought our organ and other things we had left with them for safe keeping. It is growing very cool tonight.

*Sunday, Oct. 7*

*Ther.: 32+*

Heavy white frost this morning. Kate and I went to Sunday School this forenoon. Wrote to Dewey and mother this afternoon.

*Monday, Oct. 8*

*Ther.: 38+*

Warmer and a pleasant day. I mowed some weeds and raked about a couple of large chestnut trees on "The Brow." Took some jugs over to Mr. Marshall's for him to put cane syrup in as he is now making it. This afternoon I went to the big walnut tree and picked up fallen nuts. Cut some wood and carried in the shed as it looks very stormy.

*Tuesday, Oct. 9*

*Ther.: 44+*

It has rained about all day. I opened another of our packed boxes and got some books and the old cornet. Chopped some wood and worked a little on the Trail.

*Wednesday, Oct. 10*

*Ther.: 40+*

I made 4 places where I plan to set some fig bushes this fall. This afternoon I spent cleaning out the cow shed. Kate sorted the potatoes and got them ready to put in the cellar.

*Thursday, Oct. 11*

*Ther.: 36+*

A damp, foggy and chilly morning, but cleared up and was a nice day. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett gave us a call this forenoon. He is doing carpenter work at the cantonment near Spartanburg. I went over to Mrs. Marshall's and got one of our jugs of syrup this afternoon.

*Friday, Oct. 12*

*Ther.: 50+, 52+*

A cool north breeze sprang up today after a stormy looking morning and it cleared up finely. We dug potatoes most of the day. We are wondering why we don't get a letter from Dewey this week.

*Saturday, Oct. 13*

*Ther.: 28+*

Cold morning. Had to cut up some wood to keep fires going. Gathered some more chestnuts. They will soon be all off the trees. We dug some more potatoes this afternoon. We enjoy the fire tonight and I have read the Sec'y of the Treasury's speech on behalf of the Liberty Loan. Had a card from mother and they are all well.

*Sunday, Oct. 14*

*Ther.: 30+*

A very pleasant day. We attended service at Refuge and heard Prof. Melton preach. Bertie Mae Hill and Raymond called this forenoon. I failed to do any writing today.

*Monday, Oct. 15*

*Ther.: 34+, 70+*

A real warm day, but there was some frost this morning. I cut some wood and filed the bucksaw this forenoon, also wrote to Dewey and sent an order for some fruit trees. This afternoon I dug some more potatoes.

*Tuesday, Oct. 16*

*Ther.: 42+, 72+*



Another warm and pleasant day. I took the out to the pasture today. Dug potatoes both forenoon and afternoon. Had a letter from mother and Dewey's enlarged portrait came by mail. We think it very nice of him.

*Wednesday, Oct. 17*

*Ther.: 44+*

Finished digging over the potato patch this forenoon. Kate and I walked around one of our crooked "squares" this afternoon making calles at Lee Hill's, "Preacher" Stepp's and Marshall's. It has been a fine day.

*Thursday, Oct. 18*

*Ther.: 56+*

There was a little rain this morning and cloudy most all day. I went down and covered up the sacks of potatoes, but they did not get wet and Lee Hill came and drew them up to the house toward evening. I sowed about 1/4 acre to rye and got some more land ready for the seed. We had a letter from Dewey and he is well.

*Friday, Oct. 19*

*Ther.: 64+, 68+*

A heavy rain last night and showers today. I spent part of the forenoon in fixing up an old clock that had not run for some years and got it to running very well.

*Saturday, Oct. 20*

*Ther.: 32+*

I went to Hendersonville today. Had lunch with the Baker's. It was cold this morning. Walter Marshall brought me some fodder so I have a little to feed the cow. I am unable as yet to get any hay.

*Sunday, Oct. 21*

*Ther.: 30+*

Very pleasant day. Kate and I went up to Sunday School, but they were so late starting it that I came home to read.

