

The Diary of
Anna Kropf Ropp

1943-1947

Friday, January 1, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. Done sweeping. We went to CR's for dinner, came home early. Roy's, Minnie and CR's here to spend the eve. Served refreshments. Mother and Marie at Edgar's.

Saturday, January 2, 1943. Cloudy and damp. Done Saturday work, dressed chicken for Dorothy. We all went to Uncle Chas for supper, had nice time but missed Aunt Bertha. Rained in night.

Sunday, January 3, 1943. Cloudy and misty. We went to church. Marie left for McHenry at 1:00. We were home in p.m. We all went to Uncle Paul's for supper, much colder in night and windy.

Monday, January 4, 1943. Cold, 2°. Cleared off in morn. Pete to Chicago at 3:30. Boys and I done chores. Boys to school after vacation. I washed, hung towels and underwear out. Done ironing in p.m. Pete got home at 7:45, glad to see him.

Tuesday, January 5, 1943. Fair, cold. We took down the Christmas tree and I cleaned up the house and put things in order again. Pete made fence. I worked on account book in p.m. Pete to meeting in eve. Ronnie had earache in eve.

Wednesday, January 6, 1943. Cloudy, snowed most of day. Melted some. I churned and made cherry torte. Mabel and I to town at 11:30 to turn in account books. Pete to Peoria with lambs and ewes.

Thursday, January 7, 1943. Cloudy, foggy all day. I dried apples and sorted them. Mended in p.m. Pete ground feed.

Friday, January 8, 1943. Fair in morn but clouded up, chilly. Had snow flurries. Done sweeping. Went to C. Kaufmans, helped serve lunch (missionary society). Eds in town, they stopped at sale awhile. We got boys at school. Nettie called in eve. Ella S. had cerebral hemorrhage in morn, very ill. She's at home and have [sic] nurse.

Saturday, January 9, 1943. Snowed and blowed in morn. Misted some in p.m. and snowed. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 9:30, Pete had locker board meeting in morn and annual meeting in p.m. He was elected for three years again. Boys and I at Mothers for dinner.

Sunday, January 10, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. We went to church in morn. Were home in p.m. Boys played outside. Gordon here. Pete hitched pony to sled, went for ride awhile.

Monday, January 11, 1943. Fair, cold, rather windy. I washed, had big one, blankets, sheets, etc. hung them outside, also towels and underwear. They dried pretty good. Ironed in p.m. Pete had AAA meeting. Boys had no school, teacher sick.

Tuesday, January 12, 1943. Cold, 14° above. Clear. I cleaned up house, put our Christmas things away and boxes etc. Fixed things for supper. Mended in p.m. Boys had school. Pete bought some sheep at John Miller's. Hauled manure in p.m.

Wednesday, January 13, 1943. Fair, cold. I went to Roy's to club meeting, had all day meeting. Sewed for Red Cross. Pete hauled manure. CR helped him. Boys home with Pete in p.m. Snowed some in night.

Thursday, January 14, 1943. Mostly cloudy, windy. Went to Home Bureau at Ed Otto's. Mother came along home for supper. Mrs. Davidson here too. We went to community club at Belvidere. Allen and Ronnie sang. Mother to town with Mrs. Davidson.

Friday, January 15, 1943. Cloudy, snowed hard for a while and rained a little. We went to Lil Webb's sale. I helped Home Bureau serve lunch, made pie in morn for sale. I done sweeping when I got home. Pete and CR bought bull and C.R 2 cows. They went after them in eve. Eds to town, but didn't get to see them.

Saturday, January 16, 1943. Fair, chilly. Rather icy in morn but melted some. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:00. Mother went along up town awhile and boys went to her house. Pete had a meeting in p.m. about rural education.

Sunday, January 17, 1943. Cloudy, chilly, began to snow at 4:00. We went to Roanoke church and to Ed's for dinner. Mother and Clara Shad went along. We went to Austin Augspurgers funeral at 2:00 at Eureka funeral home. Stopped at house few minutes. Allen not feeling good in eve, has 104° temp, is dizzy.

Monday, January 18, 1943. Cloudy, some snow flurries. Washed, dried clothes in house. I ironed in p.m. Pete hauled manure. Allen feeling much better has no temp, was up and around in p.m. Ronnie to school. Real windy all night and drifting snow.

Tuesday, January 19, 1943. Clear, 6° below at 7:00 and 10° below at 10:00. Was 1° above in p.m. Real windy in morn but went down about noon. Had no school. North and south roads drifted. I cleaned up house and churned. Mended in p.m. Made apple dumplings. Tried to keep house warm. Pete busy choring.

Wednesday, January 20, 1943. Fair, 7° below. Warmed up during the day, rather windy from south. They opened the roads with plow. Pete worked with car to start it. We pulled it and Oscar started it with his car. We went to town at noon, boys had no school. They were at CR's. I had my hair fixed and Pete had car worked on.

Thursday, January 21, 1943. Nice day, warmer. We went to town. Pete had AAA meeting and I went to Mothers. I fixed pillow for Ronnie. Made pillow slips and got feathers ready to ship.

Friday, January 22, 1943. Fair, thawed a lot, cloudy in eve. Misty and foggy. I went to Home Bureau committeeman luncheon, had big crowd and good meeting. Mother went

along. We went uptown awhile got groceries. I got a hat. Pete hauled manure. We were at Phil's for waffle supper.

Saturday, January 23, 1943. Partly cloudy, thawed. Cleaned up whole house and scrubbed. Washed windows, mended some in eve. Gordon here all day. CR's in town. Pete ground feed. Marie came home in p.m.

Sunday, January 24, 1943. Cloudy, foggy, warm. Turned much colder in eve, real windy. Went to church. Allen broke out with three day measles but isn't sick. He and Ronnie at Mothers. We took Allen to Dr. Jones, he said he would be all right at home so he stayed alone until 4:00 and was swell about it. We went to Roy's 25th anniversary, had a fine time. Mother came down at 4:00 for awhile. Laura Mohr stayed with the boys in eve. We were at Roy's for supper too. Marie back to Chicago. Mother stayed all night.

Monday, January 25, 1943. Fair, cold, zero and rather windy. Pete went to Chicago at 3:30 a.m. CR helped me with chores. Allen feels pretty good, up and around. Mother and I canned 12 1/2 quarts beef, 7 quarts soup and 8 quarts chile. We cut the quarter up too, got along fine. CR took Mother home at 2:30, was afraid her house would get too cold. Pete got home at 7:30. Marie quit teaching and started in defense work in navy. Goes to school for six weeks.

Tuesday, January 26, 1943. Clear, cold 4° above. I washed, dried clothes in house, sure was cold. Ironed in p.m. Pete to town hall on AAA sign up. Allen doesn't seem to be broken out at all.

Wednesday, January 27, 1943. Fair, warmer, 12° above. Cleaned up whole house and scrubbed. Made ice cream etc. Pete to town hall until noon when they got word to call off sign-ups. I went to missionary meeting at Martha Mishler's. Pete helped Oscar shell corn awhile. Allen out.

Thursday, January 28, 1943. Fair. Done usual work. Baked parker house rolls and cinnamon rolls. Allen not feeling so good, has headache and some temp. Pete and CR fixed stall for bull.

Friday, January 29, 1943. Cloudy, snowed some but melted. Done sweeping and mended in p.m. I baked cookies in morn. Allen feeling better, went outside awhile. Pete made hog troughs.

Saturday, January 30, 1943. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:30, were at Mothers for dinner. Boys settled up [farm accounts] with Mother. We stopped at hospital to see about working.

Sunday, January 31, 1943. Cloudy, warm. Started to rain about noon, kept it up until about 3:00, then began to snow and blowing from the northwest. This snow didn't last long. The sun came out, getting lots colder. Went to church, at Mothers for dinner. She and we went to Julius Ropp's. Payed Cecilia's note off.

Monday, February 1, 1943. Fair, cold, 12° above. Washed, hung towels and underwear out. Done ironing in p.m. Boys to school. Pete on AAA work. We went to town in eve. Pete to Bloom-Normal church council. I to committee meeting at Sharps to make plans for choir party for Harold. Boys at Mothers.

Tuesday, February 2, 1943. Fine day, warmer. Cleaned up house and got ready for company. Philips, Harold, Helen and Earl Kaufmans here. Had nice time. Pete on AAA work.

Wednesday, February 3, 1943. Cloudy, misting. Mended some. Washed hair. Pete on AAA work. Ronnie broke out with measles at noon. Pete brought him home about 2:00, he isn't sick. Edgar's were coming out for supper, but Dot afraid of measles. I cut out print dress in p.m.

Thursday, February 4, 1943. Fair, nice day. Done usual work. Dressed three chickens for Dot. Got things ready for supper. Went to town at 2:30, had my hair fixed then went to Rogers Hotel to help decorate tables. Choir had dinner for Harold P. The tables were real pretty. Pete came in with Herald. Minnie with boys. Ronnie's broke out real good.

Friday, February 5, 1943. Partly cloudy, warm. Ronnie much better. Done sweeping and made most of my print dress in p.m. Pete on AAA in pm. He hauled straw etc. in morn. Rained in eve, thundered and lightened like summertime.

Saturday, February 6, 1943. Snowed some in morn and real windy from northwest, colder during day. We went to town at 10:30. Ronnie at Minnie's. Pete and Allen to dentist, then they went to milk producers meeting at Farm Bureau. I done shopping. Harold Patton left for the Army. We hate to see him leave.

Sunday, February 7, 1943. A beautiful day, 20° in morn. We went to church. Ronnie at Mothers, while we went to church, home for dinner. Pete elected Assistant Sunday School Superintendent.

Monday, February 8, 1943. A nice day, only chilly wind from east. Washed, hung most of clothes outside, had big washing. Done ironing in p.m. Pete on AAA work. Boys had no school, teachers sick. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, February 9, 1943. Nice day, warm. Roads muddy. I left at 8:30 for hospital, starting working on the floor duty at 9:00 until 4:00, was kind of tired but wasn't so bad. Boys home with Pete, had no school.

Wednesday, February 10, 1943. Cloudy, and turning colder, real windy from West. Had few snow flurries in eve. Went to club meeting at Elise Miller's, all day meeting, sewed for Red Cross. Not many there, roads bad. Boys with Pete, also Gordon. CR in Chicago. Pete helped with their chores. Baked cookies.

Thursday, February 11, 1943. Fair, cold, 10° above. Windy. Went to Home Bureau at Rengel's. Pete had a cold, he was home with boys, they went to CR's awhile. Sent Arthur box of cookies. Mended in eve.

Friday, February 12, 1943. Cloudy, snowed most of day, cleared off in eve. Done sweeping, baked pie and churned. I finished my print dress in p.m. all except buttons and buttonholes. Pete on AAA work. Gordon has three-day measles. We went to Phil's in eve. Earl Ks there too. Done scrubbing in eve.

Saturday, February 13, 1943. Partly cloudy, windy, cold, 8° to 5° above. We went to town. Pete and Ronnie had appointments at dentist at 9:00. Done shopping. Stopped to see Mrs. Davidson, she's better. We and Mother to Billy's for dinner, had nice dinner. Ed's invited but didn't get to come.

Sunday, February 14, 1943. Clear, cold 5° below. Windy. Didn't warm up much during day. I went to church, home for dinner. Harold Patton home on weekend pass, went back to Scott Field at 1:30 p.m. Done some writing in p.m.

Monday, February 15, 1943. Cold, 5° above. Cloudy and snowed some. Washed and dried clothes in house. Ironed in p.m. and cooked apples. We went to class meeting in eve with Phils, was at Alvin Mohr's. Boys went along. Miss *Finger* (sp?) spoke, a good speaker. Colder in night. Boys at Roys in pm. Marilyn and Danny there.

Tuesday, February 16, 1943. Fair, cold 4° below. I worked at hospital 9:00 to 4:00. Boys had no school. Allen along to Mothers. Ronnie home with Pete. The boys butchered a hog in p.m.

Wednesday, February 17, 1943. Fair, warmer. Boys ground sausage and rendered lard. I canned 3 quarts ribs, 2 quarts tenderloin. We cured ham and shoulder and bacon. I scrubbed kitchen and porches. Mother and Edgar's here for waffles and sausage. Dorothy fixed our hair. Boys had no school.

Thursday, February 18, 1943. Fair, much warmer. I worked at hospital 9 to 5:00. Pete went to Piper City with Roy to get bale loader. Boys had school, teacher brought them home. I have cold and was kinda tired.

Friday, February 19, 1943. Fine day, warm. I fried down 2 ½ quarts sausage. Tied up lard etc. Done sweeping and mended. Pete to town in p.m. someone stole around \$500 from locker plant. Pete to Ray's in eve on AAA work. Thunder and lightening in night, but didn't rain.

Saturday, February 20, 1943. Nice day, air cooler. Done Saturday work. We went to town at noon. Pete to Co. school meeting. Ronnie at Mothers. Allen at CR's. Ronnie and I stayed in town. We were all at Mother's for waffle supper. CR's, Edgar's, Uncle Chas, Louise K. and children there. She and children stayed all night.

Sunday February 21, 1943. Fine day. We went to church, ate dinner at Jefferson. Went to hospital, saw Mrs. Swaner and Mrs. Springer, who have babies. Went out to Vincent J. but no one home but Grandma Johnson. Had a nice visit.

Monday, February 22, 1943. Nice day. I washed, dried everything outside. Had a good sized washing. Done ironing in p.m. Made fruit salad in eve. Pete at Town Hall all day signing up people for rationing book number two. No school, teacher's sick. Boys at CR's in morn. They butchered beef.

Tuesday, February 23, 1943. Partly cloudy, warm. I canned meat, got 21# [lbs] from C.R. Canned 8 pints beef and 9 1/2 quarts chile. Got things ready for school supper. Ronnie came home from school with temp. so he and Pete stayed home. Allen and I to school supper with CR's. I was on entertainment committee.

Wednesday, February 24, 1943. Fair, colder. Baked cookies and apple crisp. Cooked pigs feet and apples. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Mended a while in p.m. Ronnie some better, but didn't go to school. Pete to Town Hall, help with ration books.

Thursday, February 25, 1943. Fair, colder, windy in night. Cleaned up basement, scrubbed. Made buttonholes in print dress and sewed on buttons. Ronnie better, but didn't go to school. I went to alumni with Earl Mishlers at hospital. Marie H., Marie Kaufman, Katherine M. and Winifred Maxwell were hostesses. Had tour of new hospital and played games. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Friday, February 26, 1943. Real windy from northwest, snow flurries, cold. Pete was going to help shuck Willis Hilton's corn but too cold and windy. We went to town at 9:30, had tires checked and done shopping. Boys to school. Ronnie better.

Saturday, February 27, 1943. Fair, warmer. Real windy. Done Saturday work, baked pie and cake. Washed windows. We washed car in p.m. I mended some. Pete made some gates.

Sunday, February 28, 1943. Fair, chilly. Windy. We went to church, had blow out on way to church. Mother came along home. Uncle Chas was here too for dinner and supper. We had nice visit. Ronnie having some earache.

Monday, March 1, 1943. Cloudy in morn, snow flurries, real windy from northwest and much colder. Pete to Chicago at 3:50, got back at 7:00. Allen and I done milking. CR helped some with other chores. I washed and I ironed, hung towels and underwear outside.

Tuesday, March 2, 1943. Clear, cold 5° to 10° above zero. Windy. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Pete went to Mothers with CR's, he cut down some trees etc. I felt bum in eve. I worked on O.B. floor.

Wednesday, March 3, 1943. Clear, cold, zero to 5° below, windy. I cleaned up house. Ed and Nettie here for dinner. He was at Dr. Gaileys, has infected eye. We were glad to have them. I mended awhile and didn't feel good.

Thursday, March 4, 1943. Fair, cold. Real windy. Made suet pudding, cooked apples, baked cookies and mended some. Boys sawed wood. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Friday, March 5, 1943. Partly cloudy, cold. Windy. I worked at hospital 9 to 4 on O.B floor, 22 babies. Cleaned up living room in eve. Pete ground feed and finished sawing wood. It started snowing in eve.

Saturday, March 6, 1943. Snowed and blowed most of day. Cold. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:30. Allen at CR's. We took Ronnie to Dr. Jones and to Dr. Eaton, his jaw was swollen some. We ate dinner at Mothers, Uncle Chas there too. Ronnie with her in p.m. We saw Eds in town, his eye some better.

Sunday, March 7, 1943. Clear, cold, 5° to 10° below. We went to church, had flat tire after church. Took it to station, had fixed. We stopped at hospital to see Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Karl Mays, were home for dinner. Put pictures in boys books.

Monday, March 8, 1943. Fair, cold. 15° below. Warmed up during day. Pete had meeting in town. I took washing to Mothers. Boys went along, had no school, teachers meeting. I had my hair fixed at noon. Mother to Farm Bureau to help at 2:00. I ironed awhile in p.m. and finished when I got home. Most of clothes were dry.

Tuesday, March 9, 1943. Fair, 15° to 20° above. Partly cloudy. I worked at hospital 9 to 4:30. Mother came home with me. We were all at Jud Hastings for supper, had nice time. Pete moved hog houses. Having little pigs.

Wednesday, March 10, 1943. Cloudy, rained until p.m. Snowed a little, turned colder in p.m. I cleaned up house, scrubbed, baked pie. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Hilton's.

Thursday, March 11, 1943. Nice day. I cleaned up bedrooms in morn. Went to Home Bureau at Farm Bureau. We went to community club supper at Farm Bureau. Pete worked on hog pens.

Friday, March 12, 1943. Nice day, warmer. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Cleaned up living room in eve. Pete worked with hogs. Phil's here in eve.

Saturday, March 13, 1943. Fine day. Done Saturday work. Went to town at noon. Boys at Grandma's awhile in p.m. Dressed chickens in morn. Marie came home at 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 14, 1943. Fair, rather windy. Went to church and to Mothers for dinner. CR's Roy's and Minnie there too. Had nice time. Marie went back to Chicago at 6:30. We stopped at hospital to see Helen Sieg. They have another boy.

Monday, March 15, 1943. Rained most of day, real windy. I washed, dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete on Red Cross drive. We went to Sunday School class meeting at Sam Sommers. Had big crowd. Laura M. went along. Boys at Mother's.

Tuesday, March 16, 1943. Rained some in morn, fair in p.m. Colder. Windy. Froze some ice in morn. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Pete chored & worked with hogs. Took boys to school with tractor and trailer. Road bad and torn up from Mohrs and Ijams moving.

Wednesday, March 17, 1943. Partly cloudy, real windy. Made suet pudding, sorted apples and baked some. Made cookies, dusted house etc. Mended some in p.m. Ground feed in p.m. Arthur home on furlough.

Thursday, March 18, 1943. Pete cleaned hen houses. Cloudy and real chilly. I cleaned up upstairs and done all of cleaning downstairs. Scrubbed kitchen and porches. Washed kitchen windows. Dressed 2 chickens and made salad for Fri. eve. Edgar's here for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau. Rained hard in eve, froze ice on trees etc.

Friday, March 19, 1943. Cloudy, real windy. Rained in morn, colder in p.m. I worked 9 to 4. Pete along to town. Walker Ropp came at 2:00, he and Pete visited A. Ella Ropp. Mother came along home. Roy's, Minnie and C.R's here for waffles and sausage. Mother back to town. Allen went home with her. Walker here all night.

Saturday, March 20, 1943. Fair, cold. Rather windy. We went to town at 10:30. Ronnie to dentist. We were all at Mother's for dinner, Mabel and children there too. Walker left for Mackinaw at 2:30. We enjoyed his visit. We went to Dr. Guys in pm.

Sunday, March 21, 1943. Fair, cold, partly cloudy in pm. We went to church at Roanoke and were at Eds for dinner. Had a nice time. We stopped to see Ella on way home, she's slowly improving. Scott and Virginia here awhile in eve.

Monday March 22, 1943. Fine day, chilly. Washed, dried nearly all the clothes outside. They froze some. Done ironing in p.m. Pete helped Scotts I[jams] move ice box and stove. He worked with hogs having pigs. Trimmed some trees.

Tuesday, March 23, 1943. Fair, warmer. Clouded up in eve. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Esther Becker died. Pete took picker off tractor and trimmed trees. He went to town in eve to practice with quartet. (Mrs. Hoover, Mrs. Beachy and Phil).

Wednesday, March 24, 1943. Fair, cooler, rather windy. I cleaned 2 bedrooms upstairs and aired bedding. Cleaned up kitchen in eve. Pete finished Red Cross drive in morn, ground oats and hauled some hay to other barn. He sold sow to Parke and delivered it for him.

Thursday March 25, 1943. Cloudy in morn, fair in p.m. I cleaned store room in morn. Pete helped CR saw wood. We went to Esther Becker's funeral in pm. Pete, Philip, Mrs. Hoover and Mrs. Beachy sang. We went uptown awhile. I went to alumni meeting at hospital in eve. Katherine and Winifred along.

Friday, March 26, 1943. Nice day, colder and windy in eve. Pete left at 3:00 for Chicago. I took him to train. Boys night short. CR helped with sows. I worked at hospital 9 to 4 and came home with CR. Left car depot for Pete. He got home at 7:30. We were all at CR's for supper. Mother, Roy's and Scott Ijams there. We had a long day and sure was tired.

Saturday March 27, 1943. Nice day. I cleaned hall and done sweeping & Saturday work. We scrubbed brooder house and Pete moved it and set up stove and washed car. I planted sweet peas and raked off part of garden. I baked angel food cake, while I got supper. P.W Brigham committed suicide.

Sunday, March 28, 1943. Cloudy in morn, chilly. Cleared off about 11:00 & real nice day. We went to church & home for dinner. Mother at Uncle Henry's. Vincent's were here in p.m. also Grandma Johnson. Enjoyed their visit.

Monday, March 29, 1943. Fair, rather windy, warmer in p.m. Washed and cleaned up chicken fountains etc. Went to Mr. Brigham's funeral with Pearl. Mabel and Mother went too. I got our baby chix 469. I done ironing in eve. Pete tried to disc but too wet. He hauled manure and spaded asparagus bed. I sowed some lettuce.

Tuesday, March 30, 1943. Fair, real windy. Warm, 78°. I worked at hospital and spaded some garden in eve. I done some raking in garden.

Wednesday, March 31, 1943. Fair, cloudy in eve and sprinkled in morn. Put out spinach, radishes, onions and peas in pm. I cleaned the store room off kitchen. Pete helping C.R. sow oats.

Thursday, April 1, 1943. Beautiful morn. Got windy in p.m., cooler. I cleaned pantry in morn and little kitchen in p.m. and painted woodwork. Pete spaded some garden in morn. He sowed our oats in p.m. I put out beets and carrots.

Friday, April 2, 1943. Fair, cool. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Pete disc some and harrowed a patch west of farm and dragged corn stocks. I went to dentist after work and to Mothers. Dorothy fixed my hair. Mother at CR's. They papered. Nettie called, Uncle Dan Schrock passed away.

Saturday, April 3, 1943. Fair, 26°, rather windy. Done sweeping & Saturday work. We planted potatoes and peas. I baked cake. Pete put up some fence. We went to town in eve. Boys at Mothers. Mrs. Baird there.

Sunday, April 4, 1943. Fair, real windy. Warmer. We went to church. Pete Sunday School superintendent. Were home for dinner. We went to Phil's in eve.

Monday, April 5, 1943. Fair, windy, chilly. Washed and done ironing in p.m. Had some curtains etc. Pete plowed five acres west of house.

Tuesday, April 6, 1943. Fair, chilly, East wind. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Pete plowed some and hauled manure. Boys went to show with CR's in eve.

Wednesday, April 7, 1943. Showered some about noon. Nice in p.m. I cleaned kitchen and clothes room. Waxed furniture. Had a big day. Pete disc fall plowing and I sewed rape in hog pasture.

Thursday, April 8, 1943. Fair, windy. Warmer in p.m. Went to Home Bureau at Farm Bureau. Cleaned up bedrooms in morn. Mother came along in eve. We went to Community Club at Garfield. I was on program committee. Teacher gave program and had games. Pete plowed some & disc.

Friday, April 9, 1943. Rained most of morn. I worked at hospital 9-4. Pete dehorned calves and worked with hogs, cleaned out barn. Mrs. Hoover, Rev. Beachys, Merle and Phils were here in eve to practice. I cleaned up living room in eve.

Saturday, April 10, 1943. Cleared off in morn but chilly east wind. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 10:30. Ronnie and I to dentist. Mother along up town. She and boys went home at noon. Pete and I to Dr. G. in pm. We went to school election in eve, had blow out. Julius Miller and Bill Alwes elected. Ronnie at Mother's all night.

Sunday, April 11, 1943. Fair and cold in morn, cloudy in pm and showered some. Went to church, had blow out, had to go on rim last 2 miles. Had one fixed up so could get home. We ate dinner at Mother's and went to see Spring Time in the Rockies. Mother went along. Rained some in night.

Monday, April 12, 1943. Cloudy early, cleared off and windy. Real chilly. I washed, done ironing in p.m. Pete to town in p.m. to see about getting tire. He went to locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, April 13, 1943. Cloudy, snow flurries all day, windy and cold. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Pete unloaded phosphate from Kerrick. He went to Rengels in eve, got flax seed. Orvie and Edna came to Joe Helmuths funeral at Roanoke. Nettie called.

Wednesday, April 14, 1943. Partly cloudy, 23°. Windy and real cold all day. I cleaned up house, done some baking and baked cookies in eve. Went to club meeting at Will Alwes with Pearl. Pete and boys cleaned up brush in orchard and cleaned some yard. Pete took car to garage in morn to have some work done.

Thursday, April 15, 1943. Fair in morn, chilly. Real windy in eve from southeast. Pete and I finished raking yard in morn. I cleaned up house and got ready for company. Pete made fence. Eds, Orvies, Mother and Billy's here for supper. Orvies stayed all night.

Friday, April 16, 1943. Fair, real frosty and chilly. Pete and Orvie helped Roy clean flaxseed. We went to Mother's for dinner. Went uptown in p.m. Edna and I stayed in town. Went to Vincent's awhile. Boys home to chore. We went to Billy's for supper. Orvies left at 9:10 for K.C. enjoyed their visit. We got our car at garage. Used C.R.'s car.

Saturday, April 17, 1943. Cold, 34°, fair. Done Saturday work. Pete cleaned his flaxseed in morn and sowed it in p.m. (5 acres). Boys and I to town, they practiced at church for Easter program. We got a used tire on car. I worked in garden in eve. Pete spaded. I planted green beans, lettuce, radishes, cabbage and tomato seed.

Sunday, April 18, 1943. Fair, some warmer. We went to church. Children gave Easter program. Boys were in it. Were home for dinner. Silas Schad died. Phil's and us went to Shad's awhile in eve. Boys with Minnie. Rev. Whitmer started meetings at church.

Monday, April 19, 1943. Cloudy, chilly early, but cleared off. Quite windy, rained in eve, cold. I washed and ironed. Pete has backache is about down with it, has a cold too.

Tuesday, April 20, 1943. Cold, freezing and snow on ground. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Pete feeling some better in eve. I went to church with Phil's. They stopped on way home. Allen stayed all night with Miller boys.

Wednesday, April 21, 1943. A beautiful day, warmer. I cleaned boys room in morn. Went to Silas Schads funeral in pm. I varnished boys floor when we got back. Cleaned up kitchen in eve. Pete feeling better. He worked some on fence in morn.

Thursday, April 22, 1943. Mostly cloudy. Mother here. We cleaned our bedroom. I varnished the floor. We worked in garden, spaded flower beds etc. We took Mother home in eve. Went to church, quartet sang. Rained some in eve and night.

Friday, April 23, 1943. Rained some in morn. I worked at hospital 9 to 4. Boys had no school, eighth-graders studying for exams. Pete and boys made some fence and sorted hogs, sold some. I stayed in town at Mother's. Dorothy fixed our hair. We went to church. Pete and boys went to town with Phil.

Saturday, April 24, 1943. Nice day, some warmer. Straightened out bedrooms and put up curtains. Pressed new ones for our bedroom. Done Saturday work and washed car. Pete made fence and moved sows and pigs out on pasture. Marie came home. We all went to Mother's for supper. Done some shopping. Ronnie has cold.

Sunday, April 25, 1943. Rained until 2 p.m. Easter. We went to church, had communion. We were at CR's for dinner. Minnie there too, she kept Ray awhile. CR's went to church.

Mother and Marie to Gurtners. Ronnie better. We went to church in eve, choir sang. Meeting closed. Boys with Minnie.

Monday, April 26, 1943. Fair, chilly, east wind. Rained about 6:00, kept it up most of eve. Had windstorm about 10:00, sure blew hard, took some trees out by roots in Normal. Rained real hard. I washed and ironed in p.m. Our class meeting met at Ed Sharps. Phils and us were hostesses too. Lucy C. and I went early, helped get lunch ready.

Tuesday, April 27, 1943. Rained early in morn, fair and rather windy, cooler. Worked at hospital 9 to 4, had a busy day. Pete made some gates, hauled some manure etc.

Wednesday, April 28, 1943. Fair, some warmer. I oiled kitchen floor in morn and went to missionary meeting at Will Mohrs. Pete to town in morn.

Thursday, April 29, 1943. Rained about noon. Mother came out in morn. We worked garden, transplanted Iris until it rained. Cleaned closets in living room, polished silverware and cleaned out cabinet in p.m. We went to town in eve. I went to alumni meeting at hospital. Boys with Mother.

Friday, April 30, 1943. Cleared off, rather cool. I worked at hospital 9-4, real busy. Pete worked with hogs. Ground feed etc. Harold Patton home. He was here in morn, gave us picture. We went to Earl Kaufman in eve. Phils, Harold, Helen and Alvin Mohrs there too. Boys at CR's. I cleaned up living room in eve. Have cold settled in my voice.

Saturday, May 1, 1943. Fair, cool. We went to town in morn. Ronnie to dentist. We ate lunch in town, got home at 12:30. Went to Miller's sale near Carlock (Julius' father) bought dryer, etc. I made salad, churned and made ice cream. Pete to livestock supper in eve. Saw Nettie at sale.

Sunday, May 2, 1943. Cloudy in morn, showered some. Cleared off in p.m., some cooler. We went to church in morn. Phil's and Mrs. Mailer came home with us for dinner, had a nice time. We went after Richard Miller in eve. He stayed all night with boys.

Monday, May 3, 1943. Fair, chilly, windy. Pete didn't go to Chicago. I washed, ironed some in p.m. and I finished after supper, had big one, slipcovers, etc. Pete disc truck patch and alfalfa ground. We put beans, sweet corn, peas and cabbage and tomato plants in truck patch. Pete went to meeting at Chris Kaufman's about buying parsonage. Mother came along home.

Tuesday, May 4, 1943. Fair, some warmer. We cleaned living room and cleaned wallpaper. Painted floor in eve. We working garden awhile, finished transplanting Iris. We put more beans, onions, lima beans, gladiola's, Swiss chard and pepper seed in truck patch. Pete sowed alfalfa and he took Mother home in eve.

Wednesday, May 5, 1943. Fair, real windy and warm 85°. I baked cookies and cleaned up kitchen, worked in garden rest of day. Fixed up flower beds and spaded some. I sewed Canterbury bells, delphinium and snapdragons. Teacher took children to Lake Bloomington for picnic and they fished.

Thursday, May 6, 1943. Fair, rained at 4:30. Had a hard shower. I straightened up living room and cleaned out bedrooms. Cleaned basement in p.m. Pete plowed. I got things ready for supper on Friday.

Friday, May 7, 1943. Showered off and on all day and rained hard in eve. Rained all night. Chilly. I worked at hospital 9 to 4 on O.B, got to scrub for O.B, enjoyed it again. Mother came home with me. We went to supper at school, last day. Teacher had good program and mother got a rose. Mother home with teacher.

Saturday, May 8, 1943. Rained some in morn, cleared off in p.m., cold. Done Saturday work. We got new electric sweeper (Hoover). Went to town in 11:30. Boys at Mother's for dinner. I had hair fixed at 1:30. Mother and boys went along uptown in p.m.

Sunday, May 9, 1943. Cloudy, chilly, east wind. Went to church and were at CR's for dinner and supper. Uncle Chas, Arts, Uncle Pauls and Mother there. They left early. We had Scott Ijams and Virginia's folks to come over, had a nice visit with them.

Monday, May 10, 1943. Rained nearly all day, sure is wet. I washed, dried clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked on corn planter awhile in p.m. He had locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, May 11, 1943. Rained hard all morn, water everywhere. Showered in p.m. I worked at hospital 9-4. Boys at Mothers. I got things for club meeting after work. Mother came along home eve.

Wednesday, May 12, 1943. Fair, some warmer. We cleaned up house and got ready for club, had 20 ladies and 8 children here. Had angel food cake, ice cream and strawberries. Edgar's were here for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair. Mother to town with them.

Thursday, May 13, 1943. Cloudy, cold. Went to Home Bureau at Ed Miller's. Pete to town after Mother. She went back with Bertha Miller. I churned in eve. We went to community club at Belvidere. Boys on program, had some of last day of school program.

Friday, May 14, 1943. Fair, chilly, northeast wind. I worked at hospital 9 - 4. Boys to town with Mary Mohr at 4:30. I met them, we stayed to see Army parade at 5:30. Pete cleaned brooder house, hauled some wood, mowed lawn and weaned pigs.

Saturday, May 15, 1943. Rained most of day, quit a while in p.m. Sure dark in eve. Done Saturday work and dressed two chickens for Dorothy. We went to town in p.m. Nettie in town, came with Wills. Boys with Mother awhile. Blew hard about 10:30, rained.

Sunday, May 16, 1943. Cleared off in morn, real windy. Beautiful in p.m. We went to church, ate dinner at Mothers. Took lilacs and tulips to cemetery. Left some flowers at Dorothy's. We drove past Al Giermann's, stopped awhile. Went to Lawrence and Earl Mishler's, but no one home so went to Phil's.

Monday, May 17, 1943. Rained most of day. I washed, dried clothes in house, ironed in p.m. Pete put roosts in brooder house. He went to town in eve to meeting to buy parsonage. Rained nearly all night.

Tuesday, May 18, 1943. Cloudy, rained off and on during day. I worked at hospital 9-4. Pete and boys set out trees. Pete to town hall in eve to help sign up for canning sugar.

Wednesday, May 19, 1943. Cloudy, misty and chilly. I cleaned up house, scrubbed, baked cookies. We planted rose bush and transplanted maple tree. Mended in eve. Pete made fence around trees and fixed screens in morn.

Thursday, May 20, 1943. Cloudy, rained hard in morn. We went to town in morn. I got dress for banquet, had some curls put in my hair. Bought boys jackets and overshoes. Ronnie to dentist. Boys at Mother's for dinner.

Friday, May 21, 1943. Clear, a beautiful day, so nice to see the sun. I didn't have to work at hospital. Done sweeping and washed off south and west porches in p.m. We went to Phil's awhile in eve. Pete ground feed.

Saturday, May 22, 1943. Fair, quite warm. Done Saturday work. I baked cake and washed off east porch. I went to town in p.m. We went to CR's for supper. Gurtner's, Uncle Henry's and Elmer S. there, also Grandma. Pete mowed lawn and washed car and put up electric fence.

Sunday, May 23, 1943. Cloudy, showered some during day. I went to church. Pete was superintendent. We ate lunch in town, then went to see Mrs. Davidson, her grandmother passed away on Friday. We saw a Ray H. and Parke at filling station, talked to them. Had flat tire coming home.

Monday, May 24, 1943. Cloudy, rained off and on most of day. Hailed little in eve. Washed, hung some clothes out but had to try them in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete made new basement door. We went to commencement at Normal high in eve. June Anderson graduated. Mabel and Gordon went along.

Tuesday, May 25, 1943. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m., chilly. Rather windy. We went to town, got a rug for our bedroom. I looked for dresses, but didn't find anything. Boys at Mothers until after dinner. She went uptown in p.m.

Wednesday, May 26, 1943. Nice day, rather cool. I baked pie and cleaned kitchen. Got dishes ready. I went to missionary meeting at Celia Pattons. Had mothers and guests, had

tea. I was on committee with Lucy C. and Irene D. Ronnie spoke his piece on "Rain." We had nice time. Pete and boys gathered up scrap. We set out tomato and celery plants. I shortened my slip in eve.

Thursday, May 27, 1943. Fine day, warmer. Mabel and I to Mothers and helped cleaned her living room. Stopped up town. I fixed rock bed and set out pansy plants in eve. Boys shelled corn in p.m. Pete spaded some garden eve. I shortened my banquet dress in eve.

Friday, May 28, 1943. Fine day, warm. Done sweeping. Put new rug in bedroom. Pete plowed truck patch and potatoes and disc part of truck patch. Allen and I put out his vegetables before noon. Boys and I painted picnic tables and Ronnie and I painted north and south porches and put out cucumbers and lima beans. Boys started planting corn in p.m. Allen helps run planter.

Saturday, May 29, 1943. Partly cloudy, sprinkled little in eve, warm. Done Saturday work and washed car. Boys and I to town in p.m. Went to Helen Hecks to practice for children's program. Had my hair combed in town.

Sunday, May 30, 1943. Partly cloudy, rather windy, warm. I went to Senior breakfast at Roger's Hotel at 8:00. Pete and boys to Sunday school with CR's. I took some of girls to church. Had baccalaureate at our church. Choir sang. Ed's there. We took our lunch, went to park and ate. Boys went with CR's and mother to Peoria to see high water. We and Ed went to graduation in p.m. I went in uniform. I went to alumni reception at Dr. Guy S. in eve. Marie and Ladine S. and I went together. Boys at Ray's.

Monday, May 31, 1943. Partly cloudy, windy. Washed and ironed some in p.m. Pete finished spading flower bed so I put out flower seeds. Boys planting corn. I went to class meeting at JD Schertz's. Lucy C. went along.

Tuesday, June 1, 1943. Rained in a.m., had a big rain in town. Pete went to Chicago at 3:00. Boys and I done chores. Allen run planter. They stopped an hour on account of rain. They finished CR's corn. Pete home at 7:20. We went to uncle Fred Burwitizes to make out about reunion. Decided to have one meal. I finished ironing and working garden. Put out dahlias.

Wednesday, June 2, 1943. Partly cloudy, windy. I worked in garden nearly all day. Boys plowed some in morn and planted corn in p.m.

Thursday, June 3, 1943. Partly cloudy, looked rainy in eve. Sprinkle little. We finished planting corn, sure glad to be done. I sowed boys flower seeds and painted west porch and 2 green chairs and raked chicken yard. We put out sweet potato plants in eve. Another big day.

Friday, June 4, 1943. Partly cloudy, warm. Mabel and I to Mothers. We bought bushel asparagus. We canned 33 pints and 10 pints in locker. Pete helped CR finished plowing.

Allen helped Roy's run planter. He ate dinner there. Mabel and I had account books checked in. I went to auxiliary meeting awhile.

Saturday, June 5, 1943. Rained at noon and some in p.m. Done Saturday work. Baked cookies. Took boys to practice for children's day. Mother along uptown. I got new shoes and suits for boys. Pete plowed in morn. Allen helps plant at Roy's awhile.

Sunday, June 6, 1943. Cloudy, rather sultry. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Rested and read in p.m. Rained some in eve.

Monday, June 7, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. I worked in yard all day, I trimmed bushes and shrubbery. Pete helped awhile in p.m. We cleaned tank house and coal house. Pete and CR ground some feed. Pete cleaned hen houses and fixed fence for pigs.

Tuesday, June 8, 1943. Showered some, chilly. Washed, hung some clothes out, but soon rained so had to dry them in house. Ironed in p.m. We set out tomato plants in eve. Pete trimmed some hedge and oiled drill and he and CR finished plowing toward eve.

Wednesday, June 9, 1943. Fair, warm. We went to town in morn. I got new shoes. Pete took calf to sale. Boys at Mothers. We ate lunch there. She came home with us. We went to club meeting at Mrs. Fagerburg. Boys sowing CR's beans in p.m. Edgar's here for supper. We picked gallon of berries in eve. Dorothy fixed my hair.

Thursday, June 10, 1943. Rained real hard about noon. Creeks, etc. up. Went to Home Bureau at Ruth Otto's, officers installed, am V. Pres again. I got Mother and I took her back to town. Boys sowed beans until it rained. We went to school in eve. Got chairs, and went to Pattons few minutes. Gordon went along. He was here in p.m.

Friday, June 11, 1943. Fair, warm. Pete went after Mother. We done sweeping, washed windows, cleaned up basement, trimmed and cleaned up yard. Pete mowed lawn. We dressed chicken and picked berries, got about 1 ½ gal. We worked in garden a while, cleaned some of flower bed. Pete to meeting at C. Kafumann's. We set out cabbage and brussels sprouts in eve.

Saturday, June 12, 1943. Fair, hot 92°. Done Saturday work. Got things ready for reunion. Worked in garden a while. Boys to town with Clara B. to practice for children's program. They stayed with Mother. Pete and I to town in eve, got boys. They finished sowing CR's beans.

Sunday, June 13, 1943. Fair in morn, hot. Had rain at 4 p.m. We had Woizeski family reunion here. Were 57 present. We had it for one meal. Had ice cream and cake at 4:30. Like it much better that way. We went to children's a program in eve, was real good. Allen and Ronnie had duet and sang in boys chorus.

Monday, June 14, 1943. Nice day, hot 98°. I washed, had a big one. Pete picked some peas and we picked nearly gallon of strawberries. We worked in truck patch a while in

p.m. I ironed some in eve. Pete started putting in beans in p.m. I went to Sunday school nominating committee meeting at Will Mohr's in eve. Pete to locker meeting.

Tuesday, June 15, 1943. Partly cloudy, cooler. Showered some at noon. Looked rainy at times. I finished ironing in morn. Pete finished sowing beans at noon. We hoed in truck patch in p.m., looks better. We were tired. We took school chairs back in eve.

Wednesday, June 16, 1943. Fair, hot. Pete plowed truck patch and potatoes. I picked berries, got half gallon. Ronnie and I put out green beans. I hoed potatoes in p.m. Pete put cultivator on tractor. We put out tomato plants and melon seeds in eve.

Thursday, June 17, 1943. Fair, not quite so hot, good breeze. Mother here. We canned 11 pints peas and 13 quarts cherries. Boy (Mr. Hays) came to shear sheep at 11:00. He was here for dinner. Pete helped Gordon some in morn with mower and rake. CR gone. Had fried chicken.

Friday, June 18, 1943. Fair, quite warm. Done sweeping, picked berries, got half gallon. Sheep shearer here for dinner. I aired winter clothes and some things in store room. Mended in p.m. Pete baled hay at Roy's. CR's in p.m., also 12 bales for us. Gordon mashed finger in car door. Mabel took him to Dr. Ray here. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, June 19, 1943. Fair, hot. I picked peas. We took them to Mothers. We went to town awhile in morn. I went to Mothers, we canned 11 pints peas. I came home with CR's. Pete came home earlier and plowed corn. He finished 2 west fields, stayed out until 9:00. We done chores. Boys at Virginia's, helped her put out garden.

Sunday, June 20, 1943. Fair in morn, hot. A big rain came up at 11:00. We went to church nearly got wet getting to car after church. One of boys' chicks drowned and geese were lying around but came out of it. Phils here in eve. Made ice cream. CR's, Mother, and us went to cemetery in morn. 11 years ago Dad R. passed away.

Monday, June 21, 1943. Fair, hot 96°. Washed and picked quart strawberries in morn. Pete shipped hogs etc. We went to town in p.m., took 40 hens and roosters in. Took Ronnie to Dr. Jones, made appointment to have tonsils out. We ate lunch in town. I done ironing in eve.

Tuesday, June 22, 1943. Fair, hot, 90°. Mother here. We canned 10 pints peas and made 3 pints cherry preserves. Worked in garden a while. Mother to town with CR's. Ray there are all night. Pete plowed corn in p.m. We set out cabbage plants in eve.

Wednesday, June 23, 1943. Fair, hot. Looked rainy in eve. I worked in truck patch a while in morn, worked in garden in p.m. Pete finished plowing corn first time. Plowed sweet corn and navy beans. I got things ready for company. Pete and boys done CR's chores. They're in Chicago.

Thursday, June 24, 1943. Looked rainy in p.m. and eve, hot. Went to town in morn after Mother. Aunt Annie, Bob and Roger, Uncle Henry, Edgar's and C.R.'s here for supper. Had fried chicken and ice cream. Dorothy and Edgar came out early, she fixed Mother and my hair. Allen went home with Mother.

Friday, June 25, 1943. Fair, hot 102°. Ronnie had his tonsils out at 8:30 a.m. Pete and I went with them, had room 201. He got along OK, but sure was hot. I stayed all night with him, was hot all night. Pete and Allen came home at 4:00. Ronnie didn't rest very good all night.

Saturday, June 26, 1943. Fair in morn, hot. Had a thundershower at 1:30 p.m. We came home at noon. Done cleaning in p.m. Ronnie up and around some. Roy's brot him ice cream. CR's here awhile in eve. Pete and Allen to town in p.m., bought used bicycle for Allen. He's happy.

Sunday, June 27, 1943. Fair, hot. We had a good rain in p.m. Thundered and lightnined. Phone out. Went to church in morn. Ronnie with Mother. Were home for dinner. Pete and I to annual church meeting in p.m. Boys at CR's. Rev. and Mrs. Beachy came home with us for lunch. Eds and E.E's came in eve awhile. Were glad to see them.

Monday, June 28, 1943. Partly cloudy, cooler. I washed in morn. Pete picked peas for me, canned 5 pints in p.m. We set out cabbage plants. I transplanted endive and flowers in truck patch. Pete and I to class picnic in eve at Miller Park. Boys at Mothers. We went with Phil's. Much cooler in eve.

Tuesday, June 29, 1943. Fair, real cool, 56°, windy. I wrote Ida letter in morn. I done ironing, finished in p.m. I transplanted some flowers in garden. Pete mowed clover hay. Phil's here in eve. She got some flower plants. Phil took tractor and mower home to use.

Wednesday, June 30, 1943. Fair, chilly 48°. I baked pie and cookies, cleaned up house. Went to missionary meeting at Mabel's. I was put in for chairman, sure didn't want it. Pete bailing hay at Roy's. He went to Cecil Rabers sale at Carlock. Ronnie and I at Phil's.

Thursday, July 1, 1943. Fair, warmer. Ronnie and I to town. Mother went with us. I got new dress. Mother got hat. Ronnie and I to dentist in p.m. Mother helping at Farm Bureau. We baled our hay. Allen helped Scott put up hay in p.m., drove hay fork.

Friday, July 2, 1943. Fair, warmer. Mother here. We dressed 8 hens and canned 7. Made 9 1/2 quarts meat and 6 1/2 quarts soup. We canned 2 pints peas and 3 pints green beans. Done sweeping and worked in garden awhile. Pete hoed beans. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys with Mother.

Saturday, July 3, 1943. Fair, hot. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to Mother's for dinner. Mabel went along. Edgars and Henrietta there too. Allen and I uptown in p.m.

He took his first piano lesson from Mrs. Vera Pearl Kemp. Pete finished hoeing potatoes and mowed some yard.

Sunday, July 4, 1943. Fair, hot. Rained and blew pretty hard about 9 p.m. We went to church. Mother, C.R's and Roys and Minnie here for picnic dinner and supper. We went for ride towards eve. Stopped at C.R's and Roys. We took Mother home in eve.

Monday, July 5, 1943. Rained about 11 a.m., cooler in eve. I washed, finished drying starched clothes in house. Towels overalls etc. got dry in p.m. I transplanted flowers in p.m. We went to Frank Patton's in eve. I took freezer of ice cream and they made one. Phils and Hamers there too. We had plenty of cream, ate 2 gal. Pete and boys and Phil to town in p.m. I ironed awhile.

Tuesday, July 6, 1943. Fair, cooler. Finished ironing. Cleaned up kitchen and shortened dress. Pete plowed corn in p.m. Laying it by. He had locker meeting in eve. Boys and I along. Mother not home until 10:00 so we went to Ada's awhile. Our phone out since Saturday.

Wednesday, July 7, 1943. Fair, cool. I picked peas for dinner and picked beans. Canned 5 quarts in p.m. Dorothy and Edgar here in eve after supper. I made ice cream. She fixed my hair. Got 6 quarts raspberries from Allen's. I canned 5 quarts in eve. Mabel brought them out. Pete plowed corn and ground feed.

Thursday, July 8, 1943. Fair, some warmer. I baked cake and got things ready for dinner and supper. Went to annual Home Bureau meeting in a.m. with Pearl. Pete baling hay at Roy's. We went to Fred Basting's to joint picnic- community club and Home and Farm Bureau. Pete and boys pulled weeds in flax in morn.

Friday, July 9, 1943. Fair, warm. I helped Pete and boys pull weeds awhile in morn. Done sweeping. Washed some suits for boys and ironed. Mended some in p.m. Pete plowed corn in p.m. We went to choir practice in eve with Phil. Boys went along.

Saturday, July 10, 1943. Fair, quite warm. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:30, were at Mothers for dinner. Mabel and boys along too. Clarence W. there too. Allen took lessons in p.m. Took Ronnie to Dr. Watkins, he's OK.

Sunday, July 11, 1943. Fair, real warm. Went to Sunday School, stayed until after choir sang. Pete helped. Went to Ed's with Billy's, E.E's there too. Sure had nice time. Allen and Ronnie stayed over at Ed's. We got home at 7:00. Billy's stayed for lunch, was outside all eve, late when we ate lunch.

Monday, July 12, 1943. Fair, hot 100°. I washed and ironed. Pete plowed corn in morn, helped Ray bail hay in p.m. I wrote Ida's letter and done some of chores before Pete got home. Sure miss the boys. We went to Mishler's in eve see about corn detasellers. Pattons there.

Tuesday, July 13, 1943. Fair, hot. I picked beans and canned 7 quarts. Mended awhile in p.m. worked in garden. Plowed truck patch in eve. Pete finished plowing corn in p.m. We caught chickens in eve. J.D Schertzs have a boy.

Wednesday, July 14, 1943. Partly cloudy, some cooler. I took 27 chickens to town in morn. Roy's got 8 and Virginia got 6. Pete baling hay at CR's.

Thursday, July 15, 1943. Fair, rather warm in p.m. Got things ready for company. Made pie, dressed chickens etc. Helped Pete hoe in truck patch a while in p.m. Went to town at 4:00, got few groceries and Mother came out. Cloyd Stahley's were here for supper. Had nice time. Mother to town with them.

Friday, July 16, 1943. Partly cloudy, had shower in p.m. rained in town at 9:00. I canned 3 1/2 quarts beans and done sweeping. Shortened an old dress in p.m. Pete baled hay at CR's in morn. He worked on combine in p.m. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, July 17, 1943. Had a rain and bad electrical storm at 2 a.m. in town. Was bad enough here. We only had a sprinkle, had a fair shower at 10:30 a.m. Done Saturday work. Boys came home at 10:30, Nettie brought them. Was glad to see them. Allen and I to town in p.m. Mother came along out to CR's. We were there for picnic supper. I furnished half of it. Clarence W., Uncle Henry's and Edgar's there. I made ice cream. Was cool in eve.

Sunday, July 18, 1943. Nice day, quite comfortable. We went to church, took lunch along, were going to eat at Park, but Mother wanted us to stay there so we did. Pete and I to hospital saw Dorothy Schertz and Florence Fifer. Went to Park. Pete and boys swimming. Mother with us. We went to Scott's few minutes in eve. Marilyn Goff along with boys. We stopped at Roy's on way home. LeRoys there, he was examined in Chicago.

Monday, July 19, 1943. Fair, 93°. I washed and ironed. Pete baled hay at Roy's and for us. Had 2 loads of ours. Didn't get it unloaded.

Tuesday, July 20, 1943. Fair, hot. I canned 5 quarts beans. Cleaned up kitchen and mended in p.m. Pete unloaded hay and finished working on combine. He started combining Mr. Anderson's oats at 3 p.m. Rev. and Mrs. Beachy here in eve. We watched Pete combine.

Wednesday, July 21, 1943. Partly cloudy, hot, rather windy, cooler in eve. I baked cookies and pie. Mailed cookies to Arthur. Mabel and I and Ronnie and Ray to Mother's for dinner. Minnie Ropp and Clara Schad there. We went to Aunt Ella's awhile. Boys finished combining Oscars oats in pm. They got binder out. Allen at Scott's in morn pulling weeds. He was home alone for dinner. Pete at Oscar's. Went to Edgar's, had hair fixed.

Thursday, July 22, 1943. Fair, cool. I hoed in truck patch awhile in morn. Made programs for missionary society in pm and shortened a slip. Worked in garden awhile. Pete helped Roys start cutting oats. They worked on combine, put pick up attachment on Allen at Scott's all day.

Friday, July 23, 1943. Fair, some warmer. Canned 3 quarts beans and done sweeping. Baked cake in p.m., fixed salt brine for pickles. Pete started combining Roy's oats. They cut our oats. Went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, July 24, 1943. Mostly cloudy. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town. Allen took his lesson. Ronnie at Mothers. Pete finished Roy's oats. Boys to Sunday School party in p.m. at Miller's. They went with Mohr's. Boys and I to Mothers early. We made freezer of cream. Pete came with Roy's. Marie came home, Neil Wright with her. Edgars, Uncle Henry's, Uncle Chas, Roy's, C.R's and us were all at Mother's. Had ice cream and cake.

Sunday, July 25, 1943. Fair, hot. Looked kind of rainy in p.m. We went to church. Harold P. home. We were all at Roy's for dinner and supper. Harold Kaufman home too. Patton-Kaufman Bros. sang at church, very nice. Aunt Tina in Mo.

Monday, July 26, 1943. Fair, hot 102° in town. I washed and ironed. Pete combined our oats and started on CR's. Our oats made 35 bushels. Mother and Marie here awhile in eve. We all went to Scott Ijams for supper. We took Mother. Marie and Aunt Ella home.

Tuesday, July 27, 1943. Fair, hot. I canned 3 quarts beans. Cleaned up kitchen. Boys and I to town in p.m. I went with Mother to dentist. She has to have her upper teeth pulled. I took she and Marie to Edgar's. They insisted the boys and I stay for supper so we did. Pete baling straw in p.m.

Wednesday, July 28, 1943. Quite warm, had a bad wind and hailstorm in Peoria and Morton and blew in town and had good rain. We had a fairly good shower, blew pretty hard here and big limb down. Pete finished bailing our straw in morn. Started on Roy's. I was at Lucy C. at missionary meeting in pm.

Thursday, July 29, 1943. Fair, warm. I worked outside some, planted radishes and celery, cabbage. Mended in p.m. Pete baled at Roy's in p.m. I went to alumni meeting at Miller Park in eve. Marie H. and Katherine M. went along. Roy, Pete and boys to town.

Friday, July 30, 1943. Fair, warm. Done sweeping. Canned 3 quarts beans and mended some in p.m. Pete baled at Oscars in p.m. and at Norman Broadbecks. I went to committee meeting at Roy's in eve. Made plans for auxiliary banquet for nurses graduating class.

Saturday, July 31, 1943. Cloudy most of day. Colder in eve. I washed. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town awhile in p.m. Allen took lesson. Boy stayed at Mothers all

night. I done ironing when I got home. Pete bailed at Parke's. Phils, Earl K and we left for Peoria at 6:00. Had dinner at Jefferson Hotel, had meeting.

Sunday, August 1, 1943. Fair, warm. We went to church, home for dinner. Rested and wrote letters in p.m.

Monday, August 2, 1943. Fair, hot. I left at 6:30 took Mother to hospital. She had 10 teeth pulled, took anesthetic. She got along OK. I stayed with her all night. Had terrible rain & electrical storm at 11 p.m. and at 3:30. Rained most of night. Pete baled straw at Ray H. and at Olson's. Boys with Mabel. We didn't sleep much.

Tuesday, August 3, 1943. Everything flooded with water. Rained until about 9:30 a.m. Rained 6.6 inches [in] eight or nine hours. Sugar Creek flooded. People's homes flooded, took some families out with boats. Mother feels kinda bum. My car drowned out. Earl K. and L. Mishler tried to start it but no luck. Phones and electricity out. Pete and CR came in p.m. started car. We took Mother home at 4:00. I stayed all night with her. She had water up to her terrace in back yard and 1 ft. in basement.

Wednesday, August 4, 1943. Partly cloudy, rather sultry. Mother feels some better. Pete and boys and I went uptown at 9:30. We got Pete's suit and shoes, also shoes for boys. Pete and I each got a new wristwatch for our birthdays and anniversary. Mabel stayed with Mother. I canned 5 quarts beans in eve.

Thursday, August 5, 1943. Fair, cool. I left at 9:00 for Mothers. Mabel and I up town awhile. We scrubbed basement, used Edgar's hose. Some job. Took rugs out, sure was a mess. Mabel came home with me. I took Ray along in morn. We went to show in eve, saw "My Friend Flicka," real good. Took Gordon along.

Friday, August 6, 1943. Fair, nice day. I washed in morn. Mrs. Amstutz, Anna Marie and Fern M. here in morn. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. took Mother to dentist. We met Ed's in town. I cleaned up bedrooms and ironed some when I got home. Pete and Allen bailing straw at Ijams. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, July 7, 1943. Fair, quite warm. I canned 3 quarts beans and 2 quarts bread and butter pickles. Finished ironing. Done Saturday work and cleaned up living room. Allen to town with CR's. I kept Ray. Dressed chicken in eve. Phil's here in eve, brot Pete a cake and ice cream. Phylis Ann here while Phil's went to town. Pete cut flax at Roy's and part of ours.

Sunday, August 8, 1943. Fair, good breeze. We went to church, home for dinner. Our phone still out. Pete fixed it temporarily. I fixed things for picnic supper. Earl Kaufman's, Alvin Mohr's and us went to Forest Park. Went back to Alvin's and played pinocle. Had nice time.

Monday, August 9, 1943. Had shower in morn. Hot and sultry. I scrubbed basement. Worked in garden in p.m. and in yard, cut weeds etc. Pete had locker meeting. Boys and I at Mothers. Dorothy fixed my hair. Pete shelled corn at CR's in p.m.

Tuesday, August 10, 1943. Fair, hot. I washed. We went to town before noon. Took chickens in (52). Got home at 1:30. Pete helped Oscar shell corn. I done ironing. Went to normal church, helped with dinner for graduating class of nurses. Went with Martha Mishler and Lucy C. left at 6:00. Billys and Mother there in eve. I have sore finger.

Wednesday, August 11, 1943. Fair, quite warm. I canned 4 1/2 quarts beans. I went to town in p.m. to Dr. about my finger. Mother came along out. We cleaned up kitchen and I packed suit cases. Mother to CR's for supper. Eds, boys and I left at 9:10 for Mo. Hated to go without Pete. Marvin bought store in Creighton.

Thursday, August 12, 1943. Train wasn't crowded, and we got to K.C at 9:40. Was two hours late. Mary, Marvin and Dave there to meet us. Quite warm. We ate breakfast in K.C, got to Ida's at 12:00. We all ate dinner there. Boys and I to Mary's in eve. We all went to Orvie's for supper. Eds stayed all night. Aunt Tina and Ida along to Marvin's over night.

Friday, August 13, 1943. Partly cloudy, hot. Showered some. Eds and all of us at Mary's for dinner. In pm Eds and I went to Ike Hartzlers and Alice Bowmans to see Aunt Mary H. went to Everett and Lilas for supper. Had nice time. Boys stayed at Mary's. Eds and I at Ida all night.

Saturday, August 14, 1943. Fair, hot. We went to town and to Aunt Lizzie K. and Mary Klopfenteins who is quite ill. We ate dinner at Orvie's. We all went to H'ville in pm. Boys, Ida and I went with Marvin H. to Raymond Hershberger in eve. The Hershberger family there too. We stayed all night with Ervie.

Sunday, August 15, 1943. Partly cloudy, hot, sprinkled some in pm. We all went to church in morn and to Marvin K. for dinner. We went to Akins awhile in eve to see old home place. Boys and I to Ida's in eve. Stayed all night. Eds to church and Marvin K. all night. Pete at Mother's.

Monday, August 16, 1943. Cloudy, windy and much colder. We washed, ironed some. Ida ironed in p.m. Eds, boys and I went to Creighton with Marvin's to see their store. We all went to Mary's for supper. Georgia Bradshaw there too. We stayed all night. Ed stayed too.

Tuesday, August 17, 1943. Fair, cool. I went to Ida's and finished my ironing. We went to Orvie's for dinner. Mary and Dave, Ida and Aunt Tina there too. Back to Ida's in pm, packed suit cases. Marvin Y's took us to Alvin Millers at Unity Farm for supper. Alvin took us to Union Station. We left for home at 11:20 pm. Got along fine. Train little more crowded than going out.

Wednesday, August 18, 1943. Fair, cool. We got to Bloomington at 11 a.m. two hours late. Pete gone to Chicago. Car there for us. We ate in town. Ed's got bushel of peaches. Got home at 1:00. I picked cucumbers and tomatoes. Cleaned up kitchen and unpacked suit cases. We met Pete at 7:00, were glad to see him. We went to 4-H fair in eve.

Thursday, August 19, 1943. Fair, warmer. We picked lima beans, took 3 pints to locker. Went to fair at noon. Came home to chore and went back for horse show. I worked in food tent awhile. Allen went to fair in morn with CR. We brought Gordon's pig home. Canned 1 ½ quarts bread and butter pickles.

Friday, August 20, 1943. Partly cloudy, cool. I canned 41 pints of corn. Pete and boys helped get it ready. I cleaned up living room in eve. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, August 21, 1943. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Washed shirt for Pete and some suits for boys. We went to town at noon. Allen took his lessons. Ironed some and fixed vinegar for sweet pickles. We and Phils to Helen Hecks in eve. Boys at Mothers.

Sunday, August 22, 1943. Cloudy, rained some in p.m. We went to church. Pete done CR's chores. They're in Peoria. Billys and Edgars here in eve, had ice cream.

Monday, August 23, 1943. Showered in morn, fair in p.m. We went to town [to] see about trading cars. We got a 1941 Chevy 2 door deluxe. Looks nice. We went to Phil's in eve. Boys and Earl Kaufmans went fishing at Harry Weirmans but got nothing. Marie and I stayed with Lucy C.

Tuesday, August 24, 1943. Fair, quite hot. I washed and ironed, had a big one. Pete baled some hay at Roy's, but too wet. Scott helped pile flax straw and weeds. Pete burned it. Boys mowed some yard.

Wednesday, August 25, 1943. Partly cloudy, hot. I cleaned up house. Pete to town. Mother came out with him. Missionary meeting here in p.m. had good crowd. We knotted 2 comforters out in yard. Took Mother home in eve. Took Dot some glads. She's been ill with cold. Pete baling hay.

Thursday, August 26, 1943. Sprinkled little in morn. Cloudy, hot 92°. I canned 6 quarts sweet pickles, 4 1/2 quarts pickled beets and 11 quarts apples and 4 glasses apple jelly. Pete went after lamb at Danvers. He and boys dug potatoes in pm. Only got 4 bushels.

Friday, August 27, 1943. Much cooler. I canned 36 quarts tomatoes. I went to school in p.m. helped clean it. Pete there too working. I canned 4 quarts bread and butter pickles and done cleaning when I got home. Dressed three chickens in eve. Pete helped unload hay at CR's in morn and eve.

Saturday, August 28, 1943. Fair, cool. I baked cake and done Saturday work. We went to town at 1:00. Mother and I made sauerkraut and I had my hair fixed. Allen took his music lesson.

Sunday, August 29, 1943. Cloudy in morn, cleared off. Nice day. We went to church and to Belevidere reunion at Miller Park. Saw Uncle Henry, Gurtners and Thietjes at concert. We took flowers to cemetery. Mother went to Gurtners.

Monday, August 30, 1943. Fair, hot. Washed and ironed. Boys started to school. School was out at 2:00. Pete had meeting at town hall, AAA meeting.

Tuesday, August 31, 1943. Fair, windy, hot. I took Pete to town hall for meeting. I canned 11 quarts tomatoes, cleaned up kitchen. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:50. Picked tomatoes and pickles in eve.

Wednesday, September 1, 1943. Partly cloudy, some cooler. We took 52 chickens to town at 11:00, done some shopping. Stopped at Mother's on way home.

Thursday, September 2, 1943. Fair, warm. I canned 28 quarts tomatoes. Went to Mrs. Hastings at 5:00 for Home Bureau committee meeting. Pete and Roy took our lambs and 4 ewes to Peoria.

Friday, September 3, 1943. Fair, warmer. Done sweeping. Dressed chicken and made apple crisp. Picked lima beans, tomatoes and cucumbers, took 2 quarts lima beans to locker. I went to auxiliary meeting in pm. Got groceries. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys at Mother's. Pete baled hay at Roy's.

Saturday, September 4, 1943. Cloudy, rained in pm. Done Saturday work. We went to Ropp reunion at Gridley. Had it at Christian church basement, very nice. We took Mother, Aunt Martha there too. Dressed chicken in eve. Fixed pickles for Nettie.

Sunday, September 5, 1943. Fair, warm. We went to church, home for dinner. Phil's, Earl K, Alvin Mohrs here for picnic. I made ice cream.

