

The Diary of
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1948-1952

Thursday, January 1, 1948. Cloudy, everything full of ice. Wires broken, no electricity or telephone. CR's here for dinner. Mother and Mrs. J. did not come as was too bad. CR's went home early to chore. They have no heat, only fireplaces. C.R.'s hauling H₂O from pond for stock. Pete and C.R. worked some on book files.

Friday, January 2, 1948. Mostly cloudy, 25°. We cleaned up house & took Christmas tree and decorations down in morn. Made soap and mended in p.m. Pete and I worked on account book. Boys went hunting awhile. Roy to town in morn. Bought new light plant and motors.

Saturday, January 3, 1948. Mostly Friday, some warmer. Done Saturday work. Pete, Ida and I to town at 10:30. Boys home, they have colds. Harold and Helen have baby girl, Janet Rae, born at 11:30 p.m. Nearly 8#. Got along fine. They tried to call in morn but had no phone. Harold stopped here in way to his folks at 4:30. Elmer Siegs have girl born at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 4, 1948. Mostly cloudy. We went to church. Mother and Mrs. J. came along home. Edd's came at 2:30, surprised to see them. They stayed for lunch and left at 7:00. We took Grandma and Mrs. J. home and took Ida and her things to Mrs. Mishler's. Boys home. Paul with us. We took Rev. Metzker along to Cloyd Stahlys, talked to them about joining church.

Monday, January 5, 1948. Mostly cloudy, some warmer. Had 2 or 3 inches snow in night. Ice melted some. Paul and I to Mother's. I washed, brought towels, pajamas and underwear home to dry. Dried rest in her basement. Came home at 2:00. Boys back to school after vacation. Ida started working at Mennonite hospital as nurses aide. Pete worked outside, pumped H₂O with garden tractor.

Tuesday, January 6, 1948. Fair, nice day. Everything hanging full of snow. We went to town. I done my ironing at Mothers. Pete up town in morn. Took Mother to hairdresser at 1:00 and got her again. We went up town at 2:30, had car greased and went to lumber yard to work on house plans. Met Ida going to Mrs. Mishler after work. Paul stayed at Mother's all night. Still no electricity.

Wednesday, January 7, 1948. Fair, nice day. Most of ice left trees. I cleaned up house and baked pudding. Got dinner. Pete took Allen to school as he took uniform and good clothes for pictures. Mother came along out and Paul too. C.R. and Ray here. They sorted books. Got some other things. Cleaned out too. We took Mother home at 4:30 and got Allen. Lights came on at 4:30, sure wonderful to have electricity.

Thursday, January 8, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Thawed quite a lot. We went to town at 10:00. I stopped at hospital, saw Ida and Helen P. We went up town and went to Farm

Bureau dinner at consistory. Took Mother and Mrs. Johnson. Paul at Minnie's. Edgars here for supper. Ida came with them. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Friday, January 9, 1948. Cloudy, damp. I cleaned up bedrooms in morn. Went to home bureau at Mrs. Hiltons. Pete to town in p.m. met with locker building committee. Ida came home with him in eve. Paul with Mrs. J. I went to cancer board meeting in eve. Pete to see about getting some one to shell corn.

Saturday, January 10, 1948. Cloudy, chilly. Ida and I done Saturday work and cleaned up living room. Baked pie and cookies. Dressed 2 chickens. We shelled corn in morn. Ida and I to town, she had day off. Boys had no lessons. Pete and boys ground feed in p.m. Ida stayed in town.

Sunday, January 11, 1948. Cloudy, chilly. Snowed real hard awhile in p.m. We went to church, were home in p.m. I got things ready for supper. Roys, Minnie, Ed Millers, Mrs. Barclay and Roy Barclay and Ida here for supper. Pete got Ida and took her home. Mother to Kampmeiers in p.m.

Monday, January 12, 1948. Fair, rather windy. Washed, had big one. Hung most of clothes outside but dried slow. I finished some in house. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to town in morn. We went to church board meeting at Metzkers in eve. Boys home.

Tuesday, January 13, 1948. Fair, windy. Much colder. We went to town at 9:30. Pete to Carlinville with Harry Barnhart to see slaughter plant. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen in morn, ate dinner at her house and took her to dentist at 2:00. Had Paul's haircut. I went after children at school. Boys done chores. They went to basket ball game. CR brot them home. Pete to men's meeting on committee. Paul and I to Good Will Circle at Iva S.

Wednesday, January 14, 1948. Fair, cold 4° above. I cleaned up house. Pete chored. We packed books, photographs and trinkets in boxes in p.m. Pete and I to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, January 15, 1948. Fair, not so cold 8°. Colder in eve. I made some pies in morn. We went to town at 11:00. We went to see Walter Prentzler making plans for our house. Paul at Mothers. Met Allen up town, he had haircut. Got out of school at 2:00, taking exams. Pete and I to see Harold's baby in eve.

Friday, January 16, 1948. Fair, cold 4° above. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Baked cookies. We worked upstairs in p.m. cleaning out toys and more books. Allen home at noon. They finished their exams at noon. CR got bookshelves in storeroom and letter files.

Saturday, January 17, 1948. Fair, cold 4°-7° below. Pete took CR's to town at 8:00 as they had no car. We went to town at 9:30. Pete to meeting, Allen to dentist. Ronnie with Roy to take meat to Oertwgs. Boys and I home for lunch. I took Paul and Ray to Phylis Ann's birthday party. They on to town Gordon along. Boys took lessons. And I

went to annual locker meeting, helped little with serving lunch. Home Bureau served. Ida came along home. We went to Phil's for supper.

Sunday, January 18, 1948. 2° above. Warmer during day but chilly wind. We went to church, were home for dinner. Paul stayed at Mothers. Boys home in p.m. Ida, Pete and I to Helen Schrocks wedding at 2:30 at Roanoke church. We stopped at Melinda Augspurger awhile on way home. Took Ida to town in eve and got Paul.

Monday, January 19, 1948. Cloudy, cleared off in p.m. Snowed some in morn, not so cold, but real chilly. Got up to 24°. I washed, hung towels and overalls out, dried little. I ironed in p.m. Pete at Roy's in morn, settled with him. He sorted papers and books in p.m.

Tuesday, January 20, 1948. Fair, warmer 30° during day. Cleaned up house and done some baking. Mended some in p.m. We went to basket ball game in eve. Allen played in bands. Pete trimmed up trees etc. and took nails out of boards.

Wednesday, January 21, 1948. Partly cloudy, snowed some. Windy, much colder. Pete to locker meeting in morn. Took some papers to *Ticks* (sp?). I went with Pearl to Chas. Allen's sale at 10:00. We helped missionary society serve lunch, came home at 1:00. Changed clothes and went to club meeting at Marie Hastings. Paul with me. Mother came along out. Ida came home with Pete. We went to choir practice in eve.

Thursday, January 22, 1948. Fair, cold, zero. Baked cookies and dressed chicken in morn. We went to town at 10:45. Paul at Mothers. We went to see Walter Prentzler about plans. Ida done shopping and got a new watch. We got home at 2:15, ate lunch. Made ice cream. Ida done ironing. Edgar's and Mother here for supper. Dorothy fixed Ida's and my hair.

Friday, January 23, 1948. Fair, cold 1°-3° below zero. We got to annual hospital meeting at nurses home, had big crowd. I helped with them dinner, basket etc. I was put in for vice president of auxiliary. Ida with us for dinner, she went on duty at 2:00. Paul at Mothers. Pete took boys and Gordon and Thomas girls to basket ball game. Allen played in band.

Saturday, January 24, 1948. Fair, cold 8° above. Done Saturday work, cleaned living room. Pete and boys cleaned up brush and burned some. I went to town in p.m. Pete and boys home. Mrs. Kemp in Chicago so boys didn't take lessons. I stopped to see Ida and took her home from work.

Sunday, January 25, 1948. Fair, 12°, warmer. We went to church, home for dinner. Boys had company in p.m., they skated on pond. We had popcorn and apples for them before they went home.

Monday, January 26, 1948. Cloudy, few snow flurries. Fair in eve. Colder. Washed, hung towels outside but didn't dry. I ironed some in p.m. and got things ready for supper.

Pete and I to Friendship Circle supper at church. We and Laura and Gerald G. hostesses. Had election of officers. Walter Y. president and Pete Sec. Treas, Hoover V. Pres. Boys to 4-H meeting. Paul at Mothers. Ida with us to supper.

Tuesday, January 27, 1948. Fair, cold 4° above. I finished ironing and cleaned up house in morn. Done some baking in p.m. and cleaned out some dresser drawers in p.m. Pete helped CR butcher beef in morn. We got hind quarter. 4-H had skating party here in eve. Made cocoa and had doughnuts, were [good?].

Wednesday, January 28, 1948. Fair, cold 4° below. Pete to town at 9:00, turned account book in and pulled CR's car to town. C. R. brot Mother out to their house and back to town at noon, got Pete. I canned 14 quarts beef, 9 quarts soup and 26 quarts chile so had a big day. Pete helped me awhile in eve. We didn't go to choir practice in eve as we both have colds.

Thursday, January 29, 1948. Fair, cold 4° above. I got things ready for supper in morn. We went to town in p.m., took Mabel in get their car, but it wasn't done. We brot Allen and Gordon home from school. Allen took lessons. Paul at Mothers and stayed for eve. We stopped at hospital, saw Shorty Schertz who had pneumonia. We went to all church party at Baptist Church in Normal. May and Ida went along, had nice time. Boys to Carlock, played 4-H basketball.

Friday, January 30, 1948. Mostly cloudy, strong wind from east and very chilly. Done sweeping and baked cookies. We studied house plans awhile in p.m. Pete took C.R to town in morn. Pete and I to Ben Buth for supper & stainless steel demonstration. Paul and Ray at Mothers. Boys to basketball game. Allen played in band. CR's at Buth's too. Dorothy Buth to town and brot boys along out. Dressed 2 chickens for Duncan.

Saturday, January 31, 1948. Partly cloudy, cold, 14° about. Done Saturday work and went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. We went to see Walter P. Went to Hayes hatchery for lunch. Got Pete overcoat and Ronnie pants and sweater and I got 2 pair shoes on sale. Ida came along home. Paul at Mother's. I made suet pudding and coffee cake in eve. Ida done some washing.

Sunday, February 1, 1948. Fair, warmer. 14° above. We went to church in morn, home for dinner. I went to nurses capping in p.m., helped auxiliary serve refreshments, tea and cookies and wafers. Got home about 6:00. Lawrence Mishler's here in eve. Pete took Ida to town after they left.

Monday, February 2, 1948. Fair, warmer, above 40° during day. Fine day. Washed, had big one, blankets spread etc. Things dried good. Done ironing in p.m. Stainless steel man here in morn, wanted \$90 for smallest set so we didn't buy. Piano tuner here in p.m. Pete hauled manure.

Tuesday, February 3, 1948. Cloudy, snowed some, nearly all day. Cleaned up house. Put clothes away. Washed out some things. Worked upstairs in p.m. cleaned out trunk

and packed some clothes away. Pete went with Sy Colter in morn to *solvert* (sp?) for Friendship train. Pete took boys to basketball game in eve. Took neighbor kids too.

Wednesday, February 4, 1948. Cloudy and gloomy. Baked cookies in morn. Paul and I to Mother's for dinner. Mrs. Hastings, Marion, Billie, Carrie Fricke, Laura, May and Mabel and Ray there too. I went uptown while in p.m. done some mending, some crocheted. Pete ground feed and unloaded corn at CR's. Got ready to fan oats.

Thursday, February 5, 1948. Fair. We went to town at 10:30 to lumber yard. We were home at 2:30. Mother with us. Edgar's here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Friday, February 6, 1948. Fair, 14° nice day. Pete to Champaign with Harry B. and John Scheets. I went to all day auxiliary meeting with Pearl. We served for hospital. Paul at Mother's. We went to choir practice in eve, took Boys to basket ball game. Gordon along, Allen played in band. Paul with us.

Saturday, February 7, 1948. Cloudy, misted little at noon. Done Saturday work and dressed chicken. We went to town at 11:15, took books and puzzles to Miss Southwicks for T.B. sanatorium. Went to W. Prentzlers, got house plans. Boys took lessons. Mrs. J. along to town. Paul at Mother's.

Sunday, February 8, 1948. Fair, cold 4° above. We went to church, home for dinner. We had company for supper, George and Merle, Mrs. Patton here. Pete went after Ida at 4:30, she was here all night.

Monday, February 9, 1948. Fair, cold 3° above. Warmed up some during day. Ida here, her day off. We washed, hung some outside. Ida ironed in p.m. I ironed some. We finished. I cleaned out dresser drawers. Pete to Farm Bureau supper. Boys to church roller skating party. Ida, Paul and I to Dorothy's, she fixed Ida's hair.

Tuesday, February 10, 1948. Fair, warmer. 10° above. Cleaned up house. Packed and sorted things, moved things out of our dresser into boy's dresser. Pete to men's fellowship meeting. I went to Good Will Circle at Stella Gilberts. Boys to basket ball game, Paul at Mothers.

Wednesday, February 11, 1948. Cloudy, warmer. 30°. Snowed some. Got things ready to move to Minnie's. Pete and CR's moved some things, began to snow so they quit. I mended some and stirred up cookies. Choir practice postponed.

Thursday, February 12, 1948. Friday, chilly. Baked cookies. We went to town at 11:00. I went to dentist. Pete to sale near Covell, bought 4 gilts. I went to Mothers on bus. Allen had no school, he helped CR shelled corn in p.m. We went to community club at Belvedere. Ronnie on program. Allen to donkey ballgame at N.C. high.

Friday, February 13, 1948. Rained early in morn, froze ice. Very slick in morn, some schools closed. Boys had school. Done cleaning. Dressed 2 chickens for Mrs. Miller.

We went to town at 1:00. I went to world day of prayer, was an usher. We went uptown awhile. Paul at Valentine party at school. Phil's here for supper, had waffles. Snowed in p.m. and eve. Also rained.

Saturday, February 14, 1948. Fair, nice day. 5°. Done Saturday work, baked cake. Pete helped CR get hay at Mohr's. We went to town after dinner. Ronnie at home, he had earache awhile. Ida came along home, some of snow and ice melted off of hard road.

Sunday, February 15, 1948. Fair, 15° above, warmed up. Rather windy from South. Most of the snow and ice melted off the hard roads. We went to church and to Ed's for dinner, had nice time. Pete took Ida to town in eve.

Monday, February 16, 1948. Fair, windy. Warmer, up to 46° during day. I washed, hung some out. Done ironing in p.m. Pete hauled manure. He took boys to town at 6:00 to 4-H chile supper. We and Paul went to surprise on Bill Miller for their 25th wedding anniversary. Glenn Raders have twin boys.

Tuesday, February 17, 1948. Fair, warm. Snow and ice nearly all gone. Pete to locker meeting at Saybrook. I took him to town, got Mother. We went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Hendricks. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. I took Mother home and got Pete.

Wednesday, February 18, 1948. Fair, warm. Ground soft and sloppy. We moved furniture to Minnie's in morn. CR helped. I went to club meeting at Hilton's in p.m., went with Pearl. We went to choir practice in eve. Boys home.

Thursday, February 19, 1948. Fair, nice day. Colder in p.m. Orvie came at 6:15 a.m. He came with Roy Smith in truck. He went to bed at 7:00 and slept until noon. Pete and I cleaned out storeroom and moved boys bed etc. in there. Scrubbed kitchen and porch. We went to town in p.m. to lumber yard. Ida came along home for supper. Pete and I to committee at Hoover's for Friendship Circle. Boys home.

Friday, February 20, 1948. Fair, cold 10° above. Henry Lehman and Orvie started to tear down our house. Got upstairs plaster and partitions out. Pete and I busy finishing cleaning out rooms and moving. I baked a cake for supper. We went to CR's, school club had chile supper there. Ida came out with Mishler's. Ronnie at Mother's all night. Mrs. J. gone. Helen P. at hospital she hemorrhaged.

Saturday, February 21, 1948. Partly cloudy, 15°. Chilly and cold. Done Saturday work. Orvie working on house. We went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. Mother, Paul, Pete and I to Federal Land Bank dinner. Pete to Mrs. Dodge's funeral at 2:00, he was pall bearer. He had sinus treatment at Dr. Watkins at 4:30. We brought another cot from hospital. Saw Helen P., she's better. Marie came home in eve.

Sunday, February 22, 1948. Fair, cold. Went to church and to Mother's for dinner. CR's, Edgar's and Uncle Chas there too. Edd's came to Mothers in p.m. Edgars, Marie and Uncle Chas came along out when we came home to see house. Edd's went after Ida and

brot her out. Edd's home at chore time. Marie back to Chicago. We went to Carlock church in eve, heard Mr. Snyder from M.C.C. boys home.

Monday, February 23, 1948. Partly cloudy, chilly. Windy. We washed, had big one. Ida ironed some. We finished moving out of our bedroom and took things out of closet. Sorted them, quite a mess. Glad Ida was here to help. Ida, Pete and I to Eldon Rupp's to Friendship Circle. Had good time. Men got all plaster and *lath* (?) torn off.

Tuesday, February 24, 1948. Cloudy, gloomy. Rained some in eve. Paul and I to Oscars at 9:00. We made aluminum trays. Laura and Mrs. Mouser showed us how. I made round one and oblong one, was tired. Got home at 6:00. Boys to basketball game in eve. I finished the ironing at 10:30. Men got nearly all down except 1st floor.

Wednesday, February 25, 1948. Cloudy, foggy. Misting. Done some cleaning etc. in morn. Mabel and I to missionary meeting at Ruth Sommers awhile. Laura along. We went to F.B office, were X-Rayed. About 20 Home Bureau members went. Pete and I to school meeting at Little Red School consolidation meeting. Phil along. Boys and Orvie home.

Thursday, February 26, 1948. Fair, beautiful day, like spring. Done some baking. Went after Mother. She came out for the day. The men finished tearing down the front part of the house and started on the tank house. Mother and I peeled some apples, canned 3 quarts. I went to alumni meeting in eve. Pete took Mother home. Mrs. J. to Lincoln to funeral, gone several days.

Friday, February 27, 1948. Cloudy, rained most of day. Just poured awhile in p.m. Real windy and stormy. Cleaned up living room and put bedroom rods down. We went to town in p.m. Ronnie along, had no school, teachers institute. He took lesson. Paul at Mother's. He and I stayed at Mother's for supper. Edgar's and Ida there too. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete and Orvie to basketball, took boys. Allen stayed all night at Mothers.

Saturday, February 28, 1948. Partly cloudy, strong wind from west and colder. Done Saturday work. Made pudding. Paul and I to town. Took Allen to his lesson, he and Paul had haircuts. Allen stayed all night at Mothers. Men tore rest of tank house down except they didn't finish the cement tank.

Sunday, February 29, 1948. Partly cloudy, chilly. We went to church, home for dinner. Phil's here awhile in p.m. I went after Ida at 5:00. We all went to CR's for supper. Edgar's, Uncle Henry's, Uncle Chas and Clarence S. and Billy W. there. Val's couldn't come, Jack got mumps. Elmers and Arts have measles.

