

Dewey Scadin Diaries

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Monday, January 1

It moderated somewhat last night. Quite a bit of snow has fallen during the day. This morning I used the snowplow some and drew some wood over to the dairy lab. There were two tables full to-night. Easton and Griffin have gone to Randolph to-night.

Tuesday, Jan. 2

This morning was my last time for doing chores this vacation. I had to feed the hens tonight because Rick isn't back yet. The weather was very mild all day. I got a card from Mr. Woodward tonight. I didn't get to the opening this morning.

Wednesday, Jan. 3

I am still tending to the hens. Nearly everyone is back in school today. It has been snowing a good share of the day. There is no grange tonight because of the weather. I have been reading a book on poise.

Thursday, Jan. 4

The weather has moderated considerable. The snowplow had to run this morning on account of the heavy snowfall of yesterday and last night. I got a writing from Uncle Will for the Pioneer this afternoon. I got my pay from the office this afternoon. Rick took my job away tonight.

Friday, Jan. 5

It moderated during the night and has been some warmer today. The snow is getting pretty soft. It has snowed and sleeted and is raining tonight. I whacked my ribs on the porch this morning. I got a lot of senior football pictures tonight.

Saturday, Jan. 6

I grew colder during the day. Another Saturday spent at school. I wrote a good long letter to Miss Churchill today. I went to installation of Grange officers tonight. There were about as many officers there as members. It will be Sunday morning before I get to bed.

Sunday, Jan. 7

I went to church and Sunday School this morning. Gave a chairman's report at C.E. tonight. It hasn't been very cold today but snow hasn't melted. I wrote three letters today.

Monday, Jan. 8

It hasn't been very cold today. I put cream in the vat and heated it for churning this morning so missed all my lessons. The Pioneer is giving a dance tonight. Two sleigh loads came up from Randolph.

Tuesday, Jan. 9

Warm all day and quite moderate tonight. The debate tonight wasn't quite as good as the last one. The score was a tie. We started on Farm Machinery in place of forging this forenoon. There was no Y. M. C. A. meeting tonight.

Wednesday, Jan. 10

Moderate but cooling down tonight. Jerry and I figured up Pioneer expence and found out that we are all right. We spent most of the evening at Jackson's. We have new Canant's, Merrit's and maps this morning. It snowed pretty hard for a few minutes this afternoon.

Thursday, Jan. 11

Ther.: -2

This morning was the coldest this month and it remained cold all day. Tonight the mercury stands at -10. I am getting some things ready to start for Burlington tomorrow.

Friday, Jan. 12

We came to Burlington this afternoon. I was put with a family name Tousley. Jackson was to be my roommate but he couldn't come. The opening number of the Conference was a banquet tonight. There was a great crowd in the college gym where it was held. We ate, gave cheers, raid and listened to speeches. It has been cold all day. My room overlooked the lake.

Saturday, Jan. 13

It hasn't been quite as cold as yesterday but has been chilly and rather uncomfortable. Tonight all of us but Dodd sat together. This afternoon we all went thru some of the college buildings. Palmer and I went to the dairy barn and looked around. I lost my fur cap at church tonight. I have a roommate for tonight.

Sunday, Jan. 14

This is the last day of the Conference. Many inspiring things have been raid, especially by Mr. Roberts this morning. Tonight we had the closing services at the Majestic theatre. The house was packed full. Different delegates told what they intended to do when they get back home.

Monday, Jan. 15

It was cold again this morning and Burlington streets were glaring ice. I met the boys at the Y. M. C. A. building and three of us decided to come back this afternoon. The rest staid. I mailed the milage back to them from Essex Junct. We got to Randolph at 4:30 and walked up. Got here in time for supper.

Tuesday, Jan. 16

It didn't warm up much during the day. Chapel is fixed to come after the second period now. Just before supper we who went to Burlington were ordered to go home or stay close but the order was cancelled afterward by the health officer. I got a James Way book this afternoon.

Wednesday, Jan. 17

I went to school today tho I was regarded with suspicion by Prof. Meigs. The others got back for Burlington this morning after a dance at Randolph last night. All of us that went have been ordered to stay in our room until Tuesday. I can't go to the Grange program tonight. Rolimon has been sick today and had to move from here.

Thursday, Jan. 18

I have been in all day and all meals have been brought up. I haven't been idle tho and have all of the drafting and farm surveying ready to hand in.

Friday, Jan. 19

Another whole day of confinement and eating in my room. I am ready to go abroad at midnight tho. Joshua brought dinner up but Slanna tended to the other two. I wrote to Mr. Blower, Mr. Baker and Miss Fanny this afternoon.

Saturday, Jan. 20

Another whole day of confinement. The mercury was below zero this morning. I have written letters and read The Country Gentleman. I brought up wood while the rest were at dinner.

Sunday, Jan. 21

Still another day of confinement. I have been roaming around earlier than usual tonight. I just went down and got a dish of ice cream. Saw Robinson in the back room. It is snowing tonight. I wrote a four sheet letter home this afternoon. The others say they are coming to breakfast in the morning.

Monday, Jan. 22

This was the first day of freedom since last Thursday. We all went into the dining room for breakfast this morning. We had only chaple and two classes this morning because both furnaces are cracked. They brot up a new one from Randolph this morning. We had a regular blizzard this afternoon for a while but it wasn't cold.

Tuesday, Jan. 23

No school today because of the cold. They got the new boiler installed this afternoon. It has been clear and cold all day. I took my drafting over to the school building this forenoon.

Wednesday, Jan. 24

We had school today and it was right comfortable. I thought of going to Randolph to see the U.S.A. vs. R.A.S. basketball game but had a bad cold so will go to bed. I had a fire here this morning that demolished my winter clothes I wore yesterday. I had to partially restock. Mr. Green settled with us today. I got a circulatory letter from Byron N. Clark.

Thursday, Jan. 25

It has been warmer today and some snow flew tonight. Robinson came up for a few minutes this afternoon. I answered 2 history questions this morning. I have been copying Law notes. I got another Vermonter this morning and set it to Bertie Mae this noon.

Friday, Jan. 26

Nothing of much interest has happened today. I can't get to studying yet. There were two of us at Dairy lab this afternoon, Spud and I. It hasn't thawed at all today. I got a squirt pistol. The basketball team went to Randolph to play the second team. There is a box social at the hall tonight.

Saturday, Jan. 27

I wanted work today but was discriminated against. I did work some tho fixing the springs of my bed. I started to put electric wires in the Pioneer room with Jerry's help. Got a letter at the office to put into the paper. It has been keen all day with clouds this afternoon.

Sunday, Jan. 28

A little warmer today. It snowed slightly during the day. I spent the day writing letters and copying an article for the Pioneer. Didn't go to church at all today.

Monday, Jan. 29

It was cold in classrooms this morning. Mr. Goodlife led chapel exercises. It snowed a little around noon and is blustery tonight. They started cutting ice on our pond this afternoon. My liquid pistol is on the bum now. I found what my marks were this afternoon. I am blessed with a couple of Cs.

Tuesday, Jan. 30

It has been quite ware and pleasant all day. We have been working part on The Pioneer today. I went to the last of the debate tonight. We had a short Y. M. C. A. Meeting after but there were too few to bother with a report of the Conference.

Wednesday, Jan. 31

I took The Pioneer to Randolph this morning. Saw Cy Metcalf while there. I got a pair of snowshoes and wore them back up the old road. It tired me quite badly. Jerry's furnace went dry and his bed burned up this morning.

Thursday, February 1

It snowed quite a bit this morning. We got talked to in class about the way we get our lessons. Our exam in Farm Management came this afternoon. It was easy. I went snowshoeing with Melby this afternoon. Found my mistake in fastening the snowshoes yesterday.

Friday, Feb. 2

It has been cold all day. The coldest now that it has been. Jerry turned the furnace over to me this morning. I emptied one of them and had to pull the fire. Mark sent Jackson to help me. It is warm at the school house now.

Saturday, Feb. 3

Ther.: -20

The mercury has held around zero all day. The water was all out of the furnace this morning so I had to rake out the fire. We have fire in it tonight. I got up at three and went over to the school house. The boiler had to do it all during the day. It is slightly warmer tonight.

Sunday, Feb. 4

Quite a bit warmer than yesterday. I stayed at the schoolhouse till after church this morning. Snowshoed down to the lake and back again. The boiler has worked all right today. I led C.E. tonight. Wrote home yesterday so didn't have to today.

Monday, Feb. 5

Rather blustery today and snowed some. It grew colder this afternoon. I rang all the bells today but Jerry came back about four o'clock. The furnace ran nicely all day. I took quite a walk on snowshoes this afternoon. It was cold and blizzardy but I enjoyed it.