Monday, September 6, 1943. Fair, cool. Washed and ironed a little. Eds, Noahs and Mr. Allen here awhile in pm. They had been to Clinton. Edgars came in pm, stayed for supper. They got grapes and tomatoes. Dot fixed my hair. Pete sorted hogs, etc. Boys had no school.

Tuesday, September 7, 1943. Fair, warmer. Finished ironing. Made 22 glasses grape jelly and 3 quarts grape juice and canned 14 quarts tomatoes. Had big day. I felt kinda bum.

Wednesday, September 8, 1943. Partly cloudy, cooler in pm. Made 3 pints peach preserves in morn. Went to club meeting at Katherine Mishler's. Cleaned up kitchen in

eve and cooked chicken. Pete and boys to Gridley to get hog. We went to Earl K. in eve. Boys practiced.

Thursday, September 9, 1943. Fair, windy, chilly. Went to Home Bureau at Mabels. I was hostess, around 50 there. We got grapes and tomatoes for Mother. I took her to town. We went to community club at Garfield. Was to be at Ed Miller's but too cold. Boys sang. Pete started painting corn crib.

Friday, September 10, 1943. Cool. Pete and I picked lima beans at Mrs. Mishler's, he helped me pod them. Canned 16 pints and 20 quarts tomato juice. I sure was tired and felt terrible. Pete painted some in pm.

Saturday, September 11, 1943. Partly cloudy, windy. Showered little in morn. Done Saturday work and cleaned up other rooms. We went to town at 11:30. Boys at Mothers for lunch. Allen took lesson in pm. We went to see Dr. G. but he wasn't in so we went to Jones. We all went to weiner roast at Elmer Siegs in eve.

Sunday, September 12, 1943. Rained and showered most of day, chilly. Phils and us went to Havana and along river. We ate our lunch at Fremont. Got home at 6:15. Phil helped chore. They stayed for lunch [light evening meal].

Monday, September 13, 1943. Cloudy, showered some. Sun came out at noon but soon clouded over. I canned 8 quarts tomato juice in morn. I washed in pm but had to dry clothes in house. Pete worked with hogs, is having pigs. He went to locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, September 14, 1943. Partly cloudy, chilly. Mother here. We canned 25 quarts peaches and 7 pints preserves. Took Mother home in eve. Pete and Ira Troyer and Bernadine practiced for quartet for Mr. Spencer's funeral (he's from Danville).

Wednesday, September 15, 1943. Thundered and showered most of day. Cooler in eve. I done ironing in morn and made 6 pints chile sauce. Pete working on barn, is making chicken house of out it.

Thursday, September 16, 1943. Fair, real cool. I canned 6 quarts tomatoes and 5 quarts juice. We went to town at 10:30. We sang at Mr. Spencer's graveside services at Parkhill. We went to school club weiner roast at Guy Hiltons.

Friday, September 17, 1943. Fair, real cool, 44°. Some frost in low places. I canned 3 quarts tomatoes and 8 quarts peaches and made 10 bottles catsup. Pete turned the beans hay. Marvin Y. has some kind of infection in his mouth, went to K.C to specialist.

Saturday, September 18, 1943. Warmer, nice day. Cleaned up house and done Saturday work and mended some. We got to town in eve. Got Ronnie new suit. Allen with Mother. They went to show. We went to Barnharts to make plans for fish fry for locker board.

Sunday, September 19, 1943. Fair, warmer. Boys went to Sunday School. Philips and us went to Eds, had a nice time and good dinner. Got home at 6:30.

Monday, September 20, 1943. Cloudy. Cleared off in pm. I washed. Pete started baling bean hay at 10:30. He left at 1:00 for Des Moines, Iowa to National Locker Convention. Harry Barnhart went too. They left from Peoria. Boys and I alone. Raymond Mishler helped with chores. I done ironing in pm.

Tuesday, September 21, 1943. Fair, chilly. Had light frost. I canned 7 quarts peaches, made 5 pints peach marmalade and canned 3 quarts tomatoes. We miss our daddy. Men put our hay in barn.

Wednesday, September 22, 1943. Fair, some warmer. I cleaned the basement and scrubbed kitchen. Boys and I to Mothers for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair. I felt bum all day.

Thursday, September 23, 1943. Fair, cooler. Pete got home at 7:30am. We sure were glad to see him. He helped Oscar unload hay in morn. I cleaned the store room. We went to town in pm to Dr. Guy.

Friday, September 24, 1943. Fair, cloudy in eve. I cleaned closet upstairs and northeast bedroom, done sweeping. Pete helped me some and made fence for pigs. We went to fish fry in eve at Farm Bureau. Locker board and farmers played 50. Had nice time. I felt kinda bum.

Saturday, September 25, 1943. Fair, quite chilly and windy. Done Saturday work. Cooked squash etc. We went to town in pm. Boys practiced for promotion at church. Mother along uptown. Got Allen trousers. Allen took lesson. We paid in full, \$8.

Sunday, September 26, 1943. Beautiful fall day. Cool. Went to church, Sunday School promotion. Allen promoted. Allen and Ronnie sang in boys chorus. Were home for dinner. Went to Earl Kaufman's for weiner roast in eve. Mother at Val K with Gurtners. I sick in eve.

Monday, September 27, 1943. Fine day. Washed and ironed dampened clothes. Dressed chicken. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:50. He and I at Mothers for supper. Pete and Allen to town with Phils. We all went to class meeting at Jake Reesers. Had weiner roast and nice time. Laura Mohr went along.

Tuesday, September 28, 1943. Fair, warmer. Pearl and I went to Simon Lautz's cattle sale. Helped serve lunch. Auxiliary served. Had large crowd and done real well.

Wednesday, September 29, 1943. Fair, warm. I cleaned boys closet, finished ironing and cleaned up kitchen. Went to missionary meeting at Alyce (Alyse?) Mohrs.

Thursday, September 30, 1943. Fair, warm. I cleaned boys bedroom and washed spread, quilts, curtains, etc. Dressed chicken. Got things ready for supper. Went to alumni guest night at Co. farm. Went with Rays H. Had unveiling of plaque for nurses in services. Set out tulip and daffodil bulbs.

Friday, October 1, 1943. Fair, rather windy. Cooler in eve. I cleaned our bedroom and ironed curtains etc and cleaned up living room. We went to CR's for fish fry in eve. We went to choir practice. Boys at C.R's. Mother, Roys and Mohrs there too.

Saturday, October 2, 1943. Fair, windy. Cool. Done Saturday work. Picked bucket of lima beans, took them to Mother. We went to town at 11:30. Met Eds, had dinner together. Dorothy combed my hair. Ronnie and Allen at Mother's for dinner.

Sunday, October 3, 1943. Fair, chilly. Northeast wind. Went to church in morn. Pete done C.R's chores, they're in Hoopston. Home for dinner. Parke and Annabelle here in pm. Allen and Ronnie at Roy's all night.

Monday, October 4, 1943. Beautiful day. Mother, Pete and I left for Chicago at 5:30, train 1 ½ hrs. late. Pete went to meeting. We went where Marie rooms to get in touch with her. We went up town, shopped. I got black dress. We met Pete at 5:00 and Marie at 5:30, ate supper together and went to show. We left at 11:30, had a big day but got along pretty good. Boys at C.R's all night.

Tuesday, October 5, 1943. We got home at 3:15am, sure tired. A nice day. I washed and went to school at 3:00. Had party for Mrs. Davidson's birthday. Mothers there. Pete worked on combine. Went to bed early. Boys came home for breakfast.

Wednesday, October 6, 1943. Beautiful day. Done ironing in morn. Cleaned closet in living room in pm. Got ready for company. Edgars and Mother here for supper. We had ice cream. She fixed our hair. Pete started combining at Oscars in pm, dug sweet potatoes in morn, got ½ bushel and picked bushel and bucket of pears.

Thursday, October 7, 1943. Fine day. Warm. I cleaned pantry and store room. Felt kinda bum too. Pete finished combing at Oscars in eve.

Friday, October 8, 1943. Lovely day, warm. Mabel and I helped Mother clean her living room. Were home at 2:30. I cleaned up bedrooms and living room and gathered flower seeds. Pete started combining our beans. We went to meeting at church. Had program and refreshments.

Saturday, October 9, 1943. Fine day. Done Saturday work. Gathered more flower seeds. Allen and I to town in pm. Pete finished combining our beans. Made around 29 bushels. Allen took lesson.

Sunday, October 10, 1943. Foggy in morn but beautiful day. Went to church. Pete had to superintend. Mother, Roy's, CR's and us went to Funks Grove for picnic but grand to

be out. Trees are so pretty. Allen had a nice birthday. Phils & us went to open house at Rev. Beachys.

Monday, October 11, 1943. Fair, rather warm. Washed and ironed in p.m. Lucy C. here awhile in pm. Pete combining beans at Roy's. He had locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, October 12, 1943. Fair, real windy from South. Cloudy in eve. Showered some. Mother here, we cleaned living room and dug gladiola bulbs and carrots. Pete finished combining beans at Roy's. Started around on CR's but had to quit on account of rain. Took Mother home.

Wednesday, October 13, 1943. Rained most of morn, colder. I cleaned clothes room in morn. I went to club meeting in p.m., met at Mrs. Davidson. Went to Historical Society and Sewage disposal, then to Mrs. D. for lunch. Losers entertained the winners. I was winner. Pete in town too. We went to see Dr. Guy after meeting, was after 7:00 when we got home. Boys along to meeting.

Thursday, October 14, 1943. Fair, chilly. Windy and much colder in eve. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Whitfield. Pete helped CR haul phosphate in morn. Worked on picker in p.m. Boys home, teacher had visiting day. We went to community club weiner roast at Ferdinand Bastings. Nearly froze. Rained some in night.

Friday, October 15, 1943. Cloudy, windy, cold. Done sweeping. Cleaned little kitchen and washed dishes in cupboard. Pete shipped hogs in morn, got squash and pumpkins in from field. Got things in truck patch, lima beans, etc. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, October 16, 1943. Mostly cloudy, cold, windy. Done Saturday work. Dressed chicken for Mother. Hulled lima beans, took 3 pints to locker. Allen and I to town in pm. He took lesson. Pete worked on hen house in pm.

Sunday, October 17, 1943. Nice day. Went to church, were at Mother's for dinner and supper. Thietje's, Gurtner's, Kampmeir's, C.R's and we were there. Had nice time. We went to Beachey's awhile in eve to committee meeting.

Monday, October 18, 1943. Nice day. Washed and done ironing. Pete started combing at C.R's.

Tuesday, October 19, 1943. I went to dentist 9:45. Pete along to town to get repairs for combine. I cleaned kitchen, oiled floors and waxed dining room furniture. Had big day. Pete combined in p.m.

Wednesday October 20, 1943. Fair, real windy. I done some baking and cleaned silver ware in morn. Went to Ed Miller's about war fund drive. Raked some leaves. Dorothy came at 5:30, she fixed my hair. They were at CR's for supper.

Thursday, October 21, 1943. Rained in morning & at noon. I went to war fund drive breakfast at Consistory with Pearl and Marie H. Got home at 11:30. C.R and I papered south room upstairs in pm. Got along O.K.

Friday, October 22, 1943. Nice day, a cool. I washed woodwork and floor in room upstairs, cleaned up bedrooms and dressed five chickens. Went to dentist at 3:30. Pete started husking corn at CR's. Boys and I to choir practice in eve. Pete to special locker board meeting.

Saturday, October 23, 1943. Fair, cool. Showered some in eve. Done Saturday work. I got things ready for company, had busy day. Ronnie raked yard for me. Allen to town at noon with Mabel. He took his lesson. We went out with Ray Hastings in eve. Went to Lexington. Boys at Minnie's. Pete shucked corn. Marie came home in eve.

Sunday, October 24, 1943. Cloudy, showered and misted. CR took boys to Sunday School. We went to church. Mother, Marie, Roys, Minnie and C.R's here for dinner. Mother & Marie here for lunch. We took them home and went to choir clinic led by Noble Cain. Was as at I.S.N.U.

Monday, October 25, 1943. Cloudy, cold and damp. Sun shone a while in p.m. I canned 9 quarts pears and painted woodwork in south room upstairs. We went to class meeting at Rev. Beachy's in eve. Allen home with teacher. She had all except first and second grades. Marie to Chicago in eve.

Tuesday, October 26, 1943. Cloudy, misted some, windy and cold. I washed, finished drying some of clothes in house. I varnished floor in south room upstairs. Done ironing. I went with Pearl and Marie to Consistory for supper (war relief). Pete shucking at C.R's.

Wednesday, October 27, 1943. Fair, chilly. Some warmer in eve. I canned 10 quarts pears and made pie. Went to missionary meeting at George Schertz's. Pete finished husking CR's corn at noon. He husk 5 acres of ours in pm. Made around 95 bushels per acre. We dressed three chickens in eve and moved furniture in south room.

Thursday, October 28, 1943. Nice day. Cleaned up house. Got things ready for company. Went to dentist at 2:15. Mother came along out. We went to see Bertie Hastings few minutes, she's been ill. Edgars, Billy's, Mrs. Gurtner, Eds and Mother here for supper. We had nice time. Pete shuck corn in morn and combined at CR's in p.m.

Friday, October 29, 1943. Fair, sprinkled little in eve. I finished straightening up rooms upstairs and cleaned hall. Sure glad to get done. Done sweeping and ironed curtains for room upstairs, sure was tired. Pete shucked our corn in morn and shucked at Roy's in p.m. CR finished combining his beans. We went to choir practice.

Saturday, October 30, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town in p.m. Allen took his lesson. Ronnie to Sunday School party at church. Allen there

awhile. Mother along uptown. Pete shucked at Roy's and finished combining beans toward eve.

Sunday, October 31, 1943. Cleared off at 10:00, a beautiful day. Went to church and CR's and us were at Mother's for dinner. Went to Edgar's awhile in p.m. Went to church in eve. Rev. Beachy was ordained. Choir sang. Boys at C.R.'s.

Monday, November 1, 1943. Fine day. Rained in eve. I washed, had a big one. Ironed in p.m. Pete shucking corn at Roy's. Edgar G. left for the army.

Tuesday, November 2, 1943. Fair. Partly cloudy in p.m., colder, windy. I canned 9 ½ quarts pears and 1 1/2 pints preserves. Cleaned up kitchen and made up bed upstairs. Pete shucking corn here.

Wednesday, November 3, 1943. Nice day. I went to Mother's for dinner. Pearl, Minnie and Mabel there too, also Aunt Martha and Barbara Stalter. Pete shucking corn here. Halsy Baird hauling in corn. He and C.R here for dinner.

Thursday, November 4, 1943. Nice day, cool. Got things ready for dinner. Made pie. Mr. Baird here for dinner. Pete finished our corn at noon. Shucked at Roy's in p.m. I mended in p.m. I felt kinda bum. We went to Farm and Home Bureau chili supper in eve. Ed Miller in for representative, Pete secretary.

Friday, November 5, 1943. Fair, real windy. Done sweeping and put flower seeds away. Went to auxiliary meeting at hospital in p.m. Pearl along. We went to party in eve at Wayne Birckelbaw's. New Apple House. Large crowd there. Went with Roy's. Had cider, coffee ,doughnuts and apples. Pete shucking at Roy's.

Saturday, November 6, 1943. Rained most of day, windy from east. Chilly. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 11:30. Boys to Mothers in p.m. Allen took his music lesson at 6 p.m. He stayed with Mother all night. They went to Dorothy's for supper. Allen sick in eve.

Sunday, November 7, 1943. Cloudy, showering, some cooler. We went to church in morn. Were home for dinner. Allen feeling better. I was sick in eve.

Monday, November 8, 1943. Cloudy, cold and windy. Few snow flurries. I felt kinda bum. We went to Dr. in p.m. Ronnie and I to dentist at 5 p.m. Ronnie out of school in p.m. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, November 9, 1943. Cloudy, cold. I washed, dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked with hogs. Moved sows and pigs into barn.

Wednesday, November 10, 1943. Cloudy, windy. Some snow flurries, cleared off in eve. Went to all day club meeting at Mrs. Haddens. Sowed for Red Cross. Pete shucked corn

at Roy's. Allen not feeling so good (diarrhea). He didn't go to school in morn, at home alone. They were at CR's in p.m.

Thursday, November 11, 1943. Cold in morn, 23°, fair. Went to Home Bureau at Florence Kinsingers. Pete shucking at Roy's. Boys had no school, they were at CR. I made pie for them. Allen and Ronnie to sing at community club but Allen not feeling so good. Ronnie went with CR, he sang alone.

Friday, November 12, 1943. Fair, chilly. Done sweeping, baked, cooked. Mended and wash windows etc. Pete at Roy's, finished shucking corn in eve. We went to choir practice.

Saturday, November 13, 1943. Fair, cold. Done Saturday work. Allen and I to town at noon. Pete ground feed and moved hen houses. Phils and Mrs. Mailer here for oyster supper. Earls K. and C.R here after supper to practice with quartet. Mother to Peoria with Dorothy.

Sunday, November 14, 1943. Cloudy, snowed and sleeted some in pm. Went to church, had communion. Home for dinner. Pete and I to Mrs. Anielia Swartz's funeral at North Danvers. Pete, C.R., Earl and Phil sang. Allen at C.Rs. Ronnie at Minnie's. Talked to Arthur at *Miss.* (sp?) in morn. He's coming here after Thanksgiving. He's on furlough.

Monday, November 15, 1943. Cloudy, damp. Had some snow flurries. Colder in eve. Washed, dried clothes in house, ironed in pm. Churned and cleaned up kitchen. Pete brot bull down in morn and put machinery away. He went to town in pm. Boys at C.R's all night.

Tuesday, November 16, 1943. Fair, cold. We went to Chicago at 3:50, train 1 hr. late. IAA meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Barnhart went too. We stayed at the Devonshire hotel, meeting at Sherman [Hotel]. Men at meeting. Mrs. B and I went shopping, met Marie at 11:30 after Pete's meeting. Had lunch together. Kinda tired. Boys at C.R's.

Wednesday, November 17, 1943. Fair, warmer. We got up late. Went down town in morn, went to show in pm. Left for home at 4:50pm. Tired and glad to get home. Allen, Ronnie and Gordon done all chores. C.R in Chicago. We ate some waffles at Mabel's so didn't have to get supper.

Thursday, November 18, 1943. Fair, warm. I made 2 recipes of gingerbread for Home Bureau supper. Made apple crisp for supper. Washed out some things, mended awhile in pm. Ray here all pm and eve. Gordon here for supper too. Pete helped with C.R's chores. Mabel in town, helped serve supper.

Friday, November 19, 1943. Nice day. Dressed chickens. Got things ready for supper, made pie. Done cleaning. Pete raked yard. I helped in pm. Rufus Ropp here for supper and all night. We went to choir practice in eve. Rufus at Mother's.

Saturday, November 20, 1943. Nice day, chilly. Done Saturday work, fixed salad. Pete with Rufus in morn, made calls. Boys raked some yard. We all went to Mother's for dinner. Dorothy and C.R's there too, also Minnie Ropp. We went up town awhile in pm.

Sunday, November 21, 1943. Clouded up in morn, chilly. Went to church, had basket dinner and program in pm. Boys chorus sang. Pete sang with mixed quartet. We went to Phil's in eve.

Monday, November 22, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. Baked cookies, washed. Dried some of clothes in house, ironed in pm. Had big washing. Pete had AAA meeting in pm. We went to class meeting in eve, had pot luck supper at church. Boys at Mother's. Pete elected Pres. Mother went home with us.

Tuesday, November 23, 1943. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Ida and Mary came at 9:30am. We dressed 10 geese and 5 hens. Girls and I took Mother home and delivered poultry to Lutz's. Pete shucked corn at Willis Hiltons in pm. Ronnie got his right leg broken in eve about 6:15. Pete and I took him to hospital, had x-ray. He stayed at hospital. We got home at 10:30 and ate a bite of supper. Jones and Willmerling saw Ronnie.

Wednesday, November 24, 1943. Real frosty and foggy in morn, but cleared off, cold. Pete and I to hospital at 10:30, Ronnie resting well. Ida and Mary to Mother's for dinner. Dr. Wellmerling put cast on at 2 pm without anesthetic. He was fine about it. Mother and girls at hospital while. Mother went back in eve. Billy's there too. We came home at 5:30. Ronnie resting quite well.

Thursday, November 25, 1943. A beautiful day, warm. Pete ,Allen and Mother went after Ronnie. They x-rayed his leg, it's O.K. Sure glad to have him home again. Eds, Billys, Mother, Dorothy, LeRoy and girls here for dinner. Girls went home with Ed's. Mother and Dorothy here for supper. Dot fixed our hair. Ronnie pretty tired.

Friday, November 26, 1943. Cloudy, colder in p.m. Done sweeping, baked cookies made ice cream and chile and dressed chicken. Pete plowed truck patch and took out fence in hog pasture and fixed some fence. Ronnie rather restless in p.m. Think he's getting along OK. He didn't sleep good at night.

Saturday, November 27, 1943. Fair, chilly. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:30, took Ronnie to hospital. Dr. Wellmerling loosened cast around top. Took him to Mother's. Arthur came at 12:00, sure glad to see him. Harold home too. Phils, Harold and Helen here for the eve, had a nice time. Ronnie slept better.

Sunday, November 28, 1943. Mostly cloudy, chilly. We went to Ed's for dinner. Billy's there too. The girls and I rode home with them. Billys stayed here for lunch. We had big dinner (duck).

Monday, November 29, 1943. Cloudy, snowed some cloudy in morn. We washed, had big one. Dried clothes in house. Earl Kaufman here to see Arthur. He stayed for dinner.

I took Arthur to train at 1:50, hated to see him leave so soon. I went to dentist. Pete took picker off of tractor in p.m. Girls done nearly all ironing.

Tuesday, November 30, 1943. Fair, cold. We went to town in morn. Girls and I got new dresses. We done some xmas shopping. Ronnie at Mothers. We were all at Phil's in eve. Ed and Franks and Helen there too. Had nice time.

Wednesday, December 1, 1943. Fair, windy. Rather disagreeable. Ida, Mary, Ronnie and I to Ella Schertz's for dinner. Eds there too. We had nice time. We stopped at Noahs few minutes. Pete took out some fence and plowed some. Made salad in eve.

Thursday, December 2, 1943. Fair, nice day. Girl's Ronnie and I to Mothers, helped finish kits for Red Cross and knotted comforter for Compons. Pearl, Minnie, Fern M, Jessie H., Mrs. Barclay and Mabel there. Ida stopped at hospital to see about work. Girls and I went to alumni meeting at Mrs. *Hackers* (sp?). I was put on for board member. Pete plowed, finished 10 acres.

Friday, December 3, 1943. Cloudy in morn, fair in p.m. We went to town. Pete to farm management meeting. We girl shopped. Ronnie at Mothers. Pete to town hall in eve to AAA meeting.

Saturday, December 4, 1943. Fine day. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Mary baked pie. We went to CR's for dinner. Dressed chicken for Mother. Girls mended some. We all went to Vincent's for supper. Eds were there too. They stayed all night with us. Pete worked with pigs in morn and washed car in p.m.

Sunday, December 5, 1943. Nice day, cloudy in eve. We all went to church. Ronnie at Mothers. We went to Billy's for dinner. Eds there too. Dorothy there awhile in p.m.

Monday, December 6, 1943. Cloudy. Misted most of morn, colder in p.m. Windy. We washed and ironed in p.m. Ida sewed, shortened some dresses for me and finished 2 dresses for relief sewing. Pete to Chicago at 3:50 a.m. got home at 7:15 p.m. We all took Mary to train at 9:00. She left for home, sure enjoyed having her.

Tuesday, December 7, 1943. Partly cloudy, windy in eve. We went to town at 10:30. We went shopping and to Dr. Guy in p.m. Ronnie at Mothers. CR's to Chicago. Pete done chores in eve. Gordon here all night. Pete took Ida to hospital at 10:00, she's going to work three nights a week, 11 to 7.

Wednesday, December 8, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. Ronnie started to school again. Pete to town, got Ida and Mother. Ray here too. We made fruitcakes. I was sick all day, vomited, felt tough. Mother mended in p.m. Gordon here for supper too. CR's got home at 8:00. Pete took Mother home.

Thursday, December 9, 1943. Cloudy, snowed in night, 3 or 4 inches. We went to home Bureau at Mrs. Lawrence. I was chairman. I felt better. We made popcorn *balls* (sp?) in eve. Went to community club at Garfield. Allen on program.

Friday, December 10, 1943. Fair, colder. We went to town. Pete and CR at Mothers to settle up. Pete filed income tax. I had hair fixed and went to Dr. Hadden about my corns. Pete to choir practice. Boys, Ida and I to Mothers. We wrapped packages. Ida went to work at hospital.

Saturday, December 11, 1943. Fair, cold. I done Saturday work. Pete and Allen to town. Ronnie and I at Mothers. Ida there too. We fixed some dresses for me. Ida worked at hospital. She has room on East Street.

Sunday, December 12, 1943. Fair, windy and colder in p.m. We went to church. Ida came along home. We addressed xmas cards in p.m. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here in eve. Boys to choir practice. Ida to town with them. She worked.

Monday, December 13, 1943. Partly cloudy, cold 8° above. Pete to locker meeting. Ida and I to Clif Dovel's sale. The Friendship Circle served lunch, sure got cold. We went to town, got Pete.

Tuesday, December 14, 1943. Cloudy, some snow flurries. 10° above, cold and windy in p.m. We washed, dried clothes in house. I went to dentist in p.m. Ida had her hair fixed. We ironed when we got home. Pete and I went to Normal oyster supper at Farm Bureau. Boys sang. Ida and boys stayed at Mothers. Allen took his music lesson. Mrs. Kemp took him to Mothers. Phils went with us.

Wednesday, December 15, 1943. Fair, cold 8° below. We finished ironing, cleaned up house. Pete to town, got Mother. I wrapped some gifts. We went to club meeting at Lucy Catherine's. Children were on program. We finished addressing Xmas cards in eve.

Thursday, December 16, 1943. Fair, cold 1° below. We baked cookies in morn and went to town. Farm Bureau banquet. Ida and I uptown a while. Pete at meeting. Mother went along to banquet. Ida, boys and I to Phils in eve. Pete and Phil to Carlock to practice for Christmas program.

Friday, December 17, 1943. Fair, 4° above. We done cleaning in morn, baked three batches of cookies in p.m. and made fruit roll and chocolate crunches. Pete worked on hen house. Ida went to work in eve. She went to town with Mabel.

Saturday, December 18, 1943. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 11:00, went to hospital. Ronnie had his leg x-rayed. Saw Dr. Wellmerling. Ronnie getting along fine. Mother and Ida along up town awhile in p.m. Pete to Saybrook in eve to locker meeting.

Sunday, December 19, 1943. Fair, cold. We went to church. Ida came along home. Pete to Carlock in p.m., Normal and Carlock choirs gave program. We got boxes ready to mail in p.m. We went to program at church in eve. Choirs gave the program again--candlelight--was real good. Mother went along. Ida worked again.

Monday, December 20, 1943. Fair, cold. We washed, hung most of clothes outside. Dried real good, washed slipcovers. We went to town at 4:00. Ronnie to dentist, I to foot Dr. and Allen took his music lesson. Ida ironed awhile in p.m.

Tuesday, December 21, 1943. Fair, colder in p.m. We finished ironing in morn, cleaned up house and we wrapped Christmas gifts in p.m. Pete went to aunt Minnie Woizeski (Uncle Chas W. wife) funeral in pm. We put up our Christmas tree in eve.

Wednesday, December 22, 1943. Partly cloudy, windy. Quite a lot colder. Pete to town, got Mother. We dressed 8 geese, 2 ducks and 3 chickens, were done at 12:30. We made some cookies in p.m. Pete took poultry to town. Dorothy came home with him. She fixed Mother, Ida and my hair. Pete took she and mother home.

Thursday, December 23, 1943. Fair, cold. 2° below zero. We made candy in morn, fudge and divinity. Made cookies in p.m. and popcorn balls. Ida shortened one of Lucy Catherine's dresses for me. We went to school program in eve. Was real good. School is out until January 3.

Friday, December 24, 1943. Partly cloudy, 8° above. Quite windy from south. We done sweeping and made some candy. Fixed some boxes. We had a gift exchange for the Kropf family in p.m. We and CR's at Mothers for oyster supper. Had gift exchange. Marie came home in eve. CR's to Bastings. Ida went to work.

Saturday, December 25, 1943. A fine day, clear. We were all at Mothers for dinner and supper. Had goose. We made ice cream. C.R's, Ida, Uncle Chas and Clarence there. Dorothy there for supper. We all had a very nice Christmas.

Sunday, December 26, 1943. Cloudy, gloomy and foggy, was quite icy in morn. We went to church, just had Sunday school, a small crowd. We got Ida at noon. CR's, Mother, Marie and we were at Roy's for dinner, had our gift exchange. We went to show in eve, "Come Home Lassie." I went to work. Children's program postponed on account of weather.

Monday, December 27, 1943. Cloudy, foggy. We went to town in morn. Ida came along home. We put Ella Schertz's quilt in frame in p.m. We washed out some things. Allen to 4-H meeting in eve.

Tuesday, December 28, 1943. Cloudy, cold. We washed, dried clothes in house, done ironing in p.m. Cleaned kitchen. Philips here for waffle supper. Pete and Allen helped Scott I[jams]. vaccinate hogs.

Wednesday, December 29, 1943. Fair, quite chilly. Done usual work. Went to town at 12:30. Pete turned in his account book. Ida and I to missionary meeting at Walter Ropps. Boys at Mothers. We were at CR's for supper. Mother, Elmer Siegs, Uncle Chas and Clarence, Dorothy and Roy's there too.

Thursday, December 30, 1943. Fair, cold. Ida and I to town in p.m. Ronnie practiced at church at 1:00. We got groceries. Ida and Ronnie stayed at Mothers while I went to alumni meeting at Tillie Kings. We made out programs for the year after the meeting. Pete and I went to locker dinner and Christmas party at Farm Bureau. Played 500, had gift exchange. I got prize. Ida and boys at home. Pete vaccinated hogs.

Friday, December 31, 1943. Cloudy, chilly. We cleaned up house and scrubbed. Washed chair covers. Got things ready for company. Pete and Allen hauled wood in coal house. We went to Dorothy's for supper. Art Siegs, Uncle Chas, Clarence and Mother there. Ida didn't work. Eds were invited, but didn't come.

Saturday, January 1, 1944. Partly cloudy. We had company. Roys, Eds, C.R's, Minnie, Mother and Dorothy here for dinner. Had duck. Pete went after Mother and Dorothy. They stayed for lunch. We took them to town. Stopped at Uncle Henry's. Clarence W. there. Ida worked. Pete helped Scott Ijams in morn. His father passed away.

Sunday, January 2, 1944. Partly cloudy, rather chilly. We went to church. Pete was superintendent, children had a Christmas program. Ida along to church. We were home for dinner. Took Ida to town in eve. We went to funeral home, saw Mr. Ijams.

Monday, January 3, 1944. Fair, nice day. We washed, dried most of clothes outside. Done ironing p.m. Pete and CR done Scott I. chores in morn. Pete to town, got Ida. He hauled manure in p.m.

Tuesday, January 4, 1943. Partly cloudy. We cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete hauled manure in morn. He and I to town at 12:00. I went to dentist and Dr. Guy. Boys home in p.m. Teacher had meeting. Ida quilted. Mrs. Johnson fell and broke her hip.

Wednesday, January 5, 1944. Fair, cold. Rather windy. We made pie, mended and quilted awhile in p.m. Pete and Allen hauled manure. Boys had no school. Teacher sick with flu.

Thursday, January 6, 1944. Cloudy, snowed most of day. Melted some. I churned and made cherry torte. Mabel and I to town at 11:30 to turn in account books. Pete to Peoria with lambs and ewes.

Friday, January 7, 1944. Partly cloudy, colder, windy. 12° above. We took down Christmas tree and decorations. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete and Allen ground feed in p.m. We quilted some. Lucy C. and Marie K. here in eve. Boys to choir practice. Ida worked. We made plans for class meeting.

Saturday, January 8, 1944. Fair, rather chilly. Few snow flurries in morn. I made marshmallow dessert and dressed chicken. We went to town at 1130. Pete and Allen to milk producers dinner. Ida, Ronnie and up town. Met Ed's. We stopped at hospital to see Mrs. Johnson and Irene Moore. Alvin's have a boy.

Sunday, January 9, 1944. Fair, cold. We went to church. Pete was superintendent. Ida came home with us. Were home in p.m. Pete and Ronnie took Ida to town in eve.

Monday, January 10, 1944. Fair in p.m. Pete had locker meeting. I had permanent. Mother had severe hemorrhage from nose, started at 7 a.m. We went in at 9:00. Dr. Watkins packed it but started again in pm. Had to take her to hospital. She was awfully weak. Ida at Mother's. She and I started to wash in pm. I went to hospital. Ida finished it. She went to church to help with supper. Friendship circle had supper. Phils, Earl K. and us were hostess. I stayed at hospital in eve. We left there at 9:30.

Tuesday, January 11, 1944. Fair, rather chilly. Pete to Chicago at 3:50. Mother some better but weak. Ida and I washed and ironed. Hung most of clothes outside. Pete home on the 6:50 train. We went to hospital to see Mother. Boys at CR's.

Wednesday, January 12, 1944. Fair, cold 4° above. We cleaned up house. Fixed salad. Went to all day club meeting at Fern Miller's. Ida and I left at 2:00. Pete and CR to town at noon. Boys with Minnie in p.m. We took Mother home from hospital. Ida stayed with her all night. We went to Earl Kaufmans for supper, had nice time. Boys practiced their instruments.

Thursday, January 13, 1944. Fair, 6° above. Warmer in p.m. I went to Home Bureau meeting at Mrs. Ericksons. Ida staying with Mother. I got home at 4:00 and had to take Mother to dentist at 5:00. She had toothache all afternoon. We went to community club at Belvidere. Went with Oscar A. Boys played their instruments. Allen played piano solo.

Friday, January 14, 1944. Fair, rather chilly. I cleaned up bedrooms. We went to town at 11:00. Were at Mother's for dinner. Took her Dr. Watkins and Dr. Deneen in pm. She needs to be built up, she's quite weak. Pete to choir practice in eve. Boys and I to Mothers. Ida worked at hospital. Allen stayed all night with Mother. C.R to Chicago. We took Mabel to town in eve.

Saturday, January 15, 1944. Fair, warm. Done Saturday work and cleaned out living room. Washed windows. Made coffee cake and ice cream. Mended a while in eve. Ray here in p.m. CR's to town. Allen came home with them. Gordon stayed with Mother. Pete finished cutting hedge, burned brush and washed car.

Sunday, January 16, 1944. Fair, nice day. We went to church, stopped at Mothers, she pretty good. We went to Art Siegs for dinner and supper. Ida, C.R's, Dorothy and Uncle Henry's and Uncle Chas and Clarence there too. We stopped at Mother's on way home. Ida worked.

Monday, January 17, 1944. Fair, chilly. Pete to town, got Ida. We washed and ironed. Mother called me at 5:15, she wasn't feeling good. Had heart attack. I went in right away. Dr. Deeneen came to house to see her. Said we should take her to hospital in ambulance. Pete and CR went in. We took her to hospital at 7:30. We stayed until 10:30. She didn't have a very good night.

Tuesday, January 18, 1943. Fair, rather windy. I went to town at 10:00. Started oxygen at 10 p.m. Mother not feeling well. Had coronary heart attack at 11:30. Dr. says she's in a serious condition. Pete and CR came in p.m. Pete stayed with me at hospital. CR's came in eve. Marie came on 9:00 train. We got special nurse Miss. Raycraft at 11:00. I came home at 2:00, was pretty tired. Marie at Roys. Pete stayed all night. Pete and C.R butchered 2 hogs in morn, took it to locker.

Wednesday, January 19, 1944. Fair, chilly. Ida and Mabel to Mothers. They washed. Mabel had hair fixed. I went to hospital at 10:00, stayed with Mother until 8:00 when nurse came. Pete came home in p.m. He came back in eve. CR stayed all night. Mother rested some better. We got her some flowers.

Thursday, January 20, 1944. Fair, rather chilly. Pete and CR to meeting. Ida to Mothers. Done ironing and my mending. I was at hospital. Marie went back to Chicago at 3:15. Mother seems better. Pete came home in eve. I came home with him at 8:30.

Friday, January 21, 1944. Fair, rather windy. Mother some better, they quit giving her oxygen in morn. We done sweeping, baked pie and churned in morn. Ida cleaned up kitchen in p.m. I went to hospital at 2:00, stayed until 8:00. CR with Mother in morn. Mabel there awhile in eve. I came home at 8:00, ate supper when I got home. Marie called me at hospital in eve.

Saturday, January 22, 1944. Fair. We went to town at 10:30. Ronnie had cast off at hospital, sure glad to get it off. Mother not so well, her heart acting up again and she's so weak. I stayed with her until 8:00. Allen not feeling so good. Pete took him to Dr. Jones, he says he has some cold. Allen took his music lesson. Ida worked at hospital. I came home in eve with CR.

Sunday, January 23, 1944. Nice day. We went to church. Mother had a pretty good day, she feels stronger. We were at Billy's for dinner. Pete and I to hospital at 2:15. Boys and Ida stayed at Billy's until chore time. CR stayed with Mother in morn. I stayed while Pete chored. Mabel went along to hospital. We went to capping service for nurses at our church but such a crowd we didn't stay.

Monday, January 24, 1944. Cloudy, started to rain at 11:30. Pete to town in morn. He stayed with Mother and went to Dr. in p.m., has a catch in his back. CR to town to get Ida. We washed, was late when we started. Ida ironed awhile, dried clothes in house. Boys home from school, have colds.

Tuesday, January 25, 1944. Mostly cloudy, damp. Finished ironing and cleaned up house. Mended and quilted awhile. Pete and I to town eve to see Mother, she's getting along quite well. Allen went to school, Ronnie home. Miss Raycraft (nurse) doing 20hr. duty.

Wednesday, January 26, 1944. Cloudy. Misted and rather foggy in pm. Warm. We went to town at 11:00, stopped to see Mother. I went uptown awhile. I stayed with her in p.m. Ida had her hair set. Pete to Dr. Fuller about his back. Boys went to school.

Thursday, January 27, 1944. Rained in morn, cleared off in eve. We canned 5 quarts ribs and fried down 3 1/2 quarts sausage. I baked cookies. We quilted in p.m. We went to hospital in eve. I went to alumni meeting. Allen took his music lesson. Pete with Mother.

Friday, January 28, 1944. Fair, windy. Cooler. I went to officer and committeemen luncheon in morn with Mabel. Pete to see Dr. Fuller in morn. They rendered lard in p.m. Ida done sweeping and cleaned up kitchen. She quilted some. She went to town with Mabel in eve. She worked. I was with Mother in p.m.

Saturday, January 29, 1944. Fair, chilly. We went to town at 12:00, stopped at hospital and made fire and dusted some at Mothers. Went uptown. Ida got new dress. We went to town in eve, met 6:50 train. Marie came. Were at hospital in eve. Ronnie stayed all night with Marie. Mother getting along pretty well.

Sunday, January 30, 1944. Fair, nice day. We went to church. We ate dinner uptown, went for little ride thru Cemetery and Park. Ida and boys at Mother's house in p.m. Pete and I at hospital, also Marie. She went back to Chicago in eve.

Monday, January 31, 1944. Rained early in morn. Cleared off in morn. Rather windy from west. Cloudy in p.m. Colder. Pete to town, got Ida. We washed, ironed in p.m. Pete to meeting at Carl Ummels to make out hostesses for Friendship Circle. I went to hospital awhile.

Tuesday, February 1, 1944. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m. Pete and I to town. He went to Dr. Fuller, his back some better. Mother feeling better, let her nurse go off-duty. We went to see Dr. Guy. Pete had a locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, February 2, 1944. Cloudy and foggy, misty. I cleaned out boys dresser drawers and cedar chest. We quilted in p.m. We went to Phil's in eve for waffle supper. I was sick in night.

Thursday, February 3, 1944. Cloudy, foggy. Cleared off in p.m. Washed out some things, got things ready for dinner. We quilted in p.m. Boys had no school, so many are out with measles. Pete and Roy to town in p.m. Allen took his music lesson. They went to see Mother awhile.

Friday, February 4, 1944. Fair, windy in eve. Done cleaning. Ida cleaned up kitchen. Pete and I to town at 11:00, he went to Dr. again, his back better. He had loan association meeting in p.m. I was with Mother. Boys home with Ida. Pete to choir practice in eve. Ida worked at hospital.

Saturday, February 5, 1944. Fair, real windy. Colder in p.m. I baked cookies and coffee cake. We went to town at 1:00. Allen was in recital at Y.W.C.A. we went to hear him. Done real well. We were at hospital to see Mother. Ida along with us in p.m. She worked at night.

Sunday, February 6, 1944. Fair, nice day. We went to church, stopped at hospital to see Mother in morn. Ida and Dorothy came home with us after church. Uncle Chas came out at 5:00. He stayed for supper. We went to town in eve to see Mother. Ida stayed in, she worked.

Monday, February 7, 1944. Fair, rather windy. Pete to Chicago at 3:50, I took him to train. Went after Ida in morn. We washed clothes, dried nice. We ironed in p.m. I finished after supper. CR helped with chores. I went after Pete at 6:50. Took Allen and other youngsters to Farm Bureau to 4-H chile supper. Laura M[ohr] brot them home. Pete and I at hospital awhile.

Tuesday, February 8, 1944. Cloudy rather chilly. We cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen. Baked 2 pies for sale, meat pie and cookies for us. We quilted in p.m. Pete went to Hattie Mishler's sale. Boys went too. They were at school until 11:00. We kept Ray. Mabel helped serve lunch. Rural missionary society served lunch. Pete and I and Mabel to hospital in eve to see Mother.

Wednesday, February 9, 1944. Fair, windy. Chilly. We packed boxes with cookies for Arthur, Edgar, and Harold. We quilted some in morn. We went to town in p.m. Mother feeling pretty good, she sat in the chair awhile for the first time. We quilted some in eve.

Thursday, February 10, 1944. Started to snow at 10:30, a strong wind from east and snowing. We shelled corn in morn. Got real stormy before they got done. Pete went after children at school at 1:00. Ida and I finished Ella Schertz's quilt in morn. We mended in p.m. Roads drifted in p.m. School bus got stuck between here and Oscars. They got out about dark. Colder in eve.

Friday, February 11, 1944. Cloudy, blowed most of day but didn't drift after noon. Wind went down in eve. Getting colder. We done cleaning and scrubbed. Ida cut out apron in p.m. I lengthened boys pillow slips. Pete busy choring, having lambs. Kept 2 in house to feed. Snowplow opened roads in p.m. glad to have them open. Boys had no school.

Saturday, February 12, 1944. Fair, cold 12° below. We went to town at 11:30, stopped to see Mother. She is up in chair and can walk some. Ida stayed in town. She worked at hospital.

Sunday, February 13, 1944. Fair zero in morn. Warmed up some during day. Went to church. Ida came home with us for dinner. Went to town in eve to hospital to see Mother. It snowed in night.

Monday, February 14, 1944. Snowed most of morn. Pete went after Ida. We washed, dried clothes in house, done ironing in p.m. Boys had no school, teacher had trouble with her car. Windy in night, roads drifted again.

Tuesday, February 15, 1944. Fair. Boys had no school, roads drifted. Pete and boys to town with CR's. They went to Service Co. dinner and payed off Mother's house. Glad it's payed. We cleaned up house and baked Parker house rolls. Ida cut out apron and made most of it for my S[unshine] Friend. Pete to Red Cross meeting. I went to hospital in eve.

Wednesday, February 16, 1944. Cloudy, warmer. We went to town at 11:00. CR along. Mabel to club meeting at Mrs. Denzers. Ida and I cleaned up Mother's house and got ready to take Mother home. We went to hospital for her at 3:00. She stood the trip home real well. Mrs. Tekla Baird is staying with Mother. We fixed things for supper in morn, made freezer of cream. Ray Hastings here for supper. Boys had no school.

Thursday, February 17, 1944. Cloudy, snowed some. Warmer. Thawed quite a lot, colder in night. We dressed 20 chickens for the boys and 10 of ours for Neirstheimers. We went to town at 3:00. Ida had her hair set. I went to dentist. We stopped to see Mother. Boys went to school.

Friday, February 18, 1944. Fair, cold 10° above. We done cleaning and scrubbed in morn. Baked cookies and mended in p.m. and I made some applicators and washed my hair. Ida done some ironing, washed out some things in morning. Pete to choir practice. Ida, boys and I to Dorothy's, had my hair fixed. Ida worked. Karl and Freda came.

Saturday, February 19, 1944. Fair, some warmer during day. We went to town at 11:00. We were at Billy's for dinner. Karls and Eds there too. Had nice time. I took freezer of cream for dinner. Allen took his lesson. Stopped at Mothers, she's getting stronger.

Sunday, February 20, 1944. Partly cloudy in morn, windy, clear in p.m. We went to church. Ida came home with us. Billy's and Karl's here few minutes about 6:00. Karl's left for K.C. at 9:00. Ida to town with them. Phils and Scott here in eve, had nice time.

Monday, February 21, 1944. Fair, warmer. Rather windy. Pete had locker meeting. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen in morn. Ida and I at Mother's for dinner. Ida with Mother in pm. Mrs. Baird up town with Pete, and I went to see Dr. Guy. Rained in eve and night.

Tuesday, February 22, 1944. Foggy in morn, real windy in p.m. Sun came out awhile. We washed, dried all of clothes in house except some of underwear and overalls. Done ironing in p.m. We went to show in eve, "Wintertime." Pete doing odd jobs.

Wednesday, February 23, 1944. Partly cloudy, rather windy, warm. Snow nearly all gone. We cleaned up house in morn. I mended blanket and rug. We went to missionary meeting at Ruth Sommers in pm with Mabel. Stopped at Mother's few minutes. Pete ground feed. Allen didn't feel so good, has some temp.

Thursday, February 24, 1944. Fair. Mother had another heart attack at 2 a.m. CR, Pete and I to town at 2:30, took her to hospital an ambulance. Was 4:00 when the got there. She wasn't very good most of day. CR came home in morn to chore. Pete and I got home at 2:30, rested a while. I went back in eve. Boys to Gridley, got Lydia Sommers. Ida made roles and doughnuts and mended. Allen home, has some sore throat.

Friday February 25, 1944. Rained and showered most of day, real foggy in eve. Mother isn't very good. CR's and Pete to town. Pete stayed in eve. CR helped boys with chores.

Ida and I done cleaning. Allen home, but is better. Ida and I to town in eve. She worked. Pete and I stayed at Mother's house with Mrs. Baird all night. Boys at C.R's.

Saturday, February 26, 1944. Fair, real windy, cooler in eve. We got home at 8:00, ate breakfast and done chores. Went back to town at 10:30. Miss Sommers off duty until 8 pm. Mother rested pretty well most of day. Ronnie at CR's, Allen along to town. I was with Mother most of day. Pete home to chore. Ida came along, got supper. CR's to town in eve, Ida along back. Marie came at 7:00. I came home with CR's.

Sunday, February 27, 1944. Connie, rather chilly. Went to church, took Marie to hospital, stopped there at noon. Mother not so well, vomiting and nauseated. We were home in p.m. Ida came along. We went to town in eve, took Marie to train. Boys at CR's. Mother didn't have a good night.

Monday, February 28, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. East wind. Mother quite low. Miss Sommers called at 5:30. Pete and CR to town at 7:00. Pete stayed for the day. C.R brot Ida home. Mother didn't recognize Pete until noon. We washed and ironed, dried some clothes outside. Pete home to chore. We went to hospital in eve. Mother little better but looks bad.

Tuesday, February 29, 1944. Cloudy, chilly, east wind. Few snow flurries in p.m. We cleaned up house and made some soap. Ida cut out aprons and worked on them. I mended in p.m. Rained here in p.m. Mabel in town. Pete on Red Cross work in morn. He and I went to town at 6:00. Mabel came home. Boys with Ida. Mother better. Pete to Farm Bureau supper.

Wednesday, March 1, 1944. Fair, nice day. Mother better. Pete with Mother during day, Miss Sommers back on 20hr. duty. We got small quarter beef from Oscars. Ida and I canned 14 1/2 quarts beef and 7 quarts soup. Made cookies in p.m. Boys home, teacher ill with cold. I made some applicators.

Thursday, March 2, 1944. Nice day. We cleaned pantry in morn. Pete worked some on Mother's income tax. Ida and I went to Peoria with Billy's in p.m. Left here at 2:00, got back at 6:30. Pete to town, got income tax fixed up. I took Allen to take his lesson and I went to hospital. Mother had pretty good day.

Friday, March 3, 1944. Started raining at 11:00, showered and drizzled most of p.m. Rained most of night. Mother had another spell with her heart at 5:30 a.m., was awfully weak all day and doesn't eat hardly anything. Pete in town all day. We done cleaning and cleaned clothes room off kitchen. Ida to town with CR's. She worked. I made applicators in eve.

Saturday, March 4, 1944. Cloudy, misted and windy from northeast. Snowed some in p.m. We went to town at 9:30. Pete had locker meeting, annual meeting in p.m. I had hair fixed in morn. Boys with me in morn. I was with Mother in p.m., she rested fairly well. Boys at meeting awhile in p.m. Allen took his music lesson. Ronnie with Ida.

Sunday, March 5, 1944. Partly cloudy, windy from east. We went to church. Boys to Sunday school, came home with Oertwigs and to C.Rs. We ate dinner in town & stayed with Mother in p.m. She rested fairly well. Ida came home with us when we chored. We went to Mother's house all night. Ida worked.

Monday, March 6, 1944. Rained most of morn, real windy in p.m. and colder. Pete to Chicago at 3:50. I took him to train. Boys no school (institute). We came home at 7:30. Ida came with us. We washed, dried clothes in house, ironed in p.m. I met Pete at 7:00 train. We stopped at hospital. We all went to Ed Miller's surprise, their 25th wedding anniversary.

Tuesday, March 7, 1944. Mostly cloudy, real windy from west, snow flurries. Cold. We cleaned little kitchen in morning. Ida washed it off. We cleaned up house and mended in p.m. I made cotton pledgets, etc. Pete to town at noon, stayed with Mother in pm. She seems some better.

Wednesday, March 8, 1944. Fair, strong wind from west, 10° above. We washed dishes in cupboard, made pie. We went to club meeting at Julius Miller. Boys went along. Pete worked on plow and mower. Mother some better. Edgar G. came home on furlough.

Thursday, March 9, 1944. Fair, windy some, warmer. We got things ready for dinner. Made ice cream. Edgar, Dorothy and C.R here for dinner. Mabel at Home Bureau. Pete went after Edgar's, took them back in p.m. He stayed with Mother. We cleaned out bedrooms and got things ready for supper. Pete, boys and Ida went to community club supper at Farm Bureau. I stayed with Mother.

Friday, March 10, 1944. Partly cloudy, chilly south wind. Cleaned up living room and scrubbed kitchen. Ida and I to town in p.m. She had her hair fixed. Took eggs to hatchery. I stopped at hospital to see Mother, she's some better. Pete hauled manure. He went to choir practice in eve. Ida worked.

Saturday, March 11, 1944. Cloudy, rained in eve and night. I felt kinda bum, have cold. Straightened up house, got ready for company. Made ice cream in morn. Pete and Allen to town at 12:00. He had meeting. Allen took his lesson. Edgars, Mrs. Gurtner, Mrs. Baird, Marie and C.R's here for supper. Marie came on 7:00 train. Ida here too. C.R's furnished chicken salad.

Sunday, March 12, 1944. Fair, rather windy, colder in p.m. We went to church. Ida along home for dinner. Went to town in eve. Took Marie to train. Was with Mother. She sat up in chair.

Tuesday, March 14, 1944. Cloudy, misted some in p.m. East wind. Pete to locker meeting. Ida and I done our washing at Mothers, done Mrs. Baird's washing too. She was uptown. I was at hospital with Mother awhile in p.m. We went to Dr. at 3:30. Miss. Sommers left at noon. Mother sat up in chair. Pete to locker meeting at Saybrook in eve.

I was at hospital awhile, then stayed with Mrs. Baird until Pete got back. Boys with Ida. Clothes dried pretty good.

Wednesday, March 15, 1944. Rained most of morn. We cleaned the kitchen. Pete and Ida washed the walls, waxed furniture etc. Got done at 4:00. Got cleaned up. We went to hospital in eve to see Mother. Mabel, Laura and Gordon along. They went to Baptist church to see picture, Allen with them. Ida had to work at hospital. Ronnie at C.Rs. Rained in night.

Thursday, March 16, 1944. Cloudy, cooler. Showered some in morn. We went to town at 10:30, stopped at hospital awhile. Mother pretty good. Got Ida. We stopped at Gurtners, they insisted we stay for dinner so we did. We cleaned store room upstairs in p.m. and baked cookies and washed out some things. Pete to Schertzes sale in pm. I didn't sleep much.

Friday, March 17, 1944. Cloudy, rather windy. We made some soap. Done sweeping and scrubbed and churned, baked pudding. I rested awhile. We mended in p.m. Pete made fence for little pigs. He took boys to dentist at 4:30. Pete to choir practice in eve, boys and I to hospital see Grandma. She didn't feel so good. Ida worked at hospital.

Saturday, March 18, 1944. Snowed early in morn, partly cloudy, real windy in p.m., colder. We went to town at 11:00. I went to Dorothy's, had my hair fixed. Pete and CR bought mattress for Mother and took it to her house. I was at Dot's for lunch. Pete and boys ate up town. We took Mother home at 3:00, glad to have her home. Mrs. Baird with her. Allen to 4-H Rally with C.R's in eve.

Sunday, March 19, 1944. Got a, strong east wind, cold. Boys to Sunday school. Pete and Ida to church. I was at Mothers in morn, gave her enema and bath. We were home for dinner. Philips here in p.m. We took Ida to town in eve, stopped at Mothers few minutes and at Dorothy's. She combed out my hair. Clarence Woizeskis in town over weekend.

Monday, March 20, 1944. Fair, windy in morn. Nice in p.m., cold. We washed, dried all except starched clothes outside. Pete went after Ida in morn. We done ironing in p.m. Pete shipped hogs and moved hog houses and cleaned them.

Tuesday, March 21, 1944. Fair, nice day. Rather windy in p.m. We washed bedspreads, blankets, curtains and 2 Indian blankets. We cleaned northeast bedrooms upstairs. We scrubbed chicken feeders and brooder house. Pete helped CR move his brooder house in morn and he moved sows in hog houses. We had big day.

Wednesday March 22, 1944. Cloudy. We baked cake, pie and coffee cake and cleaned up house in morn. Pete ground feed. We went to town in p.m. got some material for some dresses etc. We got feathers ready at Mothers to ship out. Mother up in chair part of time.

Thursday, March 23, 1944. Fair, rather chilly. We cleaned up basement, mended. Ida sewed some. I took quinine and *oleum-ricini* (sp?) but didn't have much results, only felt bum. Pete done odd jobs, moved sheep in lot, etc.

Friday, March 24, 1944. Fair, real windy warmer. We cleaned up whole house. Ida scrubbed, she sewed some in p.m. Pete fixed water system for sows etc. I didn't feel so good part of day, went to hospital in eve. Ida worked at hospital. Pete at hospital all night. Boys at CR's.

Saturday March 25, 1944. Partly cloudy. Paul Stanley was born at 3:30 a.m. Got along pretty good. Sure had after pains all day. Pete here part of day, Ida came in eve. Lucy C. here few minutes in eve. Baby weighed 6# 9oz. Kinda disappointed it wasn't a girl, but he's nice.

Sunday, March 26, 1944. Rained & sleeted real hard in p.m., dark and gloomy all day. Pete came in morn. Boys to Sunday School then to Mothers. They were at CR's in p.m. Pete and Ida at Mothers for dinner. I was miserable with after pains all day. Pete and Ida came in eve. Phil's here in pm awhile.

Monday, March 27, 1944. Partly cloudy, clear in eve. Pete to town in morn, here few minutes. Ida stayed with Mother in pm. Mrs. Baird gone in pm. Pete worked on disk. He came in awhile in eve then went to Friendship Circle at church. I went for supper. I had some after pains and my breasts are so sore. Baby seems O.K. Had few callers.

Tuesday, March 28, 1944. Clear in morn. Cloudy in p.m. I'm feeling some better. Had quite a lot of company. Daddy came in eve. Ida washed and ironed some. Pete worked on disk etc.

Wednesday, March 29, 1944. Cloudy, windy, cold. Some snow flurries. I'm feeling better. Pete seems to be doing O.K. Had quite a lot of company in p.m. Pete here awhile. He and Ida came in eve. Ida done ironing and went to missionary meeting at Carl Ummels. Pete got brooder house ready, had little pigs in night. I have lots of flowers.

Thursday, March 30, 1944. Cloudy, windy. Cold and snow flurries. Things about same. Paul gained 1oz. Pete here short time in p.m. has some other company. Pete got our baby chicks, he's busy with little pigs. Ida at mothers in p.m. cut out gowns for her. *Geneva Martins* (sp?) funeral was in pm.

Friday, March 31, 1944. Nice day. Some warmer. Am feeling pretty good, had lots of company. Had to put baby on bottle. Pete ground feed. Ida done cleaning and she made roles and coffee cake and mended. They were here in eve.

Saturday, April 1, 1944. Nice day, warmer. I didn't feel so good, my breasts were so sore. Pete and Ida here few minutes in p.m. Pete came back in eve, had quite a few other callers. Dr. Jones saw baby. He's a normal baby.

Sunday, April 2, 1944. Nice day, chilly. I'm feeling better, am sitting up hanging my feet out of bed. Baby gained an ounce. Pete, Ida and boys to church. Pete and Ida here in p.m., they were home for dinner. Pete here in eve, also Pattons.

Monday, April 3, 1944. Partly cloudy, windy. Quite chilly. I'm up in chair feeling pretty good. Pete dehorned calves and chored. Ida washed and ironed. Phil's brought basketette and basinette. Pete and Ida here in eve. They took gifts out to Mothers to show them. Allen at 4-H meeting. Ronnie at C.R's.

Tuesday, April 4, 1944. Partly cloudy, windy, cold. Up and around some. We came home from hospital after two o'clock feeding. Stopped to see Mother, she was so glad to see Paul. She didn't feel so good in morn. I was glad to get home again and see the boys. They were glad too. Mabel and Ray here in eve. CR took Allen and Ronnie to basketball game. Baby slept pretty good after 12:00.

Wednesday, April 5, 1944. Clear and some warmer, rather windy. Baby was good all day. Ida washed and baked cookies in p.m. I was up nearly all day. Pete fanned oats in pm. Allen didn't go to school, had some cold and sore throat. Pearl and Minnie here awhile in p.m.

Thursday, April 6, 1944. Fair, rather windy. Boys sowed CR's oats and 10 acres of ours. We churned. Ida washed. Worked in garden a while in p.m. put out spinach, lettuce, radishes, peas and onions. Mabel here few minutes. Baby good. It rained in eve.

Friday, April 7, 1944. Mostly cloudy, damp. Ida done cleaning and scrubbed and washed for baby. Boys had no school in p.m. Pete and boys to town in p.m. got boys shoes and haircuts. Mother feeling pretty good. Eds and Noah K. here few minutes in pm. Lucy C. and Phylis here in eve. Pete and Phil to choir practice. Mr. Barnharts here in eve.

Saturday, April 8, 1944. Partly cloudy. Dressed chicken and washed. We went to town at 1:00. Ida and I to Dorothy's. She fixed our hair, took Ronnie and Paul with us. Pete to land bank meeting. Allen took his lesson. Paul was real good at Dorothy's. Pete to school election. He was reelected for three years. Marie came home.

Sunday, April 9, 1944. Easter. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Boys to Sunday school and Laura and Pete and Ida to church, had communion. Paul and I at Mother's. We were all there for dinner. Mother stood itreal well. Paul was good. Ida and I to church in eve. Nurses gave an Easter cantata. Pete with boys. Mr. Haddens and Lawrence Mishler's here in eve.

Monday, April 10, 1944. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and nearly all night. Very windy from east. We washed some of things, got mostly dry. Dried others in house. Ida ironed in p.m. Pete chored etc. He had locker meeting in eve. Mrs. Davidson here awhile after school.

Tuesday, April 11, 1944. Cloudy, rained and misted, windy. We baked angel food cake for nurses, baked cake for us. Cleaned up house. Ida washed. Pete and Ida to town in p.m. She had eyes tested at Dr. Gailey's.

Wednesday, April 12, 1944. Fair, some warmer. Baked pie, washed. Ida and I to club meeting at Mrs. Mishler's, went with Pearl. Pete and boys kept Paul.

Thursday, April 13, 1944. Nice day. We cleaned the closet upstairs and aired bedding. Baked cookies and washed. Ida sewed awhile toward eve. Pete and boys to community club in eve. Ray here in eve. Mother didn't feel so well.

Friday, April 14, 1944. Mostly cloudy, rained in eve. Done sweeping and washed. We went to town in p.m. Paul and I stayed with Mother. Mrs. Baird uptown with Pete and Ida. Mother feeling some better. Rained most of night.

Saturday, April 15, 1944. Cloudy, misted and rained most of day. Done Saturday work and wash. Made rolls at noon, baked them in eve. Ida and Allen and I to town. Allen took lesson. I got new dress. Pete kept Paul and Ronnie.

Sunday, April 16, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. Pete Ida and boys to church. Uncle Chas and Dorothy G. here for dinner and supper. Dot fixed my hair and combed Ida's. Phil's here few minutes toward eve. Billy's here for supper, had quite a busy day.

Monday, April 17, 1944. Partly cloudy. We washed, dried clothes outside. Ida ironed in p.m. Pete and Ronnie to Mothers in eve. Mrs. Baird gone. Allen to CR's to club meeting. Vincent Johnsons here awhile in eve. Gordon here all night.

Tuesday, April 18, 1944. Cloudy, misted some. We cleaned up house. I baked pie and washed for baby. Ida sewed in p.m. cut out print dress for me and finished Mother's gowns. Gordon here all day, no school. Club members to Chicago to donate blood to blood bank. Pete cleaned up brush etc. Boys helped. Some dogs killed our old geese in morn.

Wednesday, April 19, 1944. Nice day, glad to see the sun. We cleaned the boys' bedroom downstairs and varnished the floor and washed. Boys sleeping upstairs. Ronnie home from school (8th graders having exams). Pete made fence, cleaned up some brush. Paul growing and is pretty good etc.

Thursday, April 20, 1944. Rained in morning, fair in p.m. We straightened up boys room, baked cookies and washed. Ida sewed in p.m. I mended some. Pete and I to Rogers Hotel for supper in honor of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Turley, had nice time. CR went with us. Ida kept boys.

Friday, April 21, 1944. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m. We cleaned our bedroom and varnished floor, washed. Dried curtains in stretchers. Ray here all day. CR's in town.

Mother to Dr's., seems to be improving. Pete's to town at 11:00, done some work in Mother's yard in p.m. He went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, April 22, 1944. Rained early in morn and most of forenoon. Done Saturday work, straightened up our bedroom and cleaned up living room, washed. Pete, boys and I to town in p.m. got Allen new suit. Ida home with Paul. Earl Kaufmans and Alvin Mohrs here in eve.

Sunday, April 23, 1944. Rained early in morn and again in eve. Sun shone awhile in p.m. very windy. Pete, Ida and boys to church. I was home with Paul. Rested awhile in p.m. Ed Sharps here few minutes in eve.

Monday, April 24, 1944. Rained off and on all day. We washed, dried most of clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete took Mother to dentist at 11:45. He ground feed in p.m., went to school at 4:00, had directors meeting. Hired Mrs. Davidson again.

Tuesday, April 25, 1944. Nice in morn. Cloudy in eve. Cleaned up house, washed. Pete went to David Ummels sale with Earl K. Ida sewed I mended some. Virginia Ijams here awhile in eve. Elmer Mohr's and Ed Shoemakers here in eve. Paul slept through his 2:00 feeding until 5:30-nice not to have to get up.

Wednesday, April 26, 1944. Cloudy, misted off and on all day, rather chilly. Made pudding, dressed chicken. Ida finished my print dress and made cover for crib mattress. Wilbur Albrecht here awhile in eve. Harry Barnharts here for supper. Pete cut wood and hauled load in coal house. Paul slept all night until 6:30.

Thursday, April 27, 1944. Cleared off in morn, rather windy from northeast. Kinda chilly. We washed for Paul, sowed. Ida cut out a dress for me. *Shautung*. (sp?) Pete made fence. June here in eve awhile.

Friday, April 28, 1944. Fine day, warmer. Mabel, Ida and I and Paul went to Mothers, cleaned her two bedrooms, washed front porch, cleaned up some in basement and mowed lawn. I took eggs to hatchery and got groceries for Mother. Pete and CR sowed oats in p.m. Lucy C. here in eve. Pete and Phil to choir practice.

Saturday, April 29, 1944. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Washed for Paul, also blanket and few extra things. Ida, Allen and I to town in p.m. Mother and Mrs. Baird kept Paul, he was good. Pete finished sowing our oats and alfalfa in morn. They planted our potatoes and peas in p.m. also CR's. We put out beets, carrots and beans in eve.