Monday, March 1, 1948. Cloudy, rained, snowed and sleeted. Froze ice in p.m. and eve. We washed, Ida had day off. Dried clothes in house. Done ironing in p.m. got nearly all clothes dry before eve. Boys cleaned up around tank house. We took Ida to town in eve and we went to school meeting at Normal Community High. Orvie and boys home.

Tuesday March 2, 1948. Cloudy, icy in morn. Melted some during day, foggy and misty all day. We went to town at 11:00, had appointment with Dr. Robt Eaton, Dr. W.B. on vacation. Had one of back lower teeth pulled. I went to Mothers at 2:00, sure had pain in my jaw and ear. Paul stayed at Mothers all night. Allen's heifer Linda had bull calf.

Wednesday, March 3, 1948. Cloudy, some snow flurries. Cleaned up house and scrubbed. Done some baking. Washed some things, mended in p.m. Pete and Orvie cleaned out chicken house in p.m. Boys to Carlock, played basket ball.

Thursday, March 4, 1948. Fair, cold wind from northeast. Thawed some, but lots of ice on trees yet. We took bed and dresser to Earl Kaufman's sale at Hudson and went to see Edd awhile. He's been sick for a week with hemmoroids but he's better, is having them removed Sat. We dressed 2 chickens in eve for Dorothy.

Friday, March 5, 1948. Mostly cloudy, chilly east wind. Done sweeping. I went to town at 11:00, went to Home Bureau play day at 1:00. Paul with Mrs. Johnson. Pete and Orvie cut down maple and evergreen trees to make room for garage. Mr. King here in eve to show us metal cabinets.

Saturday, March 6, 1948. Rained in drizzled most of day. Few snow flurries in morn. Baked angel food cake and done scrubbing. We went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist, Paul with Mother. Ida came along home, stopped to see Helen few minutes, she isn't feeling good again.

Sunday, March 7, 1948. Partly cloudy, windy. Chilly. We went to church in morn, home for dinner. Billy's here for supper, had birthday cake for Orvie and ice cream. Ida to town with Billy's.

Monday, March 8, 1948. Fair and cold. I washed, hung some of clothes outside. Dried some. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and Orvie blasted the cement tank out of the ground with dynamite. Cloudy in p.m.

Tuesday, March 9, 1948. Fair, real chilly. Windy from northeast. I cleaned up house, baked coffee cake and made custard. Done some mending. Pete and Orvie ground feed and sawed wood. I went to Good Will Circle at Carl Ummels. Ida, Laura and May along.

Wednesday, March 10, 1948. Cloudy, snowed some all day was 15° above. Real windy. I baked Parker House rolls and cookies and suet pudding and mended some. I went to cancer meeting in eve. Pete to chorus meeting at Farm Bureau. Snowed and blowed in eve.

Thursday, March 11, 1948. Fair, cold, 5° above not quite so windy, warmed up some during day. We went to town at 11:00 to Service Co. dinner. Mother and Orvie went along, had tickets from Roy's. I made fruit salad in eve and baked brownies.

Friday, March 12, 1948. Fair, cold 2° below to 9° below zero. Warmer during [day?] but cold south wind. I went to Home Bureau at Eva McCue. Paul home with men. We went to community club supper at Farm Bureau. I was on table committee so Ronnie, Paul and I went early at 5:40. Took Laura and Allen at Mothers, took him and Mother. Men came with C.R.'s. Dr. Wellmerling showed pictures.

Saturday, March 13, 1948. Nice day, 14° above, thawed quite a lot. Done cleaning and Saturday work. We went to town at 11:00, took rug to cleaners. Pete and I to Federal Land Bank dinner at F.B. I went to Dorothy's at 1:15, had hair fixed. Boys took lessons. Orvie and boys ate up town. Paul at Mother's. We went to Billy's, saw the house on State St.

Sunday, March 14, 1948. Fair, much warmer. Windy from southwest. We went to church, were home for dinner. Orvie, Pete and I to Lutheran chorus at Capen Auditorium. Ida and Miss. Knott along too. Boys home.

Monday, March 15, 1948. Cloudy, rained hard in eve. I washed, clothes dried some outside. Done ironing. Finished after supper. Pete and Orvie digging some for garage. Pete to town in eve, got Ida and Allen. Paul at Mothers all night. Allen went to Cincinnati Symphony at 3:15, then went to Mother's.

Tuesday, March 16, 1948. Cloudy, misted. Sun shone awhile in eve. We left at 7 a.m. for Chicago. Orvie, Ida, Pete and I got there at 10:15, went to flower show and saw Marie at noon. We shopped awhile in p.m. Orvie and Pete to show. We got to B. at 8:00 p.m. Pete to locker meeting. We got Paul at Elmer Siegs. Pete came part way home with Bob Otto's. I met him. Boys done chores.

Wednesday, March 17, 1948. Fair, nice day. Cleaned up house, got dinner. Edds here for dinner and Ida too. Pete to town, brot Mother out at noon. Ida to work at 2:00, Edds took her. Mother and I to club meeting at Mrs. Leasch. We dressed 5 chickens for Mother in eve. Pete took her home. Boys digging for garage. Allen home, school had visiting day.

Thursday, March 18, 1948. Fair, windy. Cloudy in eve. Mother and Mrs. J. here, we canned 7 quarts chicken and 7 pints soup for mother. Dressed 4 chickens for customers. Done some mending. I took them home at 4:00 and got Allen at school. Boys put in forms for garage foundation. Pete to Culp supper at F.B. Allen played in band for P.T.A.

Friday, March 19, 1948. Rained, warm. Stormy, blew awfully hard most of morn. Had tornadoes in different places. Cleared off in p.m. and cooler, not so windy. I done sweeping and scrubbed. I baked 2 pies and cake. Boys put roofing on brooder house and Pete helped CR fan oats.

Saturday, March 20, 1948. Nice day, warm. Boys and I to town at 10:30. Allen to dentist and they took their lessons. Mother, Mrs. J. and Mrs. Gurtner came along out to CR's. We were all there for dinner. Edgar's and Pauls T. there too. Homer Adams

poured the garage foundation in morn. Pete ,Orvie and I took ladies to town at 4:00. Pete got haircut. Ida along uptown. I got hat. Ida came for supper, they took her home when took boys to 4-H rally.

Sunday, March 21, 1948. Rained in p.m. warm. We went to church, home for dinner. Orvie, Pete and I to vesper services at nurses home. Ida came along home in eve. Gordon had the mumps.

Monday, March 22, 1948. Cloudy, chilly. We washed. Ida had her day off. Hung some clothes out, didn't dry very well. We went to Minnie's, got some of Ida's spring clothes. I ironed some and got things ready for supper. Boys started working on garage. We all went to church supper sponsored by Friendship Circle. Allen played his trombone. Ronnie sang. Dr. Yoder spoke.

Tuesday, March 23, 1948. Cloudy, rained and misted in morn. Cleared off in p.m. I finished ironing. Pete and I to town at 10:00. Went to lumber yard to decide on roof for garage and house. I went to Mothers at 1:30. Mabel and I washed off her kitchen and bathroom walls. Pete had some work done on car. He came home at 3:00. Paul home with Orvie. They worked on garage in p.m.

Wednesday, March 24, 1948. Fair, nice day. Got things ready for supper. Went to town after dinner, helped package materials for cancer drive. We went to choir practice in eve. Men working on garage.

Thursday, March 25, 1948. Fair, nice day. Warmer. Men put roof on garage. I washed blankets, spreads, quilts etc. had big washing. Baked Paul a birthday cake. Hodge Johnstone started digging the basement for our new house. I went after Allen at 4:30. Mother and Mrs. J. came along out. Edgar's and Ida here too for supper, had waffles and ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Friday March 26, 1948. Showered early in morn. Partly cloudy. Rained again at 4:00. They worked on basement until it rained. Got most of it done. Orvie and Henry put doors on garage. I ironed, cleaned up house, scrubbed and baked cookies. Boys home from school, being Good Friday. Billies here awhile in eve. Cooler in eve.

Saturday March 27, 1948. Cloudy, cold. Snowed some in morn. Cleared off in eve. I baked cake. Allen and I to town at 10:30. He went to dentist. Men worked in basement, put props under the living room wall. Ronnie and Paul home. Ida came home with us. We all went to Ed's for supper. Ida and Orvie stayed all night.

Sunday, March 28, 1948. Easter. Fine day, quite chilly, 27°. We went to church, had communion. Mother and Marie here for dinner. They went to CR's for lunch. Ed's brought Ida and Orvie back. They were here for lunch. Ida to town with CR when he took Mother home. Marie back to Chicago.

Monday March 29, 1948. Partly cloudy, chilly. Windy. Fair in eve. Washed, dried most of the clothes outside. I scrubbed the brooder house in p.m. Allen helped me. Ironed some. Allen has vacation. Men finished digging basement. Henry working on garage. I went to cancer meeting in eve. Janette Colter, Dorothy Singley along. Boys took lesson. Pete to see plasterer.

Tuesday, March 30, 1948. Cloudy, rained in eve. Windy. Finished ironing in morn. Made pudding. Took Allen to school to practice trombone solo at 1:00. I went to lumber yard, got building paper for garage. Washed dishes and scrubbed kitchen after got home. Got children at school. Men dug trenches for footing in basement. Dressed chicken in eve.

Wednesday, March 31, 1948. Cloudy, rained and drizzled most of day. I went to town in morn, got Mother and Mrs. J. Orvie along, got haircut. Men worked in garage. Cecil Raber here, wired garage and brooder house. Pete set up new electric brooder stove. We packed my good dishes. We took them to Philips in eve. We went to choir practice in eve. Art Meyers died.

Thursday, April 1, 1948. Fair, Chilly. Boys digging for footings in basement and got garage floor ready to pour. Henry putting siding on. I baked cookies, went to town in p.m. to dentist. Allen to high school to practice. Mother and Mrs. J. along to town. Got our baby chicks, 450. Helped Ronnie paint garage door in evening. Scrubbed feeders in evening.

Friday, April 2, 1948. Fair, real chilly wind. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Went to town in p.m. Took eggs, got groceries. When to auxiliary meeting awhile. Got children at school. Paul home with men. They got garage floor ready to pour. Pete and I to Carlock in evening to Art Myers. I washed car after got home from town.

Saturday, April 3, 1948. Fine day. Much warmer during day. Allen and I to Clinton to district music contest. Virginia Buth and Joan Irving along. Allen and Virginia got second. They did real well. Paul at Mothers. Orvie and Ronnie built most of chimney in garage. Pete hauled manure. Ida along home with us. We all went to George Francis for supper. Ida here all night.

Sunday, April 4, 1948. Nice day. Windy, warm, near 70°. Were home for dinner. Frank Pattons here a while towards evening. Boys to church at Carlock with Reverend Metzger. Went to see Morris Heisers a while in evening. Took Ida home. Marie came home in p.m. Virgil Schwartz died.

Monday, April 5, 1948. Partly cloudy. Showered little at 4:30. I washed, dried everything outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete discing in morning. Orvie disc in p.m. Pete started sewing oats about 4:00. Henry working on garage. Boys to 4-H meeting at CRs. Pete and I there awhile. Had refreshments for Gordon's birthday.

Tuesday, April 6, 1948. Cloudy, had big rain in night. I cleaned up house and scrubbed and baked pudding. Went to Virgil Schwartz's funeral at Danvers with Mabel. Pete and CR finished sewing our oats. Pete disc for CR. He didn't sew any of his oats. He didn't have his grass seed. Pete to men's meeting at Carlock, spoke on things men's organizations can do.

Wednesday, April 7, 1948. Partly cloudy. Had big rain early in morn. I baked cookies, coffee cake and made pie. Mended some in p.m. Went to town at 4:00 p.m. got Ida and groceries and the boys at high school. They had track meet. Pete had water pumped out of trenches in basement and they poured the garage floor. Ronnie, Paul & I to Mothers after supper, Dot fixed my hair. We took Ida home.

Thursday, April 8, 1948. Cooler, rather windy. I went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Deal. Men poured footings for foundation. Paul home with them. We went to community club in evening. Allen played his trombone. I dressed chicken and made icebox pudding before supper.

Friday, April 9, 1948. Fair, nice day. Cold in morning, about freezing. Done cleaning. We went to town at 1:30. Went to lumber yard and shopped around for bathroom. Mother and Marie came along home for supper. Orvie to town in p.m. Got shoes and hat.

Saturday, April 10, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Very windy. Boys and I started laying blocks in basement. I washed and scrubbed, ironed some in p.m. finished after supper. Took Allen to town at 9:00, he went to Clinton with the band. They got second. I went to town at 5:00. Took cancer drive money to Mrs. Taylor and got Allen at Mothers.

Sunday, April 11, 1948. Fair. We went to church. Were at Mothers for dinner. Ida came home with us in evening. Pete and I to Carlock to see L. Hoffman about bathroom. Boys chored. We took boys to church in evening and drove to Billy's. They weren't home so stopped at Herald and Helen's. Marie back to Chicago in evening.

Monday, April 12, 1948. Cloudy. Rained most of today. Real chilly. We moved into garage. Roy's men helped to move stove and piano and icebox. CR helped in morning. Nettie and Lydia Kenagy here helped us. Ida had her day off. Pete had board meeting in evening. Ronnie to skating party. Allen had play practice, then took him to Marguerite B. to practice trombone. Took Ida home. Orvie and Paul home.

Tuesday, April 13, 1948. Cold. Rained and drizzled most of the day. Windy. Hard to heat garage. We went to town in morning to see cabinets and bought bathroom set. Orvie and Henry tearing down rest of house. I baked cake in p.m. and put some things away. Went to Goodwill Circle at Ethel Ramseyer in evening.

Wednesday, April 14, 1948. Cleared off in morning. Nice day. Warmer. Boys fixed closet for clothes in morning. I straightened them up and done odd jobs. Baked cookies. Orvie laying blocks in basement. Henry working on tearing house down. We went to choir practice in evening. Orvie and boys home.

Thursday, April 15, 1948. Mostly cloudy, rather windy. I washed and had big one, curtains, drapes etc. Paul and I to town in p.m. I went to dentist. Paul had haircut. Mother along to town. Orvie laid blocks. Henry working on house.

Friday, April 16, 1948. Fair, warmer. Colder in p.m. I done ironing, baked cobbler for supper. Dressed chicken. Ronnie and I raked some garden in evening. Pete and Orvie laying blocks. Henry working on house. The electric men here, put up poles. Cecil Raber here working on wiring. Billys and Ida here a while in evening. Pete to town, practice with quartet at Marguerite's.

Saturday, April 17, 1948. Fair some warmer. Frosty in morning. I baked cake. Boys & I to town at 10:30. Allen to dentist and they took their lessons. Were home at 4:00. Dorothy combed my hair. I cleaned up house and iced cake. Pete, Ronnie and I worked in garden, sewed lettuce, radishes, spinach and peas. Abe Nutchell here, helped Orvie and Pete.

Sunday, April 18. Windy. Much warmer. We went to church. Took Orvie to Billys. We went to Lutheran school to golden wedding anniversary for Uncle Henry Woizeskis. Had basket dinner and nice time. Had program. Pete, CR, George *Gerling* (sp?), and Al G. sang. Allen played trombone and Ronnie sang solo. Edgars, Uncle Chas, Mother, Mrs. J., Hannah and Emma W. here in evening. Ida came along home with us. Billy brought Orvie home.

Monday, April 19, 1948. Partly cloudy. Orvie laying blocks. Very windy. Sprinkled some in p.m. We washed and done ironing. I took some things to Minnie's. I sorted things on porch and put them away. Melvin Lantz here in evening. Talked about furnace. Pete took Ida home after supper. Pete started plowing in p.m.

Tuesday, April 20, 1948. Fair, warmer. Pete plowed. Allen out after school. I went to town with Mabel. Home Bureau members went through Morrells cleaners at 10:00. Mother came along home with us. I worked in garden. Put out onions, carrots and some beats. Orvie sprained his ankle in p.m. took him to Dr. Summers (foot specialist) at 3:30. He taped it. Mother mended some. Pete to locker meeting in evening. I went to Golda Rupp's, made favors for hospital.

Wednesday, April 21, 1948. Cloudy, real chilly in morning. Fair in p.m. Pete and I planted peas, potatoes, and some sweet corn in morning. I went to club meeting at Mrs. Hadden's. Pete disc stocks in p.m. Orvie not able to work. I put out rest of beets and beans. We went to choir practice a while and to school meeting at high school. Allen stayed in for a Latin banquet at 6:00. He worked on science project.

Thursday, April 22, 1948. Partly cloudy, chilly, showered some at 4:30. Took Orvie to Dr. Hadden at 8:30, had foot x-rayed. He's better. Worked little in p.m., put on screens and door. I washed after got home from town. Baked cake in p.m. and cleaned up house.

Got things ready for supper. Sewed tomato seed. Pete plowed. Allen out after school. Edgars and Ida here for supper. She fixed our hair. Had ice cream.

Friday, April 23, 1948. Fair, warmer. Ida here all night. Baked cookies, ironed. Went to truck patch got rhubarb and made pie. Done sweeping. Took Orvie to Dr. Summers at 3:30. His foot better. Pete finished plowing east field. Orvie worked some on old house cleaning up. Boys to plays at NCHS. Pete and I to church. Reverend E. J. Miller having services. Paul at Mothers in p.m., stayed for supper.

Saturday, April 24, 1948. Had nice shower early in morning. Fair, real warm, in 80s. I dressed chicken. Ida and I to town at 10:30. She got new coat. Boys didn't take lessons. Home working. Finished cleaning up old house. I was home at 3:30. Mother and Mrs. J. along home with me. Pete broke axle on tractor. Went to Goodfield at 5:30 to get new one. We went with him. Boys to track meet at NCHS. We went to church. Took Mother and Mrs. J. home.

Sunday, April 25, 1948. Fair, real warm and windy. We went to church. Ate lunch in town. Took boys to park, they played ball. We came back home, rested. Ed's and EEs came at 3:30. They stayed for supper. We had chicken, dressing, etc. Pete to town at 4:15. Got boys and Ida. Ed's and EEs home after supper. We went to church. Allen played his trombone. Ida here all night.

Monday, April 26, 1948. Cloudy and rained in morn. Cleared off in p.m. We washed and dried the starched clothes in garage. Hung rest of clothes out in p.m. they dried good. We ironed some and put curtains up. We went to church in evening. Meetings closed. Ida stayed in town. Orvie & boys stayed home.

Tuesday, April 27, 1948. Fair. Windy, cooler. Finished ironing. Baked cookies. Went to Albert Rangel's funeral in p.m. Mrs. Anderson along. We went to Friendship Circle in evening. Ida, Laura, and Ethel R. on committee. Mr. Moser from Orphanage showed pictures. Orvie laid blocks. Pete got tractor fixed. Had sheep sheared.

Wednesday, April 28, 1948. The fair windy. Chilly. Done unusual work. Took Orvie to Dr. at 10:30. His foot better. I went to missionary meeting at Clara Brodbeck. Then we went to Morrells cleaners. Pete plowed some. Allen out after school. Orvie and Abe M. working on basement.

