

Glenn & Theda Pease Diaries 1968

- 1\1\68 Fair, windy. Put box stove down cellar. Gerald tinkered it up a little. He plowed Pug, Marion, and Myrtle. He changed oil and put in new plugs and it run good. Set up barrel of molasses in stable.
[T] Built fires about 7. Arthur helped do chores, went out to Judy's about 10. I washed; put some clothes on porch, rest upstairs. We watched Rose Parade. Worked on Arthur's suit in pm, pinned legs on black pants.
- 1\2\68 Fair, cold, 16-28-35 below. Gerald went up and started Bud. He took Art down to Bemis to get a V.W. he bought, 1958, \$200.00. They set up box stove down cellar and he changed wires on his bench saw. I worked on my account book all day. Art went to Hanover to see Zimmerman pm. [*Superintendent for Hanover, Lyme and Orford. Probably looking for a job for the fall.*]
[T] Built fire 20 of 7. Gerald went up before breakfast and started Bud's car. Arthur helped set up box stove down cellar. Gerald took him to Bemis to get a Volkswagen, 1958. He went to Hanover in pm for an interview with Mr. Zimmerman. Glenn worked on his account books all day. We [*Aunt Edna, not Dad!*] ironed in pm. Pressed Arthur's pants legs and coat sleeves and finished them up. Got lovely jewelry box from Francis & Evelyn, Glenn & I a book about Guam for x-mas, also newspapers, nails out of chest.
- 1\3\68 Warmer, snowed 2-3 inches. Gerald went and got a load of sawdust at Yeaton's. None at Wentworth or Ashland. Art went back today with Wilson girls about 1 pm. Pete brought his bill down pm. Worked on account books some, split a little wood, done some plowing and shoveling.
[T] Built fire at 7. Francis is 35 this morning. Arthur helped do chores, got his things ready to take back. Filled woodboxes. Got the legs taken in on both pair black pants so he could take them. Went back with Wilson girls and 2 boys [*must have been Glen Clark & ?*] at 1. Let down another pr of pants for Arthur so I could turn them up. Gerald got a load of sawdust today. [*I wonder if these pants might have been from Francis.*]
- 1\4\68 Snow some most all day. Worked on books some am. Went to White River and West Leb pm, got a Conde pump & motor, 1\2 H at Joe's Equip., \$35.00 Went to see about tractor but they don't know what it is. Gerald over to sugarplace with Ferg. Pm. He put up some shelves in corner of milk house. Gerald went down to Shortt's and got chain saw am.
[T] Built fires about 7. Tige came back this morning a little thin but OK [*This is when Ma said that Tige had appointments he had to keep, even after being spayed!*] Curled my hair after breakfast, made mince pie for Grange & medium & small punkin pie for us. We went to White River and Lebanon in pm. Glenn bought used motor & pump for milking machines. Stopped at Hanover. Had oysters for supper. Went to Grange, 16 there. Deputy David Clement was there, worked 3rd degree for instruction.
- 1\5\68 Fair, about zero. Worked on books most all day. Gerald plowed some and puttered around.
[T] Built fire at 6:30. Made bread after breakfast. Wrote Francis & Betty & started one to Vernie. Glenn worked on books most all day. Gerald plowed some. & cleaned off roofs.
- 1\6\68 Fair, nice day, 8 below. Sent out 32 W-2 forms. Gerald worked on his wood some. Went out pm and had lights and starter fixed on car. Everett Blake here an hour pm.
[T] Built fire at 7. Fixed beans, changed bed, did milk things, finished Vernie's letter, wrote thank you to Marjorie. Defrosted pantry refrig. Made biscuits for supper, cupcakes in pm. Orrin came in today, been gone since Wednesday. [*Must be a cat but don't remember that name!.*]
- 1\7\68 [S] Snow in night and this morn, about 12 inches, windy. Done chores. Gerald plowed some, then sawed and delivered wood. Worked on books pm. Gerald plowed Pug.
[T] Got up about 7:30. Gerald plowed some after breakfast, snow is fluffy. Had roast beef for dinner. I looked over old papers and magazines in pm.

- 1\8\68 16, 26, & 40 below. Cold wind blowed hard all day. Worked on books all day. Gerald put louse powder on young cattle and cleaned off cows. Rutherford [County Agent] down and tested milker pump that I bought and says it will work all right. Nothing starts today. Gerald's car started at night. His hot water froze up am.
[T] Glenn built fires. I got up about 7:30. Sure is cold, good west wind. Washed and put all clothes upstairs. They froze some. Rutherford down pm, checked milker pump. Glenn worked on books all say. Started to fix up old girdles in pm & eve. We didn't go to bed till most 12.
- 1\9\68 26, 36 & 46 below. Cold [no shit!] Used old horse to tow doodlebug to get it started it froze up. Put 1\2 gal. antifreeze in it. Towed my car and got it started. Went out to Mildred Huntington's funeral pm. Waste water in stable froze up this morn, gutter full of water. Gerald cut off waste pipe and got it thawed out.
[T] Glenn built fires. I got up about 7:15. Curled my hair after breakfast. Stitched a little on girdle. They used Tom to start Lucy & Lucy to start the car before dinner. Edna helped me make sandwiches for lunch after Mildred Huntington's funeral. We went, quite a lot there. Worked on girdles in eve. & watched TV. Went to bed about 9:45.
- 1\10\68 10,22 & 36 below. Filled woodboxes and wheelbarrow, split some wood. Gerald went out to school and got Janet am. Banked up doors under barn with snow pm.
[T] Glenn built fires at 7, I got up about 7:30. Brot down most of my clothes, sprinkled ironing. Glenn filled both woodboxes. Gerald went after Janet at school, has sore throat. Finished stitching my girdles & put on garters. Sewed some patches on gloves I pm and evening. Glenn worked on books all pm and evening. Is so warm in house can't believe it as so cold out. Went to bed about 10.
- 1\11\68 14,24, &36 below, cold. Just done chores. Gerald moved Don's dozer out to Baker's pm. Truck started all right. Worked on books all pm. Filled woodboxes and split some wood.
[T] Glenn built fire at 6:45, I got up at 7. Swept and wrote letter to Francis to send with his license. Glenn and Gerald set up new milking machine motor and pump in am. Had a letter from Vernie. We ironed, Glenn worked on books in pm. Hunted up patches for Gerald's heavy pants. [Ma had LOTS of pieces of material for patching various items and for making quilts.] Copied Chicken Pie recipe to send to Grange cookbook. Worked on Grange books in eve. Glenn and Gerald went to Fire meeting with Maurice. Went to bed about 12:45.
- 1\12\68 Warmer, 12,20 & 30 below. Truck started and Gerald took a load of logs down to Britton's for Lucille pm. Thed and I went to Bradford, got pills and bottle filled. Brakes on car went coming home. Out to fire meeting with Pug last night.
[T] Built fires about 7. Wrote letter to Vernie this forenoon. Glenn & I went to Bradford in pm. Left my Grange books at Hazel's. Was cold today. I went out to Hazel's with Glenn in evening when they drew jury and got my books. Brakes went on car coming home from St. in pm.
- 1\13\68 Warmer, 12,18,34 below. Gerald dug up some frozen silage am, both silos. Put up clothes hanger in closet in bedroom. Went out pm and had brakes fixed on car, pipe broke off, put a new bolt in front of seat. Had greased and oil changed. Gerald plowed some pm.
[T] Built fire about 7. Made bread after breakfast, changed bed & did milk things. Had five loaves of bread. Sent a line to Arthur with license application [marriage license?] Glenn went to Garage after dinner to get brakes fixed on car and oil changed. Worked on Grange books most of pm. Took a bath after supper & stayed with the kids while Gerald, Doris, Dale and Ruth took Harry to 4-H meeting.
- 1\14\68 [S] 2 above, 15 and 16 below. Split some wood. Chopped some ice out in waterbox. Pete came down and borrowed a pick to pick out silage. Gerald got out a few logs. We went down to Vernie's pm.
[T] Built fires at 7:30. Filled both wood boxes, swept & looked at old magazines in forenoon. We had tripe for dinner about 1. Washed frypan & cooking dishes and we went to Vernie's.

Betty, Wes, Bruce and Francis came in. Amon's foot is some better. Saw two coon in back room & then they looked in sink windows. Glenn helped me figure up Grange books in eve. Looked at magazines. Lucy called this am, can't be resident of Orford anymore. We both talked with her. Judy called tonight, Arthur wants his small pictures. [??]

1\15\68

22 above, 47 above out back at noon. Snow and rain a little. Gerald went with his logs. Truck wouldn't start, let it down the hill, then went down and towed him. *[We could push a vehicle to the driveway, then down to the road and down the road. Often we could start it by the time we reached the Flat. If not, had to hope one vehicle was started so as to tow the one that needed to be started.]* Worked on books some. Gerald took a load of logs down to Britton's for Lucille pm. Hind wheel came apart. Cow had a heifer calf last night.

[T] Built fire about 7. Built fire down cellar before breakfast. Washed, put a few things on porch, rest upstairs. Curled my hair this morning. Gerald took a load of his logs and a load for Lucille. Made cake to take to Grange. Finished my books before supper. 12 at Grange, had to try 3 times to get into yard at 10. Wind blows hard.

1\16\68

6, 18, 30 below. Thed, Edna and I went to Woodsville today. Edna had a perm and Thed and I went to S.C.S. meeting. Gerald done chores and plowed some. Took stuff out to Norman this morning for Auditors. Went down to West Rumney to Pomona Grange last night. Amon went to hospital today.

[T] Got up a 6:30 and built fires. Glenn, Edna and I started for Woodsville before 10. Left Edna at hairdressers & we went to an A.C.P. meeting. Showed two short movies before dinner. Norma & Herman were there. Had ham. Meeting after dinner. Glenn got a certificate & pin for 10 yrs. as A.C.P community committeeman. Got thru about 2. Went to A&P and to Tip's a few minutes. Got home about 5. I mended 4 gloves this evening

1\17\68

6,16,25 below, fair. Gerald sifted ashes, dug out some frozen silage am. I fixed up surplus papers am. Gerald went out to Garage with truck pm, stopped and got a wheel of Wayne Weeks, \$10.00. Larry ran out of gas and they couldn't get nuts off so I went out and got him. Cleaned out sitting room stove and stove pipe, pipe most full. Filled woodbox and split some wood. Ins. man here from 3:45 until 6:20.

[T] Built fires about 7. I got in 35 chunks [a few in box] after breakfast. Gerald sifted all the ashes. Gerald went to Garage in pm with truck. Mended some in pm. Ins. man from Cabot Creamery here from 3:30 to most 6:30. Had supper after he left. *[He was hoping for an invite!]* Glenn had to go and get Gerald, couldn't finish truck. Glenn cleaned out sitting room stove & stove pipe. It was almost full.

1\18\68

0,8,12 below, fair, nice day. Tried to go over to sugarplace with Ferg., got out just beyond end of lane. Took Gerald out pm and they got tire fixed, had to have a new tube. Went down and had George sign some orders and timber tax papers, had Frances sign them. Edna broke a tooth after dinner. Gerald took her over to John's to have a new tooth put in. Sold 2 calves to Hall, \$35.00. Harry sold his calf Mad., got \$100.00

[T] Glenn built fire. I got up at 7:15. Got in rest of clothes and sprinkled ironing. Cleaned up cellarway. Found new stock prod from Sears in shed, postmarked Dec. '67. Got postcard from Vernie, Amon is in hospital. Edna broke front tooth out of her plate. Gerald took it over to John Currier's. Was sleepy after dinner so laid down on couch and had nap. Glenn & Gerald went to Garage after truck. Edna & I ironed before supper. Hall bought two calves & Harry's calf, 3 1/2 mo. \$100. Went to Grange. Dorice & Ernest were there, 19 in all. Draped the Charter for Mildred Huntington. Edna cooked chicken for dinner.

1\19\68

Warmer. Took a truckload of stuff out of barn floor over to Don am. Swept barn floor am. Gerald took load of logs down to Britton's for Lucille pm. Cleaned out calf pen and went over to where pulp hitched out with Ferg. Run into a tree with Ferg., bent radiator. Ernest and Sal up to Grange last night.

[T] Cloudy, frosty, spit snow pm. Glenn built fires about 7, I got up at 7:30. Sent card to Amon and wrote letter to Bertha, got letter from Evelyn. Bill Donnelly saw Francis on way to Viet Nam. They can all come home together. *[From Bill, 11/8/20: "I was on my way to Viet Nam, scared to death and passing through Gaum. I was told to call Francis when I arrived. I made the call in the wee hours of the morning, if I remember correctly, and he was kind enough to meet me when I landed. It was so nice to see a familiar face. As my next stop was in Viet Nam. Not my favorite stop for an Asian vacation." No idea what she means about coming home together.]* Mended on Gerald's coveralls pm. Made chocolate cake for Harry's birthday before dinner, made fudge frosting for it in pm. He is 15 today and Francis has been in Air Force 15 years. Finished Gerald's coveralls in eve. Can only get Channel 3 good. Billy Brown died today.

1\20\68 22 above. Fixed radiator on Ferg. Tinkered around, filled woodbox. Went over pm and cut up what pulp we had hitched out.

[T] Glenn built fires before 7. I got beans fixed and made bread before breakfast, changed my bed, did milk things. We had greens for dinner. I made sour cream cookies with sweet cream, were OK, had 68 square ones. Wiped up living room floor and pantry after dinner and then watched kitchen after got cookies done. Gerald and Glenn sawed some pulp this pm. Put a patch on Glenn's heavy frock. Channel 8 was terrible noisy. Went to bed after 11.

1\21\68 [S] 20 above, snow some. Got chores done about 11:30. Filled woodbox. Everett came over and fixed T.V. Thed and I went over to Gratz' pm a little while. He paid me. Gerald got out some wood for Charles today.

[T] Got up little past 7, took a bath. Looked over old papers in am. We had roast pork for dinner at 1. I called Everett in am, came about 2 and fixed TV, was a wire broken off the antenna. Glenn and I went over to Gratz about 3:30 for an hour. Their puppy 'Becky' is cute. Gave us a box of candy and a tin box of cookies. Doris, Gerald and kids were here, stayed for supper. Watched TV in eve., went to bed about 11.

1\22\68 Fair. Out to sign-up meeting all day. Bernard, Alfred and John Whiting, Everett down pm. Unloaded surplus.

[T] Glenn built fires about 7. I build fire down cellar and got in 43 chunks [box was empty] before breakfast. Put up Glenn's dinner and he went to Ville for sign-up meeting. Washed and put all but starched ones on porch. Edna made macaroni and cheese for dinner, warmed it up for supper with sausage. Worked on dress Vernie gave me and light blue fine pleated one in pm and evening. Hunted up things in closet to mend in pm.

1\23\68 Snow a little. Gerald went after sawdust, I done chores. He went to six mills, no sawdust. Gerald dehorned 8 calves pm. I went out pm and left income tax papers with Elton, got books at Norman's, got 58 gal. gas. Thed fell down today out back of house.

[T] Squalls am, snowed hard all pm. Built fire about 7. Got in part of clothes from porch, most dry, and sprinkled ironing. Wrote short letter to Della. Gerald went to Warren and 5 other mills but couldn't get any sawdust. Finished some mending on machine. I threw some crumbs out for birds in pm and fell down, bumped front of right shoulder, scratched right elbow and left hand a little. Glenn went to Garage in pm and got gas. My arm is lame tonight. Sewed some in eve.

1\24\68 Fair. Gerald went to Canaan and got a load of old sawdust today. It is nice and dry. I done chores, plowed some, helped him unload.

[T] Build fire about 7. My shoulder is quite lame, can't comb my hair too good. We ironed this forenoon. Gerald got a load of sawdust in Canaan this forenoon. Finished dress Vernie gave me, cut out two aprons from green figured curtains this pm, got them ready to sew in eve. and mended some stockings. I watched TV, read a while and went to bed at 11:30.

- 1\25\68 Fair. Gerald took truck out to Garage today, had plugs cleaned and points set over. Changed a tire for Ferg, put new valve in tire for tire on wheelbarrow. Then he went up to Blake's pm and got 2-speed fixed. Edna, Thed and I went to Bradford pm.
[T] Glenn built both fires. I got up at 7:15. My shoulder isn't as lame today. Wrote to Forrest and family and birthday card to Myra. We went to Bradford in pm. Edna and I saw Dr. Dwinell. He is thin, hadn't seen him for about 3 1/2 years. We got home about 3:30. I fixed 5 lbs. of oleo before supper. *[Ma didn't make butter but bought oleo, added salt and coloring and stamped with old wooden butter stamp, which I have. Some folks thought she made butter.]* We went down to Vernie's in evening. Dorice is there. Amon may come home Sat. One coon in back room tonight.
- 1\26\68 Fair. Went up back of spring and got out 10 trees for pulp am. He went with a load of logs for Lucille pm. I cut up pumpkin. Went over and plowed Ralph's driveway, then winnowed 50 lbs. beans. Went down to Vernie's last night, Amon's foot is gaining.
[T] Built kitchen fire about 7:15. Did sweeping and washed pumpkins. Glenn and Gerald worked on pulp in forenoon and Gerald took a load of logs for Lucille in pm. Glenn cut up pumpkins and Doris and Sheryl came up to help fix it. Had aluminum canner and big white kettle full. Glenn plowed Ralph Mack's driveway and winnowed some beans. Edna and I picked over about 8 qts. after supper. Wrote card to Arthur.
- 1\27\68 Fair, 10 above. Went up and cut up pulp and got some more dug out am. Went up pm and got out 20 trees and got them cut up. Art came home today, rode up to Lebanon with someone and then Judy went and got him. Ch. from Gov. \$42.27.
[T] I built kitchen fire about 7:15, got beans in baking before breakfast. Made bread after. Had 5 loaves and 10 rolls. Made a raspberry pie, small apple and turnover. Picked over rest of Spies, Edna made applesauce. Washed milk things and changed bed. Frank and Betty were here a little while in pm. Glenn and Gerald worked on pulp all day. Judy brot Arthur out about 4:30, he got a ride to Lebanon. Mended a little and watched TV. Took bath and went to bed about 11:30 Had letter from Evelyn today, they will be in Rome, N.Y.
- 1\28\68 [S] Snowing this morn, don't amount to much. Done chores, pitched out silage, split some wood. Gerald's folks down to Howard's today.
[T] I built kitchen fire about 7:30. Edna and I made popovers for breakfast. Arthur helped a little with chores. We had dinner at 12:30, had roast beef. Tried to read in pm, too sleepy, laid on bed from 2 to 4 and slept most of time. Arthur came home about 6:15 and helped milk. Gerald's folks went down to Howard's. Read and watched TV, went to bed about 10 Went out to barn and put out lights in barn floor. *[I probably left them on!]*
- 1\29\68 Rain and snow a little most all day. Down to Lyme to sign up meeting today. Art went down to Hanover to get some books. Gerald just tinkered around. Art came home and milked last night.
[T] Glenn built living room fire, I built the kitchen fire. He went to Lyme for sign-up meeting. Arthur went to Hanover for books to help write his senior paper. I washed, put part of clothes on porch, rest upstairs. Washed two bags and boiled them, came out good. Worked on my aprons. Roasted pork for supper. Glenn and I picked over about 15 qts. of beans in eve.
- 1\30\68 Warmer, snow some. Up to Piermont to sign up meeting. Art and Gerald plowed some. Gerald plowed Pug, Marion, Harry and Os.
[T] Fogg, sleet, snow, 5-6 inches. Built fires before 7. Glenn went to Piermont for sign-up meeting. Arthur helped do chores then studied for his senior paper, then plowed and filled woodboxes. I swept and wrote letter to Francis and Evelyn. Talked with Hazel and Irene about Grange. Hunted up some things for program. Finished sewing my two aprons. Coon in back room tonight. No picture on TV tonight, listened to 'A Night At Ford's Theater' in Washington, 10-11. Cut out another apron.

- 1\31\68 Fair, nice warm day. Gerald and Art went to Canaan and got a load of sawdust, filled shed full. Put some in young cattle stable and horse barn, then took some up to Pete. Art shoveled off porch roof. I cut ice off front side of house and over kitchen, hoed off some snow. Shoveled out in front of tool shed and back porch and plowed a little. Took corned beef out of pickle. Bottom rim came off Conde milking pail last night. Out to Budget meeting at church last night.
[T] Built kitchen fire about 7:15. Gerald and Arthur got load of sawdust in Canaan today, took their lunch. Got in some of the clothes. Edna sprinkled ironing. Arthur shoveled snow off porch roof. Glenn chopped ice off front of house and shoveled off porch floor, Made my apron in pm. *[Today's entries are an example of where having both diaries adds a little detail: Dad says the load of sawdust filled the shed full and Ma says we took our lunch.]*
- 2/1/68 Cloudy, storm a little. Art went to Lebanon to get some books a boy got for him. Gerald went down to Flanders and Patch to get truck fixed. Split some wood, winnowed Webster beans, planed off some from two doors in front of cows. Julia had a calf this morn. Couldn't get truck fixed.
[T] Built kitchen fire about 7. Swept, made 2 jellyrolls, one for Grange, and washed and curled my hair this forenoon. Man was here in pm to see Glenn about surplus. Worked on my dress. Gerald went to Lebanon to get truck fixed but couldn't. Arthur went to Lebanon to get books he forgot to bring back from school. He and Judy came after supper and ate. We had baked peas. We ironed in pm and I wrapped corned beef and put in freezer. Went to Grange, 11 there. An empty oil truck jackknifed below the house, several others waited for state truck, didn't go till after 12.
- 2/2/68 Misty a little. Gerald took a load of logs for Lucille am. He put louse powder on young cattle and calves pm. Art got ins. on his car pm. Had George sign papers for Mrs. Shaw's father for Old Age, got income tax papers from Elton, haven't got to pay any more this year.
[T] Built fires about 7. Swept and picked up a little in front room. Arthur helped do chores then studied some. Glenn and Arthur went to St. after dinner, Arthur got ins. on his car. I picked over Webster beans, Edna helped a little, had about 6 qts. Put up 10 lbs. of them, 30 lbs of Soldier beans, Dale will get them. Hemmed Arthur's pants and sewed some on my dresses. Got a letter from Mabel. Went to bed about 9:30.
- 2/3/68 Warm. Gerald started for White River to get truck fixed but radiator leaked so he didn't go. He changed radiator's out to Larry's and got some new wheel bolts and when they got wheel off brake drum, was cracked. Took out brake drum, got one from Wayne Weeks but wouldn't fit. Art's car wouldn't run tonight. Took hind tires off Howard's old car pm.
[T] Built kitchen fire at 7:15. Fixed beans, made bread after breakfast. Made medium & small pumpkin pie. Changed my bed, did milk things. Edna made soup and I made dumplings. Arthur helped with chores and went to have new points put in his car. Had 5 loaves bread and 9 rolls. Hemmed two dresses & picked over about 2 qts. Webster beans. Hemmed green nylon dress & mended a few stockings & watched TV in eve. Took a bath & went to bed about 11:45. Sam was here in pm.
- 2/4/68 [S] Fair, a little cooler. Art has gone out to see if he can get his car to run. He got a trophy for getting the most points for playing ball last night. *[In Alumni game. After the game, Judy and I 'parked' in the gravel pit. At the Alumni Banquet that June, when presenting me with the MVP trophy, Bud Pushee made a remark something along the lines that I was hot that night, 'Right, Judy?' ;-)]* Art and Judy back here to dinner. He took her home and then left for Durham about 4 pm. Bob and Nellie here about 3 pm, stayed until 9 pm.
[T] Built fire about 7:30 Arthur helped do chores then went to St. to try to get his car started. Judy drove in back and they had dinner and he took her home. Bob and Nellie came about 2:30. Arthur left for Concord about 4:15. I made flapjacks for lunch. They went home about

9. Watched the movie, all three till 11:30. Arthur got a trophy for best player on Alumni team last night.
- 2/5/68 Fair. Gerald went down to Gateway and got a new distributor put on truck, couldn't find a hub for truck. I split some of the old maple blocks out by barn.
[T] Built kitchen fire about 7. Washed, put all but starched ones on porch. Washed 7 grain bags in machine and then boiled them, came out pretty good. Put new pocket on Arthur's black pants. We watched TV in evening. Glenn split some big maple chunks and filled woodbox and put some down cellar.
- 2/6/68 Fair. Went up and swamped out new hitchroad for pulp am. Went up after dinner and got out 12 trees, then starter spring broke on saw. I took it down to Shortt's and got new spring put on. Edna went down to Vernie's while I was at garage. Thed walked down to Irene's pm, picked her up when we came home.
[T] Built fires at 6:15. Listened to "Trading Post" sent Mabel birthday card and card to Arthur. Walked down to Irene's at 2, is quite cold. Glenn and Edna got me at 4:30, had been to W. Rumney and got chain saw fixed. Borrowed her Grange cookbook. Amon's foot is better & Dorice went back to Ernest's today. Mended stockings & watched TV. Glenn went to Office tonight. Earl Wright get 2 gal. syrup for Everett in pm. Got in most of clothes, almost dry, this afternoon. Glenn and Gerald cut up some pulp. Cut out some squares for a quilt in eve. Filled kitchen woodbox in am.
- 2/7/68 Fair, cold. Went up and drug out some pulp am, cut up what we got out. Went out pm and unloaded surplus, then went up in woods. We got out 18 trees and cut them up. Out to Office last night, finished Warrant. Put stuff on Financial Report papers.
[T] Built fires at 7. Called Ruth this forenoon, said Gladys & David had a little cold. Eleanor said Avis' girl has Arthur for a teacher. [*Student teaching at Concord HS - I don't remember that at all.*] Sprinkled clothes. Glenn and Gerald sawed up more pulp in pm. Sewed a little in pm and ironed. Pressed grain bags. They used Tom in woods in pm. Mended in evening & watched TV, read some too. Got in chunks this forenoon
- 2/8/68 About zero, fair, cloudy. Gerald took a load of logs down home. We went up and drug out pulp am. Harry sold his calf to Hall last night for \$100.00. Sent stuff up to printer, all but Warrant.
[T] Built kitchen fire at 7. Got in rest of clothes. Gerald's cat & long-haired tiger one had a fight under clothesline this morning. Hemmed a cotton dress and took in seams & turned up rose dress that was Irene's in pm and evening. Glenn took Gerald & Bud to fire meeting. Went to bed about 10:45.
- 2/9/68 Fair, nice day. Everett and Floyd here a while am, left me a little sand. Ferg didn't want to start. Gerald changed batteries but still didn't start. Thed, Edna and I went to Bradford pm, Thed and I to Dr. Stopped and looked at some snow tires at Alfred Stevens'. Art home about 7:30 for a few minutes.
[T] Beautiful day. Built kitchen fire at 7:15. Curled my hair & cooked oysters this forenoon. Put some wood in kitchen woodbox. Took a bath before dinner. We started for Bradford about 1. I had a physical, weighed 141, am OK. Glenn had lost 2 lbs, makes him 238. Did shopping at Gallerani's, A&P and Gould's [*Piermont*]. Got home at 5. Mended stockings and sewed rips in Arthur's grey nylon jacket. He got home about 7:30 and went out to Judy's. Had Valentine from Bunnie [*probably Sunbury*], one from Gladys and a note that they are better from colds.
- 2/10/68 Snow and blow all day. Took load of stuff out of barn floor up to Bud. Put a summer tire off Howard's old car on mine. Split some wood, filled woodbox. Ripped up 23 calf meal bags. Gerald made some blocks to fasten hood down on truck and filed bench saw. Art left about 10 this morn. for St.

- [T] Built fire about 7. Made small lemon pie, 2 small mince, a graham cracker crust with vanilla pudding & bananas in it. Arthur went out to St. about 10. Did milk things before dinner. Glenn ripped up 23 grain bags. I cut out a few more plain squares & pieces for 6 pieced-up ones. Empty trucks had trouble getting up hill in eve. Gerald pulled one out of ditch & part way up here from bridge. We watched TV. I mended some. Made two brownbreads, gave Gerald one.
- 2/11/68 [S] Fair, cold, windy. Gerald plowed Pug, Marion, Harry and Os today, plowed some here and I plowed some. Art had to let his car down the hill to start it. *[That damn car VW Bug! Sometimes had to push it with another car, which would shove the bumper up so that the 'hood', in rear over engine, wouldn't open. Cut pieces out of the bumper – doubt there was half of it left when the winter was over. We bought a new car that summer or early fall – perhaps a Dodge Dart?]*
- [T] Built fire a little past 7. Gerald came up after breakfast and plowed some and pushed Arthur's car out of snow in yard and down the hill to start it. Arthur went to St. about 11. I got in chunks. Edna baked her ham & made tossed salad. Cooked a gal. of syrup in pm, took some out for cream. Looked over old magazines. Gerald, Doris and kids had sugar on snow in eve. & Edna & I made some sugar cakes. Arthur came back about 6:45, left for Concord at 7:20. *[Didn't dare to wait until morning – damn car!]* We watched TV and went to bed about 10. Glenn made 4 small jars cream and we made about 2 1/2 lbs. cakes.
- 2/12/68 Fair, cold. Gerald plowed some more here am. We went up and got out 10 more trees pm, about 1 1/2 cds.
- [T] Built fires about 6:40. Built fire down cellar after breakfast and washed. Put all but starched ones on porch. Was all thru and tubs emptied before noon. Glenn and Gerald worked on pulp in pm. I sewed on my dresses. Got two cookbooks and Glenn got a big book about U.S. from Digest. Hemmed my blue pleated dress in eve. We watched part of 9 o'clock movie, was crazy. Truck brought brake drum for truck tonight.
- 2/13/68 Fair. Got hub for truck last night. Gerald went out to Garage am but it wouldn't fit. He called and said could get one at Goldberg's at St. Johnsbury. Went out after dinner and went up and got it, \$15.00. Got it put back together and home about 4 pm.
- [T] Built fire about 6:45. Wiped dishes, made bed & swept. Made a jellyroll to take to Mite Society. Gerald took truck out to Garage to fix it but drum wouldn't fit. Put up lunch for Gerald and Glenn and Gerald went right after dinner and they went to St. Johnsbury and got one and got it fixed this pm. I walked up to Eleanor's at 1:45, was cold out, only 6 there, came home with May. *[Mite Society. Hadn't realized there was even one at this time.* Worked on jacket of 2-piece suit & finished mending Glenn's heavy pants. Got note from Arthur, got there OK Sunday night.
- 2/14/68 Fair, snow a little. Tinkered around am. Went up and had 2 lower front teeth out pm. Gerald took load of logs for Lucille pm. Got two snow tires from Alfred Stevens, \$15.00, had Larry change them.
- [T] Built fires about 6:45. Got in rest of clothes, about dry and sprinkled ironing, got in some kitchen wood. We had lunch about 11:15, Glenn left for dentist 15 of 12. Took up shoulders on my dark red heavy dress. I worked on suit jacket. Glenn home about 3:30, had out two teeth. We watched TV & I read a little. Went to bed about 11:20.
- 2/15/68 Snowed hard by spells, windy. Gerald took a load of logs for Lucille. Radiator on truck came apart, had to put a chain around it to keep it off fan. I fixed hoe handle and puttered around am.
- [T] Built fires about 6:45. Swept, fixed 4 lbs. oleo, curled my hair and laid out my squares on bed before dinner. Sewed 9 strips together in pm and the other one after. Went to Grange, 14 there, got home at 10:30. Watched news on TV, went to bed about 11:30. Gerald took logs for Lucille. I got in some wood.