*Monday, Oct. 22*

*Ther.: 28+*

Helped Kate do the washing this morning, then went to the field to continue preparing for sowing more rye. This afternoon I sowed some rye, having nearly 1/2 acre in now. I do not feel just well tonight, having a sort of grippy sensation.

*Tuesday, Oct. 23*

*Ther.: 35+*

Feel better this morning and have kept up all day. Spent some time in tinkering an old clock, which I got running again. There has come an icy felling wind this evening.

*Wednesday, Oct. 24*

*Ther.: 24+*

A cold and windy day. I spent most of the time in cutting wood and making fires to keep the house warm.

*Thursday, Oct. 25*

*Ther.: 24+, 54+*

It was cold thi smorning but has been quite pleasant during the day. I went to Hendersonville and did not get home till about evening. Sold my copyright to a photo of an old Confederate soldier to a man who plans to prosecute a motion picture show.

*Friday, Oct. 26*  
*Ther.: 34+, 54+*

Looked some stormy all day. This forenoon I dug up a place and fertilized for the planting of sweet peas next spring. This afternoon Kate and I went to Lee Hill's and got some dahlia bulbs they gave us. I also brought home a wheel barrow load of goods from the store. Read in the daily tonight of Bert Williams being killed at Mobile, Ala., when he lighted with his airplane.

*Saturday, Oct. 27*  
*Ther.: 36+*

This has been a very nice day, though looking stormy for a while this afternoon. I went to the company orchard and looked over all the trees for borers, finding only one infested tree. It has grown much warmer.

*Sunday, Oct. 28*  
*Ther.: 40+*

Another fine day. Kate went up to Sunday School and I followed in time for the preaching service. Wrote a letter to Dewey and one to Mr. Corwin.

*Monday, Oct. 29*  
*Ther.: 50+, 64+*

There have been showers more or less all day and they are continuing tonight with occasional lightning and thunder. Helped Kate do the washing this morning then she minded Mrs. Blackwell's babies while she did her wash. I cut up some wood between showers.

*Tuesday, Oct. 30*  
*Ther.: 32+*

It has been very windy and cold today. I saw a few fine snow flakes this morning. Have been chopping wood.

*Wednesday, Oct. 31*  
*Ther.: 20+*

A cold morning for October in this section. I read in today's paper of extreme cold in the far west. The wind has died down and it has been pleasant.

*Thursday, November 1*  
*Ther.: 32+*

I had to go to Hendersonville again to do more signing of papers about the copyrighted picture I sold to the Charleston photographer. I am sick of it, and wish I had kept out of the mess. Walked both ways. I went over to Owensby's this afternoon and bargained for some cane fodder. It has been chilly all day.

*Friday, Nov. 2*  
*Ther.: 32+, 30+*

It has seemed cold all day. I spent most of my time working up wood. Mr. King and John Owensby brought me two loads of can fodder.

*Saturday, Nov. 3*

*Ther.: 26+*

Holds cold yet. I cut and wheeled up considerable wood. Did some hunting for borers in young apple trees this afternoon.

*Sunday, Nov. 4*

*Ther.: 34+*

A very fine day, and some warmer. Mr. Baker, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. McCollough, Farry Barber and wife and little boy, all motored out from town and had dinner with us and spent the afternoon. Kate went to Sunday School this forenoon and I wrote to mother.

*Monday, Nov. 5*

*Ther.: 26+*

Quite cold this morning. I helped Kate do the washing this morning, then went at painting the trunks of young apple trees with strong lime sulphur solution to keep rabbits from gnawing them. It looked like Indian Summer during the day.

*Tuesday, Nov. 6*

*Ther.: 30+*

More Indian Summer. I continued work on the young fruit trees. Had a card from mother saying all was well up there.

*Wednesday, Nov. 7*

*Ther.: 46+*

Quite warm today. This forenoon I went to the company orchard and put Lime-Sulphur on the young apple tree trunks. Stopped at Philip Ward's this afternoon and helped a little at a husking bee. Kate was there too. We are much worried over our cow, as she does not act well and fails in her milk.