Sunday, April 30, 1944. Rained in morn, warm. Boy to Sunday school with CR's. Pete and I to church, quartet sang. Paul and I at Mothers. CR's took Paul along home with them for the afternoon. Ida, Pete, boys and I to Passion Play in p.m. We ate lunch in town.

Monday, May 1, 1944. Rained in morn early, lots of electricity, fair in p.m. Pete to Chicago at 3:50. We washed, clothes dried pretty good. Ironed in p.m. Eds here few minutes toward eve. They were in town. Pete home at 6:50. Allen to 4-H meeting. Fred Denzer and Fred Basting passed away.

Tuesday, May 2, 1944. Partly cloudy, windy, warm. We washed for Paul and cleaned up house. I took Ida to town, get new glasses and she went to Vincent Johnsons to help Dorothy. I was home at noon, mended some. Pete made fence. CR's and us went to *Berks* (sp?) funeral home in eve to see Denzers and then to Bastings. Took boys along. Took them each a cake. Teacher took children to creamery and show, ate at Park.

Wednesday May 3, 1944. Rained early morning. Partly cloudy and real windy all day. Cooler in p.m. We took Paul to Dr. Jones at 11:30, he's doing fine. We went to Mother's for dinner, they kept Paul in p.m. We went to Fred Denzer's funeral. Ida came along home in eve. Nice to have her back.

Thursday, May 4, 1944. Cloudy, real chilly. Washed for baby. Pete and I went to Fred Basting's funeral, Ida served some. Got things ready for supper. Last day of school, teacher had short program, was good. Minnie kept Paul. Mother didn't feel so well. CR went in for the night.

Friday, May 5, 1944. Fair in morning. Cold, 36° frosty. Cloudy in p.m. We washed and done sweeping, baked cookies. Pete took eggs to hatchery. Dorothy came along out. She fixed our hair. Pete took Dot home. Mother feeling better.

Saturday, May 6, 1944. Partly cloudy, cold, 34°, frosty. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:30. Allen had recital. Pete went to meeting in pm. Mother and Mrs. Baird kept Paul. Ida and I got shoes. Allen and Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn and Pete spaded some ground. Paul sleeping thru 2:00 feeding, sure glad too.

Sunday, May 7, 1944. Cloudy, frosty. Pete and boys to Sunday School with C.R. Ida and I and Paul left at 10:00. Ida and Paul stayed with Mother. Mrs. Baird gone for the day. We were there for dinner. I went to church, had baptismal services. Pete and I to Alvin Mohr's in eve, played pinochle. Earl K's and Phil's there too.

Monday, May 8, 1944. Cloudy, rained most of day. We washed, dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and boys cleaned out henhouse. He went to meeting in eve (locker).

Tuesday, May 9, 1944. Mostly cloudy. Pete and I to town at 10:30, took Mother to dentist and doctor. She seems to be improving. We ate dinner at Mothers. Went to see Dr. Guy in pm, everything O.K. Ida sewed some on my dress and mended. *Turners* (sp?) here, put spouting on house. Pete to meeting in eve.

Wednesday, May 10, 1944. Fair, windy. Warmer. Washed, done usual work. We went to club meeting at Florence Sharps. Paul's first meeting, he was good. We set out cabbage, tomato and strawberry plants in eve.

Thursday, May 11, 1944. Fine day, warm. Ida and I to Home Bureau meeting at McCues. I was chairman. Paul at Minnie's. Pete working in field in p.m. Allen disc awhile. We worked in truck patch in eve, put out beans, Swiss chard, lettuce, radishes, onions and baby lima beans. Allen and Ronnie to community club with Anderson's. Allen played piano solo.

Friday, May 12, 1944. Nice day, warm. We done cleaning, washed. We worked in garden in p.m. Ida and I spaded perennial flowers. Pete plowing. Boys mowing lawn. Paul kinda fussy all day. We had a big day. Allen and I plowed garden.

Saturday, May 13, 1944. Fair, real warm. 84°. Done Saturday work. Ida and I spaded asparagus bed and hoed some. We washed up everything. Allen and I to town in p.m. Mother not so well, has a dizzy spell. I stayed there until 4:30. Allen came home with Mabel. She took Paul along home. Nettie came after Ida in p.m. I met Marie at 7:00. Got home about 8:00. Pete plowed, Allen disc in morn.

Sunday, May 14, 1944. Nice day, real warm. Boys to Sunday School with Laura. Pete to church. Boys and I at Mothers. Marie home. CR's and us were there for dinner. Dr. to see Mother in morn, she feels little better. Was in bed all day. We girls and Mrs. Baird to cemetery awhile. Marie went back in eve.

Monday, May 15, 1944. Fair, had thundershower at 5 p.m. Real warm, 88°. Washed and done ironing in p.m. Set out pansy plants in eve. Allen disc. Pete plowing. Boys spaded some garden in p.m. We all had big day again. We miss Ida. Glenn Maxwell's have a girl.

Tuesday, May 16, 1944. Rained in morn. We took Paul to hospital at 11:00, had him circumcised. Ronnie at Mothers. Allen at CR's. We ate lunch in town, were home by 2:00. Paul fussy all afternoon but I did get his washing done. He slept good that night. Pete harrowed ground in pm.

Wednesday, May 17, 1944. Fair, hot in p.m., near 90°. I cleaned up house and scrubbed, made custard and washed for Paul. Got things ready for dinner. Boys started planting corn here in a.m. Pete took calf to sale at 11:00. Paul and I to Mother's, gave her hypo (riticulogen/ liver). Were home at 12:30. I put out flower seeds in pm and eve. Paul fussy in pm.

Thursday, May 18, 1944. Fair, cooler in eve. Misted some. I washed and baked pie in morn. Boys planting corn. Pete plowed some in p.m. Allen, Ronnie and I worked in truck patch in p.m. planted lima beans and cucumbers and hoed some. I took Paul out to truck patch in car. I cleaned up bedrooms and upstairs in eve. Pete plowed until 9:30.

Friday, May 19, 1944. Fair, hot. Mabel, Minnie and I to Mothers. Cleaned her living room and hall. Washed windows on outside. Washed curtains and spaded west flower bed, had big day. Pearl kept Paul. Boys planting corn. Roy plowed for us awhile in eve. I cleaned up living room in eve. Paul awake most of night.

Saturday, May 20, 1944. Fair, hot. But stormy in eve and rained 2 miles northwest of us. I washed in morn. Boys and I to town. Dot fixed my hair at 10:30. She went to Paul T. at noon. Boys had haircut. Allen took his lesson. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. She's better, able to sit up again. Paul there awhile in p.m. I cleaned up kitchen in eve. Mother able to be up again.

Sunday, May 21, 1944. Rained shower in morn and again in pm. Pete and boys to Sunday school. We went to Ed's for dinner. E.E's there too, had nice time. Ida came along home with us. Sure nice to have her again. We went to Phil's awhile in eve but they weren't home so stopped at Franks awhile.

Monday, May 22, 1944. Fair, warm. Cloudy in pm. Looked rainy. We washed, had big one. Clothes dried slow. We ironed in pm. Pete ground feed and finished mowing lawn. He finished plowing for corn in pm. C.R helped.

Tuesday, May 23, 1944. Cloudy in morn, looked rainy. I went to town at 10:20, took Mother to Dr. She's doing O.K. She, Mrs. Baird and I ate lunch at Steak n'Shake. She stood it real well. I done some errands in town, got home at 2:00. We cleaned Ida's room and hall in pm. Pete, boys finished planted corn for C.R. and started on ours.

Wednesday, May 24, 1944. Showered some during day. Hot. We cleaned 2 closets in living room, cleaned wall paper in living room and got it all washed but didn't get room straightened up. Worked in garden awhile until it rained. Boys planted corn, lacked 4 rows of getting [done] when it rained. Had draped cleaned.

Thursday, May 25, 1944. Fair, looked rainy at times. Hot, 90°. We straightened up living room in morn, waxed furniture. Washed. We cleaned basement in pm. Worked in garden awhile. Pete worked around here in morn, got gravel in yard. He plowed in pm. C.R finished planting our corn and sweet corn in eve. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Friday, May 26, 1944. Fair, hot 90°. Looked rainy at times. We washed everything. Cleaned up bedrooms, washed south and west porches. Worked in garden toward eve. Made cinnamon rolls. Ida ironed in eve. Pete finished plowing for beans in morn. CR used our tractor in p.m. Hayes boys sheared our sheep in pm.

Saturday, May 27, 1944. Looked rainy in morn, hot. Done Saturday work. Pete and boys plowed truck patch & potatoes in morn. We went to town at 11:30. Pete has sore eye, went to Dr. Gailey. Paul at Mother's awhile in p.m. Stopped at Lillie Hecks, her Mother passed away Fri. eve.

Sunday, May 28, 1944. Nice day, some cooler. We went to church in morn. Paul at Mabel's. We were all there for picnic dinner. Mother, Mrs. Baird and Roys there. First Mother was out to country since New Years day. Sure glad to have her out.

Monday, May 29, 1944. Fair, showered some in p.m. We washed. Ida ironed in p.m. I finished after supper. Pete and I went to Rosina Hecks funeral in pm. Pete pall bearer. Mabel and I took flowers to cemeteries and got a dress for Mother. We set out tomato plants in eve and hoed truck patch.

Tuesday, May 30, 1944. Fair, hot. We oiled kitchen floor in morn and washed for Paul. Ida, Ronnie, Paul and I went to cemeteries at 4:00, took Mother and Tekla. We went to Friendship Circle in eve at Ed Sharps. Laura M. went along. Boys at CR's. Pete hoed corn and worked in truck patch some. Harold P. home.

Wednesday, May 31, 1944. Fair, hot, rather windy. We washed, cleaned silverware and Pete helped me transplant flags before dinner. We went to missionary meeting at Pearl, had tea for Mothers. Roy fanned beans in pm. I went to health meeting at Library, was on panel discussion for Miss. Brian on Co. health unit. Helen here, helped boys' song.

Thursday, June 1, 1944. Fair, hot 93°, windy. We picked quart strawberries, washed, painted high chair, nursery chair and baby bed and pump and sink. Worked in garden awhile in eve. Boys sowed beans, one field for us and started on CR's. Pete to Pattons late in eve to practice.

Friday, June 2, 1944. Fair, hot. Done all of washing. Painted compensate. Took oil cloth off kitchen floor. Made pie and cooked ham. We went to town in p.m. Paul with Mother. Ronnie mowed her lawn. Dorothy came along home, fixed our hair. Boys finished sowing beans.

Saturday, June 3, 1944. Fair, windy, hot. Baked cake, picked nearly 1 1/2 gallon strawberries. Done sweeping, washed. Ida ironed in p.m. Boys and I to town in p.m. They practiced for children's day. I helped at hotel awhile, fixed tables. I went to alumni banquet at Ill. Hotel. Marie, Ladine and [I] went together. Boys together. Ida home with youngsters. Eloise there, glad to see her.

Sunday, June 4, 1944. Fair, hot. Real windy. We went to church, quartet sang. Ed's here for dinner. We went to commencement for nurses in p.m. Boys at CR's. Paul at Mothers in morn. She and Mrs. Baird to Kampmeier's at noon, went with Uncle Chas.

Monday, June 5, 1944. Fair, hot 97°, very windy. Cooler in eve. Washed. Clothes soon dried. Picked berries in morn too, got 1 1/2 gallons. Done ironing in p.m. I worked in garden awhile. Pete plowed corn.

Tuesday, June 6, 1944. Cloudy, windy, real chilly. I helped CR's paper ceiling in their living room in morn. Ida washed, cleaned up house. We went to town in p.m. Paul at Mothers. Boys practiced song for children's day at Helen's. Allen took music lesson.

Wednesday, June 7, 1944. Fair, 47° in morn. Warmed up during day. We picked about gallon berries, got things ready for dinner. Pete and boys to town in morn. Mother and Mrs. Baird came along out for the day. Nice to have Mother here again. Ida and I took them to town in eve.

Thursday, June 8, 1944. Showered little in morn, fair in p.m. Warm. I went to Home Bureau at Miller Park, was chairman in Ruth D. place. Ida home, she mended in pm. Pete baled hay at CR's in p.m. We went to concert at Park in eve. Harold P. sang. Scott Ijams have baby boy.

Friday, June 9, 1944. Had nice shower in morn. We cleaned up house, washed, dried most of clothes in house. Picked 1 1/2 gallons berries and picked peas. Made doughnuts and 2 pints of strawberry preserves. We went to Ed's for supper, got home at 11:30. Had nice time.

Saturday, June 10, 1944. Mostly cloudy, cooler in eve. Done Saturday work. Washed for Paul. Pete ground feed. We all went to town at 12:00. Ida and I at Dots awhile. She combed out our hair. Pete had meeting. Boys practiced for children's day. Allen stayed at Mothers in eve. Mrs. Baird gone for supper.

Sunday, June 11, 1944. Fair, hot. Pete took boys to Sunday School. We went to Woizeski family reunion at Ed Bernaus. Paul's 1st reunion. Had good crowd, 75 there. We went to children's day program in eve. Boys sang duet and Allen had piano solo. Paul at CR's. Gordon went with us to program, had good crowd. Dale Rader killed in action.

Monday, June 12, 1944. Fair, had little shower in p.m. Blew real hard for few minutes. Washed, had big one. Ironed some. We repotted fern and some other plants. I picked berries, got half gallon and picked peas. Boys baled hay at CR's. He went to locker meeting in eve. Boys, Ida and I went to Vincent J. awhile.

Tuesday, June 13, 1944. Fair, hot. We finished ironing, made cherry pie. Washed and done ironing. Made new cover for mattress. Put new oil cloth on pantry shelves. Ida packed her clothes. I put out some flower seeds in truck patch. Boys planted squash. Ida left on 9:10 for K.C. We sure hated to see her go. We enjoyed having her.

Wednesday, June 14, 1944. Fair in morn. Had several showers in p.m. I washed for Paul, got things ready for dinner. Sure miss Ida. Boys and I to club meeting at CR's. I was on program. Pete mowed hay and plowed some corn. Mother and Mrs. Baird at meeting in morn. Mabel and I took them home.

Thursday, June 15, 1944. Partly cloudy, looked rainy in eve. I picked last of strawberries, enough for soup. Washed for Paul, cleaned up bedrooms and upstairs and mended some. Got things ready for supper. Went to community club picnic at CR's.

Pete home after supper. Beachy, Streid and Ummel here for nominating committee of church. Pete raked hay.

Friday, June 16, 1944. Fair, hot in p.m. Washed everything and ironed. Worked in garden in eve. Cleaned up living room and mended some. Boys baled hay at 3:30. We had a shower early in morn. Allen drove tractor for baler. Ida got home O.K. and lots to do. Edna operated on.

Saturday, June 17, 1944. Fair, hot 102°. I canned 8 quarts of cherries and done Saturday work. Was kept pretty busy. Boys finished baling at noon. Then put bales in barn. Pete plowed some corn. We went to town in eve.

Sunday, June 18, 1944. Fair, hot, windy. We went to church. Paul at Mothers. Sunday School elections, Pete assistant superintendent. We stopped at hospital to see Virginia Ijams. We home in p.m. Philips and Mrs. Mailer here in eve. We made freezer of ice cream. Rained some in eve and blew pretty hard.

Monday, June 19, 1944. Fair in morn, soon clouded up and just real chilly and windy all day. Mother and Mrs. Baird here. We canned 14 quarts cherries and 10 pints preserves for us and 8 pints cherries and 7 pints preserves for Mother. Mrs. Anderson here, helped in p.m. They got some cherries. CR's got some too. Paul fussy all day. Mother helped some & stood it O.K. We set out cabbage and tomato plants. Allen to town with Pearl, had recital.

Tuesday, June 20, 1944. Clear and some warmer. I washed and ironed. Pete raked hay. Boys picked some cherries for Mrs. Kemp. She came after them.

Wednesday, June 21, 1944. Partly cloudy, sprinkled little at noon. Made cherry pie and washed. Cleaned up house. Worked in garden awhile. Paul has temp, 102° to 103°. Slept nearly all day. Very drowsy. Talked to Dr. Pete baled hay, got done. Allen drove tractor for baler. Had three loads to unload.

Thursday, June 22, 1944. Had a good rain about 5:30 a.m. Hot in p.m. Pete and I and Paul to town at 10:30, took Mother to Dr. She's doing okay. Took Paul to Dr. Jones, he's some better, can't seem to find anything wrong. Maybe changes in weather. Boys at CR's. We put 4 quarts cherries in locker.

Friday, June 23, 1944. Fair, some cooler. Washed everything and ironed. Done cleaning and canned 3 quarts cherries and 4 pints preserves. Ronnie helped me. Worked in garden in eve, sowed endive and lettuce. Pete and Allen baled at Roy's in p.m. Allen to party at Rader's for Wayne Basting. Paul still has temp.

Saturday, June 24, 1944. Fair, quite warm, breeze nice. Done Saturday work. Paul had temp in morn, took urine spec. to Dr., kidneys O.K. Boys and I to town with Mabel. Dorothy fixed my hair. Marie home in p.m. Mrs. Baird to Chicago in morn. We all

went to Mothers in eve, had ice cream and cake. Boys finished baling at Roy's. Pete ground feed.

Sunday, June 25, 1944. Fair, warm. Showered in eve. Pete and boys to church. Paul has no temp but rather fussy. We all went to Roy's for dinner. Mother and Marie out too. Men to Lake Bloomington in pm. Gordon to 4-H camp.

Monday, June 26, 1944. Cloudy, showered some. I washed, dried starched clothes in house. Others dried outside in p.m. Done ironing in p.m. We went to Friendship Circle at church in eve. Pete hoed in truck patch in morn, plowed corn in p.m.

Tuesday, June 27, 1944. Fair, hot 102°-104°. Cleaned up house and scrubs. Washed for Paul. Got things for dinner, dressed chicken. Had frier [fried chicken] and green beans. Mended some in p.m. Set out some flowers in eve. Went to town awhile in eve to see Marie. Pete hoed beans.

Wednesday, June 28, 1944. Fair, hot. Turned cooler in eve. Went to missionary meeting at Clara Broadbecks. Went to town at 4:00. Mother came along, she stayed all night. Marie left for Chicago in p.m. Dressed chicken in eve. Boys baling at Roy's.

Thursday, June 29, 1944. Fair, cool. I picked over a quart of raspberries in morn. Mother didn't feel so well, she was in bed quite a lot. She went to CR's toward eve. I mended some, cleaned up bedrooms. I went to alumni meeting at hospital. Miss. Hill spoke, Marie H. along. Boys with Schertz's on picnic in pm. to Lake Bloomington.

Friday, June 30, 1944. Fair, cool. I washed, cleaned up living room. Boys picked beans. Canned 12 quarts. Done ironing and cleaned up kitchen in eve. Had a big day. Pete plowed corn awhile in morn. Mother back to town. Mrs. Baird came home. Got word Dale Rader was killed.

Saturday, July 1, 1944. Fair, warmer. Washed for Paul. We went to town before 11:00. Paul at Mother's awhile in p.m.

Sunday, July 2, 1944. Nice day. We went to church, took Paul, he was good. Went to memorial services for Dale Rader at East White Oak, sure was sad. We stopped at Scott's to see baby. Went to Phil's in eve.

Monday, July 3, 1944. Fair. Washed. Pete and boys picked over 1/2 gallon raspberries, also picked beans and helped me stem them. I canned 19 quarts in p.m. Ironed some & finished after supper. Pete plowed corn in p.m., finished laying it by. Had a big day, was pretty tired. Paul rather fussy.

Tuesday, July 4, 1944. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house, dressed chicken and washed for Paul. Pete and boys to town about noon, got Mother and Tekla. Mother and I to Scotts awhile towards eve. Roys and C.R's here for picnic supper. We made ice cream and had raspberries.

Wednesday, July 5, 1944. Fair, warmer. Done usual work. Made some new applesauce. Mended some in p.m. Paul kind of fussy. Boys got combine out, etc. We went to Lawrence Mishler's awhile in eve. Quit Paul's 10 o'clock feeding. Took him awhile to settle down.

Thursday, July 6, 1944. Fair. Windy and warm. I picked raspberries. Pete and boys picked beans, canned 14 quarts in p.m. Dressed chicken and got things ready for supper. Farm and Home Bureau picnic at Lawrence Deals (sp?). Hays boy here for dinner, he trimmed up Allen's sheep for 4-H fair. Allen to river all night with C.R and club boys.

Friday, July 7, 1944. Fair, warm. Cleaned up bedrooms, washed everything. Went to dentist in p.m. Took Mother too. Paul at Minnie's. Pete working on combine. I cleaned up living room and ironed in eve. Annual Home Bureau meeting was in p.m.

Saturday, July 8, 1944. Partly cloudy, hot. Had good rain in town. Done Saturday work, washed. We went to town at 11:30, had my hair fixed. Pete had Federal L[and] Bank meeting. Allen to 4-H ball tournament in morn with CR and was late for his lesson. Paul and Ronnie at Mothers in p.m. Ronnie mowed lawn.

Sunday, July 9, 1944. Fair, hot. Went to church, Paul at Mother's. Were home for dinner. Went to annual church meeting. Paul at Mothers and boys at CR's. Earl K., Phils, Alvin M. and C.Rs here in eve, quartet practiced. Made a freezer of cream.

Monday, July 10, 1944. Fair, hot. Thundered and lighteninged in eve, sprinkled little. I washed and ironed. Pete combined Oscar's oats. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, July 11, 1944. Partly cloudy, hot. Pete to Chicago at 3:50. I took him to train. Boys done chores all except milking 2 heifers. CR done that. Boys and I picked beans, went to Mothers. We canned them for her, got 16 quarts. Pete home 6:50 train. He went to supper at Farm Bureau, came home with Ed Sharp. Allen to 4-H meeting.

Wednesday, July 12, 1944. Fair, much cooler. Rather windy. Dressed chicken, baked cake. Got things ready for supper. Made some brine for pickles. Went to school club picnic at Ed Miller's, quartet sang. Pete to town in p.m. got repair for combine. He combined a little at Roy's in eve.

Thursday, July 13, 1944. Fair, some warmer. Churned. Made pudding and washed for Paul. Mended in p.m. Pete combined 10 acres for Roy and started on CR's. Allen helped CR bale hay. Boys to community club in eve with CR's. We picked first ripe tomatoes.

Friday, July 14, 1944. Fair, warmer. Washed and ironed. Done cleaning. Pete finished CR's oats and Roy's. Worked rather late. Picked some ripe tomatoes.

Saturday, July 15, 1944. Fair, quite warm. Done Saturday work. Picked some beans for Dorothy. Mended some in p.m. Boys combining our oats, got done about 7:00. I helped

chore. We went to town in eve. Allen went in p.m. too with Pearl. Dot combed my hair at Mothers. Paul there while we went to town.

Sunday, July 16, 1944. Partly cloudy, nice breeze. We went to church. Paul at Mothers. Boys there after Sunday school. Mother to Dorothy's. We were home in p.m.

Monday, July 17, 1944. Partly cloudy. Sprinkled little in pm. I washed and ironed. Pete made fence in p.m. Gordon and Ray here in p.m. CR's to Mrs. Willis Hilton funeral in pm. Paul Thietjes transferred to St. Louis.

Tuesday, July 18, 1944. Fair, cooler in eve. Baked cookies, washed for Paul. Helped boys some to clean up backyard. Pete and Allen baling straw at CR's and baled some at Roy's. I went to Clara Broadbecks in eve. We made out programs for missionary society.

Wednesday, July 19, 1944. Fair, much colder. Rather windy from north. Washed, cleaned up house. Dressed two chickens. Pete and Allen bailing at Roy's. I went to town at 3:30, got Mother and Tekla and ice. Clarence Woizeski, Uncle Henrys, Dorothy and C.R's here for picnic supper. Mabel furnished part of supper. I made ice cream.

Thursday, July 20, 1944. Fair, cool. Baked pie. Picked nearly bucket of tomatoes. Got lima beans for dinner. John Meyers here for dinner and supper. He raked straw. Pete finished baling at Roy's at noon. Baled here in p.m. I mended in p.m. Allen was with 4-H in eve to detassel corn. We took John to town, stopped at Mother's awhile.

Friday, July 21, 1944. Fair, warmer. Washed everything. Done sweeping. We canned 17 pints lima beans in p.m. Boys helped me, they picked them. They finished baling our straw at noon.

Saturday, July 22, 1944. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 12:00. Allen took lesson at 12:30, detasseled corn in p.m. I went to Dot, she fixed my hair. Paul at Mothers. Ronnie with Allen to Mrs. Kemp, he's singing at recital.

Sunday, July 23, 1944. Partly cloudy, looked rainy at times. Sprinkled in night, lightninged and thundered. Pete took boys to Sunday School. We went to C.R's for dinner. Thietjes, Kampmeir's, Uncle Chas, Dot, Art Siegs, Mother and Tekla there. We went to have burger fry at Lake B. with Phil's. Johns M. here. Paul at Minnie's.

Monday, July 24, 1944. Fair, warm. Washed. Had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Pete put combine away and cut weeds in p.m. CR took boys to river in p.m., went fishing. Allen detasseled corn in eve. Paul rather fussy in eve.

Tuesday, July 25, 1944. Partly cloudy, had good rain in night, came so nice. I cleaned up house, washed for Paul. Got things ready for supper. Mended awhile in p.m. We went to picnic supper for nurses at Broadbecks. Pete baled hay at Roy's in p.m. Allen detasseled corn in eve.

Wednesday, July 26, 1944. Fair, rather windy in morn. Had good rain in eve. I took chickens to Neirstheimer in morn and took Mother to Dr. Deneen. Paul at Mabel's in morn. We went to missionary meeting at Martha Kaufman's in pm. Mabel took Paul along in there. Pete shelled corn in morn. He went to locker meeting in eve. Allen took his lesson, then we went to Mrs. Barnharts.

Thursday, July 27, 1944. Fair, cooler. Nice day. We picked lima beans, canned 10 pints and Pete took 7 pints to locker. I went to alumni meeting at Park in eve. Pete and boys went along.

Friday, July 28, 1944. Fair, nice day. Done cleaning & scrubbed. Washed & ironed. Eds here for dinner, then went to town. I had big day. We went to Roy's in eve, had ice cream. Hay bailers and combiners got together.

Saturday, July 29, 1944. Fair, nice day. We went to town at 10:00. Allen had recital in morn and Ronnie sang. Was pretty good. Paul at Mothers. Boys to show in p.m. I got new suit and got mattress for Paul's bed. Phil's, Earls and us to Peoria at 6:30. Went to Pere Marquette Hotel for dinner. Went to show, had flat tire coming home. Was 11:30 when we got home. Boys at Minnie's.

Sunday, July 30, 1944. Nice day. We went to Eds for dinner. Dorothy went along. Noah's were there too, had nice day. Allen and Ronnie stayed. We took Dot home, stopped at Mother's awhile. Dorothy got us a lunch at the Cupboard. Had nice birthday.

Monday, July 31, 1944. Fair, quite warm. We sure miss the boys. I washed and ironed. Dressed chicken and got things ready for supper. Went to picnic at Miller Park, Friendship Circle. Pete cut weeds. We took Paul along to park.

Tuesday, August 1, 1944. Fair, hot. Cleaned up house and washed for Paul. Mabel and I went to Mrs. Coolidge funeral. Boys unloading phosphate. Helen Heck had her tonsils out.

Wednesday, August 2, 1944. Fair, hot and humid. Washed for Paul. Canned 4 quarts transparent apples in morn. Done mending in p.m. Boys finished unloading phosphate in morn. Pete put new grates in range in pm and cut weeds. Earl and Marie K. here in eve. Picked bucket full of lima beans.

Thursday, August 3, 1944. Fair, hot. Done usual work. Washed. We went to town at 12:30. I had permanent in pm. Pete up town. Tekla kept Paul. Mother didn't feel so good in p.m. We stopped to see Helen H., took her some glads. Pete ground feed in morn.

Friday, August 4, 1944. Partly cloudy and some scattered showers. Little cooler in eve. Done sweeping, washed and ironed. Scrubbed kitchen and canned 3 1/2 quarts tomatoes. Pete cut weeds. Mr. Hoover, Rev. Beachy and Lloyd Gundy here in eve, building committee for church. I mended some in eve.

Saturday, August 5, 1944. Fair, little cooler. I baked cake and washed for Paul. We went to town at 12:30, Paul at Mothers. Pete had Federal Land Bank meeting. We went to town in eve. Nurses alumni had ice cream social at Grace M.E church. Pete and I helped, done pretty good. Paul at CR's.

Sunday, August 6, 1944. Fair, cooler. Good breeze from north. We went to church, took Paul along. Eds to church. They brot boys home, glad to see them again. Eds to Broadbecks for dinner, stopped here on way home. We were home for dinner. Took some pictures in p.m. Phils here in eve. Boys went to town, got watermelon. Minnie here in eve, brought flowers and lunch cloth.

Monday, August 7, 1944. Fair and cool. Washed and ironed, had a big one. Pete and boys cut weeds in corn. Paul rather fussy. We took youngsters to 4-H meeting at Bramwells and went to Ruth Denzers and Elkins about Red Cross.

Tuesday, August 8, 1944. Fair, some warmer. Marie K. here in morn, got lima beans. Pete to Saybrook with locker board. Ronnie to Mothers, mowed lawn etc. Allen to CR's in p.m. I canned 4 pints beets and pickled 6 quarts. Washed for Paul and cleaned up house.

Wednesday, August 9, 1944. Fair, quite warm. Washed for Paul. Canned 7 quarts tomatoes and mended. Pete cut weeds.

Thursday, August 10, 1944. Fair, hot. We canned 34 pints corn. Pete to Saybrook at noon. We went to conference at Washington in eve. Ronnie and Paul at Minnie's, Allen with us. Eds there too. J.E.Hartzler preached.

Friday, August 11, 1944. Fair, hot. Windy and dusty. Cleaned up house, scrubbed in eve, washed and ironed. Canned 8 quarts tomatoes. Pete helped put up tents at 4-H fair.

Saturday, August 12, 1944. Fair, hot. We picked lima beans, canned 7 quarts. We went to town in eve. Paul at Mothers.

Sunday, August 13, 1944. Fair, hot. We went to church, ate lunch in town. Came home awhile, went to Mildred Sharp's wedding at church. Mabel went along. Allen and Paul at CR's. We took boys to church in eve, had pictures. We went to Alvin Mohr's awhile.

Monday, August 14, 1944. Fair, hot. Washed, done ironing after supper. Canned 10 quarts tomatoes. Pete had locker meeting in eve. Thundered and lightnined in eve and night. Pete took Allen's sheep to fair. Allen stayed all night at fair ground.

Tuesday, August 15, 1944. Fair, not quite so hot. We went to town at 8:30. Paul at Mothers. Allen showed his lambs. We came home after dinner. I fixed sweet pickles, cleaned up kitchen. Pete and boys went in eve. I went to Dots, had hair fixed.

Wednesday, August 16, 1944. Fair, sultry and hot. I washed. Allen to fair with CR's at 7:30. Ronnie went with Pearl at 9:00. We went after dinner. I helped in cook tent. Pete home to do chores. Paul at Minnie's. Pete got him after he was done. Boys and I home with CR's.

Thursday, August 17, 1944. Had good rain in morn. Showered during day. I washed, canned 10 quarts tomatoes. We went to fair in eve. Paul at Mothers. Pete to town in p.m., got lambs and Gordon's calf. Much cooler. Got lima beans ready for locker, 4 quarts.

Friday, August 18, 1944. Fair, cool. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Washed and ironed, had big one. Pete cut some weeds. Earl and Marie K. came in eve, got Paul. Dressed 2 chickens to take along to Chicago.

August 19, 1944. Saturday, fine day, cool. We left at 8:00 for Chicago. Paul slept good. Got to Chicago about noon. Phil's went along to *Krietze* (sp?). We shopped in p.m. Went to Shorecrest Hotel at 5:00, had supper in Marie's apt. I slept with her. Pete and boys on 6th floor. Went to show in eve.

Sunday, August 20, 1944. Nice day, warmer. We went for walk to Lincoln Park in morn. Went to Museum of Science in p.m., very interesting. Went on picnic to Park in eve. had fried chicken etc. Went to see Rufus Ropp in eve. Minnie there too, had nice visit.

Monday, August 21, 1944. Nice day in Chicago, rained some here. Boys and I went shopping in morn. Went to show in p.m. Pete to locker meeting. We met Phils at 6:00, ate supper out of Joliet. Was 11:00 when we got to Earl's. Paul was O.K. was glad to see him. Was late getting to bed.

Tuesday, August 22, 1944. Fair, nice day. Washed and canned tomatoes in p.m. Done ironing after supper. Pete to meeting at church for men.

Wednesday, August 23, 1944. Fair. Canned 2 quarts mixed pickles. Cleaned up house etc. Busy all day. Pete and boys cutting some weeds.

Thursday August 24, 1944. Fair. Canned some tomatoes. Picked some lima beans and podded them. Mended some in p.m. Pete and boys cut weeds out of beans. We went to Mother's awhile in eve. I gave her hypo (*Reticulogen* sp?).

Friday, August 25, 1944. Fair, colder. Cleaned up house. Washed and ironed. Pete baled hay at CR's. We went to fish fry at Fell Park in eve. Locker Board had lots of fish. Paul with Mother and Tekla.

Saturday, August 26, 1944. Rained off and on most of day. Done Saturday work, washed for Paul. We went to town in p.m. met 1:50 train. Marie home. Tekla gone to Chicago for 10 days. We were all at CR's for supper. Roy's there too.

Sunday, August 27, 1944. Rained in morn, cool. We went to church, got hamburgers and ate lunch at Mothers. Went to see Helen Heck and Johnson's in p.m. Went to Lawrence Mishler's in eve. Dwight Salzman and wife there. Paul and Ronnie at Mothers.

Monday, August 28, 1944. Misted in morn. Washed, dried Paul's things. Starched clothes inside, hung others out at noon. Done ironing in p.m. We went to Friendship Circle in eve at Eldon Rupps, had big crowd. Boys along. Paul at CR's. Laura Mohr went with us.

Tuesday, August 29, 1944. Fair, warmer. We went to town at 10:30, took Paul to Dr. Jones, weighs 14.4, is O.K. I washed in p.m. and washed windows. Ronnie cut Mother's lawn in morn. Allen with us. We went to Mothers in eve. CR's and Roy's there, had ice cream and cake. Pete to church awhile, helped tear down furnace.

Wednesday, August 30, 1944. Windy and showered in p.m. Had big rain in eve. Got ready for weiner roast, but had it inside. Louise K and children, Dorothy, Uncle Chas, Arts, Elmers, Uncle Pauls, C.R's and Mother here. Got along O.K. Had card tables. Louise and children stayed all night.

Thursday, August 31, 1944. Fair, cooler. Pete took Louise to town at 10:00. I washed everything, had big one. Cooked grapes for juice. Pete and I to school in pm, helped clean it. C.R took boys to circus. Paul at Minnie's. Made 24 glasses jelly and 2 quarts juice in eve. Done ironing after supper.

Friday, September 1, 1944. Fair, rather windy. Dusted up house and scrubbed. Mother came in morn. I washed for Paul. Pete bailing our clover hay. I went to town, met 1:50 train. Walker Ropp came. Paul at Pearl's and Marilyn while I went to town. Ronnie with Mother. CR's here in eve, had watermelon. Walker brought it. Mother here all night.

Saturday, September 2, 1944. Fair, warm. Got things ready for Ropp reunion. Was at Miller Park. Walker to CR's awhile in morn. Mother to reunion. We left at 3:00. Pete to meeting, boys and I to Mother's awhile. Done some shopping. Took Walker to interurban, he went to Minier. Gordon stayed with Mother. Canned 4 pints bread-and-butter pickles.

Sunday, September 3, 1944. Fair, quite warm. We went to church, ate dinner at Mothers in p.m. We all went to Herman *Gerlings* (sp?) their 50th wedding anniversary. Mother and Allen to Dorothy's in eve. Phil's here in eve. Drove to town, got some peaches. Allen stayed all night with Mother.

Monday, September 4, 1944. Nice day, cooler. Washed, had pretty big one. Pete to town after Mother and Allen. I ironed in p.m. Mother mended. I finished ironing in eve. Pete and Alan cut weeds in beans.

Tuesday, September 5, 1944. Partly cloudy, cool. We canned 17 quarts peaches. I canned 7 ½ quarts tomato juice. Pete took Mother to town at 4:30. Mrs. Baird back from Chicago. Eds came at 7:30. Boys and I took them to train, they left for K.C. Sorry I didn't go with them. Pete to meeting for men at church.

Wednesday, September 6, 1944. Rained early in morn, cleared off and cooler. Boys started to school. Pete laying forms for H2O tank. Earl Kaufman helped. Marie came along. I got dinner, mended some in pm. Marie sewed on machine, she's making a dress.

Thursday, September 7, 1944. Fair, cool. Washed everything. Fixed pickles in morn, pulled weeds in garden. Canned 4 pints bread-and-butter pickles in eve. Done ironing. Went to Phil's few minutes toward eve. Pete made concrete tank. He and Phil to soil conservation dinner at consistory. Lucy C., boys and I to Dots. She fixed my hair. Phil sick, they went home early.

Friday, September 8, 1944. Fair, cool. Cleaned up whole house. Washed for Paul. Scrubbed kitchen in eve. Canned 7 quarts tomato juice. Boys to Scotts in eve, caught pigeons, dressed two. Pete pulled pump from deep well.

Saturday, September 9, 1944. Fair, rather windy. Washed for Paul. Went to town at 11:15, took Mother to Dr. Deneen, she's doing O.K. Boys and I ate dinner at Mothers. Pete had Federal Land Bank meeting. Went shopping in p.m. Allen and I went to chaviri Mildred Sharp and husband, but they didn't show up. Pete had headache, he stayed with Paul. Ronnie at Mothers all night.

Sunday, September 10, 1944. Fair, rather warm in p.m. We went to church in morn, were home in p.m. Wrote letters.

Monday, September 11, 1944. Fair in morn. Rained shower in p.m. and rained all eve and part of night. Washed in morn. Took Mother to dentist in p.m. and took flowers to cemetery. Paul with Tekla. Pete helped Oscar with bean hay until it rained. I ironed awhile when I got home. Finished after supper. Pete to locker meeting.

Tuesday, September 12, 1944. Cloudy, showered in p.m. Sun shone some in eve. I washed for Paul. Canned 11 1/2 quarts tomato juice, cooked apples and made peach crisp for supper. Scrubbed kitchen in eve. Pete to Dr. Watkins for sinus treatment and went to Jersey sale at University farm.

Wednesday, September 13, 1944. Fair, rather cool. Pete to town. Met Eds at train. Mother and Tekla came along out. Eds stayed for dinner, left about 1:30. We canned 28 quarts peaches, 6 pints preserves and 11 1/2 quarts Italian prunes. Mother got half of prunes. We took them home in eve. Beachys got bushel of small lima beans.

Thursday, September 14, 1944. Fair, cool. Went to Home Bureau at Marion Otto's. Paul at Minnie's. Done sweeping when I got home. We went to community club weiner roast at Jake Mohr's. I made pie in morn.

Friday, September 15, 1944. Partly cloudy. I washed everything, canned 8 quarts tomato juice and 9 quarts peaches. Pete moved hog houses, and sows on pasture. School children gathering milkweed pods for penicillin (medicine).

Saturday, September 16, 1944. Partly cloudy, warm. Showered in eve. Washed for Paul, canned 4 quarts tomatoes and 3 pints peach preserves. Done Saturday work. Scrubbed etc. and done ironing. I went to town in eve. Allen went with Mabel in p.m. Pete helped CR in morn with foundation for barn. Baled hay at Roy's.

Sunday, September 17, 1944. Fair, quite warm. We went to church, were home for dinner. Pete and boys to Stutzmans to see about calf for Allen. Went to Phil's in eve, had weiner roast.

Monday, September 18, 1944. Fair, warm. Washed and ironed some. Got things ready for supper. Rufus Ropp here for supper, he went to CR's all night. I finished ironing in eve. Pete to meeting at church about furnace. He's trustee.

Tuesday, September 19, 1944. Fair, warm. Pete to town, got Mother, Tekla, Minnie Ropp and Clara Schad. We filled dryer with peaches. Made 12 & a half pints preserves and 4 pints peach butter. Had a big day. They went to town after supper with CR's. Rufus R. here for dinner. Pete helping CR pour concrete. Made 6 pints chile sauce.

Wednesday, September 20, 1944. Partly cloudy, rained in eve. I washed and cleaned up kitchen. I went to club meeting at Pearl's. Took Paul along. Boys with Pete. We went to Dorothy's in eve, took her bushel of peaches and 5 gallon tomatoes. She fixed my hair.

Thursday, September 21, 1944. Fair, cooler. I made 11 bottles catsup and canned 10 quarts peaches. Finished drying peaches. Got over 2 gallons, had a big day. Pete cleaned out henhouse and brooder house and hauled manure.

Friday, September 22, 1944. Fair, cloudy in eve, and showered. Done sweeping. Washed and ironed, cleaned up dryer. Made 6 pints peach marmalade. Another big day. Pete helped CR's pour concrete for his barn.

Saturday, September 23, 1944. Cloudy, showered and cool. Done Saturday work, washed for Paul. I went to town at noon. Boys practiced for promotion. Allen took his lesson. I was at Mother's awhile and mended some. Ronnie Paul and I went with C.R.'s. Mother and Tekla to Birclebaw's, got few apples. I made angel food cake in eve. Dressed chicken for Dorothy.

Sunday, September 24, 1944. Cloudy and chilly. Cleared off in p.m. Went to church, Sunday school promotions, Ronnie was promoted. Boys sang duet and in a quartet with Reeser boys. Mother and Tekla came along for dinner. Eds, Wills and Owen Kenagys came in pm. Was surprised. Billy's came at 5:00, brot ice. Had ice cream. They were here for supper. Paul fussy all day.

Monday, September 25, 1944. Fair, washed and ironed. Finished after supper. Pete to school directors meeting in eve. Paul feeling better. Pete hauled manure.

Tuesday, September 26, 1944. Fair, rather warm. Aired bedding and cleaned two bedrooms upstairs. Had big day. Went to Phil's in eve, boys practiced. Pete helped Oscar put up hay in p.m. Hauled manure in morn.

Wednesday, September 27, 1944. Partly cloudy, rained in eve and most of night. Cleaned the store room and hall and washed. Phylis Ann here in p.m. Pete and Phils to Jake Millers funeral. Went to Mother's awhile in eve to give her hypo.

Thursday September 28, 1944. Cloudy, windy and chilly. I cleaned the basement, washed for Paul. Got things ready for supper. Dressed chicken. Went to alumni guest night at co. farm. Boys at Minnie's. We had good supper and nice time.

Friday, September 29, 1944. Partly cloudy, rather windy. Cleaned the boys' bedrooms and washed. Had another big day. Made potato salad. I went to school club weiner roast at Scott Ijam's, rained when we got thru eating so we went to school for program. Left Paul at Scotts. He was asleep.

Saturday, September 30, 1944. Partly cloudy, cleaned up bedroom and living room. Done Saturday work. Washed for Paul. Pete and Allen to town in p.m. I cleaned stove to put in boys room. We went to weiner roast at Elmer Siegs, had nice time. Pete picked nearly 3 bushels of pears.

Sunday, October 1, 1944. Nice day, warm. We went to church, home for dinner. Boys to J. Miller's in pm. Wrote letters and read, enjoyed the day. C.Rs and Hicksons here few minutes in eve.

Monday, October 2, 1944. Rainy and misty. Just poured in eve and part of night. I washed, dried clothes in house. Done ironing. We went to Friendship Circle at Merle Eberts. Minnie here, kept Ronnie and Paul. Allen with us. Mother had another spell with her heart at 10:30 pm. They called us at Merles. Dr. Deneen out to see her. I stayed all night, she rested pretty well.

Tuesday, October 3, 1944. Cloudy, damp. Mother feeling better. CR to town after me, got home at 9:00. Took care of Paul, washed for him. Cleaned up the storeroom off the kitchen in p.m. Ray here. Pete and C.R working on combine. Mabel to town. We went to Farm Bureau drive supper at Masonic temple. Boys at Minnie's. We paid her for 2 nights.

Wednesday, October 4, 1944. Mostly cloudy, warm. Made pie and washed for Paul. Cleaned pantry and little kitchen in p.m. Pete on Farm Bureau drive in morn. Fixed Schoops windmill in pm. Allen helped Gordon with their chores. CRs in Chicago with Ijams. Gordon here for breakfast.

Thursday, October 5, 1944. Cleared off at noon, washed for Paul. Cleaned our bedroom and closets in living room. Made potato salad for locker weiner roast, was at Herb Schroeder's. Had nice time. Took Paul along. Pete on F.B. drive in morn. Ground feed in pm.

Friday, October 6, 1944. Nice day, warm. Washed and cleaned living room. Went to Billy's for dinner at their new home at 213 Leland St. Eds there too. Were home at 3:30, washed off living room. Pete put linoleum flooring down around rug. Had a big day.

Saturday, October 7, 1944. Fair, rather windy. Cooler. Done Saturday work. Dressed chicken for Mother. Washed for Paul. Went to town at 12:30, signed deed for Gridley house. Pete had Federal Land Bank meeting. I done some shopping, finished straightening up living room in eve and I done ironing.

Sunday, October 8, 1944. Cloudy, misty in pm and real chilly. Went to church. Mrs. E[ldon] Rupp and Mabel Nafzinger here awhile in pm. [to] see about boys singing for church program. Dorothy and Uncle Chas here in pm. She fixed my hair. They were here for supper. Mother not feeling so good with her abdomen. Paul rather fussy.

Monday, October 9, 1944. Fair in morn, chilly. Cloudy in p.m. I washed. Pete and I to dentist at 1:00, got home at 3:30. I went to school a while, had little party for teachers birthday. Done ironing after supper. Another big day. Paul has a cold. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Tuesday, October 10, 1944. Cloudy, cold. Cleaned coat room and kitchen. Lucy C. here in morn. Another big day. I felt rather tough with sinus headache. Went to McLean Co. health unit executive meeting. I'm V.Pres. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau. Allen to 4-H weiner roast. Ronnie and Paul at Mabels. Pete dug sweet potatoes, 7 1/2 bushels.

Wednesday, October 11, 1944. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Washed and put up curtains in kitchen. Went to club meeting at Forrest Park, losers entertained winners. I was winner. Had chile and pumpkin pie. Went thru State Farm in p.m. Boys along. Paul at Minnie's. Pete put picker on tractor. Earl, Phil and C.R here in eve to practice.

Thursday, October 12, 1944. Nice day, warmer. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Arthur Anderson's. Paul at Lucy Catherine's. Boys started in combining beans at CR's. Allen, Ronnie and I went to Community Club at Pickett. Boys on program. Pete had headache all day. He kept Paul in eve.

Friday, October 13, 1944. Nice day, warm. Done sweeping and waxed floor in living room. Also furniture. Washed. Boys combining. We went to church in eve. Pete CR, Phil and Earl sang. Allen and Ronnie sang with Rieser boys. Normal missionary society had birthday program. Paul at Mabel's. Marie came home.

Saturday, October 14, 1944. Nice day, little cooler. Done Saturday work. Washed for Paul. Allen and I and Paul to town in p.m. Boys combining our beans.

Sunday, October 15, 1944. Fine day. Went to church. Were at Mother's for dinner. CR's home right after dinner. We took Mother, Marie and Tekla for ride. Went to Earl K. in eve to weiner roast. Paul at Minnie's.

Monday, October 16, 1944. Fine day. Washed and done ironing. Boys combining. Pete working on picker some. Norman Brodbeck died suddenly at 6:00 pm. Sure is a shock.

Tuesday, October 17, 1944. Nice day. Boys finished combining our beans, one field made 28 bushels, last field 18 bushels. I canned 8 quarts pears and 4 pints marmalade. We went to funeral home in eve to see Norman B.

Wednesday, October 18, 1944. Fine day, quite warm. Washed and cleaned up house in morn. Went to Norman Brodbeck's funeral in pm. I went to Cemetery with CR's. Pete home to combine. Paul at Mothers. Edgar G. home on furlough.

Thursday, October 19, 1944. Nice day, warm. Mabel and I went to Mothers. Cleaned bedrooms and hall and worked some in attic. I done sweeping in eve. Boys combining at CR's. Pete worked on picker too. Finished in p.m., started on Roy's

Friday, October 20, 1944. Fine day. Washed everything and canned 9 quarts pears. Ironed in eve and scrubbed kitchen. Mellie Hastings died in morn, had heart attack. Boys combining at Roy's. Pete shucked some. He had Farm Bureau Bank meeting in eve (corn for hogs).

Saturday, October 21, 1944. Fair, cooler in p.m. Made pie and washed for Paul. Boys and I to town at 12:30. Allen took lesson. I had hair fixed. Boys keep Paul at Mothers awhile. She and Tekla went to C.R's. Boys got along O.K. Pete started shucking at Roy's.

Sunday, October 22, 1944. Lovely day. Went to church and to Minier to Kampmeier's for dinner, all furnished some food. Edgar G. there, had nice time. Siegs family there too. We went to Phil's awhile in eve.

Monday, October 23, 1944. Nice day. I washed. Went to Mellie Hastings funeral in p.m. Pete was pallbearer. He shucked corn at Roy's in morn. Allen and I dug gladiola bulbs in truck patch. Ray here in eve. CR's to town.

Tuesday, October 24, 1944. Nice day. I done ironing, cleaned up house. Mended some. Pete at Roy's shucking.

Wednesday October 25, 1944. Nice day. Rather windy. Done washing for Paul. Scrubbed kitchen. Pete at Roy's. CR finished combining beans at Oscars. I went to missionary meeting at Edith Millers with Pearl. Dressed chicken in eve and churned.

Thursday, October 26, 1944. Nice day. Done sweeping. Baked angel food [cake]. Got things ready for company. I went to town at 4:30, got Edgars, Mother and Mrs. Gurtner.

They were here for supper. Had nice time. Made ice cream. Pete shucking corn at home in morn. Baled bean straw in p.m.

Friday, October 27, 1944. Fair, rather chilly in morn. Washed. Got things ready for dinner. Roy's man here for dinner. Pete shucked in morn, got bales in barn in p.m. I mended some and done ironing. Pete to choir practice in eve. LeRoys and Sylva here awhile at 9:30. Slyva came with Hugh.

Saturday, October 28, 1944. Nice day. Warmer in p.m. Done Saturday work. Washed for Paul. Got things ready for dinner, had man. Pete shucking for us. Allen, Paul and I to town in p.m. Mabel and I picked out dress for Mother.

Sunday, October 29, 1944. Fine day, cooler. Went to church and went on a picnic to Funks Grove with Roys, C.R's, Mother and Tekla. We stopped at Uncle Chas on way home, also at Edgar's. He left at 7:30 for camp.

Monday, October 30, 1944. Fair. Rather cloudy in eve. I washed, ironed in p.m. Had man for dinner. Pete shucking corn. We went to Friendship Circle in eve, had weiner roast at Fell Park, then went to Sam Sommers, had nice time. Phils went with us. Paul at C.R's.

Tuesday, October 31, 1944. Fair, real warm in p.m. Mabel and I to town. I took Mother to Dr. in morn. Mabel and I to Aunt Mahltig funeral at 2:00, then we took Mother to dentist and then out to Mahltigs home for few minutes. Pete finished shucking our corn in p.m. I fixed dinner for men.

Wednesday, November 1, 1944. Fair, warm. Windy. Boys home, teacher has visiting day. Cleaned up house, scrubbed in washed. Mended awhile in p.m. Pete shucking at CR's. I went to McLean Co. Health Council executive meeting. Dr. Beeyl elected Pres. Allen and Ronnie to show at Normal (Dr. Wassel).

Thursday, November 2, 1944. Fair, warm. Real windy. I washed dishes in cupboard and cleaned cabinet and polish silverware. Pete shucking corn.

Friday, November 3, 1944. Done cleaning, washed, dried clothes in house. Mended in p.m. Pete shucking corn at CR's in morn. Showered most of morn in p.m. Pete to Farm Land Bank meeting in p.m. and to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, November 4, 1944. Fair, much cooler. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town in p.m. went to Dorothy's. She fixed my hair. Pete finished shucking corn at CR's.

Sunday, November 5, 1944. Nice day, quite chilly. Went to church in morn. Ate in town and went to Vincent's awhile. Then to Rev. Beechy's, they had open house. Stopped at LeRoys, got *alvo.*(sp?) in car.

Monday, November 6, 1944. Cloudy, showered off and on most of day. I washed, dried clothes inside. Hung overalls and towels out awhile. Ironed in p.m. Pete shucking at Roy's. Was real chilly and damp.

Tuesday, November 7, 1944. Partly cloudy and windy and warm. Cleaned up house, scrubbed and mended a while. Pete shucking at Roy's. We went to vote just before noon. Roosevelt was elected for 4th term. Dewey defeated. Pete and Allen to men's meeting in eve.

Wednesday, November 8, 1944. Cloudy, misted some. Pete finished shucking corn at Roy's in morn and shucked for Oscar in p.m. Sure glad he's done. I washed and I baked cookies for soldiers and baked pie. Mother came out in morn with CR. We went to club meeting at Mrs. Acks (sp?). I took Mother home in eve.

Thursday, November 9, 1944. Cloudy, misted and chilly. I went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Davidson, Mother there in p.m. with Miss. Brian. Paul at Minnie's. Pete and CR put combine and dump away and took picker off tractor. We went to community club at Garfield. Boys saying in trio and with school, and Ronnie sang solo. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Friday, November 10, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. Washed clothes, dried some outside. Cleaned living room and kitchen and ironed. Pete had gilts blood tested and he took out some fence. He went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, November 11, 1944. Mostly cloudy. We went to town at noon. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's awhile in p.m. I got new shoes and hat. I washed for Paul in morn.

Sunday, November 12, 1944. Nice day. Went to church, had communion and we ate lunch in town. Stopped at home and fed Paul. Left at 3:00. Went to Shorty Schertz's, took Rays along. Allen stayed home alone, he didn't want to go. He done most of chores.

Monday, November 13, 1944. Fair, warm. Rather windy. I washed. Boys had no school, teacher ill. Pete and boys raked yard. I helped in p.m. We got done at 6 p.m. Pete to locker meeting. I went to health *committee* (sp?). Minnie here with boys. Rained some in night.

Tuesday, November 14, 1944. Fair, warm. I done ironing and cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete hauled manure. He had board meeting at church in eve. Washed windows.

Wednesday, November 15, 1944. Cloudy, colder. Windy and misted some. I washed for Paul. We took Paul to Dr. Jones at 11:15, then he and I went to Mothers. Pete to George Clark's funeral at Downs. We done some shopping after he got back to town.

Thursday, November 16, 1944. Cloudy, rather chilly. Cleaned up house. Got things ready for supper. Phil's here for supper. Pete filled old cistern with dirt.

Friday, November 17, 1944. Fair, chilly. Cloudy in eve. Washed and ironed. Done sweeping, fixed up flower pots. Pete to Red Cross meeting. Sold 8 live geese to Neirstheimers. Pete to choir practice. Boys and I to Dorothy's, she fixed my hair.

Saturday, November 18, 1944. Gloomy, chilly. Done Saturday work. Washed for Paul. Boys and I to town at 1:00. Allen took his lesson and they went to Sunday school party at church. Pete to Mackinaw in morn, got hog. He ground feed and plowed truck patch in pm.

Sunday, November 19, 1944. Friday, rained in eve and few snowflakes. Billy's, Dorothy and we went to Edds. We drove, had a big dinner and good time. Billys and Dorothy here for supper.

Monday, November 20, 1944. Fair, chilly. Cloudy in eve. Washed and ironed. Pete went with locker board south of Decatur to see slaughter plants. We went to Carlock in eve to hear E. Hartzler. He showed pictures of Palestine. Paul at Minnie's,

Tuesday, November 21, 1944. Cloudy, sleeted and misted some in p.m. We dressed four geese and three chickens in morn. Pete plowed in p.m. I washed windows, cleaned out basement and done odd jobs and churned.

Wednesday, November 22, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. Washed. Cleaned up house & scrubbed. Made salad and got things ready for company. Pete went to town in morn and he spread phosphate in p.m. and done some odd jobs. Earl and Marie K. here in eve, got pumpkins and squash. Marie came home on 9:00 train.

Thursday, November 23, 1944. Few snow flurries early in morn. Mostly cloudy, quite chilly. Mother, Marie, Roy's, CR's, Aunt Martha and Barbara Stalter here for dinner. Had goose. Minnie came down in morn to help me with dinner. Marie and Mother here for lunch. Marie left at 7:18. Mabel stayed with Mother. Tekla in Chicago.
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Friday, November 24, 1944. Cloudy, real chilly. I washed, had a big one, clothes froze some, finished drying them in house. Done ironing and cleaned and scrubbed kitchen. Lucy C. and Marie here while boys went to choir practice. Harold and Helen here when boys got home. C.R and Gordon here for supper, Mabel in town. Pete to choir practice. Allen took his lesson.

Saturday, November 25, 1944. Cloudy, Misting. Chilly. Washed for Paul. I went to town at 11:30. I went to Mothers, Mabel home. Pete and boys uptown. Ronnie and I stayed all night also Paul. Paul has some cold. Harold and Helen married at 4:30 at Lillie Hecks.

Sunday, November 26, 1944. Cloudy, misty. Pete and Ray to church. We all ate at Mothers. Boys went to show in p.m. I came home with Pete, got clothes. We all went to Art Sieg's for supper. We women went early. Paul and I stayed at Mother's in eve.

Monday, November 27, 1944. Cloudy and real chilly. Misty. I done my washing at Mothers. Pete came in p.m., Tekla got home. We got home at 5:30, went to Friendship Circle in eve at Carl Ummels. Lucy C. put in for pres. We packed boxes. Minnie here with boys.

Tuesday, November 28, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. Done ironing in morn. I took Pete to train at 3:30, he went to Chicago to I. A.A meeting. I went to Peoria in p.m. with C. R.'s. Paul at Minnie's. Allen and Ronnie done chores.

Wednesday, November 29, 1944. Snow flurries. Colder. Washed few things for Paul. Cleaned up house, went to Ed Miller's at 11:30 to missionary society. Had all day meeting. Boys done chores. We went after Pete. He came home on 6:50, glad to have him home. We stopped at Mother's awhile.

Thursday, November 30, 1944. Windy, snowed. Cold. I washed, had a big one. Done ironing. Cleaned up bedrooms. Pete to dentist at 9:30, took Mother too and she went to Dr. Deneen. I went to alumni meeting in eve at Mrs. Butler's. Winifred Maxwell along. Pete home with boys. Allen at CR's helping with chores. He's in Chicago.

Friday, December 1, 1944. Partly cloudy, cold. I went to account meeting. Pete there too in p.m. We shopped some after meeting. Paul at Laura's. Ray there too. We went to Farm and Home Bureau chile supper in eve, took Paul along as Minnie was there too. C.R's went with us, had big crowd. Had election of Red Cross officers too. Pete got out of chairmen.

Saturday, December 2, 1944. Fair, cold. 15° above. Done Saturday work, washed and went to town in p.m. Ronnie with Allen to take lesson, getting ready for Christmas. Pete put on some of storm windows. Paul at Minnie's.

Sunday, December 3, 1944. Fair, chilly, south wind. Cloudy in eve. Went to church, were home for dinner. Was late. Pete had board meeting.

Monday, December 4, 1944. Cloudy, windy, chilly. Washed, dried most of clothes outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete had locker meeting all day.

Tuesday, December 5, 1944. Rather icy in morn. Rained most of day, snowed little in eve. We went to town. Paul at Mabel's in morn, she took him to town in p.m. We had his picture taken. Pete to directors meeting in Hudson at 3:00. I came home with Mabel. Ronnie at Julius Millers all night. Pete and Allen to men's meeting at church.

Wednesday, December 6, 1944. Mostly cloudy. Mother and Tekla here, made fruit cakes and suet pudding. I shortened my new dress and done little mending. Pete ground

feed. Allen at CR's all night, he helped with chores. CR in Chicago. Pete took Mother and Tekla home in eve.

Thursday, December 7, 1944. Cloudy & misted some. I washed, dried clothes inside and cleaned up bedrooms. Pete done chores, has had cold so took it kinda easy.

Friday, December 8, 1944. Cloudy, colder. We went to town, done shopping and such crowds. Paul at Minnie's. Grandma had slight nose bleed.

Saturday, December 9, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. Cleaned out living room, kitchen and washed for Paul. Mother had hemorrhage of nose in morn. Boys went in at 9:00, took her to hospital. Lost quite a lot of blood and is weak. Boys and I to town at 11:30, had hair fixed and was at hospital part of afternoon. Pete had Federal Land Bank meeting. Paul at Tekla's.

Sunday, December 10, 1944. Ground covered with snow and snowed most of day. I was sick, something like flu- hardly able to be up, felt better in eve. Mother feeling better. Pete went with Earl Kaufman in eve to supper for Unitarian men, had guest speaker, then he went to hospital to see Mother.

Monday, December 11, 1944. Cloudy, snowed some and windy. I still don't feel very good. Washed out some things for Paul. Wrapped some gifts in p.m. Pete to locker meeting at noon and went to hospital. Mother feeling some better. East and west roads drifted some.

Tuesday, December 12, 1944. Cloudy, cold. We washed. Pete helped me, dried clothes inside, hung few things out, but didn't dry. Allen and I ironed few things in eve and stirred up cookies. Pete to hospital. Mother had a little nosebleed and not feeling so good. Boys had no school, teacher sick. I feel better.

Wednesday, December 13, 1944. Cleared off, cold. Finished ironing in morn and baked cookies. Boys and I to club meeting at Mrs. Alex Alwes. Allen played piano. Teacher sick yet. Paul home with Pete. We went to hospital in eve. Boys at C.R's. Mother had nose bleed at 4:00, not feeling very good. Pete had meeting for men's group.

Thursday, December 14, 1944. Clear, cold, zero. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Lawrence. Pete to Saybrook with locker board. Boys went with him, no school. They stopped at hospital. Paul at Minnie's. Mother about same. Allen and Ronnie to community club at Pickett with C.R's. Allen played. I made popcorn balls and cleaned up bedroom in eve.

Friday, December 15, 1944. Fair, warmer. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Washed and ironed. Pete to town, Mother some better. Pete to choir practice. I went to health council committee meeting at Rogers Hotel. Philips went with Pete. Minnie stayed with boys.

Saturday, December 16, 1944. Fair, windy, cold. We went to town in morn, stopped at hospital in morn & again in p.m. Mother feeling better. Paul at Tekla's. Phils came in eve.

Sunday, December 17, 1944. Fair, cold. We took Mother home from hospital in morn. So nice to have her home again. We went to church. We were home in p.m. addressed Christmas cards. Pete and Phil to choir practice in eve. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here.

Monday, December 18, 1944. Partly cloudy, cold. Washed, hung some of clothes outside and didn't dry very good. Done ironing. Pete worked around home. Boys had school. Wrote letters and Christmas cards in eve.

Tuesday, December 19, 1944. Cloudy, some warmer. Done usual work in morn. Made orange cookies and swede cookies in p.m. Pete to town in morn. He and CR cleaned out bull's stall in p.m. Eds here few minutes towards eve. We put up Christmas tree in eve and finished addressing cards. Mother feeling pretty good.

Wednesday, December 20, 1944. Fair, warmer. Thawing. Cleaned up house, scrubbed and made fudge. Went to town in p.m. turned in home account book and done some shopping. Took boxes of fruitcake, candy and cookies to Dorothy and Helen Heck P. for Edgar and Harold. Paul at Minnie's.

Thursday, December 21, 1944. Fair, colder. Windy. Washed and dressed 3 geese and 2 chickens. Sure was cold. Made divinity. Pete took 2 geese to Ed Miller's and the other is for Mother. Went to school in eve, had Christmas program. Minnie went along, so we took Paul. He was pretty good.

Friday, December 22, 1944. Fair, cold 3° above. Done sweeping. Went to town in p.m. had hair fixed. Paul at Mother's while Pete got groceries. Pete to choir practice in eve. Dorothy left for Washington D.C to see Edgar. Helen P. went to Ark. to see Harold. I wrapped Christmas gifts.

Saturday, December 23, 1944. Fair, cold. Done Saturday work, washed and ironed. We went to town in eve. Pete and boys went to meet Marie on the 9:00 train. We ate lunch when Marie got there. Allen broke off one of his front teeth fell on ice.

Sunday, December 24, 1944. Cloudy, misted little. Went to church and to Roy's for dinner and supper. Had gift exchange. Mother, Marie, Tekla and C.R's there too. Pete and I to church in eve. Choir gave Christmas program. Boys at Roys. George Schertz died.

Monday, December 25, 1944. Cloudy, snowed most of morn. We went to Mother's for dinner and supper, had goose. C.R's, Uncle Chas and Clarence there too. We had our gift exchange, had nice time. We came home in good time. Pete and I went to Schertz's awhile in eve. Boys with Minnie. Colder in eve.

Tuesday, December 26, 1944. Fair, cold. 8°-12° above. Washed, dried clothes inside. Got ready in pm for company. Pete to town in pm. Roys and C.Rs here for supper.