- 2/16/68 Fair, nice day, cold, 8 below. Thed, Edna and I went up to Goldberg's and got a radiator for truck, \$25.00. Gerald put in a new water bowl out to barn.
[T] Beautiful day. Built fires about 7. Edna & I did up work and we started for St. Johnsbury about 10:30, got there at 12, had dinner in a diner, then got radiator for truck. Shopped at National in Wells River, went into new Sears order office in Bradford, got home about 4. Had supper at 5. Went down to Vernie's about 7:30, home after 10. Read a while, went to bed about 12.
- 2/17/68 Snow and windy. Gerald went out and changed radiator, the new one leaked. Went down to Vernie's last night. Howard came and got bull calf, \$18.00. Gerald got Franklin's old mare today. I cleaned out calf pen am.
[T] Built fire about 7. Made bread after breakfast. Gerald went to Garage and put radiator on truck. Got Harry Franklin's horse on way home, one Glenn had last summer. Made a package lemon cake. Did milk things. Ruth and Wilfred here in evening.
- 2/18/68 [S] Cold, 2 below. Done chores. Dorice and Ernest up to dinner. Doris and kids up pm and supper. Art and Judy here a little while pm. Gerald got out a little oak.
[T] Built fire about 7. Had breakfast at 9. We did up work. Dorice and Ernest came about 10:30. I made biscuit and biscuit shortcake for dinner. We ate at 12. Doris and kids came up in pm, all were here for lunch. Arthur and Judy were here a few minutes. Dorice and Ernest went home about 4. I watched the 9 pm movie.
- 2/19/68 Four below. Art couldn't start his car. Gerald helped him get it going after breakfast. Fixed a stanchion, took most of day. Gerald took his oak over to Raymond Libby, 81 ft. Went out and got Rhodes, Aubut, Comstock and Gerald's stuff.
[T] Built fire about 6:30. Glenn tried to help Arthur start his car before breakfast but couldn't get it going. Called school at Concord. Gerald towed him and got it started so went to Garage. Washed, put my spread outdoors, starched ones upstairs. Fixed a few places on Arthur's heavy green jacket. Curled my hair, frosted lemon cake for Pomona. Pinned some quilt strips together. Started for E. Haverhill at 7. 22 there, worked 5th degree for Deputy Poore, got home at 11:30.
- 2/20/68 Fair, cold, 4 below. Went up to East Haverhill to Pomona Grange last night, 22 there. Got a load of pulp all loaded up and another one on sled. Thed went up to County Farm with May pm. Kids stayed up here pm. Doris went with Lucille and Carol.
[T] Built fire 10 past 6. Got in some clothes from porch, about dry. They drew down 3 load of pulp and put it on truck. I went up to County Farm with May, Doris Page and Ruth Gibbs. Doris, Carol, Lucille, Eleanor, Shirley and the 4 kids too had a birthday party for 15 women there. Got home at 5. Glenn gave out surplus tonight. I was so sleepy all evening, went to bed a little past 7. Gene, Carol and Janet stayed here in pm.
- 2/21/68 10/18/36 below, windy. Gerald went to Lebanon with pulp. I done chores. Used car with jump cables, put some dry gas in truck. Out last night and got rid of surplus. Had 433 cords pulp today [*Can't be that many cord on one load – must be board feet – see 2/23.*] Got another load loaded up.
[T] Built fire about 7. Got in rest of clothes and sprinkled ironing. Picked up one bureau and table in living room. Pressed quilt pieces, ironed and worked on house dress in pm. Gerald went to Lebanon with pulp in am. They drew some more in pm. Arthur got home about 7 and went out to Judy's. Watched TV and pinned rest of quilt strips together. Read a little and went to bed about 12.
- 2/22/68 10 below. Gerald's water froze up this morn. Water bowl valve in barn stuck and gutters full of water. Dean Carr and Bob Gregoire up am. Earl Aremburg from Kerr McGee here a.m. Everett here am. Had boiled dinner for dinner. Gerald's folks all up to dinner. Didn't get chores all done before dinner. Gerald worked on water, got it started pm. I got 3 small load of pulp pm.

- [T] Built fire about 7. Gerald's water is frozen & valve stuck in a waterbowl in barn, gutter full of water. Edna and I fixed boiled dish for dinner and I made apple and blackberry pie. *[Not sure if this is one pie or two different ones. I think she sometimes mixed apples and blackberries in one pie.]* Dean and Muriel Carr came with Bob Gregoire for gal. of syrup. Gerald's folks up for boiled dinner. Sewed my quilt strips together in pm. Bob Moulton and Kenneth Torsey came in evening and got 12 gal. & 6 qts. of syrup to sell at dog races in Laconia on Sat. & Sun.
- 2/23/68 Fair, cold, about zero. Gerald went with pulp am, 418 ft. Went over and put 3 load of wood in over to sugar camp and brought home small load of pulp. Bob Moulton and Kenneth Torsey from New Hampton up last night and got 12 gal. and 6 qts. syrup for the Association to have at Laconia Sat. & Sun.
[Ma has just a few notes in her diary from 2/23 to 2/27]
[T] Glenn to Fairlee. Arthur helped with chores, got wood in. Put wood in sugarhouse in pm. Gerald took pulp am.
- 2/24/68 Fair, about 4 below. Walt out this morn. I took some more papers up to Gibby and proofread the report. Pete Thomson's house up in field got on fire this morn. but they put it out. Burnt some in kitchen and up overhead and on this end of house. Gerald and Art put conveyor in silo today. Jim and Barry up a while pm.
[T] Did kitchen and living room windows, Edna did pantry and bathroom and chairs. Dance at Rumney. Pete's house afire. Glenn went to W. Topsham in pm. Vern and Barry up in pm.
- 2/25/68 [S] Fair, nice day, about zero. Art helped finish up chores. Went down to Rumney last night to dance for Legion, \$10.00. Not very big crowd and damn poor music. *[Dad rarely called for anyone but Pat McIssac's band from the mid-1950s – wonder why Pat wasn't there this time.]* Place down back of Francis Hall burnt this morn. Went up on Heights and pulled car out of ditch pm.
[T] Arthur helped do chores. Arthur took his car to E. Thetford to be fixed. Fire at place near Louise Hall's early.
- 2/26/68 Fair, cold, nice day, 4 below. Loaded up a load of pulp am. Gerald blowed a wheel down by Whitehill's. I got a wheel, tire and tube of Hayward for \$40.00. Thed, Edna and I went to Bradford pm. Gerald came home with us. Art helping Pete this week.
[T] Did wash. Bradford pm. Doris and Sheryl went with us.
- 2/27/68 Fair, nice day, 6 below. Gerald went out to St. with Marian, then he went with pulp, 410. He loaded logs for Lucille pm, then dug up frozen silage and put in new water bowl for calves. I got 3 load of pulp with horses pm. Out to Office last night. Roy Abbott and Everett out there too.
[T] Built fire at 6:30 Listened to Trading Post. Made applesauce cake. Washed closet curtain, picked up my high bureau. Meat pie for supper, Gerald and Sheryl here.
- 2/28/68 0-6-10 below. Gerald went with Lucille's logs. I done chores. Got 2 qts. syrup ready to send. Gerald's water froze again this morn. Gerald put water pipe down through cellar drains to brook. Loaded up what pulp we had here pm.
[T] Built fire about 15 or 7. Edna did dishes, I swept. Wrote to Francis and Evelyn. Edna did all but 4 white shirts this forenoon. Gerald went with logs for Lucille. Glenn helped him on his water after dinner, couldn't get it started, so put pipe in brook. I wiped up living room floor in am and washed kitchen floor in pm. Ironed shirts, fixed rips in couch cover & put it on and washed ours and Arthur's windows. Arthur got home about 7 and went out to Judy's.
- 2/29/68 Fair, 10 above. Got out rest of rough pulp, made a good load. *[Harry: Always measured pulp by the cord and a good load on our truck would have been 3 or 3.5 cords.]* Gerald went with it after dinner. 450 ft. I took gas cans out, he brought them home on truck, 72 gals. Had Larry back-up glass in taillight on car.

[T] Got up at 6:15. Picked up big bureau and put clean scarf on it. Curled my hair and cleaned up around. They drew rest of pulp and Gerald went with it after dinner. Glenn took gas cans out with car. May, Eleanor and Mrs. Gibbs were the only ones who came to Mite Society. Mrs. Gibbs had lunch with us. Arthur helped Pete today.

- 3/1/68 Snow, sleet and wind blows like hell today. Gerald took a load of hay down home, 25 bales. We loaded up stuff in barn floor, he took it over to Don pm and went over to see Claude Foote about wood. He don't want to sell any. Gerald plowed some. I went up to Topsham and got Town Reports pm. Had to have Blakes come out about 4 miles beyond Bradford and put on new coil, \$19.00. Chimney fire at Franklin's pm.
[T] Built fire 6:45. Made bread after breakfast, swept and made Jello. Roasted pork for dinner. Glenn went to W. Topsham about 1 for Town Reports. Had 4 loaves of bread and 9 rolls with nuts and maple sugar in bottom. *[Always made 3 each so she, Dad and Aunt Edna wouldn't fight over them! ;-)]* Stitched zipper into Arthur's pants and did a few odd jobs of mending. Chimney fire at Harry Franklin's, Gerald went. Glenn didn't get home till past 5. Hemmed a dress and watched TV. Read Jess' book about the Currier family. Regular March blizzard most all day. Arthur worked for Pete.
- 3/2/68 0-6-12 below, fair. Gerald plowed some am. Gene and I peddled Town Reports. Gerald and Harry drew sugar wood pm. Cleaned out calf pen pm.
[T] Built fire at 6:15. Arthur went out to Garage to tinker on his car in pm. Went to Concord with Judy & Clyde in am and got Wallace. Made a pumpkin and little blackberry pie. Glenn and Gene peddled Town Reports this forenoon, finished after dinner. Made squares for other strip and sewed it on quilt top in pm. Took a bath before supper. Mended and watched TV. Glenn went to 4-H meeting at St. I went to bed about 10:30.
- 3/3/68 [S] 4 below. Fair, cold, windy. Went out to St. to 4-H meeting last night. Art went back to Concord pm. We went down to Vernie's pm. Gerald's folks up to supper.
Built fire at 7. Arthur helped with chores after breakfast and got in wood. I made chicken pie for dinner. We ate about 12:15. Arthur went up to see Mel and then went out to Judy's. We went down to Vernie's in pm. Dorice was there. Gerald's folks were here for lunch. *[Ma calls Sunday evening meal 'lunch', as it was just leftovers, not a planned meal.]* Watched TV and went to bed about 10:30. Frank and Betty Stevens were married Feb. 29. *[Perhaps that is Frank Burnham.]*
- 3/4/68 Fair, cold. Gerald went down to Wentworth with his logs am. Set over old mare's front shoes.
[T] Built fires about 6:30. Started to wash about 9. Put some white clothes outdoors. Gerald took his load of birch down to Wentworth. Washed Arthur's no-iron shirt and pants after dinner. Finished fixing a jersey dress. Gladys and David came about 15 of 4. We made corn chowder for supper. They went home about 6:30. Glenn and Gerald drew wood over to sugarplace. Sewed a little in evening and watched TV. Went to bed about 10:30.
- 3/5/68 Fair, stormy a little. Gerald went out at noon and got a haircut. We put in rest of wood over to sugar camp, shed almost full. Robert Moore over in woods pm about culvert for Archertown.
[T] Build kitchen fire about 6. Mixed up donuts and then made half a rule of plain donuts, came out good. We had some with syrup for dinner. Fried the others after dinner, 4 1/2 doz. Stitched some crazy work squares Ma made for Arthur. *[I bet these are in the quilt Ma gave us when we were married]* We went to School Meeting, over 200 there. Mel and Fifield went out for Peckham and Mullin were put in. Had a lot of arguing. We got home at 15 of 2.
- 3\6\68 Zero, fair, nice day. Gerald went down to Ply. and got a load of sawdust, the loaded up a load of logs for Lucille. I done chores, chopped ice out of waterbox and in front of it. Filled woodbox and split some wood. Gerald took tapping machine down and had them start it. Out to School Meeting last night home at 1:45 this morn. They put [Bayne] Peckham and [Arthur] Mullin on School board in place of Mel and Fifield.

- [T] We didn't get up till 7. Swept and got in rest of clothes and sprinkled starched things. Gerald went after sawdust. Edna and I picked over about 8 qts. of Joel beans this forenoon, then finished them, about 3 qts., after dinner. I stitched some more squares. Had a nap about an hour in the late pm. Read a little after supper then mended Gerald's heavy pants and watched TV.
- 3/7/68 Zero & 4 below, fair. Gerald went with Lucille's logs am. I done chores, winnowed a bu. of beans. Cut wood pm.
[T] Built fires at 7. [Notes] Mite Society here Glenn to St. with gas cans. Drew pulp, finished load, took it in pm.
- 3/8/68 Fair. Cutting wood. Art home about 4:30 pm.
Built fire at 6:30. Made bread before breakfast. Filled chunk woodbox and put some in kitchen box. Glenn has some cold today, first this winter. Made 3 loaves of bread, 26 big and 20 little donuts. Pieced out some more squares. Arthur came about 5. Took 10 donuts up to Mel for his birthday. Glenn, Edna and I started for Bradford about 7, went into National, A&P and Gould's. Got home at 9:30. I watched 2nd part of "Rise & Fall of Third Reich" till 11.
- 3/9/68 Fair, warmer. Cut a little wood am. Met with Roy Abbott, Everett, Walt, George and a man from Metal Culvert Co. out to Archertown bridge pm. Edna, Thed and I went up to Bradford last night. Moulton brought my sap pills last night. *[For a few years, folks put pills in the sap holes to help keep bacteria from growing.]*
[T] Built fire about 15 of 7. Arthur went to Concord with Judy, Clyde and Rosie after Wallace about 9. We got some things picked up for him to take back, is keeping house in a few rooms in Concord *[Fayette St.]* I made a big & small apple pie, big & little mince & big pineapple & did milk things. Glenn and Gerald cut wood after dinner. Glenn went out to look at a bridge and Gerald and Harry drew up the wood. I made a thin applesauce cake & raisin oatmeal cookies. Edna peeled apples for me. Took a bath after supper and Glenn & I went to the caucus at the Ville, about 14 there. We watched "Rise & Fall of Third Reich".
- 3/10/68 [S] Fair. Art helped do chores. Howard, Ricky and Kathy up today, Barbara sick. Gerald's folks up to supper. Art and Judy here to supper. Mel tapped some yesterday and today.
[T] Built kitchen fire about 6:30. Put pork shoulder on at 7. Arthur helped to do chores, then went out to St. Howard, Richard & Kathy came about 11:30. Barbara is sick. We had dinner about 12:30. Kathy didn't feel good at dinner but OK later. Howard, Carol and Janet went with Gerald to take a load of stove wood to George Coburn. Doris, Sheryl, Harry and Gene were here. All here for lunch, also Arthur and Judy. Howard took 12 qts. string beans and some Piccalilli. We watched TV. I saw all of "The Bridge on the River Kwai," lasted till after 12.
- 3/11/68 Fair, warm, cold wind. Cutting wood. Art went back last night.
[T] Built fire about 6:30. Built fire down cellar & started washing at 9:30. Put all but starched clothes on porch. Glenn and Gerald cut wood. Made 4 big brown breads for Town Meeting and a small one for us after dinner. Curled my hair and worked on squares for Arthur's quilt. Got most of clothes in after supper, about dry. Mended my brown dress gloves & one for Glenn. Watched TV. Went to bed about 9:30.
- 3\12\68 Rain and snow, about 4-5 inches. Out to Town Hall all day Home about 11:20, put Everett, George, Hazel, Frannie, Sunderhauf back in about all the same Voted to buy a new truck and let the State build a new bridge down in Archertown. Gerald didn't go to Town Meeting, cut bolt wood for himself.
[T] Town Meeting Day. Built kitchen fire at 6:15. Gerald isn't going to Town Meeting, so went with Glenn about 9:30. Got thru articles before 11:30, had dinner and then finished about 3. I took orders for 8 Grange cookbooks. Came home with Marian and Myrtle. Picked over some beans, then Edna and I ate & then she helped me finish most a pail full. Watched TV and

- mended some on a glove. Was starting to snow when we came home, still at it at 10:30, with east wind. Primary election today, Glenn got home at 11:20. Brod home 2 qts. of oysters they had left from supper.
- 3/13/68 Storm some. Gerald plowed some am. He took his bolt wood pm. We went to Bradford pm, got 100 big envelopes for Town.
[T] Built fire about 7. Filled both woodboxes after breakfast, swept and wrote letter to Dorice. Put bread into tins, had 4 loaves & we started for Bradford about 1. Got home at 4:30. Bread was ready to bake, had it on floor in front room. Heated up oysters. Finished up one glove and mended another one in eve. Watched TV. Went to bed about 10.
- 3/14/68 Cold this morn. Gerald went up to Woodsville to a corn meeting with George today. Winnowed beans am. Went out pm and unloaded surplus, had to wait two hours for him. Addressed 100 envelopes. Was going out to Office last night but Walt sick.
[T] Built fire at 6:30. Mrs. Leon Marsh wants 7 more cook books. Edna and I picked over beans a while this forenoon. Grain man bought a pound. Made 8 egg sandwiches to take to Mite Society at Shirley's. I walked up, came home with May. 6 there, we cut out a few squares for a quilt. Edna and I picked over a few beans after supper. Glenn and Gerald went to Fire meeting. I cut top ruffles of red and white checked curtains Lucy gave me to put over kitchen windows.
- 3/15/68 4 below. Went up on Heights to see about cutting some wood but too much snow. Went over in sugarplace and cut wood pm. Out to fire meeting last night.
[T] Built fire at 6:30. Roasted beef for dinner. Made choc 1 1/2 rule [*probably cake*] and choc. pudding. Gerald had dinner with us. Edna and I picked over some beans this forenoon. Richard and Dot called this pm, left packages for Judy's shower.
- 3\16\68 Fair, warmer. Went over and tapped most 200 am. Went over pm and starter spring busted, went down to Shortt's and got new spring put in, \$4.45. Edna went down to Vernie's a few minutes. Went over and put out buckets, about 408 in all today. Broke some roads. Got tanks out and shoveled out for tank on hill. Harry out tonight and got a bu. taters.
[T] Built fire at 6:30. Fixed beans and made bread before breakfast. Arthur went to Hanover this forenoon for Mel. Glenn, Gerald and the kids tapped some this forenoon. Arthur helped in pm. Glenn had to get tapper fixed so Edna stayed with Vernie. Arthur tore a pair of his dress pants today, I mended them in pm. I cleaned from right of living room door around corner to first door before dinner. Edna got dinner. Had 4 loaves of bread. They put out 400 buckets today, some run good. I ironed 2 white shirts for Arthur after supper. Mended 2 gloves while we watched TV. My 12 cookbooks came today.
- 3/17/68 [S] Rain. Rain last night and today. Art helped do chores. Drawed orders and wrote in diary. Gerald had a flat tire last night, took my car to take Doris out to party for Helen Wilson.
[T] Got up at 7, took a bath before breakfast. Arthur helped do the chores and got in wood, then went out to Judy's. We had steak for dinner about 12:30, then Glenn gave out surplus. Gene and Carol stayed here while the rest went to Korpela's to look for a calf for Harry. We watched an Irish program on TV in pm. Harry is going to have a six-months heifer for \$60. Doris and kids, Ruth, Dale and Sharon were here in evening. Ruth ordered a cookbook. Watched TV and went to bed about 10:30. Arthur isn't going back tonight.
- 3\18\68 Rain, warm. water came into little silo fed all we can last night about a foot and a half of silage left [*Never fixed, so that rain continued to come in during heavy winter rains.*] Went out to Grange. Got car so it would run. Had new distributor cap, points and condenser and wiper blades \$14.70. Went up and paid tax on car truck, tractors and Art's car, \$27.24. Gerald tinkered around and took a load of hay down home. Gerald's folks went down to Korpela's yesterday and bought a heifer calf for Harry, came in Sept., \$60.00.
[T] We all got up at 6. Arthur left at 6:05. Started to wash a little past 9. Put all but starched ones on porch. Curled my hair and made a jelly roll for Pomona in pm. Gerald fixed my

jewelry box in pm. Picked up kindling down cellar, started to clean out middle section in forenoon and after dinner. Gladys and David called a few minutes in pm. Went to Pomona at Max Robinson's, 14 there. Got home about 20 of 11, foggy in places. Ordered 12 more cookbooks. Glenn went to Garage in forenoon, had new distributor cap put on car. Glenn and Gerald put out more buckets today.

- 3/19/68 Cloudy, sprinkled a little. Went up to Max Robinson's to Pomona Grange last night, 14 there. Went over and tapped some today. We got out a little over 400.
[T] Built fire at 6:30. Edna swept. I set out begonia slip Max gave me, one red-leaved one for Edna and a glad bulb. Cleaned from right of front door to shed door. Had a letter from Agnes. Stitched some squares in pm, was sleepy so slept about an hour on the couch. Glenn went to the Office tonight. Doris and kids, Ruth, Sharon and boys were in in eve. Gerald, Dale and Harry went after Harry's calf tonight. Glenn and Gerald tapped about 400 today.
- 3\20\68 Foggy, warm. George, Walt and I went up to Whitefield to Tax Commissioner's meeting today. Had dinner at the school where we had the meeting, \$2.00 for dinner. Gerald cut wood some today. I left home at 8:40 and got home at 5:30. Out to Office last night and got Town Reports and Inventories ready to send out.
[T] Built fire at 6:30. Glenn left before 9 to go to Whitefield with Walter and George to Tax Commission meeting. I washed milk things at barn. Made applesauce. Cleaned from shed door to cupboard this forenoon. Curled my hair after dinner then washed the milk tank and played in the mud a little. *[Ma liked to make little ditches out back so the water would run off in the spring.]* Pieced out 12 squares and made macaroni & cheese for supper. Glenn got home at 5:30. Barb called tonight. I went with Ken and Evelyn up to Mona's in Bradford to a shower for Judy. 12 beside her, she got a lot of nice things. Glenn and Edna went to Marj. with things for Calvin and Kathy's shower. Cleaned cellar door and behind stove in am.
- 3/21/68 Fair, warm. Truck wouldn't start this morn, let it down the hill, then towed it back up with tractor. Gerald tried it about 11:30 and it started. Split some wood, filled woodbox. Cut up some old stuff down cellar. Thed went to Bradford with Ken and Evelyn to shower for Judy. Edna and I went down to Marjorie's. Took down some stuff for Calvin and Kathy. Went down to see Dot about fixing Thed's hair, stopped at Vernie's a minute.
[T] Built fire about 6:30. Washed dishes and swept and cleaned rest of kitchen, all of end by sink. Doris and Sheryl up in am. Truck wouldn't start in morning but did about noon so Gerald took a load of logs for Lucille in pm. Sewed on on squares a little.
- 3/22/68 Rain some. Gerald went over am and cut a little wood. Cut up hams and bacon. We went out to Fairlee and Bradford, went to see about another truck but no truck. Art came home tonight. Thed made 5 doz. donuts for Mel today. My back broke over left hip. *[Huh??]*
[T] Build fire about 15 of 7. Wiped dishes and swept. Got letter from Francis and Evelyn. After dinner Glenn split some more kindling down cellar and I put in big boxes and we got the middle part of the cellar all cleaned up and I swept down cobwebs. Arthur came up thru Lebanon and called from St. about 5. Made big mess of bread. Made 5 doz donuts for Mel and 10 for us and 3 small bread. *[These must have been raised donuts, to dip in syrup, as they were made from bread dough.]* Cleaned pantry from kitchen around to end of shelves, all but under bottom shelf.
- 3/23/68 Cloudy, misty. Gerald, Art and kids tapping. They got about 600 tapped today until it rained and drove them home. I finished up chores. Thed and I went to Bradford to dinner put on by Cabot, had roast pork.
[T] Built a fire about 6:15. Took a bath and curled my hair a little, fixed beans and mixed a small batch of Jim Jams before breakfast. Edna got breakfast. Had about 50 cookies, Edna fixed them. Changed bed, washed milk things, wrapped small package for Irene for her birthday. We left for Bradford for Milk Producers Assoc. dinner about 11:30. Had roast pork, potato, vegetables, rolls and pie & ice cream. Meeting after. Did some shopping in A&P and

- got home about 4:30. Arthur, Gerald and kids put out about 600 buckets, rained about 3 and they had to quit. Mended part of a glove as watched TV. Ironed 2 white shirts for Arthur. Went to bed about 10:30. Saw 6 robins today.
- 3/24/68 [S] Cold, windy, snow some. Edna and Thed went down to see Della with Bob and Nellie. Left here at 7:30 and home at 7:30. We went over and put up smokestack and set back pan down on arch. Tapped about 200 more. Art left after got chores done this morn. Went out pm and had Edith Quimby sign papers.
[T] Got up at five and built kitchen fire. We had breakfast at 7 & Edna and I were ready when Bob & Nellie came. Started at 20 of 8., stopped for coffee and got to Mabel's about 11:30. She gave me some clothes. Edna took us to dinner. Got up to Della's at 1:30, stayed till 4. Mabel came up, gave me 100 small glad bulbs. Della seemed quite good, visited with us good. Got home 25 of 8. Gerald went to chimney fire at Chet Greenly's right after we got home. Bob & Nellie had lunch with us, went home about 9:30.
- 3/25/68 Warmer. Went up and dad 3 more teeth out am. Gerald cut a little wood. Chain saw wouldn't run. Took tapper out to Saladino but he didn't get it fixed. Took chain saw down to Aaron's but didn't get it fixed. Art went back to Concord this morn.
[T] Got up at 6. Glenn pushed Arthur to get his car started at 6:15. I did milk things at barn. Glenn left for dentist about 9:30. Didn't have a very big washing. Put all but starched ones on porch. Glenn had out 3 lower teeth, got home at 12:30, waited for tapper but they hadn't got it fixed. Gerald cut wood and bushes. Glenn took chain saw to W. Rumney, gone all pm but hadn't got it fixed. I got in wood, stitched a few squares & fixed 15 more. Glenn went to Office tonight. I pieced out 26 squares in evening.
- 3/26/68 Fair, warmer. Gerald's water stopped this morn. He got it fixed after breakfast. Took Thed down to Dot's to have hair fixed. Edna down to Vernie's. Didn't have chain saw fixed. Went out and got tapper and a belt for water pup down cellar. Went over pm and out out about 80 more buckets. Tapper quit again. Went down and got Thed and Edna. Chain saw not fixed.
[T] Built fire about 6:15. Did milk things at barn. We started for W. Rumney about 9:30. Edna stayed with Vernie and I went to Dot's and she gave me a "Toni."
- 3/27/68 Fair, nice day. Helped Gerald gather 3 tanks am. He got 4 more pm. I made 9 gals pm. Irene Chase was operated on for slipped disc.
[T] Built fire about 6:30. My stomach feels better. I swept, wrote letter to the Sonnechsons, missionaries in Germany, and to Della. Glenn and Gerald gathered 3 tanks of sap in am. Gerald gathered 4 tanks in pm & Glenn made 9 gal. We had some new syrup, is "fancy." Glenn and I went over to Richard's tonight. Irene Chase had an operation for a slipped disc in Hanover today.
- 3/28/68 Fair. Gerald gathered 7 tanks sap today. I made 22 gals. Went over to Richard's a few minutes last night. Tony Perry had operation for ulcer today.
[T] Built fire about 6:20. Put up Glenn's dinner before breakfast, made bread after. Did milk things at barn. Made vanilla wafers for Mite Society. Put bread in tins after dinner and made 12 twisted donuts, *[the way she made her raised donuts, rolling them out in a 'rope' and laying one end over the other before frying. Don't remember ever hearing her call them 'twisted donuts.']* had 3 loaves and a little round one. Just May, Eleanor and Mrs. Gibbs, met at Eleanor's. Gerald gathered 7 tanks of sap alone today, Glenn made 22 gal. Tony Perry had an operation for duodenal ulcer in Hanover today.
- 3/29/68 Rain a little all day. Gerald went to Lebanon, not home until about 4:30. Peterson over to sugarplace pm. *[I think this is the secretary of the NHMPA.]* Louie and Jean *[Gratz]* over to camp pm. Made 19 gals. Thed dug some parsnips today.
[T] Built fire about 6:30. Put up Glenn's dinner before breakfast, canned 7 gal. syrup. Did milk things at barn. Ted Marston here to see Glenn. Gerald went to Lebanon after he got the chores done. Bug some parsnips at noon, ground wasn't frozen. Rudolph Peterson went over

- to sugarplace and visited a while. Filled kitchen woodbox. Louie, Jean and “Becky” went over to sugarplace. Edna and I ironed in late pm. Gerald didn’t get home until about 4:30. Glenn made 19 gal., at home about 7.
- 3/30/68 Fair, nice day. They gathered all over it today, got 9 tanks. Made 21 gals. Went up to Bradford last night. Art canned syrup am. They loaded up a load of bedding and Bud came down and got it. Some women came and got a gal. of syrup today. George Coburn came and got 6 gals. syrup pm.
[T] Built fire about 6. Made bread. Arthur helped do chores, kids helped gather sap. Glenn took his dinner. Arthur canned syrup. A woman got 1 gal. Edna fixed apples for two pies and I made a big pumpkin and a little one. Made some vanilla wafers for Arthur. He helped gather sap in pm. They got 9 tanks today. George Colburn got 6 gals. syrup tonight. Had 3 1/2 bread. Glenn made 21 gal. Arthur milked. Glenn, Gerald, Larry and Eddie went to Forest Fire supper and meeting at N. Haverhill. Edna and I watched TV. Went to bed about 10:30.
- 3/31/68 [S] Fair, froze last night. Gerald, Larry, Eddie and I went up to N. Haverhill to supper and Warden’s meeting last night, Art milked. Art helped do chores this morn. I went over and began boiling at 10:30, done at 5:30, 19 gals. Thed and Jean Gratz over pm.
[T] Got up at 6:15. Put up Glenn’s dinner to go to sugarplace. Arthur helped do chores, then went out to Judy’s. Ironed three white shirts for Arthur. Edna and I had lunch about noon. Read a while. Walked over to sugarplace with Jean & “Becky” about 3. She took pictures outside and inside the sugarhouse. Glenn got home about 5:30. Marjorie and Vernon were up a little while in evening. Arthur and Judy out a little while in evening.
- 4/1/68 Rain this morn, colder pm. Out listing all day. Dr. Chickering down and doctored bull’s hind foot – foot rot. Gerald cleaned out calf pen, canned syrup pm.
[T] Rain hard. Got up at 5:30, built fire at 6. Arthur left at 6:10. Put up Glenn’s dinner and he left to start listing about 9:15. I washed, put all but starched ones on porch. Edna made parsnip chowder for dinner. Dr. Chickering came down after dinner and fixed bull’s feet, has foot rot. Sheryl was up all pm. Gerald canned syrup. I planted one pkg. of one kind of aster and 1/2 pkg. of another and pkg. of tomato seed this afternoon. Got in some wood.
- 4/2/68 20 above this morn, froze good. Out listing all day. Gerald took syrup over to Richard: 6 gal., 8 1/2 gal.; 13 qts. and 12 pts. He went down to Ireland’s and got a load of sawdust. Too windy to unload so he went over to sugarplace, said sap was running good.
[T] Fair. Woke up at one and didn’t go to sleep till after 4:30, got up about 6:30. Put up Glenn’s dinner and he went listing. Set out 3 red-leaved begonias and 3 white ones and planted red, white and blue asters. Gerald took some syrup over to Richard and got a load of sawdust. Sap in running good this pm. Arthur came home just before supper, is going to Littleton for interview tomorrow. *[Probably for WMRHS job, as SAU was in Littleton.]* Worked a little on ruffles for kitchen window.
- 4/3/68 Fair, nice day. Helped Gerald gather 2 tanks, then went to boiling. He got 4 more tanks sap. Made 17 gals.
[T] Fair. Built fire about 6. Put up Glenn’s dinner. He helped Gerald gather 2 tanks of sap, then started boiling. I washed living room and bedroom curtains, windows, all paint but mopboards in bedroom. Did living room light, clock globe and pictures on shelf. We ironed in pm and I put up ruffles on kitchen windows. Gerald gathered 4 tanks of sap alone. Glenn made 17 gal. Sheryl got her arm burned with hot tea, went to Dr.
- 4/4/68 Rain this morn. Gerald done some horseshoeing am. He got 4 tanks sap pm. I made 15 gals. Gerald finished unloading sawdust.
[T] Rain am, partly cloudy pm. Woke up at 1:30, didn’t go to sleep till after 2. Read an hour in bathroom, got up at 6. Arthur left at 6:10. Built fires. Glenn took his dinner to sugarplace about 10. Picked up some in front room, swept living room and Edna did kitchen. Had a nap in

- pm, didn't do much. Made half a rule of soft ginger cookies in late pm. Gerald gathered 4 tanks of sap in pm, don't run. Had supper at 5:30. Went to Grange, 15 there with Dorice and Ernest. Harry brot syrup and Dot raised donuts. We practiced the 3rd degree we have to do at No. Haverhill. Edna helped me put ruffle over sink.
- 4/5/68 Fair. Gerald went over an finished gathering am, one tank. Made 9 gals, cleaned up tank and strainers, home about 3 pm. Harry brought syrup and donuts for Grange last night.
[T] Cloudy, windy. Got up at 5, built fire about 6. Put up Glenn's dinner and they went to sugarplace. Gerald got one tank, all there was. Cleaned cupboard over refrigerator and put linoleum on bottom. Cleaned off long shelf in pantry too. Glenn and Gerald put woodbox down cellar [*from living room.*] Gerald had dinner with us. Irene Chase came home from hospital today.
- 4/6/68 Fair, cold, 14 above. Froze good this morn. Went down to Vernie's last night. Gerald moved 2 load of hay for young cattle. He took a load of logs down home. Sent 2 gals. syrup for Rowley and 6 qts. to Florida. Gerald took H tractor down to Paige to have frame on shovel welded, went down and got him. He put up what syrup we had here. Took Thed up to see Gale. Gerald went over to sugarplace, not running much.
[T] Cloudless day. Built fires at 6:30, fixed beans before breakfast, made bread after. Made a big lemon pie and a cherry, did milk things, etc. Arthur helped do chores, then went out to Judy's. Edna made a kettle of applesauce. Glenn sent 2 gals. of syrup to Rowley and 6 qts. to Florida. Gerald took "H" down to Paige's to be welded and then they canned syrup. I made 15 spice cupcakes & drop cookies for Arthur. We went up to Gale's a few minutes in late pm.
- 4/7/68 [S] 14 above, froze good. Split some wood, put load of chunks down cellar. Went over to see if sap was running, some of them running good.
[T] Partly cloudy, frosty. Got up about 5:30, built fire at 6:30. Had breakfast about 8. Arthur helped with chores, filled woodbox, then went out to Judy's. I dug more parsnips. We had dinner about 12. Looked over papers and read awhile. Doris and Sheryl up in pm. Hazel and Les out a little while. Gerald's folks here for lunch. Glenn went to sugarplace before dinner, some trees running good. Watched TV in eve. I went to be about 9. Richmond was out and got 2 gal. and 3 1/2 gals. Young couple from Conn. got quart and 1 1/2 pound sugarcakes.
- 4/8/68 Fair, nice day, 20 above. Sap run some. Helped Gerald gather 2 tanks, then began to boil. Made 15 gals. He gathered 5 1/2 tanks more.
[T] Cloudy, showery. Got up at 10 of 6. Arthur left a little while past 6. Glenn took his dinner and they went to sugarplace about 9:45. Washed and put all but starched clothes outdoors. All done before noon. Had a shower about 1:30, got clothes in, about dry. Sewed a little. Raked around roses and pulled grass out of Daffodils and lilies. Gerald gathered 7 1/2 tanks of sap alone today. Glenn made 15 gals., a good "A." The boys helped do chores. Had supper about 6. Watched TV. I finished watching a movie, went to bed about 11.
- 4/9/68 Fair. Went up and had out 3 more teeth, \$14.00. Edna and Thed up with me, home a little after one. Gerald boiled am, got 3 tanks sap pm. Made 17 gals. today.
[T] Mostly fair, gusty wind. Got up about 6, wind sure blows by spells. Found Glenn's good wool pants out on snow fence, were hung up on porch. We did work. Left for Bradford about 10:15. Put some money in Arthur's checking account. Edna and I shopped, got 16 piece set of dishes for Frank and Betty's shower [Burnham.] Had lunch in Chimes. Glenn had 3 teeth out. Got home at 1. Gerald made about 8 gals. this forenoon, then gathered 3 tanks in am. Glenn made about 9 gals. Got some snow by Leighton's fence and Edna and I made _lbs. Sugarcakes. Glenn got 4 gal., 1 half-gal. and 2 qts. syrup ready to ship. Got letter from Jeannette [Hays] with check for \$25 to get gift for Arthur and Judy and a letter from Helen.
- 4/10/68 Fair. Gerald gathered 3 tanks sap am, last time. Made 12 gals today, got it all in pan. Gerald went down and got tractor at Paige's and went down to Shortts' and got another chainsaw to use; he hasn't got my saw fixed yet.