Tuesday, Feb. 6

Not very cold today. Squire Boyden spoke in chapel. He gave us some insight into the graft against V. S. A. Our classes went better than for some time. I took a long hike on showshoes this afternoon. We had a Y. M. C. A. meeting tonight and spoke about the Conference. Just a handful more there.

Wednesday, Feb. 7

It has been quite warm all day. Melby and I went snowshoeing again this afternoon. I went to Grange tonight. They had a special program with music, readings, etc.

Thursday, Feb. 8

It has been thawing today. I took down my stove pipe this afternoon and got nearly half a bushel of root from it. The boiler went out again this morning.

Friday, Feb. 9

It didn't cool down today. I didn't go snowshoeing this afternoon. They butchered a calf today and Kibby dissected it to show us the organs. Three of us churned this afternoon. It was quite blizzardy this afternoon.

Saturday, Feb. 10

It was below zero again this morning and didn't change much during the day. It was too cold to go snowshoing. I went to a Philathea social tonight.

Sunday, Feb. 11

I went to church and Sunday School today for a change. Johnson, Melby and I went snowshoeing this afternoon. There were pictures at the church tonight. This is going to be another extreme night.

Monday, Feb. 12

It has been close to zero all day. I wrapped up my watch to send it away tomorrow. I took a long walk on my snowshoes this afternoon. I got a lot of debate material together today.

Tuesday, Feb. 13

It didn't warm up much today. All of us Seniors dressed up this morning before we went to school. We "had them guessing." Door and I went to Randolph on snowshoes this afternoon. I had a pen straightened and a crystal put in my Ingarall. We saw Metcalf.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

A pleasant day and moderate quite a bit. I went snowshoing alone again this afternoon. Tonight we had, after the debate, an entertainment followed by refreshments. Haven't written much on my debate today.

Thursday, Feb. 15

Nearly finished writing my debate this afternoon. It has been quite moderate all day. We had an illustrated lecture on white pine blister rurt tonight by a government man. I didn't go snowshoeing today.

Friday, Feb. 16

I spent the afternoon in typing my debate so didn't go snowshoeing today. The Athletic Association is having a dance tonight. It was comfortably warm all day.

Saturday, Feb. 17

This has been a pleasant day. It was quite warm. I took a long snowshoe walk this afternoon. I went over toward Randolph. I studied my debate some today.

Sunday, Feb. 18

It was very warm this morning but has cooled down tonight. We had a short C.E. meeting. I snowshoed out north this afternoon.

Monday, Feb. 19

It didn't thaw much today. I took a walk way down south and was almost late for supper. I had to refuse to lend my snowshoes this afternoon.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

It has been quite warm today. The Junior Bible was read in Chapel this morning. The Juniors made some sport of it. We had a class meeting at noon and thrashed out certain matters. Melby and I took a short walk on snowshoes this afternoon. The snow was pretty soft and slippery. Door and I rehearsed tonight.

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Rather moderate all day but is near zero tonight. Door and I rehearsed once today. They had a special program at Grange. Morse is with us today.

Thursday, Feb. 22

The farmers meetings began today. We tried to crowd the Junior High School hall but didn't succeed. There were three illustrated lectures tonight.

Friday, Feb. 23

Today finished up the farmers week meetings. It has been quite chilly all day. Morse went home this morning. All three of us spoke our pieces this morning.

Saturday, Feb. 24

I have rehearsed my debate half a dozen times or more today but don't know it much better. It has been real warm all day but is growing cold tonight. Someone took four Companions that I was going to send home today.

Sunday, Feb. 25

I went to all the church services today. Took a short walk on snowshoes this afternoon. It has held rather cool all day. I took slitchcock's furnace job this morning.

Monday, Feb. 26

It has been way about freezing all day. The furnace works pretty well for me. I found my Companions today and sent them home.

Tuesday, Feb. 27

It has been very warm all day but is freezing tonight. I went to Dr. Allen this morning and had 2 teeth filled. Our debate at Randolph came off tonight. There were a number of Aggies there. I walked down and had a hair cut.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Somewhat cooler than yesterday. I cleaned up a big pile of ashes this afternoon. Mitch had let them accumulate. I had three rides on the big travene tonight. Got a card from Uncle Will today.

Thursday, March 1

Mudgett, Trask, Slymon and I had three slides on the big traverse this afternoon. The snow didn't melt much today. The shaker fell out of the furnace today but it kept right on burning. I went down and visited with Melby a while this afternoon.

Friday, March 2

We made butter this afternoon. Easton has gone away so I am doing his work for him. Tonight we had an entertainment by four negro jubilee singers. It has been just comfortably cool today.

Saturday, March 3

There has been about an equal amount of freezing and thawing today. The basketball team was beaten last night at Northfield. They staid in bed most of the forenoon. I sent an order for another pair of shoes this afternoon.

Sunday, March 4

The cook is made again tonight and is nailing up boxes. I got the pails washed before supper tonight. I have been to all church doings today.

Monday, March 5

It has snowed nearly all day and has added four inches to the original. Robinson didn't cook breakfast and went away this afternoon. Some of the fellows got breakfast. Mrs. Cook and Abbott are going to cook until someone else is hired.

Tuesday, March 6

There was no school today because of town meeting at Randolph. Quite a number of us went down. We held a town meeting here tonight. Mrs. Boner came to help Mrs. Cook this afternoon. Melby and I snowshoed to Randolph this morning. This has been a nice day and quite cold.

Wednesday, March 7

They worked 1st and 2nd degrees tonight and new bunch. There were about fifteen. It was pretty cool this morning but is warm tonight. I left before they started on the second degree. I typewrote two editorials this afternoon. We planted our seeds in the boxes today.

Thursday, March 8

It has been warm today. Kibby came down with the measles this morning. The health officer came up and all of the scheduled entertainments have been indefinitely postponed. I cleaned my room up this afternoon.

Friday, March 9

This has been a warm day too. Sawin came down with measles at chapel this morning. I didn't get any X's last month. The speakers for Commencement have been chosen. They are Ellis, Dodd, L. Walcombe, E. and O. Johnson and me. I have mine started now. We have a nice red card at our front door now. I straightened the pipe on the roof this morning.

Saturday, March 10

I went snowshoeing this afternoon. I started another piece this morning and have quite a lot written. It was pleasant today and comfortably cool. Abbott has moved into the cook's quarters.

Sunday, March 11

Not quite as warm today as yesterday but a soft snow has been falling all day. I took a short walk on my snowshoes this afternoon but the snow was too wet for comfort. I have almost filled three sheets of composition paper today for my Commencement speech. I went to C.E. tonight but not to church and S.S.

Monday, March 12

My stove smoked up badly this morning that I had to speak about it and Mr. Abell helped me take the pipe down and clean it. It is very windy tonight. My new shoes came today.

Tuesday, March 13

Warm during the day but it is cool tonight. I worked 2 hours piling wood this afternoon. It's green but all they can get. Ellis came in and we had quite a visit tonight.

Wednesday, March 14

It has been about at freezing all day. I worked this afternoon 3 1/2 hours splitting wood and helping drive the sow to boar. No one else has the measles yet and Sawin was up and around some today.

Thursday, March 15

I split wood four hours today. I am beginning to get the Pioneer together now. Got a pair of socs from home today. Tonight I went out and helped Mr. Abell put a heifer to bull. She is as loud a nuisance as ever. It has been melting slightly all day. I have begun to trace the watch I sent back to N. Y.

Friday, March 16

Spud, Jackson and I started doing chores tonight. Most of the fellows left today. Jerry and Robinson have the measles now. Mr. Abell's birthday was today. They made him a cake and he shared it with those of us who are left.

Saturday, March 17

It has been blustery all day and the drifts are piled high tonight. Mr. Abell was taken with the measles at noon and Abbott took a hand at chores tonight.

Sunday, March 18

It has been somewhat wild today but not as bad as yesterday. Tonight it is windy enough tho I haven't been to church at all today. Some of us didn't get thru chores until dinnertime.

Monday, March 19

This has been the most uncomfortable day yet. This morning the mercury was at 0 and there was a high wind. King left for Conn. after dinner. I churned this afternoon. It was better than several lab periods. The butter came pretty hard but is of good texture.

Tuesday, March 20

The doctor brought a nurse up today to relieve Mrs. Cook. They sent Jackson to bed this morning so Abbott, Spud and I had all the chores to do tonight. It was pretty cold this morning but is warm tonight.

Wednesday, March 21

This has been a warm day. Robinson has been doing queer things all day. My furnace fire nearly went out on me this afternoon but I brot it back.