Wednesday, December 27, 1944. Cloudy, real chilly. I ironed in morn. Finished in eve. Pete and I to George Schertz's funeral. We went to Rays H. in eve, sure had nice time, roast turkey, etc. Snowed and misted. Minnie here with boys in eve some.

Thursday, December 28, 1944. Mostly cloudy, cold. Mailed package to Mary and Paul's pictures, wrote to Ida. Baked cookies & made candy. Pete and boys went hunting awhile and went to Claudons at Chenoa in pm to see about 4-H calf. Pete, Ronnie and I to John Schertz's in eve to locker board oyster supper. Allen to 4-H party. Paul at CR's.

Friday, December 29, 1944. Cloudy, chilly. Done sweeping, washed and ironed. Pete has bad cold. He worked on income tax. Cleaned up kitchen in eve.

Saturday, December 30, 1944. Cloudy, froze some ice. We went to town at 10:30. I went to dentist, Allen too. Pete about sick with cold. He went to Dr. Watkin's. I took mother to hairdresser. Paul and Ronnie at Mothers most of day.

Sunday, December 31, 1944. Cloudy, much colder in eve. Pete and boys to church in morn. Paul and I have some cold. We went to CR's for dinner, Scott I[jams], Clara Schad and Nina Ropp, Mother and Tekla there. We went to watch night services at church. Had program and refreshments. Paul at Minnie's.

Monday, January 1, 1945. Clear, cold near zero and windy from west. Hard to keep house warm. Eds, Billys, Mother and Tekla here, had goose. They all stayed for supper except Eds. I was sick in night, bowels were bad and sick at my stomach.

Tuesday, January 2, 1945. Fair, 6° below, cloudy in eve. Boys back to school. I laid around most of day, wasn't able to be up until nearly noon. Pete and I washed some for Paul. He worked some on books.

Wednesday, January 3, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warmer. Pete and I washed. I felt much better in p.m. hung some towels etc. outside, they dried some. Done ironing in eve. Pete to town to figure income tax, had to pay \$479.

Thursday, January 4, 1945. Partly cloudy, colder. I cleaned up house and put clothes away. Got things ready for supper. Rev. Beachy's here, also Vera's sister, had nice time.

Friday, January 5, 1945. Cloudy, windy from east, cold. Done sweeping and washed and churned. Pete put cover on tank. Pete to choir practice. I wrote Aunt Tena.

Saturday, January 6, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work and mended some. Uncle Chas and Dorothy here for waffle supper. Gordon and Ray here too. Uncle Chas had car trouble so was late when they got here. Pete and boys to town in p.m.

Sunday, January 7, 1945. Cloudy, warmer. We went to church. Pete was Sunday school superintendent. Went to Ed Sharp's for dinner, had nice time. Mother and Tekla to Minier to Louise, went with Uncle Chas and Dorothy. Wrote letters in eve.

Monday, January 8, 1945. Cloudy, snowed some in p.m. much colder in eve. Washed, dried clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to locker meeting. Pete to Master's club meeting and supper. He talked on health unit. I went to health council board meeting. Boys at C.R's. Windy and cold.

Tuesday, January 9, 1945. Fair, cold, 5° below. Warmed up some. I put clothes away, took Christmas tree down and cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen. Washed my hair. Pete chored and worked on tank heater. He went to men's meeting at church. Boys and I to Dorothy's, she fixed my hair.

Wednesday, January 10, 1945. Fair, cold-- 6-8° above. I went to town at 10:00, Mabel and Mrs. Oertwig along. They went to Mrs. Allen to club meeting. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen, she's pretty good. She and I went to meeting at noon, served for Red Cross. Dr. Bleye was speaker. Paul at home with Pete and boys. Pete ground feed.

Thursday, January 11, 1945. Fair, warmer, but chilly, south wind. Pete and I to town at 10:30 done some shopping and went to Farm Bureau banquet at consistory. Stopped at Mothers. I gave her hypo (*Reticulogen*). Paul at Minnie's. Postponed community club, road drifted some at Ijams.

Friday, January 12, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warmer. Thawed some. Washed and done sweeping and cleaned up kitchen and scrubbed porch. Lucy C. and Phyllis Ann here in eve. Pete and Phil to choir practice. Pete put storm windows on our bedroom.

Saturday, January 13, 1945. Cloudy and sawed. Snowed in eve. Baked pies for *Acks* (sp?) sale. School club had lunch stand. Pete and boys to sale while. Pete got manure spreader. I baked pie shell and coffee cake. We went to town at 2:00. Allen at home, didn't take lesson. Mrs. K. not home. Paul at Mothers.

Sunday, January 14, 1945. Cloudy, fine he in p.m. We went to church in morn, were home in p.m. Wrote some letters. Pete and boys went hunting a while in p.m.

Monday, January 15, 1945. Cloudy, snowed some, rather windy. Pete turned in farm account book. He and CR settled up with Mother. I went to Mothers and made soap. We and CR there for dinner. We took Paul to Dr. Jones in p.m. for whooping cough vaccine. Boys had no school in p.m. teacher had something else to do. Boys at CR's.

Tuesday, January 16, 1944. Cloudy, not so cold. Washed and ironed. Pete hauled some manure. Ronnie home from school, has a cold.

Wednesday, January 17, 1945. Cloudy, cleaned up house and got things ready for supper. Earl and Marie Kaufman here. Pete hauled manure. He got some acid in his eye from car battery, called Dr. Gailey, irrigated his eye and put Vaseline in and bandaged it. Ronnie better, went to school.

Thursday, January 18, 1945. Partly cloudy, thawed some. I washed in morn. Went to town in p.m. gave Mother (Reticulogen). Pete went to Dr. Gailey, his eye is O.K. Pete to Lawrence Mishler's, he sold Lawrence the manure spreader he got at Ack's sale. Is getting a new one.

Friday, January 19, 1945. Cloudy. I went to Home Bureau at Farm Bureau. Pete to hospital meeting at church. Paul at Mothers in morn. I got she and Paul after dinner, they went to meeting too. We pulled CR's car to town in morn, wouldn't start. Edgar home for a few days. He stopped at Mothers at 4:00 so we saw him. He talked on radio. Pete to choir practice.

Saturday, January 20, 1945. Fair, thawed quite a lot. Done Saturday work, and cleaned up living room. Allen and I to town in p.m. Paul has more cold. He stayed with Pete and Ronnie. Edgar left for camp. Harold Patton left camp for over seas.

Sunday, January 21, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. We went to Eureka to Owen Kenagys. Alvin Kenagy and his wife there from Oregon. Had basket dinner, Edd's there too. Had nice time. Stopped at Phils on way home. They insisted I stay there. Phil came home with Pete and boys to chore. Ate lunch there. Paul didn't sleep good after 2 a.m. Snowed in night.

Monday, January 22, 1945. Cloudy, everything full of snow. Washed and ironed. Paul slept late in morn and was pretty good most of day. Pete helped CR butcher beef.

Tuesday, January 23, 1945. Mostly cloudy, thawed some. Windy. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Went to town in p.m. had my hair fixed. Paul home with Pete. Pete and I to Roy's in eve, had celebration for Ray's and Roy's anniversaries. Had two meals, ate again after midnight. Got home at 2:30 Wed morn. Minnie here with boys.

Wednesday, January 24, 1945. Fair, thawed some. Was pretty tired and sleepy. Got some beef from CR's. I made 16 quarts chili and 4 quarts soup in p.m. Kept me busy. Pete to town in p.m. got new manure spreader. Vincent Johnson's moved to Macomb, Ill.

Thursday, January 25, 1945. Mostly cloudy. I washed for Paul and washed slipcovers. They dried some outside. Went to Oertwigs in pm. to committee meeting for sale for Home Bureau. Marie Hastings and I to alumni meeting at hospital in eve. Ray here with Pete and boys.

Friday, January 26, 1945. Fair. Done cleaning and Saturday work. I scrubbed etc. ironed slip covers etc. Done some odd jobs in morn. Pete hauled manure. Pete and Phil to choir practice in eve. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here. Teacher took boys to show in p.m. (Since You Went Away).

Saturday, January 27, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Went to town at 11:00. Paul at Minnie's. Boys to Dr. Jones, got last tetanus shot. We went to milk producers and creamery dinner at consistory. Allen took his lesson.

Sunday, January 28, 1945. Cleared off and colder. Went to church. Boys home with CR's. We went to Mrs. Bucks to see Grandma Johnson and Vincent. They left for Macomb. We stopped to see Helen Patton's gifts, then home. Ate hamburger on way home.

Monday, January 29, 1945. Fair, cold 4 degrees above. Baked pie in morn and helped serve lunch at sale at Normal State Farm. Home Bureau served. Made \$50. Pete to town awhile. Paul at Mothers.

Tuesday, January 30, 1945. Mostly cloudy, cold and windy. Washed, dried clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Ray here in morn. Mabel to Home Bureau luncheon.

Wednesday, January 31, 1945. Fair, cold, 4 degrees below. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Made cherry torte. Went to missionary meeting at Doris Miller. Pete kept Paul. We went to town in eve, gave Mother her hypo. Went to hospital to see Ladine Shertz and went to Eldon Rupp's, Pete and Eldon on church committee.

Thursday, February 1, 1945. Fair, cold, 2° below. Warmer during day. I washed and ironed, cleaned up pantry and dusted upstairs. Done odd jobs. Pete to Clara Broadbeck's to sale. Heard Lyle Lantz killed in action on Jan. 18.

Friday, February 2, 1945. Partly cloudy, snowed in eve. Done sweeping, washed windows and storm windows. Dressed three chickens. Got supper ready for basket supper at school. Paul at Minnie's. School children gave some songs. Allen played and we played games.

Saturday, February 3, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work and made salad. Pete to town at 9:00, locker board meeting and annual meeting in p.m. Boys and I to town with CR's. Boys had haircut and Allen took his lesson. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers awhile. I helped serve lunch at locker meeting. Made marshmallow dessert in eve.

Sunday, February 4, 1945. Was real icy in morn, thawed some. Roads were better in p.m. I had invited Will Schrocks, Owen Kenagys, Edds and Wilbur Albrechts. Was all ready for them and didn't know they wasn't coming until 12:20- our phone was out. They called Mother. Pete went after Mother and Tekla at noon. We got CR's and Minnie to help us eat some of the dinner. Pete and CR's to memorial services.

Monday, February 5, 1945. Cloudy, thawed some in p.m. Pete to Federal Land Bank Board meeting at 10:00, annual meeting in p.m. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen in morn, she's pretty good. Paul with Tekla. I went to dentist at 4:00 and took Paul to Dr. Jones for whooping cough vaccine. Allen to 4-H chile supper.

Tuesday, February 6, 1945. Most the cloudy, little colder. I washed, dried clothes inside. Ironed in p.m. Pete ground feed. We went to Phil's awhile in eve.

Wednesday, February 7, 1945. Cloudy, colder. Cleaned up house. I went to town at 11:00. Paul and I at Mother's for lunch. Pete took calf to sale. We went uptown at 2:30, got gift for Glen Rader and shoes for Paul. I made fruit salad for home bureau and washed my hair. Pete to locker meeting. Boys and I to Dorothy's.

Thursday, February 8, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Went to Home Bureau at Ruth Otto's. Mother, Mabel, Fern Miller, Mrs. Erickson, Virginia and I hostesses too. Had 58. Lucy C. went along. Pete to Saybrook. Boys and I to community club in eve. They were on program. Dr. *Hartline* (sp?) and Miss. Southwick were out. Pete home with Paul.

Friday, February 9, 1945. Nice day, warmer. Lot of snow melted. Washed and ironed, done cleaning. Pete hauled manure. We went to Roy's in eve to shower for Glen Rader. Had nice time.

Saturday, February 10, 1945. Fair, chilly. Done Saturday work and mended some in p.m. Pete and Allen to town in morn. Isabel Basting, Dorothy and Helen here in eve. Took picture of Paul and some of all of us. Phil's here late. Boys practiced.

Sunday, February 11, 1945. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m. and rained some towards eve. Pete and boys to Sunday School with Phil. Pete and Phil sang. I went for church, Minnie along to Mothers. She kept Paul. We were at Mothers for dinner. We went to Glen

Rader's wedding at Lutheran Church. Ronnie stayed with Mother and kept Paul. Tekla gone in p.m.

Monday, February 12, 1945. Cloudy. Lot of snow melted. Washed and ironed. Hung towels and underwear outside. Pete to locker meeting all day and went to Culp [name?] supper at Farm Bureau in eve. Boys had no school.

Tuesday, February 13, 1945. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house. Scrubbed. Made pudding and baked apples. Washed sofa pillow covers etc. Mended in p.m. and eve. Pete cut wood awhile in p.m. He went to men's meeting at church in eve. Walker Ropp called, he's coming Fri. eve.

Wednesday, February 14, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warm. Showered some. Done usual work in morn. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Davidson's in p.m., boys went along too. They had no school in morn. Pete took car to Carlock in p.m. to have a worked on. Mother along to club meeting.

Thursday, February 15, 1945. Most the cloudy, colder in p.m. Windy. We went to Service Co. meeting, went with CR's. Ray and Paul at Laura's. I cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Friday, February 16, 1945. Cloudy, colder in eve. Done sweeping and scrubbed. Washed and ironed. Pete hauled manure in morn. Went after car at Carlock in p.m. Dressed chicken in eve. Pete met Walker R. on 6:50 train. We went to CR's for chile supper. Pete to choir practice. Walker here all night.

Saturday, February 17, 1945. Fair, cold 15° above. Pete, Allen and Walker to town. I got ready for company. Roys, Minnie, C.R's, Mother, Tekla, Clara Schad, Minnie Ropp and Scotts were here. Had nice time. Had waffles and sausage and ice cream. Walker here all night.

Sunday, February 18, 1945. Clear, cold 14°. We went to church, were at Mothers for dinner. Walker there too. He went to hospital in p.m. to see his cousin and they went to Minier. I took chicken in for dinner. Earl Kaufman's have a girl, Tina Sue.

Monday, February 19, 1945. Partly cloudy. Washed, had a big one, sheets, table cloth towels etc. outside, they dried. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to Saybrook to see about locker. We dressed 4 chickens in eve.

Tuesday, February 20, 1945. Snowed in morn, had 3 or 4 inches, most of it melted in p.m. Pete to town in morn, got Mother and Tekla. We canned 6 quarts chicken and 8 pints soup for Mother. I cleaned up house. We mended some in p.m. Pete to committee meeting at Jake Mohr's. Boys and I took Mother and Tekla home.

Wednesday, February 21, 1945. Rained most of day. I made up bed upstairs, done morning work. Washed some things for Paul. Made apple crisp and churned. Mended some and sewed for relief. Pete done odd jobs.

Thursday, February 22, 1945. Partly cloudy, rather chilly. We went to town at 11:00. Paul at CR's. I had my hair fixed and went to dentist. Mother along to dentist. I was hostess for alumni meeting, was at Marie Mishler's. Had a good crowd. Rev. Hammit from baby fold spoke.

Friday, February 23, 1945. Fair, warmer in p.m. Done cleaning & scrubbed. Washed and ironed. Clothes dried good outside. Dressed chicken in eve. Phil's here at 5:00 to telephone. Lucy Catherine here in eve while boys went to choir practice.

Saturday, February 24, 1945. Nice day, warm. We went to town at 10:30. Paul at Minnie's. Ronnie stayed at Mothers. We got wallpaper for hall, our bedroom and living room. Got gift for Helen P. (bedspread). Stopped at hospital to see Marie Kaufman. Made ice cream in eve for Mother. Marie home.

Sunday, February 25, 1945. Mostly cloudy. Rained in eve. We went to church, were at Mothers for dinner. Roy's and CR's there too. Marie back to Chicago in eve.

Monday, February 26, 1945. Mostly cloudy, colder. Washed. Dried clothes inside, ironed in p.m. Pete ground feed in p.m. Allen has a cold. Pete and I to Friendship Circle in eve at church. Minnie came down and stayed with boys. Cleared off in eve.

Tuesday, February 27, 1945. Fair, nice day. Pete to Ind. with Roy to settle for farm (sold it). C.R went too. I cleaned up house. Paul and I to town at noon, ate dinner at Mothers. I went uptown awhile & stopped at hospital to see Marie K. Took Paul to Dr. Jones @ 3:40 for his last whopping cough vaccine. Pete home at 6:00. He and C.R. to Farm Bureau supper at 7:00.

Wednesday, February 28, 1945. Ground covered with 3 inches of snow in morn. It melted some in p.m. I done usual work. Went to missionary meeting at Alyce Mohr's in pm. Pete hauled manure. He had meeting at hospital in eve. Boys and I to Mothers, gave here hypo.

Thursday, March 1, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warmer and windy. Most of snow melted. I baked cookies, made pudding, mended some and made towels. Washed out some things for Paul. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve. Pete helped Gundy with trailer box. Billys here in eve, got setting hens and eggs. Virginia here too and got eggs.

Friday, March 2, 1945. Rained most of day. Windy in eve. Washed and ironed. Cleaned up living room and kitchen. Scrubbed. Pete to locker board meeting in p.m. We went to church in eve. Pete to choir practice and I helped pack Easter boxes for service boys. Laura M. went along. We took boys along.

Saturday, March 3, 1945. Cleared off in p.m., little colder. We went to Billy's for dinner. Pete to Federal Land Bank meeting in pm. I went to Dorothy awhile, she combed my hair. Allen took his lesson. Paul has a cold.

Sunday, March 4, 1945. Nice day. We went to church. Boys at Mothers. Mother, CR's and us were at Ed Miller's for dinner, had nice time. I was going to take Mother home then Dorothy called, said she and Uncle Chas would come out, so they were here for lunch. She fixed Mother's hair.

Monday, March 5, 1945. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Washed, hung some clothes out, they dried some. Ironed in p.m. Boys had no school, teachers meeting. Pete and boys to Claudons at Meadows, got Allen's 4-H calf. Got home late, radiator closed up and got hot. We went to Sunday School workers supper at church. Allen played and he and Ronnie sang. Paul at Minnie's.

Tuesday, March 6, 1945. Snowed and sleeted most of day. We went to town in morn. Pete took Mother to Dr. Deneen. I kept Paul at Mother's. Pete and I went to blood bank at 1:15 at consistory, gave 1pt. blood. Pete had car fixed. I went to Mother's on bus. Pete to locker meeting in eve. I cleaned up kitchen. Paul rather fussy.

Wednesday, March 7, 1945. Fair, nice day. Clarence papered the hall and stairway. Mabel came at noon, they were here for dinner. We had a big day, was pretty tired in eve.

Thursday, March 8, 1945. Fair. Went to Home Bureau at Robt Rengels. Paul with Pete. I washed off hall and stairway when I got home and cleaned up bedrooms.

Friday, March 9, 1945. Fair, rather windy. Washed and cleaned up living room. Went to town in p.m. I got permanent. Pete took Mother to get new glasses and to see lady about staying there. Paul at CR's. Billy's here while in eve. Got another setting hen. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here in eve. Boys to choir rehearsal. Allen took his lesson.

Saturday, March 10, 1945. Beautiful day. Done Saturday work and ironed. Washed out some things and made coffeecake. Gordon and Ray here all day. Pete painted porch roof. I mended some. We went to Earl Kaufman's in eve.

Sunday, March 11, 1945. Cloudy & showered some. We went to church and to Dorothy's for dinner and supper. Mother and Uncle Chas there too. We went to see nurses home in p.m. and went to Park awhile.

Monday, March 12, 1945. Fair, nice day. Washed, dried clothes outside, sure was nice. Went to school at 3:30 to practice ladies chorus. Dressed chicken. Pete to supper at Carlock (livestock marketing). I done ironing in eve, got done at 10:30. Was tired. Pete worked on Red Cross.

Tuesday, March 13, 1945. Nice day. Cleaned up house and scrubbed, cooked chicken and made pudding and done odd jobs. Got boys at school. I went to community high school, helped Home Bureau serve dinner. Went in with Anderson's and came home with Oertwigs. Paul at Minnie's, boys at CR's. Pete to men's meeting. Pete plowing.

Wednesday, March 14, 1945. Nice day, rather windy. Warmer. Done usual work, made gingerbread. Pete finished his fall plowing and hauled manure in p.m. Boys helped and they cleaned off garden. I helped some in eve. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Erickson's, sang with ladies chorus.

Thursday, March 15, 1945. Fair, rather windy. I felt rather bum. My stomach upset. I cleaned the store room off the kitchen in p.m. dressed chicken and got things ready for community club supper at Farm Bureau. Pete hauled some rocks and moved some hog houses. Paul at Minnie's in eve. I sang with ladies chorus at program.

Friday, March 16, 1945. Warm, fair, windy. 80°. Partly cloudy in p.m. I washed and ironed and cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete spaded asparagus bed. I sowed some lettuce. Teacher had cold, so no school. Pete and boys cleaned chicken house and Allen disc awhile in eve. Boys and I to charivari for Glen Raders. Pete stopped on way back from choir practice. Paul at Minnie's.

Saturday, March 17, 1945. Fair, real windy. Some cooler. Done usual work. Allen disc in morn. Pete to Kerrick, got seed oats. We went to town in p.m. Paul with Tekla. We took Mother uptown, got her hat and blouse.

Sunday, March 18, 1945. Fair in morn, had thundershower in p.m. Went to church, were at Mother's for dinner. We all went to Clarence Siegs wedding in pm at Lutheran church.

Monday, March 19, 1945. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Washed and clothes dried some outside. Done ironing in p.m. Boys butchered hog in morn. Pete took it to locker before noon. Paul has temp, not feeling good, has cold. Pete moved hog houses.

Tuesday, March 20, 1945. Rained most of day and sleeted some. Pete to Saybrook about locker plant, got home at 7:20. Allen done milking. I cleaned pantry and clothes room, glad it's done. Paul feeling some better.

Wednesday, March 21, 1945. Fair, nice day. I washed dishes in cupboard in morn. Pete ground feed. Boys had no school, teacher has cold. We painted both kitchens in p.m. finished in eve, was late when we got thru. Sure glad it's done. Allen done chores. Paul better. Boys cleaned hog house.

Thursday, March 22, 1945. Nice day, warm. Rather windy. I finished washing woodwork in both kitchens. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve. Pete to town, got Mother and Tekla, they were here for dinner and at C.R's for supper. Boys had no school. Pete and boys scrubbed hog houses. They went to Phil's in eve, getting ready to have shower for Helen Heck Patton. Allen disc some.

Friday March 23, 1945. Fair, warm, windy. Cleaned up living room, waxed dining room furniture and scrubbed. Washed, had big one, curtains etc., ironed some. Tekla left Mothers, went to Chicago then Boston. Boys to school. Pete sowed our oats. He went to

choir practice in eve. I to Dorothy's, had hair fixed. Mother here awhile in eve. We took her back to town. Allen stayed all night with her.

Saturday March 24, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm. I finished ironing, baking angel food cake, made one for Paul. Boys and I to town in pm, took Mother to see a lady but she wasn't home. Pete helped C.R sow his oats in morn, moved sows on pasture in pm. I went to Lucy C. in eve. Edith Miller and we gave a shower for Helen Patton, were 43 there. Was real nice.

Sunday, March 25, 1945. Rained most of morn. We went to church, cradle roll had little program for Paul, nurses had part in morn services. We were home for dinner. Went to Meadows in eve, took a load of nurses. Boys at Minnie's. Paul 1 yr. old, hardly seems possible. Mother to Minier, was alone all night.

Monday, March 26, 1945. Cleared off in morning. I washed, done ironing in p.m. Pete to town in morn. He and CR rendered lard in p.m. Paul rather fussy in morn. We went to Friendship Circle at church in eve. Boys with us, Paul at CR's. We stopped at Mother's, gave her *luier* (sp?) extract. She's alone and getting along O.K.

Tuesday, March 27, 1945. Fair, awfully windy. CR helped us paper our bedroom. I washed woodwork and floor and Pete painted the floor after supper. Was a big day and I was tired.

Wednesday, March 28, 1945. Fair, warm, windy. I washed curtains, spreads and quilts, also done Paul's washing. Put curtains in stretchers in p.m. Pete plowing. Allen went out after school and Pete spaded garden. I put out spinach letters, radishes and peas. Another big day. Rained in night.

Thursday, March 29, 1945. Rained in morn, cloudy. We went to town to Mothers. CR's there too. We cleaned 2 bedrooms and boys helped clean the wallpaper. We washed for Mother too. I went to alumni meeting at Y.W.C.A. went with Marie H.

Friday, March 30, 1945. Cloudy, showered some in eve. Done sweeping and scrubbed. Done ironing and pressed curtains and put them up. Finished straightening out bedroom. Boys no school (Good Fri.) Pete shelled corn at CR's in p.m. Pete to choir practice. Ronnie at Mother's all night.

Saturday, March 31, 1945. Fair, warm. We went to town at 4:30. Pete had to see about Mother's 1943 income tax. Boys kept Paul at Mother's in morn. They colored eggs. We took Paul along up town in pm. I got new hat. We met Marie on 9:00 train. Allen to 4-H Rally.

Sunday, April 1, 1945. Cloudy. Rained in eve (Easter Sun.). We went to church. Pete Sunday School superintendent. We had communion. We went to C.R's for dinner and supper. Dorothy, Minnie, Mother and Marie there. Roys there for supper. Paul taking cold.

Monday, April 2, 1945. Rained in morn. Cloudy, rather windy. I washed, dried clothes in house, hung a few out. They dried a little. Done ironing in pm. Allen to 4-H meeting at Garfield S. Paul not feeling so good.

Tuesday, April 3, 1945. Cloudy, cooler. Rather windy. We went to town at 8:20, Pete to see about 1943 income tax. I washed Mother's bathroom. Pete took Mother to Dr. in morn, she's doing O.K. We stopped at Eldon Rupps after dinner, his mother passed away. We went to town hall to vote. Roy B. in again for supervisor. I cleaned up house in eve. Pete and Phil to men's meeting. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here. Paul some better.

Wednesday, April 4, 1945. Rained early in morn, very windy. Colder and cloudy. I cleaned store room (upstairs) and painted the woodwork in little kitchen and the pump. Pete moved brooder house and got it ready and ground cobs. Paul feeling better.

Thursday, April 5, 1945. Fair, cold, 31°. Didn't seem to hurt things. Pete and I to Peoria with Roys. Mabel and Mrs. Oertwig went too. C.R went in truck. Paul at Minnie's and I got blouse and dress. Allen to 4-H skating party. I painted pump another coat of paint in eve. Got Paul a used stroller.

Friday, April 6, 1945. Fair, chilly, windy. Done sweeping, washed and ironed. Cleaned out cabinet. Pete went to town in morn, got 460 New Hampshire (Red) chicks. Pete harrowed awhile in pm. He went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, April 7, 1945. Fair, windy. Warmer. Done Saturday work, baked pudding and made salad, washed windows and other odd jobs. Boys raked some yard in morn. I put out onion plants in pm and mended some. Pete and boys to town in pm. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. Pete had meeting.

Sunday, April 8, 1945. Fair, rather windy, warmer. We went to church, had dedication services for babies. Eds and Lois and Mother here for dinner, took some pictures in p.m. We took Mother home in eve, stopped to see Hasting girls.

Monday, April 9, 1945. Fair. Real windy, washed and ironed. Pete plowed, Allen plowed in eve. Pete and I put out peas in truck patch.

Tuesday, April 10, 1945. Fair, warm. Windy. Aired bedding and cleaned two bedrooms upstairs. We planted potatoes. Ronnie and I put out onion sets and sweet corn in eve. Pete plowed some in morn. Allen plowed after school.

Wednesday, April 11, 1945. Partly cloudy in p.m. very windy, warm. Showered little in eve. Cleaned up house, scrubbed. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Fagerburgs in pm. Pete spaded some garden in p.m. I put out carrots and beets and beans in eve. Pete finished plowing corn ground in morn. Allen disc stalks on bean ground in p.m.

Thursday, April 12, 1945. Partly cloudy. Rained most of night. Warmer. Went to Home Bureau at Farm Bureau. Took Paul along. Mother there too. Took her home after dinner. I stayed at Mothers with Paul in p.m. Pete plowing. President Roosevelt died suddenly at Warm Springs, Ga. Such a shock to everyone. Pres. Truman took office. All radio programs canceled. Pete and boys to community club.

Friday, April 13, 1945. Rained in morn. Partly cloudy and cooler in eve. Cleaned up bedrooms. We went to town at 11:00. I washed for Mother and done my washing too. Cleaned up her house in p.m. Pete up town awhile. I done ironing in eve. Pete to choir practice. Very good radio program on honoring the Pres. death.

Saturday, April 14, 1945. Cloudy, real windy and cold. Done Saturday work. Allen and I to town at 11:30, stores closed at noon, grocery stores closed 2-4. Allen took his lesson. He stayed all night with Mother, she didn't feel so good. I baked cake after I got home and done some odd jobs. Pete to school election in eve. Philip Patton elected director.

Sunday, April 15, 1945. Cloudy, misted most of p.m. We went to church. We and CR's at Mother's for dinner. Gordon, Allen and Ronald to show in pm. Pete and CR home at 4:00. Mother, Mabel and I took lilacs and tulips to cemetery & some to Dorothy. She's sick with cold. We are having pigs. We went to Earl Kaufman's in eve.

Monday, April 16, 1945. Rained in morn, sun shone little in p.m. I washed, dried some in house, put others out at noon. They dried. Done ironing in pm. Having little pigs. Windy.

Tuesday, April 17, 1945. Fair, real windy. Cool. Cleaned up house, cleaned boys closet and basement in p.m. Mended some in eve. Pete had locker meeting. Pete hung new door in small kitchen.

Wednesday, April 18, 1945. Fair, windy. Real chilly. Cleaned the boys bedroom in morn. Varnished the floor. Pete painted the door. Boys and I to town at 3:00. I had my hair fixed. Boys to dentist, they each had 2 teeth pulled. Edgar G. on 10 day Furlough.

Thursday, April 19, 1945. Fair, cloudy in eve. Frosty in morn. Showered some. Washed in morn, had Paul's things and curtains etc. from boys room. We went to town in p.m. I went to dentist, had mouth treated. Edgar and Dorothy came home with us for supper, had flat tire on way home. Boys had about all chores done.

Friday, April 20, 1945. Fair, cloudy in eve. Rained in night. Done sweeping, ironed. Had big one. We set out 3 doz. cabbage and 1 doz. tomatoe plants in eve. Allen plowed in p.m. Boys had no school, 8th grade exams. Pete to choir practice and I had committee meeting at church. Boys at Mothers.

Saturday, April 21, 1945. Fair, chilly. Done Saturday work, baked pie and dressed chicken. Finished straightening up boys room. Allen and I to town in p.m. Pete had

school directors meeting here in eve. Miss Dalton here too. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here too.

Sunday, April 22, 1945. Partly cloudy, chilly east wind. Pete and boys to church. We all went to Uncle Chas. Siegs and Clarences. We took our dinner. We all went together, gave them a lamp. I went out with C.R's. We took Mother home in eve.

Monday, April 23, 1945. Cloudy in morn, fair in p.m. Showered some in night. I washed and ironed. Pete finished plowing. We went to Friendship Circle potluck supper at church. Boys at Minnie's.

Tuesday, April 24, 1945. Rained and misted most of day, chilly. Mabel and I to Mothers, cleaned her basement, sure was a job. I cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen in eve. Raymond Miller here all night. Had directors meeting here, interviewed 2 teachers. Lucy C. and Mrs. Mailor here too. Miller boys here too.

Wednesday, April 25, 1945. Cloudy, cold, misting. We went to Mothers for dinner. Edgar's and Mrs. Gurtner there too, also CR's. Boys home in p.m. Mabel and I to missionary meeting at William Mohr's. Pete to Ferdinand Bastings in eve awhile. Rained most of night.

Thursday, April 26, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. I baked cookies and made dessert. Done mending in p.m. I went to alumni meeting at new nurses home in eve. Winifred Maxwell went along. Pete to locker meeting at Farm Bureau. Boys at CR's. Pete hauled manure.

Friday, April 27, 1945. Fair, cool. Nice day. Done sweeping and scrubbed. Washed and ironed so had big day. Pete worked on toilet. We went to meeting at Capen auditorium in eve to health meeting. Boys at Mother's.

Saturday, April 28, 1945. Partly cloudy, chilly east wind. Dressed chicken. We went to town at 11:00, took Paul to Dr. Jones for diphtheria and tetanus shot. Ronnie and I and Paul at Mother's for lunch and in pm. Ronnie mowed her lawn. I done cleaning. Went to CR's in eve, Edgar's, Thietje's, Mrs. G and Mary and Mother there. I made ice cream and took cake and vegetables.

Sunday, April 29, 1945. Fair, some warmer. Went to church, ate lunch at Mothers. CR's Pete and I, Clara Schad and *Mina* (sp?) Ropp to Gibson City in pm to memorial services for Edward Ropp. We stopped at Ozias [Ropp] on way home, had lunch. Paul at Minnie's. Boys to show. We went in our car.

Monday, April 30, 1945. Fair, chilly wind from North. Washed. Pete spaded some garden in morn. He disc in p.m. and disc truck patch. I worked in flower beds in p.m. Ironed some before supper and finished after supper. Put radishes, cabbage and tomato seeds in garden.

Tuesday, May 1, 1945. Fair, showered in eve and night. Cleaned up house and worked in garden. Pete disc in morn. We worked in truck patch in p.m. put out beans, gladiola bulbs, onion sets, Swiss chard and pepper seed and some corn. Got word Alfred Gierman Jr. was killed in action over France.

Wednesday, May 2, 1945. Cloudy, rained some, hailed little in town. Mabel and I went to Mothers, cleaned her attic and washed off the porch and set out some flower plants. Ronnie stayed all night with Raymond Miller and Allen went to Gordon's after supper, stayed all night.

Thursday, May 3, 1945. Cloudy, rainy and chilly. I washed, dried clothes in house. Ironed, mended some and cleaned up bedrooms. Pete working some on toilet, repairing it.

Friday, May 4, 1945. Partly cloudy, showered little in p.m. Mabel and I cleaned Mothers living room, washed curtains and drapes. We had big day to get everything done. Glad it's done. Pete finished toilet and ground feed. Boys and I to Dorothy's in eve, she fixed my hair and Pete to choir practice.

Saturday, May 5, 1945. Fair, rather windy, chilly. Cleaned up living room and done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:30, Ronnie and Paul at Mother's. Mrs. King and I bought gift for teacher (compact). I was at Mother's awhile in pm, pressed her bedroom curtains and put them up. Pete at meeting. Pete and I with Ray and Marie in eve, went to Kappa for supper. Boys at Minnie's.

Sunday, May 6, 1945. Nice day, warmer 75°. Went to church, were home in p.m. Carl Passmore (Mother's neighbor) came home with boys. Pete and I to meeting at church in eve. Boys stayed home with Paul, got along all right.

Monday, May 7, 1945. Rained most of day, washed and dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Allen to 4-H club at Garfield. Pete to committee meeting at hospital. Mother at CR's all night.

Tuesday, May 8, 1945. Fair. War in Europe ended. We went to church at 11:00, stopped at hospital to see Ruth Otto at noon. Boys had no school. Nettie called at 1:45, said Orvie and Glen Fischer were there. Eds and Orvie came over for supper. Orvie stayed all night. Mother here too. Sure was surprised to see Orvie. They came for Chris Ulrichs funeral.

Wednesday, May 9, 1945. Cloudy, cold. Showered, rained hard in eve. Pete and Orvie to town in morn to get CR. He's having his car worked on. Pete took Orvie to Ed's at 11:00. He shelled corn at Oscars in p.m. We went to club meeting at Mrs. *Harners* (sp?). Phil's, Mrs. Mailer and Roberta here in eve. Brooder house caught on fire in p.m. burned hole in floor, lost 20 chicks. Allen to Millers all night.

Thursday, May 10, 1945. Partly cloudy, cold. Windy. We went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Bastings. Mabel and I took Mother to town after meeting. We got her a dress for

Mother's Day. Pete worked around home, he kept Paul. We went to community club at Garfield.

Friday, May 11, 1945. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house, washed, had big one. Done ironing. Got things ready for supper. Last day of school. Had program. Allen home until noon, worked on his play. Pete hauled manure. We're glad school is out.

Saturday, May 12, 1945. Fair, much warmer. Done Saturday work, dressed chicken. We went to town in p.m. Ronnie and Paul and I to Mothers, he mowed lawn and I done cleaning. We ate supper at Mothers. Pete and boys met Marie on 7:00 train.

Sunday, May 13, 1945. Cloudy in morn, cleared off. Nice day, warm. Cloudy in eve. Sprinkled. Went to church in morn. We were at Mothers for dinner. Boys to Carlock in p.m. to practice ball. CR's came home with us, they still don't have their car. Marie back to Chicago in eve. Uncle Chas at Mothers. Dot there in pm.

Monday, May 14, 1945. Rained nearly all day, had a hard rain in eve. Blew and hailed some. I washed, dried clothes inside. Diapers got nearly dry outside. Done ironing in p.m. Boys were ready to start planting corn when it rained.

Tuesday, May 15, 1945. Rained and misted most of day, chilly. Cleaned up house, got things ready for dinner. I took C.R.'s to town in pm. They got their car. I stopped at Mother's awhile. Pete and boys kept Paul. Pete done odd jobs. He went to locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, May 16, 1945. Rained, dark and gloomy. Chilly. Done usual work, baked pudding, peeled apples and scrubbed kitchen. Mended in p.m. and worked on my new dress. Pete worked around in barn, etc. We went to Phil's in p.m.

Thursday, May 17, 1945. Misted and rained, chilly. Got things ready for dinner. Cleaned silverware. Cleaned out drawer. Finished shortening my dress. Washed my hair. Boys and I [to] Dorothy's in eve. She fixed my hair. Pete to meeting at Farm Bureau.

Friday, May 18, 1945. Fair, warmer. Sure nice to see the sunshine. Done cleaning and washed and ironed. Pete ground feed, fixed fence. He and boys mowed yard. I done some mending in eve. Pete to choir practice with Phil.

Saturday, May 19, 1945. Fair, nice day. Done Saturday work, cleaned up basement. Pete and boys cleaned up brush, trimmed some shrubbery. We went to town in p.m. Boys took lesson. We stopped at Beachy's and at Pete Augsburger, he's bedfast and quite poorly.

Sunday, May 20, 1945. Nice in morn, started raining at 11:00 and rained real hard for nearly an hour, hailed little. Boys to Sunday school. We went to Ed's for dinner. Mother

and Dorothy along. We had nice time. We took Mother and Dot home after chores and lunch. Gave Dot some flower plants. Sure wet.

Monday, May 21, 1945. Fair, windy. Real windy in p.m. and air full of dust, couldn't see far at times. Washed and done ironing in p.m. Pete and boys hauled manure and put gravel in barn and cleaned brooder house and took stove down.

Tuesday, May 22, 1945. Fair, windy and warmer. We went to town at 10:00, took Mother to Dr. Deneen and Eaton in morn. Ate dinner at Jefferson. Took Paul to Dr. Jones at noon, got last diphtheria and tetanus. Mother and I to Dr. Watkins in p.m. I had wax taken out of my ears. Mother had sinus treatment. We worked garden in eve. Pete spaded. I transplanted some flowers.

Wednesday, May 23, 1945. Fair, real warm. Sprinkled in eve. I planted flower seeds in morn. Boys started planting corn, got 22 acres done for us. I went to town at 11:00, got Mother. She, Paul and I to missionary meeting at Celia Pattons. Had guest day and program. Ronnie, Paul and I took Mother home after supper. I spaded some flower beds. Pete disc until 9:30.

Thursday May 24, 1945. Partly cloudy and real warm. Showered in morn. Roy and boys butchered a beef. They went to field at 11:00. Pete and Roy took meat to locker. I worked some in garden in morn. Pete plowed truck patches in pm. We put out lima beans, cucumbers, green beans and more tomato plants and flower seeds. Allen in field all time.

Friday, May 25, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm. Done cleaning, washed and ironed. Boys planting corn at CR's. Pete to choir practice. Lucy C and I to Ruth Sommers to discuss lesson for Friendship Circle. Boys home with Paul.

Saturday May 26, 1945. Fair. Hot, over 80°. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town in p.m. Lucy C. and Phylis A. along. Allen took lesson and boys practiced for children's day. Allen had recital at Y.W.C.A. at 3:00. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. I done Mothers cleaning. Boys finished planting corn for C.R and planted 4 acres for us.

Sunday, May 27, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm. Looked rainy in p.m. sprinkled little. Went to church, ate picnic dinner in grove. We went to baccalaureate services for nurses at Carlock. Rev. Weaver speaker. Boys at C.R's. Gordon here in pm.

Monday, May 28, 1945. Mostly cloudy. Washed. Clothes dried rather slow. Done ironing in p.m. Boys finished planting our corn. Pete disc CR's bean ground. We went to Friendship Circle at Ed Sharps. I was on program. We went with Laura and May. Boys at CR's.

Tuesday, May 29, 1945. Cloudy. Sprinkled little in morn. Sun shone some in p.m. Warm. Boys started planting our beans. I cleaned two closets in living room, aired

clothes. Mother, Mabel and I took flowers to cemetery. Mabel run out of gas, called Uncle Henry. Mother to CR's all night. Paul home with Ronnie.

Wednesday, May 30, 1945. Fair, real warm. Cleaned up house. Got ready for company. Picked over quart of strawberries. Paul and I went with Pearl to cemeteries at 3:00. Mother, Mabel and Minnie went along. Mother here all night. Roys, Minnie and C.R's here for picnic supper. Boys finished our beans and C.R's too.

Thursday, May 31, 1945. Cloudy. Had shower in morn. I washed off south porch in morn. Washed and ironed in p.m. Pete and Allen hoed in truck patch. Pete took Mother home at 4:30. Will Meyers died suddenly. He was at Fred's.

Friday, June 1, 1945. Partly cloudy. Windy and quite stormy in eve. C.R's here. We papered the living room. Got done at 4:00. I washed woodwork and floor. We went to funeral home in eve. Saw Will Meyers. I went home with Pattons. Pete and Phil stayed for choir practice. Boys home with Paul.

Saturday, June 2, 1945. Cloudy, cold. Done Saturday work. Set furniture in living room. Went to town at 1:00. Dot fixed my hair. Went to Will Meyers funeral at 3:00. Pete sang with quartet. Boys at Mother's. I went to alumni party at Dr.Guy. Marie H. went along. Pete and Ray to town. Boys at Minnie's.

Sunday, June 3, 1945. Cloudy, cold. Misted little. Boys to Sunday School. Allen and I to church. Pete had headache, he stayed at Mothers with boys. We ate dinner there. Went to memorial services for Bud Giermann at Lutheran church.

Monday, June 4, 1945. Nice day, some warmer. Washed, had big one, slipcovers etc. Pete harrowed beans and hoed corn. We went to vote. Health unit voted in. I ironed awhile, picked half gallon berries. Billys and we went to Eds for supper, had ice cream and strawberries. Tekla at Mother's.

Tuesday, June 5, 1945. Mostly Friday, cool. Finished ironing in morn. Oiled kitchen floor in p.m. and went over woodwork again and waxed furniture. Had our sheep sheared. He was here for dinner. Another big day. Pete to men's meeting in eve.

Wednesday, June 6, 1945. Showered some in morn and again in p.m. I worked in garden in morn. We went to town in p.m. took wool in, got Ronnie shoes and boys haircut. I picked strawberries in eve.

Thursday, June 7, 1945. Cloudy, sprinkled some. I cleaned living room furniture and waxed it, also floor around rug. Mended slip covers and put them on. We shelled corn. I went to Rufus Miller's in eve to party for Home Bureau officers and committees. Went with Mabel.

Friday, June 8, 1945. Cleaned upstairs, also bedrooms. Washed and ironed and picked half gallon berries. Roy's bailing hay in p.m. at CR's. Worked late and went back after supper. Pete and Allen cleaned up cobs in morn. Ronnie mowed lawn. Fair and warmer.

Saturday, June 9, 1945. Rained early in morn, mostly cloudy. Done Saturday work, dressed chicken and got ready for company. We went to town at 12:45. Boys took lesson and practiced for children's day. Mother and Tekla came along home. Paul Thietje and Dorothy here for supper. Tommy here all night.

Sunday, June 10, 1945. Cloudy in morn, partly cloudy. Pete took boys to Sunday School. We went to Woizeski family reunion at C.R.'s. Not such a large crowd. Nearly everyone stayed for supper, ate leftovers. We went to children's day program. Boys had several parts in program. Ronnie sang solo. Allen accompanied him and they sang in quartet.

Monday, June 11, 1945. Partly cloudy. I washed, picked 1 1/2 gallon strawberries and done ironing. Pete and Allen mowed alfalfa and help CR get rest of hay in. C. R., Phil and Earl's here in eve, practiced.

Tuesday, June 12, 1945. Cloudy, rained most of p.m. I washed some things for Paul and cleaned berries in morn. Made 2 pints strawberry preserves in p.m. and washed west porch. Pete made some fence etc.

Wednesday, June 13, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm. I went to town in morn, got Mother. We went to club meeting at Marie Hastings in p.m. I picked berries in eve. Pete raked hay in p.m. and made fence. Mother here all night.

Thursday, June 14, 1945. Showered in morn. Mostly cloudy, rather windy. Went to Home Bureau at Mabel's, had potluck dinner. Picked peas and got things ready for supper. Went to community club supper at Glen Raders. Boys on program. Mother home in eve. We canned 5 pints strawberry and cherry preserves in morn. 1 quart berries. Pete baled our hay towards eve.

Friday, June 15, 1945. Mostly cloudy. Had a bad storm and rain at 5:30. Blew tree down and had a terrible wind or cyclone in Normal. Trees uprooted and blown down. Earl Toepkes (Loepkes?) home torn up. Wires and poles down. We were out of light and phone. I washed and done cleaning, picked nearly 2 gallon berries. Pete put cultivator on and plowed truck patch. We went to choir practice in eve, but no practice, no lights. Rained in night.

Saturday, June 16, 1945. Rained in morn and again in p.m. Done Saturday work, cleaned berries. Put 2 1/2 quarts and locker. Boys picked cherries, put 7 1/2 quarts in locker. Went to town in p.m. Pete had meeting at hospital in eve. Boys and I at Mothers. Ronnie mowed her lawn in p.m. He stayed there for supper. Lights on, but no phone. Done ironing in night.

Sunday, June 17, 1945. Cloudy. Cool. Showered off and on during day. Went to church and to Aunt Martha's for dinner. Mother, CR's, Roy's and Minnie there too. Mother here all night. Pearl took we women to town on way home to see some of the storm damage.

Monday, June 18, 1945. Partly cloudy. Showered little in a.m. Washed in morn. Done some for Mother too. We canned 17 quarts cherries and 3 pints preserves in p.m. I picked about three boxes of strawberries. Pete to town in p.m. We took Mother home in eve. CRs got some cherries.

Tuesday, June 19, 1945. Fair. I made 5 pints cherry preserves and canned 1 quart. Made shortcake and washed out some things. Done ironing in p.m. Boys went to ballgame at Carlock with CR. Pete to locker meeting. Paul and I to Mothers. We took some flowers to cemetery. ("They vaccinated hogs" looks like it belongs with next year, but I'm not 100% sure. Probably goes with 1946.)

Wednesday, June 20, 1945. Partly cloudy. Showered in p.m. Allen and I to town in morn. He had physical exam to go to camp. We left car at LeRoys to have it simonized. Came home with Mabel. I cleaned up house in p.m. picked berries (1/2 gal.), worked in yard awhile and garden. Pete plowed corn, tried to bale hay at Roy's, but too wet. We sent out tomato plants in eve.

Thursday, June 21, 1945. Fair. Warmer. Canned 10 pints of peas and Winifred Maxwell here awhile in pm. I painted South and North porches. Ronnie painted cellar door. Pete plowed corn in p.m. and plowed truck patch. Allen went to 4-H skating party. LeRoy brot car home

Friday, June 22, 1945. Fair. Nice day, warmer. Done cleaning. Washed and ironed. Picked quart berries and mended some in eve. Allen hoed beans. They baled hay at Roy's. Pete to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, June 23, 1945. Fair, hot. 90-92. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town in p.m. I had hair fixed. Allen took lesson. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. He stayed until after supper. We met Marie at 9:00 train. They baled hay at Roy's and Pete finished plowing corn first time.

Sunday, June 24, 1945. Fair, partly cloudy in p.m. hot. I went to church. Pete elected Sunday School superintendent and he went to annual church meeting in p.m. Boys and I, Mother, Marie, C. R.'s and Roy's to Lake Bloomington for dinner. We took Allen and Gordon to 4-H club camp in p.m. Think they'll have a nice time.

Monday, June 25, 1945. Cloudy, rained in morn. Washed, dried clothes in house. Done ironing. Pete and Ronnie to town while in p.m. took some beans in. We went to Friendship Circle in eve. Ronnie and Paul at Minnie's. Mother not feeling so good.

Tuesday, June 26, 1945. Fair, rather windy. Went to town. Got Mother and Marie. They were out to spend the day. We canned 14 pints peas. Pete picked them. He baled hay at Roy's. Ronnie helped awhile (poke wires). Boys and I took Mother and Marie home. Went to cemetery. Beachy here in eve to see Pete about Sunday School.

Wednesday, June 27, 1945. Mostly cloudy, looked rainy and thundered. Worked in garden in morn. Went to Lucy C. to missionary meeting in pm. Worked in garden when I got home. Pete plowed beans in morn. He baled hay at Roy's in p.m. Ronnie helped, he got along fine. Allen home from camp. He had a fine time. Mother has some kidney infection.

Thursday, June 28, 1945. Partly cloudy, real windy. Humid. Stormed and rained in night. I went to surprise breakfast for Pearl, at her home at 8:30. She's 50. Boys home with Paul. Pete cut clover hay in morn, finished plowing beans in p.m. I worked in garden in p.m. sowed endive. I went to alumni meeting at Tillie Kings. Marie H. went along. Ronnie at Mother's all night. Billy here in eve.

Friday, June 29, 1945. Partly cloudy. Humid. Washed, had big one. Done cleaning. Canned 7 pints peas. Done ironing and we set out cabbage and tomato plants. I transplanted some flower plants in eve. Pete pulled weeds in truck patch in p.m. He went to choir practice in eve. Ronnie home. Mother in bed all day.

Saturday, June 30, 1945. Had big rain in morn and again at 3:30. Looked stormy both times. Blew some. Rained some in night. Allen and I to town in p.m. Mother, Marie, Edgar and Dot came along out. CR's and Uncle Chas here in eve. Had hamburger fry, ate inside. Pete cut hedge. Mother feeling better. Tekla back at Mother's.

Sunday, July 1, 1945. Fair, cooler. Went to church. Pete didn't accept Sunday school superintendent but he conducted it this morn. We ate lunch in town. Boys to ballgame at Carlock in p.m. We went to church in eve. Allen home with Paul. We took Marie to train at 7:20. Mother and Tekla along to train.

Monday, July 2, 1945. Fair. Washed. Canned 5 pints peas. Ironed. Finished it after supper.

Tuesday, July 3, 1945. Fair, nice day. I went to town at 10:00, took Mother to Dr. Deneen. I went to dentist at 1:00. Mother better. Pete cut hay in morn and plowed corn in p.m. Paul home with boys. Pete and Allen to men's meeting in eve. I picked raspberries, got about three boxes. Dressed two chickens in eve.

Wednesday, July 4, 1945. Partly cloudy, rather windy. I painted west porch in morn and got things ready for supper and scrubbed kitchen. Pete made fence and worked in truck patch awhile. We went to Roys for dinner and supper. Mother there too. C.R's, Mrs. Otto, Clara, Jane and Ray Hastings there for supper. Watched fireworks.

Thursday, July 5, 1945. Had big rain about 5:00a.m. Fair during day. I picked peas for dinner. Canned 4quarts beans. Mended some and picked over ½ gallon raspberries. Pete trimmed shrubbery and grape arbor. We went to Phil's in eve, saw John and Christine.

Friday, July 6, 1945. Fine day, cooler. Washed and ironed. Done cleaning. Set out some flowers from Minnie in eve. Pete baled our hay, got done at 4:00. He plowed until 7:30. He went to choir practice.

Saturday, July 7, 1945. Fair, warmer. Had shower in town in p.m. Sprinkled little here and again in eve. Done Saturday work, picked nearly 2 quarts berries. Pete plowed corn in morn. We went to town in p.m. Had Federal Land Bank meeting. Boys to 4-H fall tournament in morn. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn in p.m.

Sunday, July 8, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm. Went to church, were home for dinner. Took picture of Allen and his 4-H calf. Boys swimming in p.m. Pete and I to church in eve. Boys home with Paul. Pete, Phil, Helen and Vera B. sang. Rained at 5:00 in eve.

Monday, July 9, 1945. Partly cloudy, fair and colder in eve. I washed and ironed, dusted house. Lucy C. and John Mailers here in eve, made freezer of cream. Pete to town in pm.

Tuesday, July 10, 1945. Fair, cool. I picked beans and raspberries. Allen helped and boys helped clean beans. I canned 14 quarts in p.m. and 3 pints peas. Pete mowed five acres of oats for hay. He and Allen baled oats at Roy's in p.m. broke down at 2:30. Pete to choir practice in eve. I went to Dorothy's, had hair fixed. Boys home.

Wednesday, July 11, 1945. Fair, nice day. Worked in garden in morn awhile. Boys mowing yard and cleaning up. Ronnie painted picnic tables in p.m. Allen and I to dentist at 4:30. Allen had three teeth pulled. I got things ready for supper in morn. Went to school club picnic at Ed Sharps. Pete plowed corn (laying by). Elmer Siegs have girl.

Thursday, July 12, 1945. Fair, rather windy. Cleaned up house, washed. Got ready for community club in eve. Had pretty good crowd for a busy time. I went to town at 5:00, got Mother and Tekla. They were here for supper. Rev. Hohenstein spoke at the meeting. Pete plowed corn in pm, raked oats hay in morn.

Friday, July 13, 1945. Rained at 5:00 in morn. Had a shower at noon and another thunderstorm from 5 to 7, had pretty good rain. They had big one in town. I went to annual Home Bureau with Mabel. I picked few raspberries in eve and done ironing. We went to Julius Miller's in eve awhile.

Saturday, July 14, 1945. Rained shower in morn. Cloudy, cool. Cleared off towards eve. We picked beans, canned 14 quarts. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 1:30, went with boys to take their lesson. Paul at Mothers. Pete mowed road before noon.

Sunday, July 15, 1945. Nice day, cool. Went to church, were home for dinner. Richard Rader here in p.m. boys went swimming. Mrs. Davidson and Bud here awhile. Pete and

I drove to the oats field awhile. Wrote letters. Pete and I to church in eve. Boys at home with Paul.

Monday, July 16, 1945. Fair, cool. Washed and ironed. Pete baled oats straw at Roy's and baled some here in p.m. We went to the circus in eve, took Gordon along too. Paul didn't like the circus too well.

Tuesday, July 17, 1945. Fair, cool in eve. We finished baling oats here in morn. Pete finished plowing corn and got things ready for supper. Mary Southwick and Miss Daly here in p.m. I worked in garden a while in p.m. after they left. Boys and I to Farm and Home Bureau picnic at Ed Miller's. Pete to locker meeting.

Wednesday, July 18, 1945. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house, worked in garden awhile. Went to town in p.m. Allen took music lesson and went to Beachy's. Vera played song for Allen. Pete and Ronnie baling hay at CR's. Pete to choir practice. Pete plowed beans in morn.

Thursday, July 19, 1945. Fair, hot, 95°. Pete to town, got parts for combine. Mother and Tekla came along out. I picked beans in morn. We canned 28 quarts beans and 5 quarts apple sauce, had a big day. Pete worked on combine in p.m. CR finished plowing the beans.

Friday, July 20, 1945. Fair, hot 93°-95°. Washed, had big one. Done cleaning and ironed. Pete started to combine at Roy's. Oats good. Boys swimming in eve, Paul and I went along to pond [with] them. CR's came. I mended some in eve.

Saturday, July 21, 1945. Mostly cloudy, hot. Showered some in p.m. enough to stop combine. Done Saturday work. Worked in garden awhile. Boys and I to town in p.m. Allen took lesson, then they went to Sunday School party at church and practiced for Sunday night. I had hair fixed. Paul at Mother's awhile. Pete hoed in truck patch awhile in p.m. We went to town in eve to look for my birthday gift.

Sunday, July 22, 1945. Had shower early in morn, fair. Hot, 95°. Went to church in morn, were home for dinner. Went to church in eve. Children had first part of services. Allen played for congregation and Ronnie led. They sang duet and quartet. Allen's knuckles swollen.

Monday, July 23, 1945. Fair, hot. Washed and ironed, got things ready for Friendship Circle picnic at Chester Miller's. Lucy C. and I on committee. She couldn't be there, Phylis has (trench mouth). Allen broke out with hives but better at noon. He drove tractor awhile in p.m. for oats. Pete combining at Roys. Had nice time at picnic. Paul at C.R's.

Tuesday, July 24, 1945. Fair, hot. Allen worse. Broke out all over with whelts. Face, hands and feet swollen. Took him to hospital. Saw Dr. Jones. Mother and Tekla came

along out. We canned 19 ½ quarts apricots (I had 10 ½ quarts). We canned 5 quarts applesauce. Pete finished Roy's oats and combined at C.R.'s.

Wednesday, July 25, 1945. Fair, cooler in p.m. and eve. Allen worse, face swollen. His eyes almost closed. Went to hospital at 9:30 saw Drs. Jones, Deneen, Atkinson and Watkins. They can't seem to find out just what it is. They thot that he should be in hospital, so left him there. I got home at 1:15. Ronnie and I straightened up house, had missionary meeting. Paul at Mother's all day. Pete started combining our oats. I went to hospital again in eve. (Some day). Allen in Mr. Hoover's office.

Thursday July 26, 1945. Fair, cool. Pete and I picked some apricots, two buckets. I took them to Mothers, we canned 11 quarts. I stopped at hospital. Allen's face some better, but he has temp 102° in p.m. They moved him to 209 in p.m. Mother and I to dentist in p.m. stopped at hospital. Paul at CR's. Pete and Ronnie ate dinner there too. Pete finished our oats and CR's. Went to hospital in eve.

Friday, July 27, 1945. Fair, warm. I washed in morn and dusted. Went to hospital in p.m. Ronnie mowed mother's lawn. Paul there too. Allen's face more swollen. Also his hands. Temp still up. We went to town in eve. Pete to choir practice. I was at Mother's awhile. Dot, Louise and children there. Marie called about Allen. Boys with Minnie, Pete combining at Oscars.

Saturday, July 28, 1945. Fair, warm. Showered little in eve. Ironed and done Saturday work. Boys and I to town. Allen's skin better, but temp up to 103°. Dr. Jones out in p.m. started sulphathiazole. Sure don't like that temp. Paul at Mother's. Ronnie to barber. He got burr haircut. (looks terrible). Pete combining at Oscars. We went to town in eve, heard Elmer Burwitz's wife committed suicide on Friday night. Nettie [came] over.

Sunday, July 29, 1945. Fair, nice day. Pete to church. I went to hospital, Allen some better, temp 102°. Pete and I to Dorothy's for dinner. I took 3 dozens gladiolas to town. Dot got half of them for bouquet for Bunnie [Burwitz] and we had the rest & put them in vase with daisies. Mother to hospital in p.m. while we went to funeral home. Sure feel sorry for Elmer and Bobby. Boys at CR's all day and Paul at Minnie's in eve. Pete to church, choir gave program. Ronnie and I at hospital until 8:30 then to church.

Monday, July 30, 1945. Fair, warmer. Washed. Pete and I to town at 1:00, stopped at hospital. Allen better, temp 100°. We went to Bunnie B. funeral at 2:00. Pete and CR pallbearers. Ronnie and Gordy helped Roy bale hay in p.m. Pete helped finish when he got back. I stayed at hospital while. Mother came along out. We went in in eve. Boys finished Oscar's oats. Paul at Minnie's in p.m.

Tuesday, July 31, 1945. Fair, hot. Done ironing in morn. Went to town in p.m. Allen's temp normal, brot him home. Sure glad to have him home again. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's. Pete mowed his alfalfa in morn and bailed straw at Roy's in p.m. Ronnie helping on baler in Allen's place.

Wednesday, August 1, 1945. Fair, hot looked rainy in eve, had little shower. I canned 8 quarts beet pickles. Cleaned up house and scrubbed basement. Pete baled our alfalfa in p.m. Allen feeling pretty good.

Thursday, August 2, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm. I went to town, got Mother and Tekla. Dressed chickens. We made 5 gallon sauerkraut. I mended in p.m. Mother and Tekla helped and they shortened sun suits for Paul. Boys baling our oats straw in p.m. Allen and I took the folks home in eve.

Friday, August 3, 1945. Fair, warm. Much cooler in eve. Washed, had big one. Washed stage curtains for school. Done cleaning and ironed. Picked bucket full of green beans for Dorothy. Gave Mother some. Pete finished our straw and one field of CR's. I went to Dot's in eve, she fixed my hair. Pete and boys home. Marie home.

Saturday, August 4, 1945. Fair, pleasant. Done Saturday work. Allen, Paul and I to town in p.m. Paul at Mothers. We took Marie uptown. Pete and Ronnie baled at Roy's, finished his.

Sunday, August 5, 1945. Mostly cloudy, hot. Had big rain in eve. 2-3 inches, rained several hours and lightning was terrible. We went to church, were at Mother's for dinner. CR's, Uncle Chas and Dorothy there too. We went to Phil's awhile after the storm. Buzzy [family dog] died. Took her to vet in morn. Will sure miss her.

Monday, August 6, 1945. Fair, colder. Washed and ironed. Pete and boys leveled off gravel south of barn. Boys mowed some lawn. They went to 4-H meeting at CR's. Pete and I carried young roosters in henhouse.

Tuesday, August 7, 1945. Mostly cloudy, real cool. Dusted up house. I went to town and 11:00. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Ronnie mowed lawn etc. I got a permanent and done some shopping. Pete met with directors at school. Pete and Alan finished baling straw at CR's. CR at meetings.

Wednesday, August 8, 1945. Fair, warmer. Scrubbed kitchen. Got things ready for dinner. Worked in garden. Pete ground feed in morn. We went to Meadows in eve to conference. J.E. Hertzler preached. A big crowd there. Eds and Noah's there too. Phil's went with us. Boys at Minnie's. Pete and boys pulled butter print in corn in p.m.

Thursday, August 9, 1945. Fair. Pleasant. I went to town in morn, got Mother and Tekla. We made soap and canned 5 pints lima beans. They went to CR's for supper. We were there in eve. The combiners and balers had ice cream. Pete cut weeds.

Friday, August 10, 1945. Partly cloudy. Rained in night, came so nice. I washed and ironed, done cleaning and scrubbed. Pete took car to Carlock in morn. Had motor tuned etc. Then he went to town with CR, helped put up 4-H tents. He went to choir practice in eve. Boys cut some weeds.

Saturday, August 11, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warmer you rained in eve. We went to town at 9:45. Pete had meeting Federal Land Bank at 10:00. Had Paul's haircut, then he and Ronnie were at Mother's. We, Phil's, Earl K. went to Peoria in eve. Ate at Bishops and went to show. Boys at Minnie's. We left at 5:30.

Sunday, August 12, 1945. Partly cloudy, rather warm. We went to church in morn, were home in p.m.

Monday, August 13, 1945. Mostly cloudy, humid. Washed clothes, dried slow. Canned 20 quarts sauerkraut in p.m. and ironed some. Billy's here for supper. They brot fried chicken, cake and ice. I made ice cream. Pete took Allen's sheep and calf to fair. Also took Gordon's.

Tuesday, August 14, 1945. Rained some in night and in morn. Cleared off in eve, cooler. The war with Japan ended and we're so thankful its over. Word came little after 6 pm and such celebrating in town. Could hardly get thru Main St. We went to fair in morn, terribly muddy. I finished ironing in morn. Allen to fair at 7:30 with C.R's. Paul at Mother's in morn and eve. Pete to men's meeting in eve. Minnie, boys and I to fair.

Wednesday, August 15, 1945. Fair, cool. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We canned 9 pints lima beans. I washed out some things. Allen to fair with CR's at 7:30. Went to fair in eve. Everything closed in town. Paul at Minnie's. Allen stayed all night at fair.

Thursday, August 16, 1945. Partly cloudy. I washed and ironed, got things ready to leave. Packed etc. Billy's came in p.m. Pete to town and fair in morn. Allen got 4th on his calf (\$5). Pete and boys brot stock home in pm. Billy's came in eve to see Eds. Ed's came over at 8:30, stayed all night.

Friday, August 17, 1945. Fair, quite warm in p.m. We left home at 3:40 a.m. for Mo. got along fine. Got to Creighton at 3:30. Stopped at Marvin's store awhile. We ate supper at Ida's and stayed all night. Eds to conference in eve and to Orvie's all night. Allen and Ronnie at Mary's all night. Paul awfully tired but slept all night.

Saturday, August 18, 1945. Fair, hot. Ate dinner at Ida's. We went to H'ville in pm with Ervins. Marvin's and boys there too. We were all at Orvie's for supper and at Ida's all night. Boys staying at Mary's. Paul getting along O.K. We washed some in morn.