- [T] Few clouds, windy, fair. Got up at 20 to 6. Glenn took his dinner and they went over to sugarplace. Made about 3 1\2 lbs. maple cream. Gladys and David over and got milk. Wrote card to Barbara Shortt, letter to Arthur and letter to Jeanette. Made about 4 lbs. sugarcakes in pm. Had sugar on snow for Gerald, Doris and kids. Edna and I ironed. Harvey Washburn out to get 2 half-gal. of syrup. Glenn made 12 gal. Gerald got 3 tanks of sap, all done, spiles dry. Gerald got tractor in pm. Mended a little, went to bed about 9:30
- 4/11/68 Fair, about 2 1/2 inches snow this morn. Got some syrup ready to mail am. Gerald put new _____ on Bug and tinkered around am. He cut wood pm. I cleaned up pan, made 6 gal. 181 gals in all.
- [T] Spitting snow at 5:15, ground white at 6. Got up at 5:15, snowed about an hour, got several dishes full and put in freezer. All gone at noon. Made up my donuts about 9:30. Wrote to Helen. Started to cut out donuts about 2, made over 100. Glenn boiled this pm, made 6 gal. all done, 181 gal. this year. Doris came up about 7 and helped fry donuts. She, Edna and I watched a movie of the Lebanon fire, 20 firemen here, 2 from Hanover.
- 4/12/68 Fair, hot. Out and finished listing today. Gerald cut wood am. He took Doris and kid up to Dr. pm. 20 Firemen here last night, Doris helped Thed.
- [T] Fair, frosty. Got up at 6:15, built fire at 6:30, did usual work. Glenn took his dinner and went listing. They finished listing today. Gerald cut wood in am, went to Bradford in pm. Edna and I ironed. She has cold and don't feel very good. Glenn and I went to Bradford tonight, got a G.E. steam & dry iron & a metal ironing board for \$25 for Arthur and Judy from Gardner and Jeanette.
- 4/13/68 Fair, hot nice day. Got most of buckets picked up today. Kids helped pick up buckets. Vern Bixby over am and got a gal. of syrup. Timmy here and got 4 gal. syrup today. Thed and I went to Bradford last night and got an ironing board and iron for Art & Judy. Hays sent \$25.00 for them.
- [T] Hazy. Got up at 5:30, built fire at 6. Saw 2 Lace Sps. [*Sparrows?*] Arthur went out to Judy's about 9. Glenn, Gerald and kids picked up buckets. I sent a small box of sugarcakes to Bertha and some to Gardner's folks, wrote a short letter to Bertha. Did usual work. Dug parsnips and horseradish for Amon. Edna's nose runs like time today, laid down a little while in pm. Aunt Clara [Pease], Emile and Whihelmina called and went to Vernie's and called again. Made 1 1\2 rules of filled cookies, took a bath. Glenn and I went to shower at Grange hall for Frank and Betty and he called benefit dance at Wentworth after. I stayed at Vernie's. Dorice came home with us at 1. Jennie had 2 black, 1 dark tiger & 1 light tiger or Maltese in late p.m.
- 4/14/68 [S] Fair, nice day. Art helped do chores this morn. Took 6 gal. to Ken Witcher. Bing Hastie up and got 4 gals. pm. Dot Marsh got a bu. of taters. Gerald dug ditch for water pipe today.
- [T] Hazy. Got up at 6:45. Arthur helped do chores. Roasted beef and made biscuits for shortcake. Edna got strawberries. Glenn took more syrup over to Richard this forenoon. We had dinner about 1. Put the black plastic in shed that was over silage. Mr. and Mrs. Hastie got 4 gals. syrup and Dorothy Marsh got a bu. of potatoes. Don called and talked with Glenn in evening. Edna went to bed before 8, the rest of us about 9:30.
- 4/15/68 Cloudy am, rain pm. Out to Office all day. Gerald and boys picked up rest of buckets and took down banking. He cleaned out calf pen and tinkered pm.
- [T] Partly cloudy. Got up at 5:15, built fire at 6. Arthur left at 6:05. Glenn took his dinner to the Office today. Edna washed bedroom and living room floor. Dorice helped pick up and get things ready for Pomona tonight. I made a double rule, with coffee cup, of plain donuts, had 67. Sent Irene a birthday card and wrote a short letter to Olive Rowley. Made another big rule of donuts in pm, had 76. Curled my hair. We had supper about 5:30. Mixed up about 2 qts. of flour into biscuit, had 60. Glenn brot folding chairs from Town Hall.

- 4/16/68 Fair. Gerald and boys went out to Tullar's and got a load of elm wood am. He and I went out pm and got load of maple and elm.
[T] Cloudy, windy. Got up a 10 of 6. Edna and Dorice did dishes. I started to wash about 9:45. Ethel and Vernie came about 10:15 to take Dorice to Dr. Edna went too. Put white clothes outdoors before dinner, got them in about 1, put starched ones, rugs on porch. Gerald and the boys got a load of elm wood at George's in am, Glenn and Gerald a load in pm. Got my dishes all taken care of in pm. Windy, clothes dried quick. Gladys and David over for milk in evening. We watched TV. All went to bed before 9.
- 4/17/68 Fair, nice day. Gerald took Whitefaced cow up to have dressed am. Got some plank loaded on trailer to take over to sugarplace. Gerald's folks up to dinner, had boiled dinner. Washed about 1050 buckets pm, Doris helped, Thed over and helped a while *[and the kids put the buckets out to dry.]*
[T] Clear. Got up before 5:30, built fire about 6. Dorice, Edna and I fixed vegetables for boiled dinner, dug parsnips and used canned beets. Gerald took cow up to be dressed this am. Doris and the kids went over to wash buckets, I walked over later, helped about an hour. Did 1050 this pm. Walked home. My stomach don't feel very good tonight, guess the boiled dinner isn't good for me. I went to bed before 9.
- 4/18/68 Fair. Finished washing buckets am, Doris helped, 600. Gerald's folks here to dinner. Went out pm and unloaded surplus. Gerald and boys put bucket in, 1645. Got up fixed up over there and canned 2 milk cans syrup. Gerald put wheelharrow back together and harrowed a little below house.
[T] Fair. Got up about 5:30. Dorice chopped a lot of hash and I ironed this forenoon. Doris and the kids helped finish buckets, 600. 1645 buckets in all. All here for dinner. I made a fruit cobbler from Grange book, good. Glenn unloaded food and Gerald & boys put in buckets, then he harrowed at end of house and Glenn canned syrup. Went to Grange, 13 with Dorice and Ernest, she went home with him. My stomach is O.K. by spells.
- 4/19/68 Fair. Took Edna home, had dinner at Woodville. At Dr.'s at 1:30, home about 4 pm. Sal went home with Ernest from Grange last night. Gerald and Harry got a load of sawdust at Rumney. Gene and Carol unloaded some of it and Gerald harrowed below house and barn.
[T] Fair. Got up at 6:15. Edna finished her packing and she and Glenn left at 10. Changed my plants around a little. Wrapped iron & board & covers. Worked on Irene's blue dress jacket for tomorrow. Gerald got a load of sawdust, he and Harry harrowed the field at end of house this afternoon. Hemmed and pressed my dress and Glenn's gray suit pants after supper. Glenn got home about 4., had lost 1 1/2 lbs. Washed my hair in evening. Arthur and Dick Sellers came about 9 and went right to bed. I went at 10. My stomach hasn't felt right today.
- 4/20/68 Fair. Gerald and I harrowed below house am. Out to Art's wedding pm. Helen came up and came out here to supper. Howard, Barb and Kathy stayed to supper.
[T] Fair a.m., cloudy p.m. Got up at 5:30 & Arthur about 6:30. Curled my hair before breakfast. Arthur & Dick *[Sellers]* took wedding cake out to St. with Glenn's car, then changed their clothes and left about 10:30. Took 2 pictures of them. Took a bath before dinner. My stomach was O.K. by noon. Glenn and I left for the wedding about 1:30. Howard, Barb & Kathy & Helen came for wedding. About 80 there. Took quite a few pictures. Called at Hazel's. Howard's folks and Helen had supper with us. We left for N. Haverhill at 7. Bill and I were assistants in 3rd degree, got along O.K. Saw Norma and Alice Jessman, 13 from Mt. Cube. Got home about 12.
- 4\21\68 [S] Cloudy Boys helped me finish chores am. Split some wood. Got some pork ready to take over to Richard. Picked over a mess of papers, wrote in diary. Art and Judy here about 1 p.m. They stayed down to White River at Coolidge Hotel last night. They had breakfast at Green Lantern in Hanover. Went up to North Haverhill to District meeting last night, 14 there, 13 from Mt. Cube. Gerald's folks up here to supper.

- [T] Had breakfast about 9. Were almost ready to eat about 1 when Arthur and Judy came but weren't hungry. Took the ironing board. Glenn took salt pork over to Richard in pm. Gerald's folks up for lunch and sugar on snow after. Made over 20 lbs. sugar in evening. Morrill got 3 gal. syrup tonight. Watched a little T, went to bed about 9.
- 4\22\68 Cloudy, fair. Gerald went up and got beer, home at 10:30. Richard over at 10:30, began cutting up beer about 11 am. All cut up at 3:30. Thed done most of it all up. I helped finish it up. Gerald picked stone down here below house and dug up end of pipe from dry well. White cow with black spot left side of tail sick tonight. Got a letter from Alice Currier and they want 12 gal. syrup [*Alice was Ma's niece, married to Jess Currier's son Norman. They lived near Mobile, AL.*]
- [T] P. cloudy. Got up at 6:45. Gerald went after beef after breakfast. Richard came over at 10:30. Washed and put clothes all outdoors. Washed my spread that Ma made. Wrapped most of meat in pm. Richard got thru about 3:45. Gerald picked stone at end of house. Got clothes all in before supper, were nice and dry. Watched TV a little while, went to bed about 9:30. Had a letter from Alice Currier, they want 12 gal. of syrup.
- 4/23/68 Fair, colder. Went over to Richard's am and got hamburg and cubed steak. Gerald dug some down by road where pipe from dry well comes out. It is frozen and plugged. Everett and Wilbur down about 11:30. Gerald went out and got gas and 2 lengths of pipe for dry well. Done up hamburg.
- [T] Thin clouds. Got up at 5:30, built fire at 6:30. Got other kettle of soup on cooking. Wrote to Edna, send card to Vernon Perkins. Hackenson here, got 6 gal. syrup. Everett Hansen and Wilbur Phjillips ate their dinner here, then they looked around up in field to see about drainage pipes. Glenn got hamburg at Richard's in forenoon. Picked over 2 kettles of soup in pm. Marked hamburg. Picked over last kettle of soup after supper and washed up greasy dishes. Glenn went out to Office. Harry was out and got a bushel of potatoes. Got a letter from Judy and a card from Dorice. Washed 3 begonias, put two upstairs. Jennie caught a mouse upstairs.
- 4\24\68 Rain all day. Went out to Office last night but Walt forgot all about it. Walt out am. Harry Wheeler our am a few minutes. Put up rest of syrup and washed 5 milk cans. Gerald made 2 crates to hold 6 gal. syrup each for Norman Currier He took it out and sent it from Chapman's by Greyhound bus \$22.50 to send 12 gal. weighed 167 both crates. Thed made and canned 22 qts. soup today. Dr. Chickering down last night, put magnet in white cow with black spot on left side of tail. \$12.00
- [T] Showery am, rain hard all pm and eve. Built fire at 10 of 7. Made bread after breakfast. Hade 4 loaves. Walter was out awhile. Fixed turnip, carrots, onions and potatoes all forenoon for soup, had my big canner most full. Canned 22 qts, had pint left. Gerald made 2 crates for the 12 gal. of syrup for Alice Currier in am, took out to Fairlee in pm. Glenn canned rest of syrup. I did dishes, that was about all. Gladys and David got milk tonight. Doris was up and sewed a little. Glenn gave out surplus.
- 4/25/68 Fair. Gerald, Doris, Sheryl, Thed and I went to Barre to look at trucks today. Sold Howard Hall a cow tonight, \$200.00. Hook's folks brought three heifers down tonight. She called last night. We are going to milk them. Got rid of surplus last night.
- [T] P. cloudy. Built fire at 20 past 6. Wrote letter to Alice and card to Barb. Glenn & I, Gerald, Doris and Sheryl started for Barre about 10:30. Waits River is high. Quite a few cattle out, grass is quite green. Had dinner, then we went into 10 cent stores and waited most 4 hrs. for them. Couldn't find a truck. Howard Hall bought a cow, \$200 & ____ Hook sent her heifer down for Glenn to keep & milk. I ironed after supper, Glenn went to Office. Went to bed about 9:30.
- 4\26\68 Fair. Went up and got 4 more teeth out, \$17.00. Felt mean all pm. Gerald fixed up ditch from dry well am. He went and got a load of ash for stakes and split them pm. Reg. cow had a heifer calf last night. Out to office last night.

- [T] P. cloudy. Got up about 5:30, built fire about 6. Did up work and we left for Bradford about 10. Did shopping while Glenn had out last 4 under teeth. We got home at 1. I ate lunch, he ate in Bradford. Transplanted about 70 tomatoes & about 80 asters in pm. Glenn feels miserable, had Mertical and an egg nog for supper and went to bed about 8:30. Had a letter from Edna, cards from May, Mary Smith, Dorice and Ernest.
- 4/27/68 Rain some most all day. Gerald changed oil in both tractors and Dodge, got a new filter for Dodge, put new filters in tractors. I loaded up old stuff in barn floor. Bud came down and got it. Took Thed out to St. to rummage sale a while pm.
[T] Cloudy, showers. Got up at 6, changed my bed before breakfast. Did dishes, then made pumpkin and mince pies. Did milk things. Glenn took me to rummage sale at Firehouse about 1, got 11 hankies, black figured shirt for aprons and green cloth for apron, 45 cents. Doris and kids came home with us. Made cake from Grange book and put "canned" choc. frosting on it. We were about ready to go to Vernie's when Arthur and Judy came, so didn't go. Watched TV and went to bed about 10:30. Glenn feels better today.
- 4/28/68 [S] Fair, cool, 24 this morn. Forest, Ed and Phil Allen here to dinner. Forest took 3 gals. Syrup. Gerald dug ditch for water pipe today. Gladys and David over pm, has some sugar on snow. Art and Judy here a little while last night. They went back to Concord am.
[T] Frosty, fair. Got up at 5:30, built fire at 6:30. Took a bath before breakfast. Did up work, roasted beef, dug parsnips. Arthur and Judy called at 10:30 on way to Concord. Forrest, Edwin and Mr. Allen came about 11. We had dinner about 12:15. They left about 3, got 3 gal syrup. Gladys and David over. Had sugar on snow, made 2 3/4 lbs. sugar in tow cakes. Went down to Vernie's in evening. She and Dorice gave me a dark dress, Gladys a dish towel and Edna 6 wash cloths. *[Ma was 62 today.]*
- 4/29/68 Fair. Gerald out to Tullar's today. I just pattered around. We went down to Vernie's last night.
[T] Frosty, clear, white clouds. Built fire at 6:45. Brot 3 geraniums up from cellar. Gerald is helping George fence today. I washed, did my spread and spread, sheets and pillow cases from Arthur's bed. Got in all but last colored ones about 2. Had cards from Francis, Evelyn & Irene and Winnie. Bug grass and weeds out of garden about an hour in pm. Glenn, Walter and George went to meeting in Bradford tonight. Looked over my jewelry boxes.
- 4\30\68 Fair, cold, 24 above. Gerald out to Tullar's. Walt, George and I went up to Hale's store in Bradford last night to a meeting about ambulance service. Went up to Blake's to look at truck, don't want it. Got a hair cut, had car greased.
[T] 5 of the young cattle went up over the wall helped Glenn get them back in three went down the road Doris drove them back
[T] P. cloudy. Built fire about 6:15. Bertha and Harry got a gal of syrup this forenoon. 5 of the young cattle went up over the wall, helped Glenn get them back in, then they went down the road. Doris drove them back. Gerald is helping George fence today. Made dressing and got turkey in the oven at 1:45, did dishes, fixed potatoes, onions and dug some parsnips. Glenn went to Bradford and got a haircut. Had supper about 5:30. Doris brot "Whoopie Pies."
- 5/1/68 Fair. Gerald out to Tullar's. Thed and I went to Wt. River and Leb, saw just one truck, don't want it. Out to Office last night. Dr. Chick down and cleaned cow last night.
[T] P. cloudy. Built fire about 6:30. Did usual work. Washed milk things at barn, tank too. Gerald is helping George fence. Glenn and I left for White River about 11 to look for truck. Had dinner at a diner in White River. Went to Rockdale a few minutes. Went over to Ernest's and Dorice about 1\2 hr. Got a few things at A&P. Got home about 4:30. Gerald had supper here. Doris is helping on the athletic banquet at school. Children went too, Ruth G. had Sheryl. My head has ached a little all day. Glenn took off 5 front storm windows in pm.

- 5\2\68 Fair. They brought out 6 1\2 ton of lime with grain. Put 3 ton in my truck, took 3 1\2 ton over to Ralph Mack's camp. I went over pm and put lime on. Put 12 bags on little piece up back of house. Gerald out to Tullar's. Everett and Wilbur down pm and marked out for tile drainage. [T] Built fire about 6:30. They came with grain and lime at 8:15, took part of it over to Gratz. Wrote long letter to Edna. Gerald is helping George fence. Glenn spread lime at Gratz in pm. I cleaned off the tables in back room & put some geraniums & part of the tomato plants. Went to Grange, 20 with Dorice and Ernest. 4 mothers and 6 4-H girls modeled the dresses they had made, goo. Had ice cream, cookies, coffee and punch, got home about 11.
- 5\3\68 Fair. Got sawrig out and set up to sharpen stakes. Took 2 1\2 ton lime down to Ed Ray's pm. Took chains off Dodge [Lucy] and went down to Rays and put on lime pm and washed out spreader. Gerald sharpened about 100 stakes pm.
[T] Hazy, partly cloudy. Got up at 6, built fire at 6:30. Picked over magazines in Arthur's room this forenoon. Glenn and Gerald took lime to W. Rumney before dinner. Had birthday card from Barbara. Glenn took mattress off Arthur's bed & I dusted it. Washed windows, 2 door casings, washed curtains and made up bed. Gerald sharpened stakes and Glenn spread lime at W. Rumney with "Lucy." Made tomato soup for supper. Harry and Gene picked a load of stone on garden and above. I set out a few little pansy plants at end of porch. I ironed about 7. Glenn & Gerald went to special Town Meeting about buying truck. Got beans baking before supper.
- 5/4/68 Cloudy, rain last night about 3\8 inch. Fenced over to Gratz today and got a little done here at home. Harry and Gene picked up a load of stone out in garden last night. Had Dr. Chick down to doctor cow last night.
[T] Foggy, P. cloudy. Built fire about 7. Washed milk things and did usual work. They fenced over to Gratz today and a little here at home.
- 5\5\68 [S] Fair, a little rain last night. Harry picked a few stone below house last night and he helped me finish chores this morning. Gerald took Fergie down to plow for Dale. Cleaned up down cellar. Washed out jars [crock] down cellar. Wrote in account book and diary.
[T] Built fire at 7, did usual work. We had dinner about 12:30. Harry helped do chores after breakfast. Gerald took Fergie down to plow for Dale. Went for a walk up through the fields before 2 picked Adder Tongue, the blue & white violets, strawberries & Red Trillium are blossomed. Barn & Eave swallows are here.6
- 5\6\68 Fair, nice day. Gerald out to Tullar's after he took pigs up to have dressed. Done chores, made pickle for 150 lbs. ham and bacon. Thed and I went to Woodsville pm, no trucks at Taylor's, Walker's or Ford garage. Howard Hall brought me a cow last night and I sold him the little old cow. Got \$165.00 for old cow, \$110 for white one. Gave him \$235.00 for the one he brought.
[T] P. cloudy, windy. Got up at 6, built fire at 6:30. Soaked clothes before breakfast. Gerald took three pigs to be dressed. Washed, all done by 11. Put a few on porch. Left dishes and we started for Woodsville about 1. Edna went to Wells River with us, got prizes for card party. Shopped at A&P, got home about 5. Went to special School Meeting about paying for tuition bus fare, 49 yes, 39 no. Got home about 10. Had letter from Francis about his car registration. Glenn couldn't find a truck anywhere.
- 5\7\68 Fair, cold wind. Gerald went up and got pigs, home about 10. Richard over and cut them up. He left for home about 3:30. Pigs dressed 277-290-333. Gerald cut lard am, then out to Tullar's pm. Thed and I out to special school meeting last night
[T] Clear, frosty. Built fire about 6:30. Gerald went up and got pigs, dressed 277-290-333. Richard came up about 10 and cut them up. I made a corn starch pudding for dinner. Gerald cut lard in am and out to George's in pm. Doris came up an wrapped up their meat and I did ours and we both cut some lard. Got some lard done after supper. Nothing I wanted to see on TV, so we worked on meat till 10. All done but sausage.

- 5/8/68 Fair, nice day, 17 above. Gerald out to Tullar's. Got lard all done, a little over 4 big cans full, 120 lbs. Thed and I worked on meat & lard last night until about 11 o'clock. Took pictures of 3 calves pm. Gerald fenced pasture across from Rose Bonnett's today.
[T] Clear, white frost. Got up at 6:30, built fire at 7. Strained more lard after breakfast. Gerald is fencing at George's. Finished lard after dinner, little over 4 cans full, about 120 lbs. Got kettles of soup bones all cooked today. Glenn took sausage over to Richard's in pm and ground it and made it. We took pictures of three calves in pm. We took the soup down to Vernie in evening. We have a lot already canned.
- 5\9\68 Fair, nice day. Gerald out to Tullar's. He and Paul fenced up to Andrews. I done chores, done a good job on cooler. Took off storm door and put on screen door on milk house. Took storm door off barn, front of house and little bedroom. Put screen door on little bedroom. Put doors up overhead. Put fence back up in pigpen. Took bones all cooked ready for soup down to Vernie last night. Took pictures of Thed's plants. Took off rest of storm windows, fixed back door on porch. Gerald took car out to garage, carb. loose, they put summer tires on rear. Milk inspector here pm yesterday. *[Must have known he was coming – why he 'done a good job oin cooler.']* Bought a boar of Ken last night, \$25.00
[T] Mostly cloudy. Didn't get up till 7. Washed bedroom and living room windows outside, front kitchen both side, back inside this forenoon. After dinner Glenn took colored picture of my two colored and big red geraniums. I took two to finish up film. Then I washed the windows and got plants back then he took of kitchen and bedroom storm doors and Arthur's and Edna's windows. Nina and Florence stopped after supper and got sugar and cream and Florence took pictures of my big geraniums. Glenn, Gerald and Maurice went to fire meeting. I went to a meeting about school with May & Oscar at Bill Baker's 16 there. Got home at 10:30.
- 5/10/68 Rain a little last night. Out to Fire Meeting last night. We took 7 2-year-olds out to pasture across from Bonnett's and 8 calves and 5 yearlings over to Gratz am. Went out and unloaded surplus pm., 2 hours, then we took 3 white-faced steers *[Holstein/Hereford cross]* and 7 yearlings out to Andrews. Harry took Nancy and calf down home tonight. Washed up tables and boards down cellar. Took lard down cellar. Gerald cleaned out calfpen and where calves stood.
[T] Rain 2\10 in., clearing 9:30 am. Built fire at 6:30. Did usual work. Helped a little to load young cattle this forenoon. Took 7 2-yr-olds out to Street and 5 yearlings over to Gratz in forenoon. Glenn unloaded surplus after dinner, then they took 3 steers and 7 yearlings out to Andrews'. I worked in the garden a while in pm.
- 5/11/68 Fair, nice day. Gerald and kids went out to George's and got a load of old stakes for sugar wood am. I fixed fence back of Charlie's. Took sugar wood over after dinner, then Gerald and Gene went around outside of pasture and Harry and I went up to Camp and came down around to this side of 4 acre field – all done. Cleaned up barn floor and took over to Don. Let cows out beyond lane a little while today.
[T] Clear, little frost and fog. Got up at 6:20. Made bread after breakfast. Made first rhubarb pie. Gerald and the boys went out to George's and got a load of old stakes for sugar wood. Glenn fixed fence back of Charlie's. Had 3 loaves of bread and 16 cimmanon rolls. Glenn, Gerald and the boys finished up fencing here in pm. Had the cows out beyond the lane first time today. We watched TV in evening.
- 5\12\68 [S] Rain all day. Thed and went down to Howard's for dinner and supper today. Home about 10.
[T] Rain. Built fire about 6:30. Curled my hair and took a bath before breakfast. Gave Eleanor geranium blossoms for church Did usual work and we started for Howard's at 20 past 10. They gave me a doz. salmon-colored roses in green vase. We watched TV in pm. Kathy went babysitting about 5. We got home about 10. It has rained some all day.

- 5/13/68 Fair, nice day. Gerald out to Tullar's. Went up and had out 2 more teeth, \$10.00. Took load of shit over to Gratz, got another loaded up and blowed a tire in driveway. Gerald took shit down on garden. Harry out and got bu. taters.
[T] Foggy, fair. Got up at 6, built fire about 6:30. Washed. Glenn left for Bradford about 10. Gerald is fencing at George's. Glenn got home about 1:30. Had out two more teeth, feels all right this time. Took a load of manure over to Louie in pm, started with second one but had flat tire on spreader.
- 5/14/68 Fair. Tinkered am. Fixed holes on road up in field. Found some tires for trailer. Gerald went out pm and got tires fixed for trailer and got 97 bags fertilizer. He harrowed garden and marked it out. I went up to Woodsville to see Haubrick about getting some money, then went to Plymouth to see about a tire for manure spreader, going to get new tire and tube at Ply. Tire Co.
[T] Frost and fog, clear. Built fire about 6:30. Did usual work. Glenn left for Woodsville about 1 to see Haubrick and then to Plymouth to see about tire for spreader. Gerald got tires fixed for trailer and got a load of fertilizer. Curled my hair in pm, made a cherry cake with cherry frosting to raffle off at card party. Made a big loaf of sandwiches after supper. We went out about 7, had ___ tables to play and ___ extra, made \$18.75. Took Emma and Ruth home.
- 5/15/68 Fair, nice day. Thed, Hazel and I had card party last night, \$18.25. Gerald went out to Street and put on fertilizer am. I put some down back of Charlie's, over to Gratz and Ralph's and up to spring and 4 acre field. Gereal harrowed here below hosue and barn pm. Thed and girls dug some greens tonight. Earl Pike died yesterday on Canfield's doorstep.
[T] Carol and Janet helped do dishes, then we dug greens.
- 5/16/68 Fair. Harry came out and seeded field below house and barn. Gerald picked a trailer load of stone am. He rolled piece pm. Went to Ply. and got a tire for manure spreader, \$31.00. Doris went with me. Gerald up here to dinner.
[T] Built fire about 6:45. Gerald and Doris went to Plymouth to get tire. Gerald had dinner here.
- 5\17/68 Rain most all day. Gerald went out and got gas. Was going to cut tree at Wheeler's but saw wouldn't start. I tinkered around all day. Gerald, Doris and girls left for Calvin's as soon as kids got home. Boys staying up here.
[T] Showers. Got up at 7. Glenn is 62 today. Made a double rule choc. cake, 5 layers, 2 for Glenn and 3 for Gale. Gerald got a load of gas. Glenn put on two kitchen and the back room screen doors and ours and Arthur's screens. Made boiled choc. frosting twice, first time was gritty but last was good. Gerald, Doris and girls left for Mass about 3:45, the boys are staying here. Made corn chowder for supper. We took Gale's cake, a pink geranium and package up to Gale. She was gone, so left the cake with Gete. Gale came down later.
- 5/18/68 Rain some. Boys cleaned up out back of shed by little silo. Took a load of old stuff over to sugar place. Made a fence out in orchard for pigs. Boys went fishing pm, got 18 trout. Went out to have car inspected but got to have tie-rod and emergency brake. Thed made 8 doz. donuts for Mel today.
[T] Built fire about 6:45. Made bread before breakfast. Mixed up big double rule of donuts after, then did milk things and got donuts fried before dinner, had 81. We had greens for dinner that Glenn and boys picked up around barnyard. The boys went fishing and Glenn went out and got the car inspected. I made more donuts, had 61 this time. The boys got 18 trout. I had 3 loaves of bread and 12 cinnamon rolls. Glenn washed dishes before supper. Put up 8 doz. donuts for Hattie Baker for Mel's political party. Made up 5 lbs. oleo. We watched TV, the Miss USA pageant, it was Miss Washington. The boys went to bed about 8:30.
- 5\19\68 [S] 6\10 inch of rain last night. Boys helped do chores. Wrote in account book and diary. Went out pm and got rid of surplus. Art and Judy here a little while at lunch. Gerald's folks got home about 5 pm.