Thursday, March 22

It has been very warm all day. I took the fire all out of the furnace this morning and started it again tonight. I started ripening a batch of cream this afternoon. Most of the patients are better today.

Friday, March 23

Another warm day. All the invalids are better today. The furnace dumped last night and I let it go and built a fire in the front hall. The wind is blowing very hard tonight. Abbot and Jerry had lady friends here today.

Saturday, March 24

It rained last night and snowed a little this morning. The rest of the day has been fine and most of the snow went off. The water gave out tonight and I went down and started the ram again. Got notice that my watch was delivered to Montgomery Ward and Co.

Sunday, March 25

Made two trips to the ram today. Once at 5 o'clock and once at breakfast time. After the second time the water came all right. Didn't go to church or C.E. The snow settled a lot more today.

Monday, March 26

I churned again today but stopped for chores before printing it. The snow is softer now than ever. Jackson came down to dinner and supper but the others staid in their rooms.

Tuesday, March 27

It has been stormy today and there is lots of ice on the sidewalk. I printed and wrapped the butter that I churned yesterday. All the fellows but Mr. Abell came down to dinner and supper. I tested sampler of cream tonight.

Wednesday, March 28

A light snow fell during the night and the slippery places were covered this morning. Jackson came out to do chores tonight. We expected the Governor up here today and so we did an extra job of cleaning up this morning. She didn't come.

Thursday, March 29

It has been rather stormy today. Some snow to it. Mr. Abell came down to meals today. The electricity gone out for a while tonight so we had to crank the separator. We heard today that Jack Bradish is dangerously sick.

Friday, March 30

Jack Bradish died sometime this morning. It has been rather chilly today but sap has run pretty well. Mr. Goodliffe was here this morning. Miss Sault has telephoned up twice today. Next to the last number of the entertainment course came tonight. They had splendid music.

Saturday, March 31

It is raining some tonight and has been cloudy all day. More than half the snow is gone now. Slanna came back today and helped with the chores tonight. Mr. Abell came out to the barn tonight. Jerry went home this afternoon.

Sunday, April 1

Abbot, Slanna, Jackson, Mudgett, Carpenter and I went to the Bradish funeral this afternoon. Coad Sleath and Tucker were there too. I haven't had time to write home today. Spud got some sirup and we had sugar on the snow tonight. 4 fellows came back tonight.

Monday, April 2

School did not open today because there were few fellows back. I did chores both morning and night. More than half the fellows are back tonight. It has been damp and cool all day. Wrote my letter home this afternoon. The wind is blowing quite fiercely tonight.

Tuesday, April 3

School was opened this morning with one vacancy. Did not go out to chores today. It hasn't been very warm during the day and there is still considerable snow.

Wednesday, April 4

Third and fourth degrees were given in Grange tonight followed by a sugar festival. Abbott started a movement for a form of military training. Not many came today. This was the nicest day we have had for some time. I sent a V.S. A. banner to Bertie Mae this afternoon.

Thursday, April 5

I let Mr. Green see my Commencement speech this afternoon and finished it tonight. Mr. Abell helped to drill us right after dinner and we got along some better than yesterday. We heard that a spy was in Randolph yesterday.

Friday, April 6

I went to classes in the morning but didn't feel just well and went to bed without dinner. Shook hand with Leonard in the morning. Mr. Abell went away for an Easter vacation today.

Saturday, April 7

Got up and dressed this morning but haven't been outside the dorm today. My throat is closed up somewhat but I went down to dinner and supper.

Sunday, April 8

Much better today. I went outside several times. Carried a couple of pails of water this morning because the ram stopped working. Didn't go to church today and haven't studied any lessons for tomorrow. Slall came back today but E. Johnson and Weston are still away.

Monday, April 9

Nothing of much importance happened today. I took some shirts over to Mrs. Farnsworth to be washed. Went to military drill again today. I made Bickford a little visit tonight.

Tuesday, April 10

It has been cold and windy all day. Meigs kept up busy when he could with gardening. Jerry Lewis came up and has to go home tomorrow on account of sickness in the family.

Wednesday, April 11

I didn't go to class this morning. Did Peanut's pails for him. It was warmer today. I have the Pioneer about assembled now. There was lots of toss and catch going on today.

Thursday, April 12

This has seemed like two or three days. It snowed quite a lot today. I had Burroughs put the Pioneer together this afternoon. Meigs had us fixing hotbed this afternoon. I made Mrs. Cook a short visit tonight.

Friday, April 13

Went to Randolph this afternoon and had a hair cut and bough a suit. It was pretty good walking at the other end. The Grange play came off tonight and I went. It was called "Deacon Dubbs."

Saturday, April 14

I went home with Ellis this morning. We drove his horse over. We got there in time for dinner. After dinner I helped him take a load of wood to some people. After that we went to their sugar place and stayed a while.

Sunday, April 15

We went to see Estabrook this morning. He has had measles and had his family to nurse afterward. We saw some pulp logs going down the river too. Richard and I came back this afternoon. He drove a horse back.

Monday, April 16

I went into Dairy lab this afternoon to make up for Friday. My suit was sent up this afternoon. It has been rather raw today and snow flew some. Coach Sleath came today.

Tuesday, April 17

It has been warmer and pleasant today. We had a final test in Small Fruits. I didn't do anything at it. We had drill on the ground this afternoon. We had forgotten what we learned before. Finished rewriting my commencement piece tonight.

Wednesday, April 18

Another warm day. Taft and I went to Randolph and had our pictures taken this afternoon. We missed Garden lab on account of it.

Thursday, April 19

We had a little celebration of Paul Revier's day in chapel this morning. There was music by the band and we sang patriotic songs. I went to Chadwick's this afternoon to see about some sugar to send home. Fixed up one fence on the tennis court and had some help on the other this afternoon. Our scrubs got trimmed by the Junior High today.

Friday, April 20

It has rained nearly all day. We had drill again this afternoon. We got our invitations today. I wrote to Jerry this afternoon. Tonight I went over to Richard's room and the fellows there had sugar and popcorn.

Saturday, April 21

I finished the tennis court all but smoothing and rolling this morning. It was foggy until the middle of the forenoon and rained a little during that time. There was to have been a ball game today but rain made them postpone it. We had a little thunder and lightning this afternoon. Went down to see Cy. Halcombe tonight and played dominoes.

Sunday, April 22

This has been a nice warm day. I went to church this morning and also to C.E. tonight. I rode my bicycle up the street a way tonight. I washed the pails twice today for Peanut.

Monday, April 23

It was announced this morning that school would close Friday. Went down to see Gilbert tonight and guess I have landed a job till after commencement. Got some sugar at Chadwick's to send home. There was a patriotic meeting tonight with several speakers present.

Tuesday, April 24

I started a sugar cake home today. Took my diary around with me and got nearly all the fellow's names today. It has been cooler today than for a couple of days previous. We decided to not put out the 5th Pioneer.

Wednesday, April 25

This has been a very pleasant day and quite warm. The "team" played Bethel High this afternoon and won 4 to 15. I went down to Temple's for plow paints tonight and got back after supper. I went over and sat on Mr. Boyden's doorstep this afternoon and went for a little walk with Mrs. Cook after.

Thursday, April 26

The Junior High played the Seniors this afternoon and won 14 to 12. It has been cloudy and chilly today. I helped Meigs look over the apple trees for lab this mornig. The last number on the entertainment course came tonight.

Friday, April 27

It has been somewhat stormy all day and there was some snow this morning. We planted the trees that we grafted. There is a social gathering under way tonight. I am not participating. I was going home with Trask today but his mother is sick. It's hard to find something to do now.

Saturday, April 28

The wind blew hard quite a lot of the time today. The dorm is almost deserted again. I worked all day cleaning up the yard at Mrs. Cook's.

Sunday, April 29

Got a lot of my things together and burned up some old papers this morning. Four of us went to church. I didn't go to C. E. tonight. Nearly everything but my books is packed now. I gave the fellows a small treat on chocolates tonight. Mrs. Boner and Mrs. Cook had some too.

Monday, April 30

Went to Randolph and banked some money this morning. Left a pair of shoes to be mended. I had dinner at the Maplewood and came to Gilberts in the afternoon. Helped move a brooder house, raked the front yard and hearded hens down by the brook. It rained in spells this afternoon.

Tuesday, May 1

It has been cold and miserable all day. I finished raking the front yard this morning and helped get a load of hay from the schoolhouse. After dinner I cleaned up in the cellar and Willard did the same in the woodshed. It snowed and sleeted this afternoon.