Thursday, April 29, 1948. Fair, nice day, rather windy. I washed and ironed. Mended some. Pete helping Orvie with basement. They finished laying blocks. Abe finished painting garage. I went to alumni meeting, had silent auction. Pete to choir practice.

Friday, April 30, 1948. Partly cloudy, showered some in p.m. and night. Done cleaning, baked cake and got things ready for supper. Walter Prenzler's here awhile to see about building. Boys set window frames in basement. I went to town at 4:30, got Mother, Mrs. J. and Ida. We all went to last day of school program. Pete took Allen, Gordon and other boys to Danvers to donkey basketball. C. R. went after them.

Saturday, May 1, 1948. Partly cloudy. Chilly east wind. Boys and I to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. Ronnie spaded garden for Mother. They took their lessons. I went to Mrs. Dick Baird's funeral in p.m. Mother along. Boys home with Mabel. I stayed, brought Ida home. We set out five dozen cabbage plants and two dozen tomatoes and pepper plants. Boys working on fireplace.

Sunday, May 2, 1948. Cloudy, rained and chilly. We went to church, had consecration for the babies. We all went to Billy's for dinner and supper. Edds there too. Boys came home to chore. Ronnie to church in evening. Ida stayed in town.

Monday, May 3, 1948. Fair, beautiful day. I washed and ironed. Finished after supper. Men started building on the house. Hoffman here putting in pressure pump in deep well. Ronnie harrowed awhile in p.m. They went to 4-H meeting in evening. Pete to school meeting at Garfield. Morris Heiser here in evening.

Tuesday, May 4, 1948. Rained nearly all morn. Cleared off in evening. We went to town at 11:00, picked out kitchen floor and bathroom floor. Also put our name down for GE stove. Ronnie to school teacher, had party for children.

Wednesday, May 5, 1948. Fair, cloudy in evening. I baked cookies and got dinner. Morris Heiser helping Pete. He ate dinner here. I mended some in p.m., sewed lettuce and radishes in garden. Spaded little in flower beds. Men working on house. Orvie worked on fireplace in p.m. Men putting in pressure pump. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, May 6, 1948. Rained nearly all morn and started again about 3:30, rained hard nearly all evening. Orvie worked some on fireplace. Mended some. Made ice cream. I went to town at 3:00 went to memorial services at Park Hill Cemetery for Dale Rader. Rained hard while services were going on. Brought Allen home, also Gordon. Don Smith and Wayne Mohr, Allen and Ronnie to community club with CRs. Men worked on pump.

Friday, May 7, 1948. The fair, cool. Dressed three chickens. Washed some and ironed. Made shortcake. Got things ready for supper. Edgars and Ida here. Dorothy fixed our hair. Men working on house and fireplace. Morris here. Allen to play at NCHS Edgar to town early. Pete took Ida and Dorothy home.

Saturday, May 8, 1948. Mostly cloudy and showered little in p.m. Boys and I to town at 10:00, they took lessons and Allen to dentist. Came home at 2:30. Got lunch for men. Took Pete to center school and voted on school consolidation. Pete clerk and had to stay until 8:00, then went to NCHS. I baked cupcakes and got things ready for supper. Orvie, boys and I to supper at church, farewell for Reverend Gabel. Ronnie sang and missionaries gave program. Very good. Ida there too. Pete came to church at 9:30 came along home. Marie home.

Sunday, May 9, 1948. Mostly cloudy, sprinkled little. We went to church. Were at CRs for dinner. Came home at 4:45. Edgars, Uncle Chas, Nierstheimers, and Betty here awhile. Marie, Grandma, and Mrs. J. and Mabel here awhile. I went to town, got Ida. We ate lunch at Mrs. Mishler's. Had sandwiches and ice cream. Billy K. had several heart attacks. Took him to hospital in night.

Monday, May 10, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Sprinkled some in p.m., rained in evening. Ida here. We washed. Helped Ronnie spade garden. We sewed flower seeds in p.m. I worked in truck patch. Put out onion sets, green beans, string beans, corn, Swiss chard, and row of glads. Ida helped me. She ironed her things. Ronnie disc in p.m. Boys started planting corn just before it rained. Pete took Ida to town.

Tuesday, May 11, 1948. Rained in morn. Henry and Orvie made window frames. Worked on house in p.m. I ironed, finished in p.m. Baked cookies. Morris here in p.m. I went to Goodwill Circle at Chester Miller's with Laura and May. George and Merle here a while, got tickets for concert. Boys to 4-H ballgame. Pete to school *canvas* (sp?) with Phil.

Wednesday, May 12, 1948. Range in morn. Cloudy, chilly. Morris here all day. Henry came at noon. Got men's dinner ready. Went to town at 11:00 weighed feathers for Aunt Ida. Washed off Mother's porch after dinner. Took A. Ida's feathers to her. Took flowers to cemetery and stopped at Uncle Henry's, saw pictures of Golden Wedding. Mother and Mrs. J. along. We all went to NCHS spring concert, was very good. Ida and Mother along. Orvie, boys, Pete and I to George's a while, had doughnuts and coffee.

Thursday, May 13, 1948. Cloudy. Chile. Got men's dinner. I went to Home Bureau at Mabel's, was one of hostesses. Had 74 with children and visitors. But got along OK. Henry here in p.m. they worked on house.

Friday, May 14, 1948 fair rein in evening. Ronnie discing. Started to plant in p.m. but CR broke planter. Baked cookies. Cleaned up house. Went to town to dentist at 1:00. Took Mother to Dr. for checkup. She's okay. I went to dinner at Illinois Hotel in evening Mr. Shepard gave it for cancer committee. Boys along to show "Carnegie Hall" Mother and them. Allen stayed all night with her. Pete to church board meeting.

Saturday, May 15, 1948. Rained hard towards morning. Cloudy, sun shone a while in evening. Done Saturday work. Baked pie, dressed to chickens for Dorothy. Went to town at two. Alan Mullet mothers lawn in morning. I went to dentist. Ronnie didn't take less than, had sore finger. Maurice H. here. He helped boys on house.

Sunday, May 16, 1948. Quite windy, foggy in Moran. I went to town at 615 with Moore's. Helped serve senior breakfast at hospital. Went to church, home for dinner. Paul at mothers. Pete, Orvie and I to nurse his graduation in p.m. I helped with reception. Ida came along home. Pete took boys to church in evening, stopped to see Billy.

Monday, May 17, 1948. Fair, cool. We watched had big one. Ida ironed in p.m. I worked in garden, got most of flower beds done. Finished planting glance in truck patch and other flowers. Put out more (unintelligible). Sure was tired. Boys planting corn. Ronnie discing and harrowing. We took Ida to town in evening and went to see furnace. Abe M. here helping on house. Had radishes to eat.

Tuesday, May 18, 1948. Fair, nice day. I ironed some in morn. Mabel and I to town, cleaned Mother's living room and washed windows on outside. Pete and I helped Ronnie put his garden out in evening. I finished ironing after supper. Pete to locker meeting. They finished planting corn here in evening.

Wednesday, May 19, 1948. fair, rather windy. Put clothes away. Got things ready for dinner. I went to club meeting at Grace Kings. Mrs. Kirby talked, also Miss Bierman from Day Nursery. I was on program committee. Boys planting corn at CRs. Men working on house. We went to choir practice. Baked cookies in morn.

Thursday, May 20, 1948. Fair, nice day. I sowed cucumbers and hoed in garden in morning. Mended in p.m. Got Allen at school, he took lesson. Men putting up rafters on house. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen to track meet in evening. Mrs. Anderson sent us lettuce.

Friday, May 21, 1948. Partly cloudy in morning. Cooler. Washed and ironed. Finished hoeing garden and mended some. CR finished planting corn. Pete plowing. Men finished rafters and putting on sheeting. Pete and boys to Jewish Synagogue in evening with Metzger. Orvie, Paul and I to hospital to see Billy. He's not feeling so good.

Saturday, May 22, 1948. Clear, cool in morning, hot in p.m. in 80s. Done Saturday work and done some baking. Mended some. Allen finished plowing and he harrowed the corn ground. Pete plowed potatoes and peas. Orvie and Abe working on house. Allen to CRs in evening. Work on 4-H demonstration. We went to town at 6:00, Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn.

Sunday, May 23 9048. Fair, much cooler and windy in p.m. We went to church. Mother and Mrs. J. along home. Eldon Rupps, Saul Nafzigers and Mabel here in p.m. I took Mother and Mrs. J. home and got Ida. Edds here when we got back, they stayed for lunch. Mrs. Mishler, Marie and Morris here a few minutes in evening. Boys played ball in p.m. Allen to CRs in evening, work on demonstration.

Monday, May 24, 1948 fair, nice day. We washed and took winter clothes to Minnies. Done ironing in p.m. Ida and I both ironed. Men putting roof on house. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Ida along, took her home after meeting.

Tuesday, May 25, 1948. Allen to 4-H federation in evening, he and Gordon gave a demonstration. Done housework and baking. Mended some. Men working on roof. Henry working inside. I went to truck patch got rhubarb. I went to Freida Stahly to plastic demonstration in evening. Mabel, Mrs. Anderson, Laura and May along.

Wednesday, May 26, 1948. Warm. Baked cookies, got dinner. Went to missionary meeting at Mrs. Kaufman in p.m. Men worked on roof in morning. Got too hot in p.m. We went to choir practice in evening. Thor Nord died suddenly. Furnace men here working.

Thursday, May 27, 1948. Fair, hot. I washed and ironed. Dressed chicken. Took Allen to town at 5:30, he went with chorus on picnic. Took a girl. Mother and Mrs. J. came along out for supper. We went to Nords in evening. Men finished putting roof on house. They put in pressure system in deep well.

Friday, May 28, 1948. Hot. Much cooler in evening. Done cleaning, baked pie, dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy. I went to town at 5:30 with Mohrs. Helped get supper at church for the Freeman Junior choir and went to program at nurses home. Pete to program too. Paul at Mothers for supper. Men put in window and door frames.

Saturday, May 29, 1948. Fair, quite cool. Done Saturday work. Allen and I to town at 11:00. He went to dentist and took lesson in p.m. Mother and I to Mr. Nord's funeral. Ida along home. We went to Edd's for supper. Ida & Orvie stayed all night. Boys to 4-H ballgame. Marie home in evening. Orvie worked on chimney. Harolds and Lillie here in evening awhile.

Sunday, May 30, 1948. Fair, warm, cool in evening. We went to church. Were at Mothers for dinner. Pete and CR sang at Troyer Cemetery in p.m. Boys home. Uncle Chas and Mother too. We went to Cemetery with flowers. Paul had ear ache in p.m. We went to Roy's for picnic supper in evening. Eds brought Ida and Orvie home early. They went to Roys too. Pete took Mother, Marie and Ida home.

Monday, May 31, 1948. Fair, nice day. Washed and done ironing. Men putting on siding on house. Pete painting it. Allen home. Had no school. Pete and boys cleaned up brush in orchard. Paul has a bad cold, doesn't feel good. Pete to see plasterer in evening.

Tuesday, June 1, 1948 fair. Fair, warm. Ronnie had another tetanus shot. We went to town at 10:00. I met Mrs. Freeman with account book. Got Ronnie shoes. Took Paul to Dr. he gave him penicillin. He feels better in evening. Ronnie to keeping fit program in evening with CRs. Allen didn't go has some cold. Men putting on siding. Walter P. here measured for kitchen cabinets.

Wednesday, June 2, 1948. Fair, warm. Done some baking and usual work. Mended in p.m. Men working on siding. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida at Mothers for supper. She altered my dress and we took her home after practice.

Thursday, June 3, 1948. Fair and hot. Baked cookies. Got things ready for supper. Washed and ironed. Edgars came out at 4:00. Dorothy on vacation. Edgar went after Ida when she got off work. Dorothy fixed our hair. We had ice cream. Allen's school out at noon.

Friday, June 4, 1948. Fair, hot. Had shower in night. Done cleaning. Went to auxiliary meeting in p.m. Mrs. Merle Schwartz talked. And we had silent auction. Ronnie and Paul to church, practiced for Children's Day. Pete and boys bailing hay at CRs. Plumbers here installed bathtub. I went to Laura Mohrs in evening. Done textile painting. Pete took boys and Gordon to commencement at NCHS. Allen played in band. Men finished putting on siding and painting first coat.

Saturday, June 5, 1948. Partly cloudy, hot in p.m. Done Saturday work. Pete, Allen, Paul and I to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist and had another tetanus shot. Paul to Mothers in morning. They went to town in p.m. Paul had haircut. I went to nurses home at 11:30. Irene D. and I only ones there of our class. We ate lunch at Rogers, shopped some then went to homecoming tea at nurses home. I went to banquet at nurses home in evening. Winifred took Marie Barrett, Ladine Burkhead, Fern Streid and I, had a good time and large crowd. Goodwill Circle served dinner.

Sunday, June 6, 1948. Fair and morning. Cloudy in p.m. and rained. At nice shower. Went to church in Moran. Home for dinner. Wilbur Basting here in p.m. to play with Ronnie. Phil here awhile at 5:00. Earl Kaufmans came at 6:00 and stayed till nearly 8:00. Orvie, Pete and I to town, stopped to see Billy few minutes and got Ida, then went to see George Francis who is recovering from an appendectomy. They had Harold P's baby and she was crying so I took care of her. Ida along home.

Monday, June 7, 1948. Foggy and mourn. Fair, warm. Much cooler in p.m. We washed and had big one. Allen mowed alfalfa in morn. He and Pete ploqwed corn in p.m. Pete cplowed garden in p.m. Orvie building chimney. Henry worked on porch. Boys to 4-H meeting in evening. Pete to locker meeting, took Ida home.

Tuesday, June 8, 1948. Fair, warm. Baked cookies. Got dinner. Took boys to town in p.m. they practiced for Children's Day. I went to town, stopped at lumber co. to see about flooring. Allen plowed corn. Pete raked hay. Henry working at home rest of week. I went to Goodwill Circle at Golda Rupps. Went with Lois. Allen to band picnic at Buths. Took girlfriend.

Wednesday, June 9, 1948. Fair. Hot. Done some baking for dinner. Hoed garden got done at noon. Mended some in p.m. Allen finished plowing corn in morning. They bailed our alfalfa hay in p.m. Orvie worked on chimney and finishing up fireplace. We went to choir practice in Eve. Allen along. Ronnie and Paul to Mothers. Ronnie mowed her lawn.

Thursday, June 10, 1948. The fair, hot. Bake cake and made salad. Got dinner. Went to Home Bureau at 12:30 at Frank Wrights. Took 3 quarts cherries to locker on way. Went to community club picnic at Ed Sharpe's in evening. Pete bailed hay at Roy's. Earl Thomas girls helping with bailing.

Friday, June 11, 1948. Fair, hot, cooler in evening. Washed and baked cherry pie in morn. Boys picked some cherries. Mother and Mrs. J. at CRs. Mother here a while in p.m., helped me. We made 6 pints preserves and dressed chicken. I done ironing and mended some. Pete baled hay at Roy's in p.m. We set out tomato plants in evening and took some clothes to Minnie's.

Saturday, June 12, 1948. Cloudy most of the day, looked rainy in morn showered some in p.m. Pete went to town after 1000 gallon fuel tank. Done Saturday work. Baked angel food cake. Ronnie, Paul and I to town in p.m. boys practiced at church. Mother and Mrs. J. along uptown a while. Ida came along home. Edd came after she and Orvie at 6:00. He stayed for supper, then they went to Mackinaw Dells to board meeting. Roys and Minnie here in evening to see house. Then Paul Thietjes and CRs came. Pete to locker meeting.

Sunday, June 13, 1948. Beautiful day. Went to church then to CRs to Woizeski reunion. Went to Children's Day program in eve. Was good. Then we went to the Mackinaw Dells, got Ida and Orvie at the Mission Board meeting. Sure a crowd. Took Ida to town. Quite a few folks here in p.m. to see house.

Monday, June 14, 1948. Fair in morn. Cloudy about noon. Had fine rain in p.m. over ½". I washed, all got dry except overalls. Allen mowed some clover hay. Men here put spouting on house and garage. Men here in p.m. putting on plaster lath [?]. I transplanted flowers in eve. Done ironing in p.m. Had new peas.

Tuesday, June 15, 1948. Cloudy, fair in evening. Cold in morning. Ronnie and I to CR's picked about 4 gallons cherries. Pete to Hudson had feed ground. Ronnie seeded most of cherries. Verne Bloss and her husband here a while in p.m. glad to see Verne. Sure surprised, they called from town. Pete and I to town at 4:30 got medicine cabinet. Took 3 quarts cherries to locker. Ida home with us. She, Orvie, and I were going to Dell's to conference, then Edna and Evelyn came just as we were eating supper. They were tired but got along fine. Pete to locker meeting.

Wednesday, June 16, 1948 fair warm. Allen plowing corn second time. I made [blank space] pints cherry preserves. Got things ready for dinner. I went to school club at Mrs. Mason with Pearl. Evelyn and Edna didn't want to go. Boys to ballgame in evening. Pete to town in p.m.. Orvies and Ida to see Billy in evening then went to Ida's Rome. I went to Open House at Miss Wengers for Lena Graber. Then went to choir practice. Ida here for supper. Evelyn with boys. Took 8 pints peas to locker.

Thursday, June 17, 1948. Partly cloudy and cooler. Looked rainy at times. Baked cookies and coffee cake and shortcake. Edna done some ironing. Pete raked hay in Moran. Allen plowed corn. They build hay in p.m. We went out after supper and bailed. I drove tractor for nearly 2 loads. Then CR helped. Or he helped. Orvies and I to town at 3:30. Mother and Mrs. J. along. Orvie had haircut. I dressed chicken for Mother.

Friday, June 18, 1948. Looked real rainy in morning but fair in p.m. and hot. We washed and ironed and canned 14 pints peas. Men finished bailing our hay in morn. Pete bailed at Roy's in p.m. Orvie working upstairs putting plasterboard on. Allen finished plowing corn second time in p.m. Tekla, E. J. Liermann, Mother and Mrs. J. here while in p.m. Phils here in eve.

Saturday, June 19, 1948. Mostly cloudy and cool. Done Saturday work. Dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy. Edna, Evelyn, Allen and I to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. Evelyn got coat and shoes. Pete and Orvie worked upstairs putting on wallboard and put windows in. Orvie went to Edd's after supper. We set out some cabbage and tomato plants.

Sunday, June 20, 1948. Mostly cloudy, cool. We went to church. We took our lunch to Park. Mother and Mrs. J. along. Boys played ball at Park in p.m. We went to see Billy a while then went to band concert. Ida came along home. Orvies got back about 8:00. He took Ida back to town. Harry Barnharts here a while in eve. Rained in night.

Monday, June 21, 1948. Rained most of morn. Fair in p.m. We washed, dried starched clothes inside. Rest dried outside in p.m. We canned 15 pints peas in p.m. Allen and I went to town, got Ida at 5:30. She was here all night. Men working upstairs. Pete and I set out tomato plants in evening.