[T] Foggy and cloudy , 6\10 inch rain in night. Glenn got up at 6:30 and I at 7:15. The boys helped do chores. I cooked the fish. Opened 3 1\2 qts. of soup and fixed vegetables for it for dinner. We ate a little after 12. Glenn gave out surplus. The boys filled the woodbox, played ball, didn't know what to do. I transplanted rest of Asters about 75 and set out 3 begonia slips. Arthur and Judy came about 4 and Gerald's folks about 4:30. Bud brot me a big red & white Fushia from the Firemen. Arthur and Judy had lunch with us. He is going to work for George Tullar this summer.

5/20/68 Rain hard this morn. Gerald went down to Shortt's and got chain saw fixed and a spark plug in lawn mower am. I took surplus out to Quimby and Gray, took flags out to Sonny. Went up to Bradford to Perry's, they are going to order a part for car. Tinkered around pm. Gerald went out and got pickup [fire department] inspected. We took old roll apart.

[T] Rain 1 35 inch in night. Woke up about 3:30, read over half an hour. Built fire at 7, started to wash about 9:45. Glenn went to Bradford for part for car. Wrote letter to Mabel, card to Edna and Alice Currier. Put most of clothes on porch, rest upstairs. Made 8 cups meal into brownbread for scholarship supper, had 4 tall cans full and 1 smaller one. Did dishes, then made jelly roll for Pomona, curled my hair.

5\21\68 Fair am. Showers pm. 1 3\10 rain yesterday. Gerald went to Ply. and got a load of sawdust am. I went out to grain store, paid most \$200.00 for lime and fert. Unloaded sawdust, put drawbar on Fergie. Dug hole for new light pole out back of house, 4 1\2 ft. deep. Started to put electric fence beyond orchard but it rained hard.

[T] Cloudy, showers pm. Snow on Moosilauke. Built fire about 6:45. Swept and dust mopped. Gerald went after sawdust and Glenn went to Fairlee to see about seed and fertilizer. Set out the last 2 little seed geraniums & about a doz. pink & red begonias not rooted. Worked in garden about 1 1\2 hours in pm. Glenn and Gerald dug hole for new light pole by clothesline.

5/22/68 Fair. They came down from Kerr McGee with a load of fertilizer for West Rumney and took it down. Gerald went down and spread it, had 3 ton. Put part on old corn piece and rest where we are going to plant this year. I went down and paced off piece for corn this year. We put electric fence up in field from orchard up beside road then down wall up to run across end of old corn piece and back down to wall.

5/23/68 Fair. Out to St. I plowed most 5 acres of Wheeler's. Gerald cut elm tree there and drewed off brush and loaded wood. Sawed off stump and drewed over to fence. He came home pm., got trailer out and harrow loaded. I got all plowed at 10 of 5 pm.

5/24/68 Fair. Gerald went out with trailer with harrow, roll and planter. I went over to Cemet. am and mowed 1 hr. Went out pm and got 4 bu. corn and crow repellent. Planted 16 rows corn. They put lime on out to St. yesterday pm. They brought me up a light pole and set it this morn when they came up to put wire up to Don's. Dwight came down at noon and at night and changed wires all over to new pole. *[From Harry, 5/23/21: "Those dates sound right to me. I used to go up there quite a bit with Jeff in the 1960's and they didn't have electricity. They had a gas refrigerator and I think kerosene lamps. Dad said they wanted to put the power line right up through the fields I think starting from the pole in the garden by the house. Dad told Grandpa they didn't need any more obstacles to work around in the fields (they still had plenty of rocks then), so they had it put in starting behind Charlie's up through the pasture.]*

5/25/68 Fair. Went out am and planted rest of corn at Wheeler's, done at noon. Gerald rolled it pm. Thed and I went to Ernie and Helen's wedding pm. Art and Judy stayed here last night, he was best man for Earnie. They went back to Concord about 5 pm. Boys mowed 2 hrs over to Cemet. am.

[T] Hazy all day, windy. Built fire at 6:45. Arthur and Judy left right after breakfast. Still a little snow on Moosilauke.

- 5/26/68 [S] Fair. Boys finished up over to Cemet. am. I went over for an hour, helped trim wall and pick up brush. Paid boys \$6.00 apiece. Thed and I went up to Edna's and took her, went up to see Myra but she was gone. Stopped at Dutch Treat and at Titus, had supper with Edna. Put 7 flags over to Cemet.
[T] Built fire at 7:30.
- 5/27/68 Fair, 20 above, frost this morn. Gray's truck came and got heifer this morn that have bred every three weeks all winter. Got out shit am. Gerald went down and helped set a water tank at Camp Pemi and put on a ton of 10-10-10. Gerald got out more shit pm. They got Don's lights hooked up today.
[T] Heavy white frost. Built fire about 6:30
- 5/28/68 Fair, 26, frost this morn. Finished manuring tater piece and took 10 load over to Ralph Mack's place. Put some manure on Thed's posie gardens. Plowed part of garden piece, then Gerald finished it and I harrowed it. Gerald took shovel off H and got some stuff on for plows to plow tater piece with. Went over to Warren Cemet, Foster Cemet. and Vernie's last night.
[T] Built fire about 6:45.
- 5/29/68 Fair am, rain some late pm. Picked stone out here on garden piece and some up on tater piece am. We finished putting plows on H and Gerald plowed where we had taters and beans last year. Went up to Perry's pm and had new piece on car, on steering, and emergency brake. Got it inspected. Got a pair of grass trimming shears and some pistol grip brush cutters, \$6.00
[T] Built fire at 7:15.
- 5\30\68 Fair. Gerald finished plowing tater piece. I picked some stone am and pm, then we took plows off H and I harrowed. Gerald and Harry finished picking stone and marked out garden. He planted 3 rows of peas down to his place for me. Don, Elsie, Jeff and Tim came up this morn, went up to Camp alright. The girls sprouted taters today.
[T] Cloudy, fog. Got up a 6:15. Built fire at 6:45. Don, Elsie and the boys went up to Camp about 10, O.K. Arthur and Judy went to St. to look for a house [*for the summer.*] Gerald finished plowing potato piece, Glenn, Harry and Jeff picked stone. P.M., they picked stone and Glenn harrowed. I peeled my glads, 234 colored 118 white & 90 little ones Mabel gave me. Some left. Arthur and Judy went back at 4:15. He has to work tonight. [*I wonder what this was.*] Began to rain and thunder about 5, quite close at 7:30, kept up by spells till after 9. Gene, Carol and Janet sprouted potatoes in pm.
- 5\31\68 Rain all night and thunder and lightning from 5:30 to 10 pm. 1 3\10 inch of rain. Gerald went out and got 66 gal. gas. We loaded tractor and he went down to West Rumney to plow pm but it rained there about 2 pm. Gerald took clamps off of frame and truck body. I just pattered around and split some wood.
[T] Think fog. 1 2\10 inch last night; 2\10 inch thunder shower pm. Built fire about 6:30. Gerald got a load of gas this forenoon. Carol and Janet finished sprouting potatoes and Glenn cut some. Sent birthday card to Kathy and one to Evelyn and a letter. Worked some on Irene's pink dress for graduation. Gerald took Fergie down to West Rumney to plow but it rained. Last trip for truck, began to take body off. Hunted birds a few minutes before dark, saw Sapsucker, Peewee & Redstart.
- 6\1\68 Fair. Gerald plowed down to Rays all day on old corn piece. I went down after supper and plowed 1 3\4 hours, then went down to Vernie's at 9 pm. Got garden most all planted today, row of lettuce, carrots, beets, parsnips, cukes, 2 onion, 2 glads, 7 rows shell beans beyond rhubarb, 3 rows Webster beans, 68 hills cow horn taters, rest of row to turnips, row of squash, 4 rows corn upper side. Don's folks went home tonight. Had to go up with tractor and pull him out of mud at foot of hill.
[T] Got up at six, built fires at 6:45. Gerald went to W. Rumney to plow. Glenn planted Joel beans beyond garden, also beets, carrots, parsnips, corn, turnip, etc. I made 41 JimJams in am.

After dinner I set out about 400 onion sets, & 365 glads Gladys and David got milk tonight. I ironed before and after supper. Took a bath. Glenn went down to Ray's and plowed in evening. I went down and stayed with kids while Gerald and Doris went to dance at Painted Barn, got home at 1:30. Arthur and Judy stopped a few minutes. Were up to see Earnie and Helen.

6/2/68 [S] Rain about noon. Mowed a little lawn out back of house. Thed stayed with kids last night. Gerald and Doris went down to Barn to dance. Let cows out last night. Bob and Nellie down to see Della yesterday, not good. Howard's folks and Bill's folks down to Gerald's for dinner. Howard's and Gerald's folks here supper. Myra, Eva Boles and Louis Boles [*likely Bowles*] here pm. Harry got a bu. of tater.

[T] Glenn got up at 6:30 and I at 7. Boy Scouts came for old magazines. Made corn starch pudding. Fixed heart and dressing for dinner. [*She cut up beef heart and baked it in a dish covered with dressing/stuffing.*] Howard's folks up to Gerald's for dinner. Myra, Mrs. Bowles and daughter called. Howard's and Gerald's folks here for supper. Doris made Kathy a cake and we got ice cream. We watched TV a little, went to bed about 9:30.

6/3/68 Rain some. Went out and got Walt's truck this morn, bought the motor of him that we used to run corn unloader, \$10.00 Gerald went down and finished old corn ground and got some plowed. Went out and got haircut. Took pictures of 3 calves, nailed screens all over.
[T] Glenn got up at 6:30, I built fire at 7. Glenn took Gerald out to get Walter's truck after breakfast, is going to use it a few weeks. I started to wash past 9. Put first ones on porch, rest outdoors. Glenn got a haircut, got home at noon. Turned hem on my pink dress. Took 2 pictures of calves & four of little one. Set out 4 geraniums, 23 asters, 6 petunia & glad I had in house at end of house. Thundered and sprinkled a bout 4. Canned 1 pt. roast pork and made 12 custards after supper. Glenn went to Office. Hemmed my pink dress. Hunted birds a few minutes

6/4/68 Rain a little am, two showers pm. Gerald plowed all day. Went up and had out last five teeth at 11:30. Thed went out and done some dry cleaning at Fairlee. Got 4 salt blocks up to Checkerboard, 2.60 each to keep fly's away [I think the blocks were treated with something]. Planted radish, string beans and pumpkin. Got 12 ft. extension cord to use out to Office. Went out to Office last night.

[T] Got up a 6:15. Gerald went to Ray's to plow. We left for Bradford about 10. I stopped in Fairlee and did dry cleaning, Glenn's gray suit pants, two pair blue ones, pink and blue dresses that were Irene's, blue one Jean gave me, red winter dress black trim, good tan coat and gray everyday coat for \$4.00 [*Sounds as if in a laundromat*] Saw Jane MacGinnis there. Got home at 12:30. Ate my lunch and sprinkled clothes. Wrote a few lines to Arthur & Judy and a short letter to Dot McCullough about places to rent up that way. [*Dot lived in Whitefield. We actually rented the place that the teacher I replaced had lived in.*] Glenn had out last 5 teeth today. We both had naps in pm. Mended in eve, watched TV Went to bed about 10.

6/5/68 Fair. Went up and harrowed tater piece again. Loaded up taters and fertilizer. Harry out to dinner. Gerald plowed down to Rays am, came home to plant taters pm. Didn't go but a little ways and broke gear on planter. They went out to Tullar's but his planter don't work. Sowed some oats by spy tree while they were gone. Marked out tater piece, kids came up and helped, planted most 9 bu. in about an hour, covered with horse hoe. Harrowed in oats and rolled oats and taters after supper.

[T] Got up at six and built fire. Glenn got up at 6:15. Gerald went down to plow. Glenn harrowed potato piece. I wrote to Edna. Roasted beef and made cottage pudding for dinner. Harry came at 11:45 to plant potatoes. Just got started when the planter broke. The kids dropped them and they got all done before supper but rolling. Glenn did that after Gerald came home this noon. I set out 5 asters & 18 petunias at end of house and 58 asters & 12 petunias in

garden. My right leg almost lets me down by spells. Glenn went to Office tonight. Gladys & David got milk.

6/6/68

Fair, hot. Loaded roll on truck, harrows and corn planter on trailer. I went down with H and trailer, began harrowing about 11 am. Gerald finished plowing pm. Got first piece ready to plant and harrowed some on other one.

[T] Built fire about 6:30. Glenn took two slices bread & butter, custard, pt. milk and Metrecal and they left with truck & tractor with roll, harrow and planter about 10. Washed windows outside, ready for screens, in am & pm. Got plants ready for Grange. Ironed in late pm, curled my hair. Lou Brown stopped to tell Glenn about a truck. They have 4 1/2 acres ready to plant corn, all done plowing. Alice [*probably Bean*] went to Grange, 19 with Dorice & Ernest. Leith Henderson and mother from Fairlee joined by demit. Got \$6.50 for plants. Harry and Myrtle brot a lot. My leg has bothered some today.

6/7/68

Fair, hot. Took what fertilizer I had here and spreader down. Gerald went to Bradford and got 2 tons 20-0-10, back down there at noon. He planted piece of corn pm. I harrowed and put on 35 bags fertilizer on other corn piece. Got stuck once.

[T] I set out 5 geraniums & 15 glads at end of house. Harry put my double red geranium out at end of house left it in bucket. I set out 4 plants of stock & 13 of tomato Harry D. gave us. Hunted birds about 1/2 hr. found Robin on nest in alders on Leighton's

6/8/68

Fair, cloudy, not so hot. Harry with down with us today. He rolled corn pieces with Bob's tractor he tried to harrow but not enough power. We harrowed corn piece cross way, then Gerald planted it. I harrowed old corn piece, Gerald helped a little while after he got corn planted. Didn't get all over it. Brought corn planter home. Planted almost 4 bu. corn.

[T] I watched Robert Kennedy funeral a lot today. Couldn't get Lawrence because Kennedy wasn't buried till after dark.

6/9/68

[S] Fair, hot most of day, rain about 5:30. Thed and I went down to Durham, down there about noon. Had a flat tire right in Durham. 1250 graduated down there today. Took a little over 2 hours. Left there about 6 pm. Rain most all the way home. Stopped at Vernie's a little while.

[T] Cloudy, cool, rain late pm. Got up at 5:30, curled my hair, built fire & took a bath before breakfast. We had cream of wheat. Did up work. Mrs. Marsh came for the light female kitten. We left for Durham at 10. Had a flat tire in Durham, I walked to the "House" & Carl and Stretch took me back but Glenn was all done. We ate our lunch at the "House." Arthur and Judy came and Calvin, Kathy, Ellen & Marj. and all the family. We walked to the arena [Snively], it was packed. 1250 graduated. Took my whole film. Got a used tire and left at 6. Rained hard some of the time coming home. Stopped at Vernie's about an hour.

6/10/68

1.8" rain last night and am. Rain most all day. Went up to Pete's and got two pigs that he got up to Lancaster, \$25.00. Gerald went out and got 60 gal. gas pm and got two tires changed on doodlebug. Tony came over and heated up some nuts on wheels. Took Thed up to Dr. pm. Dr. Chickering down pm and fixed a teat on Bud's heifer

[T] Showers, 1.8" since Sunday eve. Glenn got up at 6:30, I didn't till 7. Soaked clothes before breakfast. Gerald went after gas. Glenn got 2 little pigs of Pete that he had got in Lancaster. I put clothes all on porch. Got dishes partly done. We left for Bradford about 1. Don't have to see the Doctor again until Oct. Did shopping at A&P. National is closed for good. Got home about 5:30. Didn't do much, went to bed about 9:30

6/11/68

Rain some. Changed more tires on doodlebug. Got all four on back from Bill's old truck, put one from hind on front. Jacked old truck body up on 4 barrels out by woodpile. Went down to Cormiers pm and bought a 1965 Merrimack Feed Co. truck that got afire, \$900. Got to have new wires, hood, windshield and one tire. Serial No. on truck H.C.65351109753. [*This truck was nothing but trouble, needing lots more work.*]

[T] Foggy, showery all day. Built fire at 7. Made a medium and a little mince pie & choc. for card party & small chicken pie for dinner & did dishes. After dinner Glenn and Gerald went to

W. Rumney to see about a truck. Irene called and wants me to help with card party. Dot & Bill have gone to Ohio, Nettie and children have been in an accident. Filled wood box and made choc. cake for Doris birthday and frosted it. Glenn bought truck, has to be fixed. We left about 6:20. Maurice & I swept downstairs, Irene and I got ready upstairs Only 5 tables. Jennie has her kittens out to barn now. *[Must have been in Grange Hall.]*

6\12\68

Rain some. Walt out this morn and got his truck to get sawdust. *[Must have borrowed Franklin's truck for a while.]* Gerald took tires off truck. Planted 2 rows sweet corn and sunflowers and 3 short rows peas, set out some stakes for tomatoes. Thed set out more tomatoes and 2 doz. cabbage. Fixed seat on doodlebug. Out to Office last night.

[T] Foggy, showery. Got up at 6, built fire at 6:30, had breakfast at 8. Did dishes. Set out my last geranium at end of house, then it rained a little. Gerald is taking old truck apart. After dinner Glenn planted more corn and peas & pkg. of sunflower. I set out 16 of my tomato plants, 7 asters, 5 Petunia and 70 little glads, all rooted, that Mabel gave me. Glenn went to a meeting about the 4th. I got about a wheelbarrow load of grass and sod out of beans above garden. Hemmed my black apron.

6/13/68

Rain a little. Gerald went down to Shortt's and changed tires around on Chev. They took it down to garage with wrecker. Went out to see Frances, sent head tax papers. Had Hazel sign a paper. Went up to Bradford, got some pills and liquid. *[From doctor.]* Got grass seed; 100 lbs. Timothy; 30 lbs. alfalfa; 12 lbs. red clover; 12 lbs. Alsaike clover; 12 lbs. Red Top clover. Had 20 lbs. all mixes, to go down to Ray's. Helped Thed set out some big plants. Got more names on Calendar. Out to 6 man meeting last night. *[?]*

[T] Fog, showery. Glenn got up at 6:30 and I at 7. Had breakfast before 8. Glenn went to Fairlee and Bradford, got home at 12:45. Arthur and Judy called at 10, on way to Whitefield, house hunting. This p.m. Glenn helped me set out my big red geranium & 3 others, then I put out two more not very big, red, white and pink begonia, coleus & tuberous begonia. Gerald changed tires on new truck in W. Rumney. We saw two deer in field in front of house tonight, big doe and smaller buck, he stayed about 1\2 hr. Gardner and Jeanette came today. He took Glenn and Maurice to fire meeting. Had letter from Edna. Visited with Arthur and Judy till past midnight. He found a house.

6\14\68

Fair. Gerald went out to fire house and got 2 tires and wheels for dump trailer. We went down and cross wheelharrowed piece at Ray's pm. Out to fire meeting with Gardner last night.

[T] The electricity was off most an hour so didn't get up till 7:30. Arthur and Judy left at 8:15. Wrote letter to Mabel. Got letter from Dot McCullough. Glenn and Gerald went to Ray's to harrow in pm. I made rhubarb and pineapple jam, rhubarb pie, little lemon and pineapple. Had tomato soup for supper. Wiped up living room floor & washed kitchen. Gardner and Jeanette called a minute. We went to graduation.

6/15/68

Fair. Went down and got most over piece with springtooth harrow am. Went out to Bunten's auction pm. Cattle went high, best one \$540, calf \$200, quite a few over \$400. Thed went to Bob Davis auction with Marion. Out to Graduation last night. Had a hard shower about 5:30 tonight, 8\10" rain, hail in some places.

[T] Thick fog, fair, not. Got up about 6:15, did usual work. Glenn and Gerald went to Ray's to harrow. Marian came for me about 9:45, went to Bob Davis auction, bought some canning jars and jelly glasses in a basket. Bought sandwich and orange drink. We went up to Bunten's auction about 1. Marian, the girls and I came home about 2. Arthur & Judy called about 3. Glenn and Gerald got home from Bunten's auction about 4:30. I ironed before supper. Glenn called Pat, Joe, Bud and Edna about playing for Alumni dance at Bonnie Oaks. I watched TV, took bath and went to bed about 11:30.

6/16/68

[S] Cloudy. Art and Judy came p.m. and went to Alumni supper and dance last night Pat, Bud, Joe and Edna played I called Art took Gerald's car to go to Concord to get rest of his stuff a.m. Hazen Morey out and got pistol permit. Thed went down to Newport with Gerald's folks pm

to get Edna's sewing machine. Boys had supper with me. Art had Walt's truck to take bed out with.

[T] Cloudy, rain late pm. Built fire about 7, did usual work. Gene went with Arthur with Gerald's car to get rest of his things in Concord. We had beef tenderloin for dinner, Glenn could eat that. Gerald, Doris, the girls and I left for Helen's at 2. Ann was there and Vernon, Beverly and Todd came over. Got Edna's sewing machine and Helen gave Gerald's folks a lot of clothes. Had a nice lunch and a good visit. Vernon seems real good.

6/17/68

Rain a little most all day. Just tinkering around am. Took Thed down to Ply. to have eyes tested. Went down to Bucklin's and got belts and fingers for Ferg. Paid for baler twine \$6.35 a bale. Amon and Vernie went with us. Gerald put front shoes on old mare pm and fixed bull's stanchion.

[T] Rainy all day, 6\10 inch 5:30-6 pm. Built fire about 6:30. Washed and put clothes all on porch. We left for Plymouth about 1. Vernie and Amon went too. Had my eyes tested at 2:30 at Dr. Shanker's, am having new frames too. Glenn and Amon went to Meredith for parts for tractor mower. Got groceries at National. Got home about 5. We left for Pomona at Rumney about 7. Called to see Florence and Dido, they are gaining from accident. I took some plants for silent auction, got \$6.15 in all. Only 12 there. Got home about 11.

6/18/68

Fair. Cul. garden and Gerald's garden am. He and Harry went down to Ray's after dinner and Harry came out with seeder and they got most done. Gerald harrowed, Harry F. seeded and Harry P. rolled. Went out pm and unloaded surplus. Mowed some lawn. Edna and Clara here a few minutes pm. Edna stopped to see me out to Office.

[T] P. Cloudy. Built fire about 6:30. Mixed up a double batch of donuts for 4th food sale. Made 3 1\2 loaves of bread. Made biscuit and we had strawberry shortcake. Glenn unloaded surplus. Gerald and Harry went to W. Rumney. Harry F. came out and they got part of piece seeded this pm. Did dishes and just ready to fry donut when Edna and Clara came. Were here about an hour. Had 75 donuts, Filled wood box. Glenn mowed back of house before supper. He went to Office in evening. I got a bu. of grass roots out of beans and some rocks. Arthur and Judy out a while in evening. Made 3 1\2 loaves of bread. Kittens have been in shed and around most of day.

6\19\68

Fair. Went down to Ray's and finished seeding and brought stuff all home. Harry got down there first. As we got done, he helped load up and stayed here to dinner. Unloaded pm and got rake out and stuff out of shed out back

[T] Fog, partly cloudy, east wind, rain at 4:30 pm. Thundered and lightened about 7. Built fire at 7. Had breakfast before 8. Glenn and Gerald went to Ray's about 9. Mixed up sour cream cookies. Went bird hunting 1\2 hr. Had about 60 cookies. Harry F. was here for dinner, they got the piece all seeded. Planted about 30 of my geranium seed set out T. begonias & small geranium by kitchen, 2 small geraniums & 2 rooted slips and planted a few head lettuce seed at end of house. Glenn and Gerald put up machinery and got out some. Sewed and mended a little. Glenn went to meeting about the 4th. Pretty sunset, blue and pink streaks. Arthur had his physical, is in fine physical shape.

6\20\68

Gerald went up to Blake's and had tires that I got of Howard Hall put on Ferg. I mowed some lawn. Took lawn mower over to Joe pm. Got rid of some surplus. Out to Office Tues. night. 6 man meeting tonight. *[The second time he has mentioned 'six man meeting', perhaps at firehouse – no idea what it is.]*

[T] Cloudy, thundershower 8 am. Built fire about 6:45. Thundered a little after 8 and rained hard. Gerald went to Bradford and got tires changed on Fergie. Glenn mowed some lawn and then took mower over to Fairlee to be tinkered. Packed Arthur's and Judy's things in a box. Had a nap after dinner. Curled my hair. Arthur and Judy were out a little while, are trying out a different car. Went to Grange with Dorice and Ernest, got home at 10:45.

- 6\21\68 Fair. Gerald used the Town's old Int. truck and got 7 load of sand for the driveways and out back of the house and barnyard. He got 61 gal. gas and lawn mower from Joe Alger \$2.00 I leveled off sand and finished mowing lawn and hoed a little. 18 at Grange last night.
[T] Cloudy, cold, clearing pm. Built fire at 7, had one in living room too. Gerald got three loads gravel for driveway with old town truck this forenoon. Glenn spread it. I worked in corn back of shed almost an hour, got a bu. of grass roots this forenoon, got a bu. and a half this pm and some stones in 2 hrs. Gerald got 4 load of gravel this pm. Hunted birds a few minutes late p.m. saw catbird, Black & White Warbler & two Wood Thrushes how they scolded me. Bernie and Josie Johnson and a Mr. and Mrs. Willey called after supper. *[I think this is Scott and Maria Johnson's son.]* Glenn gave out surplus tonight. Made 8 custards and bowl of Jello with fruit in it am. Ironed after supper.
- 6\22\68 Rain a little am, fair pm. Gerald went down to Shortt's am to see how they were coming on truck, Windshield just came. I didn't do much of anything all day, felt mean all over from shoveling sand yesterday. We put mowing machine on Ferg pm. and I ground a machine knife. Paul Messer here 1 1/2 hours pm. Harry out am and got a bu. taters. Boys mowed a while over to Cemet. pm. Got rid of surplus last night. Art has traded cars got 66 Chev. 2
[T] Cloudy, showery. Built fire at 7. Glenn is awful lame from shoveling gravel yesterday. Did usual work, roasted piece of pork for dinner. Judy came for rest of it brot me a red winter hat. They have bought the tan '66 Chevy # from Blake's traded in the VW *[I bet we had to pay them to take it!]* Looked over old magazines upstairs most of pm. Didn't cook a thing but beans. Hunted birds a few minutes in late p.m. Saw 2 Wood Thrush. Glenn helped move booths from Davis to St. for 4th this evening. Arthur and Judy called on way to dance. Watched TV. Cut off sleeves & bottom of shirt for Arthur. Went to bed at 11. Had a little fire in living room all day.
- 6\23\68 [S] Cloudy. Took mowers over to Cemet. for boys am. Gerald went over to Whitcher's and got some lumber he had sawed. He had Lewis' truck. Went out last night and helped move booths from Gerald Davis' out to St. Went out pm and helped Arvid and Harley on building. *[Booths for 4th and likely the building as well.]*
[T] Cloudy. Built fire about 7. Took a bath before breakfast. Looked over old papers upstairs most of forenoon. Had cabbage and pork tenderloin for dinner about 12:30. Glenn went out and helped set up booths in pm. I went bird hunting most 2 hrs. up to camp, down by spring, beyond garden & across the road. Glenn got home about 4:30. Watched TV and went to bed about 10.
- 6\24\68 Rain a little most all day. Gerald went looking for hood for truck went to Laconia but didn't find one. I ground scythes and 2 knives done some hoeing in garden split a little wood. Pug stopped and got 1 bu. taters and paid me for plowing snow.
[T] Fog, partly cloudy, rain in eve. Built fire at 7. Started to wash a little past 9. Put them all on porch. Glenn hoed in garden and ground machine knives by spells all day. Hemmed Arthur's other shirt, looked over a few papers in pm. Gardner, Jeanette, Eleanor, her husband and baby were here this evening. Cut up three pairs of Glenn's old pants, watched TV a while. Went to bed about 10:30. Gerald was gone all day looking for a hood for truck, went as far as Laconia but couldn't find one.
- 6/25/68 Cloudy most all day. Done a little grinding some hoeing and put fence out here at end of house. Gerald went over to Warren, got some hardwood boards to put in headboard of truck body. He mowed down to Camp and on Flat pm.
[T] Fog, cloudy. Built fire about 7. Pulled grass out of corn for over an hour this forenoon, Glenn hoed. Roasted beef for dinner. Sent a line to Francis with a letter that came for him yesterday. Had a long letter from Evelyn They leave Guam July 12 at 9 p.m. Saw a Wilson's Snipe up in field. Glenn hoed and pulled grass and picked stone about 2 hrs. this pm. Worked

- about an hour after supper. Glenn went to Office. John Whitcomb got his syrup. Went up in orchard & watched Snipes flying around for about 15 mins.
- 6/26/68 Rain a little most all day. Just pattering around am. Thed and I went to Bradford pm got some bolts to put in boards on headboard sections, washers, rivets and staples. Walt Franklin out pm. Out to Office last night.
[T] Rainy all day. Built fire about 7. Sent Richard a card and wrote a few lines to Barbara. We left for Bradford before 1, had a lot of errands to do, got home at 5. Ground last of roast beef for supper. Richard Frey, Eleanor Hayes' husband, came and got a few sticks of wood. Arthur & Judy out a few minutes got some milk. Glenn went to St. to help get ready for 4th.
- 6/27/68 Rain part of time today. Gerald put 3 new boards in headboard. Cut up a ham and some bacon Got 22 lbs. pork ready to take over to Richard. Put new sections on 2 knives. Gerald tinkered on mowing machine some. Out to 6 man meeting last night. Took Walt's truck home last night.
[T] For, showers. Built fire at 7:15. Made bread after breakfast. Had four loaves of bread and a little one. Glenn cut up a ham and some bacon this forenoon. Gerald is putting some new boards on truck headboard.
- 6/28/68 Rain most all day. Went out and got Walt's truck and got 2 load trunks 118 pieces. Split some wood. Put hams and bacon in smoke house. Sold boar to Fred Gibbs from Campton pm, \$25.00
[T] Windy, hard showers. Built fire at 6:45. Glenn and Gerald got Walter's truck and got a load of baggage for Sunset. Wrote short letter and sent birthday card to Della, wrote to Edna. Gardner and Rick Frey got wood and a pork roast. Power was off from 10:40 to 1:40. Mended a little in pm. Man came from Campton, bought the boar. They got the rest of the baggage after dinner.
- 6/29/68 Fair, good day. Went over and got fence most down around Quentin's piece at Gratz. Went out with Gerald's car and got nine pieces baggage for Pemi pm. Gibbs came and got boar am.
[T] Fog, partly cloudy, sprinkled at 7 pm. Built fire about 6:30. Made cream cake for Gardner after breakfast, did milk things and made and fried 34 donuts for the 4th. Glenn and Gerald fenced around Ralph Mack's lot above Gardner's. Made 40 donuts this pm. Made Bertha's recipe for Rolls before dinner for Gardner, made 20 big ones, we had 2. Took a bath before supper. Frosted Gardner's cake with fudge frosting, didn't come out too good. He and Rick got beans, rolls, cake, and 1 doz. donuts about 5:30. Glenn and Gerald got a little baggage from Pemi in Gerald's car in pm. Mended stockings and watched TV in evening.
- 6/30/68 [S] Fair, hot. Thunder shower about 7 pm. Went up and looked at taters ready to cul tomorrow. Puttered around am. Out and helped Gerald and Walt Franklin get ring ready for ox pull. Mike, Ruth and Edna called pm.
[T] Fair, windy, thunder shower at 7 & 12 pm. Built fire about 7. Did usual work. We had beef tenderloin for dinner about 12:15. Glenn left at 1 to help set up things for the 4th. I looked at old papers and magazines. Edna, Ruth and Mike were here a little while. Glenn got home about 4:30. Had light thunder & heavy rain between 6&7. Doris and the kids were up. Went to bed about 9:30.
- 7/1/68 Fair, hot. Went over to Gratz and finished fence. Went out and got Walt's truck and got some trunks for Sunset pm. Worked in garden some pm. Gerald went down to Shortt's to see if they had done anything on truck. Got some more parts up to Cormiea's.
[T] Fog, partly cloudy. Built fire about 6:30. Did some telephoning for 4th after breakfast. Washed, put clothes outdoors first time for 4 weeks. Glenn & Gerald finished fence at Ralph's in forenoon. Glenn hoed some in garden. They got some trunks for Sunset in pm. Didn't do much in pm. Got clothes in before supper and put them away. Set out 24 cabbage and 12