Wednesday, May 2

The ground was white with snow this morning. It warmed up at noon but cooled off again this afternoon and snowed some more. I partly cleaned a hen roost this morning and then shovelled manure. Came up to Grange tonight. there was a program with a Maypole dance after Grange. I was gate keeper pro tem.

Thursday, May 3

It snowed and hailed some today but was more pleasant than usual. I milked two cows tonight. Washed milk cone and helped clean a room this afternoon.

Friday, May 4

It cleared off today and was real nice just before night. The moon shines for the first time in a long while. I harrowed some this morning and afternoon. Helped milk tonight again.

Saturday, May 5

It started out to be a nice day but didn't get far and has been quite chilly all day. Is raining tonight. My watch came again today. I have been harrowing a lot of the time. Got a postcard from Grandma.

Sunday, May 6

I didn't have to do anything after breakfast this morning. Helped clean the stables and then went to the Maplewood to get ready for church. Went up to Mrs. Sawin's with my commencement part this afternoon and did some work on it. I went to C. E. afterward.

Monday, May 7

It was very warm this afternoon and somewhat showery. I cleaned chicken roosts, pitched manure and raked leaves and rubbish today. Went up to Mrs. Sawin's again tonight.

Tuesday, May 8

I have been harrowing all the afternoon and two hours this forenoon. Got two books from home this morning. Helped transfer some hens to a colony house tonight and then went up to see Mr. Green.

Wednesday, May 9

I helped spread manure all the morning and harrowed some after dinner. He had three horses on the harrow. One is a cold and his harness kept coming off. It has been showery today.

Thursday, May 10

I harrowed today with the three horses. This has been another showery day but no hard rain. It is rather cool tonight. I have been trying to remodel my commencement piece tonight.

Friday, May 11

Another good April day with showers and chilly atmosphere. I harrowed again today. Ray Adams came with the potato planter this afternoon. Started my valedictory tonight.

Saturday, May 12

Ray Adams started planting potatoes this morning and I harrowed but it showered and sleeted so that we had to give it up. It has been cold and miserable this afternoon except short periods when the sun shone.

Sunday, May 13

I haven't been to church today. Wrote two letters this morning and went to the Center after dinner. Typewrote part of my commencement piece. It has been cold and squally again today. Saw Gates to speak to him a little while this afternoon.

Monday, May 14

We finished planting potatoes today. It has been very windy but pleasant all day. I went up and typewrote some more of my speech tonight. Lost my glasses on the way.

Tuesday, May 15

This has been a raw cold day with wind and some snow. This morning I helped start some young stock for pasture. Some maple cream came from Dodd's this morning. Went up to practice my speech a little tonight and found my glasses. I harrowed some more this afternoon.

Wednesday, May 16

Helped more hens tonight instead of going to the Center. I addressed exchange envelopes tonight too. Made chicken yard, helped with washing and washed some windows today. It was pleasant but very cool all day.

Thursday, May 17

This was a nice day altho cool and windy. I helped spread manure and cultivated today.

Friday, May 18

I harrowed for and after oats and barley. Helped spread manure some too. We had a small thunder storm tonight. Jeraldine came down to visit tonight.

Saturday, May 19

I harrowed and spread manure today. It has been very warm all day and threaten rain tonight. I went up to the Center tonight and did some Pioneer work but didn't rehearse any. Rode my wheel up and part way back but it was too dark to finish.

Sunday, May 20

It rained last night and looked like rain this morning but didn't. I took a bicycle ride today thru S. and E. Randolph, Timbridge, So. Royalton, Royalton, and E. Bethel. It took 6 1/2 hours to make it. Went to the Center tonight and finished addressing envelopes to exchange and mailed the invitations.

Monday, May 21

Cool and windy today. We did an assortment of jobs today. Went to the Center tonight but helped put Pioneers in their envelopes instead of rehearsing my speech. It is some warmer than last night.

Tuesday, May 22

It has drizzled today and is getting colder tonight. I wrote some on the valedictory tonight. Gave a dollar for Red Cross membership.

Wednesday, May 23

This has been a wet cold day with rain. IT is clearing off tonight. We plowed in the rain. I went to the Center tonight and rehearsed part of my speech. My electric lantern went out coming back.

Thursday, May 24

A little warmer and more comfortable than yesterday. It was foggy early, cleared off before noon, but clouded up this afternoon and rained some. I harrowed way over in the pasture where there is India wheat. Finished my valedictory tonight.

Friday, May 25

Chilly and somewhat rainy today. I went up to rehearse tonight and then had to fix my alarm clock. We distributed phosphate this morning and then drew manure.

Saturday, May 26

It was wet to chilly this morning. Warmed up toward night. The moon shines tonight but it is hazy between us. Mrs. Gilbert helped me typewrite the rest of my speech today. I went to the Center tonight and read it over once. We sowed the India wheat piece to barley and oats and harrowed them in today.

Sunday, May 27

I haven't been away from the home today. Didn't wake up until seven this morning. Fed the hens and brushed the horses and then did some work for myself. Wrote four letters today.

Monday, May 28

I have dug ditch most all day. Went up and raid my piece over once tonight. It has been quite comfortably warm and somewhat showery late this afternoon and tonight.

Tuesday, May 29

It has been cold and rainy all day. I cleaned potatoes and rubbish out of the cellar this morning. Drove the horses for Mr. Gilbert to plow in the rain this afternoon. Didn't go to the Center tonight. I milked five cows after supper.

Wednesday, May 30

I had a half holiday this afternoon. Took a tramp thru the fields to woods and raid my speech over twice. Went up and rehearsed it tonight. I harrowed this morning on the hill. It got to be real warm along toward night.

Thursday, May 31

It has been real summery all day. I harrowed and dragged down potatoes over on the hill today. I went up to rehearse tonight but got sidetracked and visiting with Mr. Green and Jackson instead.

Friday, June 1

Quite warm and pleasant today but threatened rain some this afternoon. I harrowed some with the colt and the mare today. Went up and raid my piece tonight.

Saturday, June 2

The folks came today. I harrowed until half past ten and then got read and went to Randolph to meet them. Spent quite a while with them tonight. It has been fairly hot all day and is real sultry tonight. Put on my summer underwear this afternoon.

Sunday, June 3

Didn't wake up this morning until half past seven. Cleaned the stables and brushed the horses and then spent most of the day with the folks. Took pa around a little this afternoon. Tonight they showed me a watch bob that Bertie Mae sent up. It was real warm all day but is quite cool again tonight.

Monday, June 4

We got to harrowing before eight o'clock this morning and moved two henhouses. I quit work at noon and went up to stay with the folks this afternoon and evening. I sent a card to Abbott tonight. Rehearsed my speech this afternoon.

Tuesday, June 5

I harrowed a good long time this morning and went to visit and rehearse this afternoon. It has been partially cloudy all day and has sprinkled some tonight.

Wednesday, June 6

I quit work at noon and moved most of my things up. Went to Grange and was put in gate keeper. Helped plow and spread manure and led the horse on the corn planter for awhile.

Thursday, June 7

This morning Pa and I started on a seeing trip. We went to Sharon by train and walked to So. Strafford. Made quite a long stop at the Charles Downer state forest. It rained sharply while we were there. After we went to So. Strafford and engaged board and lodging for the night. We walked out toward Strafford and saw one listed farm.

Friday, June 8

Today Pa took the stage for Pomponooruc and I walked to Chelsea in the morning. Glad to stay there an hour while it rained. In the afternoon I went as far as Trask's. Found an Aggie graduate over in the mountains while waiting for a rain to quit. Saw Lewis in Strafford.

Saturday, June 9

I stayed at Trask's all night and until afternoon and then came back across lots. Got here about five. Saw an Avery tractor work on Boyden's land. Intended to go to Randolph but stayed and read my speech.

Sunday, June 10

I went to church this mornig. They had Children's Day exercises and Sunday School. I was the only boy at C.E. tonight. It has rained off and on all day.

Monday, June 11

It has drizzled all day and the roads are all mud. Spoke my piece in the church this afternoon. We have most of my things packed for storage to transit.

Tuesday, June 12

It drizzled all the morning but stopped about noon. Pa and I went to Randolph this afternoon. I got my pictures and bicycle lock. Gave portraits to Mr. Green, Able and Carpenter.

Wednesday, June 13

Just a few fellows have come back today. It was foggy this morning but cleared off and has been very warm and pleasant the rest of the day. I spoke my piece in the pasture twice this afternoon and three time at the church. Sent off some pictures and traded some this morning.

Thursday, June 14

It was cloudy all day and rained quite sharply once. A lot of alumni were back to the Commencement exercises. I got thru with my speech without mishap.