Sunday, August 19, 1945. Fair, hot, but good breeze. We went to church. Ida and Aunt Tina kept Paul. We were all night at Mary's for dinner. Karl Klooz's were there too. Had big dinner and nice time. We were at Ida's all night. Eds and boys at Mary's.

Monday, August 20, 1945. Fair, hot. We washed and ironed. Ed's and us went to Aunt Lizzie Kropf's and John Klopfenstein in pm. Also saw Vincent Johnson's. Were at Ida's for supper. We all went to Creighton in eve to Marvin's, had watermelon. We were at Mary's all night. Eds at Ida's.

Tuesday, August 21, 1945. Hot in morn, cooler in p.m. cloudy in eve and looked rainy. We stopped at cemetery and at Ezra Bowman's to see Aunt Mary. We were at Uncle Ludwigs for dinner. Ida, Mary, Dave and Aunt Tina and Eds there too. Eds stayed at Oscars. We stopped to see Lila L. on way home. Were all at Harvey Hostetlers for supper. Showered in eve.

Wednesday, August 22, 1945. Cleared off in morn, real cool. We washed some in morn. Went to Mary's for dinner. Were at Ervin's awhile in morn and in pm. We went to rock quarry at Bill Buckleys and to Index. Things have changed so much. Enjoyed the afternoon. Stopped to see Grandma Johnson. Eds and we went to Ora Schrocks in eve to supper for Sam Kings. Ida kept Paul. Marvin Y's and Ervin at Ida's when we got home.

Thursday, August 23, 1945. A fine day, cool. We left G.C. at 8:00. Stopped at Creighton. Was nearly 9:00 when we left there. Came thru Jefferson City, stopped at Capitol. Ate dinner at Fulton. Got to Bloomington at 7:20. Paul slept 2 ½ hours in p.m. He got rather tired towards the last. We stopped at Mother's. Eds went on home. Was glad to get home altho our visit seemed short.

Friday, August 24, 1945. Fair a little warmer. Dusted house, washed out some things. Got corn ready to take to locker. I went to tea for Miss. Brian at Grace M.E. Church. Was real nice. Paul with Pete and boys. They cut some weeds in p.m. Pete went to school in morn, it's being painted

Saturday, August 25, 1945. Fair, nice day. Canned 14 pints corn. Done Saturday work. Nettie and Franklin Ulrich came for sweet corn. They stayed for dinner. I went to town in p.m. Paul home with boys. Pete mowing clover hay. Dressed two chickens in eve and made salad.

Sunday, August 26, 1945. Nice day, cool in morn. Went to church & to Belvidere reunion at Park. Pete on program. Boys home with Paul. We went to Merle Eberts Francis awhile after church. Phil's there too. Had ice cream and popcorn. Merle was married Aug. 17th.

Monday, August 27, 1945. Fair, warmer. Washed. Had big one. Done ironing and got things ready for picnic supper for the nurses at our church. Sure had lots of food. Boys at Minnie's. Ate supper there too. We baled our hay.

Tuesday, August 28, 1945. Fair, warmer. Picked lima beans and got dinner. Went to school at 1:30 to help clean it. Boys along. Pete mowed lawn. I canned 5 pints lima beans when I got home and cleaned up kitchen. Fixed Allen supper. He went to 4-H picnic. Men baling at CR's.

Wednesday, August 29, 1945. Partly cloudy, quite warm. Went to town with Mabel at 8:30. We had our hair fixed. We went to missionary meeting at Irene Dovel's. It's a nice place but is in the woods. Pete helped CR in morn. They pulled weeds in p.m. Pete had meeting at church in eve.

Thursday, August 30, 1945. Fair, hot. We went to town at 10:30. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's. Pete and I went to dinner at Grace M.E. for Miss Brian (she's retiring). Boys at Mother's.

Friday, August 31, 1945. Fair, hot windy. Looked rainy in night. Washed. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Canned 10 1/2 quarts tomatoes. Dressed chicken. Boys had school in morn. Pete and boys cut weeds in corn and beans. Pete to choir practice early with Phil. I went to shower at Ed Sharp's for Merle Ebert Francis. Boys home.

Saturday, September 1, 1945. Fair, cooler. Done ironing and got ready for reunion. Went to Miller Park to Ropp reunion. Mabel and I on table committee. Stopped in town awhile on way home. Marie came home with Roy's. They were in Chicago several days.

Sunday, September 2, 1945. A fine day, cool. Went to church. Mother, Marie and Tekla came along for dinner. We all went to C.R.'s for supper. Uncle Chas family and Dorothy there. Dot got flowers here for party. Pete and boys to church after supper. Boys sang in quartet with Reesers.

Monday, September 3, 1945. Fair, rather cool. Washed. Had a big one. Dressed chicken. Baked some cookies, got things ready for supper and cleaned up house. Ironed few things. Phil's, Earls and Alvin Mohrs here for picnic supper. We made ice cream. Allen didn't feel so good all day, had temp. nearly 102. Felt better in eve. Marie back to Chicago.

Tuesday, September 4, 1945. Fair, quite warm. Done ironing. Canned 8 1/2 quarts tomatoes. Made 4 quarts bread and butter pickles and 4 quarts other pickles. Pete and boys on Farm Bureau tour. Boys had no school, teachers institute. Allen seems all right.

Wednesday, September 5, 1945. Fair, hot 94°. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We picked lima beans and got them ready for locker (6 pints). Went to town at 4:00, had committee meeting at Mother's for Home Bureau hostess. Mrs. Anderson, Shoemaker and Hastings went along. Pete finished cutting weeds in beans. Boys to school.

Thursday, September 6, 1945. Fair, hot. I washed, cleaned up bedrooms. Canned 11 quarts tomatoes in p.m. Pete mowed hay in morn. Had supper early. Pete, Phil and Earl went with Alvin Mohr to see Funks corn. Lucy C., children and I went to Park awhile. Mrs. Herman Gerling died.

Friday, September 7, 1945. Partly cloudy, hot. Cleaned up living room and ironed. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Hilton. I gave paper. Took Paul along. Mother here for supper. Pete had meeting in p.m. He raked hay in morn. Boys helped Roy's bale hay in p.m. We baled ours after Pete got home from town. He went to choir practice in eve. Boys at Mother's. Dorothy and I called on Gerlings. Took some flowers.

Saturday, September 8, 1945. Cloudy, quite warm. Showered some. Canned 10 quarts tomatoes. Dressed chicken. Done scrubbing. We went to town in p.m. Allen's started

his lessons again. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Pete and I to Martha Gerling's funeral. Arthur and Georgia Bradshaw were married @ 8pm at H'ville.

Sunday, September 9, 1945. Fair, real warm. Went to church in morn. Were home for dinner. Went to church in eve, choir had program. Mother came out in eve. Boys home with Paul. Showered in eve.

Monday, September 10, 1945. Cleared off in forenoon. Washed, done Mother's too so had big one. We canned 25 quarts tomato juice, made 14 glasses jelly for me and 9 glasses for mother and 2 quarts juice. I ironed awhile in eve. Mother went to CR's. Pete and Allen baled hay for CR after school. Rather windy, cool.

Tuesday, September 11, 1945. Fair, cool. I ironed in morn, had big one. Canned 10 quarts peaches in p.m. Pete to town in morn and went to Jersey sale. He and Allen went to men's meeting at church. They took Mother home.

Wednesday, September 12, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Showered. I cleaned up kitchen and canned 8 pints lima beans and 16 quarts tomatoes. Mother came out with Mabel. She stayed all night here.

Thursday, September 13, 1945. Rained and blew all day. Very disagreeable. We went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Anderson's, we were hostesses. Were 40 present, had chicken loaf, green beans and corn, cabbage slaw and sliced tomatoes, ice cream and cookies. Pete kept Paul. We took Mother home in eve. Weiner roast postponed. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Friday, September 14, 1945. Cloudy, misted and rained most of day. Cleaned up living room and upstairs. Washed, dried clothes inside. Canned 8 quarts tomatoes and 8 quarts peaches and 1 ½ pints peach preserves and ironed. Big day. Pete to city council meeting in eve. They got permit to build slaughter house. Pete picked up 4 bushels peaches. Wind blew them off.

Saturday, September 15, 1945. Fair, nice day. Done Saturday work and washed windows. Had old hens culled. We went to town in p.m., Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Allen took lesson. Dorothy fixed my hair. Gave her bushel of wind fall peaches. Also gave CR's bushel and Anderson's bushel.

Sunday, September 16, 1945. Cloudy in the real chilly in morn. Cleared off in p.m. Very nice. Went to church in morn. Uncle Chas, Mother and Dorothy here for dinner and supper. Dot and I picked up peaches and got grapes for her. Uncle Chas, Mother, Dot and I and Paul went to cemetery and sewage disposal plant. Boys played football at Mohr's. Paul cried in eve, didn't feel good.

Monday, September 17, 1945. Fair. Pete to town in morn, got Mother, Clara Schad and Mina Ropp. We canned 40 quarts peaches and 9 pints preserves. Was a big day. Gave

mother at 12 1/2 quarts and 3 pints preserves. Pete took them home in eve. Gave Clara peaches and grapes. Mr. Cramer started painting the house.

Tuesday, September 18, 1945. Partly cloudy. Washed clothes, dried slow. I ironed little. Paul cried quite a lot in p.m. seems to have pain in his abdomen. We took him to hospital to see Dr. Jones at 7:30. He said his abdomen O.K. Paul and I came home. Pete stayed for locker meeting, came home with Bob Otto. Paul slept all night. I finished the ironing.

Wednesday, September 19, 1945. Fair, clouded up in p.m. rained in eve. Scrubbed kitchen. Canned 3 pints lima beans, 14 quarts tomato juice. Aired bedding in closet and also in 2 bedrooms. Cleaned closet. Pete to board meeting at church. I mended some. Paul seems all right.

Thursday, September 20, 1945. Clear, cool. Fine day. I cleaned two bedrooms upstairs and made 5 pints peach preserves. Pete worked on barn and got corn at Kerrick. Arthur [sic]

Friday, September 21, 1945. Fair in morn. Showered some towards eve. I washed, bedspreads, etc. and done cleaning in morn. Cleaned store room and hall upstairs, and canned 5 quarts tomatoes in p.m. Sure had a big day. We went to community club weiner roast at Ed Miller's. Pete to choir practice after supper. Paul at Minnie's. We came home with C.R's. Pete worked in hen house.

Saturday, September 22, 1945. Cloudy. Rained most of forenoon. Done Saturday work and ironed. Went to town at 11:00. Boys at Mothers part of time. I cleaned up Mother's kitchen and bathroom.

Sunday, September 23, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warm and windy. Had a shower at noon. Went to church in morn. Boys to ballgame at Towanda with Miller boys. Pete and I to church in eve. Boys home with Paul.

Monday, September 24, 1945. Rained most of day. I made six bottles of catsup and 5 pints chile sauce. Irene Hopkins here an hour in pm. We went to Friendship Circle weiner roast, had it at church on account of rain. Paul at Minnie's. Pete worked in barn etc.

Tuesday, September 25, 1945. Rained and showered most of day. I washed and ironed. Dried clothes in house. Pete to Hopedale, got male hog at Elmer Martins. He stopped at Birckelbaw, got apples.

Wednesday, September 26, 1945. Cloudy, showered and misted. Mabel and I to town to church, helped can for relief. Canned 16 quarts tomatoes and grapes. I took bushel grapes and peck tomatoes. Paul at Mothers. Pete helped CR pour concrete. Pete and Beachy to Roanoke church in eve. Q. F. Derstine holding meetings. Boys home with Paul.

Thursday, September 27, 1945. Cloudy, rained most of p.m. We went to town at 11:00 to Federal Land Bank meeting and dinner at Farm Bureau. Mabel and I up town in p.m. Paul at Mothers. Pete and I to alumni supper at church. Mrs. Ummel ill so had it at church. Alma Kaufman and Miss Nethererton spoke on Europe. They're army nurses. Boys home with Paul. Dressed chicken in morn.

Friday, September 28, 1945. Rained quite hard most of day. Done sweeping. Washed, dried clothes in house. Canned 7 quarts tomatoes and 2 quarts juice. Colder in eve. We went to Elmer Siegs for weiner roast, was inside. Gordon and Ray with us. CR's to supper at Farm Bureau. Pete to choir practice awhile. Pete moved hog houses.

Saturday, September 29, 1945. Mostly cloudy, cold. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 1:00. Boys practiced at church also took lesson. We got them new suits and Allen overcoat. Ronnie stayed at Mothers all night, he mowed her lawn. Paul there awhile in pm. Took Dorothy bushel tomatoes and some grapes.

Sunday, September 30, 1945. Rained most of day. Went to church. Were at Mothers for dinner. Dorothy and Uncle Chas there too. She fixed our hair. C. R.'s at Decatur at Margaret Coolidge. We went to Phil's awhile in eve.

Monday, October 1, 1945. Rained in morn, cooler in p.m. Washed, dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete finished cleaning henhouse. We went to Farm Bureau drive supper at Lutheran school. Allen to 4-H weiner roast. Ronald and Paul at Minnie's. We had good supper.

Tuesday, October 2, 1945. Fair, real chilly. Washed chair covers and cleaned boys room and closet. Pete sprayed henhouse. He and Phil went to men's meeting.

Wednesday, October 3, 1945. Fair, nice day. Mother and Mrs. Johnson came at noon. Pete to town in morn. I canned 5 quarts apples. Grandma canned 7 quarts pears. I cleaned our bedroom. The Garfield school club had their weiner roast here. Had good crowd, but pretty chilly.

Thursday, October 4, 1945. Beautiful day, warmer. Cloudy in eve. Showered some. I cleaned living room and two closets and gathered flower seeds in eve. A big day again. Allen to 4-H skating party. Raymond Miller here all night. Pete on Farm Bureau drive. Got two members.

Friday, October 5, 1945. Cloudy, washed and ironed. Dressed chicken and churned and picked lima beans for supper. Painter finished painting house. Pete worked around the barn. Went to choir practice.

Saturday, October 6, 1945. Partly cloudy, cooler. Cleared off in eve. Done Saturday work, dressed chicken for Dot. Waxed living room floor and furniture. Went to town at 11:30, boys took lesson early and practiced at church. Pete had Federal Land Bank meeting. CR's at Hicksons. We're doing chores. Mrs. Johnson along uptown in p.m.

Sunday, October 7, 1945. Fine day. Went to church, had communion. Mother and Mrs. Johnson came along home. Went for little ride in p.m. Went to church in eve, had promotion. Boys sang duet. Allen promoted. Stopped at Mothers after church. Dot and Uncle Chas there. We had ice cream. Pete done CR's chores.

Monday, October 8, 1945. Fair, windy from north and colder. Washed, had big one, quilts, the spreads etc. Done ironing in p.m. I went to Health Council meeting at Library. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau. Boys home. Pete worked on combine.

Tuesday, October 9, 1945. Fair, cold. Heavy frost. Mabel and I to Mothers, cleaned her living room and bedroom. Cleaned up house when I got home. Beachys here in eve. He and Pete had letter to write. Ronnie at Raymond Miller's all night. Pete put up stove in living room.

Wednesday, October 10, 1945. Fair, cloudy in p.m. Frosted. Showered some in p.m. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete to town. Mother and Mrs. Johnson came along out. I cleaned up basement in p.m. We got ready for company. Uncle Chas, Clarences, Arts, Elmers, Uncle Pauls, C.R's, Edgars, Mrs. Gurtner and Mary here. Had hamburger fry and wieners and ice cream. Edgar got home at 7pm. He's discharged and so happy.

Thursday, October 11, 1945. Beautiful day, warmer. Went to Home Bureau meeting at Mrs. F. Wright. Paul and Ray at Laura's. Pete put picker on tractor. He went to church in eve to do some work fixing steps etc. Boys to community club with Oscars. I cleaned store room off kitchen after I got home.

Friday, October 12, 1945. Fine day. I washed and cleaned coat room in morn. Cleaned pantry in p.m. Went to school at 3:30. They had a doll exhibit. Done ironing after [I] got home. Pete combining beans at Roy's. We went to party at church (missionary society). Paul at Mothers. Had choir practice after the program.

Saturday, October 13, 1945. Nice day. I cleaned little kitchen, dusted house and done Saturday work. Allen and I to town in p.m. Ronnie home with Paul. Pete combining beans at CR's. Men here part of time, unloading beans. Dressed chicken in eve.

Sunday, October 14, 1945. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Went to church. Roy's, Mother, CR's and us took our dinner to Mackinaw Dells. Was kinda cold. We stopped at Schrock Orchard on way home. We went to church in eve. Took Mother home. Boys with Paul. Choir put on program.

Monday, October 15, 1945. Fair, chilly. Rather windy. I washed. Took boys to dentist at 3:30. I done ironing in eve. Mother to dentist too. Pete combining beans.

Tuesday, October 16, 1945. Fair, warmer. Lovely day. I cleaned the kitchen and oiled floors in both kitchens. I waxed furniture. I sure was tired. Big day. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, October 17, 1945. Fair, rather windy. I washed dishes in cupboard. Boys and I to Forrest Park for dinner-(club meeting) losers entertained winners. I went to Lucy Anne Morgan home for girls. Paul at Mrs. Johnson. Alvin Streid passed away in morn. Quite a shock. We went to funeral home in eve.

Thursday, October 18, 1945. Partly cloudy. Showered little. I washed, done sweeping. Cleaned basement in p.m. Ray here in p.m. Mabel to sale. Dressed chicken. Done telephoning about dinner for Streids. Pete to meeting. Quartet practiced here in eve. Done ironing in eve.

Friday, October 19, 1945. Showered early in morn, beautiful day. I went to town in eve at 8:45, helped get dinner at church for Strieds (Friendship Circle). Went to funeral at 3:00. Pete, C. R., Phil and Earl sang. Boys finished combining our beans.

Saturday, October 20, 1945. Nice day. Took oil cloths off floor. Boys and I to town at 9:45. Mother and I had our hair fixed. Boys at Mrs. Johnson. Boys to Minier in pm. to stay all night with Jack Kampmeier. Went on train. Pete combined beans at Roy's. Broke down at 4:00.

Sunday, October 21, 1945. Mostly cloudy, warm. Rained nearly all eve and colder. Went to church and to Val Kampmeier's for dinner. Edgars, Uncle Chas, Bill W., Mother and Mrs. Johnson, CR's there and Mrs. Gurtner. Boys ate early and came home to chore. Mabel, Mother, Mrs. J. and little boys came later. Rained all way home.

Monday, October 22, 1945. Cleared off, nice day. Washed and ironed. Clothes dried good. Pete and I to Barnharts. Made plans for fish fry on Friday night. Pete and CR to town in p.m.

Tuesday, October 23, 1945. Partly cloudy, chilly. Cleaned cabinet and utility cabinet in morn. Planted some houseplants in p.m. Lucy C. here to telephone. She took Paul along home. She came again in eve to phone. I raked some yard. Pete to meeting at Farm Bureau in eve. They combined at Roy's in p.m.

Wednesday, October 24, 1945. Cloudy, misted some. Chilly. We dug glad[iola] bulbs in morn. I cleaned silverware in p.m. Ronnie and I raked chicken yard in eve. Pete shucked five acres of corn for hogs. We went to Farm Bureau to school with Phil's. Boys home with Paul.

Thursday, October 25, 1945. Fair, windy. Paul and I to town at 10:30. Took Mother to Dr. Mrs. Johnson kept Paul. We didn't get back until nearly 2:00. Done some shopping in p.m. Boys combined some in p.m. but had trouble. I went to alumni party for students at Grace M.E. Went with Marie H. Ronnie raked leaves in eve.

Friday, October 26, 1945. Fair, chilly. Done sweeping. Washed and ironed. Polished living room stovepipe. Dressed three chickens. Washed windows. Boys combined at

Roy's. We went to fish fry at Farm Bureau (locker board). Played 500. Paul at Minnie's. Boys with us. Marie came home in eve.

Saturday, October 27, 1945. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. We went to town 11:30. Allen took his lesson at 12:00. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's. Boys went with Marie and Mabel and Gordon to football game at I.S.N.U. Paul and I home at 3:30. I got things ready for Sunday dinner. Boys finished Roy's beans and started at Oscars.

Sunday, October 28, 1945. A beautiful day, warm. Pete took boys to Sunday School. Mother, Marie, Roy's, Minnie, Edgar's and CR's here for dinner and supper. Went for ride in p.m. and to see Roy's cattleshed. Pete took Marie to 7:20 train. Mother and Edgars went along.

Monday, October 29, 1945. Fair, partly cloudy in p.m. Rained some in eve. Washed, had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Boys had no school, visiting day. Boys finished combining at Oscars. I dressed five chickens after supper for Mother. Pete and boys to J. Miller's.

Tuesday, October 30, 1945. Partly cloudy, warm and real windy. I went to town after Mother and Mrs. Johnson. We canned chicken, 7 quarts and 8 pints (for Mother). We canned 33 pints pears. Pete to locker meeting in p.m. I took boys to Normal to see Thunderhead [1945 film: *Thunderhead—Son of Flicka*] Paul at Mothers. Rained some in eve. Pete to Saybrook in p.m.

Wednesday, October 31, 1945. Fair, warm. Cleaned up house, scrubbed kitchen and porch in p.m. I went to missionary meeting at Mabel's. I got things ready for supper. Billy's here for supper. Pete shucking corn at Roy's.

Thursday, November 1, 1945. Cloudy, warm. Got tomatoes for juice. Cooked apples. Cleaned up bathinette took it home in eve but no one home. Mended some in p.m.. Pete husking at Roy's.

Friday, November 2, 1945. Fair, colder. Windy. Done sweeping. Washed and ironed. Mended in p.m. Pete shucked at Roy's. He went to choir practice in eve. Ronnie home, upper grades taking exams.

Saturday, November 3, 1945. Fair, cold. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town at 12:45. Allen met teacher to do some shopping. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Ronnie raked yard. Pete husking corn at home. Dressed two chickens in eve. Dot fixed my hair in pm.

Sunday, November 4, 1945. Fair, cold 22°. Went to Sunday school and church. Pete and Phil sang duet for opening services. Had Paul in Sunday school. Ronnie took him to Mother's after Sunday school. We were home for dinner. Pete and I went to church in eve. Boys home.

Monday, November 5, 1945. Fine day, rather windy. Washed and ironed. Got things ready for supper. Went to supper at church for Earl Meyers and Waters families who are leaving. Had big crowd and lots of food. Paul at Minnie's. Pete shucked corn.

Tuesday, November 6, 1945. Mostly cloudy. Very windy from south and warm. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Went to town at 11:00, got Mother and Mrs. Johnson. Washed storm windows in pm. Mrs. J. helped me. I washed windows on outside. Pete put storm windows up in eve. Billy's here in eve to get pressure cooker for chickens. They took Mother and Mrs. J home. C.R. to meeting in pm. Pete worked on picker and shucked.

Wednesday, November 6, 1945. Mostly cloudy, windy. Warm. Went to church, helped can pears. Paul at Mother's. Went up town little. Pete to Stanford in morn, got phosphate. C.R. shucked at Roy's until noon. Pete shucked at home in p.m.

Thursday, November 7, 1945. Cloudy, terribly windy from south. Rained at 4:00 real hard and blew. Went to Home Bureau at Florence Kinsinger. Took Paul along. Pete finished shucking our corn. Field east of house made about 72 bushels per acre. North field better than 60 bushels. Boys got wet coming from school. We went to community club at Garfield in eve. Boys on program.

Friday, November 8, 1945. Fair, colder. Washed and ironed and done cleaning. Pete shucking corn at CR's. He went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, November 10, 1945. Cloudy in morn, cleared off, cold. Ground froze little. Done Saturday work. Allen and I dug carrots. We went to town at 1:00. Pete to Federal Land Bank meeting in p.m. Paul at Mothers. Boys to practice at 4:30 as Mrs. Kemp was busy. Ronnie singing a Thanksgiving song.

Sunday, November 11, 1945. Cloudy, Misted some chilly. Went to church & to Edgar's for dinner and supper. Edds, Uncle Chas, Mother and Mrs. Johnson there too. Ladies went to chrystheum[sic] show at I.S.N.U. Men went to look at cars. Pete and Allen home to chore. Edgar and Uncle Chas came along. We went to church in eve. Allen played piano solo.

Monday, November 12, 1945. Cloudy, showered some. Rained hard in eve and awfully windy. Washed, dried clothes inside. Ironed in p.m. Pete shucking corn at CR's. Lights went off awhile in eve. Boys to show, "Son of Lassie," with Clarences.

Tuesday, November 13, 1945. Cloudy. Cleared off in p.m. rather chilly. Cleaned up house. Went to town after Mother and Mrs. Johnson. We made our fruitcakes, look real nice. Canned 10 quarts apple sauce. I dressed three chickens in eve. One for Mother and 2 for us. Pete took Mother and Mrs. J. home.

Wednesday, November 14, 1945. Fair, colder. Cleaned up house, scrubbed. Washed windows. Got things ready for company. Baked pies. Beachys and Hoovers here for

supper. Phils and Mr. Gundy here after supper. Men had committee meeting. Pete shucking corn.

Thursday, November 15, 1945. Fair, frosty and cold in morn, 26°. I washed, had big one, kitchen curtains etc. Cleaned and polished stove for boys room. Dusted upstairs and ironed. Pete finished shucking at CR's at noon. Shucking at Roy's in p.m.

Friday, November 16, 1945. Cloudy, windy chilly. Rained in night. Done sweeping. Went to town in p.m. Pete plowed truck patch. He went to choir practice in eve. I took boys to take their lesson at 8:15. Phil along to choir practice. Paul at Mother's in p.m. and eve.

Saturday, November 17, 1945. Cloudy, sprinkled some. Cleared off in eve. Done Saturday work, dressed three chickens and made salad and desert[sic]. Got ready for company. Pete and I to town in eve. He had committee meeting with Arends. Boys home with Paul. Pete finished shucking at Roy's.

Sunday, November 18, 1945. Fair, real frosty. Clouded up in p.m. Pete and boys to church. Will S., Owen Kenagys, E.E's, Edds, Wilbur Albrechts, Mother and Mrs. Johnson here, 21 in all. Pete took Mother home in eve. Will S. still on crutches, has been since July with broken heel.

Monday, November 19, 1945. Cloudy, showered some. Chilly northeast wind. Sun came out awhile in p.m. Washed, dried nearly all of clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Mr. Arends here awhile in eve to see Pete. I mended some. Pete sold some hogs (22).

Tuesday, November 20, 1945. Real frosty in morn. Clouded up, damp, chilly. Cleaned up house. Paul and I town at 10:30. Done some shopping in morn. Had hair fixed in p.m. Paul at Mother's. Pete to locker meeting in eve. I had committee meeting at hospital with Mrs. Hoover and Carl Ummel for nominating officers for Friendship Circle. Boys home with Paul. Pete shucked at Oscar's.

Wednesday, November 21, 1945. Rained in morn, turned much colder in p.m. Strong wind from west. Some snow flurries. Scrubbed, baked pumpkin pie in morn. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Hadden. Raymond Miller here for dinner & pm. We went to town in eve. Pete to meeting at Community High School. Voted to have survey of schools. Boys and I met Marie at train, it was hour and 20 minutes late, 10:20.

Thursday, November 22, 1945. Cloudy, snowed some, cold, 16° above. Strong wind from N.W. We went to C.R's for dinner and supper. Roys, Aunt Martha, Marie, Mother and Mrs. Johnson there. Pete to town in morn, got Mother and Marie. Marie back to Chicago on 7:20 train. Edgars, Uncle Chas, Billy and Martha and Fred Woizeski at C.R's awhile in p.m.

Friday, November 23, 1945. Cloudy, cold, windy. Done cleaning. Went to town at 11:30, done some shopping. Paul at Minnie's. Pete to choir practice in eve. Boys went hunting, got a rabbit. Allen took his lesson.

Saturday, November 24, 1945. Fair, warmer, rather windy. Washed, had big one. Ronnie and I took Paul to Dr. at 11:00, has impetigo on his head. Done Saturday work in p.m. and done ironing. Had a full day. Didn't feel so good in eve. Pete shucked corn at Oscar's in p.m. he finished.

Sunday, November 25, 1945. Clouded up in morn, chilly. Pete, Ronnie and I to church in morn. Allen stayed home with Paul. Wrote letters in pm.

Monday, November 26, 1945. Fair, nice day. Rained in night. Pete and I to Chicago, 9:15 train but it was late, nearly 11:00 when we left Bloom. Edgar took us to train, he kept car. Got to Chicago at 2:00. Harry Barnhart with us. He and Pete stayed at Congress Hotel. I.A.A. at Sherman. We saw Marie at 3:00. I went shopping, met Marie at 7:15. Pete and Harry to locker meeting. I stayed all night with Marie. Boys at C.R's.

Tuesday, November 27, 1945. Cloudy, dark. Misted in p.m. I went downtown with Marie. Met Pete at Sherman at 9:30. We went shopping, saw C.R. at noon. I felt kinda bum, have sore throat and gland. We came home on the Abe Lincoln at 7:15. Boys got along O.K. Paul has some cold. Snowed some here in eve.

Wednesday, November 28, 1945. Cloudy, gloomy. Allen helping Gordon with chores. He stayed all night. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Washed out some things, made custard and mended some. Felt kinda bum. Pete chored, etc.

Thursday, November 29, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Cleaned bedrooms in morn. Went to town at 11:00. I went to Dr. Watkins to have my throat treated, it's sure sore. Have laryngitis, gave me sulfa. Went to dentist at 3:30. Done some shopping. Paul at Mother's. I went to alum meeting at Mildred Dammons with Kathryn M. I was put in for 1st V. Pres.

Friday, November 30, 1945. Cloudy, damp. Washed, had big one. Dried clothes inside. Ironed and cleaned living room. Pete took out some fences, got ready for winter. I feel better. Boys to town in p.m. Santa Claus there. They came home with C.R's. Pete to choir practice. Allen along to practice play. Ronnie to Mother's all night. Mrs. J. in Lincoln.

Saturday, December 1, 1945. Mostly cloudy, rained in night. Done Saturday work. Made ice cream. Went to town at 12:30. Paul at Mother's. Ronnie came home. Pete and I went to Helen Webbs installation as Worthy Matron at Masonic temple. We went with C.R's. Pearl along too. Boys home with Paul.

Sunday, December 2, 1945. Cloudy, gloomy. Went to church in morn. Had board meeting. Late when we got home. Boys to C.R's awhile in pm. Mother to Gurtner's for

dinner. Fred Wozieskis there. Went to Cloyd Stahleys in eve to solicit for church parsonage.

Monday, December 3, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Pete and I went to Peoria, done some shopping. I got new dress. Paul at Minnie's. Allen to skating party in eve. Pete to John Miller's to get geese and stopped at Earl Kaufman's to solicit for church parsonage.

Tuesday, December 4, 1945. Partly cloudy, cold, windy. Washed, hung sheets, towels, etc. outside. Dried some. Ironed in p.m. C.R's to Chicago at noon. Ray and Gordon staying here. Pete and I to town in eve. He went to men's meeting and I was at Beachys. Phils went with us. We had committee meeting to make plans for supper for choir.

Wednesday, December 5, 1945. Fair, warmer. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Baked pie, dressed chicken. Took boys to school and got them. Pete finished shucking corn at Parkes. Glad he is finally done. C.Rs got home at 9:30. Billy's here in eve, brot cooker home.

Thursday, December 6, 1945. Fair, done usual work. Put flower seeds away. Made apple crisp, mended slip covers. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here awhile in pm. Pete took corn picker off tractor. He had locker meeting in eve.

Friday, December 7, 1945. Nice day. Done sweeping. Washed. Also washed slip covers. Pete to Fred Schultz's sale in morn. We went to town at 12:30, had my hair fixed. Pete and Paul had their hair cut. I done ironing after we got home. We went to Farm and Home Bureau oyster supper at F.B. Mother went along. Paul with Mrs. Johnson.

Saturday, December 8, 1945. Real windy. Done Saturday work. Dressed chicken. Fixed ice cream. Boys butchered hog. We went to town at 12:30. Lucy C. along. Pete had F.L.Bank meeting. We were up town awhile, then went to church to get supper. Choir had chile supper. Lucy C. and I each made freezer cream. Pete and boys froze it then came home to chore. Paul at Mother's in pm and at Minnie's in eve. We had nice time.

Sunday, December 9, 1945. Fair, much colder. Windy. We went to church in morn, were home for dinner. Allen to CR's in p.m. to work on school decorations. Pete and I to church in eve. Boys home with Paul.

Monday, December 10, 1945. Fair, cold. 12° above. Washed, dried nearly everything inside. Done ironing. Pete and I to Health Council meeting at Bloomington High School. Boys at home. Pete shipped hogs and chored etc.

Tuesday, December 11, 1945. Partly cloudy, cold 6° above. We went to town in morn. Mother uptown in morn. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. We ate lunch at Mother's. We went to Phils for supper. Earl Kaufmans there too.

Wednesday, December 12, 1945. Cloudy, chilly. Snowed in eve and nearly all night. I cleaned up house and wrapped Christmas gifts in p.m. Pete worked in barn some. We all went to Art Siegs for supper, had turkey. We took Mother and Mrs. Johnson.

Thursday, December 13, 1945. Cloudy, snowed most of day. I went to Home Bureau at Eva McCues. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Mother along to meeting. Pete had meeting. Made popcorn balls in eve. We went to community club at Belvidere in eve. Boys on program. Pete, Phil and Earl sang. Paul at Minnie's.

Friday, December 14, 1945. Fair, colder. Done sweeping and washed and ironed. We went to Christmas school program in eve. Program was good. Had cookies and coffee. Beachys there. Mother and Mrs. J. home with them. Minnie went with us to program. Pete done odd jobs, moved hog houses.

Saturday, December 15, 1945. Fair, much colder. Near zero in p.m. Done Saturday work. Pete and I to town at 11:30. Boys home with Paul. Allen didn't take his lesson. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Sunday, December 16, 1945. Partly cloudy, cold, 4°-6° below zero. I went to church. Boys went to Dickens Christmas Carol at consistory. Mrs. Kemp gave them tickets. Pete and I addressed Christmas cards. Clif Rushing (he used to work for us) stopped here in p.m., he's in army. Boys went to Mother's after play. Pete got them in eve.

Monday, December 17, 1945. Partly cloudy, cold 6° below. I washed, was pretty cold. Dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete chored etc.

Tuesday, December 18, 1945. Cloudy, cold. Snowed some. Drifted little. Pete to locker meeting. I brought Mother out. We made Swedish cookies and 2 suet puddings and stirred up orange cookies. Took Mother to get her hair fixed at 3:30. Paul and I to Mrs. Johnson awhile, got Pete uptown. He had treatment at Dr. Watkins, has bad cold. Paul not feeling so good either.

Wednesday, December 19, 1945. Fair, cold. Roads drifted little. Baked orange cookies. Cleaned up house. Boys had no school in morn. Allen and I to club meeting at Elsie Miller's. Ronnie has cold. He and Paul home with Pete.

Thursday, December 20, 1945. Fair, cold, near zero. Mabel and I to town in morn, turned in account book. Boys home from school, have colds. Pete and I to town in p.m. he turned in farm account book. I went to dentist. Cleaned up living room in eve and we put up Christmas tree.

Friday, December 21, 1945. Fair, not so cold 15°. Cleaned out bedroom. Washed and ironed, made cookies. Wrapped Xmas gifts in eve. Boys in school, they're better. Pete's cold is better too. Paul still has some. Pete worked on income tax.

Saturday, December 22, 1945. Cloudy, cold. Done Saturday work. Washed chair covers. Dressed chicken for Mrs. Kemp. We went to town in p.m. I had hair fixed. Pete and CR at Mothers. Settled up with her. Ronnie, Paul and I at Mothers for supper. Pete and Allen home to chore. We went to choir practice, Allen along too, practice for tableau. Pete figured income tax. We came home with Phil.

Sunday, December 23, 1945. Cloudy, windy from east. Roads drifted some. Pete, Ronnie and I to church in morn, Allen home with Paul. He has cold. Had our Xmas program at church but roads drifted so we didn't get to go. Minnie was coming down to stay with Ronnie and Paul. C.R.'s got stuck coming home in eve, Pete went after them.

Monday, December 24, 1945. Cloudy. Roads drifted. Snowplow went by at 3:30. Pete and boys shoveled some snow. I washed and ironed. We went to Mothers in eve, met Marie at train. CR's and Roy's came later in eve. We had our gift exchange. Dressed two chickens for Mother.

Tuesday, December 25, 1945. Cloudy, cold. Snowed little. Made divinity and fudge in morn. We went to Mothers for dinner and supper. Uncle Chas there too. CR's came in p.m. Edgar's there awhile in eve.

Wednesday, December 26, 1945. Fair, chilly. Some of roads drifted again. Cleaned up house etc. Boys went hunting awhile. Pete and I took Paul to Dr. Jones in p.m. he has a swollen gland. Arthur, Georgia and Dave came at 7:00 in eve. They drove thru with Ervin's car. Sure glad to see them.

Thursday, December 27, 1945. Mostly cloudy, cold. We got up late. Got things ready for dinner. Boys went hunting awhile. Arthur, Georgia, Pete and I went to town awhile towards eve.

Friday, December 28, 1945. Cloudy, foggy. Cleaned up house, got things ready for supper. Allen practiced at church for play. Pete to town, got Edgars, Mother and Mrs. Johnson. Roys and C.Rs here too. Had waffle supper. Art went to town too, had his car greased.

Saturday, December 29, 1945. Cloudy, rained nearly all p.m. and night. I washed and scrubbed. Art, Georgia and Dave to Eds. Pete and Allen to town. Phil's and Earl here in eve. Arts back at 5:30. Elmer Mohr passed away at 3:15 in night. They called us at [illegible], we were there until 6:00.

Sunday, December 30, 1945. Cloudy, snowed early in morn, rather icy. We got home from Mohr's at 6:00. Pete, Art and boys to church. We all went to Roys for dinner and supper. Arts and Dave went to Phil's in p.m. then to town awhile. Marie home early in morn. We had our gift exchange.

Monday, December 31, 1945. Fair, rather icy in morn. We went to Edgars for dinner. Paul rather fussy. Pete, Allen and I stopped at Mohr's in eve then went on to watch

services at church. Allen in play. Minnie stayed with Ronnie and Paul. Art, Georgia and Dave left at 9:15 for home. Hated to see them go.

Tuesday, January 1, 1946. Nice day, cold. 6° above. We went to Edds for turkey dinner. Edgars went with us. Noah's there too. We had nice time. Paul feeling some better. Elmer Mohr's funeral was at 1:30.

Wednesday, January 2, 1946. Partly cloudy, warmer. Done ironing. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Boys started to school. Pete and C.R. rendered lard in pm. I washed lard puss etc. We went to C.R's for supper. Mother, Mrs. J and Edgars there too.

Thursday, January 3, 1946. Cloudy, foggy, warmer. I washed, dried clothes in house. Ironed in p.m. Pete hauled some manure. We went to Phil's in eve to party for choir. Had planned bobsled party but snow melted. I made cocoa. We played hearts. Boys home with Paul.

Friday, January 4, 1946. Cloudy, foggy. Rained in pm. Pete and I to town. I went to auxiliary meeting in morn, sewed for hospital. I had my hair fixed at 3:30. Paul at Mother's. I cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Saturday, January 5, 1946. Cloudy, warm. Rained some. We took our tree down. I cleaned up living room and kitchen and scrubbed. I mended some in pm and stamped a towel for Allen to embroidery [sic] for hospital. Pete worked in barn. Allen went to town with C.R. Dressed chicken.

Sunday, January 6, 1946. Partly cloudy, warm. Snow and ice gone. We went to church. We all went to uncle Chas Siegs for dinner. We all took something. We stayed for supper too. Uncle Henry's, Edgar's there too and Elmer Sieg.

Monday, January 7, 1946. Cloudy, gloomy. I washed, dried clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete put windows in barn. I went to alumni board meeting at hospital in eve to make out programs. Pete done some soliciting for parsonage. Boys home.

Tuesday, January 8, 1946. Cloudy, warm. Rained in p.m. and eve. I put clothes away, cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen. Made rolls and coffee cake and suet pudding. Done some mending in eve. Pete hauled some manure. Cleaned out brooder house. He went to men's meeting at church in eve.

Wednesday, January 9, 1946. Cloudy, cooler. Paul and I to Home Bureau meeting at Bill Miller's, went with Mrs. Hastings. Pete had locker meeting in p.m.

Thursday, January 10, 1946. Cloudy, cleared off in p.m. cold. We went to town at 10:30 Mabel went along. Done some shopping. Went to Farm Bureau banquet at consistory. Had good speaker. CR put in for president. Paul at Mother's. We went to community club at Garfield. Allen and Paul home. Allen had sore throat.

Friday, January 11, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Snowed in p.m and eve. Done sweeping. Scrubbed kitchen and porch. Dressed chicken, got things ready for supper. Had supper

and family night at school. Pearl went along. Paul at Minnie's. Also had farewell for Erickson's who are moving to Texas. Pete hauled manure. Washed out things in morn.

Saturday, January 12, 1946. Partly cloudy, colder. We went to town at 11:00. Paul to Mothers. Pete to annual locker meeting at Farm Bureau. He was reelected on board. Boys and I up town awhile. Allen took catechism at Beachy's. We went to Farm Bureau then I helped serve lunch, donuts coffee and ice cream. Allen didn't take music lesson, Mrs. K. out of town. Pete cut boys hair in eve.

Sunday, January 13, 1946. Nice day, cold 8° above. Warmed up some during day. Went to church, Paul at Mother's. We took Mother and Mrs. J. to Uncle Franks. We were home for dinner.

Monday, January 14, 1946. Fair, warmer. Windy. Washed, hung most of clothes outside, they dried good. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to AAA meeting. He and boys to CR's awhile in eve to see German Relics.

Tuesday, January 15, 1946. Mostly cloudy, colder. Windy from northeast. We went to town, Pete to locker meeting. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen in morn. She's better. Dr. says she's doing fine. Took her to dentist in p.m. and went shopping for material for chair. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Boys to basketball game in eve.

Wednesday, January 16, 1946. Fair, cold. I went to club meeting at Grace Kings, was all day. Served for Red Cross. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Pete and boys to L. Claudons in p.m. got calf for Allen 4-H. Gordon went with them. Pete to church board meeting at Beachy's in eve.

Thursday, January 17, 1946. Nice day, rather chilly. Done usual work, made apple crisp. Washed out some things for Paul. Mended some in p.m. Pete shipped hogs and Garoway spread phosphate in pm. Pete and I to Mr. Erickson's awhile in eve.

Friday, January 18, 1946. Nice day, warmer. Done sweeping, scrubbed kitchen and porches. Mended little. Pete hauled manure in morn and ground feed in p.m. Lucy C. here awhile in p.m. She and Phylis here in eve. Boys to choir practice. Allen to Mothers all night. Mrs. Johnson to Lincoln.

Saturday, January 19, 1946. Friday, cold, windy from northeast. We went to town at 10:30, got boys shoes. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers at noon. We met Eds uptown had lunch with them. We went to Dr. H. P. Sloan, he gave me hypo. Ronnie stayed all night with Mother.

Sunday, January 20, 1946. Cloudy, snowed in p.m. We went to church, were at Mothers for dinner. We were at Frank Patton's for supper, had nice time. Phil's there too. Mother didn't feel so well in eve. C.R went in and stayed awhile with them. Mrs. Johnson home at 4:00.

Monday, January 21, 1946. Fair, cold, 8-10° above. Windy from northwest. I washed and ironed in p.m. Pete chored, etc. We went to town in eve to health council. Dr. Piszczek talked on polio. Very interesting. Went to Rogers hotel after meeting. Dr. *Kline* (sp?) gave reception. Boys home. Mother in bed all day but better.

Tuesday, January 22, 1946. Fair, cold 2° above, windy from south. I baked pie for sale. We went to Ed Erickson's sale and such a big sale. 4-H club had lunch stand. I helped and we nearly froze, sold out everything, had 110 # (pounds) hamburger. Cleared over \$105. Paul at Minnie's. Eds at sale awhile. Boys came from school over noon. Mother up and better.

Wednesday, January 23, 1946. Mostly cloudy, warmer. Real windy. Baked pie for sale. I helped Home Bureau serve lunch at Normal University farm. Pete and Paul at Mothers. C. R. there too. They put linoleum on her work tables. Mother is better. Made \$60 at sale.

Thursday, January 24, 1946. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up bedrooms. Got things ready for lunch. Made salad. Mended some in p.m. Allen to 4-H skating party in eve. Snowed some.

Friday, January 25, 1946. Fair, windy. Warmer. Pete and I to annual hospital meeting. I had hair fixed in morn, had basket dinner at noon. Had auxiliary meeting in p.m. I was elected vice president. Paul at Minnie's. Pete and I to Normal Methodist Church for potluck supper and all church party. Had big crowd and nice time. Boys home with Paul.

Saturday, January 26, 1946. Fair, cold 10° above. Real windy. Done Saturday work. We went to town at noon. All at Mothers. We looked at living room suite. Allen to lesson and catechism. I went to Phil's awhile after we got home.

Sunday, January 27, 1946. Fair, zero. Warmer during day. Real windy from South. We went to church, stopped at funeral home to see Mrs. Bower's mother. Were home for dinner. Wrote letters etc. Boys at CR's awhile.

Monday, January 28, 1946. Fair, windy, warmer. Washed, hung most of clothes outside, dried good. Went to Phil's in p.m. helped make out hamburgers. Pete on AAA work. We went to Friendship Circle at church, was supper for Mildred Sharp *Parragos* (sp?). All members invited. Paul at CR's.

Tuesday, January 29, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Southeast wind. Snowed some in p.m. and eve. Baked pie and went to Haddens sale. Helped school club serve lunch, made \$70. Paul at Minnie's. We went to town at 3:00 to Dr. and shopping for living room suite. Boys to basketball game with Oertwigs.

Wednesday, January 30, 1946. Cloudy, much colder and real windy in p.m. Done ironing. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Boys had no school, teacher sprained her ankle. I went to missionary meeting at Schertz's. Boys home with Paul. Pete had meeting.

Thursday, January 31, 1946. Fair, cold near zero. Made pudding, mended in p.m. Allen and Ronnie to J. Miller's all night. I went to alumni meeting at nurses home. Winifred went along. Pete and Paul stayed with Glenn and children. Pete on AAA work.

Friday, February 1, 1946. Fair, warmer. Done sweeping. Washed out some things, made rolls & coffee cake. Mended some. Ray and Gordon here for supper. CR's to Peoria. Allen helped Gordon with chores. Boys to basketball game in Carlock. Pete to choir practice.

Saturday, February 2, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 4:00, Allen took his lesson. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Mrs. J. up town awhile. We looked for living room suite in Normal. I made pie in eve.

Sunday, February 3, 1946. Fair, 10° above, warmer. Chilly, southeast wind. Cloudy in eve. We went church, home in p.m. Grandma to Louise K. with Edgars. Pete, Ronnie and I to church in eve. Allen home with Paul. Rev Hamitt showed pictures and talked on Baby Fold.

Monday, February 4, 1946. Cloudy, foggy and misty. Washed and dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete on AAA work.

Tuesday, February 5, 1946. Friday, warm windy. Rained some. Paul and I to Mothers at 9:00, went with CR's. Mabel and I washed kitchen and bathroom walls in morning. I went to auxiliary meeting at nurses home in p.m. Pete and Allen to Men's Fellowship meeting. Allen played.

Wednesday, February 6, 1946. Real windy, cold. Snow flurries in p.m., cleaned up house, scrubbed. Made pudding and ice cream. Pete and I to town at 12:45. We had chest x-rays at Trinity High School. Went to Dr. too. Paul at CR's. Raymond Miller here all night.

Thursday, February 7, 1946. Fair, warmer. Nice day. I was sick, dizzy, could hardly be up. Done usual work. Mended some in eve. Pete at Roy's in morning, settled up. Worked around here in p.m. Allen cleaned up bedrooms in eve. I washed windows.

Friday, February 8, 1946. Fair, warm, 56° clouded up in p.m. Cleaned living room, scrubbed kitchen and porches. Boys to basketball in eve with CR's. Pete to locker meeting. I mended in eve. Paul has cold.

Saturday, February 9, 1946. Fair, colder. We went to town at 10:00. Pete to F. L. Bank meeting. I took Mother up town in morn, got material for slip covers. Paul and Ronnie at Mothers with Mrs. Johnson. I had hair fixed in p.m. Pete to livestock meeting. Allen took his lesson.

Sunday, February 10, 1946. Fair, chilly. We went to church, were home for dinner. Paul still has some cold. Boys and I to church in eve. They were on program. Laura and May along. Pete home with Paul.

Monday, February 11, 1946. Partly cloudy. Washed, dried most of clothes outside. Ironed in p.m. Pete helped Oscar shell corn in p.m. We went to potluck supper at Carlock Friendship circle, was guest. Boys home with Paul.

Tuesday, February 12, 1946. Mostly cloudy. We went to Home Bureau at Danvers. Joint meeting, men were invited too. Had exhibits, seed sacks etc. I got second on lunch cloth. Boys had no school, they went along. Took Mother. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. We bought living room [suite]. Stopped in town on way home.

Wednesday, February 13, 1946. Rained in morn, turned into snow and very windy. Stormy and blowing by eve. Rather slick. I cleaned up house and mended. Pete took CR's to Champaign, left at 7:45. Got home at 6:10, bad driving. Was glad when they got back. Allen done chores.

Thursday, February 14, 1946. Nice in morn, soon got windy. Started to blow and snow at noon. Had a blizzard, everything drifted. Much colder. Pete and I ready to go to town at 1:30 but got worse so stayed home. They brought our living room suite out. Boys had no school. Cleaned up bedrooms.

Friday, February 15, 1946. Fair, cold, zero. Cleaned up living room. Pete and boys worked on roads awhile, they're all drifted. Snowplow went by at noon. Pete and I to town at 1:00. I had permanent. Boys had no school, they were home with Paul. Marvin, Mary and Ida got here at 5:30, was surprised. They had some icy roads. I cleaned up kitchen in eve.

Saturday, February 16, 1946. Fair, much warmer. Thawed a lot. We went to town at 10:30. Went to Dr. and then boys and I to help at sale at University farm. Elementary S.S. served. Pete, Paul and the folks at Mother's for dinner. Allen took his lessons. We went uptown awhile in p.m. Marvin's and Ida to Ed's for supper and all night.

Sunday, February 17, 1946. Fair, nice day. We went to lunch at Eureka and to Ed's for dinner. E.E's were there in p.m. Marvins and Ida stayed at Ed's all night.

Monday, February 18, 1946. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m. I washed, dried some of clothes outside. Marvins and Ida came at 11:00. Pete to locker meeting and annual Federal Land Bank meeting. Marvin to town in p.m. Girls and I to Valentine tea at school. Mary ironed some when we got home. Billy's here for supper. Had waffles and made ice cream.

Tuesday, February 19, 1946. Rained & snowed some in morn. Partly clear in eve. Ida ironed in morn. Marvin's left for Ohio at 7:00. We went to Service Co. dinner at consistory. Paul at Mother's. Ida cut out dress from feed sacks for me.

Wednesday, February 20, 1946. Mostly cloudy. We went to club meeting at Fern Miller's all day, sewed for Red Cross. Pete and boys home for dinner. Pete to town hall in p.m. to AAA meeting. Boys home with Paul. We sewed some in eve.

Thursday, February 21, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Snowed some in eve. Pete town at 9:00, had eyes tested at Dr. Gaileys. Mother and Mrs. Johnson came along out. We sewed. I made slip for myself. Ida cut out slip for Mother and dressed for me.

Friday, February 22, 1946. Fair. We done sweeping and went to town at 12:30. Took Paul to Dr. Jones at 2:00, has some breaking out on his leg. We went to Dr. H.P. at 3:00. We done some shopping. Mother to dentist at 5:00. We all went to Roy's in eve to birthday party, had nice time.

Saturday, February 23, 1946. Mostly cloudy, sloppy and muddy. Done Saturday work. Cleaned pantry. Put new oil cloth on. Dressed two chickens. Washed chair covers, got things ready for company. Snowed some in p.m. Pete and Allen to town. Pete to choir practice in eve.

Sunday, February 24, 1946. Fair, cloudy in p.m. We went to church. Mother, Mrs. Johnson, Edgars, Clarences and Ida here for dinner and supper. Dorothy fixed Ida and Mother's hair. Pete took the folks home in eve.

Monday, February 25, 1946. Partly cloudy, windy. We dressed 2 ducks. I took Pete to town at 8:30, he went to Springfield to locker meeting for 2 days. We washed, had a big one. Dried most of clothes outside, ironed in p.m. Mary finished in eve. Ida sewed some. Marvin's back from Ohio at 4:00. Boys and Marvin done chores.

Tuesday, February 26, 1946. Mostly cloudy, colder and windy. We got things ready for supper and cleaned up house. We went to town at 11:00, done some shopping with the girls. Paul at Mothers. Pete got home at 5:00. Boys home over noon, teacher to Dr. Eds here for supper, also schoolteacher (Doris Zehr). We had duck.

Wednesday, February 27, 1946. Snowed in morn until 9:30. Marvin's and Ida left for home at 7:15, sure hated to see them go. I done usual work, went to missionary meeting at Ed Sharps. Knotted comforters. Pete and I to Friendship Circle at John and Florence Miller's. Boys home. Pete hauled some manure.

Thursday, February 28, 1946. Fair, windy. Warmer. We went to town at 10:30, took old living room suite, got \$5. We went to milk producers meeting at Farm Bureau, had plate lunch. Went to H.P in p.m. Paul at Mother's. I went to alumni meeting at nurses home in eve, was chairman as Marie H. didn't feel well. Pete and boys home.

Friday, March 1, 1946. Cloudy, rained some in eve. I cleaned up bedrooms in morn and living [room] in eve and washed some things out. Mabel, Mrs. Anderson, Laura and May

and I went to Mothers, made slip cover for chair, but not done. Pete worked around home. Went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, March 2, 1946. Nice day. Done Saturday work. Pete and CR to town at 9:00, they painted Mother's kitchen. Boys and I to town at noon. I had hair set. Boys had haircut. Allen took his lessons. Paul at Mabel's.

Sunday, March 3, 1946. Fair, warm. Real windy in p.m. We went to church, Paul at Mothers. Were home for dinner. Pete and I to lunch in eve. Boys home with Paul. Mrs. Anna Troyer Ummel passed away in eve.

Monday, March 4, 1946. Cloudy, showered at 11:00. I washed some of clothes, got pretty well dried before it rained. I finished them in house. Lois Miller here in morn and p.m. to make plans for Friendship Circle to serve dinner for Troyer family. Dressed chicken and ironed, finished in eve. Allen to chile supper at church banquet at Carlock for men. Boys had no school.

Tuesday, March 5, 1946. Rained in morn and eve. Sun shone in p.m. real warm and very windy in eve. I helped get dinner at church. Pete sang with mixed quartet at funeral. Paul at Mothers. I was at funeral and then to auxiliary meeting, Laura went along. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau and I went to Elsie Millers. Mrs. Gordon gave beauty demonstration. Took Pearl, Mabel, (unintelligible name), and Lucy C.

Wednesday, March 6, 1946. Clearing, windy. Cooler. I cleaned store room upstairs in morn and the store room downstairs in p.m. Cleaned kitchen and scrubbed. Made pudding. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Thursday March 7, 1946. Fair, warmer. Pete helped CR butcher beef in morn. I cleaned up bedrooms and upstairs. Made chili and custard for supper. Went to town in p.m. to gadget show. Mabel and I stayed in and helped serve supper at Farm Bureau. Allen and Ronnie to basketball game in eve. Pete home with Paul.

Friday, March 8, 1946. Cloudy, rained. Snowed some in eve, much colder. Canned 7 quarts beef, 5 quarts soup and 18 quarts chili. Cleaned up living room in eve and washed some things for Paul. Had big day. Pete to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, March 9, 1946. Clothes 18°, fair until in p.m. clouded up and snowed all eve, and part of night. Cleaned up kitchen. Went to CR's at 9:30, helped Mabel get dinner for corn shellers. We shelled Grandmas corn in p.m. Helped Mabel make chili in p.m. Went to town in eve, Allen took lesson and went to 4-H rally. We met Marie on 9:10 train.

Sunday, March 10, 1946. Clear, 4 or 5 inches snow on ground, beautiful morn. Melted quite a lot during day. Pete and boys to church, took Marie to hospital to see Miss Maxwell about selling uniform to nurses. We are all at Grandmas for dinner. CR's and Roy's there too. Mabel, Pearl, Paul, Ray and I stayed in, took Marie to 7:20 train.

Monday, March 11, 1946. Fair, chilly, windy. Washed, hung most of clothes outside, had big washing, spreads, quilts etc. I ironed in p.m. Iron went bad so borrowed Pearl's iron and done most of ironing after supper. Pete to *Celia* (sp?) and Earl Mishler's sale to Kerrick elevator meeting in p.m. Raymond M. here all night.

Tuesday, March 12, 1946. Fair, warmer. Windy. Pete and I washed walls in both kitchens. I washed woodwork in little kitchen and cleaned clothes room, sure was tired. Had big day.

Wednesday, March 13, 1946. Fair, warm, rather windy. I washed woodwork in big kitchen, waxed furniture, washed dishes in cupboard and scrubbed floor. Pete went on Red Cross work in morn. Cleaned up shucks and cobs from shelling corn in p.m. Paul has a cold.

Thursday, March 14, 1946. Rained all morn and hard most of time. Went to Home Bureau at Fred Bastings. Paul with Pete, he has cold (laryngitis). We went to community club supper at Farm Bureau. Paul with Mrs. Johnson.

Friday, March 15, 1946. Partly cloudy, warm, near 70°. Done sweeping. We went to town in p.m. went to Dr. Paul at Mothers. Man here fixing foundation on barn. Paul's cold worse in eve, had temp 104°. Took him to Dr. he met us at Mennonite Hospital. He says it's laryngitis. Boys to show, *Tom Sawyer*, went with Miller boys.

Saturday, March 16, 1946. Cloudy, rained in morn, warm. Had thundershower in eve. Done Saturday work. Allen and I to town in p.m. Paul is better. Pete done odd jobs, set out some strawberry plants.

Sunday, March 17, 1946. Nice day, warm 72°. Pete and Ronnie and I to church, Allen home with Paul. He seems some better, rather fussy. Boys to Miller's in p.m.

Monday, March 18, 1946. Rainy, rather warm. Washed, dried clothes in house, ironed in p.m. Pete done odd jobs etc. Paul seems some better.

Tuesday, March 19, 1946. Cloudy, rained, chilly. CR and Mabel here. We papered boys bedroom downstairs, got done at 3:45. I cleaned closet and washed woodwork and floor. Pete to locker meeting in eve. Paul got up from his nap with a swollen face, don't know if its gland or some else. I was tired, had big day.

Wednesday, March 20, 1946. Beautiful day. Cleaned up house, scrubbed and varnished floor in bedroom. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Mishler's. Met Marie at train, she went to Mennonite Hospital to sell uniforms. Pete to committee meeting at Will Meyers in eve. I went to hospital, got Marie, took her to Mothers. Paul home with boys, also home with Pete in p.m. He seems much better, swelling has gone down. Bertie Hastings died.

Thursday, March 21, 1946. Fair, warm. I cleaned 2 bedrooms upstairs and hall. Pete helped me some with bedding. He went to town in p.m. took Mother to funeral home to

see Bertie H. We went to Farm Bureau dinner at 1st Christian Church in eve, was very nice. Boys home. Had big day.

Friday, March 22, 1946. Partly cloudy, cooler in eve. Cleaned up bedroom and living room. Washed, had bedspread, blankets etc. We went to Bertie Hastings funeral in p.m. Pete was pallbearer. Mabel and Fern Miller along. We went to Dr. after funeral. Paul at Mother's. Edgars, Mother and Mrs. G. here awhile in eve. Dot fixed my hair. Ronnie at Mother's all night. Mrs. J gone. Pete to choir practice.

Saturday March 23, 1946. Rained most of day. Done Saturday work. Pete had headache. He ground feed in p.m. Allen and I to town in p.m. Paul with Pete. Made cake for Paul. Cooler in eve.

Sunday, March 24, 1946. Cleared off at noon, real nice. We went to church. Paul at Mothers. Mother home with us. Gurtner's, Mrs. Gurtner, Uncle Chas came in p.m., made ice cream. Minnie came in eve and stayed for supper. C.R's here for ice cream, had quite a birthday party.

Monday, March 25, 1946. Fair. Washed and ironed. We cleaned and scrubbed the brooder house. Pete to dinner at Rogers Hotel in eve. Kerrick elevator. I went to Friendship Circle. Laura and May M. along. Pete there awhile, came home with us. Boys home. Paul two years old. Harold Pattons home [from honeymoon].

Tuesday, March 26, 1946. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house, scrubbed. Done some baking, made soup and ice cream. Cleaned basement in p.m. Pete fanned seed oats. I went to hospital in eve at 8:00, hated to go. Boys home with Paul while Pete took me in.

Wednesday, March 27, 1946. Nice day, warm. I was operated on at 10:00, had D&C and cautery, was dopped and nauseated all day and night. Suffered terribly with my back. Pete in town most of day and came in eve. Paul at Mothers. Boys at CR's for supper. Mrs. Johnson down in her back.

Thursday, March 28, 1946. Nice day. I was nauseated until before noon. Kept my dinner down but still suffer with my back. Pete came in eve. Harold and Helen and Phils there, also Mrs. Gordon. She brot plant from S.Club. Have pretty roses from Pete and Mother. Mabel and boys there in p.m. Boys to show with teacher. Paul at C.R's. Pete discing and sowing oats.

Friday, March 29, 1946. Nice day. Real warm, cold in night. I was up in chair in p.m. Came home at 5:30 but pretty weak. Pete sowing oats. Allen disc while Pete came to town. Paul at CR's. I was glad to get home. Nettie Shays to see me and brot daffodils also had pansies from Mabel. Beachy to see me too.

Saturday, March 30, 1946. Nice day, cooler. Ronnie cleaned up house and helped take care of Paul. Allen to town with CR's. Pete set up brooder stove and worked on hog

houses. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here in p.m. I slept better at night. Billys here from 9-10 in eve. Pete and Ronnie to town. C.R's using our car, theirs in garage.

Sunday, March 31, 1946. Nice day, warmer. Allen to Sunday school and went to Aunt Martha's with CR's and Mother. We were to go but couldn't. Eds were here in p.m. glad to see them. Minnie here awhile in eve, brot some flowers. I have sore throat rather hoarse. C.R's and Pearl stopped a minute in morn.

Monday, April 1, 1946. 80°. Partly cloudy in morn, had shower, nice rest of day. I can hardly talk above a whisper, don't feel like being up. Pete to town in morn, got chicks, 4 [unintelligible number, but looks like only one digit: 4. Could mean 400]. Paul along to Mothers. They ate dinner there. Pete worked on hog houses awhile and finished sowing oats. Ronnie came home at 1:30, he spaded some garden. Edgar's here in eve, brot candy.

Tuesday, April 2, 1946. Showered in morn, real warm. I feel better, can talk some better. Allen home in morn and Ronnie home in p.m. Pete finished getting hog houses ready in morn. He plowed in p.m. Allen went out after school. Ronnie spaded garden. Pete and I put out lettuce, radishes, spinach and peas. Mrs. Anderson here in p.m. brot cake. We sent our washing to Mrs. Spencer's.

Wednesday, April 3, 1946. Partly cloudy, cooler in morn. Warm in p.m. I feel better. Cleaned up house in morn, scrubbed kitchen. Bathed & mended some. Pete plowing and rolled oats. School directors met here in eve. Pete to town when Allen came from school. Allen on tractor. Ronnie spaded some garden. Paul and I went with Pete for ride, got seeds and clothes at Mrs. Spencer's.

Thursday, April 4, 1946. Fair, cold. Strong wind. Mrs. Gordon had wreck, turned over on way to school. Boys had no school. Pete finished rolling oats. He had headache. He and boys and C.R's planted our potatoes and C.R's. Pete to choir practice. I done ironing in morn and helped cut potatoes. Mended some in p.m. Pete put out onion plants.

Friday, April 5, 1946. Fair in morn, cloudy and sprinkled some in p.m. I done cleaning and got dinner. Hays boy here, sheared our sheep in morn. He stayed for dinner. I put out beets and carrots in p.m. and went to school to soil conservation and tree planting program. Pete discing stalks. He and I put out peas and some s. corn in eve. Allen to 4-H meeting.

Saturday, April 6, 1946. Cloudy, colder in morn. Cleared off in p.m. Allen went out to plow at 6:30. Pete went out when he got done choring until 9:30. We went to town at 10:00, went to Dr. Boys to Mother's, they raked and mowed her yard. They took lesson in p.m. Pete had F.L.Bank meeting. Edgars here for supper. Had waffles. Dorothy fixed my hair.

Sunday, April 7, 1946. Fair, in morn. Cloudy at noon, showered some in p.m. Went to church, ate dinner at Mother's. Went for ride to airport and cemeteries. Mother and Mrs. Johnson along. Pearl here in eve. Brot me box candy. Mrs. Frank Kraft died Sat. eve.