- 7/2/68 cauliflower after supper. Had a shower and then set out 6 tomatoes. Glenn went to meeting about the 4th. Gardner, Raphael and Jeanette were here. Did more calling for 4th in evening. Fair. Gerald and Harry cul. his and my garden am. Broke tooth on spring tooth cul. Gerald cul. taters three times pm. Harry tedded on Flat. I went to St. Johnsbury pm and got a heater and hanger springs for hood on truck, \$30.00. Stopped at Edna's for supper. Out to Fire house for 6 man meeting last night. Gerald went up to Bud's and cond. some hay for him pm.
[T] Mostly fair, west wind. Built fire about 6:45. Made 1 ½ of chocolate cake, layer cake for Janet, she is 11 today and one for us. Gerald and Harry cultivated his garden and then out here too this forenoon. Peterson was here from 12 to 1, wanted empty syrup cans. Glenn went to St. Johnsbury about 1:30 for parts for truck. Gerald cultivated potatoes. I frosted cakes and about finished telephoning for the 4th. Pulled grass and picked stone in beans and corn about ½ hour. Washed milk tank, ate lunch. Arthur, Judy and Mary were here a few minutes tonight. I walked down to May's to a meeting. Came home with Stanley and Eleanor.
- 7/3/68 Fair. Gerald took heater down to Shortt's and got a windshield wiper motor up to Cormiea's. Worked in garden some am. We got about 320 bales hay on Flat am and Gerald baled 105 for Bud. Put fertilizer on taters today.
[T] P. cloudy. Built fire about 6:30. Made bread for food sale after breakfast. Gerald went down to Shortt's to see about truck. Glenn worked in the garden this forenoon. I had 3 regular size loaves of bread and 7 small ones, baked them all at once in electric oven. They got 325 bales of hay from the Flat, had to hitch the tractor ahead of Lucy to get into yard because of loose gravel in driveway. Glenn went out to St. to help get ready for tomorrow.
- 7/4/68 Fair, nice day. Out to St. all day, home about 11 pm. Helped with ox pull, had 22 pair oxen, some big ones, and Thed and I helped at booth up in field at night. Out last night and helped get ready for today. Big crowd.
[T] Mostly fair. Built fire about 6. Sugared some donuts and got things ready to take out to St. We left about 9. Had a lot of food and it sold fast. Doris helped me. Glenn got me a barbequed chicken for dinner. Gete came about 1:30. She took over and I walked around a while. Edna, Ruth. Mike, Dorice and Ernest, Don, Elsie and the boys were there. Glenn and I had supper at church. Went down to the field about 7. They got grills and things set up and we helped sell hot dogs. Maurice and Hattie Baker fried them, sure were busy. We got home about 11.
- 7/5/68 Fair. We horse-hoed taters this morn. Took Thed down to Ply to get new glasses. Amon and Vernie went with us, had dinner at Vernie's. Gerald mowed rest of Flat except back of bushes and cond. it. Worked in garden some pm.
[T] Fog, fair. Built fire about 6. Gerald mowed on Flat and Glenn and I started for Plymouth about 10:30. Amon and Vernie went too. Got my new glasses, different frames, \$56. Shopped at National, had lunch with Vernie and Amon. Got home about 2. Ironed before supper. Glenn worked in garden and we both did after supper. Juliet and Alson were here and Gardner and Jeanette were here in eve.
- 7/6/68 Fair, rain a while this morn. Gerald went down to Shortt's and changed tire on truck. We got 214 bales hay pm. Rain about 6:30 pm.
[T] P. cloudy. Built fire about 6:30. Got a rule of donuts mixed up before breakfast, fried them after, had 30. Bud Pushee got them for lunch for Walter's auction. Made a big lemon pie and a chopped rubarb. Glenn worked in garden and ground. Gerald worked on truck at Shortt's. They got in hay in pm from Flat and part of a load after milking. Had a light shower while they were after it. Bruce, Frank & Betty called tonight. Glenn and Gerald went to fire at Schultz' at St. about 7:15. Gardner called at 8:30 and said Schultz' house was flat. Glenn got home at 1 am, part of house is standing. Filled woodbox in pm. Wiped up other floors and washed kitchen.

- 7/7/68 [S] Fair, nice day. Bill Schulz house burnt last night about 7 pm. Gerald and I went out, home about 1 am. Lyme, Fairlee, Bradford there. Edna, Mike and Ruth down to dinner today. Stayed until 6:30. Art & Judy out a few minutes pm.
[T] P. cloudy. We both got up about 6:15. I took a bath before breakfast. Made 9 sour milk rolls. Did usual work. Roasted pork for dinner. Had peas, lettuce, radishes. Edna, Ruth and Mike came about 11. We had dinner at 12:30. Arthur and Judy were out a little while. Edna, Ruth, Mike, Glenn and I went over to the cemetery and stopped at Gerald's. Edna changed needles in the sewing machine and Glenn fixed a screw and it is OK. They had lunch and went home about 6:30. Gardner and Jeanette called and got 2 pts. and 1 half gal. of syrup. Watched TV a while. Pretty pink sunset. Saw a Raven this forenoon
- 7/8/68 Fair. Mowed up here back of house am. Went out to Hazel's and paid tax on new truck. Went out to Fairlee, got 2 bottles pencillin, 7 cows got foot rot. Went down on Flat and baled 6 bales and brought them up. Gerald cond. hay up back of house. Mowed upper side of road beyond orchard pm.
[T] Beautiful hay day. Built fire at 7. Did some hand washing. Glenn is mowing the hay above garden this forenoon. Washed. Wrote a few lines to Francis. Had a letter from Evelyn. Glenn went to Fairlee after dinner. I weeded and picked stone in shade beyond the garden. Perley and Mary Pease called. Glenn mowed some upper side of orchard after supper. I made 3 big biscuit, we had shortcakes from one box berries Ruth and Mike brot down. Glenn went to the Office and I weeded corn about an hour. Went up in field, will be some blueberries.
- 7/9/68 Fair, hot. Finished piece and mowed part of next piece next to taters. Gerald and Harry tedded and cond. pm. I baled without it being raked. 243 bales up back of house, 150 next field. Boys mowed Cemet. again yesterday and today, 4 hours a piece. Out to Office last night.
[T] Fog, fair, hot. Got up about 6. Cleaned out under reservoir before I built fire. Glenn mowed in second field this forenoon. I pulled grass a little while in am. Made chicken pie for dinner. Glenn baled hay back of house without it being raked. Got in some from next field too. I pulled grass in farther end of corn in shade in pm. We had cracker and milk for supper. Thundered a little while herein eve. but lightning burned a barn up towards Piermont. Glenn and I worked in garden a while in eve.
- 7/10/68 Foggy and cloudy am. Barn just above Freeman Robie's struck by lightning last night. Sprinkle just a little last night. Ground scythe and machine knife. Sliced up 2 hams and 2 big chunks of bacon am. Gerald shook out hay over in run and raked around piece up back. Began to rain about 11:30.
[T] Thick fog, rain, fair in eve. Built fire about 6:30. Made bread after breakfast. Glenn sliced two hams and some bacon on slicer. Wrote letter to Dot McCullough. Rained hard about 11:30. Glenn went to Fairlee 1:30, home at 5:45. Got hair cut, etc. I mended some and watched TV in pm. Glenn and I worked in garden a while after supper. Arthur, Judy, Glenda and Sherry [*likely Shelly*] were out a little while
- 7/11/68 Fair. Gerald went down to Shortt's am got to have a motor, I guess, can't turn motor over. Went up and had a bunch in jaw chiseled off. Mowed rest of upper side of road and little corner in upper field. Got in 75 bales.
[T] Fog, mostly fair. Built fire at 7. Fixed taters and dustmopped. We started for Bradford about 10:15. Glenn had bunch chiseled off his under jaw. I went in 10 cent store, A&P and Super Duper. We got home at 1. Glenn couldn't eat but I had lunch. He mowed a while then they got in 75 bales. I pulled grass and picked stone about 2 hrs in pm. Was out most 2 hrs after supper. Glenn and Gerald went to Fire meeting. I set out 3 rooted geranium slips.
- 7/12/68 Fair. Gerald went down to Shortt's, going to see if he can get a motor. Called after dinner, going to put in 2 new pistons, can't find a rebuilt motor. Gerald cond. some and I tedded am. We got 145 bales pm. Mowed long piece next to Harry's [*2-3 owners since Harry Goodwin*]

but it is still 'Harry's'] Gear on cond. gone when he got most done. Thed finished pulling grass out of corn last night [Must be sweet corn in garden, not field corn.]

[T] Thick fog, P. cloudy. Built fire about 6:45. Gerald went to Shortt's to see about truck. I weeded and picked stone in corn about an hour this forenoon. Glenn mowed some and they got in some hay today. I worked in corn about 2 hours in pm. Wrote a card to Edna and had a letter from her. I worked over 2 hours tonight and finished weeding corn, was outdoors till almost 9.

7/13/68 Fair. Gerald took bottom roll out of cond. down to Paige. They cut gear off Ralph's cond. and put it onto ours. Got it put back together at noon. Harry tedded some am. I went over long piece next to Harry's with tedder. Mowed around rock heap and Gerald cond. pm. Cleaned up upper side of road and got little corner, rest of it not dry enough. Carol tedded it pm.

[T] Hazy, Hot. Built fire about 6:30. Hunted for pants for Arthur. Did milk things. Gerald took rolls from conditioner down to Paige's and got it fixed and back together. I made 21 cupcakes in pm. Carol came up and washed bottles. They all worked on hay and got in some. I ironed and took a bath before supper. Carol came up after supper and made root beer. Finished mending a pair of Francis' pants for Arthur in evening. Gladys, David, Ray and Millie were over in evening. Millie brot Glenn a 20 gal. pork jar. We watched "Miss Universe" pageant. Judy & Mary out in forenoon

7/14/68 [S] Fair, hot. Tedded all of it around rock heap, most 2 hours. Thed and Carol made a batch of root beer last night. David, Gladys, Ray and Millie over last night. They brought me up a 20 gal. jar. [Likely a crock.] Got in 387 bales pm. Art and Judy out eve. Went out and got 30 gal gas and brake fluid.

[T] Thick fog, cobwebs. Got up at 6:15, curled my hair and built fire at 7, then filled the woodbox. We had breakfast about 8:30. Heated up the roast beef for dinner and made big biscuit for shortcakes. We ate about 1. Glenn tedded hay in forenoon and they got in some in pm. Worked on Grange books some. Arthur and Judy were out a while in eve. Cliff and Hazel were out and she brot me some more dues. Glenn and I went to St. before supper and got some gas.

7/15/68 Fair am. Shower about 2:30. Hot. Mowed up to corner of pasture, then went around piece next to spring 4 times. Harry tedded by rock heap. Baled 206 then it rained. Got 3/10 inch in a little over 50 minutes. Gerald went down to Shortt's, think they will have truck last of week.

[T] Thick fog, cobwebs, hot, red sun. Got up at 6:15. Made chocolate cake for Gene's birthday after breakfast and 6 cupcakes for Pomona. Washed my spread. Glenn mowed this forenoon, Had a hard shower about 2, got clothes in before they got sprinkled much. They got one load of hay before the shower. Sun came out after, hotter than before. Curled my hair and got Grange report ready. We had cracker and milk for supper. Called to see Florence and Dido, they are gaining. 16 at Pomona at W. Rumney. Dorice and Ernest were there. We went up East Side and around pond on way home.

7/16/68 Fair, hot. Gerald tedded by rock heap and rolled bales over am. We loaded up bales after dinner. Harry tedded left side of road, then we got rest of it by rock heap 160 bales. Put up some plank and poles to hold bales in bay. Down to West Rumney to Grange last night. Worked in garden some Thunder shower about 6 pm, about 4/10 of inch of rain. Gerald cul. taters.

[T] Hazy, hot, hay dried good pm. Build fire about 7. Glenn worked in garden and ground scythes, etc. I wrote & sent donut recipe to Helen Daisey. Wrote letter to Edna at Helen's. They got in hay in pm. I got Grange money ready to take to bank. Is hot. Weeded in garden a little after supper. Had thunder shower around 6:30, had almost 4/10 of an inch. Weeded my flowers at end of the house. Glenn went to Office.

7/17/68 Cloudy, hot, shower pm. Hoed taters. Hoed in garden some Put up electric fence the other side of taters to let cows into oats. Gerald dusted taters am. Smoke bacon. Out to Office last night.

- 7/18/68 [T] Fog, sowers, hot am. Built fires about 7. We worked in garden a little in eve. Muggy, not. Mowed beside road with machine and some by hand then went up and tedded this side of spring. Gerald got below house side of road done. We got in 404 bales pm. Ground scythe.
- 7/19/68 [T] fog, hazy, hot, good hay day pm. Red sun night and morning. Built fire about 7. Made donuts [40] after breakfast for Grange tonight.
- Fair, hot am. Hard thunder shower about 3 pm, 1 1/10 rain. Mowed rest of upper field am. Went up to Dr. pm. Gerald moved little piece on Flat behind bushes, raked and baled 6 bales side of road and cond. part of Flat before shower. We just got down to St. when shower struck. Doris brought us up 1 1/2 qts. peas for dinner.
- [T] Fog, red sun, hot. Hot and muggy but some breeze. Built fire about 6:45. Set out coleus at end of house and tied up tomatoes. Glenn mowed and Gerald conditioned in am. Glenn and I left for Bradford about 12:30, did shopping after he saw Dr. Deposited \$75.50 for Pomona. Thunder shower started while we were getting gas and how it rained. Long streaks of lavender chain lightning on way home. Lasted over 1 1/2 hours, got 1 in. rain. Stitched Arthur's shorts and finished them. Mended a little and watched TV. Sure seems good to have it nice and cool tonight.
- 7/20/68 Fair, cooler. Mowed beside road and by garden. Went up pm and tedded hay. Had 8 bales of stuff beside road, put it down in pasture. Howard Hall stopped a few minutes pm.
- [T] Clearing, perfect day pm. Built fire about 6:30. Made bread after breakfast. Did usual work. Glenn cut small lilac bushes all along wall *[on road side of garden]* Made half a rule of gingersnaps before dinner. Had 4 loaves of bread. Made about 40 of Aunt Clara's oatmeal cookies in pm. Glenn tedded hay next to spring before dinner. They cleaned up beside the road by garden. Washed the kitchen floor in late pm. Jess Woodward came for his beans about 5:15, gave him a loaf of bread *[baked beans; bread good to sop up the bean juice!]* Got about 1/2 cup of blueberries, hardly any this year. Glenn gave out surplus. Went down to Gerald's and looked at peas ready to pick.
- 7/21/68 [S] Fair, cool. Went down and picked about 3/4 bu. peas, shelled out 3 qts. Tedded hay by spring and on Flat am. We got in 228 bales hay by spring pm. Went out to see cattle at George's but didn't find them. Got rid of rest of surplus, got rid of some last night.
- [T] Blue sky, white clouds, nice breeze. Got up at 7. Glenn cleaned out the stove pipe, got over 1/2 big pail full. Did dishes, made bed, went down to Gerald's at 9:30 to pick peas. We got about 3/4 bu. of two rows. Glenn tedded and I shelled peas, cooked 1 1/2 ats. for dinner, froze 4 pts. They got in the hay. Glenn and I left about 3:15 to take salt blocks for cattle at St. but didn't see them. Delivered some surplus. Took 2 big begonias out to cemetery. Mr. Aubut gave us some qt. and pt. canning jars.
- 7/22/68 Fair, good breeze. Mowed next to 4 acre field, all done mowing at home except sidehill. Gerald cond. it pm and we got 14 bales up in corner and side hill, 50 bales on Flat. Worked in garden some and some at night. Art and Judy out last night.
- [T] Some clouds, fair. Built fire about 6:45. Changed some cushion covers and started to wash about 9:30. Glenn is mowing last piece of hay. Jean was over this forenoon to telephone; their telephone is still out *[maybe the lightning put it out.]* Saw a Scarlet Tanager just a minute
- 7/23/68 Fair. Gerald cul. taters again then he went down to Shortt's, they hadn't done anything on truck. Got gas ready for lawnmower, boys mowed lawn. I tedded next to 4 acre field and hoed some am. Gerald raked next to 4 acre field then we hoed taters for last time. Got in 200 bales over there, hoed some more. Thed and I picked 1/2 bu. tub and small pail peas tonight.
- [T] Mostly fair. Got up at 6 and ironed. Glenn built fire. Made banana bread after breakfast. Dustmopped bedrooms. Doris came up and washed a cow blanket *[probably for one of Harry's cattle.]* and swept kitchen. Louie was over to use telephone. I washed jars Aubut gave us. Gerald went down to see about truck. Hadn't touched it for a week. Turned up hem on

- dress. Glenn and I picked $\frac{3}{4}$ bu. peas after supper. He went to Office. I shelled peas, almost 6 qts. Man from Colorado stopped and got 2 gal. syrup. Beverly Walker got 15 lbs. beans. Ruth Gilbert got 15 lbs. Washed kitchen windows both sides in pm.
- 7/24/68 Fair am, rain pm. Gerald went down to Shortt's to help work on truck today. Hoed some corn, wheeled off 4 [wheelbarrow] load of stone that Thed had pick up out in corn. Jim and Barry over to Lyme to hoe taters for Hebb. Rudy stayed here. Sliced up bacon, wrote in account book.
- [T] Cloudy, rain 4/10 inch pm. Built fire about 6:45. We were just thru breakfast when Vern, Barry and Rudy came, Rudy stayed here. Glenn hoed some corn and wheeled off 4 load of stones I had picked up. Glenn sliced up bacon in pm. Didn't do much. Gene and Rudy got soaked. Hunted up some clothes for Rudy. Gerald was down to Shortt's all day to help on truck, not fixed yet. Made 3 loaves bread and a few rolls. Bob and Nellie up in evening. We had lunch about 10:30.
- 7\25\68 Fair. Gerald down to Shortt's again today, got truck most back together. Worked in garden some, wheeled off load of stone. Went over to Cemet. and mowed beside road a little while.
- 7\26\68 [T] Francis called tonight from Griffiths AFB said they would be home in night tomorrow Fair. Went over and finished mowing side of road by Cemet. am. Gerald got Ralph's truck to take Harry's cattle up to Littleton tomorrow. Got some stuff of George for foot rot. Francis [w\Evelyn & Irene] got home about 4:45 p.m.
- [T] Francis showed some of his slides tonight
- 7/27/68 Fair, not. Gerald, Doris & Harry left about 5:30 this morn. Francis milked. He bugged taters. Done some grinding, smoked some ham and bacon. Francis went out pm and got his car insp. He had driven over 4,000 miles. Gene and girls stayed up here last night.
- 7\28\68 [S] Fair, rain pm. Harry got 7 blue ribbons up to Littleton yesterday. Gerald's folks and Art and Judy here to dinner Howard's folks up p.m. Ernest and Sal up p.m. All here to lunch. They helped Gerald get out a little pulp but it rained. White 2nd calf heifer had a dead calf today.
- [T] Francis borrowed Ken's screen & showed pictures most 3 hrs.
- 7/29/68 Fair. Gerald and Francis went down to Shortt's got to have radiator core fixed. Then they went out to Dave's. Agnes Young and girl here pm. Buried calf and fixed water pipe, split some wood. Evelyn made a cake for Vernie am. Judy out to see how Thed made bread am. They took radiator up to Woodsville and got it fixed pm. They got Walt's truck and got some trunks for Sunset.
- 7/30/68 Fair. They took Walt's truck home am. Took a load of old stuff over to sugar camp. They sowed a few oats down where we had peas at Gerald's. Picked peas this morn, about 8 qts after shelled. Forest, Agnes and Mary Young here to dinner, they left about 2 pm. Gerald and Francis down to Shortt's pm, no truck yet.
- 7/31/68 Fair. Took bull out to drink this morn and he knocked me over hurt my ribs and right ankle and piece off left leg went up to see Dr. a.m. Got muffler and tailpipe put on car pm, \$30.00. Francis' folks went to Pease Base today. Gerald down to Shortt's again, no truck.
- [T] Glenn led the bull out & he bunted him in ribs with his head & hurt his right leg. . . Glenn & I left for Drs. at 10 took x-ray of ribs don't think any cracked or broken but sprained right ankle. He bandaged it have to soak it & put hot cloths on ribs. Glenn stayed in his chair until he went to bed about 9:30
- 8/1/68 Rain a little. Gerald fixed fence up in corner next to Leighton's. Soaked ankle and teat. Francis' folks up to Howard's today from Pease. Gerald went up and got Mel's truck pm. He split some of the old maple blocks out by barn. Didn't sleep very good last night.
- [T] Built fire about 7. Glenn slept some but didn't move around much. Is using Arthur's crutches. Did usual work. Carol and Janet came up after dinner and helped make Jim Jams [YUM!], then I made oatmeal cookies. Glenn laid down about two hours. Gardner, Jeanette

and Sam Oliver called in evening. Alice went to Grange with us. We got home about 11. Gerald took Mel's truck and took Nellie, Nancy and Princess and Jim Hook's heifer up to N. Haverhill fair tonight for the Fair.

8\2/68

Rain this morn. They got Mel's truck and took Harry's cattle and one of Hook's up to Haverhill last night [to the Fair.] Gerald tinkered around am. He got 2 load of sand with town truck pm, one to put on pipe under barn and one for 3 mud holes up in field. Francis got here about 3 pm. They went down to Shortt's and got truck, \$699.18. They got body on truck in eve. Doris went up to fair with Marion today. Didn't move around much today slept a little better last night.

[T] Built fire about 6:45. Glenn slept better & could move around more & can get around better. Made 2 pumpkin pies after got Glenn fixed up. Doris and kids have gone to N. Haverhill Fair. Had steak for dinner. Gerald ate here. Gerald got two load of sand with town truck. I wiped up kitchen floor. Francis, Evelyn and Irene came about 3. Francis and Gerald went and got truck. Gladys, Wilfred and Ada here a little while. Got card from Mabel and letter from Helen Daisey. Evelyn took Doris shopping in eve. and Gerald and Francis got body most fastened onto truck. I pulled 1\2 bushel pusley out of garden and set out 12 head lettuce plants. Glenn and I went to bed about 9:30. Glenn feels about the same.

8\3/68

Fair, hot. Gerald, Doris and Gene went up to Fair, girls stayed here. Francis got 3 sets of bolts on to hold body on truck. Thed, Francis, Evelyn and girls went up to Fair pm. Had beet greens for dinner today.

[T] Thick fog, cobwebs. Built fire and soaked Glenn's foot before breakfast. Evelyn did dishes. I got beet greens and fixed them. Evelyn washed them. Carol, Janet and Sheryl stayed here, Gerald and Doris went to the Fair. Francis worked on truck and he and Evelyn mowed part of lawn. Carol and Janet helped me make brown bread and a cake. Sheryl had a nap. I took a bath and Francis, Evelyn and girls and I started for the Fair about 2:30. Watched Harry show Nellie. Doris, Evelyn and I went to Forest Hills a few minutes. Doris and Sheryl came home with us. I washed the tank and we had supper. Gerald and the kids ate when they came. Helped Glenn get ready for the dance at Dorchester. He went with Arthur & Judy. Howard, Barbara and Kathy came, she stayed here with the girls and Gene. I laid down with Irene a few minutes till she went to sleep. Glenn's ribs hurt more today

8\4/68

[S] Fair. Over to Dorchester to dance last night, Pat played. \$15.00 Good crowd. Howard's folks up after supper. Boys all went over to dance. Doris fell down and hurt end of spine. Ken took her up, to Dr. today, not much they can do for it. They got rest of bolts on to hold body down and went to dump. Gerald started for Haverhill with truck and got out to Schwarz' and it began to knock, so got Mel's truck to get the cattle. They towed the truck home when they got back. Had string beans and new beets for dinner. Howard brought up some cukes out of his garden last night. Couldn't dance last night, did waltz a little.

[T] Fog. Got up at 6:30, built fire at 7. Glenn feels aobut the same, got along well at the dance & waltzed a bit. Barbara and I picked string beans and fixed them for dinner. Gerald and Francis finished truck body. Howard ground his scythe. I made fried pie for dinner, part with boiled cider sauce. Had new beets and cukes Howard brot. Doris fell down at dance and hurt the end of her spine. Dr. couldn't do much for her. Gerald and Gene went to Fair with truck. Glenn and Francis had a nap. Dick and Marina (Fraser) Tracy and four children called in pm. Something happened to truck going out so Gerald got Pete's truck. Most of them ate here. Arthur and Judy out in eve. Glenn feels better tonight.

8\5/68

Fair, hot. Got Mel's truck and took mine down to Shortt's, then went to Plymouth and got a load of sawdust. Got to have a new bearing. They unloaded sawdust. Took Ferg, tedder, H, baler and conditioner out to Fire house pm. I went out and got them. Went up to Morey's, got 20 cukes for a \$1.00 [*He raised the best pickling cukes, always early.*] They called from Shortt's pm,, got to have a short block in truck. Think can get one at Dover, will let me know

in morning. Francis mowing lawn tonight. I fixed 7 1/2 qts. string beans am. Thed and Gene picked about a bushel of peas tonight. Maurice and Irene up evening, got a peck of peas, \$1.50 and 3 lbs. for Gardner [Hayes.]

8\6/68 [T] Fog. Got up at 6, built fire about 6:45. Francis and Gerald do chores. Glenn hasn't been out at chore time since Wed. a.m. Gerald and Francis had Pete's truck to tow truck back to Shortt's, then got a load of sawdust. Washed and put all but starched ones outdoors. Doris came up in pm, can't sit very good. Gerald and Francis took both tractors, tedder and conditioner out to St. Glenn and all the kids went after them. Gene and I picked a bushel of peas. Irene had a peck, Gardner, 3 lbs. Then I weeded most 3 rows in garden before dark. Rain a little. Gerald went down and helped Cliff on motor on truck. Francis and Charles went to Dover with Charles pickup and got a rebuilt motor for truck They wouldn't let them have it without paying for it so Charles paid and I paid him \$293.91. They got home about 4:45 pm. Sam here late p.m. sold him George the Bull \$340.00.

8/7/68 [T] East wind. Built fire at 6:45. Made bread after breakfast. Francis and Charlie went down and got motor for truck. Gerald stayed at Shortt's and helped get old one out. Glenn feels about the same. He went over to Richard's this forenoon. Doris came up and Evelyn set her hair and then gave me a "Toni." Sam came this pm and bought the bull. Francis, Evelyn and Irene went and had lobster with Ken and Evelyn. Glenn and I had tomato soup. I ironed then soaked his foot and steamed his ribs. Had 5 1/2 loaves of bread. Gardner and Jeanette came up, she took 3 more cookbooks, roast beef, hamburg, corn, bacon and pork chops. Rain some am. Boys down to Shortt's all day, didn't get truck, Cliff gone pm. Evelyn took me up to Dr. am. Got to go to bed with feet up until Sat. up to go to the bathroom that's all. David and Gladys here most of pm. Sam came and got Bull and brought me a smaller one [Spose Dad could get a leg high enough to give George a kick in the ass on the way to the truck?This is the one who knocked him down.)]

[T] Fog. Got up about 6:30. Glenn feels about the same. Don't like the red on Glenn's leg. Called the Dr. & he said come up. Evelyn took him up. Doris and kids went. Glenn has to get to bed with feet high till Sat. then see him again. Francis and Gerald left before 9 to work on truck. Weeded over a row in garden, cooked peas for dinner. Gladys and David here most of afternoon. Made chicken pie for supper. Hot cloths on Glenn's leg for an hour out of every three. Sam got bull and left a young one. Francis' folks went to Dale's with Gerald folks in evening. Gardner called.

8/8/68 Fair. Gerald and Harry went to Hopkinton Fair, took all four of them, had Ralph's truck. Francis and Evelyn went to Animal Farm, up to Edna's, down to Vernie's, he brought truck home. Os in pm, grain man here pm.

8/8/68 Orford Bradford, Vt., United Opinion

•T/Sgt. and Mrs. Francis Pease and daughter, Irene, who have been in Guam for two and a half years, are visiting Francis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Pease. On Sunday, July 28, the family was together at the Pease home. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pease and two children of Laconia, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pease and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pease, the Francis Pease family, also Miss Dorice Pease and Ernest Goodwin of Lebanon. [Aunt Dorice was housekeeper for Mr. Goodwin for a few years in the late 60s.]

[T] Francis and I got up at 5:30. He did chores. Gerald and Harry left about 6:30 with 4 cattle for Hopkinton Breed Show. I slept on couch last night. Glenn couldn't get very comfortable anywhere. Francis, Evelyn and Irene left for Woodsville before dinner. Glenn had first ripe tomato from garden. Surplus food man was here in pm and Walter in forenoon. Weeded in garden a while. Glenn had a nap. His legs prickle terribly to get up and ribs hurt to lay down. Francis brot the truck home in pm. Gerald and Harry got home about 4. Arthur and Judy out in evening.