Friday, June 15

There was a big crowd at the Alumni luncheon this noon. It was nice and warm all day. The Seniors won the ball game this morning and in the afternoon the Alumni won against the Varsity. It rained during that game. Leonard F. went to enlisted at Barre today.

Saturday, June 16

It has threatened rain a lot today. Most of the visitors left this morning. I went to Gilman's tonight to see the Sharples milker.

Sunday, June 17

It drizzled pretty much all day. I went to church but not to S.S. We all went down to Mrs. Sawin's for supper.

Monday, June 18

This has been a nice warm day. We have packed all day. We and Mrs. Sawin went to Mrs. Gilbert's for supper. We packed some afterward.

Tuesday, June 19

We finished packing early this morning. Rover didn't get the folks and had to go back for them. I stopped at Patche's and got my class picture. WE had to change cars several times and got to Rochester after midnight.

Wednesday, June 20

We left Rochester early this morning and came up to Wheatville. Uncle Dor met us. We spent most of the time visiting.

Thursday, June 21

We spent all of this day with Uncle Dor. I hoed potatoes a little. It was pleasant all day.

Friday, June 22

We left Uncle Dor's this morning and got to Dexter last tonight. Uncle Will was there to meet us. We forgot a suitcase and had to go back after it. It has rained some in places.

Saturday, June 23

It rained lots this morning and once in the afternoon. The wind is blowing tonight. Uncle Will and I went after the trunks this afternoon. We got caught in a shower and had to get in a barn about half way to Dexter.

Sunday, June 24

I went to church this morning. Cleaned the horse stable and brushed off two of the horse for a started today and went to Mrs. Kenny's with ma this afternoon. I went to C.E. tonight with Uncle Will.

Monday, June 25

Pa and Uncle Will went to Outwater's to help clean up rubbish that the cyclone left. I stayed here and cultivated, hoed and did some chores. We had a shower this afternoon.

Tuesday, June 26

I helped with chores today and milked 2 cows this morning and tonight. Uncle Will and I went down to Welshe's to a bee and sawed logs where the cyclone tore the trees to pieces.

Wednesday, June 27

All but Grandma and I went to Mrs. Sears' to help clear away rubbish. Uncle Will had to have a tow home. I weeded beets and milked all of the cows. Uncle Henry and his folks came out to see us tonight.

Thursday, June 28

It has been quite rainy all day. We are having a thunder storm tonight. We stretched some barbed wire in the hog pasture this afternoon.

Friday, June 29

This has been a very pleasant day. Uncle Will went to Ann Arbor with a load of broilers and I did most of the chores tonight. I went to a meeting of the young people tonight.

Saturday, June 30

It has been clear and real warm all day. I did some carpentry work on the hay loader and go the mowing machine in shape to use. I milked all four cows tonight.

Sunday, July 1

It has rained several times today. I went to Sunday School and church this morning and C. E. tonight. Tried to get some reading done but I couldn't. I went over some of the farm this afternoon.

Monday, July 2

It has been clear and rather cool all day. I ran a mowing machine for the first time this morning. Went after whipple trees and the stoneboat and drew a load of gravel. I cultivated corn this afternoon and did all of the milking.

Tuesday, July 3

I cultivated corn all day. It has been cool and cloudy most all of the day and is clear and cool tonight.

Wednesday, July 4

Some warmer than yesterday and quite a lot of sunshine. I cultivated the garden and beets with one horse this morning and rolled a little this afternoon. Uncle Will and Aunt Millie have gone to choir practice tonight.

Thursday, July 5

It has been quite hot today. I mowed thistles in the green this morning. Cleaned out the scratch shed and then cultivated corn this afternoon. Ma and I went after Uncle Will's auto batteries tonight.

Friday, July 6

I have been cultivating corn all day. Finished in the stumps this forenoon and started after dinner by the barn. It was cloudy and cool all day and is raining some tonight. I had my watch fixed again today.

Saturday, July 7

It rained a little this morning. I caught pigs for cartrating and cleaned the broiler pen. This afternoon Uncle Will sowed his plowed field all to buckwheat and I did all the cores for him.

Sunday, July 8

There was no rain or threaten today. It has been pretty warm. I went to the lake this afternoon after chores. Wrote letters instead of going to Sunday School.

Monday, July 9

I spent the day cultivating corn. It threatened storm this afternoon but didn't. It was hot in the middle of the day but is cooler tonight.

Tuesday, July 10

It rained last night and has staid cloudy all day. A rather chilly Northwest wind had blown nearly continually. The folks went down to Mrs. Kenny's today. I spent the day cultivating.

Wednesday, July 11

It has been cloudy and cool all day and is raining tonight. I spent the day on the cultivator.

Thursday, July 12

It rained hard last night so I could not cultivate this morning. I did a little cleaning in the grain barn. This afternoon Uncle Will and Aunt Millie went to Ann Arbor and we went over to the Kenny's and stayed until after supper.

Friday, July 13

It was showery this morning. Uncle Will drew bailed hay for Steward Ball today. He and pa went to lodge tonight. I picked some cherries and hoed and cultivated. This afternoon was pleasant.

Saturday, July 14

I finished picking cherries this morning and hoed off Canada thistles while Uncle Will went to mill. We gathered us the hay around the yard. Aunt Millie took us out to Uncle Henry's tonight. I went to Hamburg with Lawrence tonight.

Sunday, July 15

Pan and I went with Uncle Henry this morning to salt his cattle and sheep and look at his beans. He took us to the lake too. Ma and I went with Lawrence to Lakeland just before dinner. They brot pa and me back this afternoon. Uncle Henry drove the auto.

Monday, July 16

I cultivated corn this morning but it rained after dinner and I couldn't go on with it. Uncle Will mowed some grass this morning. We brot up the ride delivery tonight. I got Seaner's picture today.

Tuesday, July 17

We loaded the hogs this morning and Uncle Will took them to Dexter. I thinned beets and oiled haying machinery. This afternoon it rained most of the time and we couldn't do anything.

Wednesday, July 18

It has rained some and threatened a lot today. Pa and I cleaned the cellar this morning. I mowed thistles and picked cherries for work.

Thursday, July 19

Uncle Will and I fixed fence in the swamp this morning because the heifer got out. I tedded what hay there was down this afternoon. It threatened rain and sprinkled some after dinner. I was invited to Grange at Winslows tonight and went with the Williams'. There was no meeting.

Friday, July 20

It didn't rain at all today. I cultivated corn some this morning and then used the wide rake. We drew four loads of hay this afternoon and brot another to the barn.

Saturday, July 21

It has been hot all day. It threatened storm and rained enough to wet some hay. I tedded and raked this morning. We drew two loads this afternoon and then stopped on account of the shower I cultivated the rest of the time. Pa went to Uncle Henry's and the folks took me to Ann Arbor.

Sunday, July 22

It has been hot and oppressive all day. After dinner I went berrying and got some black-caps. I went to the swamp to investigate the huckleberries. The folks came back tonight.

Monday, July 23

I cultivated corn this morning and Uncle Will cut grass. We got in the rest of the cured hay this afternoon. It has been hot all right today.

Tuesday, July 24

We worked at the hay all day. I tedded and raked this morning. I mowed away and loaded one load this afternoon. I raked a little after supper. It has been very hot and clear all day.

Wednesday, July 25

This has been the hottest day yet I mowed away for one load this morning and two this afternoon. It was a fine hay day.

Thursday, July 26

Not much difference between today and yesterday. It has been a good drying day and we drew five loads.

Friday, July 27

It was warm this morning but cooled off quite a bit just after noon and is quite comfortable tonight. I loaded one load this afternoon and did the chores tonight. I went to the swamp and got a few huckleberries after supper.

Saturday, July 28

It was a little warmer than yesterday. We had to leave several load of hay tonight. I went to Mrs. Kenny's to supper tonight.

Sunday, July 29

Uncle Will and I went to Balyses for a ride this morning. It has been sultry today. I didn't go to church at all today. Ma went to Jackson this afternoon. I wrote three short letters.

Monday, July 30

20\$ payment on Loan Bond

We hayed full tilt today. We drew one load after supper. It has been the hottest day yet but there was a stiff breeze all day.

Tuesday, July 31

Not much change in temperature today. We got the last of the hay in the mow this afternoon. I went to the swamp and got nearly 2 gallons of qts of huckleberries.

Wednesday, August. 1

Uncle Will cut two swaths of wheat this morning. It rained after dinner and stopped more cutting. The ground got a good wetting. Ma came back tonight.

Thursday, Aug. 2

We worked with the wheat quite a bit today. It was comfortably cool this morning and not hot the rest of the day.

Friday, Aug. 3

We finished the wheat this morning. This afternoon we both cultivated the rilage corn. It has been cool today.