Tuesday, June 22, 1948. Partly cloudy, windy and humid. I do here. We ironed and baked pies and cookies. Mended some and Edna cut out dress for herself. Homer Adams here, poured basement floor. Allen and Ronnie to CRs awhile, played ball. Rest of us took Ida to town. Stopped at Mothers while. Rained in night.

Wednesday, June 23, 1948. Humid, showered off and on most of morn. Had big rain in p.m. We sewed and mended some in p.m. We canned 11 pints peas. Men finished pouring basement floor in morn. Orvie working upstairs. Pete, Allen and I to choir practice in eve. Had new beans for dinner.

Thursday, June 24, 1948. Had a little shower in morn. Fair in p.m. We washed and ironed. I baked cake. Got things ready for supper. We went to Miller Park took our supper. Ida along. Allen to band practice. We moved fruit into new basement. Oscars here a while in p.m. She brought some beans.

Friday, June 25, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Showered little in eve. We canned 11 pints peas. I baked cake and cookies in p.m. I took Evelyn and boys to band concert in Normal. NCHS band played. I took Ida and Mrs. Mishler along. Ida came along home. Men doing odd jobs on home. Had new potatoes for dinner. Marvin and Frances came at 9:40 p.m. Ida and Marvins to town. Stayed all night at Mrs. Mishler's.

Saturday, June 26, 1948. Fair in morn. Humid, rained in p.m. Electricity rather bad. Allen and I to town at 10:00. He went to dentist. I got permanent at 11:00. Marvins, Ida,

Edna and Evelyn to town in morn. Francis and Edna got new dresses. I had work done on car in p.m., new wires etc. Marvins, Edna and Evelyn went to hospital to see Billy, then came on home. Ida came home with us. Dressed three friers in evening. Iced cake and made salad. Marvin's and Ida to Mrs. Mishler's to sleep.

Sunday, June 27, 1948. Cloudy in morn, rained some, fair in p.m. We all went to Starved Rock. Mrs. J. and Mother and Edd's went along. Had a fine time. I took fried chicken. Mother and Mrs. J. here for lunch. Edgars here awhile in evening. Marvin and Francis here for lunch. They went to Mothers all night.

Monday, June 28, 1948. Mostly cloudy in morn. Fair, sprinkled little in p.m. We washed. Marvins stopped on way to Edd's. We canned peas in p.m. 7 pints. I got things ready for supper. Pete and I to potluck supper for Friendship Circle at church. Had a nice time. Plasterers here.

Tuesday, June 29, 1948. Partly cloudy. Sprinkled little and reigned in night. We ironed and went to town while in p.m. I do, Mother and Mrs. J. along home. We all went to kids for supper. Had nice time. I took peas for supper.

Wednesday, June 30, 1948. Fair, nice day. Picked peas and raspberries. Boys, Evelyn and I pulled some weeds in truck patch. I went to missionary meeting at Pearls in p.m. Edna sowing. Making Pete pajamas. I went to *Carrick* (sp?) meeting in eve. Allen to choir practice. Allen plowed corn in p.m. Pete plowed in evening.

Thursday, July 1, 1948. Fair, quite warm, cooler in eve. Plasterers got done with first coat. Men plowing corn. Finished laying by corn in morning. They plowed beans in p.m. I baked cake and coffee cake and pies. Worked in garden, hoed and planted radishes and endive. Evelyn and Ronnie helped. Ronnie to Bible school in morn. I sure was tired in evening. Went to Marie Yoders to make out menu for 6th District dinner. Allen to band practice.

Friday, July 2, 1948. Fair, cool in morn. Real warm in p.m. We washed. Evelyn picked peas. She and Allen hoed some in truck patch in morning. I picked raspberries. We had enough for supper. Pete to locker meeting in p.m. I went to auxiliary meeting and got material for dress. Went to see Billy a while. He's up some. Ronnie to Bible school and was in the program in evening. Pete to church meeting in evening. Orvies, Paul and I to Billys.

Saturday, July 3, 1948. Fair, hot in p.m. Allen and I to town at 10:00. He got upper braces on his teeth. We ate lunch at Mothers. I dressed three chickens in morn and one in evening. Mother, Marie, and Edgars here for supper. Orvies to Peoria in evening. Left at 6:00. Men working upstairs. Have floor laid.

Sunday, July 4, 1948. Partly cloudy. Sprinkled little. We went to church. Went to Aunt Martha's for dinner. Took chickens and applesauce. Mother, Marie, CRs, and Roy's

there too. Had nice time. We were all at CRs for picnic supper. Took wieners. Orvies came later in evening. We had some fireworks.

Monday, July 5, 1948. Rained nearly all morning and showered some in p.m. we washed. Dried some in garage. Towels dried some outside. Edd's came at 4:00. Harvey H., Keith and Le Roy here a while in p.m. Pete and Edd to town, got Ida at 4:30. We made ice cream, went to Miller Park, ate supper. Pete to church board meeting in evening and Edds to see Billy. Rest of us stayed at Park for fireworks.

Tuesday, July 6, 1948. Hot and humid. Looked rainy in p.m. Cooler in evening, was 100 degrees in garage in p.m. Ida washed out some things. We done ironing. Made pies for dinner, canned 5 quarts apple sauce. Pick peas and raspberries. Ida, Edna, Evelyn and I to town at 3:30. They got some dress material. We took Ida home in evening and transplanted some flowers in evening. Henry here working upstairs. Orvie putting closet in.

Wednesday, July 7, 1948. Fair, not quite so hot. Edna cut out pink *butcher* (sp?) linen dress for me. Evelyn and I picked beans. Canned 4 quarts. Got things ready for dinner. Served a while in p.m. We want to choir practice in evening. Orvies to Billy's. Picked up apples. Dressed 2 chickens in evening for Goodwill Circle to serve 6th District.

Thursday, July 8, 1948. Fair, warm. Plumbers here working. Pete to town in morning. Canned 10 quarts apple sauce. Baked cookies and got dinner. Edna served in p.m. I went to town at 4:00, helped Goodwill Circle serve Sixth District at nurses home. Laura, May, and Lucy C. along. Ida helped too. We came home at 9:00. Went to CRs to community club. Saw the soil conservation picture that Pete and we were all in. Allen to band practice in evening.

Friday, July 9, 1948. Fair, hot. We washed, had big one. I ironed some. Washed my hair, Evelyn put it up for me. We canned 3 quarts beans and picked raspberries. Pete sanding floors upstairs. Henry and Orvie finished boys' desk and we all went to NCHS band concert in Normal. Picked up apples at Billy's and went to Gurtner's a while. Ronnie to Lawrence Mohr's with CRs for supper and to fish.

Saturday, July 10, 1948. Thayer, hot. Rained at four and in evening. We canned 10 quarts apple sauce. I baked cake and putting. Edna and Evelyn finished their ironing. I cleaned up house and Edna finished my dress. She, Evelyn and I to town at 3:00. Had Orvie's car greased. All at Mothers all night. Plasterers here working. Plumbers got water heater in, so have hot water in basement and shower.

Sunday, July 11, 1948. Fair, hot and humid. Billy went home from hospital. We went to church. Boys and I to Garfield School Club picnic at Hadden's. Pete at Merle's for dinner. He went to annual church meeting. His term as chairman of the board expires. He was put in for Secretary. I took Mother and Mrs. J. to town and got Pete. We took boys to church in evening, got Ida and picked up apples at Billy's. Orvies went to Flanagan to reunion.

Monday, July 12 1948. Fair, hot and humid. Looked rainy in p.m. Allen mowed alfalfa hay. We washed, ironed some. Edna cut out dress. We canned 9 quarts apple sauce and 3 quarts beans. I varnished boys' desk upstairs. Boys to 4-H. ballgame in evening. Ida and I took Pete to locker supper at Shirley. He came back to town with Scheets. Ida her hair fixed at Dorothy's. She pinned mine up too. I waited at Mrs. Mishler's for Pete.

Tuesday, July 13, 1948. Partly cloudy, hot and humid in morning. Cooler in p.m. and evening. I canned 7 quarts beats 5 1/2 quarts apricots. We finish the ironing. Work in garden while in evening. We had chickens called. Pete raked hay and they bailed in p.m. Got done. Pete, Orvie and Allen to Men's Fellowship at Phils. Rest of us went to pick up apples at Billy's. Gave Mother some of apples.

Wednesday, July 14, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Showered a little. Real cool. We canned 8 quarts apple sauce. Made apple crisp for dinner. Pete and I to service for Alfred Giermann Jr. whose body was sent back from Germany. Evelyn, Allen and Ronnie to see Freedom Train. We picked out light fixtures and got paint and paper for upstairs. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Addie Helmuth and Robert and his family here in evening. *Fishers* (sp?) finished plastering house.

Thursday, July 15, 1948. Partly cloudy. Rained some in p.m.. Hot and humid. We canned 5 1/2 quarts apricots, 3 quarts beans and 10 quarts dewberries. Dressed chicken and baked brownies. Edna sewed some. Pete took car to town had new Fender put on. I went after him in Orvie's car. Tell them along. We bought dewberries and went to lumber yard. We went to Goodwill Circle picnic in evening. Had it at church on account of rain. Orvie's and I do there to. Got car. Allen to band practice, Ronnie to 4-H with CR.

Friday, July 16, 1948. Fair, quite warm and humid. We washed had big one. Done ironing in p.m.. Canned 3 1/2 quarts apricots. Edna finished making address for Evelyn. Boys plowed truck patch in p.m. Pete to see Ed Miller in evening. Orvie, Evelyn and Paul to pick up apples at Billy's. I washed in new basement for first time, is fine.

Saturday, July 17, 1948. Partly cloudy, warm. Can 6 quarts apple sauce. Done scrubbing, worked upstairs a while after dinner. Edna, Evelyn, Allen, Paul and I to town at 4:45, got boys shoes. We all went to the Edgars for supper. I do there to. Had good [unreadable] boys to park a while. Orvie's and Ida left at 9:15 for Edds.

Sunday, July 18, 1948. Fair, warm. Boys to Catholic church services at 8:30. Reverend Metzger with them. We went to church. Boys to play ball in p.m. at Glen Raders. Edds and Orvie's and Ida to Sheffield Illinois to Kropf cousins. Mr. Hoovers here a while in p.m.. We took boys to church in evening and went to hospital to see Ruth Otto. She's recovering from auto accident.

Monday, July 19, 1948. Fair, warm, cloudy in p.m. Washed clothes dried slow. Edna ironed some. Evelyn and I painted some wood work upstairs. Boys worked on combine.

Pete started combining at Roy's in evening. Boys to Miller's at Colfax in evening played ball. Orvies to show "Green Grass of Wyoming." Reverend Metzgers here in evening. Cecil Raber here working on light fixtures.

Tuesday, July 20, 1948. Cloudy in Moran and Dana. Fair in p.m. Rained in night. Edna finished ironing. I baked cookies and pudding for dinner. We painted in p.m. put finish coat on boys room. Pete combining at Roy's in p.m.. Allen scooping oats at Roy's. Pete had locker meeting in evening. Boys, Allen and I to Billy's picked up apples. Ida went along. Rufus Ropp, Mother and Mrs. J. here a while.

Wednesday, July 21, 1948. Fair, hot and humid. Pete, Ronnie, Paul and I to town in morning. Got lumber for doors etc. I got gift for Marie. Mother and Mrs. J. along uptown and came along home. MIDI and Addie Helmuth here awhile about noon. We painted woodwork in p.m. Went to choir practice in evening, took Mother home. Ronnie along mowed part of her lawn. Rained in night. I baked pies in morning.

Thursday, July 22, 1948. Rained early in Moran and in evening. Fair during day. We papered part of boys room. Boys and Evelyn finished painting wood work in west room upstairs. Pete selling locker stock. I took Allen to band practice in evening. Ronnie along, mowed Mother's lawn. Evelyn and I and Ida to nurse's ice cream social at GM church.

Friday, July 23, 1948. Mostly cloudy, real cool. Clear in p.m. I washed, had big one. Edna papered in boys room. Evelyn ironed in p.m. I baked cake and cookies. Got things ready for supper. I went with Clara B. and Pearl to nurses picnic at Congerville. Pete and boys to band concert at Normal. Allen played in band. Ida went with them. Mother to Chicago to Marie's in p.m. Went with Rufus Ropp.

Saturday, July 24, 1948. Fair, fine day. Done Saturday work. Dressed chicken for Billy's. Boys, Evelyn and I to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist. Ronnie mowed Billy's two lawns. Edna finished papering boys room. Ronnie and I pulled weeds in truck patch and got apricots. Canned 4 quarts apricots. Pete cut our oats in p.m. Boys to Washington with Reverend Metzger in evening to program for Dr. Schwartz.

Sunday, July 25, 1948. Fair in morn. Rained hard in evening, had over 1 inch. We went to church, Orvies along. We all went to John Miller's for dinner. Boys going to ballgame. Edds at Jones to. They stopped few minutes on way home. Hilda Helmuth and husband here in evening to see Orvies. Pete, Paul and I to town at 7:30 met Mother at train. Ida here all night she was at Lois [sp?] too got off at noon.

Monday, July 26, 1948. Cloudy and misted in morning. Cleared off at 10:30. I started to wash at 11:00. We papered over half of west room upstairs. Ida ironed some. Edgars here for supper, had ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair. Walter Yoder's here in evening a while, then Robert Rengel's came. We ate supper late. Boys to 4-H meeting. Allen to meeting at Farm Bureau first. Edgars took Ida home.

Tuesday, July 27, 1948. Partly cloudy, quite warm. Edna papered some upstairs. Evelyn and I ironed. Dressed 2 chickens. Edna, Evelyn and I to town in p.m. left our car at Billy's and I drove their car home and brought Billy's out for supper. Billy feels pretty good. Pete combining at Roy's but too wet so combined at CRs. Harold's and Lily here in evening. I took Billy's home and got our car.

Wednesday, July 28, 1948. Fair, nice day. Edna finished papering upstairs. I baked cookies and apple crisp. I went to missionary meeting awhile at Marie Kaufman's. Pearl, Mother, Mabel and I and Minnie went to see Aunt Martha but she wasn't home but we enjoyed the ride. Stopped at Pearls saw her kitchen. Then they came here to see house. They finished combining CRs and Roy's oats and started on ours.

Thursday, July 29, 1948. Partly cloudy, hot and humid. We went to town at 9:30. Shopped a while, dollar day. Mother, Mrs. J., and we took our lunch went to park and ate. Mabel and Ray there too. Went to REA celebration, heard Governor Green. Mabel and Ray home with us. Boys got done combining our oats made [blank] bushels per acre. Boys had ballgame. Or they took them. Pete, Evelyn and Paul went later. I went to alumni meeting. Edna home.

Friday, July 30, 1948. Fair, cooler, nice day. We watched had big one. Done ironing. Canned 4 quarts beans and I worked in garden. Ronnie and Evelyn helped a while. Pete plowed it. Boys combined Oscars oats got done at 430. Allen helped Roy baled straw in p.m.. Orvie and Henry putting in kitchen cabinets.

Saturday, July 31, 1948. Fair, cool, nice day. Pete, Ronnie, Paul and I, Edna and Evelyn to town in morning. Boys had haircuts. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. Paul stayed at Mother's rest of day and all night. We came home at noon. Pete and Allen and Ronnie bailed straw at Roy's in p.m. I picked pickles and we done cleaning. Earls, Phils and we went to Streator at 5:00 had nice time [unintelligible word]. Orvies to Flanagan in evening.

Sunday, August 1, 1948. Fair, nice day. We went to church. I taught Sunday School class in basement. We came home for dinner. Boys getting things ready for 4-H fair. Pete, Paul and I went to town at 5:00, got Ida. We went to Carlock in evening to see Louis Hoffman. Orvies came home in evening. Ida here all night.

Monday, August 2, 1948. Fair, fine day. We washed, done most of ironing. Baked cookies. Ida baked pies, Edna and I painted floor in boys room first coat. Picked pickles. Boys finished bailing Roy's straw and most of CRs. Orvie, Edna, Evelyn, Ida and I to town in evening. Went to show at Phil-Kron. Saw "Breakfast in Hollywood." Took Ida home.

Tuesday, August 3, 1948. Mostly cloudy, real cool. We finished ironing. I canned 7 quarts beets. We painted floor another coat. Boys finished bailing CRs straw and bailed all CRs. Paul at Mothers. She took he and Ray to park in p.m. Evelyn to 4-H style show

with Mabel. Pete and boys to Men's Fellowship. Boys and Reesers on committee. Morris Heisers here in evening. I picked pickles. Rained in night.

Wednesday, August 4, 1948. Partly cloudy, real cool. We scrubbed floors in west room upstairs in morn. Got things ready. Pete, I, Edna and Evelyn to town in p.m. We got aluminum tile for bathroom. Ida here a while in evening. Came with Louella. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie and Paul home with Orvies.

Thursday, August 5, 1948. Fair, cool, fine day. Edna and I varnished floor in west room upstairs and painted stairway. Orvie and Pete puts the tile on bathroom. We helped clean it up. We canned 6 quarts beans. Henry putting on doors. Abe Mitchell here painting house. Ronnie helped put up tents at fair. Allen didn't feel good.

Friday, August 6, 1948. Fair, cool, nice day. Washed and ironed. Were going to paint but had company. Uncle Henry's and Mmother, Walter Prentzler's and George and Merle here in p.m. We went to band concert in normal in evening. Allen played. Mother and Mrs. J. and Evelyn along. Ronnie went on 4-H club tour. Paul home with Mother in p.m. and stayed all night.

Saturday, August 7, 1948. Partly cloudy. Looked rather rainy. I dressed two chickens and bake cake. Boys and I to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. Paul came along home. I got things ready for supper in p.m. Edna varnished some. Evelyn and I to town at 5:00, got Ida. Mrs. Patton, George and Merle here for supper. Orvies went home with Ida to sleep.

Sunday, August 8, 1948. Mostly cloudy, warmer. We went to church. Orvies here for dinner. They and Ida went to Edds after Ida got off work. Boys and I to Mrs. Kemp after church, got song for Ronnie. Boys getting things ready for fair in p.m. Minnie here a while in p.m. Roys Bates [sic] here to see house. Merle, George and Mrs. Patton here a while in evening, brought letter that I had gotten from Germany, had it translated.

Monday, August 9, 1948. Fair, warmer. Washed and we done ironing. Finished after supper. I varnished boys' desk upstairs and finished varnishing the west room. Pete helped boys take cows and hogs to fair. Allen stayed all night. Ronnie came home with CRs. Men laying floors in the house. Glen Mohr laid kitchen and bathroom floors. Paul at Mothers stayed all night. Mrs. J. gone.

Tuesday, August 10, 1948. Fair, hot. They had shower in town in p.m. We canned 45 pints corn. Edna painted some in stairway. Pete helping Orvie late floors. Billy's here in p.m. he drove car. Boys at fair. Ronnie stayed all night. Also Allen. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, August 11, 1948. Mostly cloudy, hot. Had shower in town in p.m.. We had 1/2" here. I do, Edna, Evelyn, mother and I to fair in morning. All a long too. We got corn ready to put in locker [blank] Heights. Ronnie showed his hogs got second on his pen of Barrows. I stayed at the cancer exhibit most of day. Boys laying floor. We went to choir practice in evening. Took Ida home. Ronnie at fair all night.