- 8/9/68 Fair. Rain some last night, 2 showers pm and eve. They took a cow and biggest calf over to Gratz am and loaded rake. Gerald took rake out pm. Went down to see heifers but couldn't find them. Francis and Evelyn left about 3 pm for Pease air force base, going to stay tonight and Sat. night. Sun going to see Della and Bertha and to N.Y. Art and Judy out last night. Had Bud's heifer bred today. Thed picked some cukes today. Thed canned.
[T] Built fire about 7. Made bread after breakfast. Glenn was a little more comfortable last night. I slept on couch. Evelyn did dishes then packed, made beds up clean and swept rooms. Oscar was in to see Glenn after dinner. Francis' folks left at 3 for Pease AFB. I made pumpkin, Mince and little apple pie before supper. Baked them in electric stove. Glenn feels about the same.
- 8/10/68 Fair. Gerald took me up to Dr. am. Truck leaks oil somewhere. He went down to Shortt's pm. Pulled some pig weeds out of taters. Irwin and Rita and boys here to dinner and part of pm. I went back to bed about 3:30. Thed got more cukes today.
[T] Built fire about 6. Took a bath and fixed beans. We ate at 7:45, then I steamed Glenn's leg and ribs. Helped Glenn get ready and Gerald took him to Dr.'s about 9:30. I washed sink windows, kitchen floor, wiped up, others and picked up around. Roasted beef, had beets, carrots and cukes for dinner. Rita, Irv and boys came about 12. Glenn don't have to stay in bed but off his feet most of the time, see Dr. Tue. Rita brot me a fruit cake and bread. Had a nice visit, they left about 3. Glenn went to bed then. I ate supper in bedroom with him. Gardner called tonight. Francis called from Pease tonight. Worked in garden awhile, picked 17 cucumbers.
- 8/11/68 [S] Fair, cool. Art and Judy came out about 10:30 and we went with them over Sawyer highway to Woodstock, up by Old Man to Twin Mt., ate lunch there. Took a wrong turn and went 28 miles, had to come back. Went over to school, then up where they are going to live. Went out to Myra's and stayed there until a little while after ten. She showed slides of her trip to Europe, home about 11:30. Gerald had Pete's dozer to get out pulp but it didn't work good.
[T] Cloudy, windy and cold. Built fire at 6:30. We had breakfast about 7:45 and then I steamed Glenn's leg & ribs. Did up work & got our clothes changed. Arthur & Judy came about 10:30. Went over Sawyer Highway and up to Twin Mountain, ate our lunch there. The wind blew and it was cold. Went 28 miles through Crawford Notch on wrong road. Stopped at school and then in Lancaster to see apt. Got to Myra's about 4. Had supper, then she showed slides of England, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Italy and Austria that she took last fall. The German lady who went with her told about them, were beautiful, 4 others there too. Left there at 10, got home about 12, 203 miles.
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• *On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pease took Arthur's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Pease, to visit the White Mountains Regional School, where Arthur will teach this fall, and to see their apartment in Lancaster. They all had supper that night with Glenn's cousin, Mrs. Myra Sherburn in Franconia. She showed them slides of her European trip.*
- 8/12/68 Fair. Had big cow in end of barn bred. Gerald down to Shortt's again am. Swept stable today. They found leak around frost plug in motor [*I think they got the truck back today.*]
[T] Clear, cold, lovely day. Built fire about 6:30. Glenn went to barn before breakfast. Had quite a big wash but they dried fast. Gerald took truck to Shortt's this am to see where oil is leaking, didn't get home till about 4. Found the place but not sure they fixed it.
- 8/13/68 Fair. Gerald mowed around Fire house am. He cond. it after dinner. George had Ferg pm. Went up to Dr. am. He put rubber stockings on me.
[T] Fog, good hay day. Built fire about 6:30. Gerald went to St. to mow and we started for Bradford about 9. Didn't have to wait very long to see Dr. He put elastic stockings on both legs. Don't have to see Dr. again till Oct.1. Did some grocery shopping. Got home about 12:30, got lunch.

- 8/14/68 Fair, windy, cold. Gerald and Harry went out to St. am. He mowed and cond. on Wheeler's [field in front of southern-most Ridge house.] Gene and I went out pm with Bug and trailers. Got 110 bales. Gerald fixed bull's water bowl [*The bull's stanchion was the first as one entered the stable. Some of the bulls would rub their heads on the water bowl and break it off, so we had to remove it. I guess with the smaller bull, they decided to try the water bowl again - and, no need to take out in barnyard for water!*]
[T] Thick fog. Built fire about 6:30. Gerald and Harry went to St. in am to mow and condition hay on Wheeler's. Glenn and Gene went after dinner with "Lucy" and trailer and brot back a load of bales. Pulled weeds a while.
- 8/15/68 Fair. Gerald and Harry out to St. am. Gene and I out am. We brought home 244 bales. Had new exhaust pipe put on Bug and new rubbers put in one wheel on Bug. Got it all mowed upper side of road on Wheeler's. Edna and Clara here a while pm, met them then I came home.
[T] Built fire about 6:30. Glenn went to barn before breakfast. Gerald and Harry went to St. to hay. I put up dinner for Glenn and Gene to go with "Lucy" and trailer. Washed a little by hand. Doris and kids up. Worked an hour in garden. Picked about a pail of string beans in pm and fixed them, cooked a qt. and got some beets for supper and canned 5 pts. Alice went to Grange with us, 16 there. Took out \$32.40 that I made on cookbooks. Edna and Clara here a while in pm.
- 8/16/68 Fair, windy. Gerald out and mowed little piece below road on Wheeler's and little piece on Snow's and raked upper side. Thed and I went to Bradford am got some more pills. Boys and I went out pm, got a load on trailer and they got 2 small load on truck. Cleaned up upper side. David and Verna and Dot Richardson here a while pm
[T] Got up at 10 of 6, built fire at 6:30. Gerald went to St. to mow this forenoon. Glenn and I went to Bradford about 9:30, he wanted more pain pills. Got home about noon. Glenn and the boys went out with "Lucy" and trailer in pm. David, Dorothy and Verner were here this pm. She wants Barbara to paint her a picture. Glenn came home with load on trailer before they left.
- 8/17/68 Rain some. They unloaded trailer load of hay then Gerald went out to St. but it rained before he got there, so he went up to Blake's and got shroud for radiator for truck and he put it on pm. He went over to Gratz to see cattle pm, no salt. Picked a pail of cukes tonight. Picked some a week ago.
[T] Rain 1\2" am. Built fire about 6:45. Gerald went to St. to work on hay but rained on way out. Got shroud for truck at Blake's and put it on in pm. Got beans in baking and did milk things and changed bed. Made applesauce cake from Grange book in pm. Glenn and I picked a pail of cukes after chores. Raymnd Downing was here about an hour. I ironed in evening.
- 8/18/68 [S] Fair. Raymond Downing here last night. Gerald went out to Dump this morn. Put up 2 gal. syrup, opened 4 1\2 gal. Gerald loaded up a load of his poplar pulp pm. Went out pm and got Rhodes, Aubut, Comstock and Gerald's stuff [*surplus food from USDA.*] Got rid of [sold] some calendars. Art and Judy out a few minutes.
[T] Build fire about 7 and took a bath before breakfast. Glenn opened 4 1\2 gals. of syrup and filled 2 gal. cans. We had dinner about 1. Arthur and Judy out a few minutes, gave Judy a yellow glad. The coon have been in the corn [*in the garden*] and it isn't big enough yet. Helped Glenn put up some surplus and delivered some calendars. Got 2 pkg of moth flakes of Marion [*must be the little store at the Ville, which the Hook's owned for a few years*] and put them part way round the corn. I finished picking the cucumbers, then we went to Vernie's a little while. Gladys and David have been married 48 years today.
- 8/19/68 Fair. Gerald went with his pulp, 4 1\2 cds. He tedded hay at St. then raked it. Boys and I went out after dinner, got 56 bales on Wheeler's, 113 on Snow's. [*Hadn't realized Dad hayed on Snow's at the Street. With the Fire Department land and Wheelers, 3 places he hayed at the*

Street, for a few years.] Got out last ham and two pieces of bacon and put to soak. [Taking the meat from the brine in the crocks and getting ready to smoke it.]

[T] Built fire about 6:30. Gerald took his pulp to Lebanon this morning then tilled and raked hay at St. I washed and put all but starched ones outdoors. Glenn, Harry and Gene went after hay with "Lucy". Pulled pig weed out of beans about 2 hrs. Got in clothes before supper. Made a loaf of sandwiches to take to Pomona at Mt. Cube, 18 there. Alice went with us, got home about 10:30.

8/20/68 Cloudy, rain just before dinner. Gerald went another load of his pulp. 18 out to Pomona Grange last night at Mt. Cube. Put ham and bacon in smoke house. *[A small cupboard down cellar, covered with old blankets and coats to keep the smoke in.]* Gerald brought rake home and went out pm and got Ferg and tedder. Went up to Dr. again pm. He says coming all right. [T] East wind. Build fire about 7. Went out about 9 and picked rest of peas and pulled some weeds about an hour. Had a pint of peas, cooked them for dinner. We left for Bradford about 1. Dr. says Glenn is coming along good, see him Oct. 1. Did shopping. Saw Hazel D. at Dr.'s, got home about 4:30. Put two boxes of moth flakes around rest of corn. Glenn gave out rest of surplus tonight and I pulled weeds for an hour. Pat, one of the black kittens, was with me. Gerald took another load of pulp in am.

8/21/68 Fair. Went out and got H and baler and took them down to West Rumney am. Gerald mowed a little am. He took Harry's cattle down to Plymouth Fair pm. [T] Build fire about 6:45. Glenn and Gerald went to St. after big tractor and baler. Glenn brot that home and Gerald took truck and Fergie to West Rumney. I pulled pig weed out of beans for an hour, got two rows. Helped Glenn pick 1 bu. of cukes. Glenn took tractor and baler down to West Rumney and came home with Gerald. Gerald and the kids took Harry, Nellie, Nancy and Princess to the Plymouth Fair in pm. Glenn ground machine knives and I pulled w2 more rows of weeds, about 1 1/2 hrs. Had tomato soup for supper. Had letters from Francis and Evelyn. Kittens all with me in forenoon, Pat in pm. Glenn put his elastic stockings on.

8/22/68 Fair, cloudy. Gerald and kids here to dinner and supper. Doris down to Fair with Barbara. Gene and Carol mowed lawns. Gerald and Gene cut pigweed out of tater. He put some sand on pipe under barn. We went down and got 69 bales hay at West Rumney pm. [T] Built fire about 6:30. Doris went to Fair with Barbara T. The kids are here. Made beef stew and dumplings for dinner. Gene and Carol mowed all the lawn and Janet and Sheryl filled woodbox. Glenn, Gerald, Gene and Carol got 69 bales of hay at West Rumney with truck. Sheryl had a nap. Ray and Millie were here, brot 4 small jars and two boxes of clothing for children. Doris got home just as were were eating and she ate too. Harry's cattle didn't do too well. Nellie got a white ribbon. Glenn went and laid on bed about 8:30, then I woke him up to go to bed at 10:30. I ripped places on dress and dark suit Millie brot.

8/23/68 Fair, nice day. Gerald's folks all went to the Fair today. Thed and I went to Leb., got some syrup cartons, had dinner at Riverside. Stopped and saw Sal *[Dorice]* and Earnest a while. [T] Thick fog. Built fire about 6:45. Gerald, Doris and kids all went to Plymouth Fair today. Glenn and I left about 10, go to Lebanon about 11. Had dinner at Riverside, then went to Townsend's and got syrup cartons and then over to see Dorice and Ernest and did shopping at A&P, got home about 5. Glenn laid down a while. I got cows and then went blueberrying, got 30 berries, all there was and about a doz. blackberries. Found about 10 4-leaf clovers. Glenn had milking most done when Gerald got home at 7:45. I pulled weeds a little while. Gardner, Jim *[older daughter Mabel Hayes' husband, killed in Viet Nam]* and boys were here a little while Didn't get supper, we ate lunch in evening.

8/24/68 Fair, cloudy. Went down and loaded up trunks at Pemi am. Gerald fixed two leaking water bowls. Took trunks out right after dinner. Edna and Helen here to dinner until about 4:30. Put little pigs out in Orchard today. Gerald cleaned out where they had been. Gene went deep sea fishing with Ken and Dick Brown today.

[T] Got up about 6. Built fire about 6:45. They went down and loaded up Pemi's trunks this forenoon. Edna and Helen came about 10. Did milk things. They took trunks out after dinner. My beans were a long time parboiling so Helen showed me how to cook them in small pressure cooker, good too. Made 1 1/2 cream cake. They went home about 4:30, gave them some glads. Picked up a load of weeds after supper. Mabel and Jim Torrance came and got syrup, then Arthur and Judy came and Bob and Nellie. They went home about 11 and we went to bed.

8\25\68

[S] Fair, hot. Bob and Nellie up last night. Art and Judy out last night. Had a few naps pm. Gerald went down and got Harry's cattle pm. Done up 6 1/2 gal. syrup to ship.

[T] Fog. Got up about 6:30, built fire then dumped load of weeds I had in wheelbarrow, then took bath before breakfast. Canned my pickle this forenoon. Gave Eleanor 10 glads for church. Had part of a cod that Millie brot up for dinner. Glenn laid down on bed at 1:15 and stayed until after 5. I stayed on porch and looked at papers. Gerald and Harry came with his cattle about 5. Arthur and Judy here a little while in eve, Gardner and Jeanette too. Took a cake over to Millie about 8:30. Charles was up in evening.

8/26/68

Fair. Went out and got 5 heifers, George, Dick, Art, Harry, Gene, Richard Daisey and I. 2 of them we couldn't get in pen. Took out 2 dry cows, one next to bull and Barbara. Gardner and Janet in last night. Art and Judy called on way back from Fair. Charles up last night. We took a cake over to Millie for her birthday last night [*Ray Keneson's wife; they were likely at Aunt Gladys and Uncle David's.*] Drawed Sunset Ranch Camp trunks pm, had car tinkered a little bit pm. Ray and Millie here to supper tonight.

[T] Built fire past 7. They took two dry cows out to St. and brot back 5 heifers. Harry, Gene, Richard Daisey, George and Dick helped catch them. I washed. Cow had a big bull calf last night, he can't get up. Glenn went with car and Gerald and boys with truck with Sunset baggage. I picked up two wheelbarrow loads of weeds I pulled out of beans and pulled a few more before Ray and Millie came and had supper with us. Glenn went to the Office, they stayed until 9.

8/27/68

Fair, a couple showers. Gerald went with a load of his pulp got back up to Post Pond and a front wheel came almost off. I went and got Doris and girls. Blake's came down with wrecker he went up with them and I went up and got him about 4 p.m. Harry, Gene, Alan, Richard Daisey went up on the mt. today. Black heifer had a heifer calf today.

[T] Built fire about 6:45. Picked last of peas, shell out a qt., had them for dinner. Gerald went with his last load of pulp. Wheel almost came off on way home in Lyme. Glenn got Doris and girls. Gerald went to Blake's with truck. Harry, Gene, Alan and Richard went up on Cube this forenoon. Another heifer had a heifer calf this morning, the boys got them tonight. Glenn went to Bradford after Gerald about 4. Have to have new bearing for wheel. Pinned patches on Glenn's shorts [*Got to be underpants, as Dad certainly didn't wear other shorts. I never knew she patched even those!*] and put covers on 4 old holders. Glenn and I picked a bu. of cukes before dinner. I fixed a double recipe of company pickles.

8\28\68

Fair. Gerald finished putting sand on water pipe under barn. We fixed up calf stable for old sow to pig in. Gerald went down to Ray's and mowed some pm. Ray and Millie here at noon. They took 14 lbs. beans, 20m lbs. pork, 1 qt. syrup, 6 loaves bread.

[T] Built fire at 6:20. Burned paper in living room stove. Dust-mopped, picked a few shell beans for dinner. Eleanor bought a doz. glads \$1.25 Did last week's ironing. Ray and Millie stopped at noon, bought qt. of syrup, 20 lbs. pork, 4 lbs. beans, 6 loaves of bread. I gave them turnip, beets, carrots and parsnips. Gerald went down to West Rumney to mow in pm. Glenn got ___ bales of hay there with "Lucy." I pulled weeds about 2 hrs. in pm. Did this week's ironing after supper. Glenn went to Office. Sewed on holders by hand and watched TV.

- 8/29/68 Fair. Went out this morn and got Lewis' truck. Gerald went down to mow. Boys and I went down pm. Got 109 on trailer and 110 on Lewis' truck. Had a front tire go down on trailer just as I got home. Came up in lower driveway and up by end of shed. Got right side of road all mowed down to Ray's pm.
[T] Fog Built fire about 6:30. Glenn and Gerald went out and got Lewis Franklin's truck to use to hay with after breakfast, then Gerald went to West Rumney to mow. Did usual work. Glenn went down after dinner. I pulled some more weeds out of squash in pm. They brot home hay on truck and trailer.
- 8/30/68 Fair. Unloaded trailer load of hay, changed front tire. Gerald went down to mow, mowed pasture on left side of road. Boys went down with him. I went down with Bug after dinner. Baler bothered and run out of string. Brought home 116 with Bug and trailer, 117 on truck. Calvin's folks came up to Gerald's pm. He helped unload hay.
[T] Built fire about 6:30, did usual work. Gerald went down to mow. Harry and Gene went with him. Glenn went after dinner. I finished pulling pigweed out of squash this pm. They brot home a load of hay on truck and trailer. Marilyn and Calvin came up to Gerald's this pm. Calvin helped unload hay. Harry and Gene came up about 10 to sleep.
- 8/31/68 Fair. Gerald went down with Bug, Calvin went with car. Got 116 am. Ground scythe, washed milk tank, split a little wood. Thed picked last of peas, a little over a pint. Gerald, Calvin and boys went down with Bug, one with truck. Got 118 with Bug, 117 with truck and 55 truck. Baler worked all right today.
[T] Built fire about 6:20. Gerald and Calvin and the boys went to W. Rumney to hay this am. Harry and Gene stayed here last night. Did usual work. They brot a load on hay home on truck at noon. Glenn went too in pm. Got the Grange Meals cook book today. Wiped up kitchen floor and made 15 cupcakes in pm. They brot home a truckload of hay and Glenn one with "Lucy." Carried off the last of the weeds pm. Took a bath before supper. Took both cookbooks down to Doris. She ordered 1 each and Marilyn 3 each. Walked down to McGovern's, they ordered 2 each. We watched "Lawrence." Made three loaves of bread and 21 rolls. Picked last of peas and pulled up vines, a little over a pint, had some corn too.
- 9\1\68 [S] Fair. Art came out and got Lewis' truck and moved his stuff up to Lancaster. Dave Weeks and Gene helped. Art and Judy back here to lunch. They unloaded hay am. Went over to Gratz to see cattle. Took 30 lbs. pork over to Richard pm [*likely salt pork to sell in his store.*] Saw John Currier. He is going to make me some teeth. Calvin's folks went back today. Syrup all sold today. [*Made 181 gallons, likely 10-15 gals for sugar on snow, sugarcakes, etc., so sold 160+*]
[T] Fog. Built fire about 6:45. Harry and Gene stayed here last night. Arthur and Judy came about 8:30. He helped unload hay so he could have Walter Franklin's truck to move with [*from George's cabin to Pleasant St. in Lancaster.*] Dave Weeks and Gene helped him. We took salt port over to Richard in pm. Arthur and Judy had lunch with us, are going back to Lancaster tonight. Saw several kinds of birds beyond garden before breakfast. I went bird hunting in evening in pasture below barn saw a wood thrush, "Pat" & "Mike" went with me. Went down to Vernie's in evening she gave me 7 dresses that Mabel sent up too long but fit O.K. Went to bed at 11:30. Sold last of syrup, took in sign.
- 9\2\68 Fair, hot. Gerald went down to mow last of it at Ray's am. He got home at noon, brot Ferg home. We mowed down here in front of house [*across road*]. Gerald went to fire over to Fairlee, an old garage down in Adam's Square south end of Fairlee. I tedded hay.
[T] Hazy all day, 4/10 inches rain. Thunder shower about 9:30 pm. Built fire, at 7. Canned my pickle after breakfast. Gerald went to West Rumney to finish mowing. I washed. Harry and Gene picked a bu. of shell beans and I mast a half bu. after dinner, canned them, had 8 pts. Gerald started to mow in front of house but had to go to a fire at Fairlee, an old garage. Glenn

finished moving. Saw two ravens this pm. Ibbly Bischoff brot clothes for me for rummage sale. I dug most half a bu. of potatoes, partly cooked corned beef and hucks this pm for boiled dish tomorrow. *[Ma and Dad both write 'boiled dish' - or not, see 9/3, whereas I always say 'boiled dinner. ']* Ralph and Helen Emerson called tonight, gave her a red geranium *[Grange folks, from Lebanon, I think.]* Glenn went to Office. Forrest called tonight. Ripped 4 dresses apart at waist in evening.

9/3/68

Rain last night, thunder shower & rain after dinner. Had a boiled dinner today. Charles and Gerald's folks up to dinner. We cleaned up stable pm, ready to whitewash Fri. Put old sow in horse barn am *[in the south end, where calves were hitched in the winter.]*

[T] Foggy. Built fire about 6:45. They put the hog down in calf stable. I took her picture. Got beets, carrots and cabbage, a few parsnips, for dinner. Carol and Janet came up about 10, helped fix vegetable and set table. All here for boiled dinner., Charlie too. Did some mending on machine in pm. Glenn, Gerald and Harry got stable ready to whitewash. Got 4 dresses pinned together this evening. Glenn and I picked 3 pails of eating cucumbers after supper. *[Must be the longer ones, as opposed to 'pickling' ones ready earlier.]* Irene called and said Gardner had a bad heart attack Sun. night, was in hospital.

9/4/68

Fair. Took up electric fence back to tater piece and set stakes up this side of it am. Went down to Ray's pm and cleaned up, got 117 bales. Ethel Mack's mother died yesterday.

[T] Thick fog. Built fire about 6:45. Chopped hash and we had some for dinner *['red flannel hash,' made from leftover vegetables from yesterday's boiled dinner, don't think she put any meat in it.]* Harry and Gene picked a bu. of shell beans and I picked about 1/12 bu. Shelled them and canned 8 pts. Dug most ½ bu. of potatoes after supper. Glenn went to the Office tonight. Ethel Mack's mother died.

9\5\68

Fair. Gerald went out to Garage with Bug, got some cut off so we can use chains and fixed chains that we used on Ford for Bug. Thed and I went to Bradford am, got 500 ft. 1½ inch plastic pipe and fittings and strainer. Got three more fly salt blocks. Gerald raked hay in front of house but not dry. Harry, Bertha and Edna here a while pm. Went up about quarter of 4 and got truck, \$R126.00 to fix it. Had to have a rear wheelbearing too. Glen Marsh died very suddenly about 11:30 today, 54 years old. Out to Office last night. Old sow had 13 pigs pm. [T] Glenn & I went to Bradford about 9:30 he got 500 ft. of plastic pipe for water. It runs down cellar & just drizzles in barn yard

[T] Fog. *[Maybe Ma needs to clean her glasses – she often mentions fog and Dad almost never does – or, fog gone by the time Dad gets up a half-hour later.;-)]* Build fire about 6:45. Gerald went to Garage to tinker on "Lucy." Glenn and I went to Bradford about 9:30. He got 500 ft. plastic pipe for water. It runs down cellar but just drizzles in barnyard. *[This entry is an example of why Ma's diary is more useful. Dad is a 'Just the facts, Ma'am' writer, while Ma sometimes gives more details.]* Did some grocery shopping. Glen Marsh died of heart attack about 11:30 am. Gerald raked hay in front of house. Harry, Bertha and Edna here a little while in pm. The sow had 13 pigs in late pm. Went to Grange, 13 there. Hadn't seen Dot Pierson since middle of June. Arthur started teaching in Whitefield *[WMRHS]* today.

9/6/68

Cloudy am, rain pm. Got stable ready to whitewash. Was going down to pond to get some water but Sam came. Sold him 3, one 3rd calf cow, one 1st calf heifer and the lame thin cow, \$650.00. Took Thed down to Ply. pm to get glasses adjusted. Vernie went with us. He *[Gerald?]* whitewashed stable pm, it didn't dry much. 5 of Pete's cattle down here this morn, put them in hog house.

[T] Fog, fain at 11:30 am. Got up and built fire about 6:30. 5 of Pete's yearlings came down about 8, put them in hog house. They finished getting stable ready to be whitewashed. Sam came about 11, bought and took 3 cows. We left for Plymouth about 1, Vernie went with us. Got my glasses adjusted and shopped at National, rained all pm, got home about 5. Glenn tedded hay in front of house after supper. Arthur and Judy came about 10, he is going to work

- 9/7/68 for George tomorrow. Got 12 metal folding chairs for Grange in Plymouth, \$5 each. Katie, Brock and Arden over tonight to watch milking. Made 15 banana cupcakes this forenoon. Fair, nice day. Dale came up with Robbie Downing's backhoe and dug ditch from spring down to barway by culvert, about 700 ft. We put in 100 ft. of 3\4 pipe that Charles gave me next to spring, then 500 ft. new pipe, then 100 ft. of pipe that I had. Got it running about 4:30. David and Gladys over pm. One dead pig this morn and one at noon. Tedded hay down in front of house at night.
- [T] Fog. 7/10 inch rain. Built fire about 6:30, got beans baking after breakfast. Dale came with backhoe about 9 to dig new ditch for water pipe. Put in about 700 ft. plastic pipe from spring. Made a medium and small apple pie and did milk things. Gladys and David were here part of afternoon. Made an applesauce cake for Gladys' birthday and little one for us. Helped water Pete's cattle after supper. Frosted Gladys' cake and we took it over. Got home about 10. I watched Miss America pageant till 12. Miss Illinois got it [*Ma musta dozed off – Wikipedia says Debra Barnes from Kansas won.*] Arthur and Judy left about 8:30m this morning. Got water running about 4:30
- 9\8\68 [S] Fair, nice day. Dido and Florence up this morn a little while. Gete and Rob Roy came down and got their cattle. Ernest and Sal here about 10 am. Tedded hay about 11 am. Baled hay, 130 bales, not dry, Gerald and boys got it in [*likely spread out in farm floor or on bare space overhead, so would not overheat.*] Thed baked a roaster full of beans for a supper for Mel out to Masonic Hall tonight. We went out to supper. One of the second calf heifers had a bull calf last night. Another dead pig today.
- [T] Built fire about 7, took a bath. Got roaster of beans baking at 9. Florence and Dido here about an hour. Gete and Rob came for young cattle who have been in hog house since Friday morning. Dorice and Ernest came about 11, went home about 4. Had dinner about 1. Glenn, Gerald and boys got in hay in front of house, two trailer loads. Bea & Walter came for beans & glads for Mel & Gale past 5. Glenn & I went to the supper at Masonic Hall for Mel, came home by Lake Tarleton.
- 9/9/68 Fair. Gerald went up and got Mel's dozer to cover pipe with. He covered up pipe up to fence by hand. I went out and got 10 gals. diesel fuel for dozer. He got some done before dinner. Went down on Flat and moved rowen right side of road and below bridge, then cond. it. We went up and finished covering pipe, I covered by hand. Gerald took dozer home, used it 2 hours, \$10.00
- [T] Thick fog. Cobwebs. Built fire about 6:45. Gerald got Mel's dozer to cover water pipe. Glenn went to Fairlee for fuel for it. Washed. Gerald brot me some corn, I husked it and froze about 7 pts., had some for supper. Gerald mowed and Glenn conditioned rowen on Flat, then finished covering pipe. I dug a few potatoes. Picked about a 1/2 bu. of string beans after supper. Pulled a few weeds. Vernie and Betty here a while, Wesley picked them up.
- 9/10/68 Rain a little am, fair pm. Gerald loaded up a load of pulp for Al Godfrey last night. I took him out this morn and finished up chores. Went out to Town Hall at 12:30, home at 11 pm [*primary elections.*] Gerald stopped to see cattle at George's, couldn't get near one of them.
- [T] Built fire at 6:45. Shelled most 8 pts of beans after breakfast, canned 7 pts., cooked rest for dinner. Glenn sliced a ham and last of bacon. We had dinner about 15 of 12. He left for primary election a little past twelve. [*Dinner was usually very close to noon – needed a reason for it not to be!*] Gerald took a load of pulp for Albert Godfrey today. I went out to vote with May and Oscar, home about 2. Just puttered around in pm. Filled woodbox and had my lunch before 6. Gladys and David here a few minutes. Watched election returns on Channel 11 till 12. Glenn got home about 11. Mel is one of top 3 Republicans [*must be for Governor.*]
- 9\11\68 Rain hard am. Took out bull's water bowl. Tinkered around am. Went out pm and unloaded surplus, went to bank, got a haircut. Got a water bowl and another fence charger. Gerald

mowed sidehill in front of Camp and took machine off. [*Mostly where the blueberry patch was.*] Put shovel on tractor am.

[T] Built fire about 6:45. Peterson got the nomination for Gov., Rep. Wrote a long letter to Francis and Evelyn. We had fish for dinner. Millie came up. Sure did rain this forenoon at times. Power went off at 11:15, back on at 4:30. Picked about 4 doz. glads, rain breaks them over, some asters too. Glenn went to Fairlee in pm, got home about 5:30. Gerald mowed the blueberry patch with Fergie. We went to Grange at W. Rumney, Deputy there, I took Pomona and Glenn Steward [*must be Pomona Grange.*] 22 there, home about 11:30.

9\12\68

Rain a little am. Put in new water bowl, put some new plank in stable floor. Charles up am. Went up and dug up water pipe where we hooked onto the lead pipe and it was backing up by the lead pipe. Put on another piece of plastic pipe and more clamps. Put electric fence this side of taters. Took it up beside road, put fence up here back of house. Went down to West Rumney to Grange last night.

[T] 3/8 inch rain pm. Built fire about 7. Began to rain about 9 but didn't amount to much. Wrote letters to Bertha and Della. Richard and Elsie Downing here for more than an hour after dinner. Shirley was down this morning got 2 doz. glads, \$2. Didn't do much in pn. Glenn and Gerald changed electric fence up in the field. Picked a few shell beans after supper and tied up cauliflower. Maurice and Irene brot up clothes for rummage, some need washing. Glenn and Gerald went to Fire Meeting.

9\13\68

Rain some in night, cloudy, fair. Went over to Gratz and got a cow. Took old Dodge truck and old wheelharow down into pasture [*old equipment dump.*] Set up, blower out to little silo pm [In back of young cattle stable.] Gerald went out to Franklin's and got a 6 ft. length of 8 inch pipe[*for silage blower.*]

[T] Built fire at 6:30, shelled beans. Glenn and Gerald brot cow home from Gratz. Wrote short letter to Dorothy. Got another free "Meats" cook book. They got the blower set up out by the little silo, got some pipe from Franklin's. I did two weeks' ironing this afternoon. Howard Hall here before supper and bought a calf and cow. Glenn went to Office tonight. Watched a nature picture on "Wizard of Oz", 7:30-8:30, then movie "State Fair." Arthur and Judy came about 10. We went to bed about 12. I picked 2 doz. glads for Mrs. Wallace for Earline's wedding tomorrow, she stopped for them.

9/14/68

Fair. Went over to Gratz and got 2 big yearlings and took out to George's pasture. Gerald found heifers, one of them has calved. Got gas for tractors, 58 gal. Took 3 salt blocks up to Andrews' [*pasture, Orfordville,*] 2 that George gave me last night. Took a salt block over to Gratz. Put sides and tailboard on truck and false headboard in and roll on pm. [*Getting ready to use truck to haul silage. The false headboard and roll allowed the silage to be pulled the back of the truck and then into blower to put into silo.*] Got stuff all into blotter books and 9 pages added up last night. Art and Judy stayed here last night and tonight.

[T] Built fire a 6:30. Arthur and Judy left about 8:45.

9/15/68

[S] Fair, nice day. They burnt up the rest of Schulz house pm, Gerald, Paul, Larry and Don Reed. [*House on northeast corner of Rts 10/25A, burned in July.*] Another heifer calved last night, whitehead calf. Went up to see Charlie Berry about shooting heifer but didn't want that. Went to see Thayer about catching with dogs. Went up to Edna's but she was gone. Art and Judy left after dinner. Tedded rowen on Flat pm.

[t] Thick fog. Got up at 7:30. Arthur had breakfast with us about 8:45.

9/16/68

Fair. Gerald went up and got Pete's flair chopper and changed blades on it am [*to be used to cut green oats.*] Picked 1/2 bu. cukes am. Went down and tedded rowen and shook up some of it. Gerald raked down here in front of house and we baled 8 bales and throwed it in bushes [*must be what they cut on bank next to road – mostly bushes and weeds.*] Gerald got truck all ready for corn.

[T] Thick fog. Built fire about 6:45.