Saturday, Aug. 4

Uncle Will and I cultivated corn this morning and finished it before noon. We filled in around the pig feeder this afternoon. They took me to Dexter in the auto tonight.

Sunday, Aug. 5

I went to church this morning. The Coopers were here to dinner and stayed into the afternoon. We had two big storms this afternoon and is raining tonight.

Monday, Aug. 6

It cleared off this morning. Uncle Will went to Ann Arbor. I mended the low wheeled wagon. Pa and I straightened up the wheat shocks this afternoon.

Tuesday, Aug. 7

We finished the barley harvest this afternoon. I drove the harvester for a lot of it. It has threatened rain for half the afternoon.

Wednesday, Aug. 8

We rung 20 pigs and took them over to the small orchard this morning. We got in 5 loads of wheat this afternoon.

Thursday, Aug. 9

We drew wheat today. It was hot when the sun shone and cool when it went under. I had a ride to Dexter tonight.

Friday, Aug. 10

Uncle Will went away this morning. I mowed the three acres and raked it up this afternoon. Uncle Will was sick tonight so Pa and I did the chores.

Saturday, Aug. 11

We drew and stacked hay all day. It was a good drying day but not uncomfortably hot.

Sunday, Aug. 12

It started out bright this morning but clouded up this afternoon and rained some.

Monday, Aug. 13

This morning I harrowed in some rape seed after Uncle Will rowed it. We finished the hay stack and drew two loads of barley today. It rained quite hard this afternoon.

Tuesday, Aug. 14

Uncle Will went to Detroit this morning and left us to do the chores. I harrowed in rape early and then pa and I drew a load of barley. We got in five loads after dinner.

Wednesday, Aug. 15

30\$ Liberty Load Payment

We finished drawing the barley this afternoon. I got the rest of the rape covered this morning. It has been very pleasant all day.

Thursday, Aug. 16

I was invited to go to Grange today but pattered around this forenoon. I chored cows and helped mow oats this afternoon.

Friday, Aug. 17

I mowed oats this morning. Uncle Will went threshing. The rest of us went to the S. S. picnic at Independence Lake. We went on the hay rack.

Saturday, Aug. 18

This morning we got in the barley and wheat rakings. We finished the harvest this afternoon by getting the oats in. Uncle Will and I went huckleberrying after that. Pa and Ma went to Lansing this afternoon.

Sunday, Aug. 19

I have been to all the church meetings today. Uncle Henry and the rest came out for a little while this afternoon.

Monday, Aug. 20

It was hot today for a change. I went to Easterly's and got a load of barley to take to mill. Uncle Will went threshing this afternoon and I did the chores.

Tuesday, Aug. 21

It was quite warm today. I sprouted and cut thistles over north this morning. Uncle Will went threshing. We cut roadside brush this afternoon. We went over to Easterly's a little while this evening.

Wednesday, Aug. 22

We trimmed along the roadside this morning. After dinner we took the team and went over to help Ralph Williams draw his rye.

Thursday, Aug. 23

Aunt Millie and Ma cleaned the school house today. We helped Ralph Williams get in the rest of his rye this afternoon. I drew three loads of manure this afternoon.

Friday, Aug. 24

It has showered a lot today and has grown cool. We drew out eleven loads of manure today.

Saturday, Aug. 25

We drew manure all day using Dick. It has been very cool all day. Ma and I went over to Kenny's tonight. We saw a good display of northern lights.

Sunday, Aug. 26

It was quite cool today. I went to all the services at church. It got warmer toward night.

Monday, Aug. 27

We have been drawing stone and gravel today for a cement floor in the garage. Uncle Will went up after his car this afternoon. It looked like rain tonight.

Tuesday, Aug. 28

It rained nearly all day. I spent most of the time taking out planking and throwing out manure to get the old stable ready for a tool shed.

Wednesday, Aug. 29

We drew a load of sand this morning and laid concrete in the garage the rest of the day. All but Uncle Will and I went to the Chatauqua this afternoon. Three of them have gone tonight.

Thursday, Aug. 30

30\$ Liberty Load Payment

We finished the cement work around the garage this morning. I went to the Chatauqua this afternoon and heard a talk on Mexico.

Friday, Aug. 31

I finished the manure job in the old barn today. Went to the lecture tonight. Uncle Will went to mill with another load of barley this morning.

Saturday, September 1

We cut brush along the old fence row this morning. All but Pa went to hear the band and singing this afternoon. I didn't go again tonight.

Sunday, Sept. 2

It rained hard early this morning. There was a small gathering at church and S. S. I went to the Chautauqua this afternoon but not tonight.

Monday, Sept. 3

It has been cloudy and cool all day. We got out nine loads of manure today. We put the cows into the fields along the lane this morning.

Tuesday, Sept. 4

It was partly cloudy and cool today but pleasant. Pa and I went to the Fair at Detroit. We saw most of the exhibits and several airplane flights. We saw a night flight too.

Wednesday, Sept. 5

We drew four loads of manure this morning and then it started to drizzle. This afternoon it rained most of the time. We did some more work on the tool shed.

Thursday, Sept. 6

We finished our machine shed today and put in the ride rake and tedder. The ground was too wet to draw manure. I got a load of red dirt for the pig feeding place this afternoon.

Friday, Sept. 7

They started on the auto trip this morning. It has been drizzling since noon. I cut brush today. Pa went to Dexter in the rain to get his uncle John.

Saturday, Sept. 8

This has been a pleasant day all thru. I went to Dexter and had some dental work done this morning. I cut some trees in the hedgerow this afternoon.

Sunday, Sept. 9

It has been cloudy and misty all day. Uncle Henry and family took dinner with us today. I had 2 pieces of watermelon at Williamses this morning.

Monday, Sept. 10

I got up before daylight this morning and started drawing manure. I drew out eight loads today. There was a very light frost this morning and it is cold enough tonight.

Tuesday, Sept. 11

I went to the dentist this morning and drew manure this afternoon. It frosted some here last night and hurt people in some places.

Wednesday, Sept. 12

This has been a very nice day. I drew 6 loads of manure today. It is down to solid earth now. Pa went to help Baylis this afternoon. We caught hens tonight.

Thursday, Sept. 13

It was a little cloudy today. Pa took a load of hens to Dexter this morning. I did some scraping in the barnyard today. Mrs. Kenny and Cousin Ida were here to dinner.

Friday, Sept. 14

Pa and Ma went to Ann Arbor this morning. I hitched up the three horses alone twice today and took out the rest of the yard scrapings. I did all the chores today. I rung a pig this afternoon.

Saturday, Sept. 15

It has been fair and warm today. I went to the dentist again this afternoon. I brought back some ice cream.

Sunday, Sept. 16

Monday, Sept. 17

It was quite warm today and fair. I cut more brush this morning and started drawing the old horse manure this afternoon.

Tuesday, Sept. 18

I went threshing at Whitney's this morning. This afternoon I went to the dentist again. It has been pleasant all day.

Wednesday, Sept. 19

I finished drawing the exposed manure this afternoon. I worked at it all day. It was hot today.

Thursday, Sept. 20

Mrs. Ball took me in her Ford to Grange today. I had to get up and make a speech. It has been cloudy all day. I got back in time to milk.

Friday, Sept. 21

I went to Dexter this morning and had more work done on my teeth. I took a load of barley up to have ground meanwhile. I drew up the silo filler and put the binder together.

Saturday, Sept. 22

I drew baled hay all day for Alouard Ball. It was quite warm in the middle of the day but is really chilly tonight.

Sunday, Sept. 23

We have had a lot of visitors today. The folks have been packing today. It has been fair and quite cool all day.

Monday, Sept. 24

The folks left this morning. I went to the dentist again and drove the team back. We started cutting corn this afternoon.

Tuesday, Sept. 25

There was no sight of rain today. Uncle Will and I took turns cutting corn today.

Wednesday, Sept. 26

We drew and cut six loads of ensilage corn today. It was hot in the middle of the day and looks a little stormy tonight.

Thursday, Sept. 27

Uncle John left this morning. Mr. Easterly helped us draw corn today. We ran thru six loads this morning and drew two this afternoon but rain stopped us there. It has cleared tonight.

Friday, Sept. 28

We have worked at the ensilage all day. Slouard Ball was here too. I spent most of the time in the field with the binders.

Saturday, Sept. 29

I cut corn today and we had three teams drawing. It sprinkled this morning and threatened rain after dinner but didn't stop our work. I went over to Kenny's and stayed a little while after supper.

Sunday, Sept. 30

I went to Dexter this morning to have the tooth job finished. It has been chilly and windy all day and acts a little like frost tonight.