Thursday, August 12, 1948. Fair, hot. Allen sent Susie to Springfield fair. Evelyn, Paul and I to fair. Allen showed his cow got fifth on Susie and he got forth on Corny in Milking Derby. Pete went after stock at 3:30. Edna with him. She worked at cookhouse in my place. Evelyn and I home got supper and pickled pickles. Canned 3 quarts bread and butter pickles in morning. All of us except Pete and Paul went to fair in evening big crowd. Pete had headache. Boys home.

Friday, August 13, 1948. Fair, hot and humid. Much cooler in evening. Washed had a big one. Ironed some. Canned 4 quarts dill pickles. Pete and Orvie finished laying floors. Henry got done working here. Billys here in p.m. awhile. I dressed two chickens. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Boys cutting hedge and weeds. Canned 5 quarts beans. George and Merle here got corn. Pete had locker meeting. Marie home.

Saturday, August 14, 1948. Fair, cool. We finished ironing. Canned 14 quarts corn and fixed 3 quarts bread and butter pickles. Baked cookies and coffee cake. Done Saturday work. Orvie laid blocks for front porch and fixed partition in basement. Pete and boys dug potatoes got around 18 bushels or over. Also dug onions. Evelyn sick at her stomach. We went to town in evening, done shopping and went to Mothers. We made ice cream. Marie there, [also] CRs and Edgars and Uncle Chas.

Sunday, August 15, 1948. Fair, quite warm. We went to church. Evelyn not much better. Orvies to Edds for dinner. Evelyn here with us. Mother and Marie to Mrs. Otto's for dinner. They stopped here in p.m. Pearl, Mrs. Otto, Clara, Lucille and children, Mother and Marie. Pete, Allen and I to Carlock in evening to choir rehearsal with Professor Lantz. Ronnie and Paul at CRs awhile.

Monday, August 16, 1948. Fair, nice day. Edds, Orvie, Allen, Ronnie and I to State Fair. Left before 8:00. We enjoyed the day, got back at 10:00. Allen stayed at the fair. Pete cut weeds in orchard and cleaned up old lumber. Paul home with him. Evelyn about same.

Tuesday, August 17, 1948. Fair, warmer, showered some in evening, looked rainy. I washed. Ida ironed most of my things. She had her day off. Pickled pickles, made some dills. I finished painting the stair steps. We all went to Merle and George's for supper. Had nice time.

Wednesday, August 18, 1948. Fair, warm. Edna finished ironing. I canned some pickles and worked in bathroom cleaning off tile and finished little painting upstairs. Pete and Orvie poured concrete for south porch. Pete helped bale hay at Roy's. We went to choir practice. Mrs. Mailer and Roberta here in p.m.

Thursday, August 19, 1948. Fair. Orvies left for Ohio at 8:30. I baked cookies and canned 6 quarts beans and pickled pickles and made some dills. I painted some of

cupboards in kitchen. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Ronnie, Paul and I to park to concert. Phylis Ann sang. Pete bailing at Roy's.

Friday, August 20, 1948. Fair. Warm. Pete painting in kitchen. I painted awhile in morning. Irene Hopkins came at 12:30 and stayed until 3:00. I painted awhile after she left. Billy's here awhile. Allen got home from Springfield at 6:15. Harold and Helen took him to Danvers. We met them there and he changed clothes. The choir sang a number. Conference started in morning.

Saturday, August 21, 1948. Fair, hot. Rather windy. I washed. Allen and I picked lima beans. We went to town at 10:30. Allen to dentist. Ida helped me fix beans for locker, had 2 quarts. Paul stayed at Mothers. I ironed in p.m. and picked pickles and fixed them for bread-and-butter pickles. Pete and Ronnie bailed at Roy's in a.m. They took tractor to town in p.m. We went to conference at Danvers in evening. Paul at Mothers in p.m. and all night.

Sunday, August 22, 1948. Fair, hot. We went to conference in morning. Combined choirs sang. We took our lunch at noon. Edds there in p.m. Ida and Louella M. ate lunch with us. We came home at 4:00. Edds, Ida and Louella came later for lunch. We went to conference in evening. The choir sang again. Dr. J. E. Hartzler preached the closing sermon. Beachys here. Paul home, went with us in evening. Ida here all night.

Monday, August 23, 1948. Fair, hot but more breeze. We washed and canned 8 quarts sweet pickles and made syrup for another batch of pickles. Took Ida to town at 1:15. She went to work. I done ironing in p.m. and dressed chicken. We went to Friendship Circle in evening at church. Boys to church skating party. Pete and boys bailing at Clarences. Pete didn't help all the time he painted.

Tuesday, August 24, 1948. Fair, hot. Cleaned up garage and got things ready for dinner. Alvin Beachys and Brenda here for dinner. We enjoyed having them. Boys helping CR bail. Gordon gone. They got done in p.m. I picked cucumbers and tomatoes in evening. I went to nurses home in evening for get-together for Miss Unrau. Miss Graber there too. Had nice time. Orvies at Edds, back from Ohio at 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 25, 1948. Fair, hot, partly cloudy. We went to town at 9:00. Pete and Paul brought tractor home. Had some work done on it. Boys registered for school and got their books. Orvies to town in morning. They were here in p.m. I brought sanders home and Pete started sanding floors. Edna and I put finish on bedroom. Allen mowed hay. We & [unintelligible] went to ice cream supper. Earl Todd gave it.

Thursday, August 26, 1948 partly cloudy, hot. I worked on floors. Pete finished sanding at 2:00. He helped me finish the floors. Was big job. Evelyn helped little. Orvie and Edna went to Dr., he's about sick. He went to Deneen. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Ida and I to Dorothy's had our hair fixed. Marvin Y. and Dave got to Edds at 4:30. Canned 8 quarts sweet pickles. Put 3 quarts lima beans in locker.

Friday, August 27, 1948. Hot, it showered little in town. Orvie to clinic at 8:30. Edna along. I washed had big one. Marvin's came at 10:00. Pete and boys bailed hay in p.m. Rest of us went to town. Marvin had his car greased. We all went to Miller Park for supper. Edds came over, they brought ice cream. Edna left at 9:10 for KC. Marvin's here all night. Ida here too. We stopped at alumni ice cream social on way home. I made sauce for them.

Saturday, August 28, 1948. Fair, hot. Marvins and Ida and Evelyn left at 5:10 for Missouri. I got breakfast for them. I ironed in morning. Had Orvie's clothes too. Cleaned up garage and dressed chicken and went to town about 5:00. Got groceries. Pete and boys helped Orvie make steps to porch and they sanded wood work. Boys moved their bed upstairs in evening. Billy's here in evening. Got chicken.

Sunday, August 29, 1948. Fair, hot. No breeze. We went to church and to Belvidere reunion at Miller Park. Boys had ballgame in p.m. Pete on table committee. He took chairs and table out. We took them to school in evening. Karl Kloozs got to Billy's at 5:30. Orvie went to Edds in morning. We had rain in night and blew. Much cooler.

Monday, August 30, 1948. Fair, much cooler, fine day. I washed and ironed some. Uncle Henry here. Finishing the woodwork. Karls and Billys came at 4:30 here awhile. I went to Marie Heiser's in evening to committee meeting. Pete to locker meeting. Boys to 4-H skating party. Jane Klooz went with them.

Tuesday, August 31, 1948. Fair, cool. I baked cookies and pudding. Made syrup for sweet pickles and finished the ironing. Uncle Henry here for dinner. Orvie to Dr. in morn. He's better. Carls and Jane here in evening. I made freezer of cream. Pete sanding and puttying. Boys hauled out lumber etc.

Wednesday, September 1, 1948. Mostly cloudy, real windy awhile in p.m. I canned 12 quarts tomatoes in morning. Went to truck patch, picked some tomatoes. I painted awhile in p.m. Dressed chicken and fixed pickles. Uncle Henry here for dinner. Orvie putting partition in fruit seller. Boys to school until noon. Ronnie going to Normal Central. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, September 2, 1948. Partly cloudy, warmer. Mother, Mrs. Johnson and Aunt Anna came out with Uncle Henry. Were here for dinner and supper. We canned 8 pints lima beans and 3 quarts mixed pickles. I painted in p.m. The ladies washed some windows upstairs & in bedroom. Orvie to Dr. Boys to school. Pete painting.

Friday, September 3, 1948. I washed bedding, blankets etc. Canned 8 quarts sweet pickles and 14 quarts tomatoes in p.m. and ironed. Uncle Henry finished varnishing wood work. Pete finished kitchen wood work. Orvie finished partition in the fruit room. We worked in house after supper. Dressed chicken in evening.

Saturday, September 4, 1948. Fair, warm. Pete and Allen to town at 10:30. Allen to dentist. Boys and I went to town at 12:00 with Orvie. We all went to Ropp reunion. We

got our new GE electric stove in morning. Orvie made shelf in kitchen beside stove. He went to Edds in evening. Mina Ropp and Clara Schad, Mother and CRs here awhile in evening.

Sunday, September 5, 1948. Cloudy, rained in evening. Went to church. I ate lunch at Mothers. Boys home. They worked some in house, floors etc. I helped Goodwill Circle served at Mary Nafziger reception at the Christian Church. Paul at Mothers. I went there after we were through. Marie came home in p.m. Boys, CRs, Mother and we all went to Forest Park for supper. Orvie to Billy's in evening. He's starting work on their house.

Monday, September 6, 1948. Cloudy, misted some in morn. Fair in evening. We moved into the new house. CR helped in morning. Ed and Nettie came at 11:30 glad for their help. We got things fairly well straightened up but lots to do yet. But it's so nice to be in new house. Marvin's, Ida and Uncle Ludwig's got here from Missouri at 5:15 p.m. They were here for supper and all night. Boys to 4-H picnic supper at Buths.

Tuesday, September 7, 1948. Fair, warmer. We washed done Mary's washing too. She helped me. Ida and Aunt Lizzie canned 17 quarts tomatoes. We went to town awhile in p.m. Stopped at Mothers and went to Billy's. Karls were there had just come from Michigan. Marvin's, Uncle Ludwig's, Ida and Orvie and Karl's went to Edds for supper. We went to CRs for supper. Uncle Chas family there. Jane Klooz went with us to CRs. Uncle Ludwigs and Marvins stayed at Edds all night. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, September 8, 1948. Cloudy, cold, rained in morning and again in p.m. We washed windows on outside and inside. Had paint to take off outside sure a job. Didn't get done as it rained. We done ironing in p.m. Pete painted some in bathroom. Glenn Maxwells here awhile in evening. We went to choir practice in evening. Took Ida back to town. Marvins and Uncle Ludwigs left for Ohio in morning. Billys and Orvie here in evening got laths.

Thursday, September 9, 1948. Fair, real cool. I went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Dammons with Mabel. Pete and Paul went to town in p.m. I went with them. We got paper for bedrooms and got a breakfast table and chairs. Ida along home. We went to community club wiener roast at J. Hastings. I went to cancer meeting after supper. Ida along back to town. I'm off executive board of cancer society.

Friday, September 10, 1948. Fair, cool. Went to town got Mother. We made 22 glasses grape jelly and canned 14 quarts tomatoes. Ate supper early. Mother & boys to football game at 6:00 with CRs. Pete, Paul, Ida and I went later to second game. I dressed chicken in evening. Pete ground feed and put manure loader on tractor.

Saturday, September 11, 1948. Fair, warmer. I canned 8 quarts peaches and 2 pints preserves and cleaned up kitchen. Ronnie helped with cleaning etc. I went to town at 4:15. Mother, Marie and Ida came along home were here for supper. Pete and Allen filled in part of old basement. Pete took folks back to town in evening.

Sunday, September 12, 1948. Fair, warmer. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Put my dinner in oven used timer for first time. Like it fine. Orvie here for dinner and lunch. Edds to Owen Kenagy's. Julius, Cecelia, and Alvina Ropp and Lawrence Mishlers here in p.m. Ida came at 5:30 with Louella. She and I took boys to church. They went to Consistory to hear Roy L. Smith. We went to depot to see Marie. She left for Chicago.

Monday, September 13, 1948. Fair, nice day. Washed. Had big one. Canned 3 quarts peaches and 2 pints preserves in p.m. Ironed little. Pete to town got Ida at 5:00. Dorothy here for supper she fixed our hair. Edgar brought her out. Pete took her home. Pete cleaning up in yard. Ida here all night.

Tuesday, September 14, 1948. Fair, nice day. Mother and Mrs. J. here and Ida. We unpacked and washed all my good dishes and put them away. We canned 13 quarts tomatoes and Ida done the ironing. I cleaned several windows. I took Mother and Mrs. J. home at 5:30. Met the Illinois Central train, Uncle Ludwig came from Ohio. Orvie here for supper too. Pete cleaning up in yard.

Wednesday, September 15, 1948. Quite warm. I cleaned rest of windows downstairs in morning. Aunt Lizzie and I went with Pearl to club meeting at Elsie Millers. Maxine Alwes our new chairman. We all went to church in evening. A Mennonite minister Dr. *Cattepoel* (sp?) from Germany spoke. We had choir practice after church. Uncle Henry here in p.m. helped Pete fit storm sash and screens.

Thursday, September 16, 1948. Partly cloudy, quite warm. We canned 9 quarts peaches in morning. Pete and Henry finished screens. Uncle Ludwig's, Pete, Paul and I to Edds for dinner. Had nice time and good dinner.

Friday, September 17, 1948. Hot in p.m. We canned 22 quarts tomatoes and juice. I washed and dressed chicken and made pumpkin pies. Aunt Lizzie and I to town at 4:30. Ida came home with us. Orvie here for supper. Pete and Uncle Ludwig worked filling up old basement. Have it filled up pretty well. We all went to football game in evening. Allen played.

Saturday, September 18, 1948. Fair, hot and windy. I baked cake. We ate dinner at 10:45. Pete took Uncle Ludwigs to train they left for St. Louis at 11:40. I canned 5 quarts speeches and 2 pints preserves in p.m. and cleaned up house and made potato salad. We went to fish fry at Fell Park (Locker Board). We went to Tomato Festival at Normal awhile afterwards.

Monday, September 20, 1948. Fair, hot, rained in evening. Thundered and lightnined. Had good rain in night. I washed. Canned 3 quarts peaches and made 6 pints peach marmalade in p.m. Done all the ironing in evening except flat pieces. Pete moving some dirt etc.

Tuesday, September 21, 1948. Mostly cloudy, rather warm. I went to Miss Van Douglas at Shirley. Made 2 aluminum trays. Mabel and Mrs. Anderson went with me. Paul at Mothers. I went to Goodwill Circle and evening at Bernadine Forbes. Went with Lois. Pete to locker meeting. Allen to high school band practice for stunt night. He came home with Lois and I. Pete cleaned out henhouse.

Wednesday, September 22, 1948. Fair, cooler. I made 8 pints grape marmalade in morning. Dressed chicken in p.m. and canned 24 quarts tomato juice and got things ready for supper. Pete and I to high school PTA supper. Allen to band practice. We all went to choir practice. Ronnie and Paul home alone. Having little pigs. Pete worked cleaning up around house.

Thursday, September 23, 1948. Fair, real chilly. Mother and Mrs. J. here we made 9 pts chili sauce and nine bottles catsup and put canned fruit and vegetables on fruit shelves in basement. Sure glad to get it straightened up. Pete cleaning out hen houses. He went to Culp supper at Farm Bureau. Ronnie, Allen and I to stunt night at high school. Band won first prize. Ida along home.

Friday, September 24, 1948. Fair, cool. Men here started the furnace. Sure is nice. We washed and cleaned up house and waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Made pies. Ida ironed some after supper. She and I and Paul to community high school parade awhile in p.m. CR along. Pete cleaning hen houses. We went to homecoming football game. Normal won. Paul at Mothers. Ida to shower for Miss *Kingdon* (sp?)

Saturday, September 25, 1948. Fair, cool. I baked cake. We went to town at 10:30. Allen to dentist. I took Mother to Dr. Boys got haircuts. Ate lunch at Mothers. Ronnie and Paul to church in p.m. practiced for promotion. Mother and I to Farm Bureau, heard lady from Holland. Allen to homecoming dance with Don Smith. I made coffee cake in evening. Orvie here all night. Pete and I to Minnie's got rest of clothes. I put new ribbon on my hat.

Sunday, September 26, 1948. Fair, cool, lovely day. We went to church had promotion. Ronnie and Paul promoted. Choir practiced after church for Music Festival. We were home for dinner. Orvie, Pete and I went with Edgars to Minier awhile in p.m. Edgars came here for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair in evening. Ida to El Paso in evening. To miss Kingdon's wedding.

Monday, September 27, 1948. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed. Pete painting storm windows. We went to Music Festival at Wesleyan Stadium. Our choir sang. Got along pretty good. Was cold. Ronnie and Paul at home. Allen sang with choir. Ida came along home.

Tuesday, September 28, 1948. Partly cloudy. Real windy from northeast. Clarence and Mabel helped paper two bedrooms started at 8:00 got done at 5:15. Ida here too. We got both rooms straightened up. George, Merle, Mrs. Patton and Orvie here for wiener roast, had it in basement. Used fireplace works fine. Rained in night.

Wednesday, September 29, 1948. Cloudy, gloomy. Ida here we baked cookies, doughnuts and rolls for supper. I put linens in china cabinet and put towels etc. away. Ida washed her hair and done some of her ironing. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida to Mothers. Dorothy fixed her hair. She went to Mrs. Mishler's in evening.

Thursday, September 30, 1948. Partly cloudy, cool. I dressed chicken, cooked squash and made two pies. Made six bottles catsup and cleaned some windows on outside. Got things ready for supper. We all went to alumni family night. I was on committee. Allen and three boys played in brass quartet. Mr. Noble told about circus.

Friday, October 1, 1948. Fair, fine day, cool. I washed in morning and stretched some curtains. Went to auxiliary meeting in p.m. Done ironing in evening. Allen to Pontiac in evening with ball team. Pete painted some. Mrs. Mishler, Louella, Marie and Ida here in evening. Got grapes and tomatoes.

Saturday, October 2, 1948. Fair, cool. Cleaned up whole house. Ronnie, Paul and I to town in p.m. Ronnie to ISNU football game. Central School children went free. Pete and Allen helping CR bale hay at Mohrs. They got squash in in morning and fixed some fence. Dan Yoders from West liberty were here at 5:00. Mrs. and Dr. Yoder brought them. Was glad to have them.

Sunday, October 3, 1948 fair, fine day, quite cool. We went to church had communion. Were home for dinner. Harolds and Lily here awhile in p.m. Brought us pictures of Janet Rae. Ida and Orvie here in evening for lunch. Gordon here too. CRs to Hicksons.

Monday, October 4, 1948. Fair, washed and ironed. Boys started to combine here in p.m. Boys home. No school. Teachers Institute. Pete, Paul and I to CRs to club wiener roast. Went to Friendship Circle at Chester Miller's after supper. Boys to Denzers to 4-H wiener roast and hay rack ride. Allen had date with Janet Daly. Pete to town in morning. I made pie.