*Thursday, Nov. 8*

*Ther.: 35+*

Continues nice weather. Kate went to a corn shucking at Mrs. Foutz and I to one at Lee Hill's. We got home about chore time. Ewart and his family came home this evening. We had a letter from Dewey and he plans to start for home the 17<sup>th</sup>.

*Friday, Nov. 9*

*Ther.: 32+, 62+*

Ewart and I worked in the woods today cutting stove and fireplace wood. The paper has bad news from Russia, showing that Germany is coming fast to gain control of the pollicies there.

*Saturday, Nov. 10*

*Ther.: 36+, 62+*

I rode over to Hendersonville with Lee Hill this forenoon expecting him to bring a load of hay home for me, but for some reason he did not do it. I walked back. Mrs. McGuire and a Mr. and Mrs. Trask who live near Tracy Grove called on us this afternoon.

*Sunday, Nov. 11*

*Ther.: 34+, 64+*

Been a nice day, but the sky is becoming overcast this evening. WE went to church this forenoon, and kept close at home all the afternoon.

*Monday, Nov. 12*

*Ther.: 44+*

Helped a little about the washing this morning then Mrs. Blackwell came to do hers with Kate, so I went at looking over fruit trees for borers. There came up showers about noon and continued all the afternoon, off and on. Lee Hill brought some hay and feed from town tonight.

*Tuesday, Nov. 13*

*Ther.: 44+*

Rather damp today, but no real rainfall. Kate made a visit to the Garret ladies this afternoon. We had a letter from Dewey and he is making his plans on reaching home a week from today. I dug out some dead fruit trees, mulched the asparagus bed and did various odd jobs.

*Wednesday, Nov. 14*

*Ther.: 49+*

Rather damp and foggy today, with a shower this evening. I cut some wood this forenoon and looked for borers in fruit trees this afternoon. Mrs. Hill was here with Kate this afternoon doing sewing.

*Thursday, Nov. 15*

*Ther.: 40+*

Looked about on the place a little this forenoon, thinking of plans for the future in fruit and farming, if Dewey is satisfied to go on here. Helped Bob King pick and draw some of the corn he raised on our brook field.

*Friday, Nov. 16*

*Ther.: 36+*

Went to Hendersonville this morning with Hiram Pace, and he hauled a load of baled hay home for me. Kate husked out our crop of corn this forenoon which was not large. I wheeled up some wood this afternoon and piled the hay up in the barn. Just as we were going to retire tonight I discovered a fire that looked to be Marshall's house, but when I got over there proved to be J. Stepp's barn.

*Saturday, Nov. 17*

*Ther.: 36+, 62+*

Did various little jobs today. Put dirt on the dahlia roots in the cellar, looked for borers in some fruit trees, wheeled some potatoes over here to put in our cellar for Mrs. Case. We had no letters today, so suppose Dewey and his grandma went to Detroit as a start on his way home.

*Sunday, Nov. 18*

*Ther.: 32+, 62+*

This forenoon I went with Mr. Garrett over to take a hurried look at our orchard, finding all seemed right. Our cow has not been real well and causes anxiety. Mrs. Hill and Raymond called this afternoon.

*Monday, Nov. 19*

*Ther.: 38+*

Helped Kate do the washing this morning, then I got some wood up and went at hunting for borers in young apple trees. This afternoon Kate and I went to Marshall's and helped some about getting corn in shape for their "shucking" to be held tomorrow. It looks stormy tonight.

*Tuesday, Nov. 20*

Walked over to Hendersonville this morning to meet Dewey at the train. It was late, but he was there all right and Mr. Hill brought us, Dewey's baggage and some wheat I had bought. Baker's Art Gallery has a big job on hand of finishing Kodak work and may want me to help them.

*Wednesday, Nov. 21*

*Ther.: 44+, 60+*

Pleasant day. Dewey and I took a walk over part of the place this forenoon. Did some more looking for borers this afternoon. Dewey started in to do some wood chopping.