Monday, April 8, 1946. Partly cloudy, cold. Warmer at noon. Washed. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and I to town in eve. We and Mr. Barnharts called at Flynn funeral home to see Mrs. Kraft. Pete went to men's meeting and I went to Mother's. Pete plowed awhile in morn. Allen stayed home.

Tuesday, April 9, 1946. Fair, windy and colder in p.m. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Made dessert. I went to town in p.m. Mother went with me. I got new coat (black). Paul at Minnie's. Pete plowing. Allen out after school. Pete having little pigs.

Wednesday, April 10, 1946. Fair, windy, cold. We went to town at 8:30 to Mrs. Kraft funeral at Holy Trinity. Men went in body [as a group?]. Mrs. Barnhart and Scheets and I went. Paul at Mother's. Came home at noon. I cleaned off flower beds in p.m. Pete plowing. I went to cancer meeting in eve and Allen took catechism lesson. Pete home with boys.

Thursday, April 11, 1946. Snowed most of day. Melted a lot. I went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Eugene Otto's. Boys to community club with C.R's. Pete to choir practice. Paul and I home.

Friday, April 12, 1946. Fair, cold in morn, froze, 29°. Done cleaning in morn. Pete ground feed, dehorned calves. Bones (cow) died. We went to town in p.m. Went to Dr. Met Nettie and Schertzs visited awhile. Paul at Mother's. Pete to choir practice in eve. Allen to 4-H bowling party.

Saturday, April 13, 1946. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Made custard. Allen and I to town in p.m. Pete home with boys. He hauled manure. Allen helped in morn. Pete to school election. Julius Miller reelected. Karl Klooz at Billy's.

Sunday, April 14, 1946. Mostly cloudy, showered in p.m. Rained in eve. We went to church, Allen baptized and 4 others, Reeser boys, Mrs. Bohrer and Mrs. Dale Miller. We went to Billy's for dinner. Karl K. there, left again in eve. Pete and I to church. Boys home.

Monday, April 15, 1946. Cloudy, cool. Washed clothes, dried outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete hauled some manure. Allen to 4-H skating party. We went to church.

Tuesday, April 16, 1946. Fair, cool, some frost. Cleaned up house in morn. Paul and I to C.R's in p.m. to birthday party for Ray. Pete plowed in p.m. He went to locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, April 17, 1946. Fair, windy. Done some baking in morn. Got things ready for supper. Went to club meeting at Oertwigs. Paul home with Pete and boys. They hauled manure. Mrs. Johnson here in p.m. too. She and Mother stayed for supper. Edgars here too. Dot fixed our hair.

Thursday, April 18, 1946. Fair, rather windy, warmer. I put out beans in garden in morn. We went to town at 10:30 took Mother to Dr. in morn. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. We went to Dr. HP in p.m. and to dentist. We went to church in eve. Allen practiced for play after church.

Friday, April 19, 1946. Fair, very windy. Done sweeping. Ronnie and I cleaned up yard and raked part of it. I mended some. Pete and Allen hauled manure. No school, Good Friday. Pete run over Allen's leg with spreader, didn't hurt him seriously. Pete to choir practice in eve. I took boys to Mrs. Kemps for lesson. Marie home in eve.

Saturday, April 20, 1946. Fair, chilly wind in morn. Done Saturday work. Allen and I to town in p.m. Allen took catechism lesson. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Pete and Allen hauled manure in morn. Pete plowed in p.m. Ronnie disc. His first time running the tractor in field. Mother and Marie to Kampmeirs at Minier.

Sunday, April 21, 1946. A lovely Easter day. Warm. We went to church, had communion. We and CR's at Mothers for dinner. We took some lilacs and tulips to cemetery in p.m. Marie home in eve. We went to church, choir gave an Easter program. Paul at Minnie's. Mabel and Gordon along to program, was very good.

Monday, April 22, 1946. Fair, warm. Washed and ironed in p.m. Pete plowing. Allen plowed before and after school. Pete to church board meeting in eve. Allen went along to practice for play. Rained in eve and most of night.

Tuesday, April 23, 1946. Mostly cloudy, cooler. Mabel and I to Mothers, cleaned her living room and porch. Washed curtains and windows on outside. Mrs. Rogers cleaned the wallpaper and helped with porches. Pete worked with pigs and fixed disc in p.m. Keith Hostetler and wife here awhile in eve. Helen and Harold here to spend the eve. I cleaned up house in morn and scrubbed.

Wednesday, April 24, 1946. Fair, warmer. Made pudding. Worked in garden in morn. Cleaned out iris. Mabel and I to missionary meeting at Sarah Ummels. Paul at Mothers. We went to music festival at community high, rural schools that Mrs. Morris teaching gave it. Boys were in it. Took Mother and Mrs. J. Pete disc and harrowed.

Thursday, April 25, 1946. Fair, chilly north winds. Cleaned our bedroom and washed. Put curtains in stretchers and ironed. Dressed chicken in eve for dinner at church (ministerial meeting). Pete finished plowing. I went to alumni meeting at nurses home. Winifred M. along.

Friday, April 26, 1946. Fair, real chilly and windy. Straightened up bedroom and done sweeping. Scrubbed kitchen in eve. Worked in garden awhile, sowed lettuce and tomatoe seeds. Pete plowed garden and disc truck patch and harrowed potatoes. We worked in truck patch, put out onions, swiss chard, beans, some l. beans and some s. corn, some glads, 3doz. cabbage and 1 doz. tomatoes. Pete to choir practice. Allen practiced play 5-6. Ray has measles.

Saturday, April 27, 1946. Fair, real frosty, chilly. Scrubbed porch etc. I went to town at 10:15, went to see Dr. Had car worked on in p.m. Allen finished catechism. I got new dress. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn and spaded some. He and Paul were there for dinner. Mrs. Anderson operated on for tumor.

Sunday, April 28, 1946. Showered and drizzled most of day and chilly. We went to church. Paul at Mothers, were home for dinner. Went to church in eve. Allen in play, Ronnie sang with Allen accompanying.

Monday, April 29, 1946. Cloudy, cleared off about noon. Washed, dried starched clothes in house. Others dried outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked on grinder, spaded some flower beds. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Boys home with Paul.

Tuesday, April 30, 1946. Fair, warmer. Clouded up in p.m. Pete and I worked in garden all day, spaded flower beds, cleaned paths etc. I sewed all my flower seeds, sure were tired.

Wednesday, May 1, 1946. Rained all day, windy from northeast. I cleaned up house, made pudding and baked some bars. Mended in p.m. Pete done some odd jobs. He and I to Phils awhile in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, May 2, 1946. Cloudy, washed out some things. Done some baking. Went to town in p.m. Paul and I at Mothers for supper. Edgars and Betty there too. Had waffles. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete to choir practice in eve. Boys home. Paul is coughing.

Friday, May 3, 1946. Cloudy, windy from N.E. and cold. Rained in p.m. Done sweeping in morn, cleaned out cabinet and dresser drawer in p.m. got things ready for school supper, they had their closing school program. Mother came out here for supper. She stayed with Paul. He is coughing quite a lot. Pete took Mother home. Pete ground feed.

Saturday, May 4, 1946. Cloudy, real chilly. Cleared off in eve. Done Saturday work. Pete finished grinding feed. We went to town in p.m. Pete had F. L. Bank meeting. We helped Rev. Beachy clean up church before we came home, have no janitor. Phil here in eve. Lucy C. not feeling good, called Dr. Ball. I stopped at hosp. had hemoglobin rather low, 65.

Sunday, May 5, 1946. Fair in morn, clouded up in p.m. Pete and boys to Sunday school and church. I was home with Paul, he's breaking out with measles. Boys to CR's in p.m. Pete and I to Roy Bates awhile in eve, got pair of nylon hose for mother and me. Boys home with Paul. He was rather restless all night. Rained in eve.

Monday, May 6, 1946. Cloudy, rained about noon and in p.m. and eve. Paul is really red with measles and is quite drowsy. Sleeping quite a lot. I washed, hung some clothes out but didn't dry much. Had to dry them in house. Pete stayed with Paul awhile. I ironed in

p.m.. Pete to Stella Hastings at 6:00 to sign will. Phil here in morn. I called Dr. Ball. Lucy C. feeling better.

Tuesday, May 7, 1946. Partly cloudy, cooler in eve. I baked Parker house rolls, can't buy bread, bakers on strike. Cleaned up house. Paul seems some better, but he's rather fussy and hard to keep him quiet. Pete to men's meeting. Allen to 4-H. Ronnie at Miller's. Boys school went on trip to town. Mrs. Anderson home. I made some brownies and sent them over.

Wednesday, May 8, 1946. Fair, rather cool. I baked some brownies. Done some mending and took care of Paul. His measles are disappearing some, but he has a bronchial cough. I went to Phil's toward eve, gave Lucy C. hypo. Boys had last day of school. Harold, Helen and Phil here in eve to practice

Thursday, May 9, 1946. Fair, partly cloudy in p.m. Showered some in eve. I went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Hendricks. Allen to high school to visit. Ronnie and Pete kept Paul. He seems some better, got medicine for his cough. Pete and boys to community club at Garfield. Boys in play. Pete, Phil and Harold sang.

Friday, May 10, 1946. Rained most of day. Done sweeping. Pete and I to town in p.m. Boys kept Paul, he's getting better but still coughs some. He's up and around all the time. I went to Dr. in p.m. Pete to choir practice in eve. I went to Mothers. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Saturday, May 11, 1946. Fair, cool. Done Saturday work and scrubbed. Washed windows and done some odd jobs. Washed out some things. Pete and boys to town in morn, they and Ed Sharp cleaned church again. SilverLeaf 4-H club broadcast at 10:00. Allen played piano solo. We went to Oscars a while in eve. Mrs. A feeling pretty good. Marie home in eve.

Sunday, May 12, 1946. Fine day, but cool. Pete, Ronnie and I to church. Allen wanted to stay with Paul. We all went to CR's for dinner and supper. Pete and I to dedication services for Troyer nurses home. J.E. Hartzler was speaker (he was at church in morn). A very nice program and such a crowd. We took folks back to town in eve. Mabel along. We took Marie to train, then to nurses home. Pete ushered there in eve. Boys home with Paul.

Monday, May 13, 1946. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m. I washed, had a big one. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and Allen discing and harrowing. Pete to Mohr's in eve to make out program for Memorial day services. Fern Miller here awhile in eve to see about S[chool] club program.

Tuesday, May 14, 1946. Partly cloudy, warm. Cleaned the 2 closets in the living room. Cleaned up the house and scrubbed. Made custard and ice cream. Boys starting planting corn here in p.m. Pete to town in eve to see about janitor for church. I went to library to get material for club. Boys home.

Wednesday, May 15, 1946. Partly cloudy, much warmer. Had a shower at 5pm and cooler. Paul and I to town at 10:00. He stayed with Mrs. J. Mother and I up town. I went to dentist. We ate dinner at Mother's, went to club meeting at Frank Pattons. I was on program, took Mrs. King, Mrs. Mason and Gordon along out and took them back. Boys planted 21a[cres] corn for us and went to C.R's. We were at Roys awhile in eve. Pearl better. Gave Lucy C. shot.

Thursday, May 16, 1946. Cloudy, much cooler. Misted in morn. We put lima beans in truck patch in morn. I worked in garden awhile and washed off south porch. Mended in p.m. Boy's didn't plant corn in morn. Pete painted hay rack and fixed screen door. They planted in p.m.

Friday, May 17, 1946. Partly cloudy, rained in eve and part of night. Done cleaning. Washed out some things for Paul. Worked in garden in p.m., hoed and tied up delphinium etc. Boys planted corn. Had to quit at 6:00, rained. I went to Home Bureau committeeman party at Mrs. Rufus Miller. Pete to choir practice. Boys home. Pete mowed some yard and I trimmed grass.

Saturday, May 18, 1946. Cloudy, cleared off in p.m. Done Saturday work. Got things ready for dinner. Went to town at 1:00, took Paul to barbershop and went to Mrs. Kemps, then took boys to Mothers. They mowed lawn. I went to hosp. for hemoglobin and red count, still anemic. We set out cabbage and tomato and pepper plants in eve. Boys finished mowing our yard.

Sunday, May 19, 1946. Cloudy. Started to rain at noon and showered most of p.m. We went to church, were home for dinner. Billys here awhile in eve.

Monday, May 20, 1946. Fair in morn, mostly cloudy in p.m and cooler. Washed. Done ironing in p.m. Pete cleaned out hen house and made fence.

Tuesday, May 21, 1946. Fine day, rather cool. Cleaned up house. We moved little chicks from brooder house to hen house. Pete cleaned brooder house, getting ready for more chicks. Boys finished planting C.R's corn in p.m. I worked in garden, dressed chicken and picked about pint of berries. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, May 22, 1946. Fair, rather windy. Mother and Mrs. Johnson here. Pete went after them. Boys finished planting our corn. Allen disc for CR awhile, his bean ground. Edgar's here for supper, made ice cream and had chicken. Dorothy fixed Mother and my hair. Mrs. Lystad and Mrs. Crouch here in p.m.

Thursday, May 23, 1946. Mostly cloudy in morn, windy. Rained in p.m. Boys planted sweet corn. We put lima beans, green beans, cucumbers and flower seeds in truck patch. I painted pump in morn and gave it another coat in eve. Painted high chair and washed off west porch in p.m. Lucy C. here awhile for hypo. Pete to town, got 320 chicks.

Friday, May 24, 1946. Cloudy, rained hard at noon. Had more in town. Had wind storm or tornadoes south of town. Done cleaning. Pete and boys mowed yard and I took storm windows off. Pete, Paul and I to town in p.m. Paul at Mothers. Mrs. J. along uptown. I went to Dr. We dressed three chickens in eve.

Saturday, May 25, 1946. Showered off and on all day. Cooler in eve. Done Saturday work. Washed windows, cleaned up basement. Picked over quart of strawberries. Made dessert and iced cake and got things ready for company. Pete and boys to town in p.m. Ronnie started taking piano lessons.

Sunday, May 26, 1946. Mostly cloudy, rather chilly. Pete took boys to Sunday School, brot Mother and Mrs. J. out. Uncle Chas, Elmer's, Arts, Clarences and C.R's here for dinner and supper. Edgars came in p.m. were here for supper.

Monday, May 27, 1946. Fine day, warm in p.m. I washed, had big one. Done at 10:15. Pete, Ronnie, Mother, Lucy C. and I to Peoria at 11:30. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Allen discing. CR planted beans in p.m. got some curtains for boys bedroom downstairs and got pair of shoes. We got home 6:45. I took Mother home and got Paul. Pete and I to Friendship Circle at church in eve. Laura and May along. Boys home with Paul.

Tuesday, May 28, 1946. Nice day. Wind rather cool. Allen and I picked half gallon strawberries. I cleaned living room. We took stove down. Allen helped me move furniture etc. and he washed dinner dishes. We went to town at 4:00, took drapes to cleaners. Got Allen a Trombone and he's happy about it. Mother along home. Mrs. J. in Lincoln. Pete finished our beans and most of C.R's. Ironed some in eve.

Wednesday, May 29, 1946. Nice day, finished ironing. Waxed living room furniture. Picked flowers, scrubbed kitchen. Mother made pie for dinner. I went to missionary meeting in p.m. at Pearl's. Mother, Mabel, Paul and I to cemeteries with flowers at 4:30, stopped in town. Mother to CR's all night. Pete and I to Phil's few minutes in eve. Gave Lucy C. hypo. Pete and boys worked in truck patch.

Thursday, May 30, 1946. Fair, cloudy in p.m. Rather windy. Picked half gallon strawberries and worked in garden in morn. Boys put cultivator on tractor. Pete and I to memorial services at Kaufman Cemetery. Pete and CR sang. Boys home. We and Roy's to CR's for picnic supper. 4-H boys played ball. We took Mother home in eve. Ronnie stayed all night with her.

Friday, May 31, 1946. Cloudy, rained some in morn. I was sick all day, terribly dizzy and sick. Lay down all day. Allen done some dusting. Pete cut some weeds in p.m. and helped in house. Ronnie at Mothers, mowed her lawn.

Saturday, June 1, 1946. Rained in morn, much cooler. Chilly in eve. We went to town at 11:30. Lucy C. and Phylis along. I went to Dr. Boys took lessons. Allen took his first trombone lesson from Duncan Miller. Ronnie and Phylis practiced for children's day. Dot combed my hair. Didn't feel too good. I went to alumni party at Dr. Guys, had nice

time. Marie, Ladine, Winifred and I went together. Boys together, Allen, Ronnie home with Paul.

Sunday, June 2, 1946. Mostly cloudy, real chilly. Pete took boys to Sunday School. We and Billy's to Edd's for dinner, had fried chicken, ice cream and strawberries. I got two boxes berries from Nettie. We had nice time. I don't feel too good yet.

Monday, June 3, 1946. Fine day, real cool in morn. Washed, had big one. Picked berries, nearly half gallon. Made 6 pints strawberry preserves. Ironed some in p.m. and finished in eve. Pete to school meeting in town in eve. Allen and Ronnie to 4-H meeting at J. Miller's.

Tuesday, June 4, 1946. Nice day, warmer. I oiled kitchen floor in morn. Mother, Pete and I with Roy to Gridley to Mrs. Elmer Ropp's funeral, left at 12:30. Boys home. We stopped at Aunt Martha's few minutes. Mother here for supper. Pete and I to commencement for nurses at Grace M.E. Winifred went with us. We took Mother home.

Wednesday, June 5, 1946. Nice day, quite warm in p.m. I waxed dining room furniture, picked nearly half gallon berries. Ronnie, Paul and I to town in p.m. Ronnie practiced for children's day. I went to Dr. Watkins, had nose treated. Paul at Mothers. Pete and Allen bailing hay at CR's. I went to Eldon Rupp's in eve to party for purpose of organizing younger women of church.

Thursday, June 6, 1946. Fair, windy, warm, 85°. I worked in garden all day and transplanted some petunias in eve. Pete and Allen finished bailing at noon. Pete plowed corn and truck patch in p.m.

Friday, June 7, 1946. Partly cloudy, warm. Done sweeping. Dressed two chickens. Put up new curtains in boys bedroom downstairs. Waxing floor in living room. Picked nearly half gallon berries. Mended awhile in p.m. and eve. Pete ground feed in morn, hoed corn in p.m. Had card from Marvin K. saying they were coming.

Saturday, June 8, 1946. Had shower in morn. Cleared away. Took oil cloth off kitchen floor. Allen to 4-H Keeping fit program in morn. Took his lessons in p.m. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn and practiced at church. Took his lesson. Went to town in morn to Dr., had hair fixed in p.m. Pete to F.L.B. meeting. We were all at C.R.'s for supper. Paul Thietjes and Gurtners there.

Sunday, June 9, 1946. Beautiful day. We went to church and to Art Siegs to Woizeski Reunion. We went to children's program. Ronnie saying and Allen played. Marvin and Frances got here at 8:00. We wasn't home so they went to town awhile. Eds and Oscars here too when we got home.

Monday, June 10, 1946. Quite warm, 92°. Windy. I washed and picked few berries. We went to town in p.m. Allen home with Paul. Marvin's to Edd's in eve. Pete and I to Lou Augspurger in eve. Rev. Beachy along to settle parsonage debt. Boys home.

Tuesday, June 11, 1946. Partly cloudy. Showered little in p.m., had an awful rain in eve and again in night. Such an electrical storm, lights and telephone out. I ironed in morn, cleaned up house in p.m. Marvin's came back for supper. Pete, Marvin and Allen to men's meeting. Stormed while they were gone. Boys ready to bail our hay when it rained.

Wednesday, June 12, 1946. Mostly cloudy, hot and humid. Had another electoral storm in evening and blew. Didn't rain here but in some places. I dressed three chickens in morning. We went to Peoria at 1:30, done some shopping, pajamas and overalls and Marvin got shirts. Edds and Billys here for supper and no lights. Had fried chicken and ice cream.

Thursday, June 13, 1946. Partly cloudy in morn, fair and real chilly in eve. Marvin's left for home at 8:30. We enjoyed their visit. I went to Home Bureau at Eva McCue's. Paul with me. I transplanted flowers when I got home. We shelled corn in p.m. We went to community club supper at Harry Raders in eve, sure cold. Got lights and phone in eve.

Friday, June 14, 1946. Fair, warmer. I washed, had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Picked few strawberries. Boys done some of cleaning. We bailed our hay in p.m. We had new peas and I picked some for Mother in eve. Pete to choir practice in eve. I mended some.

Saturday, June 15, 1946. Cloudy, showered nearly all morn. Done Saturday work. Pete mowed more alfalfa hay. Boys and I to town at 11:30. I went to Dr. O'Neill and Dr. Watkins in p.m. Paul with us. Boys took their lessons. Ronnie mowed Mrs. Yates yard. Thietjes and Gurtners at Mother's for dinner. Pete ground feed. We set out tomato plants in eve.

Sunday, June 16, 1946. Fair, hot and humid. We went to church, home in p.m. Allen getting things ready for camp, helped him pack. We went to hay field and to Roys awhile in eve. Allen to bed early.

Monday, June 17, 1946. Fair, rather windy, warm and humid. Rained in night. Washed and ironed. Dressed chicken. Got gallon cherries, birds got them. Made 5 pints preserves, kept some out for pie. Pete raked alfalfa and mowed clover. CR finished. Pete and Ronnie baled at Roy's. Pete took Allen Aldridge children and Gerald Rupp to Meadows at 7:00. They left for Camp Mack, Milford Ind.

Tuesday, June 18, 1946. Cloudy, cooler and had big rain in p.m. and wind storm. Blew 2 trees down in ashgrove and one in yard by toilet. Water all over Oscar's pasture and across road. Mother and Mrs. Johnson here, we canned 19 pints peas. Pete helped me pick them. Pete to locker meeting in eve, took Mother and Mrs. J. home. We miss Allen.

Wednesday, June 19, 1946. Rained in morn and again in eve. Cool, warmer in eve. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Made pudding. Pete to Paxton on locker business. Paul

and I to club meeting at Lucy C. Ronnie at CR's awhile in p.m. Had card from Allen, he got to camp O.K.

Thursday, June 20, 1946. Partly cloudy, clear in eve. Quite cool. Dressed two chickens and made brownies. Pete picked nearly 3 gallon cherries at CR's. I canned 5 quarts and made 4 pints preserves. Picked peas for supper. Edgars, Mother and Mrs. Johnson here for supper. Dot fixed our hair. Had ice cream and fried chicken. Pete raked hay awhile.

Friday, June 21, 1946. Fair, real cool. I canned 21 pints peas. Done cleaning. Pete and Ronnie baled hay in p.m. clover isn't spoiled too bad. I took care of chickens in eve. Pete and I to choir practice. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Ronnie mowed some yard.

Saturday, June 22, 1946. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Paul and I to town in p.m. he was at Mothers. I went to Dr. Watkins and Dr. Howard. Boys baling hay most of day. Alfalfa isn't much. Mrs. J. along uptown.

Sunday, June 23, 1946. Fair, quite warm but good breeze. Went to church, ate dinner at the "cupboard." Went to show in Normal. Bob Hope and Crosby in "Road to Utopia." Pete, Paul and I to Meadows at 7:00 to meet Allen. Buses got there at 8:10. They had a fine time, glad to see Allen. We took Aldridge children and Gerald R. to town. Ronnie at Minnie's.

Monday, June 24, 1946. A fine day. Washed, had a big one, Allen's bedding etc. I picked peas before dinner. Canned 5 pints. Ironed flat pieces and got things ready for supper. Boys finished baling our hay in morn and started on Roy's, finished baling in p.m. what he had down. CR plowed corn. We all in to Friendship Circle picnic at Laura Mohrs.

Tuesday, June 25, 1946. Rained good shower at 6 a.m. Pete up at 5:00, plowed most of truck patch before it rained. I ironed in morn, got beans in from garden and pulled some weeds. Picked pint raspberries in p.m. and pulled weeds in glads. Mended some. Pete and boys butchered a pig in morn. He took it to locker. Pete fixed fence. Boys mowed yard. We set out tomato plants in eve.

Wednesday June 26, 1946. Fair, hot and humid. Got things ready for dinner. Worked in garden a while. Cleaned up kitchen in eve. Went to missionary meeting at Clara Brodbeck's. Pete and I to Y.M.C.A. in eve to choir party given by Lou Augspurger. Boys baled hay at Roy's.

Thursday, June 27, 1946. Fair, hot and humid. I helped clean church. Laura M. went along, there were 18 there in morn. Took my lunch. Paul at Mothers. Pete plowed beans awhile in morn, then they baled hay at Roy's. CR finished plowing beans. I worked in garden some. Went to dinner meeting in eve, had flat tire so Winifred Maxwell came after me. Florence K. brot me.

Friday, June 28, 1946. Hot and humid. Picked beans and raspberries. Canned 7 quarts beans. Done some cleaning. Worked in garden awhile. Pete and boys finished bailing at Roy's. We went to choir practice in eve. Allen took his trombone lesson in eve. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers.

Saturday, June 29, 1946. Partly cloudy, humid hot. Looked rainy in eve, thundered. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town at 10:00, went to Dr. at 10:30. Boys at Mothers in morn, trimmed shrubbery and mowed lawn. I sowed endive and lettuce in eve. Pete plowed corn in truck patch. We went to choir practice in eve. Dressed chicken and made salad.

Sunday, June 30, 1946. Fair. Had shower at 2 p.m. and at 6 p.m. Went to church, had 35th anniversary celebration. Had basket dinner and services in p.m. and eve. J.E. Hartzler preached. Had electric organ rented. Choir sang all three services. Dedicated hymnals in eve. Boys home in p.m., Paul at Mothers. He was at Minnie's in eve. Boys and Mother to church in eve.

Monday, July 1, 1946. Fair, much cooler. Fine day. Washed, picked half gallon raspberries. Ironed, finished after supper. Pete hoed truck patch and boys helped him some. He also trimmed hedge. Allen to 4-H meeting, they played ball at CR's first.

Tuesday, July 2, 1946. Fair, cool fine day. Cleaned up house, scrubbed. Canned 6 quarts beans. Got ready for company. Edgar's, Mother and Mrs. J. here for supper. Dot fixed our hair. Pete ground feed and fixed fence in morn. Plowed corn in p.m. Ronnie painted picnic tables.

Wednesday, July 3, 1946. Fair, nice day. Worked in garden in morn and picked nearly quart raspberries. Dressed two chickens. Allen and I dug potatoes for Mother. I went to town at 3:30, Mother along. We went to town in eve. Pete had meeting. Boys and I to Mothers, met Marie at train.

Thursday, July 4, 1946. Fair, fine day. Got things ready for dinner and supper. Were at Roy's for picnic dinner and supper. Mother and Marie there too. CR's, Mrs. Otto, Clara and Jane B., Ray Hastings and Stella and Alvin Ottos and Harry R. there for supper. Saw fire works. Children had some too. Marilyn and Danny there.

Friday, July 5, 1946. Warmer, rather humid. Done cleaning. Picked a few raspberries, scrubbed kitchen. Pete finished laying by corn. Boys to 4-H ball tournament in p.m. I took Mother, Marie, Pearl, Mabel, Ray and Paul to Gridley to see Aunt Martha. Mother and Marie and CR's here for waffle supper. Lucy C. here in eve.

Saturday, July 6, 1946. Fair, hot humid. Had shower in p.m. We went to town at 10:30, went to Dr. Got new end table and laundry stove (stone?). Took Paul to Mother's in p.m.

Sunday, July 7, 1946. Fair, hot humid. Went to church & to Mother's for dinner. Pete and I to annual church meeting. He was put in for chairman of church board. We went

to depot to see Marie off at 4:00. Uncle Chas took her to train. We went to airport at 5:00, Earl K. took all of us except Paul for airplane ride over our farm. I was little nervous, but enjoyed it, scenery beautiful.

Monday, July 8, 1946. Partly cloudy, hot. No breeze, looked rainy in eve, thundered. Washed, had big one. Ironed some in p.m. finished after supper. CR's and I went to call on Webb family at 6:30. Mrs. Webb passed away on Saturday nite. Pete and boys made fence and shipped sows. Boys to Mackinaw River to spend night with C.R and his 4-H club.

Tuesday, July 9, 1946. Hot, in 90°s and humid. Showered some in p.m. had big rain south of town. I canned 13 quarts beans, in morn. Mabel and I to annual Home Bureau meeting in p.m. I'm county health chairman. Paul at Mothers. Pete plowed beans and started to bail at CR's but rained. I went to Women's Circle at Mabel Nafzinger with Earl Kaufmans. Allen to 4-H party.

Wednesday, July 10, 1946. Partly cloudy, showered some at noon, not quite so hot. Good breeze. I made Parker house rolls, cleaned up house and scrubbed. Got things ready for dinner. Mended in p.m. Pete and boys to town in morn. He got combine out in p.m. Boys swimming in eve and Pete too.

Thursday, July 11, 1946. Fair. Pete mowed 5 acres of hay. Cooler, nice day. I washed in morn, washed some of Paul's wool blankets too. Worked in garden in p.m. Sure was tired. Cleaned up bedrooms. Pete and boys baled CR's hay. Boys and I to community club at Fred Bastings. Allen on program. Pete finished mowing hay at night.

Friday, July 12, 1946. Fair, warmer. I canned 12 quarts beans. Cleaned up living room and ironed some. Pete and boys baled Roy's hay in p.m. and 5 acres of ours.

Saturday, July 13, 1946. Fair, warm. Done Saturday work. Paul and I to town at 10:30, he stayed with Anna. Mother uptown with me awhile, ate lunch at Mothers. Pete baled our hay in p.m. They worked on combine a while. Lucy C. and Phylis Ann here in eve.

Sunday, July 14, 1946. Fair, quite warm in p.m. went to church. Boys took lessons after church. We took our dinner to Park. Mother and Mrs. Johnson along. Ronnie and Paul rode on train. We listened to band concert. Billies here in eve, brought few apples from their tree.

Monday, July 15, 1946. Mostly cloudy, rather damp. I washed and ironed in p.m. clothes dried slow. Pete started combining oats at Roy's. Got along pretty good. Worked late as CR had picnic.

Tuesday, July 16, 1946. Mostly cloudy. Picked beans in morn. Went after Mother and Mrs. Johnson. We canned 13 quarts beans. Mabel left 2 quarts to be canned for Mother. I kept 5 quarts. Canned 4 quarts apples and 5 quarts beet pickles. I kept 3 quarts. Pete finished combining at Roy's, was 8:00. He went to locker meeting. Took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Showered in eve.

Wednesday, July 17, 1946. Showered in morn, rather windy. Warmer in p.m. Allen to 4-H judging contest. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. She and I to hairdresser at 11:00. Paul with Mrs. J. I went uptown in p.m. Mother and Mrs. J. came along out. We all went to Garfield picnic at CR's, was 30th anniversary. Had a reunion. Pete ground feed and worked on wagon etc.

Thursday, July 18, 1946. Fair, hot 96°-98°. I washed in morn, cleaned silverware in p.m. and cleaned out buffet drawer. Done ironing. Pete started combining at CR's at 10:30, worked late again.

Friday, July 19, 1946. Fair, hot. Nearly 100° and no breeze. Some cooler in eve. I canned 7 quarts beans. Done cleaning and mended some. Pete finished CR's oats at 5:00, broke down at 3:15, had to go to town. He started on ours and worked until dark. CR gone again in eve. Boys went swimming. Paul and I to field at 8:00, drove tractor and wagon to combine to unload oats. Thundered in night and cloudy. Ronnie baled at Roy's. Allen helped awhile.

Saturday, July 20, 1946. Cloudy until after dinner. Cooler, fair in p.m. Dressed 2 chickens and made salad. Done Saturday work. Paul and I to town in p.m. Ronnie baling hay at Roy's in p.m. Boys finished combining our oats about 9:00, sure glad they're done. Lucy C. here in eve for hypo.

Sunday, July 21, 1946. Nice day, some warmer. We went to church. Edd's and Noah's here for dinner, had nice time. Boys swimming in p.m., neighbor kids here.

Monday, July 22, 1946. Fair, nice day. Pleasant. I washed and ironed. Pete and CR combined Oscars oats, got done at 5:00. Allen baled straw at Roy's in p.m. awhile. Ronnie got bee sting on hand, all swollen. We went to town in eve. Boys took music lessons. Took Grandma and Mrs. J. for ride.

Tuesday, July 23, 1946. Fair, some warmer, rather windy. Boys and Pete baling straw all day, finished Roy's and started on CR's. Mrs. Anderson here in morn, brot us corn. I made custard and sent to Phil's in morn. Got Phylis Ann—she was here to play with Paul. Lucy C. got her in eve. I scrubbed kitchen in p.m. and mended.

Wednesday, July 24, 1946. Fair, rather warm. I helped Mabel dress 6 chickens in morn for 4-H fair. Fern M[iller] helped too. I dug potatoes and got sweet corn. I mended in p.m. and took men lunch. They finished baling CR's straw at 10:00 and started on ours. Finished the big field, worked late. CR at meeting.

Thursday, July 25, 1946. Rained early in morn, nice shower. We went to town at 10:30. Boys to dentist in p.m. and Dr. Jones. I went to Dr. Howard. I got new black dress, has to be shortened. Paul at Mothers in morn, she went along to dentist in p.m. I went to alum meeting, was one of hostesses and I got up program. Joe Maurer played, Helen and Vera sang and Rev. Logan spoke.

Friday, July 26, 1946. Fair, real cool in eve. I washed and ironed. Done cleaning, got things ready for supper. Went to Clif Dovel's. Carlock group had Friendship Circle. Pete finished baling our straw in p.m. and also Oscars. May along to Dovel's. Paul at C.R.'s.

Saturday, July 27, 1946. Fair. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 1:30. Ronnie to Laura's to Sunday School party. Allen took trombone lesson. I met Marie on 3:00 train. Paul at Mothers. We brot Mother and Marie and Mrs. J. to CR's. We and Roy's there too, had hamburger fry.

Sunday, July 28, 1946. Fair, nice day. Warmer. We went to Sunday School, took Paul. He did fairly well. CR's, Roy's, Mother and Marie to Aunt Martha's for birthday basket dinner. Had nice time. We took Mother and Marie, got some blackberries along road home. Billies here in eve, brot some apples.

Monday, July 29, 1946. Fair, warmer. Washed and canned 11 quarts apples in p.m. Ironed few pieces. Pete mowed weeds in morn. He and boys to town in p.m. Ronnie at Sonny Cox's birthday party in p.m. He stayed at Mothers for supper. Pete and I to church in eve to decide on building program. Allen to 4-H meeting. Paul at Mothers.

Tuesday, July 30, 1946. Fair in morn, had rain in p.m. about 1/2". Sure fine. Blew some. I ironed in morn. Pete mowed weeds in morn. They made box for Allen in p.m. Phil's Earls and we went to Decatur in eve, left at 5:30. Ate dinner at Orlando Hotel and went to show. Boys home.

Wednesday, July 31, 1946. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house some. Made apple crisp. Went to truck patch a while. Went to missionary meeting at Martha Kaufman's. Went with Pearl. Mother and Marie came out to Roy's in eve. Pete and boys cutting wheat. Tried to bale hay but too wet. Pete about down in his back.

Thursday, August 1, 1946. Fair, rather warm. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Dressed 2 chickens. Got ready for company. Worked in yard and garden a while in p.m. Mother and Marie, Roy's, Minnie and CR's here for picnic supper. Had ice cream and cake in eve. Roy's men here for ice cream. We took mother and Marie home.

Friday, August 2, 1946. Partly cloudy, rather warm. Washed and ironed. Made 31/2 quarts mixed pickles. Done some dusting. Allen and Pete to fair grounds to help put up tents. Ronnie mowed some yard. Pete to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, August 3, 1946. Fair, warm. Done Saturday work. Dressed chickens. Pete ground feed. We went to town at 11:30, had my hair fixed. Ronnie and Paul to Mothers. Ronnie mowed lawn. We, Mother and Marie, Mil W. and C.R.'s to Gurtner's for supper. Louise and children there too. Had nice time. Ed sick with ear and dizziness.

Sunday, August 4, 1946. Fair, warm. We went to church and to Billy's. Karls there and Dooley too. We went to Lakeside, had picnic dinner. I made freezer of cream. They

went to Ed's in eve, stopped here on way and finished eating ice cream. I went along to Edd's, he's better. Karls on way to Wisc.

Monday, August 5, 1946. Fair in morn, rained in p.m. We had 1/2 inch, had big rain in town in south of there. Looked stormy. I washed, ironed in p.m. Pete took Allen and Gordon's calves to 4-H fair in morn. Allen stayed out all night. Pete had church building committee meeting here in eve. Lucy C. and Vera Beachy here too.

Tuesday, August 6, 1946. Fair, nice day. We went to town at 11:00, took 5 quarts corn to locker. Done some shopping. Went out to fair at 2:00. Ronnie and Paul with us. We came home to chore, went back for eve. Minnie went along. Paul at Mothers. Allen came home.

Wednesday, August 7, 1946. Fair, cool. Boys to fair with CR's in morn. Pete mowed clover hay. I picked and canned 5 pints lima beans and canned 7 quarts apple sauce in p.m. We went to fair in eve, big crowd. Paul at Minnie's.

Thursday, August 8, 1946. Cloudy, showered little in morn. Fair in p.m. quite warm in sun. We went to fair at 8:30. I took Mother. Pete took truck, brought Gordon's calves home in p.m. Paul at Minnie's. Boys showed calves in morn. Allen got 1st on Linda, he's happy. We went to fair in eve, took Paul. Came home before was over. Allen stayed all night to go to Springfield.

Friday, August 9, 1946. Showered little at 5 a.m. Fair and cooler in p.m. Allen and Gordon to Springfield State Fair at 5 a.m. I washed and ironed, had big one. Canned 3 1/2 quarts bread and butter pickles. Pete raked hay in morn and he and Ronnie and Roy and men baled in p.m. CR in town. I took refreshments out for them. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, August 10, 1946. Partly cloudy, real cool, rather windy. Done Saturday work. Dressed chickens. Pete unloaded hay. He went to town in p.m. F. L. Bank meeting. I mended & got things ready for supper. Went to Miller Park to picnic supper. Locker board and families. Mrs. Bowers and I on committee.

Sunday, August 11, 1946. Fair, rather windy and cool. Went to church in morn, were home in p.m. Went to Phil's awhile in eve, gave Lucy C. hypo. Roys and Ray Hastings left for trip east.

Monday, August 12, 1946. Mostly cloudy. Rained at 4 p.m. we left at 6:30 for Springfield fair. Harry Barnharts went with us. Paul at Minnie's. Allen's calf got 6th, would have done better, but she had hives or something, was all raised up in bumps. Think it was fly spray. They got 1st in Co[unty] exhibit. Linda was O.K. in p.m. Allen along home. We stopped at McLean, got Shepherd pup. Got home at 8:15.

Tuesday, August 13, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Showered some in p.m. Picked lima beans and tomatoes, dug onions. I took lima beans to Mother, she helped pod them. Put 5 pints

in locker. Went uptown awhile. Pete and boys dug potatoes until it rained. Pete mowed weeds and they ground feed.

Wednesday, August 14, 1946. Cloudy, misted some. Canned 22 pints corn. Made 4 gallons Kraut. Pete and boys finished digging potatoes, got 35 bushels. I scrubbed kitchen in eve. Pete hauled chicken feed etc.

Thursday, August 15, 1946. Cloudy, sun shone some in p.m. Humid. Washed clothes, dried slow. Pete and I to town in p.m. had car greased. I went to Dr. HP. Ronnie mowed Mothers lawn. Allen home with Paul. Edgars here for supper. I came home with them from town. Made ice cream and had hamburgers. Dorothy fixed my hair. Aunt Ella Ropp fell, she's at hospital.

Friday, August 16, 1946. Fair, rather windy. Real warm. Ronnie got little finger badly cut at 9:30. He and Allen were cutting weeds in corn and were to close together. Allen accidentally cut hit him. Pete took him to hospital, tendon was cut. Dr. Wellmerling took care of him. We were terribly disappointed, as were getting ready to leave in morn for Mo. I ironed in morn. Allen cleaned up house, mended some. Pete and Allen cut some weeds. Called Ida in eve.

Saturday, August 17, 1946. Had big rain early in morn and rained in morn. Quite hot and humid. Done Saturday work. Dressed two chickens. Pete and I to town in p.m. Boys at Mothers. Ronnie getting along pretty good, complains of some pain. Minnie here in p.m. awhile. Sorry we couldn't leave for Mo. but thankful Ronnie's hand isn't hurt worse.

Sunday, August 18, 1946. Had big rain in morn, got awfully dark about 9:00, cleared off in p.m. Got cooler at 3:30. Mother, Mrs. J. and Minnie here for dinner. We drove to Edd's at 3:00. Minnie went home, got home at 6:30. Lucy C., Mrs. Mailer and Roberta here awhile. Gave Lucy C. hypo. Boys and I took Mother and Mrs. J home. Took Aunt Ella Ropp flowers at hospital.

Monday, August 19, 1946. Fine day, cool. Washed and ironed. Cleaned up basement. Pete and Allen cut weeds in corn in p.m. They filled feeders etc. in morn. We picked tomatoes and lima beans in eve for Mother.

Tuesday, August 20, 1946. Nice day, some warmer. We went to town at 8:45. Took Ronnie to hospital to see Dr. Wellmerling. He says this thing is doing all right, and we can go to Mo. Allen took tractor to town to have overhauled. I cleaned the kitchen in p.m. and packed. Paul at Mothers in morn. She and Mrs. J. fixed 4 quarts corn to take to locker.

Wednesday, August 21, 1946. Partly cloudy in morn, fair in p.m. Real cool in morn. We left at 3:15 a.m. for Mo. Met Edds at Lincoln. They drove their car. Ronnie rode with them from Pittsfield. Ate breakfast at Pittsfield at 6:45. Ate dinner at Warrensburg. Got to Creighton at 3:15. Paul had several good naps. We ate supper at Ida's and stayed all night. Boys to Marvin's, and Eds at Orvie's.

Thursday, August 22, 1946. Partly cloudy, some warmer. We were at Ervins for dinner, had nice time. Marvs, Edds, Orvies, Aunt Tina and Ida there too. We stopped to see Aunt Lizzie K. awhile. We were all at Ada Roths for supper, had pot luck. Visited with Aunt Mary Hershberger. Were at Idas all night. Boys at Mary's.

Friday, August 23, 1946. Partly cloudy, showered in p.m. cool. Were at Mary's for dinner. Helped her dressed 5 chickens and do her cleaning. We went to H'ville awhile in p.m. Mary and Ida along. We were all at Orvie's for supper. Ervin, Carrie and Dave left for Ohio. We were at Mary's all night.

Saturday, August 24, 1946. Cloudy, real cool. Rained in p.m. in eve. We all went to Lawrence, Kansas to Karls. Marvin Y's, Orvies, Edds, Ida, Aunt Tina and we. Sure had a fine time and dinner. Ate lunch there too. Left Ida's at 9:15, got there 11:30. We stopped to see Ernests on way home and stopped at 10¢ store few minutes. Was 9:30 when we got home. We were at Ida's all night. Boys at Mary's.

Sunday August 25, 1946. Cloudy, real cool. We were all at Mary's for dinner, sure had fine dinner. Arthur there too. Georgia had to work. We and Marvins Y. took Art to Independence in eve, got to see Georgia awhile. Was 11:45 when we got home. Were at Ida's all night. Boys at Mary's.

Monday, August 26, 1946. Cloudy, cleared away in morn. Ida worked awhile in a.m. Edds and we were at Ida's for dinner. Eds, we and Ida went to H'ville in p.m to see [unintelligible word] about mont. land. Stopped at Everetts awhile. Paul at Evelyn's. We were at Orvies for supper. Marvins Y., Aunt Tena and Ida there too. We were at Marvins all night. Edd at Alvins in Lees Summit. I ironed awhile in eve.

Tuesday, August 27, 1946. Fair, cool. We went to town, took Aunt Tena to Dr. She didn't feel so good. Went to Cemetery and Wilbur Schrocks awhile. Were at Ida's for dinner. Marvins Y. and boys there too. We, Ida and Mary to Creighton in p.m. Paul at Evelyns. Had flat tire. We were all at Marvins K in Creighton for supper. Had nice time. Were at Ida's all night.

Wednesday, August 28, 1946. Mostly cloudy. We left Creighton at 8:30 C.S.T for home. Got off road in morn, got home at 10:00. Ate supper at Lincoln. Eds went home from there. Were tired and glad to get home. Boys brought cat along from Marvin Y's. Everything O.K at home.

Thursday, August 29, 1946. Nice day, cool. We took Ronnie to hospital in morn, saw Dr. Wellmerling. His hand has some infection, but getting along well as can be expected. Dr. took stitches out. Allen and Paul home. I cleaned up house, got ready for company. Ervin, Carrie and Dave got here from Ohio at 3:30. Here all night. Billys here awhile. Pete and Allen baled hay at C.R's.

Friday, August 30, 1946. Fair, cool. Ervins left at 10:00 for Ed's. I washed yet before noon. Done ironing in p.m. and scrubbed kitchen. Was big day. Washed my hair. Pete to choir practice in eve. I went to Dots, she fixed my hair. Boys home. I met Marie at train at 10:10.

Saturday, August 31, 1946. fine day, cool. Got things ready for dinner. Went to town, met Walker Ropp on 11:30 train. We all went to Pekin to Ropp reunion. Mother, Marie, Mrs. Johnson and Walker here for supper. Walker here all night.

Sunday, September 1, 1946. Had shower early in morn. Fine day, real cool. We went to church and were all at Roy's for dinner. We took Walker, Mother, Marie and Mrs. J. to see Aunt Ella Ropp awhile in eve. She's getting along pretty good. Walker here all night. Boys home with Paul.

Monday, September 2, 1946. Fair, real cool, 49°. Pete took Walker to Mothers at noon. I washed, had a big one. Was late when I started. Canned 6 quarts tomatoes and 9 quarts Italian prunes in p.m. Done ironing in eve. Lucy C. here in eve for hypo. Pete had church board meeting.

Tuesday, September 3, 1946. Fair, cool. Ronnie, Paul and I to town at 11:00. Took Ronnie to hospital to see Dr. W. Paul at Mothers, we ate dinner there. Vera B., Mrs. Gilbert and I bought things for xmas bundle in p.m. Then Vera and I went to auxiliary meeting awhile. Pete mowed alfalfa and they finished cutting weeds out of beans. Pete to men's meeting. Ronnie's hand getting along O.K.

Wednesday, September 4, 1946. Fair, warmer. Boys started to school. Pete to town to get tractor, had it overhauled. They baled hay in p.m. Boys home from school at 2:30, they helped bale. I canned 9 quarts tomatoes and 7 pints lima beans. Cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen.

Thursday, September 5, 1946. Partly cloudy, fair in eve. Warmer. Mrs. Johnson here. Mother couldn't come as she was expecting furnace men. We canned 16 quarts peaches and 5 pints marmalade. Got bucket of grapes for Mother. Pete to Starved Rock to meeting with Hedcock. We were all at CR's for supper. Hastings and Mohrs there too.

Friday, September 6, 1946. Fair, much warmer, 90°. Washed out some things. Made 10 glasses grape jelly and one quart juice. Canned 8 quarts peaches and 3 pints preserves. Cleaned up upstairs and downstairs. Big day. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau. Beachys here at noon. Pete signed papers and we folded and sealed them.

Saturday, September 7, 1946. Fair. Done Saturday work. We went to town at noon. Paul at Mothers. Pete had F.L.B. meeting. Allen started his piano lessons again. We had committee meeting at Mothers for Home Bureau hostess[es]. Mrs. Shoemaker, Ruth Otto and Mabel there too.

Sunday, September 8, 1946. Fair, warm. Went to church. Beachy's came along home, were here for lunch too. We went to nurses concert in eve, large crowd. Paul at Mothers.

Monday, September 9, 1946. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed. Lucy C. and Christine M. here awhile. Pete mowed rest of alfalfa and mowed weeds. We went to surprise for Roy Barclays in eve. Was at their new house. Have a nice home.

Tuesday, September 10, 1946. Rained early in morn, fair, cool. Canned 15 quarts peaches. Made 3 1/2 pints preserves. I went to dinner at Rogers Hotel. (Good Will Circle of the church) Had nice time. Marie K. along and Laura. Pete home with boys. He went to Jersey sale at I.S.N.U. at noon.

Wednesday, September 11, 1946. Fair, nice day. Real chilly in eve. Canned 12 quarts tomatoes. Dressed 3 chickens. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Went to Phil's few minutes to see John's baby. Got things ready for supper. Went to picnic for nurses at Edgar Kingsingers. Had nice time, but sure was cold. Pete and boys baled our hay in p.m.

Thursday, September 12, 1946. Fair, chilly. Rather windy. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Shoemaker. Was hostess. Served fried chicken, potatoe salad, baked beans, sliced tomatoes, peach pudding and cookies. Were 47 their, ate outside. I took Mother home and took chairs to school. We went to weiner roast at Mrs. Mousers. Paul home during day with Pete. Pete hauled manure.

Friday, September 13, 1946. Fair, cool. Picked tomatoes and lima beans. Canned 9 quarts tomatoes, 1 quart peaches and 2 1/2 pints preserves. Put 4 quarts lima beans in locker. Washed my hair. I went to town at 4:30, took beans to locker and to Dorothy's. She fixed my hair. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home. Pete hauled manure, cleaned hen houses.

Saturday, September 14, 1946. Fair, warmer. Went to town at 9:30. Took Ronnie to hospital [to] see Dr. Wellmerling. His finger doing O.K. Allen took lesson. Came home at 2:30. Mrs. J. and Mother came along. We went to CR's awhile to watch moving pictures being taken for 4-H farm picture. We were all on one picture. I done cleaning when got back. Pete took Mother and Mrs. J. to truck patch. Got peaches etc. Pete took them home in eve.

Sunday, September 15, 1946. Fair, rather warm in sun. We went to church. Voted to let Rev. Beachy go to school. Surely hate to see them leave. We were all at Clarence Siegs for dinner and supper. Had nice time and the dinner. We took Mother and Mrs. J., left some flowers at cemetery on way home.

Monday, September 16, 1946. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed in p.m. Pete finished cleaning henhouse and sprayed it. Moved young chickens over in eve. Phils were here in eve. Gave Lucy C. hypo.

Tuesday, September 17, 1946. Fair, warmer. Canned 26 quarts tomatoes in morn. Worked outside awhile in p.m. Pete bought some gilts and *buck* (sp?). Raked some yard. Pete helped me awhile. Pete to locker meeting in eve. I went to Mother's awhile then met Pete at hospital at Mr. Hoovers room to make plans for purse, etc. for Beachys.

Wednesday, September 18, 1946. Fair, warm. Went to truck patch. Got flowers for Mother. Picked tomatoes etc. Got some things ready for supper. Pete hauled manure. Paul and I to club meeting at Mothers with Mabel. We got things for her and helped. Mabel's new president. I'm corresponding secretary. Pete to meeting at Beachy's in eve.

Thursday, September 19, 1946. Fair, nice day. Warm. Dressed 5 chickens. Cleaned up all house. Scrubbed, made peach crisp and got ready for company. Marvin and Mary came at 4:00. They're on way from Ohio. Billys here for supper and looked for Edds but they couldn't come. Was glad to see Marvins. Pete cleaned barn. Hauled manure.

Friday, September 20, 1946. Rained some in morn. Fair and cool in p.m. Marvins left for home at 7:30, wish they could have stayed longer. I fried chicken for Lantz's sale. Pete and I went at 10:00. We both helped in food tent. Paul at Mabel's. Gussie went with us. We went to choir practice in eve. Dressed chicken for Mother in eve.

Saturday, September 21, 1946. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Canned 13 quarts tomatoes in morn. Boys and I to town at 1:00. Allen took piano and trombone lessons. Ronnie started piano again. Pete and Paul home. Pete turned hogs in corn. We were all at C.R.'s for supper, ate outside, cold. Fred Woizeskis, Uncle Henry's, Uncle Chas, Clarences and Elmers there and Mother and Mrs. J.

Sunday, September 22, 1946. Fair, warm. Rather windy. Went to church, home for dinner. Boys to Allen's, play ball. Pete and I to church in eve, choir gave program. Boys home. Phil's here awhile in p.m. Gave Lucy C. her hypo.

Monday, September 23, 1946. Rained early in morn, fair. Washed, had a big one, some house cleaning things. I was about sick, felt bum. Pete helped me finish wash. Ironed some in p.m. and eve. Pete to church in eve. Rev. Shelly met with board. Allen to 4-H hamburger fry at Roy Barclays. Had hay rack party.

Tuesday, September 24, 1946. Fair, very windy. Finished ironing. Aired bedding upstairs. Cleaned bedroom upstairs and canned 16 quarts tomato juice. Edgars here for supper. Dot fixed my hair. Pete worked some on combine. I felt some better.

Wednesday, September 25, 1946. Fair, fine day. I washed off south room upstairs and cleaned up downstairs and scrubbed kitchen. We went to town in p.m. got Paul snowsuit. Pete had committee here in eve [to] see about getting minister. I went to Carl Ummels with Lois Miller to make arrangements for sale at I.S.N.U. Raymond Miller here all night.

Thursday, September 26, 1946. Fair, nice day. Cleaned store room and hall and dressed chicken. Got things ready for supper. We and boys went to nurses alumni supper at Troyer nurses home. Had nice time. Pete worked on combine. Had chickens culled.

Friday, September 27, 1946. Fine day. Warm. Nearly 90°. I canned 27 quarts tomato juice, made pie. Washed out some things for Paul. Ronnie helped some with cleaning in eve. We went to locker board fish fry at Farm Bureau in eve. After supper went to church, choir had refreshments for the Beachys, pumpkin pie and coffee and cocoa. I made cocoa and pie. Paul at Minnie's. Boys at Mothers while we were at church.

Saturday, September 28, 1946. Fair, warm. Had shower in town in eve. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 1:00. Boys took lessons. We took some tomatoes to Billy's (a bushel) and some to Edgars. Dot combed my hair. Paul at Mother's.

Sunday, September 29, 1946. Partly cloudy, fair in p.m. Chilly. Went to church, had communion. Had basket dinner and farewell services for Beachy's. Sorry to have them leave. Paul at Mothers after Sunday school. He went to Art Siegs with Mother at 4:00. We came home to chore, then went to Arts for supper.

Monday, September 30, 1946. Fine day, cool. Some frost. Washed, had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Pete hauled manure, used Roy's loader. I went to Roy's in eve. We made out programs for school club.

Tuesday, October 1, 1946. Fair, real chilly. Quite frosty. I made 6 pints chile sauce in morn and went to auxiliary meeting in p.m. mother came along home. We dressed 6 chickens in eve. Pete and Allen to men's fellowship. Pete on committee. I made 2 pumpkin pies for him and made one for us. Pete finished hauling manure.

Wednesday, October 2, 1946. Fair, some warmer. We canned 7 quarts chicken and 9 pints soup for Mother. I made 9 bottles catsup and cleaned boys bedroom downstairs-So had big day. Lucy C. here in p.m. for hypo. Keith Hostetler here for dinner. He's looking for work. Pete started combining our beans, tested 9%. Pete to Hartzlers in eve, took Mother home.

Thursday, October 3, 1946. Fair, warmer. I cleaned our bedroom and 2 closets in living room and scrubbed kitchen. Pete combining. CR gone on Farm Bureau Drive. Talk to Julia in eve, she asked me to go along to Mo.

Friday, October 4, 1946. Fair, warm. Cleaned living room. Washed and ironed. Pete finished combining our beans after dinner, made better than 34 bushels per acre. I got ready to go to Mo. packed in eve etc. Allen and Ronnie helped me. Pete to choir practice.

Saturday, October 5, 1946. Fine day. Pete and boys took Paul and I to town. We left Billy's at 9:30 for Mo. CR's to Chicago, Mother with them. Ate dinner at Beardstown and supper at Concordia, Mo. Got to Mary's at 9:30, they were surprised to see me. We and Billy's were at Marvin's all night. Paul got along real well. Pete combined at Roy's.

Sunday, October 6, 1946. Fine day. Were at Uncle Ludwigs for potluck dinner. 40 were there. Aunt Tina's 5 sons, Lorene and Luella and families were there and all of my family. Had fine time. Marvin, Frances, Mary, Paul and I took Art to Independence in eve. Billy and I were at Mary's all night. Pete and boys ate in town and took lessons.

Monday, October 7, 1946. Fine day. Billy's Marvin's and we went to H'ville in morn then to G.C., then on to Creighton. Emils and Aunt Tina along to Marvin's too. They took us out to dinner at *Urichs* (sp?). Billys and Ervies to Lawrence in p.m. Paul and I at Ida's for supper and all night. Were at Orvies awhile in eve. Ida worked all day.

Tuesday, October 8, 1946. Fair. Ida and I washed out some things and went to town awhile and out to Mary's for dinner. We cleaned out trunk in p.m. We are all at Orvies for supper. Billys came back from Lawrence. Pete finished combining Roy's beans in p.m. Went to CR's.

Wednesday, October 9, 1946. Cloudy & showered in morn. Fair in p.m. Had no rain at home. We left for home at 8:30, got to B. at 7:15. We ate at Mexico. Paul slept 3 ½ hrs. Pete and boys got us at Billy's, were glad to get home. Pete combined at CR's. We gave Julia bushel tomatoes in eve.

Thursday, October 10, 1946. Cloudy, real windy and dusty. I washed in morn and went to Home Bureau at Mildred Dammons. Done ironing in eve. Paul at Mrs. Johnson's. Pete finished CR's beans and started on Oscar's.

Friday, October 11, 1946. Fair, much cooler. Baked pie. Took pears to Mother's, they helped me can them. I helped Good Will Circle serve lunch at I.S.N.U. over noon and back to Mothers. We canned 20 quarts and 4 pints preserves. I cleaned up bedrooms in eve. Lucy C. here for hypo. We went to choir practice. Gave Dot 1 ½ bushel tomatoes and Helen P. 1 ½ bushel.

Saturday, October 12, 1946. Cold, 33°. Fair. We put up stove in living room. I canned 5 quarts tomatoes and 9 quarts juice. Cleaned store room off kitchen and pantry in p.m. Scrubbed and dressed chicken in eve. Big day. Pete and boys to town.

Sunday, October 13, 1946. Fair, warmer. We went to church. Rev. and Mrs. Graber (missionaries) spoke also in eve. Mother, Mrs. J. Minnie, CR's and we went to Wyatts Ford for picnic, then on to Goodfield, got some apples. Mabel with us and CR's and boys came on home. Mother and Mrs. J. here for lunch. We took them home and went to church. Boys home.

Monday, October 14, 1946. Fair, rather cool in morn. Washed. Cleaned coat room in p.m. and ironed. Pete put some machinery away in morn, took chickens to town in p.m.

Tuesday, October 15, 1946. Fair, warm. Windy. I cleaned 2 kitchens and oiled floors. Big day. Pete at Roy's helping put new picker on tractor. He went to locker meeting in eve. I mended some.

Wednesday, October 16, 1946. Mostly cloudy, rather cool. I went to town at 10:00, had hair fixed. Paul at Mothers. At noon went to Miller Park to club meeting. Winners entertained losers, I was winner. Stopped in town on way home. Pete at Roy's, finished putting picker on and shucked 4 loads. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, October 17, 1946. Rained most of day and rained hard all eve. I cleaned basement in morn, washed dishes in cupboard and cleaned cabinet in p.m. Pete at Roy's. Worked on picker. Boys home, no school. Teacher had meeting. They dug carrots and rest of glad bulbs in morn. Pete to ministerial committee meeting at Kaufman's.

Friday, October 18, 1946. Partly cloudy, colder. Done sweeping, dusted upstairs. Waxed living room furniture and floor and dining room furniture. We went to town in p.m. went to Dr. Allen and Gordon to football game at Com. High School. We went to Phil's awhile in eve. Lucy C. not feeling good. Marie came home in eve.

Saturday, October 19, 1946. Mostly cloudy, sprinkled some in eve. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town at 10:45. I got permanent at 11:00. Boys at Mothers. Marie took Allen to Duncan Miller's, then to church to practice. I took them to Mrs. Kemp's. Marie and boys to part of I.S.N.U homecoming game. Pete shucked five acres for CR and little for us. We went to Merle and George's for supper. Had weiner roast in fireplace.

Sunday, October 20, 1946. Fair, fine day. We went to church in morn and eve. Had promotion in eve and Rev. Dyck spoke. Ronnie promoted. He sang and Allen accompanied him. We all at CR's for dinner and supper. Edgar, Vals, Uncle Chas and Arts, Mother and Marie. Had nice time. We took Marie to train.

Monday, October 21, 1946. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed. Went to CR's awhile in p.m. We dressed 10 chickens for Home Bureau supper. Gussie helped too. Barnharts here in eve. Pete finished shucking 5 acres of corn for us in morn. Were at Roy's in p.m. Pete didn't help until chore time.

Tuesday, October 22, 1946. Fair, warm. Rather windy. I washed windows on outside and storm windows. Pete put them up at noon. He shucked for us in p.m. I went to town at 1:00, helped get supper at Farm Bureau. Mabel and Gussie along. Paul at Mothers.

Wednesday, October 23, 1946. Fair, quite warm. Mabel and I to Mothers. We cleaned her living room and washed curtains and washed windows on outside. Pete finished shucking 15 acres for us and started at CR's. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, October 24, 1946. Cloudy, very windy. Showered some in p.m. Started to rain at 4:00 and rained most of eve. Paul and I to town in morn. I went to dentist, had teeth x-rayed. Took Mother to Dr. Deneen for check up. Paul at Mrs. J. I got home at

2:20, got ready for company. I baked pies in morn. Phils and Earls here for supper. Pete shucking at CR's.

Friday, October 25, 1946. Fair, cooler. I washed and ironed. Done cleaning. Was big day. Pete shucked in p.m. too wet in morn. He ground feed. I mended some in eve.

Saturday, October 26, 1946. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 12:00. Boys took lessons. Paul at Mothers after he had haircut. Got Ronnie shoes and trousers. Roy shucking corn so Pete doesn't need to help.

Sunday, October 27, 1946. Fair, nice day. Went to church at Eureka and to Edd's for dinner. Had nice time. Took Paul to Mothers in eve and packed our suitcases.

Monday, October 28, 1946. Fair, warm. We left at 4:40 for Cleveland, Ohio to locker convention. CR took us to train. Left Chicago at 9:35, on New York Central, got to Cleveland at 5:45. No hotel rooms to be had so got private rooms in Euclid, 12 miles out. Mr. Bodin took us out. Harry Barnharts and Bob Otto with us. Had nice rooms. Ate supper in Euclid. Boys doing chores and staying at C.R's.

Tuesday, October 29, 1946. Fair and real warm like summer. Mrs. B. and I uptown in morn, while men went to convention. We all went to locker exhibits in p.m. Went to show in eve. Came out to our rooms on Greyhound bus. Full up, stood all way.

Wednesday, October 30, 1946. Fair, real warm. Mrs. B. and I went to meeting with men awhile in morn. Then we went to uptown, met men at 4:30. Harrys and we went out to eat. Bob Otto didn't go along. We all went to a play, and then watched them dance. It rained at home all eve, about 2 inches.

Thursday, October 31, 1946. Rained early in morn and some in p.m. Men to meeting awhile in morn. We left Cleveland 11:30 a.m., got to Chicago at 5:15. Changed depots, ate dinner at Union Station. Left there 6:55, got to Bloomington at 9:20. Went to Harry's. CR's and boys came after us. Then went to Mothers, got Paul, he stayed there all time. Was fine. Boys got along O.K.

Friday, November 1, 1946. Rained early in morn and most of forenoon. I washed, dried clothes inside. Ironed. Cleaned up bedroom and living room. Lucy C. here in eve, gave her hypo. Pete sorted potatoes and done some odd jobs. Is nice to be home again.

Saturday, November 2, 1946. Cloudy, cooler in p.m. Misted some in eve. Done Saturday work. We went to town in p.m. boys took lessons. Paul at Mothers. Mrs. J. along uptown. Pete had headache. Boys to football game in eve with CR's. Rained most of time.

Sunday, November 3, 1946. Cloudy, misted some in p.m. Colder in p.m. Went to church in morn, to Minnie's for dinner. Mother, Mrs. J, CR's and Roy's there too. Pete and I to church in eve, Mr. Friesen, student from Chicago seminary preached.

Monday, November 4, 1946. Cloudy, fair in p.m. Wind cold. Washed, clothes dried good. We went to town in p.m. I went to dentist, had teeth x-rayed again. Also got surgical belt for kidneys. Paul at Mother's. I done ironing in eve. Allen about sick with cold.

Tuesday, November 5, 1946. Fair, nice day. Cleaned up house in morn. Made pudding. We went to vote. Pete finished shucking corn at CR's in morn and started on our 20 acres in p.m. I went to auxiliary meeting at hospital in p.m. Went uptown awhile. Paul at Mothers. She and Mrs. J. came along out for supper. Pete went to men's fellowship meeting and took them home.

Wednesday, November 6, 1946. Cloudy, showered in p.m. Cleaned up house, made cinnamon rolls. Helen and Lillie Heck here in p.m. brot baskets home that we gave them with tomatoes. They brot us a box of candy. Pete shucking corn. He finished ours at 4:00, sure glad he's done. They put the dump away. We went to choir practice. Rained in night.