Tuesday, October 5, 1948. Partly cloudy, cool. Pete picked peas in morning. CR got some. We dug glad bulbs. Pete started to combine at 11:00. I cleaned baseboard in bathroom and cleaned storm windows. Boys had trouble with canvas. Couldn't get any in town so Pete went to Peoria at 3:00, got a new one. Pete and I to Mr. Culp's supper in evening at Lutheran school. CRs went with us. Boys home.

Wednesday, October 6, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Sprinkled little in p.m. I worked with drawers and put our clothes away. A big job. Pete finished combining our beans in evening. Made between 28 and 30 bushels per acre. Uncle Henrys and Mother here awhile in p.m. Got grapes. We went to choir practice in evening & stopped at H. Barnhart's for Pete to sign checks. Rained in night.

Thursday, October 7, 1948. Cloudy, windy, cold. Rained at intervals. I made 3 quarts mixed pickles and baked cookies and made ice cream. Painted the [unintelligible] round

in west room upstairs. Pete on Farm Bureau Drive with Colter in morning. Got three new members. We went to town at 2:00. Got material for kitchen curtains and looked at drapes. They're awfully high-priced.

Friday, October 8, 1948. Cloudy, chilly. We set up bookcases in west room upstairs. I cleaned up house. Cleaned windows on outside. Pete put up some storm windows. Mr. Lucas here at 4:00, showed us drape samples. We went to town at 6:30. We met Marie at train then went to ballgame at Community High School played U. High. Paul at Mothers. Aunt Mary Hershberger passed away.

Saturday, October 9, 1948. Fair, clouded up in p.m. I baked angel food cake and dressed chicken. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Got things ready for dinner. Aunt Amanda here got grapes and tomatoes. Pete and boys shucked load of corn and went to Hudson bought boar. Pete and Allen plowed in p.m. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. Ronnie started taking piano lessons. Marie along uptown. I got curtains for bathroom and bedroom. Ida here when I got home. She came with Mishlers. Orvie went home on train in evening.

Sunday, October 10, 1948. Cloudy, rather chilly, showered some in evening. We went to church in morning. Took our dinner went to Lake Bloomington. Mother, Marie, Edgars, CRs and Ida went too. Edgar, Mother and Marie stopped here on way to town. Marie home in evening. Edds here while at chore time. We took boys to Reverend Metzger's in evening. We went to Harold and Helen's a while.

Monday, October 11, 1948. Cold, sun shone awhile about noon. I washed clothes dried pretty good but slow. Done ironing in p.m. Pete plowed. He and Ronnie went to Hudson in evening, got boar. Allen plowed until dark. Made salad after supper.

Tuesday, October 12, 1948. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Went to Home Bureau at Danvers. Had district meeting. Pete combining at CRs in p.m. Went to Goodwill Circle in evening at Merle's. Laura and May along. Ida came home with me. Pete finished plowing 13 acres.

Wednesday, October 13, 1948. Fair, fine day. We worked on curtains for my bedroom. Ida done some washing and ironing. Boys finished combining beans at CRs in evening. I baked cookies and made dessert for supper. We went to choir practice in evening. Took Ida home. We went to Mrs. Mishler's after practice. Merle and George helped us pack boxes for German family.

Thursday, October 14, 1948. Fair, fine day. Mabel and I went to Mothers. Cleaned her living room and Mrs. J. bedroom and washed windows on outside. I went to dentist at 11:00, had last lower tooth pulled. It pulled hard. Glad it's out. Pete combined beans at Oscars in p.m. He went to supper at Farm Bureau in evening. Boys had hayrack party there. They came back here. I had cocoa. They had cookies too.

Friday, October 15, 1948. Fair, nice day. Warmer, quite windy. We dressed 19 chickens in morn. 17 for Nierstheimer. Pete and Paul to town in p.m. Ida came out with them. Pete took her home. Done part of cleaning and worked on bedroom curtains. We finished them. Pete run combine over noon. CR finished at Oscars in p.m.

Saturday, October 16, 1948. Cloudy, rained at intervals in p.m. and again in evening. Much colder in evening. I went to Lantz sale with Pearl at 8:00. I fried chicken. We came home at 1:40. Pete and boys to town in morning. Allen took corn to corn show and went to dentist. They came home at 2:00. Ronnie stayed in took lesson. I went to Dorothy's had hair fixed. Met Ida & Ronnie. Got material for rocking chair. We went to football game in evening, such a night. Rained and cold. Paul and I inside for most of game. Band didn't play. CRs came home with us.

Sunday, October 17, 1948. Fair, cold 32°. Orvie came back with Schroeder. We went to church. Home for dinner, were rather late. Pete had board meeting. Gordon here for dinner. CRs to Jake Bastings. Boys to Gillis in p.m. played football. Fred Woizeskis, Mother, Uncle Chas, Billy and Martha and Carl Woizeski and wife here in p.m. awhile. They were at Mothers for dinner. Phils here awhile at 6:30. Boys practiced singing. CRs here too. We took boys to Reverend Metzger's in evening. We went to Walter Yoders for committee meeting. Ida here at 4:30 with Mishler's. We took her home.

Monday, October 18, 1948. Fair, cold 22°. Warmed up some. I washed. We went to town at 1:00 to Mrs. *Chrisman's* (sp?) funeral. Done some shopping. Ida along home. Merle, George and Mrs. Patton here for supper. Merle started to cover the wicker rocker for me. Had waffles and sausage for supper. Allen to Colfax with Gordon. They had dates. Allen went with Dorothy Miller.

Tuesday, October 19, 1948. Fair, quite chilly. Ida here we done the ironing. I made kitchen curtains and put them up. Also pressed my bedroom curtains and put them up. Merle and George and Mrs. Patton here for supper. Merle worked on chair. Pete worked in henhouse in morning. Combined beans in truck patch. He went to locker meeting in evening. Orvie here in evening. He's sick with gallbladder. I dressed chicken.

Wednesday, October 20, 1948. Fair, chilly. I fixed chicken for club meeting. Went with Pearl to Forest Park to club meeting. Losing side entertained winners. I didn't miss a meeting but was on the losing side. Was cold at Park. Pete worked around home. Went to town with Roy in p.m. see new bailer. No choir practice.

Thursday, October 21, 1948. Cloudy. Showered some, gloomy. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We canned 32 quarts pears, 5 quarts sweet pickles, and 6 pints marmalade. We cleaned silverware. Merle and George here in evening. Merle and I worked on chair. Ida here awhile and helped. She came out with Mishler's. Louella took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Merle and I worked until 12:30.

Friday, October 22, 1948. Fair and cool. I washed and ironed. Done cleaning. Pete and boys sanded and painted partition of fruit cellar. I worked on chair. Finished it. Done cleaning. Pete shucking at Roy's. Herman *Gerling* (sp?) passed away.

Saturday, October 23, 1948. Fair, cool. Boys and I to town at 8:00. Allen marched with band in Normal homecoming parade. He and Paul at Mothers for dinner. Allen went to game in p.m. Ronnie took his lesson. Pete shucking at Roy's. We cleaned up basement in evening and hung drapes upstairs. Pete put linoleum on basement stairs and I worked until 12:00 then I couldn't sleep had sore thumb kept me awake. Orvie here all night.

Sunday, October 24, 1948. Fair, nice day. Pete and I took boys to church. Then we went to hospital had my thumb lanced by Dr. W. Ball. Sure did hurt me. Orvie here all day. He didn't feel good. We were home. Hoover's and Walter Yoder's here in p.m. helped decorate basement. Edds here awhile, they went to Billy's for lunch. We took boys to Reverend Metzgers in evening. We went to Herman Gerling's. Ida along home.

Monday, October 25, 1948. Fair, nice in p.m. Real foggy in morning. We washed and ironed. Cleaned up house. Clothes dried slow. Pete shucked corn in morning and went to Herman Gerling funeral in p.m. Friendship Circle here in evening had a hard time party. We sure laughed. Took them on tour outside. Served pumpkin pie, whipped cream, doughnuts and cider. Were about 45 here. Paul to Mothers in p.m. stayed all night.

Tuesday, October 26, 1948. Fair, nice day. Pete and I left at 5:00 for Chicago. Went on bus got to hotel at 9:30. Met Barnharts at Sherman Hotel. Just got there and met Marvin and Frances. Sure surprised. Large crowd at locker convention. We ladies went on tour of Lakeshore Drive. Ate luncheon at Edgewater Beach Hotel. We all went to Ice Follies in evening they were wonderful. Ate supper with Marie.

Wednesday, October 27, 1948 fair, fine day. We ladies went to Breakfast Club & to Welcome Traveler. Then to Marshall Field for lunch and style show. We left for home at 4:50. Marvins came with us. Boys done chores got along OK. Mother and Mrs. J. stayed here with them. Orvie and Ida came along out awhile. They took Mother and Mrs. J. home.

Thursday, October 28, 1948. Fair, nice day, warmer. I took Marvins to Edds for dinner. Paul along. Pete shucking at CRs. We went to Billy's awhile in evening before supper. Ida came alone out. Orvie here for supper. Pete and I took Marvin's to Streator to train. They left at 11:00. They had tickets on Santa Fe. We enjoyed their visit if it was short.

Friday, October 29, 1948. Fair, warm, fine day. Allen marched in Wesleyan parade. I washed, had big one. I ironed, done cleaning, dressed chicken, baked cake, fixed scalloped potatoes to take to school. Club furnished dinner for Cornhuskers who husk Guy Hilton's corn. His son-in-law had arm taken off in corn picker. I took potatoes and chairs to school at noon. Pete shucking at Roy's. We all went to football game at Bloomington.

Saturday, October 30, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Rained some in p.m. Done Saturday work and waxed kitchen floor. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. he took lesson. Pete shucking at CRs. Allen and Paul home. Ida came along out. Orvie here for supper and all night.

Sunday, October 31, 1948. Fair, warmer. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Ida and Orvie to Edds in morning. Stopped here in evening. Here for lunch. Boys had youth meeting here. They had party, I served cocoa, apples and doughnuts. Were 15 here. Reverend Metzger, Mrs. Diller and Louella Mishler here too.

Monday, November 1, 1948. Real foggy in morning. Fair during day, cloudy in evening. Washed and ironed and cleaned up basement. Pete shucking corn at CRs in morning. Started shucking here in p.m.

Tuesday, November 2, 1948. Mostly cloudy, rainy in evening. Baked cookies, pudding and pie. We went to vote at noon. Mended in p.m. Went after boys at school at 5:00. Ronnie had wiener roast. Allen stayed for basketball practice. Boys shucking corn here. Pete and I to Men's Fellowship meeting, ladies invited. Mrs. Turner gave book review.

Wednesday, November 3, 1948. Cloudy, gloomy, misted all morning. Boys shucking corn here. President Truman reelected president. I cleaned up house, waxed bathroom floor, mended. Pete and I to choir practice in evening. Allen home. Gordon here awhile.

Thursday, November 4, 1948. Mostly cloudy, warm. Washed out some things. Cleaned brick in fireplace with *muritic* (sp?) acid and painted flower pots. Pete finished shucking corn here. Made 75 bushels per acre east of road. Paul and I to town at 4:00, took eggs to store. Got Ida and Ronnie. He had basketball practice. Edgars and Orvies here for supper. Dot fixed my hair.

Friday, November 5, 1948. Cloudy, windy, rained in p.m. Pete started shucking corn at Roy's. Had to quit in p.m. on account of rain. I done cleaning. Went to town in p.m. to auxiliary meeting, had to preside. Paul at Mothers. He stayed all night. Took Mother to get her groceries. Pete painting storm windows in p.m.

Saturday, November 6, 1948. Cloudy, windy, chilly. Cleared off in p.m. Allen and I to town at 9:00. We done some shopping, got him a jacket. He went to dentist. He and Paul at Mothers for dinner. Allen done some work for her in p.m. I was at church. Laura and I helped the girls of Good Will Circle make trays. Got home at 5:30. Baked coffee cake and date pudding after supper. Pete shucked corn at Roy's. Ronnie worked at home.

Sunday, November 7, 1948. Fair, beautiful day, cool. We went to church. Home in p.m. Mother and Mrs. J. came along home. Orvie and Ida here in evening. Ida stayed all night. Orvie spent Saturday night with John Millers.

Monday, November 8, 1948. Partly cloudy, real chilly. We washed and ironed. Aired bedding and baked cookies. Pete shucking at Roy's. Shucked three loads at CRs. I went to committee meeting at M. Nafziger's. Laura along and Ida. Ronnie practiced basketball after school. He stayed at Mothers. Came home with me.

Tuesday, November 9, 1948. Rained all day. Snowed little in p.m. Real chilly. Pete painted storm windows and made potato bin. I made doughnuts, cooked pumpkin, made pie, and canned 3 pints. Baked cake and made fudge for silent auction. Pete to locker meeting in evening. I went to good Will Circle at Marie Yoder's. Janette Colter and children along.

Wednesday, November 10, 1948. Partly cloudy, cold, had a little snow flurry. Paul and I to school at 8:00, took Allen and Gordon in. We went to open house until noon. Visited band, world history and Latin classes. Pete shelled corn at Roy's in morning and shucked three loads of CRs. Shucked at Roy's in p.m. I got things ready for supper. Mended some. Boys to high school play. Allen played in brass quartet. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, November 11, 1948. Fair, little warmer. Pete shucked corn in morn at Roy's. CR run picker in p.m. Pete and boys took out yard fence. Boys home, no school. I went to Home Bureau at Marion Otto's. I went to Sixth District nurses meeting at 6:30 at Rogers Hotel. Went as Miss Stuckey's guest. Allen and Ronnie to Carlock with Reverend Metzger, played basketball on church league.

Friday, November 12, 1948. Cloudy, gloomy, windy. Showered some. Done cleaning in morning. Pete finished shucking corn at Roy's in morning. Shucking at CRs. I baked cookies and mended in p.m. Pete, Ronnie and I to open house at Central School at 7:00. Had PTA too. Allen to party at high school. Paul at Mothers.

Saturday, November 13, 1948. Cloudy, cleared off in p.m. Cold. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town at 10:30. Marie Heiser and I to wholesale house to buy things for supper for hospital employees. Ate lunch at Mothers. Pete finished shucking corn at CRs at 6:30. Sure glad he's done. Ida here while in evening. Came out with Louella. Orvie to Edds.

Sunday, November 14, 1948. Fair, nice day, windy. We went to church. Ida got off at noon and home with us. She, Pete and I to Eureka to Roanoke church. Don Smucker spoke. Stopped at Edds little. Boys home, done chores. Orvies here for lunch. Boys to Reesers with Metzger. We went to Merle and George packed box for German family.

Monday, November 15, 1948. Fair, windy. Pete done CRs chores. Washed and ironed some in p.m. and after supper. Dressed 4 chickens for Mother. Cliff Dovel's here in p.m. got some lilac sprouts and ramblers. Pete plowed truck patch in morning and took out fence posts in yard in p.m. Went after Ronnie at school at 5:00.

Tuesday, November 16, 1948. Rained most of p.m. Awfully windy for awhile and rained. Colder in evening. Cleared off in evening. Pete done CRs chores in morning. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We canned 7 quarts chicken and 7 quarts soup. I finished ironing and cleaned storm windows. Pete put them up. He moved some dirt in morning. We took Ronnie to basketball game at 6:00. Normal beat two games. Ronnie played awhile. Took Mother home.

Wednesday, November 17, 1948. Fair, nice day. We went to town at 9:00. Paul at Mothers. I went to first Christian Church with Laura, Marie H., and Merle to wash dishes but didn't have to wash any as they had been washed. Pete in town. We ate lunch at Mothers. She came out with us. We went to club meeting at Fern Miller's. Ronnie stayed for basketball practice. He ate supper at Mothers. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida along home.

Thursday, November 18, 1948. Fair in morning. Rained in p.m. and evening. Ida washed some. I baked pie got things ready to take to town. We baked cookies. Ida and I to town at 12:30 with May and Laura. We cooked dinner at Fellowship Hall for Good Will Circle. They served the personnel dinner for the Hoovers and hospital. Ida was a guest. Pete to PTA and chili supper at high school. Allen to Carlock played basketball. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers.

Friday, November 19, 1948. Rained in morning and again in evening. Sun shone a while. I done cleaning. Washed out dish towels. I mended in evening and lengthened Allen's pants and pressed them. Done some mending in p.m. Pete dug out shrubbery in front yard.

Saturday, November 20, 1948. Cloudy, chilly, showered off and on during day. We all went to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist. Ronnie had physical at Dr. Jones for basketball. Paul had *pep op* (sp?) tetanus shot. Paul at Mothers in p.m. Ronnie took lesson. Dorothy fixed my hair in p.m. Billys, Edds, Orvie, Ida and we were at Mothers for supper. Edgars there while in evening. Orvie here all night.

Sunday, November 21, 1948. Fair in morning. Cloudy at noon. Chilly, showered some in p.m. We went to church in morning. Home for dinner. Went to Vesper services at our church at 3:00 choir sang. Ida came along home. Paul at Mothers for dinner.

Monday, November 22, 1948. Cloudy, real chilly. Washed, dried some of clothes in basement. Hung towels, underwear, overalls etc. out. They dried some. Finished in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Pete went to Decatur with locker board. We went to Friendship Circle at church in evening. Laura and May along. Ida came along home. Boys home. Edd's moved to Eureka. Edd going to work at *Heyl* (sp?) garage. Edgar had growth taken off head.

Tuesday, November 23, 1948. Partly cloudy, real chilly. Elmer Seig here grading yard. We fixed dinner for Pete and Elmer. Ida, Paul and I to Edds. We helped Nettie. Washed dishes and put them away. She done washing too. Allen to 4-H banquet. I went to

alumni meeting, took Ida home. I was elected board member. Brought Allen, Mabel, Gordon and Ray home.

Wednesday, November 24, 1948. Fair, rather windy and chilly 20°. I dressed three chickens in morning and cleaned some storm windows. Elmer Seig here in p.m. finished leveling yard. I went to missionary meeting at Fern Miller's in p.m. No choir practice. Pete and I took chickens to Duncan Millers and went to Edgars. Dorothy combed my hair. Edgar feeling all right. Marie home in evening.

Thursday, November 25, 1948. Fair. Fine Thanksgiving day. I baked cookies, waxed kitchen floor and washed windows on outside. Pete put some storm windows. We all went to Roy's for dinner and supper. Had Turkey was fine. Mother, Marie, CRs, and Martha at Roy's too. Mildred Wright and Orvie there for supper. And Martha and *Neil* (sp?) came to see house in evening. Orvie here all night. Ida worked.

Friday, November 26, 1948. Fair early in morning, then foggy awhile. Sun shone in p.m. Allen and I town at 9:00. He took drivers test got his permit to drive. He went to dentist and we got him an overcoat. Orvie and Pete putting in forms for sidewalks. I done cleaning in p.m. Baked angel food cake made salad. Cleaned basement in evening. Dressed three chickens and iced cake.