*Thursday, Nov. 22*

*Ther.: 38+*

Dewey went to Hendersonville this forenoon. I put some Lime-Sulphur on young fruit trees. Dewey and I cut up some wood this afternoon and I wheeled up some.

*Friday, Nov. 23*

*Ther.: 34+*

Rather windy and cold all day and looking squally off in the northern sky. We cut up some more wood.

*Saturday, Nov. 24*

*Ther.: 22+, 29+*

Decidedly cold this morning. Carl Garrett and Tom Renshaw called to see Dewey this forenoon. We worked up more wood this afternoon. A very cold wind all day.

*Sunday, Nov. 25*

*Ther.: 20+, 36+*

A cold morning. Kate and Dewey went to church but I stayed home on account of a hard cold in my head. Mrs. Foutz, son and a young man from Chicago who stops there, called here this afternoon.

*Monday, Nov. 26*

*Ther.: 24+*

Helped Kate do the washing this morning at Hiram Pace's, and Kate went also this afternoon. I began work on some calendars.

*Tuesday, Nov. 27*

*Ther.: 36+, 42+*

Helped Dewey in the wood this forenoon. Worked on Calendars this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Nov. 28*

*Ther.: 34+, 60+*

Been warmer today. I worked at Calendars this forenoon and this afternoon I took them over to Baker's Art Gallery to be put on sale. Did not have to walk as much as usual because was given rides in autos. Dewey is making souvenirs from laurel wood.

*Thursday, Nov. 29*

*Ther.: 46+*

Been working at pictures and calendars about all day, but spent some time at the good Thanksgiving dinner Kate prepared. It showered some this forenoon and was foggy all day. Dewey went to Fruitland to attend some school exercises held there tonight, and will stay till tomorrow.

*Friday, Nov. 30*  
*Ther.: 40+*

Dewey came home at noon today, and reports having a good time at Fruitland. I finished up a lot of calendars and marked some pictures this forenoon. Went to Hendersonville this afternoon, walking both ways and having a little rain on me as I came home. A cold fog hangs over us a good bit of the time. This month is over without any snow.

*Saturday, December 1*  
*Ther.: 40+*

I made a printing of Verse-Cards today, the first of that kind of work since we came home. Dewey went over to John Pace's to look at a horse. Tonight Kate and I called on the new family that bought Hiram Pace's farm. WE found them very pleasant people.

*Sunday, Dec. 2*  
*Ther.: 34+*

A nice, warm day. Kate and Dewey went to Sunday School this forenoon. This afternoon the Huggins family and Mrs. Mitchell and her children called on us. Some boys came to have Dewey go around the trail with them, and Mrs. Barber and Hugh came while we were all out and left a card.

*Monday, Dec. 3*  
*Ther.: 64+*

Helped Kate with the washing this morning. Dewey went early to a husking at John Hill's and Kate went later. I had my dinner by myself and worked at the calendars. Ewart cut wood for us this afternoon.

*Tuesday, Dec. 4*  
*Ther.: 48+, 62+*

Been fixing up calendars most all day. Dewey cut wood with Ewart this forenoon, and this afternoon he went to an old field and began cutting out briars and grubs so as to plow it later.

*Wednesday, Dec. 5*  
*Ther.: 28+*

Did more work on pictures this forenoon. Jonathan Case called here this forenoon and I went up to the cannery with him and bargained for the ashes left from the engine to use in fertilizing the orchard. Dewey continues his clearing on the old field. I got a sack of pine cones this evening to use for kindling.

*Thursday, Dec. 6*  
*Ther.: 30+*

Got up early this morning and walked to Flat Rock where I took the morning train to Tryon. Had dinner with the Howes and called on Mr. Conner and Miss Cushing. Left a bunch of calendars at Mrs. Mortons Teahouse and some Verse-cards at Missildines Drug Store. Came back on train tonight and made a mistake in getting off so had to walk from Tuxedo.

*Friday, Dec. 7*  
*Ther.: 24+, 40+*

I printed and finished 100 Verse-cards today. Roy Jones brought the ashes I bought for fertilizing trees. Dewey continued work in the old fields.