Thursday, November 7, 1946. Cloudy, gloomy. I canned 4 pints of squash, made pie. Fixed up flowers, mended some in p.m. Pete had headache, he sorted potatoes. He went to board meeting at church in eve. Cleaned silverware in morn.

Friday, November 8, 1946. Cloudy, real chilly. Done sweeping. We went to town at 11:00. Mother and I had our hair fixed. We went uptown in p.m. Pete and I got shoes. Paul at Mothers. He stayed for supper. Mrs. J. to Lincoln. We dressed 3 chickens in eve. Pete took Ronnie to Mothers in eve and got Paul. He was fined for driving thru barricade.

Saturday, November 9, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Rained in eve. Done Saturday work. Washed windows. We went to town at 10:30. Pete had F.L.B. meeting in p.m. Boys took lessons. Mother and I went to meeting at Farm Bureau. Mrs. Russell from England spoke. Paul at Mother's for lunch, took him along to meeting. Ronnie at Mothers all night. Pete had meeting with Hoover at 4:00.

Sunday, November 10, 1946. Cloudy, cold winds. Pete and boys to church. Edgar's Val's, Mother and CR's here for dinner and supper. We girls went to chrysanthemum show at I.S.N.U. Nancy stayed all night at Mother's.

Monday, November 11, 1946. Cloudy, cold. Washed, clothes didn't dry very good. Had to finish most of them in house. Done ironing in p.m. Boys had no school. They and Pete went hunting. Allen got a pheasant, he was thrilled. We went to Phil's awhile in eve.

Tuesday, November 12, 1946. Nice day. I cleaned up house and finished making a toy for Allen for bazaar. I went to Good Will Circle at Mabel Nafzinger. Pete started to plow in p.m. He was home with boys in eve.

Wednesday, November 13, 1946. Fair, chilly. Raked some yard in morn. Went to town in p.m. to Dr. Paul at Mothers. Pete plowing. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, November 14, 1946. Fair, fine day. Warm. I went to Home Bureau at Rengels. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Pete plowing. I made salad when I got home. We went to community club at Garfield. Boys on program. We went to town after Miss Wilcox, health educator of co[unty] health unit who showed pictures.

Friday, November 15, 1946. Partly cloudy, rained in eve. Done cleaning and got ready for company, baked pies. Harold, Helen and Lillie, Merle and George and Mrs. Patton here for supper. Pete finished plowing 15 acres and plowed truck patch. Rained most of night. Pete to town in morn, got sinus treatment.

Saturday, November 16, 1946. Rained in morn & p.m. Phils stopped here at 6:00am on way to hospital. I went at 8:00. Lucy C. had 8# boy born at 10:22 a.m. They sure are thrilled. She got along fine. Pete and boys to town in p.m. I went up town with them at 2:00. Paul at Mother's. I scrubbed kitchen and porch in eve. Pete has kink in back.

Sunday, November 17, 1946. Fine day, 25°. We went to church. Rev and Mrs. Jantzen and 2 children here from Chicago, were here for dinner and supper. We took them to see hospital and nurses home. Boys done chores and their children stayed here too. Pete and I to church in eve.

Monday, November 18, 1946. Nice day, little warmer. I washed. Had a big one, some curtains, etc. Done ironing in p.m. Pete painted barn windows and one hog house. I been having tooth ache since Saturday.

Tuesday, November 19, 1946. Fair, rather windy. I cleaned up house and washed windows, got ready for club meeting. Made cranberry salad. We went to town at 5:30, had 3 boys pictures taken. They also took lesson at Mrs. Kemp for Thanksgiving and Allen took trombone lesson. Real foggy and damp in morn.

Wednesday, November 20, 1946. Nice day, chilly. I scrubbed and got ready for club meeting. Pete to town, got Mother and Mrs. J. Had school club here in p.m. Had 34, good crowd. Served cranberry salad, ritz crackers and cookies and coffee. We went to choir practice in eve, took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Boys home.

Thursday, November 21, 1946. Cloudy, windy. Rained in eve. Turned much colder. We went to town at 11:00, took geese to town. I went to dentist and Pete to Dr. Howard with his back. He taped it. Mother uptown with us in morn, Mrs. J. went in p.m. Paul at Mothers. I went to alumni meeting in eve. Pete to locker meeting. Boys home.

Friday, November 22, 1946. Fair, cold 21°. Windy. Done cleaning. Cleaned stove in boys room, dressed goose and chicken in p.m. Done odd jobs. We went to Farm and Home Bureau oyster supper in eve. Paul at Mrs. J. Marie came home on 9:00 train. Pete met her.

Saturday, November 23, 1946. Partly cloudy, cold in morn. Windy in eve. Done Saturday work. Made salad and dessert. We went to town at 11:00. Pete had meeting at Farm Bureau at noon. Gordy with us until after we ate lunch. Paul at Mothers. Boys took lessons.

Sunday, November 24, 1946. Mostly cloudy, showered some in morn. Pete and boys to church. We had company for dinner and supper. Mother, Marie, Mrs. J., CRs, Roys and Minnie. Boys took Marie to train at 7:18. Ronnie sang at church in p.m. Allen played for him. Pete took them in.

Monday, November 25, 1946. Cloudy, windy and chilly. Snowed some in eve. I washed, clothes dried little outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to dentist at 11:00 and to Dr. Schultz in p.m. had his back x-rayed, one of the discs between the vertebrae is pressing on the nerves. He can hardly get around.

Tuesday, November 26, 1946. Fair, nice day. Pete in bed all day, he suffered more with his back in eve, couldn't move. Gave him resting tablets. I cleaned up house, scrubbed and put clothes away and took care of Pete. Billys and Aunt Tina here awhile in eve. Pete pretty uncomfortable in night.

Wednesday, November 27, 1946. Fair, nice day. Pete resting little better. We took him to hospital in p.m. Flinspack ambulance came after him. I went in car, took Paul to Mothers. Dr. put 8# weights on both legs. I came home at 8:30. Boys ate supper at C.R's. C.R and I dressed goose in morn for Dorothy. He helped get Pete loaded. Pete stood trip O.K.

Thursday, November 28, 1946. Fair, fine day for Thanksgiving. Pete about same, sure sorry he has to be in hospital. Boys and I ate dinner at Mothers. Boys went to show in p.m. Pete had company in p.m. Hedgecock, Roy, Edds, Edgar, Uncle Chas and Frank Neirstheimer. We came home to chore. I went back in eve. Paul stayed at Mothers. We gave Pete enema. He felt some better. We had planned to have Edd's and Billy's for dinner.

Friday, November 29, 1946. Nice day. I done cleaning. Paul and I to town in p.m.. Pete not feeling so good until toward eve. His back seems to bother him more, surely hope he gets to feeling better soon. I came home at 6:30.

Saturday, November 30, 1946. Fine day, warm. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:30. Paul at Minnies. Boys went uptown awhile in morn. I went to hospital. Pete feeling better, had a good night. He can move better. Mother to see him awhile. Boys took their lessons.

Sunday, December 1, 1946. Fair, much colder. Rather windy. Boys to Sunday school. I went to hospital then to church. Paul to Mothers. Boys and I came home for dinner. I went back to hospital, went to Mother's for lunch. Took Paul along to see Pete. Came

home at 8:30. Boys with Gordon awhile in p.m. C. R.'s left at 2:00 for California. Pete feeling better.

Monday, December 2, 1946. Fair, cold 15° above. I washed, hung most of clothes outside. They dried pretty good, ironed in p.m. Pete feeling quite a lot better. Boys and I to hospital in eve. Paul at Mothers.

Tuesday, December 3, 1946. Cloudy in morn, cleared off and nice day. Warmer. I went to town at 10:00, had hair fixed. Paul at Minnie's. I went uptown a while. Pete feeling pretty good. Sure will be glad when he can be home.

Wednesday, December 4, 1946. Fair, nice day. Warmer. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Went to town in p.m. Pete feeling quite a lot better, still has weights on. Paul at Mothers. I went to choir practice in eve with Florence. Jeanette Colter along.

Thursday, December 5, 1946. Fair, nice day warm. Went to town in morn. Paul at Minnie's. Went uptown awhile, shopped some. Mother, Ray and Mrs. J. along. I stopped at hospital to see Pete after dinner. Pete has weights off his legs. Boy's and I to town in eve. Allen took trombone lesson. I stopped at hospital a few minutes, then went to Helen Patton's to make plans for good will circle.

Friday, December 6, 1946. Fair, warm. Almost like summer. Cleaned up living room. Went to town at 9:30. Dr. put plaster cast on Pete around waist and abdomen. Brot him home at 12:30, he's up and around. Sure glad to have him home. Mother and Mrs. J. came along. We made our fruitcakes in p.m. We went to choir practice in eve at Helen's. Pete along too. We took Mother home.

Saturday, December 7, 1946. Fair, real warm. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:00, stopped at Bazaar, bought few things. Mother and Mrs. J. there too. Pete got haircut and went to F. L. Bank meeting. Paul with Mother for lunch and p.m. Mrs. J. uptown.

Sunday, December 8, 1946. Partly cloudy, warm. Rather windy. We went to church in morn. Student nurses gave Christmas program. We were home for dinner. Boys to Miller's awhile in p.m. Billy's and Aunt Tina here at 4:30, stayed an hour.

Monday, December 9, 1946. Cloudy, misty. Washed, dried clothes in house. Hung few outside but didn't dry much. Done ironing in p.m. Gordon here all night. Miller's boys here in eve. Pete is about same.

Tuesday, December 10, 1946. Fair. Ronnie home from school with cold. Cleaned up house in morn. Pete, Paul and I to town in p.m. I helped Helen and Margret Meyers decorate nurses home for Christmas party of the Good Will Circle and Friendship Circle. Were 53 there, had nice time. Boys at home. Was late when we got home.

Wednesday, December 11, 1946. Fair. Rained in eve and most of night. We went to town, done Christmas shopping. Paul at Mothers. We went to choir practice in eve. Ronnie's better, went to school.

Thursday, December 12, 1946. Cloudy, strong wind from west and snowed some in eve. I went to Home Bureau at Russell Yoders. Pete home with Paul. Pete gradually feeling better, only has some [cold?]. Paul and I have cold too.

Friday, December 13, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Done cleaning. Mended some and wrote some notes in Christmas cards. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:30. We went to choir practice in eve.

Saturday, December 14, 1946. Cloudy, snowed in eve. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:00. Paul with Mrs. J., Mother to Minier. Boys took lessons. We were all at Edgar's for supper, had turkey. Paul Thietjes and Louise and Kids there. Uncle Chas, Mother and Mrs. J. too.

Sunday, December 15, 1946. Mostly cloudy, chilly. We went to church. Pete and I had sack lunch at church, choir all stayed after church. We practiced. Boys at Mothers. We went to hospital see Clara Shad. Allen stayed in town, helped his class decorate church. May Mohr brot him home.

Monday, December 16, 1946. Cloudy, misted. Much colder in eve. Snowed some. Washed, dried clothes in house. Went to town at 2:30 had hair fixed. Pete home with Paul. Wrapped gifts in eve and packed box for folks in Mo. CR's got back from California in morn.

Tuesday, December 17, 1946. Fair, cold 17° above. Rather windy. I ironed in morn and dusted up house. Wrapped Christmas gifts in p.m. Pete had locker meeting all day. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Wednesday, December 18, 1946. Fair, 10° above. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Went to club meeting at Pearls. Paul home with Pete. I was on program, x-mas in other lands. We went to church in eve. Choir gave program cantata, "Rose of Christmas," real good. Paul at Mothers. Gordon went along. Aunt Martha fell, broke her leg.

Thursday, December 19, 1946. Partly cloudy, warmer. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We made 5 batches of cookies and 2 suet puddings. I cleaned up living room and bedroom. We put up tree in eve when boys got home. Pete and CR to Gridley to see about Aunt Martha's house. I went to alumni meeting in eve. Pete to see Aunt Martha.

Friday, December 20, 1946. Cloudy, snowed most of day. We dressed 4 chickens and went to town. Had Paul's hair cut. Pete had cast off and got brace and went to dentist. Paul at Mothers in p.m. She and Mrs. J. came along home for supper. We went to Xmas program at school.

Saturday, December 21, 1946. Cloudy, snowed little. Done Saturday work and finished putting up Xmas decorations. Got things ready for Sunday dinner. Pete and boys to town. They ground feed in morn. We went to 4-H achievement in eve. Allen was state honor member. He got a medal. Paul at Mothers. Gave Mrs. Kemp and Mrs. Miller chickens.

Sunday, December 22, 1946. Nice day. We went to church. J.E. Hartzler preached. Edds, Billy's, Aunt Tina, Mother, Mrs. J and J.E. Hartzler here for dinner. J.E left on 3:00 train. Billy's stayed for lunch. We took Mother and Mrs. J home. We went to hospital to see Aunt Martha.

Monday, December 23, 1946. Cloudy. Sprinkled some. Fair in eve. Washed. Dried some of towels and overalls outside. Dressed 2 geese, one for Mother and one for Dorothy's neighbor. Done ironing. Finished after supper. Pete worked on account book. Boys went caroling in eve with teacher.

Tuesday, December 24, 1946. Fair, colder. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We went to town in morn, stopped at hospital to see Aunt Martha. Made divinity in eve. We went to town in eve, met Marie on 7:00 train. We went to Mother's awhile.

Wednesday, December 25, 1946. Fair, nice day. We went to Phil's awhile in morn. I made some candy. We went to Mother's for dinner and supper. Pete, Marie and I to hospital in p.m. to see Aunt Martha. Uncle Chas and CR's at Mothers, too. Marie to Chicago in eve. We had nice Christmas. Marvin and Mary got back from the trip West.

Thursday, December 26, 1946. Fair, quite chilly. Pete and I to town at 7:30. Paul at Mothers. I went to hospital, stayed with Aunt Martha. Dr. Wellmerling put pins in her leg. She had anesthetic. Took nearly 3 hours, she got along fine. We came home at 5:00. We went to Phil's awhile in eve.

Friday, December 27, 1946. Cloudy, misted some. Done cleaning and got things ready for company. Pete and boys cleaned henhouse and boys hauled manure in p.m. Pete to town, got Mother and Mrs. Johnson. Edgar's and CR's here too for supper. CR's left after supper, went to Singleys.

Saturday, December 28, 1946. Cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 11:45. Boys took lessons. We stopped at hospital to see Aunt Martha. Mother along. Done some shopping for Aunt Martha, house slippers etc. Paul at Mothers. Rained in eve. Marie home in eve.

Sunday, December 29, 1946. 4 or 5 inches snow on ground in morn. Quite windy and cold. Everything full of snow and some ice. We went to church, were all at CR's for dinner and supper. Marie and Pearl here in eve to see tree and gifts. Edgar's at CR's for supper. We had gift exchange in p.m. Marie home on 7:00 train.
Monday, December 30, 1946. Fair, cold, 8° above. Beautiful out. I washed, dried nearly everything inside. Ironed in p.m. Pete and boys chored etc. Boys to 4-H club meeting at Belvidere. Pete took them, they came home with Laura.

Tuesday, December 31, 1946. Partly cloudy, cold all day, rather windy. Pete and I to town at 9:00, had car worked on. I had hair fixed. Bought robe for Aunt Martha. Stopped at hospital to see her, she's up in chair. Paul at Mothers. Boys home.

Wednesday, January 1, 1947. Cloudy, snowed some. Cold. We were at Roy's for dinner and supper. Mother and Mrs. J. and CR's there too. I cleaned up house in morn and scrubbed.

Thursday, January 2, 1947. Cloudy, windy. Snowing. It drifted more towards eve. Locker board was to have oyster supper at Bob Ottos, but called it off. Pete and CR to town in morn to figure up Mother's income. I washed out some things, pillow top etc. Mended some.

Friday, January 3, 1947. Snowing and blowing until about 3:00 p.m. Getting colder. Roads drifted and our lane too. Pete and Ronnie shoveled it out. Allen sick at stomach and bowels in p.m. I done cleaning, baked pie. Mended and dressed two chickens in p.m.

Saturday, January 4, 1947. Fair, colds 4° above. Cold all day. Done Saturday work. Got ready for company. Roy's, Minnie and Ray Hastings here for supper, and we played count whist [a card game]. Pete and boys to town at noon, boys took lessons. Snow plow came past in morn.

Sunday, January 5, 1947. Fair, cold, 2° above, and windy from southwest. We went to church, had trouble getting home, roads drifted in places.

Monday, January 6, 1947. Fair, warmer. Boys had no school on account of roads. I washed, hung towels and overalls out. Done ironing. Pete and Alan ground feed. Boys to 4-H skating party with CR's. Pete, Paul and I to church. Dr. J.E. Hartzler having services for a week.

Tuesday, January 7, 1947. Partly cloudy. Cleared off in p.m. Thawed quite a lot. We went to town at 10:00, Paul at Minnie's. Pete to income tax office. Stopped to see Aunt Martha, she's walking some with the walker. We went to bank for her. We went to Farm Bureau meeting awhile. We went to church in eve. Boys home. Boys to school.

Wednesday, January 8, 1947. Fair, nice day. Thawed, colder in night. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Done some baking. Mended awhile in p.m. Pete done some odd jobs. We all went to church in eve. Billys and Aunt Tina there.

Thursday, January 9, 1947. Fair, colder 16°. I cleaned upstairs and basement. Made suet pudding, mended in p.m. Pete made frame for buzz saw. We went to church in eve. Boys home. Florence S. went along.

Friday, January 10, 1947. Fair, warmer. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Pete to town in morn with CR to meeting. Paul and I to town at 1:00, met Pete. He got new suit (blue). I got new coat Chesterfield (black). I had upper tooth pulled at 3:00, felt kind of tough in eve. Paul at Mothers in p.m. We didn't go services in eve, didn't feel good enough.

Saturday, January 11, 1947. Partly cloudy in morn. Fair in p.m. we went to town at 10:00. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Allen had appointment at dentist at 11:30. I felt

much better. Boys had their lessons, Mrs. K[emp]. and Duncan out of town. We were at Lillie Heck's for supper, had a fine dinner and nice time.

Sunday, January 12, 1947. Cloudy, chilly east wind. We went to Sunday School and church. Allen took trombone lesson at 12:30. We were home for dinner. Ronnie to Millers in p.m. with CR. Allen didn't care to go. Pete and I to church in eve. J.E. Hartzler closed services. Billys and Aunt Tina there.

Monday, January 13, 1947. Cloudy, warm. Foggy. Rained hard in eve and rained in night. Washed. Dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked in garage. He had church board meeting in eve.

Tuesday, January 14, 1947. Partly cloudy, snow and ice all gone except along fences. Colder in p.m. I cleaned up house and scrubbed. We went to town in p.m. stopped at hospital to see Aunt Martha, she's getting along pretty good. I had my glasses fixed, nose piece broken. We went to locker board oyster supper at Bob Otto's, had nice time. Late when we got home. Ronnie to Raymond Miller's.

Wednesday, January 15, 1947. Fair, chilly. Edds here awhile in morn, on way to town. Pete to town, got Mother and ladies for club meeting at CR's. I went to meeting all day, was on committee for dinner. Dr. Turner there in p.m. to speak. Went to choir practice in eve. Cloudy in eve, sleeted some.

Thursday, January 16, 1947. Cleared off in p.m. I went to Home Bureau at West Irvin Grove Church. Pete and Paul visited school in morn. We went to community club in eve at Garfield. Allen played. Ronnie gave recitation.

Friday, January 17, 1947. Fair. Done cleaning and scrubbed in morn. We went to town in p.m. I had committee meeting nominating officers for auxiliary. Met at Mrs. R.L. Hartzler. Paul at Mothers. Pete to meeting at Kaufman's in eve.

Saturday, January 18, 1947. Nice day. We went to town at 9:00. Allen took trombone lesson at 9:00 and Pete to locker meeting. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's for dinner. Boys took lessons in p.m. Mother along to annual locker meeting. I helped serve lunch. Mrs. Bowers and I on committee, had ham sandwiches and ice cream, cookies and coffee. Served about 100.

Sunday, January 19, 1947. Fair in morn. Cloudy in p.m., warmer. Went to church. Rev. Robert Hartzler from Goshen preached. Were home for dinner.

Monday, January 20, 1947. Cloudy, sleeted some in morn and misted. Colder in eve. Washed. Dried clothes inside, ironed some. Edgar's, Mother and Mrs. J. here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete chored etc. Much colder in night.

Tuesday, January 21, 1947. Cold, 2° below. A strong wind from northwest, near zero all day. Done ironing. Done some odd jobs and cleaned out drawer and mended awhile. Pete done chores and was inside part of day. Wind not so strong in eve.

Wednesday, January 22, 1947. Cloudy in morn, few snow flurries. Cleared off, not so cold. 13° above. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We went to town at 11:30. Paul at Mothers. We went to hospital in p.m. to see Aunt Martha. Mother along. Done some shopping for Aunt Martha. Paul at Mothers for supper. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, January 23, 1947. Nice day, warmer. Done cleaning. Dressed 2 chickens. I baked brownies and made suet pudding. Got ready for Ida and Mary but Orvies called at 8 p.m. said they didn't start. Allen at J. Miller's all night.

Friday, January 24, 1947. Cloudy and soggy in morn. Cleared off at noon. I baked 2 pies for sale and got things ready for basket dinner. I went to annual hospital meeting at nurses home, good crowd. Paul at Mothers. Ida and Mary came at 2:30, they left Orvie and Marvin at Springfield. They went on to Ohio with truck of machinery. Girls came on bus.

Saturday, January 25, 1947. Cloudy and foggy most of day. Some colder in eve. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 11:00. Boys took lessons and had haircuts. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's part of day. Marie home in eve. Ida, Mary and we went to Edgar's for supper.

Sunday, January 26, 1947. Fair, warm. We went to church and were at Billy's for dinner. Eds there too. Aunt Tina along home with Edds. Girls, Pete and I went to Phils awhile in eve. Boys home.

Monday, January 27, 1947. Fair, some colder. We washed some of clothes outside. We done ironing in p.m. Pete took Ida, Mary, Paul and I to Edd's at 5:00. We stayed all night. Pete and boys to Friendship Circle in eve. I was put in for president. Pete took Mother to Dr.

Tuesday, January 28, 1947. Fair, chilly east wind. Noah Kennells had sale at Edds. Sold cows. Billys at sale so we girls and Paul came home with them, nearly 5:00 when we got here. Marvin Y. and Orvie got here from Ohio 4:30. Pete had locker meeting at 4:30 and took Mother to Dr. had *diatheromy* (sp?) treatment. Her back and stomach bothering her.

Wednesday, January 29, 1947. Cloudy, thunder and lightning and just poured in eve. Froze some ice during day. North of here wires, trees etc. broken down with ice. Pete and boys to town, took Mother to Dr. again. Marie home all night, she's working at hospital. Edgars, Marie, CRs, Marvins, Orvie and Ida here for supper. Lights went off just as we were done eating supper.

Thursday, January 30, 1947. Partly cloudy, rather windy cold. Girls and I to town. Took Mother to Dr. again. We shopped some, Mary got coat, Ida dress. Boys to Mrs. Elmer

Mohr's sale. The folks ate supper here and I went to Ed's at 5:45. I went to alumni in eve. Pete took me. Marie at hospital in p.m. and eve. We took her home. Boys home with Paul. Our telephone out.

Friday, January 31, 1947. Fair, chilly. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Got things ready for supper. Pete and I to all church party at Presbyterian church. Had nice time & big supper. Boys home with Paul. Mother to Dr. they x-rayed her stomach, she's to go to hospital few days. Ray here in forenoon.

Saturday, February 1, 1947. Fair, cold. Windy. We went to town at 10:30. Paul at CR's. Boys had recital at 3:30. We took Mother to hospital at 4:00 for observation. We went with Ray's and Roy's to Pekin in eve, left at 6:00. Had fish dinner, was swell. Minnie here for supper and she stayed with boys.

Sunday, February 2, 1947. Fair, cold 6° above. Nice day, *warm* (unclear). Boys to Sunday school. Allen played. We went to hospital to see Mother, think she feels some better. We went to Edds after S.S. Orive came along home. We took him to train in eve. His train hour and 20 minutes late. We stopped at hospital to see Mother.

Monday, February 3, 1947. Fair, warmer. Windy, much colder in eve. Real windy from northwest. Pete and I to town at 9:00 a.m. with account book. Paul with Mrs. Johnson all day. I washed, started at 10:45. Dried nearly all clothes outside. Had big washing. Ironed some. Pete and I to town in eve to get Paul and went to hospital.

Tuesday, February 4, 1947. Cloudy, foggy and misty. Washed and dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete on AAA work.

Wednesday, February 5, 1947. Fair, 1° above zero. Warmed up some but rather windy. We cleaned up house and scrubbed. Girls and I to town at 1:00. Went to Billy's awhile and stopped up town and went to hospital. Mother seems to feel better. Pete and C. R. butchered our beef.

Thursday, February 6, 1947. Warmer and snowed some and colder. We canned 8 pints and 3 quarts beef for Mother and canned 7 quarts for us and ground hamburger. Went to Peoria at 12:30, done some shopping. Mary got dress and I got blouse. Paul at Minnie's. Sam Elkins passed away.

Friday, February 7, 1947. Cold 6° above in morn and down to zero most of day. Very windy from northwest, few snow flurries. We done cleaning and cooked soup bones. Pete and Marvin to town at 8:00. Marvin had car worked on. Pete to *dentist* (not clear), girls and I had hair fixed at 10:30. Paul at Anna's [Anna Johnson]. We all went to Billy's for dinner. Pete and I to see Mother awhile. I canned 11 quarts soup when got home. We were all at CR's for supper. Ronnie with Anna.

Saturday, February 8, 1947. Fair, cold, zero. Girls and I made 25 quarts chili. We canned 21 quarts and done Saturday work. Boys to town at 12:30. We girls went at 3:00.

Marvin and boys to show after their lessons. Pete had F.L.B. meeting. He and I to Danvers funeral home in eve to see Mr. Elkins. Mother came home from hospital, feels pretty good.

Sunday, February 9, 1947. Fair. Zero. Warmed up some. We all went to church. Ed's and Billy and Aunt Tina here. Made taffy in p.m. Edgar's came in p.m. They and Billy's here for supper. Owen Kenagy and Lesters brot Lydia over in eve. She stayed all night to go back with Marvins.

Monday, February 10, 1947. Fair, 5° above and warmed up some. Marvin's and Ida and Lydia left at 7:30 for home, hated to see them go. I washed, had big one. Hung towels and overalls etc. outside. Dried pretty good. Done ironing in p.m. Boys to church skating party with May Mohr.

Tuesday, February 11, 1947. Partly cloudy, warmer. We went to town at 8:30. Went to dentist at 9:00. Paul at Mothers. Pete and Hedgcock bought gift for C.L.Kaufman. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen. She's doing O.K. Pete to see Aunt Martha. We ate lunch at Mothers and came home. I cleaned kitchen and made brownies. Went to Good Will Circle at Merle Frances, Laura and May along.

Wednesday, February 12, 1947. Fair, nice day. We went to town at 9:00. Pete had locker meeting in morn and annual Federal Land Bank meeting in p.m. He presided. I went up town while in morn. Paul at Mothers. We ate lunch at Mothers. I took Mrs. J. uptown in p.m. and went to F.L.B. Meeting. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, February 13, 1947. Fair, nice day. I went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Basting. Paul along. Done sweeping in eve. Boys and I to community club at Belvidere. Mabel and boys along. Pete home with Paul. Mrs. Dr. Deneen passed away while taking anesthetic to have teeth extracted.

Friday February 14, 1947. Fair. We were at dentist at 8:45. Mother too. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Pete and I ate lunch uptown. I went to auxiliary in p.m. Pete and I to party at church, losing team of Friendship Circle entertained winners. Had nice time. Boys home.

Saturday, February 15, 1947. Cloudy and rather chilly. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:45, had milk producers meeting. Paul and Ronnie at Mothers in morn. Pete and I to meeting a while in morn. He stayed for p.m. I took boys to lessons.

Sunday, February 16, 1947. Cloudy, rather chilly and damp. We went to church. Rev. Metzker preached, had good crowd. Were home for dinner and p.m. We went to Alvin Mohr's in eve.

Monday, February 17, 1947. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Colder in p.m. Washed, hung some of clothes outside. Dried pretty good. Done ironing in p.m. Pete ground some feed.

Tuesday, February 18, 1947. Fair, cold, 13° above. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Made apple crisp. Mended in p.m. Pete had locker meeting. I had committee meeting at Gerald Galloway to make out committees for Friendship Circle. Pete at Clara Broadbecks to sign some letters. Boys home.

Wednesday, February 19, 1947. Fair, 17° above. Pete to F.L.Bank meeting at 9:30. Mother and I to have hair fixed. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Mother and I to Mrs. Singley's to club meeting, took Mrs. Turner along. Also Mrs. Mason and Louise. Took them back to town and got Pete. Paul stayed at Mothers. We went to choir practice. Allen to town took lesson, Ronnie at Mothers. Mary Klopfenstein died.

Thursday, February 20, 1947. Fair, real chilly. Made 2 pies. We went to Julius Miller's sale. I helped serve lunch. Silverleaf 4-H served. Made over \$100. Paul at Minnie's. School youngsters along to sale. We stopped at school awhile and at C.R.'s. They're remodeling.

Friday, February 21, 1947. Fair, rather cold. Done cleaning in morn. Pete cleaned hog houses and moved them. Ray H. here in p.m. talking land deal. I worked some on pictures, putting them in album. Marie home on late train.

Saturday, February 22, 1947. Fair, cold. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 11:00. Pete to dinner. Paul and Ronnie to Mothers. Allen and I up town, done shopping. Got shoes for him. Boys took lesson at 2:00. Pete and I to Eldon Rupps in eve to pinocle [sic] party. I got tray as 1st prize. Late when we got home.

Sunday, February 23, 1947. Cold, 8° above. Snow flurries most of day. We went to church, were all at Mother's for dinner. Roys and C.R.'s and Uncle Chas there too. Marie and I to see Aunt Martha awhile in p.m. Marie back to Chicago in eve. Pete and I to church.

Monday, February 24, 1947. Mostly cloudy, few snow flurries. Washed, hung towels etc. outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete had sick headache. I went to Health Council dinner at Y.W.C.A. at 6:00 and then to Friendship Circle at Gene Gilberts. Gerald Galloway presided. Boys to 4-H chili supper at Farm Bureau. Pete and Paul were home. I brought boys home. Uncle Fred Burwitz died.

Tuesday, February 25, 1947. Snow flurries most of day. Pete, Paul and I helped Ed's move east of Eureka on Route 24. They're going to work for Dale Noe (Nol?). We went to basket supper family night at school. Julius Millers are moving. Marvin's left Mo. for Ohio. Ida went with them.

Wednesday, February 26, 1947. Partly cloudy, snow flurries. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We went to town at 11:00. Mabel along. Went to Service Co. meeting. Mrs. Johnson went with Mabel. C.R. in Chicago. Mabel and I to missionary meeting at Alice Mohr's in p.m. Paul at Mother's. Pete took him home. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, February 27, 1947. Fair, nice day. Done some baking. We went to town at 1:00, went to Uncle Fred's funeral at 3:00. Pete pallbearer. I took some of relatives. Ronnie didn't feel good, vomited. He came home at noon. I went to alumni meeting in eve. Pete to see Aunt Martha. Paul with Mrs. Johnson in p.m.

Friday, February 28, 1947. Fair in morn, clouded up, snowed in eve. Done cleaning. Scrubbed kitchen and porches. Washed windows, done some baking. Mended awhile. Uncle Chas here in eve. We're having little pigs. Ronnie's 4-H pig.

Saturday, March 1, 1947. Snowed most of day, melted some. We went to town at 10:15, took Mother to Dr. Deneen. Allen to Dr. Halub (Haluf?) see about having teeth straightened. Paul with Anna in morn and with Mother in p.m. Anna up town in p.m. Boys took lessons. Pete had committee meeting at hospital.

Sunday, March 2, 1947. Partly cloudy. Had some snow flurries. Went to church, Rev. Metzker preached. Were home for dinner. Went to hospital in p.m. see Aunt Martha and to open house for Aunt Ella Ropp, who will be 89 the 3rd.

Monday, March 3, 1947. Fair, 12° above, up to 30° in p.m. Washed, dried most of clothes outside. Done ironing in p.m. Boys had no school, teachers institute. Pete and boys hauled manure. Allen's sow had 8 pigs.

Tuesday, March 4, 1947. Fair, warmer 22°. Cleaned up house, scrubbed. Made Rolls and coffeecake. Mended. Pete hauled some manure. Hedgcock here awhile. Pete and boys to Men's Fellowship, took Gordon along.

Wednesday, March 5, 1947. Fair, washed out some things. Got things ready for supper. Cleaned out a drawer. I went to town with Mabel at 2:00, helped serve pancake supper at Farm Bureau. Pete got me at 8:00. Went to choir practice. Allen home from school with cold. Boys home in eve. Pete ground feed, helped Oscar shell corn in morn. Ray H. here in p.m.

Thursday, March 6, 1947. Fair, 32°. Cleaned up better. Made custard and brownies. Done some pressing. Put pictures in album in p.m. Allen home all day. Pete finished cleaning manure out of barn.

Friday, March 7, 1947. Partly cloudy, few snow flurries. I cleaned up living room. Went to auxiliary meeting at hospital at 10:30, had sack lunch. I sewed for hospital. Paul at Mothers. Pete hauled manure all day. Allen to school, but has quite a cold yet. Edgar's, Mother and Mrs. J. here for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair.

Saturday, March 8, 1947. Partly cloudy. Done Saturday work. Pete, Ronnie and I to town at 1:00. Allen seems some better. He and Paul home. We took Mother to Uncle Frank's. Aunt Ida down with her back. Pete and I to Uncle Frank's to get Mother at 3:00. I went with Aunt Ida to hospital, took her in ambulance. Ronnie took lesson.

Sunday, March 9, 1947. Fair, nice in p.m. Pete Ronnie and I to church, home for dinner. Pete and I to Phil's awhile in p.m. Allen better, helped chore. We went to Baptist Church in eve with Roy's, had union services.

Monday, March 10, 1947. Fair, nice day. Chilly but warmed up. Washed, hung everything outside, sure nice wash day. Done ironing. Pete worked in ash grove in morn and went to Kerrick p.m. Allen better, he went to school.

Tuesday, March 11, 1947. Fair, nice day. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We went to town at 10:30, made contract with Ray on land deal. We got 10 acres south to road and he gets 34 acres on northwest of our land. I went to Goodwill Circle at Ina Schwartzs and Pete to locker meeting. Boys home.

Wednesday, March 12, 1947. Fair, nice day. Warm. Around 60°. I baked cookies and apple crisp. Washed out some things. Done some odd jobs. Done mending in p.m. Pete worked in grove in morn and to town in p.m. We went to choir practice in eve. Rained in night.

Thursday, March 13, 1947. Rained nearly all day. Pete and I to Gridley, made fire and dusted house etc. Got home at 4:30, got things ready for supper. Went to community club supper at Farm Bureau. Paul with Mrs. Johnson all day. Mother to Home Bureau and to supper. We got Paul after supper. Cleaned up bedrooms in eve.

Friday, March 14, 1947. Partly cloudy, colder. Few snow flurries. Cleaned up living room and kitchen. Done scrubbing. Cleaned out drawer in chest. Dressed two chickens for Dorothy in morn. Pete finished Red Cross drive. Went to town in p.m. Aunt Martha fell in her room in eve.

Saturday, March 15, 1947. Partly cloudy, snow flurries. 18° above, cold. We went to town at 9:30. Boys had haircuts. We were at hospital. I was there in p.m. too. Aunt Martha not feeling very good, took x-rays, but no bones broken. I had committee meeting at nurses home in p.m. Pete to F.L.B. meeting. We paid off mortgage. Pete to meeting at hospital in eve. I went along to Aunt Martha's.

Sunday, March 16, 1947. Fair, some warmer, but chilly. We went to church, ate lunch in town. Went to Billy's awhile and to hospital, see Aunt Martha, she's about same and went to St. Joe see Aunt Ida. Got home at 4:00. Harold and Helen here for supper. Earl Kaufman here in eve. Boys had program committee meeting for father-son banquet.

Monday, March 17, 1947. Fair, 22°. Washed, dried most of clothes outside. We went to town at 12:30. Allen to Dr. Eaton, had teeth x-rayed then to Dr. Holub(?), he put separating wires on. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen. Ironed awhile in we got home. Went to church in eve. Bluffton gospel team there. Mother went along.

Tuesday, March 18, 1947. Fair in morn, cloudy in p.m. snowed some in eve. Cleaned pantry and store room off kitchen. Finished ironing in eve. Pete cleaned up tree at schoolyard in morn, treated seed oats in p.m. He went to locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, March 19, 1947. Everything hanging full of snow in morn, but didn't last long. Fair. I washed dishes in cupboard and cleaned coat room in morn. Went to club meeting at Dorothy Allen's in p.m. Pete chopped up some trees etc. Paul home with him in p.m. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, March 20, 1947. Some snow on ground again, but soon melted. Fair, partly cloudy in p.m. Pete and I washed walls in both kitchens and I washed woodwork too. Pete trimmed peach tree's awhile in p.m. We went to Mothers in eve. Dorothy fixed our hair. Boys home, they cleaned up their room.

Friday, March 21, 1947. Snow on ground. Partly cloudy, windy from northwest, chilly. Done cleaning, waxed dining room furniture, washed windows in living room. Cleaned up basement and made salad and dressed 3 chickens. Pete worked on trees etc. and got ready to shell corn. He had church building committee meeting in eve. Marie home in eve.

Saturday, March 22, 1947. Fair, warmer. Windy. Done Saturday work. Baked cake. We shelled corn in morn. Pete and boys cleaned up cobs before noon. We went to town in p.m. took Marie and Mother to see Aunt Ida and Aunt Martha. Paul with us. Mrs. J. in Lincoln.

Sunday, March 23, 1947. Rained off and on most of day, windy in eve. Pete and boys to church. Marie, Mother, Edgar's, CR's, Roy's and Minnie here for dinner and supper. Had birthday dinner for Paul. He got gifts. Pearl to meeting in p.m. We went to CR's awhile in p.m. Marie left on 7:20 train. Edgar's and Mother took her.

Monday, March 24, 1947. Rained in morn. Turned colder at noon, started to snow and blow, kept it up. Roads drifted. I washed in morn. We went to town at 2:00. I stayed at church to help get supper for father-son banquet. Paul at Mothers. Pete home to chore, telephone and lights out. Pete and Roy to town at 5:00. Roy called off company. Paul and I home with them. We got stuck, got Glen Raders tractor to pull us home, was 8:00 when we got here.

Tuesday, March 25, 1947. Fair, real windy. Snow blew all day. Lights on until noon. Very dim until 8 p.m. I ironed a while before noon. Had to finish in eve after lights came on. Cleaned up house. Made custard. Boys home as roads are drifted, no school. Paul three years old. Had little cake for him.

Wednesday, March 26, 1947. Fair, 16°. Snowplow came from north at 9:00. We went to town at 10:00, went north to Pattons and east to hard road. Allen to dentist. Boys had no school. Paul at Mothers. We went to choir practice. Boys home.

Thursday, March 27, 1947. Partly cloudy, warmer. Thawed quite a lot. Mabel and I to town in morn, washed Mother's kitchen and bathroom. Got done by noon. Got home at two. I made cookies in p.m. Pete ground feed etc. I went to alumni meeting at hospital. Pete along to town. Boys to school.

Friday, March 28, 1947. Partly cloudy in morn, fair in p.m. Done cleaning. Went to town at 12:45 to nurses home, had program for Junior and Senior high school students. Finished making plans for reception for Hoovers. Paul home with Pete. He worked on brooder house.

Saturday, March 29, 1947. Fair, chilly. Windy from Northwest. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 12:30. Paul at Mothers. We stopped at Aunt Martha's awhile. Went to Edgars. Dorothy combed my hair. Boys took lessons. Allen didn't take trombone, Duncan out of town. Pete and boys worked on brooder house floor in morn.

Sunday, March 30, 1947. Nice day. Went to church. Pete, Paul and I at Mothers for dinner. Uncle Frank there too. Boys home from church with sale. Pete and I to nurses home at 1:30, had reception for Hoover's, 2:30-5:00. Had 270. Served ice cream, cake, mints, coffee or tea, was very nice. Got home at 7:30. Boys had chores done. Paul at Mothers in p.m.

Monday, March 31, 1947. Mostly cloudy, showered in eve. Washed, scrubbed brooder house. Done ironing in p.m. we went to Friendship Circle in eve, was at church. Pete took Allen to dentist in morn, had braces put on his lower teeth. Mother along uptown, got paper for bedroom. She fell in A&P store, sprained her ankle, can hardly walk on it.

Tuesday, April 1, 1947. Rained in morn and showered some during day. We went to Mothers. CR's and I papered her front bedroom and we varnished the floor too. Pete cut down poplar tree in backyard and done other jobs. Raymond Miller here all night. Pete to men's fellowship. Mother's ankle much better, she can get around on.

Wednesday, April 2, 1947. Partly cloudy. I didn't feel so good, stomach or gall bladder flare up. I cleaned up house and mended little. Pete moved brooder house and set up stove and sprayed it, are ready for chicks. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, April 3, 1947. Partly fatty, rather windy. We dressed two chickens for Edgars to take to St.L. Went to town at 10:30, had car worked on. Paul at Mothers. I went to Edgar's at 5:00, she fixed my hair. Pete home with baby 420 baby chicks. He and boys came after Paul and I after supper.

Friday, April 4, 1947. Rained some early in morn, cloudy and damp. Showered some in eve. I washed clothes, dried some outside. Done cleaning and ironed. Pete trimmed fruit trees and done odd jobs. We went to town in eve, got Marie on 9:20 train. Brot Shep home, had her spaded.

Saturday, April 5, 1947. Rained on and off all day, clearing in eve. Very windy. Done Saturday work. I went to town at 10:00. Boys took lessons. Got Paul a coat. Ronnie at Mothers in morn. Paul there for lunch and in p.m. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. Pete, Paul and I to El Paso in eve to see about place for Aunt Martha. Boys to 4-H Rally. We colored eggs in eve.

Sunday, April 6, 1947. Partly cloudy, windy and chilly. We went to church, had communion. Were at Mothers for dinner. CR's and Uncle Chas there too. We stopped to see Aunt Martha in morn. Edds brot Aunt Tina to Billy's in p.m. They stopped here for lunch. Got things ready to go to Chicago.

Monday, April 7, 1947. Fair, nice day. We left home 6:20 for Chicago, took Paul to mothers. Boys to CR's to sleep. Bob Otto and Karl *Goetseh* (sp?) went with us in car. Got to Chicago at 9:30. We stayed at Sherman Hotel, met Barnharts there. Then to locker meeting. We ladies up town, went to dinner in eve. Marie with us. She left at 9:00. We went to show, Mrs. Scheets and Lois met us at 5:00. John sick so couldn't go. Serenus Ropp died.

Tuesday, April 8, 1947. Rained in morn. We ladies went to Breakfast Club with Don McNeill. We enjoyed it. Then we went to Hymns of all Churches. Went up town at 11:00, done for shopping. Men at meeting. We left for home, got to Normal at 6:30. Barnharts and Mrs. Scheets home on train. I went to Goodwill Circle at Lois Miller, went with Mohr's.

Wednesday, April 9, 1947. Cloudy, rather windy. I washed in morn. Pete, Mother and I to Serenus Ropp's funeral in p.m. at Gibson City. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. CR discing some, but almost too wet. I went to dinner, meeting at Rogers Hotel at 6:30. Cancer committee getting ready for drive. Pete along to town. He went to choir practice.

Thursday, April 10, 1947. Cloudy, rained real hard in p.m. Windy. I cleaned kitchen. Went to town, got Mother, Mrs. Barclay and Mrs. Toepke and Mrs. Shoemaker. Went to Home Bureau at Ed Miller's. Paul with Anna. Pete disc for CR in morn. I took ladies back to town, sure rained. Pete and CR to meeting at Farm Bureau. Boys and I and Mabel and boy to community club at Garfield. Boys on program. I ironed some in eve.

Friday, April 11, 1947. Cloudy, rather chilly. Finished ironing. Done sweeping and washed windows. Pete working outside, burned some brush etc. He and I to church board meeting at Mrs. Troyers in eve. Boys home. We went to hospital after meeting. Mr. Hoover and we addressed church letters.

Saturday, April 12, 1947. Partly cloudy, wind real chilly. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 12:30, boys took lessons. I went to Dorothy's, she combed my hair. Pete to school election in eve. He and Earl Alwers elected.

Sunday, April 13, 1947. Fair, rather chilly. I went to church & to Edd's for dinner, had nice time and good dinner. Edd's pretty well straightened up.

Monday, April 14, 1947. Beautiful day. Washed, had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Got things ready for supper, went to basket supper at church, welcome for Rev. and Mrs. Metzker. Had food donation for them too. Pete disc for CR, he sowed his oats. Pete disc some of our ground toward eve. Allen out after school. Boys along to supper. Allen and Paul to Mothers after supper.

Tuesday, April 15, 1947. Fair in morn, rained toward eve. I cleaned two bedrooms upstairs and aired all of bedding and scrubbed kitchen. I was tired. Carried most of bedding myself. Pete sowed our oats. CR helped until noon, then left. Pete finished in rain. Billy's brought Aunt Tina out in eve, she stayed. Pete to locker meeting.

Wednesday, April 16, 1947. Rained & snowed some most of day. Done usual work & made apple crisp. Paul and I to club meeting at Bill Alwes in p.m. Pete to town, got power lawn mower and garden tractor. Aunt Tina home, weather too bad for her to get out. Ronnie home with Raymond Miller. Didn't go to choir practice in eve. Pete has cold.

Thursday, April 17, 1947. Fair, rather chilly in morn. Done some odd jobs. Pete ground feed. We went to Mother's at 11:30 for dinner. Pulled C.R's to town, their car died. Pete and I to Walter Yoder's office in p.m. We and Rays signed paper to close land deal. Lights out awhile in eve.

Friday, April 18, 1947. Fair, warmer. We left at 9:00 to take Aunt Martha to Gridley. CR's along in their car. We moved her bed down in dining room and fixed things handy for her as she's saying alone. Aunt Tina and Paul at Mothers. Allen and Pete spaded little garden when we got home. I put out lettuce, radishes and spinach. We all went to Phil's in eve. Pete had directors meeting. Earl Alwes there too.

Saturday, April 19, 1947. Cloudy, rained some at noon and p.m. I done cleaning and scrubbing in morn. Boys and I went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist and I took Mother to Dr. Deneen. Paul with Anna. We went uptown. Boys took piano lesson. Mother home in p.m. Anna up town. Pete and Aunt Tina home. Pete hauled manure and worked on garden tractor. I dressed 2 chickens in eve and made pudding.

Sunday, April 20, 1947. Rained and blew nearly all day, cold. We went to church. Aunt Tina didn't go, too stormy. Edd's, Mother, Mrs. Johnson and Billies here for dinner. Aunt Tina home with Billie and they took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Eds stayed for lunch.

Monday, April 21, 1947. Fair, rather chilly. Washed, had big one. Glad for nice day. Done ironing in p.m. Mildred Dammon here at 1:30 to make plans for cancer drive. Pete made pen for baby chicks and took out some fence between us and Ray's. We went to show in eve, "The Jolson Story." Was good. Paul along, he was real good.

Tuesday, April 22, 1947. Cloudy, cool. Cleaned store room and hall and washed my hair. Went to town at 4:30, took material for cancer drive to Farm Bureau. Went to Dorothy's, she fixed my hair. Went to Pearl's in eve, helped make curtains for stage at school. Pete burned brush and cleaned up orchard.

Wednesday, April 23, 1947. Fair, real warm and windy. Rained in eve. I went to town at 9:00, helped get dinner at nurses home for conference committee. Made chili and had pie. Alma and I made plans etc. Paul at Mothers. Pete hauled manure and disc stalks. Allen out after school. Pete and I spaded garden, put out peas and onions. I went to cancer meeting with Marie Hastings in eve.

Thursday, April 24, 1947. Partly cloudy, rained in eve. Cleaned up house in morn. Made brownies. Paul and I to town at 3:00, got Mother and Mrs. J. Went to train, met Ida at 4:30. She came on New York Central from Ohio. We went out to Billy's. She had salad, cake and coffee for us. Aunt Tina left in eve for K.C. Ida and I to alumni meeting in eve. Miss. Blau from London talked. Pete along to town, he had directors meeting at school but Phil didn't show up.

Friday, April 25, 1947. Showered in morn. Cleared off toward eve. Finished sweeping. Made pie. We mended in p.m. Pete cleaned hen house and brooder house. Paul and I have cold. Feel kinda bum.

Saturday, April 26, 1947. Fair, nice day. Rather windy. Done Saturday work. Pete and boys worked with pigs and washed car in morn. We went to town at 11:00. Paul at Mothers. Boys and Pete had haircuts. Boys took lessons. Ronnie stayed at Mothers and mow[ed] lawn etc. We got home at 4:00. We planted peas, onions and corn in truck patch. Went to CR's few minutes in eve, got clippers, cut Paul's hair.

Sunday, April 27, 1947. Nice day, colder in p.m. Quite chilly in night. We went to church and to Edgar's for dinner and supper. Edds, Mother, Mrs. J. and Uncle Chas there too. Went to Park in p.m. and to sewage disposal. Halsey Baird died in morn. Pete and I to funeral home in eve.

Monday, April 28, 1947. Fine day, warm. We washed, had a big one. Beautiful day to dry clothes. Done ironing in p.m. I sowed carrots. Pete plowed and Allen went out after school. Pete spaded some garden. Boys to 4-H meeting. Pete to locker meeting and Ida, Paul and I to Friendship Circle at Karl Ummels. Laura M. along.

Tuesday, April 29, 1947. Rained hard in morn and had big rain in eve and little hail. We baked 2 pies in morn. I went to I. S. N.U. sale barn, helped elementary department of Sunday School serve lunch. Ida and Paul at Mothers. Ida sewed for Mother. Pete to town in p.m. with CR's. He and I to Mr. Baird's funeral in p.m.

Wednesday, April 30, 1947. Rained some in morn, fair in p.m. I cleaned closet in boys room in morn, baked cake. Ida scrubbed kitchen. We went to missionary meeting at

Will Mohr's, went with Mabel. Paul home with Pete. Pete went to school consolidation meeting in eve. Phil and Ed Miller with him.

Thursday, May 1, 1947. Rained in morn. Sun came out at 9:00. Showered off and on in p.m. We went to Peoria at 11:00, went to town first. Took money in for cancer drive. Mother and Mrs. J. along to Peoria. I got materials for dress. Allen to Miller's all night. Mother and Mrs. J. here for supper. Pete took them home in eve.

Friday, May 2, 1947. Showered and rained nearly all day. We done cleaning and baked cake and made salad. We went to auxiliary meeting at hospital in p.m. Mother and Mrs. J. came home with us. We all went to school picnic and program in eve. Had big crowd and good program. Mother and Mrs. J. home with Miss Etter.

Saturday May 3, 1947. Fair, partly cloudy in p.m. Had little shower in eve. Done Saturday work, dressed chicken. Went to town at 10:30, Allen to dentist and we got him a suit and wristwatch for graduation. Ida, Ronnie and Paul at Mother's for dinner. Ida and Ronnie uptown in p.m. Boys took lessons. Phil's here in eve, first time Robert was here. We set out one dozen tomato and four dozen cabbage plants.

Sunday, May 4, 1947. Fair, rather windy from west. We went to church. Rev. and Mrs. Metzker and Patty here for dinner. Boys to CR's awhile in p.m. We all went to church in eve.

Monday, May 5, 1947. Fair, cool. Partly cloudy in p.m. We washed, had a big one. Washed curtains in my bedroom and stretched them. We cleaned our bedroom in p.m. I ironed awhile in eve. I pressed curtains and put them up. Pete and CR spread phosphate. Boys to 4-H meeting at Garfield. We went to CR's few minutes to see tractor nearly buried in their new basement.

Tuesday, May 6, 1947. Fair in morn, soon cloudy. Sprinkled some, rained in eve. We cleaned boys bedroom downstairs. Went to CR's awhile, watched them pull tractor out of mud. I finished ironing in p.m. Ida cut out print dress for me in p.m. Pete plowed all day. Ronnie home in p.m., not feeling good. Pete to men's fellowship, he's on committee. I made cocoa for him.

Wednesday, May 7, 1947. Fair, cool. Cleaned up house, scrubbed kitchen. Waxed bedroom furniture. Washed our hair. I went to school in eve, got Ronnie's books. He isn't feeling good, temp and complains of stomach. Pete shelled corn at CR's. Ida and I to Mothers in eve. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida sewed on my dressed. Boys school out.

Thursday, May 8, 1947. Fair, cold. Had frost. We went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Barclay. Ronnie has quite little temp up to 104° in p.m. but feeling better in other ways. Pete and Allen plowed. Ida, Allen and I to community club at Belevidere in eve, had hobby show.

Friday, May 9, 1947. Fair, white with frost. Chilly but warmed up. Ronnie still has temp, took him to Dr. Jones, can't seem to find anything wrong. He thinks mixed infection or virus. Pete and Alan finished plowing across road. Allen disc. We put [green] beans, lima beans and some corn and glad bulbs and few potatoes in truck patch. Ida sewed. I went to cancer meeting in eve. Pete to choir practice. Met Marie at train.

Saturday, May 10, 1947. Fair, warmer. Allen harrowed in morn. Pete plowed patch by the truck patch and disc stalks. We done Saturday work, baked pie and dressed chicken. I sewed flower seeds in morn. Finished in eve. Ida, Allen, Paul and I to town in p.m. Ronnie still has temp but feeling better at times. Mother, Marie and Gurtners here few minutes in eve.

Sunday, May 11, 1947. Fine day. Warm. We went to church. Ronnie to Mothers, he's some better, still some temp. We were all at Mothers for dinner. CR's there too. Pete and I took Ida to Ed's in eve. They were gone to church so we went to Eureka to Dr. H. Schertzs awhile. Boys home.

Monday, May 12, 1947. Fair, wire and. I washed. Pete and Allen plowed. Pete and I worked in garden in p.m., spaded perennial flowers. I ironed some in eve. Was tired.

Tuesday, May 13, 1947. Partly cloudy. Looked rainy at times. Done ironing in morn. Pete and I finished flower beds in p.m. They finished plowing after dinner. Allen to CR's help disc and harrow. I went to Goodwill Circle at Marie Kaufman's in eve.

Wednesday, May 14, 1947. Cloudy in morn. Fair in p.m. I cleaned up house and cleaned two closets in living room in p.m. Pete and boys to town awhile in morn. Allen at CR's discing. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, May 15, 1947. Fair in morn. Rained in p.m. and eve. Pete after Mother and Mrs. J. We cleaned the living room. I cleaned nearly all wallpaper, waxed some furniture. Boys started planting corn here after dinner. Got 4 acres done. C.L. Kaufman died suddenly at 11:00 a.m., sure a shock. We stopped there in eve, took fruit salad.

Friday, May 16, 1947. Mostly cloudy, and damp. Finished straightening up living room. Done rest of cleaning. Cleaned basement in p.m. and scrubbed kitchen. Went to Pattons few minutes. I went to Clara B. in eve to make plans for dinner Sunday for Kaufman family. Pete and boys cleaned henhouse.

Saturday, May 17, 1947. Mostly cloudy. Showered some. Dressed 4 chickens. We went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist and they took lessons. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. Paul there too. We took Mother to funeral home at 4:30 to see Mr. Kaufman. We went to George and Merle Francis' for chop suey supper. Phil's there too. Cooked my chicken for Sunday.

Sunday, May 18, 1947. Cleared off in morn, beautiful day, warm. We went to church. I helped serve dinner at the church for Kaufman family, served 65. Pete and boys to

Mothers for dinner. Boys played 4-H ballgame at Miller Park. Pete, Paul and I to Chris Kaufman's funeral at Carlock. Large funeral. Miss Diller with us. We went back to town, got my dishes and boys.

Monday, May 19, 1947. Fair in morn. Rained in p.m. I washed. Cloudy, dried rather slow. Boys planted corn, until it rained. Paul and I to Mothers for dinner. Nettie, Ella and Ida there too. I went to Mrs. Kaufman's few minutes with Ida and Nettie. Ida came home with me. She ironed some before supper. I finished after supper.

Tuesday, May 20, 1947. Fair in morn. Rained in eve and rained hard in night. We oiled kitchen floors and waxed furniture. Boys went to field at 3:00, finished planting 20 acres when it started raining. Pete to locker meeting in eve. Real chilly.

Wednesday, May 21, 1947. Fair, real cool in morn. Ida and I to town at 8:30. I had my hair fixed. Ida to Mother's awhile, finished a rug for her. We went uptown at 10:30. Mother along. I looked for dress but found nothing. We and Julia uptown. She took us to lunch at Jefferson. We went to club meeting at Ed Sharps. Mother to town with Mrs. Gordon. We went to Gridley in eve to see Aunt Martha. Allen at CR's working in field.

Thursday, May 22, 1947. Fair, warmer. Windy. Ida fixed some curtains and fixed a dress for me. I washed the south porch in morn. Ida helped me wash the west porch in p.m. Pete and I put lima beans, cucumbers, green beans and flower seeds and Ronnie's garden in truck patch in p.m. Am tired, big day. The boys at CR's planting corn.

Friday, May 23, 1947. Mostly cloudy, real chilly. Showered little. Boys finished C.R.'s corn in morn and finished ours in eve. Ida and I to Angus sale at Kappa, helped Goodwill Circle serve lunch. Florence Sharp along. Baked 3 pies in morn, one for boys and 2 for sale. Boys to 4-H bowling party in eve. We dressed 3 chickens in eve. Had a big day. Cleaned up bedrooms and upstairs in morn.

Saturday, May 24, 1947. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Ida and I to town at 8:00, helped at Rummage sale for auxillary[sic]. Pete and boys went to town with C.R. at 11:00. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn and done some other work. He stayed all night. Ida had her hair fixed. We cleaned up living room in eve and took oil cloths off kitchen and baked brownies and got things ready for company. Pete and Allen put out 5 dozen tomatoe [sic] plants.

Sunday, May 25, 1947. Partly cloudy, cool. We went to church. Edds, Edgars, Mother, Mrs. J and C.R.'s here for dinner and supper. C.R.'s got company so they couldn't stay for supper. Mother not feeling so good, has trouble with her bladder.

Monday, May 26, 1947. Cloudy in morn. Cleared off in a.m. We washed, done at 10:30. Ida and I to town, took Mother to Dr. She's feeling better. Ida got new dress. We were home at 1:00. Ironed some in p.m. Pete and boys cleaned been seed. We went to Friendship Circle at church in eve. Boys home with Paul.

Tuesday, May 27, 1947. Rained most of day. I painted pump in morn and another coat in eve. Ida finished ironing and finished my print dress and got her things ready to leave. Pete and I to town. I helped paper Mother's living room. Pete and I up town. We took Ida to train in eve, sure hate to see her go home. Train late, left Bloomington at 11:00 (daylight time).

Wednesday, May 28, 1947. Cloudy, foggy. Cold. Misted some. Mabel and I to Mother's at 9:00, washed woodwork in living room and washed off porch. We went to missionary meeting at Frank Pattons in p.m. Pete and boys worked with pigs and vaccinated them in p.m. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, May 29, 1947. Partly cloudy, cold. 40°. Cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen. Boys and I and Mabel to town at 1:00. Boys took piano lessons. Mother and we went to cemeteries. Pete done odd jobs. Boys to C.R's in eve to practice ball. Pete, Paul and I to Mother's. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Friday, May 30, 1947. Partly cloudy in morn, cool 40°. Fair in p.m. Warmer. Done cleaning in morn. Pete painted ice box. Boys raked chicken yard. I cleaned silverware in p.m. and cleaned drawer in buffet. Pete worked on tile in pasture, opened it. He plowed garden in eve.

Saturday, May 31, 1947. Fair, warmer. Rained in night. Done Saturday work. Got telegram in mail at 11:00 that Dave would be in B. at 9:00. Pete to town to get him but a man had left with Dave to bring him out. Boys and I and Gordon to town in p.m. Paul at Mother's. Ronnie practiced for Children's day. Marie, Ladine, Barrett and Winifred went with me to alumni banquet at Ill. Hotel. Pete with Ray and Walter Fagerberg and Glenn.

Sunday, June 1, 1947. Rained in morn and again at 4:30. Sun shone some. We went to church in morn. Came home for dinner. Paul at Mothers. Pete and I to nurses commencement in p.m. I helped with reception, had punch and cookies. Big crowd. Boys at CR's awhile, played ball.

Monday, June 2, 1947. Cloudy. Damp, windy from North. Cold. Cleared off in p.m. washed, dried starched clothes in house. Others dried pretty good outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete fixed screen. We went to Edd's for supper. Ronnie to club meeting at Harry Raders with CR's.

Tuesday, June 3, 1947. Fair, warmer and nice day. I went to town at 9:30, got permanent. Boys along to Mothers. They mowed her lawn. Then went uptown. We got home at 2:00. I worked in garden. Allen and Dave helped me some. Pete painted screens, cleaned out tank house. Boys painted picnic tables. Ronnie raked some yard. Dressed chicken in eve. E. J. Giermans, Mother and Mrs. J here awhile in eve. Tekla got some flowers.

Wednesday, June 4, 1947. Cleaned up house and scrubbed kitchen. Went to church at 2:00, helped get supper for Bluffton chorus. Served 50. Had chicken salad sandwiches, potato salad, relish dish, ice cream and cake. Paul at Mothers in p.m. Pete and boys came after Paul and I. We all went to N.C.H.S. to hear Bluffton chorus. Were very good. Pete harrowed corn and beans and hoed corn.

Thursday, June 5, 1947. Fair. Warm, in 80s. Allen to Kaufmans, harrowed corn for him. Ronnie, Paul and I took Dave to train. He left for Ohio at 9:09. Mother and Mrs. J. came along home. I worked in garden and we cleaned yard and trimmed things up. Pete plowed truck patch and hoed. We all went to pond awhile in p.m. Boys went swimming in eve. We took Mother home.

Friday, June 6, 1947. Rained most of morn. Showered in p.m. warm. Done cleaning in morn. I went to auxillary [sic] meeting in p.m. Boys took lessons at Mrs. Kemp and had their haircut. Paul with me. Pete got school chairs in morn. He cleaned out henhouse and brooder house in p.m. Marie came home in eve. Rained and stormed most of night.

Saturday, June 7, 1947. Partly cloudy. Warm and humid. Done Saturday work, baked cake. Picked few strawberries. Boys and I to town at 1:30. Ronnie and Paul at church, practiced for Children's day. Allen mowed Mother's lawn. Boys to lesson at Mrs. Kemp. Marie and Mrs. J. along to town with me. Pete cut hedges and mowed road and ground feed.

Sunday, June 8, 1947. Foggy in morn. Cleared off at 10:30, a fine day. Rather warm. We had the Woizeski family reunion here, were 60 here. Had nice time, quite few stayed for supper. We went to children's program in eve. Ronnie and Paul on program. Paul spoke piece, done real well.

Monday, June 9, 1947. Fair, rather windy. Warm, 86°. I washed, had big one. Ironed in p.m. Pete and boys done odd jobs. Picked nearly ½ gallon berries. I went to Goodwill Circle at Ethel Streids. Lois Miller along. Pete and boys to Fans Field. Boys played ball and won the game.

Tuesday, June 10, 1947. 88°. Very windy. Partly cloudy in p.m. Cooler in eve. Pete and I to town little while in morn. He got blades for cultivator and he cultivated corn in p.m. I cleaned up house, put clothes away, etc. Made pies. We went to 8th grade commencement for Allen. Was at Community High School.

Wednesday, June 11, 1947. Fair, cooler. Pete cultivated corn. Boys uncovered some of sweet corn. I made some parker house rolls and sweet rolls. Done some mending and worked in garden awhile in p.m. Picked ½ gallon berries. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, June 12, 1947. Cloudy, real chilly. Rather windy. Went to Home Bureau meeting at E.D. Laurences. Mother came along home. We went to community club picnic at Ferdinand Bastings, was cold, so went to Belevidere school for program. Pete

and boys baled hay at C.R's in p.m. I cleaned up bedrooms and upstairs in eve. Rained in night.

Friday, June 13, 1947. Cloudy, real chilly. Dressed 2 friers in eve. Finished sweeping. Picked nearly ½ gallon berries. Went to Mother's in p.m. Mabel and I put her new rug down and washed windows on outside. Boys took lesson at Mrs. Kemp. We were up town little while. Paul home with Pete. Pete cleaned out garage. He had board meeting at church in eve. I took Allen to take trombone lessons. Ronnie and Paul at Mother's. Ronnie stayed all night at Mother's.

Saturday, June 14, 1947. Fair, real windy from west. Quite cool. Done Saturday work. Paul and I took Allen to train at 9:00 C.S.T. He went to Chicago, sent Marie a chicken and eggs. Stopped at Mother's to get Ronnie, so we ate dinner there. Thietjes and Gurtners there. Pete and Ronnie baled hay at C.R's in p.m. I picked qt. berries and baked sponge cake and scrubbed porches.