Monday, October 1

We cut silage all day and the silo is full tonight. It has been cool all day. The pump went wrong this afternoon.

Tuesday, Oct. 2

We put the last two loads of silage this morning. I went to Whitney's for a load of barley and Uncle Will took it the mill this afternoon. I mended the low wagon this afternoon.

Wednesday, Oct. 3

It has been dark and rainy all day. The pump man was here today. I drew some furnace wood this morning and went to help with silo filling at Baylis's this afternoon. We were stopped by rain.

Thursday, Oct. 4

I went down and helped Bayliss this morning until they finished filling his silo. Uncle Will went to a barn raising at Welches this afternoon. I fixed a martingale and greased part of a harness. It rained a good share of the afternoon.

Friday, Oct. 5

It rained all day by spells. The wind has changed and it is cooler tonight. I greased harnesses and picked plums today. Uncle Will went to Welsh's again. The folks went to a social tonight.

Saturday, Oct. 6

Uncle Will and I have been helping Ralph all day. I spent most of the day in the silo. We filled it to nearly the top.

Sunday, Oct. 7

I went to Sunday School and Church this morning. I started to write home this afternoon but went for an auto ride. We went to Easterly's and looked at his almost mature corn.

Monday, Oct. 8

We went over and helped Ralph finish his silo filling this morning. I picked a few apples this afternoon. Uncle Will helped Sloward cut cord today.

Tuesday, Oct. 9

We helped Sloward all day. There was a white frost on everything this morning. I had the same job of treading silage. It was dark before we started for home.

Wednesday, Oct. 10

We worked at Sloward's until noon today and then the tractor broke down. I cut corn instead of working in the silo. We started cutting buckwheat this afternoon.

Thursday, Oct. 11

We took a load of rubbish to the south woods this morning and brot back a load of furnace wood. We got some soft corn for the hogs too. We went to Sloward's and stayed until he filled his silo.

Friday, Oct. 12

We got a load of corn for the pigs this morning and then disced in the corn stubble the rest of the day. I worked until dark and finished. It has been a cold and blustery day.

Saturday, Oct. 13

It was cold and wet this morning and is near freezing tonight but has cleared off. We drew more corn to the hogs today. We got the ensilage cutter and engine under cover this forenoon. And cut and set up some buckwheat this afternoon.

Sunday, Oct. 14

I have been to church twice today. It is warmer tonight. It has rained some but is clear tonight. The rest went to Ann Arbor this afternoon and I did the chores. Grandma stayed there.

Monday, Oct. 15

This has been a pleasant day and quite warm. I got a load of raft corn alone this morning. We got the buckwheat cut and set up this afternoon.

Tuesday, Oct. 16

We borrowed Sloward's team and wagon and took two loads of hogs to Dexter this morning. This afternoon we put the sows in the rape field and took Wander where they were.

Wednesday, Oct. 17

We started the double disc this morning but got rained out soon and it drizzled nearly all day. I spent considerable time cleaning up in the grainery and hunting mice.

Thursday, Oct. 18

It has rained a lot today. I sawed some wood this morning while Uncle Will went to Ann Arbor for a load of middlings. I went to Grange with the Williams's today.

Friday, Oct. 19

This has been a chilly and blustery day. Some snow has fallen today. We went to Dexter tonight and brot Grandma home. We drew manure out of the cow shed today.

Saturday, Oct. 20

I did most all of the work here today. Uncle Will has been laid up. I got a load of corn this morning. This afternoon I got a load of wood and took the top off from the irug[sp?].

Sunday, Oct. 21

It hasn't been rainy today but quite chilly. I went to church this morning and tonight.

Monday, Oct. 22

I disced today in the corn stubble while Uncle Will went threshing. It warmed up some this morning after a heavy frost last night. It turned chilly again this afternoon.

Tuesday, Oct. 23

It has drizzled all day and been cold and disagreeable.

Wednesday, Oct. 24

It has been damp and chilly all day. Paul finished threshing this morning and Mr. Wilson did this afternoon. I scraped manure away from the stable doors and emptied the hen manure this morning and sawed some wood this afternoon.

Thursday, Oct. 25

Ther.: 28

This has been a nice, pleasant day for a change. I picked apples this morning while Uncle Will went to Dexter. We drew up gravel and put around the stable doors.

Friday, Oct. 26

It has been stormy all day and the wind is blowing hard tonight. We have been doing some cement work in the cow stable today. We plan to go to a Slallow's social at Steptoe's tonight.

Saturday, Oct. 27

It rained again today. We did some more cement work in the barn this morning. This afternoon I came to Uncle Henry's by invitation. Aunt Millie brot me most of the way.

Sunday, Oct. 28

I came to Lansing with Lawrence this morning in the auto. I just caught the Saunders' in time. They took me with them out to Grand Ledge and stayed there until late this afternoon.

Monday, Oct. 29

It has rained all day. We went to the capitol building this morning and to the other Saunders's this afternoon.

Tuesday, Oct. 30

It has snowed all day, rather briskly at times. I finished a book that I started yesterday, *The Clansman*. It is cooler tonight.

Wednesday, Oct. 31

It was chilly all day with some snow. We went to M. A. C. this afternoon and looked thru some of the buildings and over the grounds. I was a little disappointed in appearances.

Thursday, November 1

I came back today. I came by Jackson and Dexter. Rode out from Dexter with Bert Kenny.

Friday, Nov. 2

It was a little warmer today but there was a white frost this morning. Uncle Will went to Ann Arbor this morning and I burned brush all day.

Saturday, Nov. 3

It has been clear and pleasant today. It warmed up quite a bit during the day. I drew a load of corn this morning and picked some apples this afternoon. We rung some pigs and took them over across this morning.

Sunday, Nov. 4

Another pleasant day to surprise us. I went to church and S. S. this morning. Grandma and Uncle Will went to a funeral this afternoon. I took the first lesson in driving the car this afternoon.

Monday, Nov. 5

The sun shone all day again. We jacked up two beams under the barn and got a load of corn. We got in four loads of beets this afternoon. The threshers came to Ralph's tonight.

Tuesday, Nov. 6

We have been threshing all day today. We went to Ralph's this morning and threshed our buckwheat, oats and barley this afternoon. It threatened rain this morning but cleared off and was nice all day.

Wednesday, Nov. 7

It has been nice and pleasant all day. It was chilly this morning but warmed up. We threshed the rest of the grain this morning. Uncle Will went baling this afternoon and I brought up some of the beets.

Thursday, Nov. 8

We finished the beet harvest this morning. I spread the buckwheat out on the barn floor. This afternoon I went to Dexter after the roofing and took a grist of barley. It was dark when I got back.

Friday, Nov. 9

We got the grain house more than half covered today. It has been bright all day once more.

Saturday, Nov. 10

I went to Uncle Henry's in the morning. It was fair all day but some fine clouds were in the sky.

Sunday, Nov. 11

The five of us went to Jackson to see the Jenks's. It was cold riding but the sun shone brightly all day.

Monday, Nov. 12

I stayed at Uncle Henry's until this afternoon. Uncle Henry, Aunt Kate and Leslie brought me back.

Tuesday, Nov. 13

The sun has stayed out all day but it has been cool. I went down and disced in the corn stubble today while Uncle Will laid some more roof. There is a Y. M. C. A. rally tonight.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

I went to the field to harrow this morning but had to wait for the frost to leave. This afternoon I finished the discing and Uncle Will did some drilling.

Thursday, Nov. 15

We finished the rye drilling today. Uncle went wood sawing for Royce. The Kenny boys and I were invited to Mrs. Kenny's for supper tonight. It threatened rain all day.

Friday, Nov. 16

I have been getting ready to leave all day. Finished packing my trunk this morning and took it up to Dexter this afternoon. It cleared off this morning and has been pleasant all day.

Saturday, Nov. 17

Grandma and I came to Detroit today. Our train was 1/2 hour late at Dexter. We missed Mrs. Morrison at the depot and walked up to the house alone. I met Walter here this afternoon and tonight he took me around the center of the city. We went to a Vaudeville too.

Sunday, Nov. 18

This morning we took a walk down to the depot and around by the tube entrances. It was chilly and windy. While we were eating dinner Mr. O'Gorman came in. He took us to Belle Isle and then over to where they live. We stayed there to supper and had a good visit.

Monday, Nov. 19

I left the Morrison's quite early this morning. My train was late in Cincinnati so I didn't have to wait long for the Special. Both trains were crowded. I took a day coach at Cincinnati.

Tuesday, Nov. 20

I travelled all night sitting up. The train was 1 1/2 hours late at Hendersonville. Mr. Hill and Pa were there to meet me.