- 9/17/68 Fair. Up to East Haverhill to Pomona Grange last night, Inspection, 22 there. Doris out to take care of Niles from 10-6:30 last night. Gerald got out some manure and spread over next to 4 acre field. I went down and tilled rowen and we got it pm, 72 bales.
[T] Thick fog. Built fire about 6:45. Doris took care of Mr. Niles last night for first time.
- 9\18\68 Fair. Went out to Garage with Ferg am, had new points, plugs cleaned, front wheel greased. Gerald drew manure. We went down pm and got a load of oats, most ripe. *[Cut with Pete's flail copper and put in silo.]*
[T] Thick fog. Hot. Built fire at 6:30. Picked a squash for dinner and marked some glads & put sign out again. Glenn took Fergie out to Garage and Gerald is getting out manure. Richard Downing up at noon. Gerald and Glenn got a load of oats at W. R. this pm and put in little silo. I pulled weeds in garden an hour pm, got ¾ bu. Had letter from Evelyn. Weeded another row between glads after supper, about ¾ hjour. Glenn went to Office. I sweat as much today as I did any day last summer. Sent card and short letter to Bertha and wrote letter to Edna.
- 9/19/68 Fair, hot. Went out am to see if we could get wild heifer but couldn't do anything with her. Went down pm and got a load of oats. Got a generator down to Aaron's that goes on chopper. Out to Office last night.
[T] Built fire at 6:30.
- 9/20/68 Fair, hot. Took Thed and Irene out to Grange Hall to get ready for rummage sale. Gerald took Harry down to Hanover hospital for x-ray on his foot. Picked a pail of cukes. Went down and chopped oats onto ground, 1 ½ hrs. Gerald came down with truck and we got a load. Thed came home with Maurice and Irene.
[T] Foggy. Built fire about 6:45. John Currier came after breakfast to try Glenn's teeth, had them in wax. Glenn took Irene and I out to Ville to work on things for rummage sale. Hazel *[Huckins]* helped too. Maurice came out and ate with us. Stanley brot a lot of things. We came home with Maurice about 5. We had cracker and milk for supper *[Good stuff: Vermont crackers, blueberries, syrup in milk! Sometimes with a little dried codfish when I was a kid.]*
- 9/21/68 Fair. Took Thed and Irene out to Grange Hall. We went down and got a load of oats and chopped the rest of them onto ground. Got home at 1 pm with chopper, Gerald took it home. Run in oats *[blowed into silo]*, then I went down to Maxfield's and got some side knives and stuff for harvester. Gerald tinkered on harvester. Thed and I went up to Bradford last night. They made \$98.00 on Rummage sale and \$18.00 on food sale.
[T] Thick fog. Arthur and Judy left about 4. He has to help milk at Tullar's, George is at Eastern States. Built fire at 6:30, did up work. Maurice brot Irene up and Glenn took us out about 9:30. Got things about all put out before dinner. Dot *[Pierce]*, Grace *[Woodward]* and Clara *[Franklin]* had food sale, made \$18. We sold a lot but had a lot left, sold it to Moosilauke Grange for \$15. Made *[\$98, according to Dad]* Got home about 5:30.
- 9/22/68 [S] Fair. Went out to catch heifer but didn't get the calf. Left it out there and Gerald and kids went out at night and brought calf home. Thed went to Betty Messer's for shower for Judy pm. Got rid of most of surplus pm. Howard, Barb and Cathy up about 6 pm tonight.
[T] Fog.
- 9/23/68 Fair, hot. Went out and George and Dick helped us but we couldn't catch the heifer, home about noon. Got both harvesters our and greased up pm. *[They had two corn harvesters: the older one just cut and bundled the who stalk, while the newer one chopped it up and blew it into the truck. I think perhaps they used the older one at Richard Downings. Also at the Street – see 10/11/68. This also meant two different rigs to put the corn into the silo: one which chopped the corn as it went in and one which just blew in the already chopped corn.]* Carl Shaw out to Ville died last night.
[T] Built fire about 6:20.
- 9/24/68 Fair, hot. Went out this morn and George shot and loaded heifer for us. We dressed her off here at home, weighed 400 lb. *[They wouldn't normally butcher when it was hot weather. Dad*

- had Richard Burnham cut up the beef at his market, where it could be kept refrigerated.] We put it down cellar after dinner and cleaned up out to barn. Gerald went up and covered up pipe where we hitched it together by barway. They brought Gerald up a new freezer from light Co. pm, a 21 cu. ft. one, \$265.00.*
- 9/25/68 Fair. Gerald went down and cut corn for Richard [*Downing, Wentworth*] today, 5 hrs. Thed and I went to Woodsville, went to bank, took hide up to Gallerini's, \$2.00. Got 3 fly blocks. Had dinner with Edna, got 11 gal. antifreeze, \$1.19 a gal., got 2 stallcocks at Patten's. Stopped to see if Richard would cut up beef.
[T] Built fire about 6:45.
- 9/26/68 Fair. Gerald took half of beef over to Richard am. Harry Nelson brought me out 3 load of gravel from Larry Ricker's pit, 1 load in upper and 2 in lower driveway. Gerald took Harry down to hospital at 11 am., doesn't have to use crutches anymore. We went down and got a load of corn pm. [*On Ray's @ West Rumney. The oats may have also come from there.*] Sold Hall 4 calves, \$110.00. [*Howard Hall from East Haverhill bought calves and sometimes cows from Dad, often to sell at Grey's East Theford sale.*]
[T] Built fire at 6:20.
- 9/27/68 Fair. Went down and got a load of corn am. I went to S.C.S. [*Federal Soil Conservation Service. Dad was on committee for many years.*] meeting with Bernard [Tullar, Lyme] and Alfred [*Stevens, Piermont*] pm. Had car greases and oil changed. Gerald went out and fixed tire on truck and had Larry tinker lights some. Gerald went over last night and got hamburg and sold 50 lbs. to Dale, 60¢ a pound. He took other half over last night. Had about all of it put into hamburg. I went over when I got home and got rest of hamburg.
[T] Built fire at 6:40, made bread.
- 9/28/68 Fair. We took milking machine pipe down and cleaned it all out am. [*The pipe ran along over the stanchions, carrying the vacuum to operate the milking machines. Plugged into the pipe as one came to each cow to milk.*] Went down and got load of corn pm, little silo full. We went up and dug 7 bu. taters. Edna came down with Art and Judy last night. They went back tonight. Thed took up some of her plants and we picked squash, a wheelbarrow full. They picked some tomatoes.
[T] Thick fog. Built fire at 6:30. Arthur and Judy left about 7:45. Got beans baking before breakfast. Edna did dishes and fixed apples for pie and turnover. Glenn and Gerald took down pipeline for milking machines and cleaned it out this forenoon. Made brown bread and banana bread in pm. They got a load of corn in pm and dug 7 bu. taters. Edna and I canned 8 pts. tomatoes. Edna did dishes and Glenn and I got squash, a big wheelbarrow full. I picked some tomatoes and flowers for Judy and Edna and covered up rest of tomatoes and plants. Arthur, Judy and Edna left about 8:30. We watched Lawrence.
- 9\29\68 [S] Fair, cooler, a few little showers. We went up to Willoughby Lake with Howard and Barbara today. Left about 9 am, home about 5 pm. Went up, through St. Johnsbury and home through Glover, Barton, Hardwick and Barre. Barbara had 34 lbs. of meat, \$27.00. Thed picked about 30 pumpkins tonight.
[T] Glenn built the fire. I got up about 7:30. Cold. Howard called at 7:45 and asked us to get up to Willoughby Lake with them. I took a bath and got breakfast. We left about 9 and went up, through St. Johnsbury, had dinner at a restaurant at 1. Went into several cabins Barbara's father owns. Came home through Barton and Barre, got home at 5. They had lunch with us. Barbara bought some meat. I picked rest of tomatoes & some asters & glads and about 30 pumpkins and covered up plants by kitchen, then did dishes. Read a while and went to bed about 11. Cold wind all day. Saw a rainbow in Wells River about 10 am.
- 9\30\68 Fair. Went down and got a load of corn am, couldn't get all of it in little silo. [*By leaving some time between days getting corn, what had been put in the silo was allowed to settle. It needed to be packed in to keep properly and also allowed more to fit in the silo.*] Moved over to big

silo and put rest of load in and got another one pm. Gerald traded and got Chevell wagon today. Thed picked rest of pumpkins tonight. John brought over my teeth this morn, \$148.00, both plates. He bought two recipe books. It sprinkled about 1 and I got most of clothes in, about dry. I took up last geranium at end of house & 4 small ones by kitchen red and white begonias & two tuberous ones and set out a few geranium slips. Glenn and I have been married 40 years this afternoon. I picked the rest of the pumpkins tonight. Went down to Vernie's in eve., took her a white geranium. Dorice was there, had cards from Edna, Vernie and Dorice

- 10/1/68 Fair. Let cows in field up back of house last night. Got 2 load corn am. Went up to Dr. pm, then got another load of corn. Went down to Vernie's a little while last night. Teeth hurt lower jaw, couldn't wear them. Upper ones all right.
[T] Thick fog. Built fire about 6:45. Got Marilyn's 6 recipe books ready to mail, wrote cards to Edna and Della. They got two load of corn this forenoon. Got neck meat off bones. We left for Bradford about 12:45. Glenn saw Dr. Put Pomona money in bank. We got home at 2:30. They got a load of corn. I ground suet and meat and raisins for mincemeat, fixed apples after and got it all together and put in refrigerator. We went to bed about 9:30. Had cards from Arthur and Judy, Nera, Alice and Les and Hazel.
- 10\2\68 Fair. Got 3 load of corn today. Nellie had a bull calf pm.
[T] Built fire about 7, got mincemeat on cooking and canned 3 qt. of meat all ground and 1 qt. of broth. Glenn helped me take up big red geranium for Vernie & Salmon seed for me by kitchen this afternoon. Made some applesauce and cooked peelings for jelly. They got a load of corn. We had fish for dinner. Canned 14 pts. mincemeat after dinner, gave Doris a qt. and made us a medium and little pie. They got two load of corn this pm. Nellie had a calf today. Made 9 small glasses of jelly with SureJel. Glenn, Walter and George went to supper at Hanover tonight.
- 10/3/68 Cloudy, rain a little. Got 2 load of corn, cut end and back side of other piece. Got first one all done. Walt, George and I went down to Hanover Inn to supper last night about ambulance service. 36 or 37 there.
[T] Built fire about 6:45. Made 3 layers of choc. cake this forenoon. They got a load of corn in am and one in pm. Curled my hair in pm and frosted 2 layers of cake for Grange tonight. We worked 3rd degree for Deputy David Clement, 22 there, we had bag lunch. I canned 11 pints tomatoes.
- 10/4/68 Fair. Went down and got a load of corn. Gerald brought tractor up to Richard's and cut rest of Richard corn pm, 4 hrs., 3 balls string. I went down to Maxfields to get stone to sharpen knives on but nobody there. Nellie couldn't get up this morning, had Dr. dwon, milk fever, \$11.00.
[T] Built fire about 6:45, made bread after breakfast. Nellie was down over by wall, had Vet about 9, she has milk fever [*low blood calcium*]. They got a load of corn this am. Gerald finished cutting Richard's corn in pm. Glenn went to Fairlee and Lyme. Had 5 loaves of bread, will give Janet 2 for 6th grade food sale tomorrow.
- 10/5/68 Fair, rain a little, snow on Moosilauke today. Dr. down again for Nellie, \$11.00. Got 2 load of corn today, silo almost full. Art and Judy down last night. Paid Greg for hay, \$137.10, 914 bales @15¢. [*I think a man named Gregoire owned the fields that Dad calls Ray's – must have been former owner.*]
[T] Built fire about 6:30. Arthur and Judy left before 8. Moosilauke is white all over today. Did usual work. They got a load of corn this forenoon. I made 1 ½ of choc. cake and a packaged spice cake. Frosted 3 layers for Arthur's birthday. Carol and I saw a rave this am. Arthur and Judy came about 6:30, we had cake and ice cream. We watched Lawrence and

- Arthur looked over more magazines. Took a bath and went to bed about 11. Had Vet again this noon for Nellie, was about a bad as yesterday morning.
- 10\6\68 [S] Fair, cold, frost last night. One thermometer 12 and one out back 28. Art and Judy went home about 11 am. Fixed up surplus paper, 1 1\2 hrs., drew some orders. Went down to Rumney to time for Bert Hall pm, he's 90 years old. Fred Gibbs came and got 2 pigs, a sow and a boar, gave me \$30.00
- [T] Hard frost, heavy fog. First frost of the year. Built fire about 7. Gave Eleanor some asters for church. Arthur and Judy left about 11. We had dinner about 12:30. We left about 1:45 to go to Bert Hall's 90th birthday open house at Rumney Grange Hall. A lot there. Stopped at Francis' a few minutes, also Vernie's, Dorice went back with Ernest today, has lost 10 lbs. since Wed., fluid is up again. We went down Buffalo Road. Mr. Gibbs from Campton was here this noon and got 2 pigs.
- 10/7/68 Rain most all day. Gerald went and got his car insp. am. Took some surplus out to Rosie and Charlie Parker am. Took rig down to Maxfield's to have stone set in it. Gerald put on sheetrock down home pm. Wrote in receipts and payments book pm. David and Gladys here pm.
- [T] Built fire about 6:45. I washed but put most of clothes upstairs. Gerald worked down home pm. Glenn went to St am, wrote in book pm. Movie about a bull. Gerald and Doris here pm.
- 10/8/68 Fair. Got 2 load corn today. Gerald went out pm and got Franklin's old blower to set out at little silo [*one next to young cattle stable, by waterbox.*] Thed and I pulled cranberry beans, two stalks.
- [T] Built fire about 6:45. Pulled cranberry beans. Charles at hospital.
- 10\9\68 Fair. Went down and got last load of corn at Ray's, 19 load in all down there. Gerald brought harvesters both home. We set over to other silo am. Thed up to Drs. Pm. Went down to Maxfield's, got grinder. Gerald cleaned up harvester and sharpened knives. He put load of corn in other silo. May took Charles up to hospital last night, heart attack.
- [T] Hard frost. Built fire about 7. Everything is white this morning. Glenn and Gerald got last load of corn at W. Rumney this am. We left for Bradford at 1:30, saw Dr. and had flu shot, don't go again till Feb. Did some shopping and saw the cattle at St, got home about 4:30. We took 2 big geraniums to Vernie & one smaller one for Betty and two up to Marjorie. Canned 7 pts. of tomatoes before dinner.
- 10\10\68 Fair. We went up to Pete's and down to Richard's to see if they had any 6 in. pipe to fit Harry's blower but they didn't have any. We dug down and got set up. Thed and I took 2 plants down to Vernie, 1 for Betty and 2 for Marjorie last night. We went out pm and cut 5 rows corn and some on this end. Went down to see cattle. Pulled Webster beans, 2 stalks. Dub cowhorn taters, 1 1\2 bu. Thed pulled onions, 2 bu.
- [T] Built fire a little past 7. Gerald is trying to find a pipe somewhere so they can set up Harry's blower at little silo. I pulled Webster beans about 20 min., had two stacks. Glenn dug cowhorns. I cut over two cauliflower and we had some for dinner. Doris and Sheryl up a short time in pm. I picked up cowhorns, most 1 1\2 bu. and pulled and topped the onions, most 2 bu., some of them rotten. They cut some corn by hand at St. pm. My stomach hasn't felt right by spells today. Doris gave me some school pictures of the kids, Sheryl too. Glenn went to fire meeting with Maurice. I hemmed a few diapers tonight [*Glenn not born yet but these are for him.*] Found 3 4-leaf clovers today.
- 10/11/68 Rain last night, wet this morn. Amon up am. Gerald covered silo and raked over lower driveway am. Put squash down cellar, split a little wood am. We went pm and got a load of loose corn and put it in little silo. I took tractor and harvester out. Out to fire meeting with Pug last night.

- 10/12/68 [T] Built fire at 7:15. Amon rode up with Wesley after breakfast. Glenn put squash down cellar. Glenn took tractor and harvester out to St. in pm and brot home a load of loose corn and put in little silo. I dug part of carrots in pm. Arthur and Judy came down tonight. Cloudy and foggy am, fair pm. Got load of loose corn and a load of chopped corn am, a load of chopped corn pm. Perley and Charlotte Yeaton here to supper tonight. Thed pulled rest of carrots, about 2 ½ bu.
- [T] Fog. Built fire about 6:45. Arthur and Judy left about 8 [*I think I was working for George on Saturdays, so we stayed at the farm and Judy came out to Mary's.*] I changed my bed, did milk things, swept and dust-mopped. Glenn and Gerald got last of loose corn on trailer and and load chopped this forenoon. After dinner I made ½ pumpkin bread and a small apple pie. Made some applesauce. Charlotte and Perley Yeaton were here for supper. We watched Lawrence. Arthur called, said they were going to Lebanon shopping. I pulled the rest of the carrots in pm, had about 2 ½ bu. in all.
- 10/13/68 [S] Fair. Finished up chores. Topped a bu. of carrots. Wrote in account book and drew some orders. Art and Judy left about 10:30. Went over to Gratz to see cattle.
- [T] Fog. Built fire about 7:30. Arthur and Judy had breakfast with us and left about 10. I took a bath. Glenn topped the carrots I pulled yesterday pm. We had dinner about 12:45. I filled woodbox and then we went over to Gratz & saw cattle & visited with them a little while. Went over to the beach & I walked home over the hill, got some pretty leaves. Got home about 5. Charles had another heart attack this pm.
- 10/14/68 Fair. Got 3 load of corn from St. today. Thed pulled beets, about 1 ½ bu. Took pipe down from little silo and Gerald covered it. Paid Head and Poll taxes today. Charles had another heart attack yesterday.
- [T] Thick fog, cobwebs. Built fire about 6:55. They got a load of corn this forenoon. I pulled the beets and topped them this afternoon, about 1 ½ bu. Nice and warm out. They got two load of corn this pm.
- 10/15/68 Fair. Got a load of corn am. Barnard Bennett died last night. Got another load of corn pm. Went down to see George. Moved fence down below corn up here back of house. Put beans in barn floor, 4 stalks. Thed dug some of her bulbs pm. Found leak in water pipe out in orchard.
- [T] Fog. Built fire at 7. Did usual work. They got a load of corn this forenoon. Barnard Bennett died last night. Dug some of my glads & topped them in p.m. Is lovely out, didn't need a sweater. Gerald moved electric fence below sweet corn and they got in the beans. Found a leak in the water pipe out in the orchard. Picked over all the tomatoes, several pans full to ripen and I fixed ½ bu. for Piccililli in evening.
- 10/16/68 Fair. Went out am and unloaded a load of sawdust for George. Then he and Dick helped us get a cow, black one and black heifer. Got a load of corn pm.
- [T] Heavy fog. Built fire about 7. Got Piccililli on to cook about 9. Dug some more glads in am and finished Rita's letter. Tjhey got a cow and heifer but not other cow, wild heifer and yearling. Gladys and David over a while in early pm. Finished rest of glads in pm & after supper, put some on the porch. Fixed a peck of tomatoes and 6 onions after supper for chopped pickle, that uses all the green tomatoes. We watched *The Virginian* and *The Hillbillies* and I mended stockings, went to bed about 10.
- 10/17/68 Fair. Put rest of load of corn in and moved back over to this side. Went out am and got a load of corn, put it in pm and tinkered around. Fixed break in pipe out in orchard, used some heater hose.
- [T] Heavy fog. Built fire at 6:30. Ground piccalli and got it cooking about 9. Put some glads upstairs to dry. They got a load of corn in forenoon. I made a meat pie and some biscuit for dinner. Canned pickle then did dishes. Curled my hair, cleaned up bathroom, swept, put beet and carrot tops over fence for cows. Gerald took calf over for David to feed his milk to, then they fixed leak in water pipe in orchard. Gerald worked this pm without his shirt [only thing

unusual is that it was mid-October.] Grange tonight. Maurice is Master. Arthur was here, Judy stayed with her mother.

10/18/68

Fair. Went out this am and got last load of corn, 10 load chopped and 2 load loose at St. Got about a 1\3 of a load in silo, put rest in barn floor. Gerald, Harry, Gene, George, Pat and I got cow Barbara at St. pm. Harry mowed out back of house pm. Gene helped Thed pull turnips. I brought harvester home am.

[T] Built fire at 6:30. Arthur left for Teachers' Convention at 6:45. They got the last load of corn from St. today, put most of it in barn floor. I put zipper in jacket for Arthur this forenoon. He got back about 12:30. Went over to Gratz to look at books, took Judy to Dr's and then home. Glenn, Gerald, Harry, Gene, George and Pat helped get the cow at St. but couldn't get other two. Glenn and I went to Fairlee in eve., he got a haircut, I shopped at Wings. We stopped to see Les and Hazel. The exhaust pipe let go on car going out.

10/19/68

Misty am, rain pm. Went out last night and got a haircut, stopped at Les' a while. Exhaust pipe let go on car last night. Took corn stuff off truck and put rings and stuff back on. Gerald took Franklin's blower home am. We took down pipe from silo. Took Gerald's car pm, went up to Forest Hills and bought 600 ft of pipe to go up in field, \$133.84. Thed, Doris, Harry, Janet and Sheryl went. Gerald put baler out back and got harvester under shed.

[T] Built fire about 6:45. They took corn things off truck and blower pipe down from silo. Gerald took Harry's blower back. I did milk things, changed bed, etc. After dinner Glenn, I, Doris, Harry, Janet and Sheryl went up to Forrest Hills. Glenn bought some drainage pipe and I got some things. Gerald tended the beans. We had his car. I pinned some tucks in a couple of slips while we watched TV. Took a bath and went to bed about 11.

10\20\68

[S] Fair, nice day. Went out to have George and Walt sign some papers am. Went out pm and got rid of surplus. Mike came up and got Edna today. They came out here a while and stopped to see me a few minutes. No water out in barn this morn.

[T] Built fire about 7:15, did usual work. Glenn went out to see George in am. We had dinner about 12:45. Gave Doris some cukes and lettuce, she sent me tossed salad. Glenn gave out surplus in pm. I set out 5 geranium slips, some rooted & transplanted 15 of my seed geraniums & 1 white begonia. Edna, Michael and the children were here about 1\2 hr. I took rest of bulbs upstairs and swept off back porch. I picked a few dark pink asters at end of house. I set out a little maple in rose bushes that came up in the peas. We watched TV and I went to bed about 11.

10\21\68

Misty am, fair pm. Windy, colder. Gerald went to Ply. am and got a load of sawdust. No water running down cellar this am. Dug up out by barway and no water. Put pump on and hooked it back and alright. Went up to Bradford am and got an exhaust pipe and Larry put it on. Got 600 ft. plastic pipe and clamps. Put conditioner and tedder and lime spreader in garage, put blowers in garage, put stuff in shed out back. Posted warrant for election. Sheryl stayed here today. Doris worked for Niles today. They put transformer on pole out in garden for Dave and Mona today.

[T] Built the fires about 7. Gerald and Doris left Sheryl here about 8:45. She is taking care of Mr. Niles today. Glenn went to garage to have exhaust pipe put on car and Gerald got a load of sawdust. I made apple dumpling for dinner and canned 2 qts. [apples, not dumpling] with aspirin. Glenn got back about 1. Sheryl don't feel very good and slept on couch all forenoon. No water running anywhere. They took pipe apart at end of plastic and pumped to spring and it started. Didn't wash. Made choc. cake for Pomona tonight at N. Haverhill in the hall, Election of officers, just about the same, got home at 11. My doz. "Deserts" books came today. Saw 60 or 70 geese this morning.

- 10/22/68 Fair, nice day. Went up to No. Haverhill to Pomona last night, took Master again, 20 there. Unloaded sawdust, dug a few taters pm. Thed sick today. Dug 20 bu. taters today. Everett [Blake, Road Agent] here most an hour. Colton here 1\2 hr. pm
[T] I was up at 4:15 -5 - 6 with diarrear and vomiting. Feel all gone. Glenn got his own meals. I stayed in bed all day, drank malted milk a few times.
- 10/23/68 Fair. Dug half of what taters was left, 10 bu., done some tinkering. Thed felt a little better today. Greased up both spreaders. Sam here, sold him 3 cows that weren't coming in until middle and last of Feb., \$650.00. He is going to bring me 2 first calf heifers. Kept cows in last night. Gerald opened up silo and began feeding tonight.
[T] Glenn built fire and got his breakfast. I got dressed about 9:30 and got dinner and swept the kitchen. They dug 11 bu. of potatoes today. Got supper and that was all. Laid on couch and watched geographics hour program about national parks. Sam was here and bought 3 cows, will bring Glenn 2 heifers coming in soon. We were both went to bed at 8:30.
- 10/24/68 Fair. Finished taters, 12 bu. today, 53 bu. in all. Gerald dug out some stone at end of barn under walk so he could back spreader under walk. [Aha – can dump shit from wheelbarrow right into spreader and not have to handle it again. Would work for few weeks in fall and spring.]
[T] White frost, ice in bucket. Glenn built fire, I got breadfast. We slept pretty good until about 4, then not too much. Glenn helped me get Mrs. McGovern's 4 cook books ready to go. I wrote her letter, cards to Edna and Dorice and card to Charlie. May says he can sit up a few minutes. They finished potatoes this pm, had 53 bu. Didn't do anything this pm, my stomach don't feel right. Looked over old papers and we watched TV, "Girl Friends and Neighbors" for an hour, good. Went to bed about 9:30.
- 10\25\68 Rain am. Went out to Bank am. Gerald went up to Forest Hills and got 600 ft. of drainage tile am. Kept cows in today. Barbara cow had a heifer last night. Put old sowup in hog house but she came out through the side of it. Unloaded tile and Gerald put a coupling on one end of each tile.
[T]Glenn built fire. I got up about 7:15. I feel about as usual today, a little dizzy. Made bread. Gerald went to Forest Hills and got drainage pipe. Glenn went to Fairlee. I wrote cards to Mabel and Vernie. After dinner I washed my hair and curled it, put bread in 4 tins and did dishes. Caught a mouse upstairs in my big plant. Rained hard for about ½ hr. this forenoon. They did chores a little early and we started for Lebanon about 7. Cope took our picture at Firehouse, then he took 2 inside of all of us, 26. Went from St. with Maurice and Irene. Ate at Landers after 9:30. Plane crashed on mountain near Lebanon about 5:30 tonight, 10 of 42 lived. [This was the Northeast Airlines crash on Moose Mountain.] Put sow in hog house but she broke out.
- 10/26/68 Cloudy, cold and windy. Fixed side of hog house. Put 5 pigs up there. [Must have still had some of the old sow's litter in the calf stable/horse barn and she wanted to get back to them.] Went over to Gratz and got 11 calves and 3 yearlings, all in one load. We got out 14 load of shit today. Don's folks all came up to Camp last night. He and Tim down pm. David, Vern and Dot here pm. Firemen and wives went down to Landers for supper last night, 26 there, \$127.00 Earl Wright brought a little pork for me to salt for him.
[T] Built fire about 7, did usual work. They got the cattle at Gratz in one load, 14. Don's folks came up to Camp last night. Made hald a rule of soft ginger cookies this forenoon. They put 5 pigs up in hog house and left sow and George's three pigs there in calf stable. Dorothy, Verner and David here a while inpm. She took 2 recipe books. We went down to Vernie's in evening, watched "Lawrence" there, Amon went to auction a little while. Has been cold all day, snow flurries in evening. They got 14 load of manure today.
- 10\27\68 [S] Fair, cold, a little ice out in barnyard am. Don's folks went home am. He and boys went down to take Sal home with them. Elsie and Donna went with pickup. Gerald and boys went

out to Finney place to get building that Dale used to keep his horse in. Went down to Vernie's last night.

[T] Built fire about 7:15. Don, Jeff and Timmy called about 9:30 on way to pick up Dorice. Eleanor took my amarillis over to church. I fixed Swiss Steak from Grange book for dinner. We aren't very crazy about it. Looked over some old papers. Myra, Mrs. Bowles and daughter Lois came about 4, had lunch with us and Gerald's folks too. We watched "Brimstone the Amish Horse" good, and I watched "Bonanza" and listened to Nixon. Went to bed about 11:30.

10/28/68 Rain some am. Fred Marsh came with Tink's backhoe but Everett didn't get here until 10 o'clock. Didn't do any digging today. Gerald went and got a load of sawdust pm. I went out and got a piece of solid pipe for this end of line. Gerald put some new boards in tailboard. Myra and Beulah and Jobs Bowles here to lunch last night.
[T] Built fire ten of 7. Fred Marsh came about 8:30 with backhoe to put in drainage ditch up in field but it rained when Everett Hanson came so they couldn't work. I washed, had quite a big one, 2 weeks. Put them on porch and upstairs. Gerald got load of sawdust to put over pipes in pm. I put old suet on clothes post and in lilacs and Glenn put up old feeder on clothesline. We got in cabbage. Then I burned up old flower stalks from rose bushes, then we went to Fairlee. I got 3 pr. heavy stockings for Gerald's birthday. Sold 3 meat cookbooks. Called Hazel and Nellie after supper.

10/29/68 Fair, cold, storm a little late pm. Fred here a little after seven this morn. Gerald went up with him. Gerald went up and got Mel's dozer and dug ditch from barway to brook. Got ditch all dug and pipe in 576 ft. Got tax rate today, \$6.10.
[T] Built fire about 6:45. Fred Marsh is digging drainage ditch today. Got in most of clothes and sprinkled ironing. Went to Shirley's Tupperware party at 10:30, got home at noon. Washed 3 dresses, a slip and sweater by hand. Went up in field where they were working. Picked most of Baldwins, most a pail full. Made Macaroni and cheese for supper. Stitched 4 dresses at waist, hemmed red checked one and watched TV in evening.

10/30/68 Fair. Gerald went and got another load of sawdust and finished covering pipe with it. Put rest of load in shed, made it full. Got out 3 load of shit, broke apron on big spreader. Got it fixed and fixed tailboard.
[T] Built fires before 6:30. Picked over tomatoes, made applesauce and cooked peelings. Gerald got another load of sawdust to put over pipe. Had letters from Edna, Dorice and Barbara. Had 4 ½ loaves of bread. Made packaged white cake, baked in elec. oven with bread. Ironed before and after supper. Sam brot 3 heifers and took his 3 cows tonight. Glenn went to Office. Kids were here Trick or Treating.

10/31/68 Fair, cold, windy. We got out 37 load of shit today. Gerald went to Pete's and got chain that runs to beater on New Idea. Sam came and got his cows last night. I bought 2 heifers of him, \$560.00 and he brought me a New York heifer that is coming in soon to keep for a year. Figured taxes last night.
[T] Built fire about 6:45. Wrote letter to Edna this forenoon. It is cold and raw today. Glenn put on a lot of clothes and mittens drawing manure. I canned the little carrots in pm, had 15 pints. Doris came up after supper and helped fix vegetables f or boiled dish tomorrow night.