Sunday, June 15, 1947. Mostly cloudy, chilly. I went to church. Mother along home. There's fried chicken. Went to see Aunt Martha in p.m. Ronnie at home, he went to CR's awhile. We took some flowers to cemetery in eve. Met Allen at train, it was 1 ½ hours late. Got to Bloomington at 9:30. Took Mother home. Allen had nice time.

Monday, June 16, 1947. Fair, warm. Fine day. Washed and ironed. Picked nearly half gallon berries. Pete hoed beans and rest of corn. Boys to keep fit program with CR in morn. Allen finished hoeing corn. Pete took Ronnie to dentist at 3:00. Boys mowed lawn in eve.

Tuesday, June 17, 1947. Cloudy, rained off and on during day. Rained steady in eve until midnight. Cleaned up house in morn, scrubbed. Put clothes away. Pete to town in morn, got Mother. Pete and I and Mother to Lydia *Murch's* (sp?) funeral at Washington. Boys home. Walter Ropp and Aunt Ella came back with us. We took them home. Pete to locker meeting in eve. Boys to 4-H judging instruction.

Wednesday, June 18, 1947. Cloudy, showered. Cool. Pete took Ronnie to I.S.N.U. farm at 9:00 to judge hogs. I took Allen to Dr. Jones at 11:00 for physical exam. We ate lunch in town, brot Mother, Mrs. Allen and children out for club meeting at Mrs. Colter. They went back with Mrs. Gordon. Pete cleaned out garage. Picked berries in eve.

Thursday, June 19, 1947. Mostly cloudy, fair in p.m. I done cleaning and washed out some things. Scrubbed kitchen in p.m. Got things ready for company. Pete ground feed in p.m.

Friday, June 20, 1947. I Friday, cool. Pete, Ronnie and I to Laura Mohr at 8:00, picked 40 quarts strawberries. Allen home with Paul. Pete and boys helped me stem berries. Put quarts in locker. I made 17 ½ pints preserves in p.m. Pete and boys to town at 1:00. Boys took lessons at Mrs. Kemp's. Pete met Paul Comba from Italy and Anette DeGraff from Holland (who are students at Bluffton) off the bus at 1:15. They were here for

supper and all night. Boys took them to services in eve. I took boys to recital. We got to church for part of Paul's talk. Pete set out tomatoes.

Saturday, June 21, 1947. Partly cloudy, warm. Sprinkled little in eve. Pete took students to town at 11:30. Dressed 2 chickens and scrubbed. Went to town at 1:00, was at McLean Co. cancer society. Had open house. Paul at Mothers. Pete and boys bailed hay at Roy's. We went to Harry Bowers in eve to locker board picnic. Mrs. Bowers and I on committee. We played games. Boys played piano and we visited, had nice time. Packed Allen's suitcase when we got home.

Sunday, June 22, 1947. Mostly cloudy, rather windy. Warm. We went to church in morn. Allen to Sunday school then to Farm Bureau. They left at 12:00 for 4-H Camp Shaw-wa-nas-see near Kankakee. We were home for dinner. Went after school chairs in eve. Stopped at C.R.'s awhile.

Monday, June 23, 1947. Fair in morn, windy. Rained in p.m. and eve. I washed, had big one, extra beds etc. Nearly everything dried before it rained. Pete plowed truck patch and started to plow corn when it rained. He went to town at 4:30 got ice cream and Elden Rupp. We had Friendship Circle picnic here in eve, but had to have it in house. Were 40 here, got along fine. Ethel Ramseyer and Golda R[upp] hostesses with me. We played 50. CR's here too. I cleaned up house in p.m. and got things ready for supper.

Tuesday, June 24, 1947. Fair, real warm. Nice day. I ironed in morn. Pearl operated on in morn for gallstones. I went to hospital in p.m. stayed with her. Marie H. with her in morn & all night. She's getting along well as can be expected. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn in p.m. Paul there too. Pete mowed schoolyard in p.m. and mowed hay. He took chairs to school in morn.

Wednesday, June 25, 1947. Cloudy, looked rainy. Fair in eve. I picked few strawberries and had new peas for dinner. Made up two spare beds. Worked garden little while. Pete plowed corn and beans. I went to missionary meeting at Lucy C., and I went to town to get boys. Allen home for 4-H Camp. He had good time. We set out tomatoe [sic] plants in eve. Pearl better.

Thursday, June 26, 1947. Foggy in morn, fair. Quite warm. I went to town, got Mother and Mrs. A. We made 13 pints cherry preserves and canned 1 quart. Birds got so many cherries. Mrs. Johnson and I picked peas. We canned 9 pints. Boys baled hay here, worked late. I done some of chores. Pete to committee meeting at Mrs. Troyers. I went to alumni meeting. Boys home.

Friday, June 27, 1947. Mostly cloudy, looked rainy. Fair in p.m. I washed, had quite a lot, Allen's clothes from camp. Done sweeping. Pete and boys unloaded hay and plowed some corn in morn and raked hay. They finished baling in p.m. I ironed. Pete plowed corn awhile in eve. We went to choir practice.

Saturday, June 28, 1947. Fair, hot and humid 92°. Done Saturday work and baked cookies. Allen mowed hay in morn. Pete plowed corn. Boys and I to town in p.m. took lessons. Mabel and I got flowers for Pearl. Stopped to see her few minutes, she's getting along fine. Rained in night.

Sunday, June 29, 1947. Rained early in morn. Fair in p.m. we went to church, home for dinner. Robert Patton here in p.m. Phils went to Dorothy Miller's wedding. Robert cried some at first, he took a nap. Boys swimming.

Monday, June 30, 1947. Fair in morn. Rained at noon, rather windy and looked rather stormy. I washed, had to finish drying some of clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete raked hay in morn, was dry enough to bail when it rained. We shelled some corn in p.m. I went to cancer meeting in eve. Pete and boys and Gordon to 4-H choir and then to skating party.

Tuesday, July 1, 1947. Fair, cooler. Picked peas. I canned 14 pints in morn. Worked in garden in p.m. reset some flowers. We bailed hay at 3:30. I took Allen to band practice at N.C.H.S. Ronnie to Mothers, mowed her lawn. I went to Edgar's. Dorothy fixed my hair. Men worked late, so Pete had chores to do.

Wednesday, July 2, 1947. Fair, fine day. Cool. I baked pie and worked in garden nearly all day. We finished baling hay before noon. They bailed at Roy's the rest of day. Worked late so didn't go to choir practice.

Thursday, July 3, 1947. Fair and warm. Pete and Allen helped unload hay at Roy's in morn. We went to town awhile in morn, got groceries etc. Allen at home. Pete got new tire for tractor. Pete and boys baled at Roy's in p.m. I done cleaning and scrubbed. Dressed two chickens in eve. Pete to church committee meeting. Boys, Mother and Mrs. J. and I drove around awhile, went to train to meet Marie.

Friday, July 4, 1947. Fair, rather windy. Nice day. Got ready for company. Went to town at 11:30, got Mother Marie and Mrs. Johnson. They were here for dinner. We went to Roy's awhile towards eve. Pearl home from hospital in morn, getting along fine. We went to CR's for picnic supper. May and Laura there too. Had some fireworks.

Saturday, July 5, 1947. Rained in & showered most of forenoon. Pete and I picked peas, took 10 pints to locker. Cleaned up kitchen. Went to town before 12:00. Allen took lesson at Duncan's. Mother, CR's, Pete and I to Pekin at 12:45 to Mrs. Allen Miller's funeral. Large crowd. Paul with Mrs. J. Marie and boys uptown in p.m. in our car. Boys took lessons. Dressed chicken in eve and made salad.

Sunday, July 6, 1947. Fair, rather warm. Cooler in eve. Showered little in eve. We went to church, had basket dinner at noon and annual church meeting in p.m. Boys at church for dinner. Ronnie and Paul at mothers in p.m. Marie had our car so they went for ride and came out to see Pearl. Marie back to Chicago in eve.

Monday, July 7, 1947. Fair, cool. Washed. Went to annual county Home Bureau meeting, elected Co. health chairman again. Ironed awhile in eve. Boys to town, practice for ballgame and then to 4-H meeting at McCues. Boys bailed hay at Roy's. Paul with Mrs. J. in p.m.

Tuesday, July 8, 1947. Fair, cool. Done ironing in morn. Dressed chicken and made salad. Baked cookies in p.m. and got things ready for supper. Went to Goodwill Circle picnic at Park. Allen to band practice too. Boys finished bailing at CR's in eve and Home Bureau picnic was at Lawrence Deals.

Wednesday, July 9, 1947. Fair, cool rather windy. Ronnie and I picked beans. Mother and Mrs. J. came out. We canned 14 quarts beans and 14 pints peas. Gave Mother the beans and 4 pints peas. Pete finished crossing corn in morn and laid by south field in p.m. Went to choir practice in eve, took Mother home.

Thursday, July 10, 1947. Fair, warmer. Pete to town, had some work done on car etc. Mabel and I to Mothers. Aunt Minnie there too. We made slip cover for day bed. Boys home. Pete to conference meeting in eve at Metzkers. Boys and I to community club at Mohr's. Boys played.

Friday, July 11, 1947. Fair, warm. Done cleaning. Washed and ironed. Worked little in garden. Pete and boys hoed truck patch and picked over quart raspberries. They mowed weeds in p.m. We went to Earl Kaufman's for supper. Boys played ball in town, they won. Pete, Earl and Phil to town, watched them play.

Saturday, July 12, 1947. Fair, hot. Had shower in eve. I picked beans. Canned 7 quarts and scrubbed kitchen. Went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. Boys took lesson. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. Paul with Mother.

Sunday, July 13, 1947. Fair, 94°. Rather humid. Boys and I to church. Grandma, Mrs. J., Mabel and their boys and we went to Park, took our dinner. Pete and CR taking parts in movies on soil conservation. They were west of Danvers and south of Bloomington. Got home at 6:30.

Monday, July 14, 1947. Fair, warm. Had good shower in eve. Washed and ironed. Pete and boys picked peas. Boys podded them. I canned 4 pints. Boys mowed lawn in p.m. Pete to Vernards, took more pictures. Picked quart raspberries.

Tuesday, July 15, 1947. Fair, warm. Rather humid. We picked beans. I canned 31 quarts, had big day. Pete to N.C. high school in morn with conference committee. We can use kitchen and dining room for conference. Pete to locker meeting in eve. I took Allen to band practice and then to Mother's. We took feathers to Aunt Ida's. We bought 8 quarts raspberries at Lutzs.

Wednesday, July 16, 1947. Partly cloudy, warm. Edds here awhile in morn. I picked over quart raspberries. I canned 10 quarts raspberries. Cleaned up kitchen, stirred up

cookies in eve. Pete with locker board to Helen's in morning. Plowed corn in p.m. We ate supper at 5:30, took Pete to hard road. He went with Welsh to *Benson* (sp?) for movies. I went to choir practice with Florence S.

Thursday, July 17, 1947. Fair and hot. Boys and I to town, picked cherries at Uncle Henry's neighbors. We picked between 14 and 15 gallons. We done about 9 gallons. I canned 8 quarts, put 4 quarts in locker and made 6 pints preserve. Mother and Mrs. J. at C.R.'s. They and Mabel came down, helped me seed them, so gave them some cherries. Pete finished laying by corn in morn. They baled hay at C.R.'s in p.m. We all went to Bensons awhile for movies. We were all in the pictures. C.R.'s went with us.

Friday, July 18, 1947. Fair, real cool in eve. Ronnie and I picked beans. Canned 14 quarts. Dressed chicken and made pie. Mabel picked some cherries so she gave me some. I canned 3 ½ quarts. Boys done some of cleaning in morn. Pete and C.R. to Benson at 7:30a.m. They were home by noon. They finished bailing hay at C.R.'s. We went to nurses picnic at Harold Rupps, was cold. Pete took car to town in morn. Had fenders straightened, etc. We went after it at 5:30.

Saturday, July 19, 1947. Fair, cool. Done Saturday work and cleaned up living room. Dressed 2 chickens. Pete fixed grinder and ground feed and finished plowing beans in p.m. Boys and I to town at 11:00. Allen took trombone lesson in morn and to Mrs. Kemps at 1:00. Had a recital at 2:00. We ate lunch at Mother's. Ronnie mowed her lawn. She and Mrs. J along to recital. They came along home. Gurtner's here for supper. Dot fixed my hair. Made ice cream.

Sunday, July 20, 1947. Cloudy, quite cool. Had shower in eve. We went to church. Allen S.S. secretary. Jane B. gone. Were home for dinner. Mother here. We and C.R.'s to Gridley in p.m. to see Aunt Martha. We picked her raspberries, got over gallon and C.R.'s same. Mother got ½ gallon.

Monday, July 21, 1947. Clear, fine day. Real cool, 49°. Washed and ironed, finished in eve. Boys worked on combine. Pete cut oats at Roys in eve. Worked until after 8:30. Wrapped Marie's birthday gift.

Tuesday, July 22, 1947. Fair, real cool, 54°. I picked peas for dinner, cooked applesauce and stirred up cookies. Baked them in eve. Made brownies. Cleaned up kitchen, baked pie in morn. Pete cut oats in morn, worked on combine in p.m. and eve. I took Allen to band practice and Ronnie and Gordon to chorus practice. Aunt Martha at Mothers, stayed all night.

Wednesday, July 23, 1947. Fair, some warmer. We picked beans in morn, ¾ bushel for conference, took them to town. Mabel and I to you town at 8:45, took Aunt Martha to Dr. Gailey's at 9:00. Paul at Mothers. We all ate dinner there. Took Aunt Martha home in p.m. We picked raspberries, each got ½ gallon. I canned 2 quarts and picked ours and made 1 pint jam. Pete combining at Roy's in p.m. we went to choir practice in eve. Boys played ball at Farm Bureau field. Boys finished 10 acres of Roy's oats. Paul with us.

Thursday, July 24, 1947. Fair, warmer. Allen and I to town at 8:00, had casting welded for combine. Boys combined our oats, made around 40 bushels. They combined at Roy's awhile in eve. I canned 6 ½ quarts beets. I cooked applesauce. Took lunch to field and shortened Allen's band trousers and mended some.

Friday, July 25, 1947. Fair, hot. Boys and I worked in garden in morn. Ronnie trimmed some shrubbery. Allen cleaned upstairs. I done cleaning in p.m. We went to band concert in Normal. N.C.H.S. band played. Allen played with them. Mother and Mrs. J. along. Pete to Rev Metzkers to meeting after concert. The rest of us stopped at Elmer S. awhile. Pete combined at C.R.'s in p.m.

Saturday, July 26, 1947. Fair, hot. Done Saturday work. Dressed two chickens and baked cake. Made applesauce in eve. Boys bailed straw at Roy's and three loads of ours. Roy's and CR's [to] Clinton. Oats to green to combine. Ronnie and Paul to Sunday School party at Chester Miller's, went with Laura. Allen bailed so didn't take trombone lesson. I went to town in p.m. I took Uncle Henry's chicken for help with the cherries.

Sunday, July 27, 1947. Had a shower at 4:00 a.m. blew pretty hard. Fair and hot, humid, rather windy. Went to church. School club had picnic at Julius Miller's near Colfax. Mother went with us. Had nice time. Phil's stopped here awhile on way home. Billy's here in eve, gave them beans, beets, etc. They brot ice out so made freezer of cream.

Monday, July 28, 1947. Real foggy in morn, cleared off about 10:30. I washed, had big one. Ironed in p.m. Pete finished combining CR's oats in p.m. worked late. Boys to 4-H meeting. Edgar's here in eve, got beans.

Tuesday, July 29, 1947. Fair, quite warm. Canned 5 quarts apple sauce and made 3 gallons sauerkraut. Pete finished combining Roy's oats. Allen to band practice. Ronnie and Gordon to chorus practice. Pete and I to food committee meeting for conference at Elden Rupps.

Wednesday, July 30, 1947. Fair, hot 90°. Cleaned up house etc. Got things ready for dinner. Went to missionary meeting at Lois Miller. Mother and Mrs. J. came out at 6:00 with Mabel. We dressed 6 hens and 2 fryers. Went to choir practice in eve. Took ladies home. Pete and boys baling at Roy's. Hot to sleep.

Thursday, July 31, 1947. Cooler, early in morn. Fair and pleasant. Went to town, got Mother and Mrs.J. canned 9 quarts chicken and 9 pints soup for morn. Made 4 quarts applesauce and 5 pints apricot jam. Pete and boys finished Roy's and our straw baling. Took Mother home at 5:00. Paul home with them. Phils, Earls and we went to Peoria, ate at Pere Marquette. Boys home. C.R in town all day.

Friday, August 1, 1947. Fair, real cool in morn. Warmed up during day. Done cleaning. Ronnie and I to town at 10:45. I had hair fixed. Ronnie mowed lawn. He and Paul to barber in p.m. I took mother to Dr. Deneen. Ronnie practiced with quartet at Nafzinger.

I baked cookies, msde applesauce and dressed three chickens in eve. Pete baled for CR some in morn, baled our timothy in p.m. C.R in town.

Saturday, August 2, 1947. Fair, hot 98°. Done Saturday work. Nannie Zook and some of her family came at 10:45, were going to be here for dinner but had to take Allen to dentist at 11:30 so they went on to town. Allen trombone lesson. We were home at 2:30. Mrs. J. came along, helped me. Pete and boys finished baling CR's straw at 4:00. CR in town all day. Pete to town, got ice and Mother. Boys done chores. Billys, Karls, Edds, Mother and Mrs. J here for picnic supper.

Sunday, August 3, 1947. Fair, hot. Near 105° in town. We went to church. Boys to Mrs. Kemp after church, practiced Ronnie's solo. Boys getting fair things ready in p.m. Allen had company, John Lehman here in p.m. Karls left for Wis. in morn.

Monday, August 4, 1947. Fair, hot, over 100°. Washed and ironed, had big one. Pete and boys took their hogs and Allen's cow and heifer. Pete came back, took Gordon's cows in too. Allen at fair all night. Pete had locker meeting.

Tuesday, August 5, 1947. Fair, hot, over 100°. Cleaned up kitchen and put clothes away. We went to town at 10:30. Paul at Mothers. We done some shopping, ate dinner at Jefferson. Everett Yoder ate with us, he payed our dinner. Went to fair in p.m. and again in eve. Boys stayed all night at fair. Allen played in band at fair. They both sang in 4-H chorus.

Wednesday, August 6, 1947. Fair, hot 100°. Pretty good breeze at times. We went to fair at 8:30. Mother and Mrs. J. along. Boys showed their hogs. Took until nearly 5:00 to finish judging. Allen got 4th on litter, 5th on barrow, 7th on boar. Ronnie got 2nd on barrow. We went back in eve. Paul at Mothers. Allen stayed all night.

Thursday, August 7, 1947. Thundered early in morn, partly cloudy at times. Cooler in p.m. but humid. Cool in eve. We went to fair at 9:00. Allen showed his cattle, got 7th on Corney and 7th on Linda. C.R. brot cattle home in p.m. Allen home too. We came home at noon. Dressed 2 hens in morn, cooked some in p.m. Done sweeping. We went to choir practice at N.C.H.S. at 6:00. Went to fair. Went in truck, brot hogs home.

Friday, August 8, 1947. Fair, cooler. I washed and done most of ironing. Pete to conference in morn and to Victor Rhineharts funeral. He sang with quartette [sic]. He stopped here on way back to town. Paul and I went along. I helped serve supper. Goodwill Circle serving meals. Boys home and done chores. Dr. Panabacker here all night. I finished ironing after got home. Boys to eve session with Ed Sharps. Pete had locker meeting. He came home with C.R.

Saturday, August 9, 1947. Fair, quite warm in p.m. We all went to town at 9:30. I helped with meals all day. Pete in charge of cold drinks etc. Allen got haircut. Ronnie to Mother's for dinner. Edgar's, Henrietta and children and Mabel there. Marie home in

p.m. Pete brot boys home in eve. They done chores and stayed home. Conference at community high school.

Sunday, August 10, 1947. Fair, hot. Went to conference in morn. Choir sang, then we helped serve, had 300 for dinner and 171 for supper. J.E. [Hartzler] preached closing sermon, had large crowd. Pete and boys home to chore. They went back for eve. Paul with Mrs. J. in p.m. Mother and Marie at Edgar's. Paul with us in eve.

Monday, August 11, 1947. Fair, hot. Pete and I to town, he went to delegates meeting and I helped get dinner, had 103. Helped pack things etc. Took them back to church. I went to dentist at 3:30. Mother, Marie and Mrs. J along home for supper. Went to C.R.'s awhile in eve. I took them to town, had ripe tomatoes for first.

Tuesday, August 12, 1947. Fair, hot. I washed, had big one. Done most of ironing. Pete took calves to town in morn. Boys cut weeds in corn. Pete and boys baled Oscar's straw in p.m. Boys had ball game in eve. We took them to town, boys were short 2 players so didn't get to count their game.

Wednesday, August 13, 1947. Fair, hot. I finished ironing and picked lima beans. I canned 7 pints. Scrubbed kitchen. Put clothes away, some mending and polished shoes. Boys finished cutting weeds in corn and beans. Pete had welder here. Done some welding. He ground feed in p.m.

Thursday, August 14, 1947. Partly cloudy, some cooler in eve. Had shower in town. We went to Springfield to fair at 8:00. They had good rain at 4:30. We got to town at 7:00. Paul with Mother. They went to CR's to can corn. Pete and boys caught chickens in eve.

Friday, August 15, 1947. Partly cloudy, some colder. I baked cookies and done most of sweeping in morn. We went to town at 11:30, took chickens in. Paul at Mother's awhile. We came home at 3:45. Pete and boys to Roy's to bale hay. I canned 9 quarts sauerkraut and cleaned up living room.

Saturday, August 16, 1947. Fair, warmer. Washed and canned 15 pints corn in p.m. Done scrubbing and ironed some. Finished in eve. Herman Smuckers from Oreg. and Albert Knoxs were here awhile in p.m. Pete and boys baled hay at Roy's in p.m. Allen at Roy's all day, helped on cattle.

Sunday, August 17, 1947. Fair, hot. Went to church, home in p.m. Edgars, Mother and Mrs. J. came in eve for lunch. Made ice cream. Dorothy fixed my hair. Mrs. Gurtner here too.

Monday, August 18, 1947. Fair, hot. I washed and ironed. Picked lima beans, put 3 pints in locker and sweet corn. Pete and Allen to town in p.m. had car greased etc. Allen to dentist and high school. I scrubbed kitchen and packed.

Tuesday, August 19, 1947. We left home at 7:30 for Ohio, stopped at Mothers. Got to Bellefontaine at 4:00. Was 4:30 when we got to Marvin's. Arthur's here too. We got along fine, rather hot in morn. Were in several showers. Ate dinner at Elwood, Ind.

Wednesday, August 20, 1947. Fair, rather hot. We baked cake and made salads in morn. Went to Aunt Molls awhile in p.m. and to Paul Yoders. We went to Ohio Caverns to picnic supper. Paul Yoders and Ola Kenagy and her family were there. Had nice time.

Thursday, August 21, 1947. Partly cloudy, hot. Had rain in Bellefontaine. We all and Paul Yoders went to Indian Lake for picnic. Had a nice time. Folks went for boat ride. I stayed with Paul, Georgia and Anna. We ate watermelon at Mary's when we got home.

Friday, August 22, 1947. Fair, cooler. We washed in morn. Herman Smuckers here. May washed too. They were here for dinner. Arthur and Georgia to *Saibring* (sp?), Ohio in morn. Mary and I cleaned up house and ironed some in p.m. We went to Eldora Kauffman Yoders awhile in eve. Having hot weather at home, over 100° up to 100°.

Saturday, August 23, 1947. Fair, rather warm. Mary done baking. I finished ironing. We done scrubbing and went to town at noon, ate dinner in town. Done some shopping. Came home and got ready to go to Caverns. Arthur got here at 4:00. We all went through Caverns, very nice. Aunt Moll and Steve here awhile in eve.

Sunday, August 24, 1947. Fair, warm. We got things ready for dinner. Marvins and we all went for drive over the hills and to Zane caverns. Drive very nice. Arthurs at Aunt Molls awhile. Some of Marvin's cousins and Aunt Moll and Ernest Greens there in p.m. We all went to Paul Yoders in eve. Had watermelon and mush melon. Had nice time.

Monday, August 25, 1947. Fair, had several showers during day. Left Marvins at 8:15 for home. Drove to Bluffton, went thru campus. Left there at 11:00, got home at 7:15. We sure had a nice trip. Arthur's left too at 8:30. They went on to Edd's. We ate dinner at Decatur, Ind. We were in hard rain at Watseka. They had some rain here on Sunday and Monday, but still dry. Everything O.K and nice to be home. Dave went with Arthur's. Know Marvins are lonesome.

Tuesday August 26, 1947. Fair, little cooler. Arthur's came at 10:00. I dressed 2 chickens and baked cake and cleaned up house. Pete, Arthur and boys to town in p.m. Georgia and I got things ready for company. Harolds, Phils and Earls here, had picnic supper. I made ice cream. Edgar's came after supper. We had nice time. Arts and Dave here all night.

Wednesday, August 27, 1947. Fair, hot. Arthur's and Dave left at 8:30 for home. I washed in morn, had big one. Went to missionary meeting at Irene Mohrs in p.m. I fixed some pickles in eve that Mary gave me and ironed awhile. Pete worked around home and mowed some weeds etc.

Thursday, August 28, 1947. Fair, rather warm. I canned 6 quarts dill pickles and 3 quarts bread and butter in morn and done ironing. Done all of cleaning in p.m. and scrubbed kitchen. We all went to Roys for supper. Mother, Marie and C.R's there too. Pete done odd jobs around home.

Friday, August 29, 1947. Fair, had shower early in morn and at 7:00 and had good shower at 3:30pm. We went to town in morn. Pete and Allen to dentist. Done some shopping. Paul and I at Mother's for lunch. Pete and boys home. Pearl took Mother, Marie, Minnie, Mabel, Pearl and I to Gridley to see Aunt Martha. We took cake and ice cream. Got into hard rain on way up, just poured. I dressed 2 chickens and baked cake in eve. Dressed 2 chickens for Dot in morn.

Saturday, August 30, 1947. Fair, hot and rather humid. Got things ready for dinner. Went to town at 10:00. Went to Ropp reunion at Miller Park. Pete Pres. Mabel, Mrs. Harvey Ropp and I were on table committee. We took Mother and Marie home. Billys here awhile in eve, got chicken.

Sunday, August 31, 1947. Mostly cloudy, rather sultry in p.m. We went to church and to Belevidere reunion. Mother and Marie along. We stopped at Uncle Henry's few minutes on way home.

Monday, September 1, 1947. Rained early in morn. Partly cloudy, some cooler in p.m. Washed. Canned 3 quarts tomatoes and ironed. Edds came at 1:00. Pete and Ronnie to town with them awhile to look at cars. Allen helped Philip P. cut weeds. Boys to 4-H meeting and hay rack party at Don Smiths. Pete to Birckelbaws in morn. Got bushel peaches for us and one for Mother.

Tuesday, September 2, 1947. Fair, cooler. Allen started to high school, bus comes by here. A big day for Allen. They had school until noon. Allen stayed in town, practiced football in p.m. Mother here, we canned 40 quarts peaches and 8 ½ pints preserves. Roy and Ralph Bates and CR's here for supper. Mabel brought potatoe salad and cake. We made ice cream and furnished rest of supper, had hamburgers.

Wednesday, September 3, 1947. Fair, warmer. Went to truck patch, picked lima beans for supper. Canned 14 quarts tomatoes and cooked applesauce etc. Ronnie started to school, biggest boy in school. He and Nancy Mohr riding their bikes. Pete hauled manure. He went to locker meeting in eve. I went to choir practice, went home with Helen awhile to wait for Pete. Made 4 glasses peach jelly.

Thursday, September 4, 1947. Partly cloudy, showered little. Paul and I went to Birckelbaws, got bushel of peaches for preserves. Went to Mother's. I made 14 pints preserves and 10 pints for Mother. Pete hauled manure. He went to supper at Farm Bureau in eve. Boys and I to Edgar's for supper, had good supper. Dorothy fixed my hair.

Friday, September 5, 1947. Partly cloudy, rather cool. We went to town. I went to dentist. Had committee meeting at nurses home. Made plans for alumni guest night. Went to an auxiliary meeting then to Home Bureau to see Mrs. Lystad about health program. Pete took wool to town and done some shopping. Paul at Mothers. Done cleaning in eve.

Saturday, September 6, 1947. Fair, quite warm. Canned 6 quarts tomatoes and baked cake. Allen and I to town at 11:30. He went to dentist. Boys had no lessons, Mrs. Kemp ill. Pete and boys got desks at Pickett school in morn, need more desks at Garfield. Ronnie and Paul home with Pete. He ground feed etc. I done scrubbing after got home and made 4 glasses jelly and made applesauce.

Sunday, September 7, 1947. Partly cloudy. Warm. Went to church, home for dinner. Wrote letters in p.m. Pete and I to Carlock in eve to hear Lloyd Imhoff and his family. Gave program about their work in Africa.

Monday, September 8, 1947. Fair, warm. Washed, had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and Ray put Roy's post digger on tractor in morn, dug post holes in p.m. for live fence. Boys in school.

Tuesday, September 9, 1947. Fair, rather hot. I baked cookies and canned 20 quarts tomatoes. Pete and Ray's man worked on fence. I went to Good Will Circle with Laura and May, was at Lucy C. Mrs. Eva Henry passed away.

Wednesday, September 10, 1947. Fair, had good rain at 4:30. Blew kinda hard and lightening kinda bad. Killed cow and bull for Parke Hastings. I made pudding and cooked apples. Mended some, dusted house. Went to truck patch awhile. Pete worked on fence, dug post holes. He went to choir practice. I went to annual cancer meeting.

Thursday, September 11, 1947. Fair in morn, hot. Rained in p.m. had pretty big rain. We went to town at 10:30. Paul at Mothers. Pete and I to Jersey sale at I.S.N.U. Allen there in p.m. He bought heifer ready to freshen, paid \$300. Mother and I to Mrs. Eva Henry's funeral at 3:00, was at Beck's. Rained hard before and during funeral. Mother and Mrs. J. came along home. We were to have community club weiner roast here but postponed it on account of rain. Pete went to locker meeting, took Mother and Mrs. J home.

Friday, September 12, 1947. Fair, cool. I canned 22 quarts tomatoe juice. Done sweeping and baked cake and dressed chicken in eve. Pete worked some on fence.

Saturday, September 13, 1947. Fair, rather windy and real cool. Done Saturday work. We went to Mo. reunion at Park, about 100 there. Had nice program and good dinner. Paul stayed at Grandmas all night. Pete went to church meeting. Boys and I to foot ball game at community high. Allen played in band. Normal got beat.

Sunday, September 14, 1947. Fair, had showers in eve and again at 11:00. Pete and I left at 7:00a.m. for St. Louis to ball game. Cardinals and Giants played. We went on Illini bus, 2 busses went from Yuton. Rays H. and Glenn Maxwells went too. Paul at Mother's. Allen and Ronnie home, done chores. They went to S.S. with C.R's. We sure had a nice time. Got home at 11:15.

Monday, September 15, 1947. Fair, real cool. Pete to town, got Paul. He and Ray stretched fence. I washed and canned 6 quarts tomatoe juice and done ironing. Finished after supper and wrote letters. Boys to 4-H skating party.

Tuesday, September 16, 1947. Fair, real cool, 54°. We went to Farm management meeting at Capen auditorium. Paul at Mothers. We took her some grapes. I made 17 glasses grape jelly and 2 quarts juice in eve. Pete to locker meeting. Allen's new heifer had bull calf. He was disappointed.

Wednesday, September 17, 1947. Fair, warmer. I canned 10 quarts tomatoes and scrubbed kitchen in morn. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Denzers. I took Mother home, also Mrs. King. Ronnie home with Mother, mowed lawn. I brought Allen and Gordon home. Allen took trombone lesson after school. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau with CR. Florence to choir practice with me, brought Ronnie home. Pete and Ray finished live [electric] fence.

Thursday, September 18, 1947. Fair, quite warm. Canned 13 quarts tomato juice. Made applesauce, picked lima beans for supper and mended little. Pete set fence posts along truck patch.

Friday, September 19, 1947. Fair, hot. Washed some and ironed. Done cleaning and made 8 pints grape conserve. Pete and I went to funeral home in eve to see Addison Hallet. Pete and Paul to town in morn, got wire. Picked tomatoes, got over two bushels. Stirred up cookies and dressed chickens for Lantz sale.

Saturday, September 20, 1947. Fair, quite warm. Done Saturday work and canned 11 quarts tomatoes. Pete and I to town in p.m. to A. Hallet's funeral. Boys home. Mother and Mrs. J. along home. Edgar's here too, got grapes and tomatoes. She fixed our hair.

Sunday, September 21, 1947. Rained until about 2:30 p.m. Started when we got up. Went to church, home in p.m. Boys worked on 4-H record books. I wrote letter. We picked up some peaches in eve.

Monday, September 22, 1947. Fair, real chilly. I washed and ironed and packed suitcase. Pete to town in p.m. brought Mother and Mrs. Johnson out, they're going to stay with the boys. Pete and I left at 9:30 for K.C. to locker convention. Barnharts and Scheets went to. Slept some on train, left our car at garage, had new clutch put in.

Tuesday, September 23, 1947. Fair, some warmer. Had little frost at home. We got to K.C at 8:00. Went to State Hotel. We women done some shopping in morn. We met

Marvin and Frances at noon. We all went to clinics and demonstrations in p.m. I went home with Marvin's in eve, stayed with Ida. Got there at 7:00. We went to Orvie's awhile in eve. Ervins and Dave there awhile.

Wednesday, September 24, 1947. Fair, warm. Ida and I went back to city with Marvin's at 10:30. Met Pete at noon. Ida and I shopped in p.m. She got shoes. She went out to Dr. Griffiths at 7:00, stayed all night. We went to show at auditorium in eve. Arthur's came at 8:30, they and Marvin's took us all to depot. Left K.C at 11:00. Cooler in eve.

Thursday, September 25, 1947. Fair, cool. We got to Bloomington at 9:15, everything was O.K. at home. They got along fine. We made tomato juice, for catsup and made 4 pints peach preserves in p.m. Pete took Mother and Mrs. J. home. I made cake. Got things ready for supper. We went to alumni guest night at nurses home. I was one of hostesses. Pete sang with quartet. Allen and Ronnie played.

Friday, September 26, 1947. Fair, real cool. Made 17 bottles of catsup. Done cleaning and got nearly bushel of grapes for hospital. Went to church in p.m. helped rural missionary society. Done canning for hospital and college. Paul at Mothers. Pete shocking fodder for Roy. Boys to ball game with C.R's. at Clinton. Scrubbed kitchen and dressed chicken in eve.

Saturday, September 27, 1947. Fair, real chilly. Allen and I to town at 8:30. I went to breakfast and Stanley demonstration at church. Allen to dentist at 11:15. We done our shopping. Pete and Ronnie cleaned out henhouse. Paul home with them. Pete and boys shocked fodder awhile at Roy's. I scrubbed porches and got peaches and grapes.

Sunday, September 28, 1947. Cloudy, chilly. I went to church and were at Edd's for dinner. Had nice time. Pete and boys carried chickens in henhouse.

Monday, September 29, 1947. Cloudy, chilly. Fair in eve. Washed. Machine broke after 2nd machine [sic, after 2nd washing?]. I took rest of washing to CR's. Dried starched clothes in house. Rest dried outside. Pete at Roy's shocking fodder. I ironed some in p.m. finished after supper.

Tuesday, September 30, 1947. Fair, real chilly. Had chickens culled. Pete helped Roy with cattle shed. I made 14 pints chile sauce and canned 16 quarts peaches. I stirred up over night cookies. Big day and am tired.

Wednesday, October 1, 1947. Fair, cool. Baked cookies and cleaned up house. Went to town at 10:30, had hair fixed. Went uptown little. Paul at Mothers. I came home at 2:30. Packed suitcase. Billy's came at 4:30, got grapes. Stayed until 6:30. Pete took me to train at 7:00. Mrs. Palmblade and I went to Chicago to Ill. Conference of Cancer Society. Pete and Mother to Farm Bureau supper at Lutheran school. Allen stayed at school in eve then he and Ronnie to mothers.

Thursday, October 2, 1947. We are staying at Whitehall Hotel. Have an apartment. Meetings all at Drake hotel just 2 blocks away. Meeting started 9:00, a very interesting day. Good speakers, mostly professional talks in p.m. and eve. Had dinner in eve. Marie came to hotel after meeting. We went out a while. Mrs. Palmblade along. Mrs. Taylor staying at Drake. Marie only two blocks from us. Pete to Ray King's funeral.

Friday, October 3, 1947. Nice day. Mrs. Palmblade and I down town for breakfast. Shopped little and back to meeting. I had lunch with Marie at noon at her apartment. Was her day off. We left for home at 4:50. Pete met me at 7:00. We ate supper up town and then went to the ball game at Normal Com. Allen played in band. We brot Paul along home. He was at Mothers while I was gone.

Saturday, October 4, 1947. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up house. Done Saturday work. I canned 8 quarts peaches. Pete to town in p.m. He and boys picked some apples in morn.

Sunday, October 5, 1947. Fine day, warm. We went to church. Ronnie sang for promotion. Boys stayed for church. Paul sat with Allen. Lloyd Ramseyer spoke on his trip to Europe. Pete and I to Irene Miller and Marvin Birky wedding at 2:30 at North Danvers Church. Went with Roy's. We went to reception too at Bills. Was very nice. Boys home.

Monday, October 6, 1947. Fine day, quite warm. I went to mothers, done my washing. Brot clothes home to dry. Done ironing in p.m. and cleaned up house. 4-H weiner roast was here. They went on hay rack ride after supper. Pete to locker meeting. Roy Barclay here with baby. Jean Ann and I stayed here while rest went on hay rack.

Tuesday, October 7, 1947. Fine day, warm. I aired bedding and cleaned 2 bedrooms upstairs. Pete helped me carry things. I canned 8 quarts peaches and pint preserves. Mother and Edgar's here awhile in eve, gave them apples, honey and tomatoes and some peaches. Bryan gave us 10 gal honey.

Wednesday, October 8, 1947. Partly cloudy, cooler. I cleaned our bedroom in morn. We went to town in p.m. I went baby shopping with Helen P. and Pete done some shopping. Paul at Mothers. We bought new Dexter wash machine. We went to choir in practice in eve, scrubbed kitchen in eve.

Thursday, October 9, 1947. Nice day. Washed off hall and stairway in morn. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Baker's. I cleaned closet and boys room after I got home. Pete and CR worked on combine. Ray and Paul with them.

Friday, October 10, 1947. Fine day. Cleaned boys bedroom. Made 2 pies. Pete and I to town at 11:30, helped serve lunch at I.S.N.U. Good Will Circle served. Pete helped awhile too, then he went to hospital have blood typed for Mrs. Graber but wrong type. I canned 7 quarts peaches and straightened up boys room. Got home at 3:00. We went to fish fry at Farm Bureau locker board. Allen ate supper there. He went to school, played in band for foot ball. Club weiner roast at school.

Saturday, October 11, 1947. Fair and warm. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:00. Took Mother to Dr., she's O.K.. Ronnie along. He went to wiener roast at 4:00 for Jimmy Yoder's birthday. He got back to Mothers at 6:30. Mother and Mrs. J. along up town in p.m. Pete started combining our beans. Allen and Paul home. Pete and I to nurses chorus at Troyer Home. Allen and Paul home. Ronnie home with us.

Sunday, October 12, 1947. Fine day, warm. Went to church, had communion. Vance *Crib* (sp?) and his Mother here in p.m. I got things ready for company. Baked pies. Phils and Harolds, Morris Heisers and Ray Hastings here for supper. Had hamburgers, ate outside. Played cards awhile.

Monday, October 13, 1947. Fine day, little cooler. Washed with new machine. Had big one. Done ironing, finished after supper and wrote letters. Pete to church board meeting. He combined our beans. Got nearly done. He took some tomatoes to Lucy C. in morn.

Tuesday, October 14, 1947. Fair, real warm. I cleaned 2 closets in living room and cleaned living room. I went to Good Will Circle at Walter Yoders. Laura and May along. Pete finished combining our beans. Made 20 bushels. He went to Roy's.

Wednesday, October 15, 1947. Fair, real warm, 90°. I cleaned basement in morn. Went to town at 11:00, got Mother. We went to club meeting at Forest Park, losers entertained winners. I was winner. Stopped in town. Went to dentist on way home. Paul with me. Brot Allen and Gordon home. Allen took lesson after school. Pete finished combining at C.R.'s. We went to choir practice. Earl K. have boy, Gary Lynn.

Thursday, October 16, 1947. Fair, real warm. I cleaned pantry and store room and canned 6 quarts tomatoes and 3 quarts juice. Made brownies. Pete combined Oscars beans.

Friday, October 17, 1947. Fair, had good rain here at 2:00. Cleaned coat room in morn. Mabel and I to Mothers. Cleaned living room. Were home at 2:30. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete to Champaign to locker meeting. Boys done chores. We went to ball game. Allen played in band. Didn't rain much in town.

Saturday, October 18, 1947. Fair, rained in eve. I baked pie and made cinnamon apples. We went to town at 11:30. Allen to dentist. We shopped, got Paul shoes and overalls and shirts for Allen. Went to Dots, she fixed my hair. Gave her over a bushel tomatoes. Mother and Mrs. J. home with us. Judd Hastings, Earl Raders and CR's here for supper. Allen's Sunday school class had party at Laura and May Mohr's. Allen and Gordon went.

Sunday, October 19, 1947. Fine day. We took boys to Sunday School then went to Will Schrock's. Edd's, Owens and Ralph Smiths and Helen's boyfriend there. Will took us to see some new houses. E.E's there awhile and Allen home. He had studies to do. He went to CR's in eve to Sunday school wiener roast.

Monday, October 20, 1947. Fine day. Washed. Had a big one. Dressed chicken and baked pies. Ironed awhile in p.m. Rufus Ropp came at 4:30 here for supper and all night. Pete put combine away and worked on windows in barn.

Tuesday, October 21, 1947. Fair, real warm in 80s. Pete and Rufus to CR's awhile, also to Roy's. They went to Mothers for dinner. Pete took Mother to dentist. I cleaned two kitchens and oiled floors and waxed furniture. Finished ironing after supper. Sure tired. Pete to locker meeting in eve.

Wednesday, October 22, 1947. Fair, real warm in 80s. I went to town to dentist. Done some shopping. Mabel and I to Mothers for dinner. Minnie Ropp and Clara Shad and Anna Ropp there. We went to missionary meeting in p.m. at Mrs. Schertzs. Allen to weiner roast at school in eve. He stayed after school. We went to choir practice and Allen and Gordon along home.

Thursday, October 23, 1947. Fair, warm. Much cooler in eve. I cleaned cabinet and washed dishes in cupboard and mended some and shortened some overalls for Paul. We dug glad bulbs in morn. Pete to Chenoa, bought boar for Ronnie. We all went to P.T.A. chile supper at high school and went to ball game. Allen played in band, had pep band, didn't march.

Friday, October 24, 1947. Mostly cloudy, showered and rained in p.m. and eve. I done cleaning and raked some leaves. Dressed chicken. Pete put some more windows in barn and set up dump. Paul and I to town in p.m. Allen to town in eve (Dramatic club).

Saturday, October 25, 1947. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and eve. Roy's, Minnie, Mother and we went to Starved rock, took our lunch. Had a very nice time, was very pretty. CR's couldn't go. Started to rain about time we came home. Allen home with Roy's. We took Mother home. Marie home in eve.

Sunday, October 26, 1947. Cloudy and rained most of p.m. We went to church and to Val Kampmeier's for dinner and supper, had nice time. Mabel and Ray home with us. CR came home earlier. Mother, Marie, Uncle Chas, Edgars, Billy, Aunt Martha, Aunt Amanda and Marguerite at Val's too.

Monday, October 27, 1947. Rained most of day. I baked cookies and quick coffee cake. Cooked apples. Washed out some things and ironed them. We went to CR's for weiner roast in their basement. Marie left on 7:20 train. Boys and Gordon to Sunday School party at Metzker's. I went to cancer meeting at 7:30, left at 8:00. Pete and I and Mabel to community high school to hear "Wings Over Jordan," choir, very good. Ray and Paul with Mother. CR had meeting. He brot boys home. Rained most of nite.

Tuesday, October 28, 1947. Misted some in morn. Sun came out part of time. Cloudy in p.m. I washed, dried starched clothes in house. Sheets, towels dried outside. Overalls dried some. I ironed in p.m. Pete at Roy's working on picker. We went to Friendship Circle at Chester Miller's. Had nice time. Boys home.

Wednesday, October 29, 1947. Cloudy, gloomy and chilly. I finished ironing in morn. Canned 2 quarts pears and 2 pints preserves in p.m. and cooked apples and pumpkin. Pete working at Roy's on picker. He shucked load corn for Roy and started on CR's. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, October 30, 1947. Fair, nice day. I went to meeting at Carlock church. Women's organizations of conf[erence, i. e., Central District Mennonite Conference]. Baked pie in morn for nurses. Pete shucked corn at CR's and started field here. We went to Halloween parade in Normal. Allen's band marched. Ronnie to 4-H party with Richard Rader. Pete took Allen and the other youngsters in band to party after parade. Then went to meeting at Farm Bureau. I went to alumni meeting. Paul at Mothers, took him there in morn.

Friday, October 31, 1947. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Done cleaning. Waxed living and bedroom furniture. Cleaned up kitchen and baked cake. We went to Clarence Siegs for weiner roast in eve. Allen and Ronnie to football game with CR. Allen played in band. Mabel with us to Clarence S. We went after boys on way home. Pete shucked corn here in morn and at Roy's in p.m.

Saturday, November 1, 1947. Cloudy, colder. Boys and I to town at 8:30 to I.S.N.U. home coming parade. Allen's band marched. Mother and Mrs. J. with us to parade. Allen took piano lesson at 11:30 and went to football game in p.m. Ronnie took lesson in p.m. Edgar's here for supper, also Mother and Mrs. J. Had waffles and ice cream. Pete hauled manure in morn and took loader off tractor in p.m. and picked two buckets tomatoes.

Sunday, November 2, 1947. Partly cloudy, chilly. Went to church. Boys home after Sunday school with CR's. They went to Colfax to Miller's at 12:00. We set up stove in living room in eve. Pete and I to Kaufman's to see new baby. Boys home.

Monday, November 3, 1947. Cloudy, damp. Showered some in morn. Washed, had big one. Dried clothes in house. Hung some outside but didn't dry much. Done ironing in p.m. Pete shucked corn at Roy's most of day. Shucked 2 loads here in eve.

Tuesday, November 4, 1947. Mostly cloudy, rained some in eve. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We peeled apples to fill dryer and canned 9 quarts. Pete shucking corn here. He went to men's fellowship in eve. Mother and I went to show in Normal, "The Egg and I." Boys home, they had seen show.

Wednesday, November 5, 1947. Cloudy, much colder. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Baked cookies. Mended some. Went to truck patch, picked green beans and tomatoes. Pete shucked corn here. Allen took lesson after school. He went to Mother's for supper. We went to choir practice. Boys at Mothers.

Thursday, November 6, 1947. Fair, real frosty in morn. Windy in eve. Pete finished shucking corn here at 9 a.m. Went to CR's until noon, then shucked at Roy's. I cleaned silverware and finished drying apples. Cleaned trays in dryer, shortened 2 pair of pants for Paul. Boys and I dug beets and carrots in eve. Pete and Allen put potatoes and glad bulbs in basement. Stirred up cookies.

Friday, November 7, 1947. Cloudy, windy and cold. Done sweeping. Dressed 3 chickens and baked cookies. Went to town in p.m. to auxiliary meeting. Went uptown awhile. Paul at Mother's. He stayed for supper. Boys and I to play at high school. Allen played with quartet and sextet. Pete to building committee meeting at hospital. He shucked corn at Roy's in p.m.

Saturday, November 8, 1947. Cloudy, windy, 31°. Done Saturday work. Made apple salad. Boys and I to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. They took their lessons. Mother and Mrs. J. along to town in morn. Mrs. J. stayed up town. Boys and I ate lunch at Mothers. I made marshmallow dessert after got home. Pete and Mother and I to nurses home in eve. Dr. Lloyd Ramseyer showed pictures of Europe. Boys home. Pete shucked corn at Roy's.

Sunday, November 9, 1947. Fair, cold 26°. Warmer in p.m. We went to church. Mother and Mrs. J. along home with us. Edgars, CRs, Uncle Chas and Elmers, Arts and Clarences here for supper, served cafeteria [style]. Got along O.K.

Monday, November 10, 1947. Misted in morn. Rained all afternoon. Washed. Dried clothes in house. Done ironing. Pete shucked corn at CR's in morn, too rainy in p.m. Mabel to town in p.m. with our car, their car has bad clutch. Mabel to dentist, had jaw treated.

Tuesday, November 11, 1947. Fair, real chilly. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We canned 25 quarts pears and 9 quarts spiced pears and 7 ½ pints marmalade and 2 pints preserves. Pete shucked corn at Roy's in p.m. I went to Good Will Circle at Viola Streids in eve. Pete to locker meeting, took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Boys home.

Wednesday, November 12, 1947. Fair, cold. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Baked cookies and pie. Pete shucking corn at Roy's. Paul and I to open house at Normal community high school. Took eggs to store. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, November 13, 1947. Fair, cold 20°. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Fred Basting. Paul at CR's with Ray. Pete finished shucking at Roy's and shucked one load at CR's. I took chicken to school.

Friday, November 14, 1947. Cloudy, chilly wind from east. Done sweeping. Baked cupcakes for Lantz sale. Cleaned out cedar chest in p.m. Took children to school and got them. Pete shucked corn at CR's, lacked 10 loads getting done. Pete to school meeting in town in eve. Rained in eve and night. Minnie in hospital, has infection in her hand. Reverend Beachy's have 8# girl.

Saturday, November 15, 1947. Cloudy, misted in morn. Windy. Colder. Done Saturday work. We went to town at 1:00. I went to Farm Bureau. Mrs. Ewing told of her trip to Europe to associated country women of world conference--also had tea. Paul with me. We went to hospital while, see Minnie and Mrs. Uuruh. Allen took lesson. Ronnie quit piano lessons. He went to practice song.

Sunday, November 16, 1947. Cloudy, real chilly. Damp. Went to church. Boys home with Phil after church. Pete, Paul and I ate dinner at Mothers in p.m. Uncle Chas took Mother, Dorothy, Pete and I to Champaign to see chrysanthemum show. Surely beautiful. Edds here while in p.m. They went to Billy's. Paul with Mrs. J. He has cold. We got home at 6:20.

Monday, November 17, 1947. Cloudy, partly cloudy in p.m. Washed, hung some clothes outside. Dried some. Finished them in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete plowed in p.m. We went to Billy's awhile in eve but Billy wasn't home, working at plant. Allen went to hear Cleveland Symphony in p.m. He stayed at Mother's for supper.

Tuesday, November 18, 1947. Fair, chilly. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Washed windows and storm windows. Pete put them up. He finished plowing 4 acres and plowed truck patch. I went to town in p.m. had hair fixed. Done little shopping. Paul at Mothers.

Wednesday, November 19, 1947. Fair, some warmer. Pete finished husking CR's corn. Earl T. helped him. I baked cookies and peach cobbler. Cooked apples etc. Paul and I to club meeting at Mrs. Fagerburgs. Had silent auction. Allen to basketball game in eve.

Thursday, November 20, 1947. A fine day. I made 6 # fruit cakes. Cooked pears. Cleaned bedrooms and raked leaves awhile toward eve. I went to alumni meeting in eve. Winifred along.

Friday, November 21, 1947. Cloudy, warmer. Mattson died. Cleaned up living room. We went to town at 10:00. I had health meeting at Farm Bureau. Pete had car worked on. We went to lumber yard. Talked to Walter Prentzler about new house. Paul at Mothers. He stayed for supper. We went to choir practice in eve. Allen to school party and dance. Ronnie at Mothers all nite.

Saturday, November 22, 1947. Rained little in morn. Have new pressure saucepan. Done Saturday work. Pete and Allen and CR's, helped shelled corn. We all went to town in p.m. Allen went to funeral home, see Warner Mattson. Paul at Mother's. Pete and I to Noble Hoovers in eve for dinner, had fine time. Walter Yoders there too. Boys home. Fair and colder in p.m. Minnie home from hospital.

Sunday, November 23, 1947. Clouded up in morn, chilly. We went to church, home for dinner. Had missionary program at church. Rev. Schelly preached. Harold, Helen, Earl and Phil here in eve. Boys practiced. Snowed in night.

Monday, November 24, 1947. Cloudy, colds about 3 inches snow on grounds. Washed, dried clothes in house. We went to town at 12:45. I went to dentist at 1:00. We went to Warner Mattson's funeral at 1:30 at Becks. The quartet sang. Mother with us. Paul with Anna. He stayed all night at Mothers. I went to Friendship Circle at church. Pete to locker meeting.

Tuesday, November 25, 1947. Fair, 20°. We dressed 5 geese and 1 chicken in morn. We went to town in p.m. I had committee meeting at hospital with Mrs. Hoover and Bernadine Forbes for Friendship and Good Will Circle hostesses. Pete took 3 geese to store. I done ironing in eve. Allen to Science club meeting at school. Mixed cookies in eve.

Wednesday, November 26, 1947. Partly cloudy, cold. Baked cookies. Dusted and cleaned up house. Scrubbed. Set up stove in boys room. Pete set up tank heater etc. I cleaned up basement. Cooked apples etc. We went to town at 7:00, got Marie at train and went to choir practice. Boys home.

Thursday, November 27, 1947. Snowed some. Cold. Damp. Went to town at 11:00. Allen took lesson. We went to corn *belt* (bank?) parade. Met train at 12:00, Ida and Evelyn came. We were at Mothers for dinner. CR's and Roy's there too. We furnished goose and freezer of cream. Came home at 5:00. Glad to have the girls here.

Friday, November 28, 1947. Fair, 15°. Cloudy in p.m. cleaned up living room. Boys and Evelyn went hunting awhile. We went to town at 11:30. Allen to dentist. We went to Billy's awhile in p.m. Paul at Mothers. Ida, Evelyn, Paul and I to Edgar's for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair and combed Ida's. Pete and boys done chores. Boys to Carlock, practiced basket ball. Pete to town got us. Paul to Mothers all night.

Saturday, November 29, 1947. Fair, cold 15°. We went to Peoria at 10:00. Got boys shoes. Done some Xmas shopping. Paul at Mothers. Pete to meeting in eve, brot Paul home. I scrubbed kitchen in eve. Washed out some things. Ida washed some in morn. Ironed some in eve.

Sunday, November 30, 1947. Fair, cold, 4° above zero. We went to Roanoke church and to Edds for dinner. Ida stayed at Edd's. Evelyn home with us. We took her to train at 9:00. She left for K.C. at 9:30. Billy's at depot too. Wish she could have stayed longer.

Monday, December 1, 1947. Partly cloudy, cold 12° above. I washed, dried starched clothes in house. Most of others dried pretty well outside. Ironed in p.m. Finished after supper. Pete hauled manure.

Tuesday, December 2, 1947. Cloudy, showered some in p.m. I was at CR's, helped them paper their living room. Mother and Mrs. J. there too. Pete there for dinner. He went to town in p.m. locker bought truck. Allen played at basketball game in eve. Ronnie to

game. Pete, Paul and I to Bernadine Forbes to committee meetings for Good Will and Friendship Circle.

Wednesday, December 3, 1947. Rained most of day. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. We went to town at 10:30. Mother along uptown. Paul to barber. We ate lunch at Mothers. I went to dentist at 1:30, had inlay put in front tooth. We done some Xmas shopping. Got Allen's new trombone, he's happy. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, December 4, 1947. Rained most of day, quit a while in p.m. I baked cookies. Cooked some pears and apples. Canned 6 quarts apples. Pete sorted apples, done odd jobs. Phil here awhile in morn. Allen's science class on field trip to Lake Bloomington.

Friday, December 5, 1947. Cloudy, colder in p.m. Done cleaning. We went to town at 10:30. Paul at Mothers. Pete had heater put in car. We went to lumber yard see about house plans. I went to auxiliary meeting in p.m. Allen to basketball game in town. Ronnie to Mothers, stay all night. Mrs. J. to Lincoln. Boys to town with CR. Pete to school in eve directors meeting. Varnished schoolhouse floor.

Saturday, December 6, 1947. Fair, cloudy in p.m. Rather chilly. We went to Laura Mohr's at 8:30, children of Sunday School picked up corn. Ronnie came from town with Mrs. Kaufman. Paul with us. We ate dinner at Lawrence. Teachers got dinner. Pete and I to Ed Springer's land where Phil farms in p.m. Friendship circle picked up corn. We got around 30 bushels. Sure was tired. I scrubbed kitchen. Boys and I to town at 6:15, they took lesson at 6:30. Allen at Mothers all night. Pete to school, varnished floor.

Sunday, December 7, 1947. Rained in morn, gloomy day. We went to church, home for dinner. Paul stayed at Mothers. We and Walter Yoder's to Latham in p.m. see Edith Litwiller Pease. Mr. Pease died Sat. morn. Allen and Ronnie stayed at Walters with Jimmie and Kay. Got home 6:50. Phils here in eve. Real windy and colder in eve.

Monday, December 8, 1947. Fair, cold 26°. Windy. Washed, dried some clothes outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to Chenoa, took our boar back and got another one. He took boys and Gordon to the church's skating party in eve.

Tuesday, December 9, 1947. Fair, cold. Cleaned up house. Put clothes away. Went to town at 12:30, had permanent in p.m. Allen and Ronnie to high school to chile supper and basketball game. Paul at Mothers. Pete and I to Rogers Hotel. Friendship and Good Will Circle had dinner. Mrs. Hoover, Bernadine F. and I hostesses, 38 there. Had carol sing, quiz program and pictures. Laura and May along. Mother sick in night with stomach and bowels.

Wednesday, December 10, 1947. Snowed in morn. Partly cloudy in p.m. I baked pudding for Home Bureau. They served Baptist Sunday School. I helped served in eve. We went to town at 10:30, stopped to see Mother, she feels some better. Dr. out of town so got medicine for her in eve. I done shopping. Pete at meeting at F. Bureau. Paul at

Mother's in p.m. I stayed in helped serve at church. Pete and Paul home. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, December 11, 1947. Cloudy. Went to Home Bureau at Ed Otto's. I gave lesson on health, got along O.K. We went to community club in eve at Garfield. Boys on program. I made popcorn balls. Pete tearing down old buggy shed. Paul with him. Mother feeling better.

Friday, December 12, 1947. Cloudy, had few flurries in p.m. I baked cookies. Done cleaning. Washed out some things and done some pressing. Mended some. Allen and Ronnie to township at F.B. Went with C.R's. Pete, Paul and I to locker board oyster supper and Christmas party at Harly Boulers.

Saturday, December 13, 1947. Partly cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. Boys up town. Paul at Mother's. She's better. Pete and I to production credit dinner at Wesleyan. I went up town in p.m. done some shopping, got dress. Allen to banquet in eve at F.B. for 4-H honor members. Pete to school in eve to varnish floor. We went to *HH* (not clear, 4-H?) Rally at community high school. Allen got medal.

Sunday, December 14, 1947. Fair, nice day. Rather windy. We went to church, addressed Xmas cards in p.m. We all went to Arthur Siegs for supper, had nice time.

Monday, December 15, 1947. Cloudy, colder in eve. Washed, hung some clothes outside. Didn't dry much. Done ironing in p.m. We finished addressing Christmas cards in eve. C.R's in Chicago.

Tuesday, December 16, 1947. Fair, nice day. Cleaned up house. Went to town, got Mother and Mrs. J. We baked 4 batches of cookies and 2 suet pudding. Pete to locker meeting. Took Mother home at 4:30 and got Pete. We went to Men's Fellowship meeting in eve, got Ray at Kruegers and took him to Mother's. Boys home. Made divinity candy in p.m.

Wednesday, December 17, 1947. Partly cloudy, warmer. We went to town at 11:30, got Mother and Ray. We went to creamery dinner at consistory. Paul with Mrs. J. over noon. Mother, Boys and I to club meeting at Mrs. Flanders. Went with Pearl. We went to choir practice at 7:00, then went to Allen's Xmas program at N.C.H.S. Chorus and band was very good.

Thursday, December 18, 1947. Beautiful day, warmer. Wrapped gifts, packed boxes for Willis and Arts, Dave and Frances. Cleaned up upstairs. Washed windows outside. Pressed Ronnie suit. Washed out some things. Helped Pete rake yard awhile in p.m. Boys and I to alumni meeting in eve. Ronnie sang, Allen played trombone. Pete with Hoover on building fund. Pete and I to funeral home with Barnharts, see John Scheets Mother.

Friday, December 19, 1947. Fair in p.m. Done cleaning. We dressed 4 geese and 4 chickens in p.m. Put up Christmas tree. Wrapped Edna and Orvie's gift and mailed them. We went to school in eve, had their Christmas program.

Saturday, December 20, 1947. Real frosty most of day. Chilly. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:30, stopped at lumber yard, got a plan for our house. Took Dorothy goose. Gave Mrs. Kemp and Duncan Miller each a chicken for Xmas. Paul at Mother's. She had Uncle Franks and Uncle Pauls for supper.

Sunday, December 21, 1947. Fair, nice day. We went to church, children had Xmas program for opening exercises in Sunday school. Ronnie sang, Allen played. We stayed in town for lunch. Paul at Mothers. We had our xmas program at 3:00, was real nice. We done some decorating before program. I made some candy in eve.

Monday, December 22, 1947. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Washed, hung some clothes outside but didn't dry much. Cleaned up house and ironed little. Marvin Y's and Ida came at 4:40, glad to see them. We finished ironing in eve and brot some peas for salad. Pete to locker meeting and got goose from locker. Ronnie went caroling with schoolchildren. Pete and Alan hauled manure.

Tuesday, December 23, 1947. Fair, nice day. Rather chilly. Pete to town, got Mother and Mrs. J. Edds and Billy's here too for dinner. Had 25th anniversary dinner for Marvins, had goose. Wills and Owens couldn't come, gave Marvins silver tea set. We had our a gift exchange. Pete, Marvin and boys to show early. Took Mother home. Girls and I [to] town later, we all went to Edgar's a while. Ronnie's school out for vacation.

Wednesday, December 24, 1947. Fair. We went to CR's awhile in morn to see house. Went to town in p.m. stopped at Mothers a while. Marvins and Ida to see Edds at 4:30. I wrapped some gifts. We went to town in eve, met Marie at train. Stopped at Edgar's awhile. Had oyster soup at Mothers. Had part of our gift exchange. Allen and Paul home in p.m. Ronnie to town. We made some divinity at noon.

Thursday, December 25, 1947. Cloudy in morn, snowed some and misted little. Slick for little while. We went to Ed's for dinner. Owen K's there too. We went to CR's for supper. Roy's, Aunt Martha, Marie and Mother there too. We had our gift exchange. Marvin's and Ida came back from Edd's at 7:30. Aunt Martha stayed at CR's all night. I made some fudge and stirred up some cookies while boys chored.

Friday, December 26, 1947. Fair, nice day. Done sweeping. Pete and boys worked on lumber. Took nails out. We went to Roys for dinner and supper. Aunt Martha there and stayed all night. Marie came here awhile in eve. We looked over books etc. Marvin's left for home at 7:30.

Saturday, December 27, 1947. Nice day. Warmer. We done Saturday work. Pete and boys worked on lumber. We went to town at 12:30. I had hair fixed. We bought overcoat for Paul. Ida got new coat. Sidney Goff died, found him dead in office.

Sunday, December 28, 1947. Fine day. Colder. We went to church and to Edgar's for dinner and supper. Marie back to Chicago at 12:50. CR's, Mother and Uncle Chas at Edgar's too. Had nice time. Boys came home to chore early. E.A. [Gurtner] and U. Chas came along. We went to park awhile in p.m. Pearl to Michigan to Sidney Goff's funeral.

Monday, December 29, 1947. Fair, nice day. Washed, had big one. Hung most of clothes outside, dried good. Ironed some in p.m. I ironed some in eve. Pete and I to Ray Hastings for supper. Roy took us. *Jil* (sp?) Webbs there too, had nice time. Ida and boys home. Pete and boys took nails out of boards.

Tuesday, December 30, 1947. Fair. Ida finished ironing. I cleaned up house and dressed chickens for Dorothy. Ida, Pete and I to town in p.m. Pete had income tax figured. Ida out to hospital to see about working etc. Boys home. Mother and Mrs. J. along home. Edgars and Uncle Chas here for supper. We had waffles and ice cream.

Wednesday, December 31, 1947. Fair in morn. Cloudy in p.m. Misted in eve. Rained in night. Everything full of ice. Trees down and wires. Lengthened some dresses and washed out some things. Ida and I to missionary meeting at CR's. Pete and boys home. Had our Xmas program. Fern and I on committee. We dressed 2 chickens and made salad and fudge in eve. We all went to Lillie & Harold's for supper. Merle and George there too. We had nice time. Stayed until 1:30.