*Saturday, Dec. 8*  
*Ther.: 34+, 40+*

This morning the ground was covered with snow for the first time this winter. Then there came some rain and thawing which took most of the snow off. This afternoon I wheeled out ashes to 50 or more apple trees. It is growing very cold tonight.

*Sunday, Dec. 9*  
*Ther.: 4+, 23+, 18+*

A very cold day. Kate and Dewey went to Sunday School and church this forenoon. Had to keep the fires roaring all day.

*Monday, Dec. 10*  
*Ther.: 4+, 20+, 12+*

Continues very cold and windy. We couldn't seem to do much but cut wood and keep up the fires. Kate went out this afternoon to work for Red Cross members and got four. Dewey has given his \$10 gold piece that he won in debate in Vermont. I think he shows real patriotism in doing as he does. Few people around here care to help in any such cause.

*Tuesday, Dec. 11*  
*Ther.: 6+, 28+*

Clear this morning, but still seemed very cold. It clouded up by noon and began to snow about 3 o'clock. It is storming hard tonight. I went to Hendersonville this afternoon, was picked up by autos both ways so did not walk very much.

*Wednesday, Dec. 12*  
*Ther.: 17+, 26+*

There was better than six inches of snow this morning and it looks like a northern winter. Kate and I did the washing this forenoon as I turned on our water works again.

*Thursday, Dec. 13*  
*Ther.: 15+, 30+*

A very chilly day with dampness and some snow in the air. I did up and sent away some cards and pictures. Helped Dewey saw down a big oak tree just before noon.

*Friday, Dec. 14*  
*Ther.: 14+, 33+, 18+*

We don't do much outside work this cold time. It got considerable warmer in the middle of the day. Kate went out this afternoon to work trying for new members for the Red Cross, but she came home tonight without any success and very discouraged. Mercury going down fast tonight.

*Saturday, Dec. 15*  
*Ther.: 8+, 28+, 16+*

Continues cold, today completing a full week of winter weather. Mr. Pace brought out a big bundle of trees that had come by express for me. Had to put them in the cellar to wait for warmer weather. Had a letter from mother and she writes of severe cold up there.

*Sunday, Dec. 16*  
*Ther.: 16+, 28+*

We all stayed close at home all day. I wrote a letter to mother, but spent most of my time reading. Raymond Hill came to make Dewey a call this afternoon.

*Monday, Dec. 17*  
*Ther.: 8+, 38+*

Cold morning but some warmer during the day. I went to Hendersonville this afternoon and took the list of names and the money to the chairman of the Red Cross Society. The snow made the walking rather hard. I had an auto ride part of the way home.

*Tuesday, Dec. 18*  
*Ther.: 14+, 39+*

Clear day with softening of the snow. We spent the forenoon in fixing up calendars and things to send off for Christmas, which I took to the Post Office after dinner. Dewey has been about sick with a bad cold. I had to cut and wheel up some wood this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Dec. 19*  
*Ther.: 12+, 42+*

Did up and mailed a lot more Christmas remembrances. There are signs of more moderate weather. I had Ewart help me saw some blocks from a large log this afternoon.

*Thursday, Dec. 20*  
*Ther.: 49+*

Considerable melting of the snow today. Wrote some letters this forenoon. This afternoon I went to see Mr. Garrett then on over to our young orchard to see if rabbits had done any gnawing but found no trouble. Came back by Mr. Marshall's to engage more syrup. It was very sloppy walking.

*Friday, Dec. 21*  
*Ther.: 22+, 54+*

Been quite warm during today. Dewey and I cut a tree this forenoon back of the barn to work up for wood. Put some more ashes around young trees this afternoon and went to see if I could buy some corn.

*Saturday, Dec. 22*  
*Ther.: 36+, 46+*

Not quite as warm today. We took the young fruit trees out of the cellar and heeled them into the ground. Hiram Pace brought 10 bushels of corn to me from Huston and Son's in town. I took a jug over to Mr. Marshall's for more syrup and got some turnips of them. Dewey and I did a little more wood sawing.