11/1/68 Fair, nice day. Took 3 pigs out to George and got some gas. We got out 21 load shit today. Finished taxes last night. Big cylinder on shovel quit pm. Gerald went and got Ralph's cylinders.
[T] Clear. Ice on Edna's window. Built fire about 6:45. Gerald is 37 today. Glenn took three pigs out to George this forenoon. Dug some parsnips for boiled dish and put three big ones in freezer. They got out manure until the hydraulic cylinder on shovel quit. Gerald went out and borrowed Ralph Dennis' Made Gerald a chocolate birthday cake and fudge frosting. They

- were all here for supper. We went to Bradford in evening. Wrote letter to Arthur and Judy. Washed windows outside and 3 storm and Gerald put them on. Thunder and lighting, rain and hail in evening, east wind.
- 11\2\68 Rain a little this morn., thunder shower in night. Gerald and Harry got 44 shit today. I took cylinders down to Kelton's am. Copied taxes some. Took screens off milkhouse, put in some windows out to barn. Got paper cut to go around house. Gerald's folks up to supper last night, we had boiled dinner.
[T] Built fire about 6:45. Glenn went to White River to take part for tractor to have fixed. Gerald and Harry got out manure. I chopped hash, did milk things, changed my bed and washed 3 storm windows. In pm, I washed front room, bedroom, living room and front kitchen windows inside and back ones both sides and last 5 big storm windows and they got them all on. Glenn tinkered around and Harry and Gerald drew manure. Carol helped too, she filled woodbox. I made bran muffins for supper. Bob & Nellie up in evening. Bill got shot and broke his leg in Viet Nam. Took a bath and went to bed about 11.
- 11/3/68 [S] Fair. Finished copying taxes today. Went out to see heifers pm but didn't see them.
[T] Built fire a bout 7:15. Curled my hair before breakfast. Picked up in front room and Glenn wrote in tax book. In pm he went to St. to see two heifers but didn't. I looked over old magazines. We watched Walt Disney, a dog story.
- 11/4/68 Fair, nice day. Gerald took 2 load of shit over to Louie [*Gratz*] am. We got out 13 load am. Went out to Andrews' and got cattle, 8 first load, then went back and got other 2. Truck bothered, took battery out of car and put in truck. Got 3 more load shjt pm.
[T] Build fires about 6:30. Moosilauke and Carr a beautiful blue. Started to wash a little after 9. Had extra frocks and overalls. Glenn and Gerald are getting out manure. Got 10 cattle out to Andrews in pm, put them in field. I made 7 small "Election Fruit Cakes" for food sale tomorrow. Clothes dried real good. Pinned patches and garters on my girdle. [Patches her undies too!] Glenn went to bed before 9.
- 11/5/68 Fair, nice day. Out to Town Hall from 10 am till midnight. Gerald got Mel's dozer and fille ditch. Made a hole through wall back side of 4 acre field am. He fixed some places in road over to sugarplace pm.
[T] Built fire at 7. Put up Glenn's dinner and he left for Ville, for election, about 9:30. Picked over bureau drawer of trash. Went out to vote with Gerald and Doris about 1. Sheryl stayed with me so Doris could sleep. Sewed a little. Gerald had Mel's dozer to fill ditch and fixed some places in road in sugarplace. I washed milk tank, made 6n popovers but they didn't pop. Sewed a little, mended Glenn's elastic stocking and listened to election returns. Beautiful out tonight, full moon last night.
- 11/6/68 Fair, nice day. Finished up manure pile, 16 load, about 180 load in all. Gerald dug out a few stone with dozer then took it home. Drawed off some stone with H, then he went up on ditch and drawed off some stone.
[T] Built fires about 10 of7. Don't know yet who will be President. Dug some parsnips for dinner. Glenn and Gerald got out manure this forenoon. Heard on news at noon that Nixon will be President. I canned the small beets this pm Had 4 2-qts., 1 qt. and 7 pts. They finished the manure and I took two pictures where it was. Gladys and David were over before supper. Made tomato soup for supper. Washed light blue, white and dark gray sweaters and a slip in am. We watched "The Virginian," went to bed about 9:30.
- 11/7/68 Cold, raw, windy. Gerald went out to Garage am, generator don't work. He took Ralph's cylinders home. After dinner he went down to Shortt's and they put on another generator. I went over back of 4 acre field am and cut some balsam poles. We fixed fence between waterbox and gate and between sawdust shed and gate pm. Put old sow up in hog house and cleaned out calf stable, most a spreader full.
[T] Ground white with snow, cloudy. Built fire at 7.

- 11/8/68 Snow and rain all day. About an inch of snow this morn. Rained hard last night. Lights went off at 6:20 this morn. We didn't start to milk until 9:30, used old Bug. Put cattle all in before breakfast. Put horses in just before dinner. Lights back on about 10:45.
- 11\9\68 Storm some most all day. They got here from Mass with two trailers [*hunters; travel trailers they parked in back yard.*] about 11 o'clock last night, 6 fellows. Put paper around house, split some wood, filled woodbox, picked over freezer a little. Gerald went and got some sawdust to hold paper down. He got some paper around his house pm. Sold Howard Hall 2 oldest white-faced steers last night, \$420.00. Thed burnt back of 3 fingers am.
[T] Built fires before 7. 6 hunters brot in two small trailers and put them near garage last night. Did milk things and changed my bed. Burned the backs of my three big fingers on left hand with steam this forenoon. They smart good. Worked a little on Glenn's tan shirt, putting pieces in sides to make it bigger, finished in evening. We watched TV from 7n to 9:30.
- 11\10\68 [S] Storm a little all day. Harry helped me finish up the chores. Wrote in receipts and payments books
[T] Ground white, snow all day. Built fires at 7. Took a bath before breakfast. Harry helped do chores after breakfast, then Glenn worked on books. Arthur and Judy came just before dinner, were here an hour or so. Mona & Gene found a deer someone had shot. Read in pm. I toasted a cheese sandwich for my supper. We watched rest of Walt Disney dog story and I watched the movie, "Alvarez Kelley," a Civil War story.
- 11/11/68 Storm some. Gerald went to Plymouth and got a load of sawdust for George today. Went over to Richard's pm, ordered 2 gal. oysters. Had John grind teeth some. Put snow tires on this am.
- 11/12/68 Stormy. Went down to Kelton's and got cylinders for shovel, \$81.22. We put them on pm and pattered around. Road slippery all the way. They got a deer here yesterday.
- 11/13/68 Storm all day, 6-8 inches snow this morn. Put plow on tractor am. Went out to have generator fixed on car, put on a rebuilt one but it was no good. Gerald plowed a little. He went over and pulled Louie and Jean out of snow twice, didn't get home until 5:20 pm. We called the card party off last night.
[T] Built fires about 6:40. Everything is covered thick with snow.
- 11/14/68 Storm some. Gerald plowed Eleanor and Shirley am. Put storm windows on milkhouse and storm door. Put door on cow stable. Put on front door and kitchen door am. I went up to Perry's pm and had a rebuilt generator put on car. Went down and got both heifers in pen at St.
[T] Built fires about 6:45. Filled both woodboxes after breakfast. Doris came up and washed. Soaked 2 qts. of beans for the hunters. I was glass in storm door and they put it on and shed one. Glenn went to Bradford before 1 to have [?] Had a note from Millie. Gladys and David stopped on way over to see her. Sewed a little on machine and ironed. Gerald milked early and I went to Forest Hills with them and then up to Edna's for about an hour. Left Doris at Niles', got home about 10. Glenn went to Fire meeting.
- 11\15\68 Storm a little all day. Put on a little paper back side of cow stable am. Went out pm and got 2 heifers at St. George and Dick helped load them. Unloaded surplus. Thed went up to Forest Hills and to Edna's last night with Gerald's folks. Dr. Burke from Hanover hospital up to Fire meeting last night.
[T] I had a nap after Glenn got up. Didn't build fire till past 7. Got the hunters' beans baking at 9.
- 11\16\68 Storm a little am. One heifer that I got of Sam had a whitehead bull calf last night and one of my heifers had a bull calf. Went over to Richard's last night and got 2 gal. oysters, 5 qts. for Po. Grange and 3 qts. for me. Went down to Vernie's from there. Road slippery. Hunters all went home today. They got 3 deer among the 7 of them. Gerald's folks went to Ply. about 11 am to get Carol's glasses fixed. Fixed light out in young cattle stable. Plowed out some in

- barnyard. Put bunch of bedding out in orchard for pigs. Fixed a tug. Gerald cut some off of tractor chains am. Gerald bought a Sears Roebuck stove of Harland Skinner for \$50.00.
- [T] Build fire at 6:45. Four hunters went home this morning. The other three hunters went in late p.m. I made two medium apple pies, froze one. Sent a card and note to Judy. Wiped up living room and bathroom floor and washed kitchen in pm. Gerald took Carol to Plymouth this noon to have her glasses changed. Arthur called, said baby weighed 7-6 and has quite a little dark hair. The other three hunters went in late pm. I made biscuit for supper. We watched Lawrence and Ernie Ford. I took a bath and went to bed about 11.
- 11/17/68 [S] Cloudy, misty a little. Gene finished up chores am. Took check up to Mel for use of dozer, \$33.55. Went out pm and got rid of surplus. Gene shot a deer this morn.
- 11\18\68 Snow, rain and sleet all day. Went out am and got car insp. Gerald cleaned up barn floor. Elmer Taylor came out pm and dressed the cow for us that I got of Hall last spring.
- [T] Tige came back this noon been gone since June 5.
[T] Just the weather for 10 days.
- 11/19/68 Fair. Gerald put rest of paper on back side of cow stable and a little on calf stable. I just puttered around, didn't do much. Man here from Mutual of Omaha and gave me back what money I had paid them, \$2987.80, because I had high blood pressure once. *[They are canceling policy?]* We went down to Lyme for double installation with Lyme last night. Road alright.
- 11/20/68 Fair, snow flurries. Gerald filled up holes over water pipe. I cleaned up down cellar am and got tables ready. We took 2 front quarters down cellar am, 213 lbs. Took truck up to Blake's pm. Took oysters, milk and butter out to Dot's pm. Went up and got Gerald. Got some freezer paper, horseshoe nails and file. Had Nagal down and bred Bud's cow and little black heifer. Bull wouldn't do anything.
- 11/21/68 Storm a little. Richard came over and cut up beef. She dressed 594 lbs. Got it all cut up by 2:30. Thed cooked all the roasts but 2. We put steak in freezer. Gerald filed his saw and cordwood saw. He took down block and plank in barn floor. He went out pm and go pick-up insp *[Fire dept one, kept at farm.]* I went over about 4 pm and got hamburg, brought about 55 lbs. up here. Out to Ville to Pomona Grange last night, Gove installed 36, had oysters, 11 qts. milk, 2 lbs. butter, 3 boxes crackers, 8 pies, 2 lbs. cheese, 1 lb. coffee, \$29.53. 6 pies would have been enough. Pomona is going to pay for everything, \$1.00 a piece for pies. Less than a qt. of oysters left.
- 11/22/68 Fair. Gerald went out to Garage and got car so it shifts, then he went down to Gregoire's and got soil sample am. I done up hamburg, 30 packages, freezer full. Helped Thed a little with meat and soup. Gerald got sawrig up to wood pile and chained it to set her a little. Out to Grange last night. Installed Tony, Irene and Guy last night. Sent Sam a check for old mare today, \$185.00 *[What horse is this??]*
- 11/23/68 Fair. Harry and Gene helped us saw wood today. I think 5 load on big trailer and 4 on little trailer. Thed and I went down to West Rumney last night. Scott Eastman installed Rumney and Baker's River. Got check from gov't for ditch, \$174.42 [for tile drainage work – likely paid part of cost, not all.]
- 11/24/68 [S] Cloudy. Fair. Howard and Barbara up last night and got some taters, squash and onions. Earl Wright here am. Chain broke on spreader, had to spread it out by hand. Edna and Rose down pm.
- 11/25/68 Fair. Fixed chain on spreader. Thed and I went to Bradford pm, go horseshoes, \$6.00. Gerald got 3 load of wood with Ferg pm. Sam brought another bull last night, a bigger one. *[Last one too small/young did perform!]*
- 11/26/68 Fair, colder. Spreader chain broke again. Bred a cow to new bull. David over and got some more grain for calf am. Gerald put 2 front shoes on Tom pm, then he got 3 load of wood with

- Ferg., took it down to his place. I went down to Maxfield's and got a new chain and rivets for spreader, \$36.96. Somebody brought in a small trailer for John Nutter today.
- 11/27/68 Spit snow a little, about 2 in. this morn. We took chain off of old bars and put new chain on them and put it in spreader. I cleaned up some down cellar. Took down electric fence. Gerald got 3 more load of wood pm, took a load of old stuff over to sugar camp. Thed, Emma and I had card party last night, made \$14.75, last one. The other heifer that I got of Sam had a bull calf pm. Thed made cracker pudding [*MMM – for T-Day*] and donuts today.
- 11/28/68 Rain, snow and freeze. Art and Judy came down last night. We went down to Howard's with them today. Francis' folks got there about 9 pm last night. Gerald's folks went down, Barbara's aunt there too. We eat down cellar there [*think I have a few photos.*] We left for home about 4 pm, road was slippery in places.
- 11/29/68 Storm some. Art worked for George today. Francis went out and got his car insp. am. We sawed 2 load of wood am and they took it down to Gerald's, sawed a little trailer load before dinner. Sawed rest of elm, then took sawrig down to Gerald's and sawed about 3 cord and throwed it in garage. Dr. Chickering down pm, one cow and one heifer got pneumonia. He fixed teat on one cow and cut horns off one. Francis brought home a big canvas and some turnbuckles.
- [T] Little thundershower 8:30 am. A worked for George.
- 11/30/68 Not a bad day. Gerald and Doris took Mrs. Niles down to Springfield, Mass., to a wedding. They left here about 9:15 and home about 9:45. Kids all up here. Put some wood down cellar, put bedding out in orchard for pigs. Boys got out a load of shit pm. I split some elm for chunks [*elm is damn stringy, so split just enough to fit in chunk stove.*] Francis' folks left about 11 am. Art worked for George.
- [T] Cloudy, spit snow. Built fires about 6:45. Arthur and Judy went to St. about 8:30. Gerald and Doris left about 9:15 to take Mrs. Niles to wedding in Springfield, Mass., left kids here. We gave Francis and Evelyn canned things and meat for X-mas. They left about 11. I made beef soup for dinner. Sheryl and Janet had a nap in pm. The girls helped me with meals and dishes. We made bran muffins for supper. We watched TV. Doris stayed out to Niles and Gerald got the kids about 10. Arthur and Judy came about 10:30. He worked for George today.
- 12/1/68 [S] Fair, nice day. Harry helped finish up chores. I went out to Office and got surplus stuff and put down cellar. Art and Judy went home about 11 am.
- [T] Built fire about 7. I held the baby while Judy went to see Mona a few minutes while Arthur helped with chores after breakfast. They left about 10:30. Changed Edna's bed. Roasted beef for dinner. We ate about 1:30. I tried to read but was sleepy. Got in some chunks. Watched TV a while in evening. Glenn worked on books. I heard train whistle about 10. It was sleeting at 10:30. Glenn brot surplus things out here and put in cellar.
- 12\2\68 Cloudy, not a bad day. Down to Lyme to sign-up meeting all day. [*For S.C.S. tile drainage work, according to Ma's entry. Dad was on the county committee for quite few years.*] Went up to Dr. at 3:45. Gerald went out and got his car greased am. He had Larry Ricker pump out his septic tank today. He got 2 load of wood.
- [T] Foggy all day. Built fires about 6:40. Glenn took his dinner and went to Lyme for sign-up on S.C.S. I washed, had 5 sheets and yellow spread, put most of white ones on porch. Washed two pr. of Glenn's heavy blue pants in pm. Gerald got out a load of manure and got two load of wood. Glenn went to Dr. and got home about 4:45. Mabel called this eve. & said Della passed away about 6 p.m. Services at cemetery Wed. Glenn called Edna & Vernie and I called Howard.
- 12\3\68 Cloudy, storm a little. Out to Ville to sign-up meeting. Mabel called last night, said Della died about 6 o'clock. Gerald worked on grave, got down about 4 ft. Bull got pneumonia tonight.

[T] Built fires about 7. Glenn took his dinner to Ville today. I made bread. Nellie called & I called several, wrote to A. Clara, Forrest, Francis & Arthur. Gerald worked over to cemetery a little in a.m. and all pm. Sheryl stayed here so Doris could sleep. Had 4 ½ of bread. Polished silver and washed sink and bathroom windows. Glenn got home about 20 of 4. Put clean paper on front of pantry cupboard shelves, picked up around and washed my hair. Changed some cushion covers. Edna & Bob called tonight.

12\4\68

Snow and rain hard all day. Went up to Piermont am to sign-up meeting. Gerald finished grave. Mabel, Bob, Nellie, Les, Hazel, Richard, Francis, Dot, Amon, Vernie, Sal, Edna, Herman, Norma, Harry Franklin, Walt here after burial. Out to Office last night.

[T] Got up at 5:30, built fires and curled my hair, Made two mince pies and little apple, got them baked before breakfast. Glen went to Piermont and Gerald finished at cemetery. I wiped up bathroom and living room floors and washed kitchen. We had dinner at 12:30. Mabel & Mr. Diamond the undertaker came. Mabel ate with us. Bob & Nellie & Les & Hazel came brot things for lunch. Vernie, Amon, Francis, Dot, Dorice, Richard, Norma, Herman & Edna came & the minister, Mr. Kernan from Lyme. It just poured while we were at cemetery, short service. Oscar, May, Walter & Harry Franklin were there. Had lunch here after. Had letters from Evelyn and from Judy with pictures of baby.

12\5\68

Fair, windy. Got out 2 load manure. Went over to cemetery and cleaned up dirt and finished filling grave am. Went up pm and got truck and got it inspected. Got 70 gal. gas.

[T] Built fires about 6:45. Mabel called before breakfast to get her dress. Bought two meat books. They finished cleaning up over to cemetery this forenoon. They went to Bradford in pm and got truck. Jean was over and rot a pecan pie and a persimmon and package for baby. Grange tonight, 14 there. Ethel Horton is in a rest home and George Colburn is in hospital in Woodsville. Maurice is still sick. I pressed 2 pr. of Glenn's heavy blue pants and ironed in pm.

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•T/Sgt. and Mrs. Francis Pease and Irene of Griffiss AFB, Rome, N.Y., joined the family for Thanksgiving. They came home with his parents and stayed until Saturday.

12\6\68

Fair, windy. Gerald went and got a load of sawdust, then he got 2 load of wood. Thed and I went up and got Edna am. Helped unload sawdust. Split some old wood out by barn.

[T] Had a nap after Glenn got up, built fires at 10 past 7. We started for Woodsville about 9:30 to get Edna. She had things allready only took a few minutes to put in car. Got groceries in Bradford. Got home about 12:30. *[I'm not sure if this was the first year Aunt Edna began staying at the farm in the winter.]* Mended a little in pm. Gerald got a load of sawdust in forenoon.

12\7\68

Snow some, colder, windy. Gerald got last load of wood. Boys went up back of spring and got pulp ends. Took 2 load of wood down to Gerald's and put 2 load in shed. Sawed a cord of wood and took over to Louie. Harry and Gene helped today. 2nd calf heifer had a heifer calf last night.

[T] Built fires little past 7. Got beans baking, did milk things and changed my bed. Glenn, Gerald and boys sawed some wood in am. Gerald got last load from sugarplace. Put away Glenn's summer clothes and got out winter ones. They finished all the wood, took a cord over to Gratz. Barbara called tonight. We watched TV. I cut up old pants and shirts *[To use either for patches or in making quilt squares.]* Wrote a few lines to Mabel. We had several sympathy cards.

12\8\68

[S] Snowing. Stable full of water this morn. Cow got tail caught in faucet in walk *[walkway connecting stable and hay barn.]* Boys helped do chores. Wrote in account book and Receipts and Payments book. Gerald took 2 cord wood down to George Colburn's. Judy Pease *[cousin]* up pm

[T] Built fires a little past 7. Didn't eat till most 9. A cow got her tail caught on the faucet and there was a lot of water in stable. Roasted pork for dinner. Got in chunks in forenoon. Judy

- 12/9/68 Pease was here in pm. Earl Wright got his pork Glenn salted for him. Nothing I wanted to watch on TV, so read all evening. Tige came back this a.m. Been gone since Monday night. Fair, cold, windy. Gerald got out X-mas trees out to Jeff Bean's, 1376, most 6 hrs. I finished chores, put another handle in shovel and split some wood am. Went out to bank and grain store, out to Ralph Dennis' to look at bull calf. Got a new big shovel, \$9.75. Paid taxes, \$765.55. *[From Harry, 6/26/23: "I remember Dad yarding Christmas trees for Don Tatham out on Jeff Bean's. There were a lot of big balsam in the pasture on the north side of 25A. Don cut them and Dad yarded them out. Dad said he would tie a few together with a rope and pull them out beside the road."]*
 [T] Built fires at 6:30. Edna did dishes. Started to wash about 9:30. Gerald is yarding Christmas trees on Jeff Bean's today with Kit. Put white clothes on porch. Glenn went to St. and Fairlee in pm. I put zipper in nylon jacket for Carol. Glenn and Gerald got home at 4. I went home with Gerald after milking and stayed with girls, boys practiced ball and Doris got hair set and then went to work. Gerald brot me home a little past 10. We watched TV until 11, is cold tonight. I filled woodbox and got in chunks in pm.
- 12\10\68 Fair, cold, 4 below. Just tinkered am. Gerald sawed out some wheelbarrow sides pm *[Probably one used for wood.]* I went out pm and got some new spark plugs for H and Gerald put them in and it runs allright. He put new washers in some of the faucets am, got a new faucet for kitchen pm. Got a new wheelbarrow tray. \$10.95 pm. *[Probably for one used to clean shit out at barns.]*
 [T] Glenn built fires, I got up about 7. Got in chunks. Saw two partridge in bushes in front of house about 15 minutes. Gerald fixed some leaky faucets. I wrote to Perley and Mary and top Charlotte. Had several x-mas cards, note from Aunt Clara. Glenn went to Fairlee for sparkplugs for tractor, got new wheelbarrow tray. Gerald is making handles for it. I pieced out some blankets for the kids for x-mas. Made macaroni and cheese for supper. Worked on blankets for a while and watched TV. Wind don't blow so hard, so not as cold as last night. Went to bed about 10:30.
- 12/11/68 Fair. Gerald went and got a load of sawdust for George today. I helped Thed dress 5 hens pm. that Gerald brought up.
 [T] Built fires about 6:30. Got in most of clothes from porch about dry after breakfast. Doris came up this forenoon and wrapped the things she had here. Wrote to Arthur and Judy. Gerald got a load of sawdust for George Tullar this forenoon. He brot up 5 hens this morning and Glenn and I dressed them in pm. Cut them all up and Gerald put them in his freezer. Worked on blankets in pm.
- 12\12\68 Fair, warmer. Went out am and got a little elm wood of Pete Green. We got more wood pm. Wild heifer calved last night, calf can't get up. Gerald brought bull calf home from Ralph Dennis' this morn that I bought, \$35.00.
 [T] Built fires about 7. Made bread after breakfast. Glenn & Gerald got some elm wood back of Clyde Cummings' today. Wrote cards and letters to Gardner, Royal and Idella. Finished the blankets in pm and evening. Got in chunks. Glenn and Gerald went to fire meeting. Ironed in pm and baked 4 loaves of bread. Wrote a few more cards in evening and cut out a pair of pajamas for Carol and Janet. Went to bed about 12. I made chocolate pudding and scrap pudding this forenoon.
- 12\13\68 Fair, windy, warmer. Unloaded wood, changed oil in Ferg, fixed gate a little. Went out and got a load of elm wood pm. Thed went to Lebanon with Doris today.
 [T] Built fire about 7. Went to Lebanon about 9 with Doris & Mona. Went to new department & grocery stores. Got home at 2:30 Edna got dinner for Glenn & Gerald & made oyster stew for supper. Had a lunch after I got home. Glenn and Gerald finished hauling elm wood from in back of Clyde Cummings. Glenn, Edna and I went to Bradford about 7. Got some more things for Christmas. I made 15 cupcakes in pm.

- 12/14/68 Rain all day. Went up to Bradford last night. Smith here am, T.B. and blood testes am. Worked on wheelbarrow down cellar pm.
[T] Built fires at 6:30. Fixed beans after breakfast then did milk things, also machine George used at fair. Made a big batch of gingersnaps. Edna tended them. Glenn and Gerald put boards on springs for Arthur's bed and Edna helped me make it. Cleaned off stairs and made bed upstairs. Mended Glenn's and my night clothes. Sewed up Janet's pajama pants before supper. Made two small brown breads. Took bath in eve, then got Janet's pajama top ready for collar and hems.
[T] Wrote only a few notes for next 9 days.
- 12/15/68 [S] Snowed and blowed all day. Gerald done some plowing, Pug, Myrtle, Stanley, Alton and Tony. Wrote in account book and diary.
[T] Built fires about 6:30. Gerald plowed. Glenn worked on books. I wrote cards.
- 12/16/68 Cloudy, snow a little. Gerald plowed some more. We unloaded a load of wood and finished up wheelbarrow.
[T] Built fires at 6:30. Washed. Wrote cards pm.
- 12/17/68 Cloudy, cold about 0. Put bedding out in orchard for pigs. Put trailer and spreader under barn. Gerald took chain saw down to Henry Smith to see if he can fix it but he was not at home.
[T] Wrote cards most of day.
- 12/18/68 Fair, nice day. Gerald went and got 2 X-mas trees am. He went up to Blakes' pm and got 2-speed fixed on truck. I unloaded surplus and ground 3 axes. David and Gladys over pm. He took home a bag of grain for calf.
[T] Gerald got 2 trees. Gerald took truck up to Blakes' to be tinkered. Gerald and Doris here pm. Took care of Randy [?] Down to Vernie's in pm.
- 12/19/68 Fair. Just tinkered am. Gerald went out to Garage pm and changed 2 tires on truck, put in some tubes I got of Everett. I made a X-mas tree stand pm. Gerald took X-mas tree out to Grange pm.
[T] Made corn balls.
- 12/20/68 Snow last night and today, about 7-8 inches. Done some writing and puttering am. Gerald made and put a new leg on Thed's old bassinet am. He plowed some pm, over to Ralph Mack's and Tony and some here. Gas or water in oil in the H, no oil pressure. Edna, Thed and I went to Bradford pm.
[T] Edna made chowder for supper.
- 12/21/68 Not a bad day. Gerald plowed Pug and Myrtle. He and Doris and Dale went to Concord, left about 11 am, home about 8:30. He was sick down there pm. Kids up here dinner and supper. Wrote in big book, 10 pages. Plowed Tony, Alton and Stanley and some here. Harry plowed some. Art and Judy here about 10 last night.
[T] Gerald and Doris to Concord with Dale, kids here.
- 12/22/68 [S] Cloudy, warmer. Wrote in big book some more. They came here and got surplus stuff pm. Judy went to Church am.
[T] Made bread and C. rolls, 3 pies and some cookies.
- 12/23/68 Snow and blow all day. Gerald went and got some new plugs for tractor. He plowed all pm. I split some wood and wrote in big book some. Art worked for George today.
[T] Washed. Arthur worked for George, Judy went too. Gerald plowed all pm. Glenn worked on books.
- 12/24/68 Cold, snow a little. Gerald went out to Fairlee and got a boat trailer for Marion. He got gas for tractor, 59 gal. I wrote in big book some. Black 2nd calf heifer had a heifer calf am. Done some more plowing Took Edna down to Vernie's pm.
[T] Snow, sun, windy, 10,10,28. up at 5:15. Built kitchen fire. Judy was up with baby. Made crusts for 3 soft pies and made 2 cherry with lattice top, 1 whole crust for us, cranberry and pineapple made and most of them baked before breakfast. Edna got breakfast. Made filling for

- chocolate and butterscotch, used canned lemon. Used 4 qts. of milk for cracker pudding [YUM!], put meringue on pies, all done before dinner. [I think she is bragging a bit. ;-)] Edna got dinner. Glenn took her to Vernie's after mail came. Carol and Janet took cards to neighbors for me. Picked off chicken for chicken pie after supper. Arthur and Judy got back about 8. Arthur got tree and Judy trimmed it. [Likely the scraggly pine that I have never heard the last off – can't see but what the presents fit under it all right! ;-0]
- 12\25\68 Cold wind blows like hell. Doris had to go out to Niles to work at 11am. Howard's folks up about 12:15 Howard's car wouldn't start tonight He and Gerald got it going after a while [T] Cloudy, windy, -20, -25, -4. Got up at 5:45, built fire, curled my hair, made a big and medium raspberry pie. Judy did dishes. I peeled onions and potatoes, made dressing. Glenn did squash. Carol, Janet and Judy set table, etc. Doris had to go to work at 11, Mrs. Niles is sick. Made chicken pie. Howard's folks came about noon. We ate a little past 1. We all had a nice lot of things on tree. [See!] Barb has been sick, don't feel too good. It took Gerald and Howard 2 hrs. to start H.'s car in eve. Gerald's the only one that would start. Baby slept quite a lot today.
- 12\26\68 20 below out back, 35 and 40 below out front [3 thermometers] Arthur's car wouldn't start this morn he went and got some dry gas haven't got it started at noon Got Art's car started after dinner. He went out to help George. We got pigs from orchard into barn floor pm. Gerald made a pig trough. Two men from Merrimack here pm. Wrote in big book some. [T] Fair, cold, windy, -36, -40, -20. Arthur fixed fires in night. I got up about 7. Judy is throwing up. I took care of baby what I could and did his washing. Took Arthur and Gerald half of forenoon to get Arthur's car started, he went to Georges in p.m. Gerald made a pen in barn floor and put pigs from orchard in it in p.m. Judy slept quite a little today. Glenn wrote in big book today. Arthur got here for supper, about 8.
- 12\27\68 10 - 25 + 35 below. Gerald went out a.m. and had a heater put in his car. Wrote in big book and account book. Art put his car in barn floor and it started all right my car didn't start yet. Gerald took Mrs. Niles up to Dr. pm. [T] Fair, cold, windy, -24, -30, -10. Arthur fixed fires in night. I got up about 6:45. Put up dinner for Arthur. Judy feels better today, did dishes. Florence and Dido [Dunklee, from Wentworth] up in a.m. Made bread. Judy went over to Mona's a little while, she came back with her. Arthur put his car in barn last night, started OK. Gerald took Mrs. Niles up to Dr. in p.m., she has bronchitis and flu. Mona in in p.m. Two boys Arthur knew at school called. Had beef stew with dumplings for supper. Had 4 loaves of bread and about 16 cinnamon rolls. [Not many of those left by tomorrow!] Helped Judy measure off new diapers in eve. Judy untrimmed tree.
- 12/28/68 Snow, blow, rain and sleet. Gerald plowed am and a little pm. He took stable door off and sawed off ½ in. – rolls all worn out. I worked on books some, done some shoveling. Judy went out with Art today. [T] 5-6 inches of snow in night, snow, sleet, freezing rain, -6,-5, 20. Went to sleep after Glenn got up, didn't build fire till about 7:30. Judy went with Arthur today. Did usual work this forenoon. Glenn wrote in books some. Took care of Christmas paper and trimmings, put new spread on front room bed and put up one new curtain that Francis and Evelyn gave us to see how it looked. Arthur and Judy came about 8. Baby had been asleep about 3 hrs. and didn't wake up till 11. Took a bath after supper. We watched T.V., went to bed about 11:30.
- 12/29/68 [S] Fair, warmer, snow a little. Gene and Lyle helped do chores and Art helped finished them up this morn. Done some more plowing in barnyard and out back of house. Done some shoveling. Drew some orders, worked on Receipts and Payments book some. Went down to Vernie's pm and got Edna. Art and Judy went home about 10:30 am. [T] Cloudy, everything coated with ice, 16,15,22. Built fires about 7. Arthur helped do chores after breakfast. They started for home about 10. I just mopped and swept. We had dinner

about 1. Went down to Vernie's about 2 and got Edna. She has been sick, came home about 4. We watched T.V. in evening. Filled both woodboxes this forenoon.

12/30/68

Fair. Went out to Bank, got a haircut. Got some rolls for stable door am, put rolls on stable door pm and went up to Stoddard's to get a chain saw but he didn't have one we wanted. [T] Fair, -14, 20, 2. Built fires about 7 and one down cellar after breakfast. Wiped dishes and them washed. Put most of white ones on porch and some heavy ones and rugs. Glenn went to Fairlee in a.m., got haircut. He and Gerald went to Stoddard's in p.m. to look at a chainsaw. I sewed a little. We watched T.V. I went to bed about 11:15. Boiled hankies and washed two slips in p.m.

12/31/68

Fair. Out to Office all day. Gerald moved Don's dozer out to Baker's then he went to get a load of sawdust but couldn't find any anywhere. He put cable on gate out by horse barn and tinkered around.

[T] Cloudy, -6,-10, 8. Built fires about 6:45. Put up Glenn's dinner, they are at Office today. I helped to work then wrote to Francis and Evelyn. Edna made popovers and got dinner. Sprinkled ironing and got in most of white clothes, about dry. Hemmed yellow pillowcase. Hazel called in p.m. Ripped a little on Glenn's tan shirts, got ready to mend. He left for dance at Warren about 8. Edna went to bed about 9:30. We watched Orange Bowl Parade from Miami. I watched old year out, watched Guy Lombardo and orchestra, went to bed about 12:15.