Saturday, November 27, 1948. Clear, fine day. Boys poured concrete for walks and cistern platform. Pete took Ronnie to take lesson. He brought Mother and Marie out. Ronnie and Ida came with Mabel. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom and got ready for company. Paul Thietjes, Louise K. and children, Edgars, Uncle Chas, and CRs all here for supper. Had 24. CRs left after supper they had 4-H meeting. We had nice time.

Sunday, November 28, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Cold chilly northeast wind. We went to church. Orvie didn't go he rested. We all went over to Edds awhile in p.m. EEs and Owens K. there. We went to see EE's new home. Ida had her day off. Orvie took her home in evening.

Monday, November 29, 1948. Fair, cold in morning. Nice day. I washed had big one glad for nice day. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and I to church in evening are having meetings. Reverend Hartzler (Robert) speaker. Pete ground feed.

Tuesday, November 30, 1948. Fair, nice day. We went to town at 9:00. We took hog to have butchered. CR took one too. Mother along uptown. We ate lunch at her house came home at 2:30. I got things ready for supper. Reverend Metzgers and Reverend Hartzler here for supper. We all went to church in evening. We went to Merle's after church saw some pictures they took here. Had to wash dishes after got home.

Wednesday, December 1, 1948. Fair, cold 16°. Pete to town, got head meat. I made liver sausage in p.m. Made fruit cakes in morning. Pete worked in yard. Got drive graveled. We went to church in evening. Boys home. Had choir practice after church.

Thursday, December 2, 1948. Fair, warmer, nice day. Pete worked in yard lowered north cistern platform. I went to CRs, Home Bureau ladies made bill folds. I made one for Ida. We went to Dorothy's in evening. She fixed my hair, also Ida's. Allen to Carlock played basketball. Ronnie had basketball practice. He ate supper at Mothers.

Friday, December 3, 1948. Fair, warm, fine day. Done some of cleaning. We went to town at 9:45. Pete to locker meeting. I done some shopping. Went to Mrs. Barnhart's in p.m. Had meeting for locker party made plans. Paul at Mothers. We met Ida uptown at 4:00 she got pictures for my Christmas. We all went to Farm Bureau oyster supper in evening. Allen played trombone. Cleaned kitchen in evening.

Saturday, December 4, 1948. Cloudy and cold in morning. Windy, fair in p.m., warmer. Ronnie, Paul and I to town at 8:15. Ronnie to dentist. Took Mother, Mrs. J. and boys to Santa Claus Parade. Mother and boys to her house. Ronnie took lesson in p.m. Pete to town with CRs at 9:30. We went to Production Credit dinner at Lutheran school. Allen home, he plowed. Orvie to Edds in evening.

Sunday, December 5, 1948. Mostly cloudy, very strong wind from west. Terribly windy in p.m. We went to church. Allen to Springfield at 12:00 with some of band and chorus members to hear Fred Waring. We were home for dinner. I made sandwiches. Ronnie and I to church at 2:30 had youth meeting. I helped serve them lunch in evening. Allen back for evening meeting. Pete and Paul home. Orvie here for lunch. Ida along home.

Monday, December 6, 1948. Fair, nice day. Rather cold. We washed. Ida had day off. We done ironing and scrubbed basement. We made curtains for basement. We stuffed sausage in evening. Pete helped Mabel too. Pete to locker meeting in p.m. Orvie here for supper. Ida home with him.

Tuesday, December 7, 1948. Fair, quite chilly. Cleaned up house. Got ready for company. Canned 4 quarts ribs. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We rendered lard in p.m. Got nearly 8 gallons. Uncle Chas, Elmers, Arts, Clarences, and CRs and Ida here for supper. Had wiener roast and hamburgers in basement. Asked Uncle Henrys but they couldn't come.

Wednesday, December 8, 1948. Fair in morning. Mostly cloudy in p.m., quite cold. I washed, had tablecloth and lunch cloths etc. Done ironing. Baked cookies and painted some plates for gifts. Allen took lesson after school. We went to Merle's for choir wiener roast. Then to choir practice at church. Ronnie to high school to practice. Paul at Mothers. Allen with us he had cold.

Thursday, December 9, 1948. Cloudy, cold, snowed in p.m. and evening. I went to Home Bureau at Dorothy Singley's, got home early. Finished plates and mended some. Pete fixed clothes line in basement and painted partition in basement and washstand. Allen played trombone on radio with girls ensemble. He ate supper at Mothers. We all went to Normal Central Christmas program at high school. Mother and Ida along. Pete practiced with quartet at Harold's at 6:30.

Friday, December 10, 1948. Fair, cold 1° above zero. Done cleaning, dressed chicken. We went to town in p.m. awhile. Pete had to start Oscar's car after dinner. Ida came along home. We went to community club at high school in evening. Paul spoke piece. Allen played trombone. Pete sang with quartet. Had good crowd and program. I made popcorn balls to take along. We called on Leishner family. Grandma Leishner died.

Saturday, December 11, 1948. Fair, warmer, cloudy in evening and rained in night. Done Saturday work. Put up some Christmas decorations. Pete and boys to town at 10:20. Allen to dentist. Pete sang at Mrs. Leishner's funeral. I got ready for company. Mrs. Barnhart and Mrs. Scheets came at 3:00 to help get supper. We had locker board Christmas party and potluck supper here. 37 here. Ate in basement and played cards and had gift exchange. Orvie and Ida here all night.

Sunday, December 12, 1948. Foggy in morning, fair and warm. We went to church. Home for dinner. Wrote few Christmas cards in p.m. We went to Elmer Sieg's for supper. Orvie and Ida here for supper. Boys to youth meeting at Peacocks after supper. Allen took car.

Monday, December 13, 1948. Fair, warm, fine day rather damp. Washed had big one done ironing and shortened my new dress. Wrote some cards in evening. Pete hauled some feed in morning and he finished plowing alfalfa in p.m.

Tuesday, December 14, 1948. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening. We went to town in morning. I got a permanent in p.m. Saw Nettie in town. Paul at Mothers in p.m. Pete and I to Friendship and Goodwill Circle dinner at church. Had a fine time. Allen to basketball game. Paul and Ronnie at home. Orvie has new De Soto.

Wednesday, December 15, 1948. Partly cloudy, real warm. I wrapped Christmas gifts in morning. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Mishler's in p.m. Pete, CR and Phil sang. Paul spoke piece and sang White Christmas. Ida came along home made divinity and stirred up cookies. We went to NCHS Winter concert. Band and chorus. Very good. Allen played solo "Silent Night." Ronnie stayed after school played basketball.

Thursday, December 16, 1948. Fair, colder. Baked cookies and 2 pies for Stanley Hadden's sale. 4-H club served lunch. I helped from 11:30 to 3:00. Pete and Paul at sale too. I cleaned up upstairs in p.m. and wrapped some gifts. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie at Mothers after school. Allen played basketball at Carlock.

Friday, December 17, 1948. Rather cold. Cleaned up bedrooms in morning and cleaned living and dining room in p.m. and we put up our tree. Cut one out of yard. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We made five batches cookies and two suet puddings. Went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie and Paul home.

Saturday, December 18, 1948. Cloudy, snowed in p.m. and evening. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 10:30. Pete, Alen and I to Milk Producers dinner at Consistory.

Ronnie uptown and took lesson. Paul with Mrs. J. Mother to dinner. Pete and boys cut Christmas tree down for Mother. We all went to Edgars for supper. Mother, Mrs. J., Ida and Orvie, Uncle Chas there. Edds couldn't be there Nettie has abscess. Clarence Woizeski there a while.

Sunday, December 19, 1948. Cloudy, snow melted some. We went to church. Allen played solo also with congregation for Sunday School. Choir gave Christmas program. Mother and Mrs. J. there. We were at Morris Heiser's for dinner. Pete and I to nurses home in p.m. to concert. Orvie to Billys awhile. Ida along home. We made some candy in evening and addressed Christmas cards. Ida here all night also Orvie.

Monday, December 20, 1948. Cloudy, chilly. We washed dried clothes in basement. Ida and I to nurses home in p.m. to personnel party. I helped serve refreshments. We dampened clothes and ironed little before supper. Pete and Orvie put new cistern platform on and went to Mothers in p.m. and fixed her basement wall. Orvie, Ida, Pete and I to Edds awhile an evening. Nettie has abscess but is better. Ida to town.

Tuesday, December 21, 1948. Windy and colder in p.m. We went to town in morning. Pete had locker meeting. I done shopping, went to dentist. Took Paul to see Santa in p.m. and got boys at school at 2:30. They are out of school for Christmas vacation. Ronnie to dentist. Orvie in town he's getting ready to go home. Clifford Schrocks here in eve. Brought Oliver Driver over to go home with Orvie. Boys to basketball game in evening. I addressed some cards in evening. Gave Mr. Miller chicken for Christmas.

Wednesday, December 22, 1948. Partly cloudy, cold 20°. Orvie and Mr. Driver left at 4:45 for home. I done ironing in morning. Washed out some things. Cleaned up recreation room in p.m. Allen helped Pete in morning. They cleaned out stall in barn in p.m. Pete to hospital dinner at Rogers Hotel at noon. Getting plans made for drive. Ida here in evening we made divinity, fudge, and panuchi, all got good.

Thursday, December 23, 1948. Mostly cloudy. Dressed three chickens in morning. Done cleaning and got ready for company. Allen took Pete to town in morning. He had locker meeting. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. he had lesson. Took Mrs. Kemp chicken for Christmas. Ida came along home. Pete, Allen and I went with choir caroling in evening. Choir came here we had oyster soup. Were 20 altogether had nice time. Marie home in evening. Paul had earache in night.

Friday, December 24, 1948. Cloudy, chilly, had little snow flurry in evening. Dusted house and got ready for company. Fixed some boxes and wrapped rest of gifts. Pete and I to town in p.m. took Paul to Dr. about his ears. Has an abscess but he's better. Ida came along home. Mother, Marie, Edds and Edgars here, had oyster stew, salad and ice cream. We had the Kropf gift exchange. Edds stayed all night.

Saturday, December 25, 1948. Fair, cold, 10° above, rather windy. Edds went home at 9:45. We went to Mothers for dinner and supper. CRs to Mohr's for supper. Uncle Chas at Mothers too. Ida there for supper. She came along home. We had our gift exchange

had very nice Christmas. Paul's ears better. Uncle Chas took us to see Christmas decorations.

Sunday, December 26, 1948. Fair, cold, 5° above. We all went to church. Children had their program in morning. Pete Sunday school superintendent. Hoover gone and Gerald G. sick. We were home for dinner. Got ready for company. Roy's, Minnie, Mother, Marie, CRs and Ida here for supper. Ida had day off. We had Ropp-Bohrer exchange. Pete took Mother and Marie home.

Monday, December 27, 1948. Fair, cold, 10° above. Partly cloudy in p.m. We washed had big one. Hung most of clothes outside except colored clothes. We ironed in p.m. Ida has another day off. Pete and boys hauling manure. Billys here in evening. They took Ida home. Boys to 4-H meeting at CRs.

Tuesday, December 28, 1948. Cloudy. Started to rain before noon and rained rest of day. I cleaned rest of storm windows in morning. Pete to Roys to settle up. Allen cleaned stalls in barn. Pete put fasteners on windows in p.m. I put clothes away. Cleaned up living and dining room and waxed cabinet tops, table and chairs. Ronnie didn't feel good. Pete and I to church in evening. Bluffton girls gave program.

Wednesday, December 29, 1948. Cloudy, snowed, real windy in evening, quite a lot colder. Cleaned up house. Mabel, Ray, Paul and I to Mothers for dinner. Louise K. and Gurtners there. We came home after dinner. Missionary meeting here in p.m. were 12 here. Had Christmas program. Boys to Sunday School party at Chester Miller's. Choir was to go to Straubs but called it off on account of whether. Pete and boys worked in barn.

Thursday, December 30, 1948. Fair, cold. Dressed 2 chickens in morning. Pete and boys to Hudson in morning. Pete bought one-third interest in bailer with Roy and CR. They looked at calves for boys. I cleaned up the upstairs. We went to town in p.m. helped Ida move to 101 East Walnut to an apartment. Paul at Mothers in p.m. she has cold. We took chicken and eggs to Gurtners. We all went to Roy's to spend evening. Alvin's, Glens, Rays, Lucille and children there. CRs came late.

Friday, December 31, 1948. Fair, nice day. Cleaned up house, got things ready for company. Pete and boys went after calves for 4-H. Allen bought a Herford heifer and Ronnie got steer from Mr. L. F. Sheppherd. Ronnie doesn't pay for calf until he sells it. Pete and boys to town in p.m. Ronnie took lesson. Harold P. and Earl Kaufman's here for supper. Ida too. Lilly didn't feel well enough to come. Asked Merle and George but couldn't come. We had good time watched old year ago out.

Saturday, January 1, 1949. Fair, nice day. We were all rather sleepy. We took down Christmas decorations and tree and cleaned up living room. Rested a while in p.m. and mended some. We all went to CRs for supper. Ida, Roy's, and Ed Miller's there. Pete & CR to Mothers at 3:00, settled up with her.

Sunday, January 2, 1949. Partly cloudy. We went to church. Were home for dinner. We all went to Clarence Siegs for supper. Had good supper. We took Mother too.

Monday, January 3, 1949. Cloudy, foggy and damp. Washed, dried clothes in basement. Ironed in p.m. Pete to town at 3:30. Took Mother to dentist and brought Ronnie home. He had basketball practice. Boys to 4-H skating party. Orvie got back from Missouri at 6:00. He stayed all night here.

Tuesday, January 4, 1949. Cloudy, foggy, rained hard in p.m. Pete to town in morning with Orvie to locker meeting. I put clothes away and cleaned up house in morning. Paul and I to town a while in p.m. Met Pete. We looked for suit for Pete. Boys to basketball game in evening. Pete to Men's Fellowship. Ida and I went to Dorothy's. Had our hair fixed. Orvie back to Billys. We dressed 2 chickens in morning and baked 2 pies, one for Ringel's sale.

Wednesday, January 5, 1949. Nice day, colder, real windy. I cooked chickens and got things ready for dinner at nurses home. I didn't feel good, had cold. Went to town at 1:30 had appointment at dentist. Pete to have income tax figured. I stayed at nurses home. Goodwill Circle served business and professional women. Paul at Mothers. Pete came home, done chores. Boys to 4-H basketball with Wally D. Pete to town got Paul and I, and Ida came along home. Brought Janette Colter along.

Thursday, January 6, 1949. Nice day, windy. Cleaned up upstairs & basement. Ida had day off. She ironed her dresses and mended some in p.m. Pete took me to town at 2:00. I went on duty at 3:00 at hospital with Lloyd Gundy, he had colostomy Monday. Wasn't so good Wednesday, but better. I worked until 11:00, wore Ladine's uniform. Marie H. and Mrs. Wheatley on too. They wanted me longer. But felt I couldn't. Pete brought Ida to town. He went to church and choir practice. Allen to Carlock. Played basketball. Ronnie and Paul home.

Friday, January 7, 1949. Fair, nice day. Warmer, 50°. Done cleaning in morning. Went to auxiliary in p.m. and got Allen at school. He practiced with boys for program. Pete hauled manure in morning. Done odd jobs in p.m. Ronnie played basketball in evening. Allen played in band for NCHS game. Allen took car. Park, Ruth Yordy, Chet & Theresa here to spend evening. We had nice time. Played Finance and serve ice cream, coffee, fruit cake and cookies. Got to bed late.

Saturday, January 8, 1949. Nice day, warm. We went to town at 10:00. Took Mother to dentist. Allen to dentist too. We ate lunch at Mothers. Paul stayed with her in p.m. We got Pete suit in p.m. Ida and Orvie to Edds in evening. Done some baking in evening.

Sunday, January 9, 1949. Cloudy, rained in evening. We went to church. Home for dinner. Boys had company in p.m. They went hunting. Pete, Paul and I to Hoovers in p.m. to committee meeting for all church party. Ida and Orvie here for lunch. Pete, Ida and I to Consistory in evening. Dr. Fagerberg preached. Was very good. Walter Yoder went with us. Marie gone. Boys home.

Monday, January 10, 1949. Cloudy, raining freezing ice. Washed. Dried clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete put zinc sulfate on walls in p.m. Put it on back stairway, bathroom and hall. Ronnie stayed in town after school. Had game. Pete, Paul and I to town after supper, got Ronnie and Ida. Went to Merle's a while. Allen home, he didn't feel good.

Tuesday, January 11, 1949. Cloudy, rained and sleeted. Freezing ice. Trees, wires etc. hanging full of ice. Some of roads quite icy. Pete to town, had locker meeting. I done baking in morning. Put clothes away etc. I started painting in bathroom in p.m. Pete took Ronnie to dentist after school. Allen helped Gordon chore. CRs in Minneapolis. Ray here for supper and all night. Paul has cold.

Wednesday, January 12, 1949. Cloudy, snowed little at noon. Didn't thaw any. Pete and I painted in bathroom and hall and back stairway. Put base coat on. Pete put zinc sulfate on stairway upstairs. I went to town after boys at 5:30. Allen had lesson. Ronnie played basketball. Paul's cold seems little better. Pete to NCHS to welding class.

Thursday, January 13, 1949. Cloudy, still icy. Thawed some in p.m. Roads better. I went to home bureau at got Mother. Went to town after Ronnie, took Mother home. Pete painted bathroom last coat (gray). We went to choir practicing evening. Allen didn't feel good in evening, stomach and bowels.

Friday, January 14, 1949. Cloudy, foggy and misted. We went to town at 9:30. Pete to locker meeting. I took eggs to hatchery. Done shopping. We went to hospital, saw Lloyd Gundy a few minutes. He's getting along fine. We took Ida uptown. Paul at Mothers. Ronnie stayed in town had a game. Allen stayed to he played with brass quartet. Pete to Illinois Hotel for Swine Association. Got \$5 a piece (unclear?). we all went to high school to magic show. I cleaned upstairs.

Saturday, January 15, 1949. Cloudy, warm, windy. Sun shone a while in p.m. Pete painted hall and the stairway (green). I helped him in p.m. We painted back stairway (yellow). I cleaned up house and scrubbed. Pete put zinc sulfate on kitchen. Had big day, was tired. Boys put the wood in coal house. Orvie here all night.

Sunday, January 16, 1949. Cloudy, real chilly. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Orvie, Pete and I to Merle's and to 4:30. Took Ida along. Mrs. Steffen read our German letters for us. Pete, Orvie, George and Mr. Steffen came home. Got boys. We ate lunch at Merle's. Boys to use meeting at Metzgers. We had nice time. Ida came along home.

Monday, January 17, 1949. Nice day, cold. We washed. Hung towels and overalls out, dried pretty good. We ironed in p.m. Pete painted kitchen base coat. I cleaned windows and woodwork in kitchen. Ida and I to Goodwill Circle at Mabel Nofziger. Janette and Lucy C. along. Ida stayed in town. Laura along with me too. Pete and boys home. Ronnie stayed for practice after school. Allen after him. Rained in night.