*Sunday, Dec. 23*  
*Ther.: 28+, 40+, 27+*

Cold and frosty this morning, so we had another good pancake breakfast. Kate did not feel able to go to church, but Dewey and I went and listened to a splendid and patriotic sermon by Prof. Melton. Rosalie Case and her sister Blanche Case Ramsey called on us this afternoon.

*Monday, Dec. 24*  
*Ther.: 34+, 52+*



We finished sending off Christmas greetings to day. We received several cards and a box of sweets came from Miss Dennis in Florida. Tonight we hear the firing of the guns as a celebration of Christmas Eve.

*Tuesday, Dec. 25*

*Ther.: 36+*

We had our Christmas all by ourselves today. Kate and Dewey went to the exercises at the Advent church this afternoon.

*Wednesday, Dec. 26*

*Ther.: 28+*

Some rain during last night, then a light snow came to cover the ground. Kate and I took dinner with Mrs. Mitchell today. It has been pretty chilly all day.

*Thursday, Dec. 27*

*Ther.: 20+, 29+*

Mr. Wilkins came and had dinner with us today. Dewey helped chop up some wood at the church this forenoon. It stayed cold all today. We have set the alarm clock so as to get up and see the eclipse of the moon early tomorrow.

*Friday, Dec. 28*

Got up at 3 o'clock this morning so as to observe the total eclipse of the moon, and it was clear, and we had a fine time to see it all through. I went to Hendersonville to get my work shops tapped and mended. Got a ride over with Lee Hill in his auto. Called on Mrs. McGuire while waiting for shoes. It was rather muddy walking home this afternoon. Dewey has been chopping wood.

*Saturday, Dec. 29*

*Ther.: 31+, 20+, 16+*

A snow storm came on this morning and lasted until it got too cold for snowing this afternoon. Dewey and I cut up some wood for the fire place and I wheeled up a lot to the woodshed. We did not work at it this afternoon. It is growing bitterly cold tonight and I have drawn water from the pipes.

*Sunday, Dec. 30*

*Ther.: 6-, 20+, 14+*

It was so cold this morning I could not sleep so got up at 5 o'clock and made up the fires. We stayed home all day. Do not think there was any Sunday School.

*Monday, Dec. 31*

*Ther.: 8+, 21+, 8+*

Continued cold weather. Did nothing much but cut a little wood and keep up fires. I cannot get diaries for next year, so will have to fix some sort of a blank book to write in. December has been the coldest on record I think and today's paper tells of severe cold all about.

Cash Account - January

| Date            | Received | Paid |
|-----------------|----------|------|
| Ewart Blackwell |          |      |
| Dr. to cow etc. | 32.45    |      |
| Cr. By. Work    | 1.70     |      |

Dr. Bal. 30.75

Cash Account - May

| Date | Received                | Paid        |
|------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 27   | From Acct. Bood 1216.89 | 17.61       |
| 28   | Ry tickets              | 48.00       |
|      | Dinner and lunch        | 1.75        |
| 29   | Papers and trolley      | 0.40        |
| 31   | Ry fares                | 1.12        |
|      | Blocks                  | <u>0.50</u> |
|      |                         | 69.38       |

Cash Account - June

| Date | Received              | Paid |
|------|-----------------------|------|
| 1    | Balance 1147.51       |      |
| 2    | Ry fares              | 9.80 |
|      | trunk storage         | 0.70 |
|      | stage(100), lunch(25) | 1.25 |
|      | groceries             | 0.55 |
| 3    | church                | 0.25 |
| 4    | groceries             | 0.98 |
|      | groceries and milk    | 1.70 |
| 5    | potatoes              | 0.65 |
|      | stationary            | 0.20 |

Memoranda

-Barrels  
#1- china  
#2-china  
black trunk-glassware and china cups  
barrel #3- vases and lamps.  
Barrel #4 & 5-crockery and tin

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