Wednesday, Nov. 21

I didn't work much today but looked around the place a little. This afternoon I cut a few small trees and some brush.

Thursday, Nov. 22

I went to town this morning. Had a ride back with Walter and Berg. Hyder. Took my diploma over to be framed. We cut and sawed some wood this afternoon. I went over to Hill's for a few minutes tonight.

Friday, Nov. 23

It has grown cold today and the wind is blowing tonight. I have been helping cut wood this afternoon. I cut up some stalks in the garden and cleaned out the cow shed this morning.

Saturday, Nov. 24

It was cold and windy all day. I chopped wood and cut brush most of the day. Tom Renshaw and Carl Garrett came to see me in the morning. I got a new axe this afternoon.

Sunday, Nov. 25

Ma and I went to church and Sunday School this morning. It was sharp this morning but is warmer tonight.

Monday, Nov. 26

It was warmer today but melted little. I chopped some this morning and went to a husking. We sawed two trees down this afternoon.

Tuesday, Nov. 27

I sawed wood with Pa this morning and with Ewart this afternoon. It was cloudy in the morning but cleared off by noon. It was real warm all day.

Wednesday, Nov. 28

It was warm today also. We sawed some this morning. I made an art-craft candle stick this afternoon.

Thursday, Nov. 29

It looked stormy this morning so we ate our Thanksgiving dinner alone. I went to Fruitland this afternoon. Was going down with Tom Renshaw but missed him. I saw Mr. Melton and Miss Sullenger and visited with Bertie Mae. Went to a play "A Tragedy of Errors" by the girls' society.

Friday, Nov. 30

I stayed with Tom Renshaw last night and ate breakfast at the dorm this morning. I looked around the new building and went to chapel and one class. I got home a little after noon. I went over to see the Hill's after supper.

Saturday, December 1

It was fair and warm today. I cleaned the cow shed and cut some wood this morning. This afternoon I went over to John Pace's to look at a horse. The folks have gone visiting tonight. I got my books today.

Sunday, Dec. 2

This was another bright autumn day. I went to Sunday School with Ma this morning. We had visitors this afternoon, The Huggins' and Mrs. Mitchel. David Foutz and their boarder came too and I went around the trail with them. I tried to figure a balance[?] ration today.

Monday, Dec. 3

Today was warm tho not as clear as yesterday. Ma and I spent most of the day at Mr. Hill's corn husking.

Tuesday, Dec. 4

It was foggy until almost noon this morning. I sawed wood with Ewart till noon. This afternoon I snubbed in the south sloping field. It has been rather dull today and the temperature has fallen tonight.

Wednesday, Dec. 5

It was cooler today. Ewart helped me grub and mow this morning. I did it alone this afternoon.

Thursday, Dec. 6

I finished grubbing today. Ma helped me this afternoon and we took the brush and some of the briars off. Pa went to Tryon this morning.

Friday, Dec. 7

It was quite frosty this morning and didn't melt off for some time. I finished the brushing of the first field this morning and worked on the little one this afternoon.

Saturday, Dec. 8

It snowed last night so that the ground was well covered this morning. Most of it melted on the south slopes before noon. It is colder tonight. I went to Hill's on a Red Cross wild goose chase tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 9

Ther.: 44

Wea.: Fair

It was pretty disagreeable this morning but Ma and I went to Church. There was a small crowd there. Mr. Melton drove his Ford out.

Monday, Dec. 10

Ther.: +4

Wea.: Fair

It was cold and blustery all day. The mercury didn't go above 20. I chopped a little this morning to help Ewart saw up a log this afternoon.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

Ther.: 48

Wea.: Cloudy

It was very cold this morning again. It stayed chilly but got warmer during the day. Ewart and I cut considerable wood today. This afternoon I got Pace's mule team and drew up most of the wood except the pine. It has snowed quite briskly this afternoon and tonight.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

There were six inches of snow this morning. We stayed hosed most of the day. I picked over the apples, went to the rabbit trap, and read.

Thursday, Dec. 13
Ther.: +14

It snowed and sleeted considerably during the day. The temperature stayed low all day and the snow didn't melt. Pa and I felled a tree this morning.

Friday, Dec. 14

It warmed up slightly today but went back cold tonight. I made some more laurel candlesticks this afternoon.

Saturday, Dec. 15

It continued cold all day. I didn't do much this morning but went down and cut some wood after dinner.

Sunday, Dec. 16

It was chilly and threatened storm all day. None of us went to Sunday School this morning. Raymond came over a while this afternoon.

Monday, Dec. 17

It was some warmer today. The sun shone and the snow melted considerably. We sent off a few Christmas calendars this noon. I split some pine stove wood this afternoon. Pa went to town today.

Tuesday, Dec. 18

Have been staying in most of the day on account of a hard cold. I picked over beans this morning. It warmed up considerably during the day but is going down rapidly tonight.

Wednesday, Dec. 19

Today the mercury reached the highest for more than a week. A lot of snow melted and left most of south slopes bare. I have stayed in today.

Thursday, Dec. 20

Today was the warmest since the cold snap. I cut two black pines out by the road this morning. This afternoon I finished up a chisel mallet and ground some corn. The snow melted rapidly today.

Friday, Dec. 21

The snow melted fast today and the ground was muddy. We looked at the bees this afternoon and found them all right.

Saturday, Dec. 22

It has stayed warm all day but there is a change of wind tonight. We heeled in the new fruit trees this morning. I cleaned out the cow shed this afternoon.

Sunday, Dec. 23

It was fairly warm today but very chilly. Pa and I went to church this morning. Blanche and Rosa Lee came down this afternoon.

Monday, Dec. 24

It looked and felt like snow this morning but cleared by afternoon. I played Santa Claus twice tonight.

Tuesday, Dec. 25

The ground didn't thaw very soon this morning but most of the day was quite warm. Pa and I went over to the partnership orchard this morning. Ma and I went to Christmas exercises. I went to Hill's afterward. Leonard went too to see a friend.

Wednesday, Dec. 26

It was snowing early this morning and stayed quite cool all day. I went to the woods for awhile this morning and again toward night. The folks took dinner with Mrs. Mitchell today.

Thursday, Dec. 27

It was quite cool today. This morning I cut some wood at home and went up to cut some at the church before noon. Mr. Wilkins was here to dinner. This afternoon I went to see Tom Renshaw. It was freezing when I came back. I stopped a few minutes with Bertie Mae and Raymond.

Friday, Dec. 28

It was a little warmer today and the snow disappeared rapidly in exposed places. I spent considerable time clearing and cutting today.

Saturday, Dec. 29

It was snowing this morning and kept it up a good share of the day. The mercury fell rapidly this afternoon and is near zero tonight. I was at Hill's awhile this afternoon.

Sunday, Dec. 30

Ther.: -6

We all stayed home and read and worked some today. This morning the mercury was the lowest since we have been here.

Monday, Dec. 31

It has been pretty cold all day. This morning I cut a large bundle of broomesedge. It snowed some during the day but is clear tonight.

Memoranda

Manufacturers of moccasins:

G. H. Bass and Co.
Wilton, Me.

A. F. Cox and Son
Portland, Me.

Pioneers sent away

Dec. 3 Prof. Melton, Uncle Will, Bertie Mae

Feb. Sent 3 Pioneers to Uncle Will, Grandma, and Bertie Mae
 Got electric light bulbs and battery June 2, '17

Work for State		Hr.	Min.
March 16	Splitting wood	1	
	Dairy barn	2	15
March 17	Splitting wood	1	15
	Dairy barn	7	
March 18	dairy barn	7	
March 19	dairy barn	6	
	Churning	2	
March 20	Dairy	7	30
March 21	Dairy	9	
March 22	Dairy	8	
March 23	Dairy	8	
March 24	Water system	1	
	Dairy	8	30
March 25	Water System	3	
	Dairy	4	45
March 26	dairy	8	
	Churning	1	30
	Dairy	8	
March 28	Dairy	10	30
March 29	dairy	8	30
March 30	dairy	8	30
March 31	dairy	9	
April 1	dairy	5	30
April 2	dairy	6	
December 4	clearing south		
	Slope	3	30
December 5	" "	6	30
December 6	" "	6	30
December 7	" "	3	
	Walnut field	3	30
December 8	walnut field	2	

Memoranda

	Dolls.	Cts.
Jan. 12 Registration Fee		0.50
Jan. 14 Candy		0.13
Jan. 15 Postcards		0.10
Owing Me		
Easton for work last fall		0.50
" " work March 3, etc.		
shoe repairing		
credit Gilbert	1	.40
stamps		0.50