Tuesday, January 18, 1949. Icy in morning, rained most of today. Sleeted and snowed in evening. Trees, wires etc. full of ice. Windy in evening. Ray has chickenpox. Pete to locker meeting all day. Ida and Ronnie home with him in evening. Merle and George, Phils, Edgars and Orvie here for supper. Had birthday dinner for Ida and Phylis Ann. I baked cake, cookies, dressed chicken and made salad. Cleaned up house. Was a bad evening, but we had a nice time. Our lights went out at 11 p.m., came on at 1:30 Wednesday morning. Thankful they came on.

Wednesday, January 19, 1949. Clear, cold, 10° above. Snow and ice hanging on everything, beautiful scenery. Pete to town took calf to sale. Brought Mother, Mrs. Mishler and Marie out. We went to club meeting at Celia Pattons. Pearl along. Allen took lesson. Luella brought him home. She got Mrs. M. and Marie. Mother here for supper. Pete took her home. He had welding class. Paul home with Grandma. Stayed all night.

Thursday, January 20, 1949. Fair, cloudy in evening, cold. Didn't thaw. Pete and I painted, put base coat on dining room and put finish coat on kitchen (yellow). Paul at Mothers. Boys to basketball at Carlock, went with Colter's. Pete and I to Dorothys, she fixed my hair, then we went to choir practice. Mrs. Hoover brought coffee and fruitcake for choir. Was late when we got to Grandma, so Paul stayed all night again.

Friday, January 21, 1949. Mostly cloudy, colder in night and clear. I got things ready for basket dinner. We went to town at 9:30. Pete with Gbler to see about locker drive. I went to annual hospital meeting. Entertainment committee took care of dinner. Boys home from school at noon, they finished semester exams. Paul home with us in evening. Pete and I to Ray Hastings for dinner in evening. Roy's, CRs and Lil Webbs there too, had nice time and fine meal. Boys home.

Saturday, January 22, 1949. Fair, cold, 3° above. I done some of cleaning. Boys finished it. Pete & CR to town at 9:30 to annual Farm Bureau meeting. Mabel and I went at 10:15, took Mother along. Went uptown while. Went to Consistory for dinner. Boys home all day. Orvie here all night and for supper.

Sunday, January 23, 1949. Rained nearly all day, froze on ground early in morning. Terribly slick. We didn't go to church, were home all day. Read. Boys played games with Orvie in p.m. Orvie to Billys at 5:00 p.m. as it was foggy. Not quite so slick in evening. Ice all off of trees and fences and wires.

Monday, January 24, 1949. Cloudy, misted some. I washed. Pete started putting finish coat on dining room, light green. Pete to dentist in p.m. I done ironing, didn't feel good.

Tuesday, January 25, 1949. Cloudy, rained in evening. Started to the freeze. Pete finished painting dining room and put zinc sulfate on living room. I baked cookies. Put clothes away. Was sick with cramps and flowing. We went to Dr. H. P. Sloan at 4:00. He gave me medicine. Said I would have to go to bed. Paul at Mothers. He stayed all night.

Wednesday, January 26, 1949. Cloudy, misted and froze. Very icy. Everything full of ice again. Buses didn't run so CR took boys to school. Pete painted in living room in morning. He went to town in p.m., got boys from school. Paul at Mothers. I'm in bed all day. My back bothers me so bad.

Thursday, January 27, 1949. Cloudy. Rained hard most of p.m.. Some of ice off wires. Real windy in evening and night. No buses so CR took boys to school. I was no better. Pete painted some in living room. Pete took me to hospital at 4:30. Was in ward 226, no private rooms. Sure hated to go. Dr. Howard sought me. Pete home at 6:00 they were without lights from 6:00 to 8:00. Ida with me a while in evening.

Friday, January 28, 1949. Cloudy, few snow flurries. I'm some better. They're giving me shots: liver and penicillin. They moved me to 243 in p.m. Boys had no school on account of icy roads. Pete painted some, he came to see me in evening. Boys to basketball game. Paul at Grandma's. Ida here in evening also some daring day.

Saturday, January 29, 1949. Fair, cold. 4° below zero. Pete and boys to town. Allen to dentist. Ronnie took lesson. Ida had day off, she was at mothers. Made pajamas for Paul and apron for Mrs. J.. Pete blocked twin beds for boys. Dr. Ho H. bowl examined me in morning. I'm about same. Paul home with Pete in evening. Orvie and Ida here a while in evening. Orvie out home all night. Helen brought rose bowl, also one from G. W (unintelligible). Also roses from FS Circle.

Sunday, January 30, 1949. Fair and cold, 5° below. Pete and boys to church. Then they went to Mothers for dinner. Pete and Paul here in p.m. Mother, Mrs. J. and boys to show in p.m. Dr. Howard told me I would have to be operated on. So had a blue day, so hard to make up one's mind. Edgars, Phils here in p.m.. Also Walter and Everett Yoder. Merle, George and Mrs. P. here awhile in evening. Pete came back in evening. Ida home with them when they chored. Nurses in quite often during day. I can (can't?) go to bathroom.

Monday, January 31, 1949. Mostly fair, some snow on ground in morning. Some warmer. Think I'm some better. Not quite so blue. Had a basal in morning. Also blood chemistry and had blood transfusion in p.m. 500 cc. Lots of nurses in during day. Pete finished painting living room. Pete, Allen and Ronnie here in evening, Ida too. Paul home with Pete all night.

Tuesday, February 1, 1949. Nice day. Thawed some. Pete to St. Joseph Hospital in morning, gave pint of blood to blood bank, help replace what I used. Pete, Paul and

Mother here in p.m.. Roy and Pearl here a while. Brought me hyacinth. They're getting me ready for surgery. Pete and boys to Phils for supper. Phil took boys to Carlock. Allen played basketball. Pete here in evening. Edgars here a while, brought me candy. CRs here few minutes. Ida here too.

Wednesday, February 2, 1949. The fair and cold. Pete here at hospital at 7:15. I went to surgery at 8:00, was 11:00 when I came back. Had hysterectomy. Marie Heiser on with me until 4:00. Carol Diller stayed awhile in evening. Martha Ford on at 11:00 to 7. I was awfully sick. My left arm numb. They injured the nerve in surgery. Think the shoulder clamp did it. They gave me another transfusion.

Thursday, February 3, 1949. Partly cloudy. Pete in town. I was so sick on stomach, vomiting. Giving me glucose most of day. I can't remember much what went on. Had azalea plant from Earl Kaufmans, also daffodil plants from Edgars.

Friday, February 4, 1949. Another day of discomfort and nausea. Pete here in p.m. Still giving me IVs. Paul at Mothers. Boys going to school. Marie came home Friday evening. Ida & Mother and Mrs. J. out home. They washed and done cleaning.

Saturday, February 5, 1949. Fair, little warmer. A very uncomfortable day, so nauseated. They inserted the Lavine (sp?) tube in evening. Did help the vomiting some but so uncomfortable. Gave me IVs. Pete didn't go to annual locker meeting in p.m. He stayed and helped Marie. Orvie here a minute in evening. He went out home all night Paul home too.

Sunday, February 6, 1949. Nice day. Boys to church, Pete here. I felt better in morning, but nauseated again in p.m. Pete and Orvie and boys to Merle's for dinner. Marie here to see me a few minutes in p.m. Allen too. They took Lavine to out in morning, sure glad. Orvie here few minutes. Pete didn't go home to chore. Orvie took boys and Ida home and brought Ida back. Had cyclamere plant from Mother, Marie and CRs.

Monday, February 7, 1949. Fair, cold. I feel better. Let Martha Ford go in morning. Marie with me until 4:00. Pete here. Edds here in p.m. Several other nurses etc. in. Edds brought me hyacinths. Had Rose Bowl from Mrs. Troyer and Ochs Berger. Marie Hastings here. Brought me box soap and a pin. Also got hanky and candy from club. Luella M. operated for appendix.

Tuesday, February 8, 1949. Rather cold. I'm getting along, only my arm pains me a lot. Pete, Mother and Paul here in p.m. Got sweet peas from Roy Bates, also little pot with plant from Lois and John. Pete had meeting in evening. I do here. Marie here in morning, bathed me. Was up in chair a little.

Wednesday, February 9, 1949. Fair, nice day. My arm pains me so can't sleep nights. Was up in chair. Can eat little better. Pete here. Merle here few minutes in evening, brought little brass pot with plant. Dorothy here few minutes. She went to Ida's, fixed

her hair. Pete and boys here in evening. Paul home with Pete. I'll sent me big cookie valentine he and Mother made.

Thursday, February 10, 1949. Fair, cold. Gradually getting little stronger, walking some. Our Home Bureau met at Hastings. I was to have had. Pete here in p.m. Paul to Mrs. Patton's he had a time with them stayed for supper. Had box cards from Ruth Otto, had hankys from Minnie, Mrs. Patton and auxiliary. Ida home with Pete in evening. Had cut flowers from choir, large tulip plants from Lilly and Harrell's end azalea from F. and P. Pattons.

Friday, February 11, 1949. Fair, windy. I had stomach x-rayed in morning so didn't get anything to eat until 2:00. Ida had day off. She cleaned up house out home in morning. They came to town at noon. She went uptown. Pete to F. L. Bank dinner and meeting. Mother, Paul and CRs stopped here in p.m. Pete and boys to Heralds for supper. Boys to ballgame. Pete here. Uncle Henry's here in evening brought me azalea. Allen on national honor society roll. My arm still pains me.

Saturday, February 12, 1949. Nice day. Am feeling some better. Pete and Ronnie to town in p.m. Boys here a while, brought box candy. Fern Miller and Bill Miller's here. Orvie here in evening. He went to Edds all night. Pete here in evening. Paul home with him. Marie H. here in p.m. Luella M. went home. Nettie had auto accident Friday evening. Damaged car but she wasn't hurt.

Sunday, February 13, 1949. Cloudy, rained early in morning. Colder in p.m. Pete here in morn. Boys to church, they were at Mothers for dinner. Doctor says I can go home. Clara Schad and Noah Kennels here in p.m.. We came home at 4:00. Ida along home. Paul at Mothers. Was so glad to get home slept pretty good, only my arm bothers me so. Orvie here in evening.

Monday, February 14, 1949. Cloudy, sleeted and rained freezing ice. Ida washed and ironed little in evening. Pete to AAA meeting all day. Paul home with him in evening.

Tuesday, February 15, 1949. Partly cloudy, icy in morning. Thawed some during day. Ida done ironing and cleaned up house and baked cookies and rolls. Pete worked outside some. Boys to basketball game in evening. Pete took Ida to town.

Wednesday, February 16, 1949. Nice day. Ice melted. I'm improving some, sleeping better. I wrote thank you notes. Pete choring etc. Pete to welding class in evening. Minnie here in p.m., brought putting and cookies. Pearl and Mabel here after club meeting, also Marie H., Lena Maxwell, and Mother. Lena spoke at the club. Was at Lucy C.

Thursday, February 17, 1949. Nice day. Mother and Mrs. J. here. They cleaned up house. Alvin Otto's here in morning. Ruth brought pie. Florence Sharp here in p.m. brought coffee cake. Oscar brought loaf rye bread. Allen to town in evening. Quartet practiced. He took Mother and Mrs. J. home.

Friday, February 18, 1949. Fine day. I'm about same. Janette Colter and David here in p.m. brought me an azalea. Lilly, Helen and Janet here in p.m. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Edgar brought oysters crax (crackers?), celery and pudding. Dorothy washed my hair and set it.

Saturday, February 19, 1949. Nice day. Warmer. Cloudy in evening. We went to town at 10:00 boys to dentist. Paul and I to Mothers. Boys there for dinner too. Pete and I to Dr. at 12:30 he took most of tape off my incision. Isn't draining anymore. He wants me to see Dr. Schultz about my arm. Laura and May here while we were gone. Brought cookies. Orvie here all night. Phils here in evening.

Sunday, February 20, 1949. Cloudy, misted. Boys to Sunday school. Pete and I got dinner. Orvie and boys to town at 11:30 to meet Edna on train. Orvie and Edna to get Ida at 4:00. Didn't have any other company.

Monday, February 21, 1949. Rained and gloomy. Ida and Edna washed. They ironed some in p.m. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Allen to NCHS. He was initiated into the National Honor Society.

Tuesday, February 22, 1949. Cloudy, gloomy. Girls finished ironing and Ida cleaned up house. Pete took her to town at 1:30. She worked from 2-10. I'm gradually getting stronger. My arm is awfully slow.

Wednesday, February 23, 1949. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. We went to town in p.m. Went to Dr. Schultz with my arm. He thinks it will be all right in time. He wants me to take physical therapy treatments at St. Joseph Hospital. Stopped to see Dr. HPS too. Edna uptown. Orvie here for supper and all night. Ida came out for supper. Pete to welding class in evening took Ida home. Edgars here a while in evening. Allen took lesson.

Thursday, February 24, 1949. Cloudy, rainy morning. Colder in evening. Went to St. Joe at 10:00. Edna and Paul along. We all went to Service Company dinner at Consistory. I got along OK. Had a big crowd.

Friday, February 25, 1949. Cloudy, rather chilly. We done cleaning. Ida cleaned the kitchen. We baked cookies and peach crisp. Pete to town in morning to locker on business. He worked outside in p.m. Boys to basketball game in evening. Hoovers and Jake Reeser here in evening. We are on nominating committee for Friendship Circle. Jake here short time he went to ballgame.

Saturday, February 26, 1949. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. Pete, Ronnie and I to town at 9:30. Ronnie to Mothers, done some work for her. I had another treatment at St. Joe and went to Mothers for dinner. Pete to Turley's dinner. Ronnie took lesson. Ida came along home. We made upside down cake while we got supper. Orvie here for supper.

He, Edna and Ida to Edds all night. Allen took care of little pigs. Edna washed out some things and ironed them.

Sunday, February 27, 1949. Snowed most of morning but melted. Colder in evening. Pete and boys to church. I was home. We were home rest of day. I went upstairs in p.m. for first time. Saw boys twin beds. Orvies here all night. They took Ida to town before they came out here.

Monday, February 28, 1949. Fair, cold, 10° above. We went to town, had treatment at hospital. Edna to town. We ate lunch at Mothers. We washed in p.m. Boys to 4-H supper at Farm Bureau. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Paul at Mothers in morning and stayed all night.

Tuesday, March 1, 1949. Fair. And not ironed a while. Pete left before 7:00. Went to Carlinville with locker board. Edna and I went to Mothers with Mabel. Laura and May there too. Went at noon. Pete home at six. He went to Men's Fellowship in evening. Ronnie breaking out with chickenpox. Edna finished ironing in evening.

Wednesday, March 2, 1949. Fair, nice day, rather windy. We went to hospital at 8:15. Had treatment. Took Edna to Billys. We went to Farm Bureau saw pictures of CRs place. We and Mother ate lunch uptown. She and Paul home after lunch. We went to Dr. Schultz in p.m. He says my arm is improving. Ronnie home alone but he isn't sick. Up and around. Allen took lesson, came home with us.

Thursday, March 3, 1949. Partly cloudy. Pete to town in morning to interview man for slaughter plant. Ronnie feeling pretty good. I dusted some and washed out few things. Pete and I to Edgars in evening. Dorothy fixed my hair. Ida's too. Orvie and Edna there a while. Edna came home with us.

Friday, March 4, 1949. Fair, nice day. We went to town and 10:00 to hospital. Edna along. We got groceries. Mother came home with us for dinner. Ronnie OK. Uncle Henry's here in p.m. Aunt Annie brot us a coffee cake. I cleaned up my bedroom in morning. Edna cleaned up house in p.m. Mother helped her some. Orvie here for supper and all night. Allen to basketball game at Lexington. Pete and I to Bloomington High School. Sam Campbell showed pictures of NW. Very good. Hoovers gave us tickets.

Saturday, March 5, 1949. Fine day, warm. Edna to Billys with Orvie. I baked angel food cake and made pudding. Ronnie helped me some. Also got dinner. Cleaned up bathroom and kitchen in p.m. Pete and Allen moved hog houses etc. Ronnie outside a while. Orvie and Edna here all night. Orvie got done at Billys.

Sunday, March 6, 1949. Fair, quite a lot colder in p.m. Pete, Allen, Paul and I to church in morning. Was nice to be in church again. Orvie didn't feel like going. Edgars, Uncle Charlies, and Mother here a while in p.m. also Billy and Julia. Ronnie outside.

Monday, March 7, 1949. Fair, cold. Pete and Orvie putting windows in barn and chicken house. Allen took me to hospital for treatment. No school, [teachers] institute. Edna washed. Helped her some. I got dinner. Allen went after Ida at 4:00. Edna ironed little, hung some close outside. They dried. Ida and I'm done some baking for supper. Orvies, Ida, Paul, Pete and I to Merle and George's a while. Ronnie OK.

Tuesday, March 8, 1949. Mostly cloudy, warm. Misted in evening. Ida and Edna done ironing. We dusted house. Ida baked cookies and pies. I dressed chicken. We had roast chicken for supper. Orvies to town in morning. They went to John Miller's in p.m. and to town. Ida, Edna and I to Goodwill Circle with Janette. Orvie to John M. Edna home with Lois from Marie's. Meeting at Marie Heiser. Pete to welding class. Allen had meeting at school. Ronnie and Paul home.

Wednesday, March 9, 1949. Cloudy, colder, real windy in p.m. and evening. We went to hospital in morning. Paul along. We done some shopping. Got Paul shoes and over shoes. Ronnie home. Orvies stopped few minutes in evening on way to Edds. Allen didn't come home after school. Took lesson and practiced for Sophomore Assembly. He and Pete to choir practice.

Thursday, March 10, 1949. Partly cloudy, chilly. I went to home Bureau at Grace M.E. Church, met with Bloomington Township. Paul home with Pete. They hauled manure and cleaned brooder house. Allen drove to school, took Gordy. Had to be there early. Allen brought Ida along home, also CR. We got things ready for supper. We went to community club supper. Allen on program. Orvies came back from Edds in p.m. Came here at 6:00, ate supper here.

Friday, March 11, 1949. Partly cloudy, had few snow flurries. I done cleaning, scrubbed kitchen and bathroom. Was kind of tired and took me most of day. Boys cleaned up the upstairs in the evening. Pete hauled fertilizer from Yuton. Orvies left for home.

Saturday, March 12, 1949 fair, nice day, chilly. We went to town at 10. Went to hospital. Allen to dentist. Boys at mothers for dinner. Pete and I to Farm Bureau to Mr. Hedgecock dinner (advisory committee). Done little shopping. We all went to Art Siegs for supper. Had nice time and could supper.

Sunday, March 13, 1949. Fair, fine day. We went to church, were home for dinner. Allen went after Ida at 4:00. Pete took Ida home after lunch.

Monday, March 14, 1949. Fair, cold. We went to St. Joe Hospital in morning. Had treatment. Paul with us. Pete and I washed in p.m. Allen had temperature in evening. Started to break out with chickenpox.

Tuesday, March 15, 1949. Fair. Allen breaking out. He doesn't feel good. Paul has few chickenpox. Pete to locker meeting. I ironed some and cleaned up house. Mary came at

4:27. Pete and Ida met her. Ida didn't come a long home. We went to Merle and Georges in evening. Pete and George to welding class. Boys home.

Wednesday, March 16, 1949. Mostly cloudy. Real chili. 10° above. Pete to town early with Mohrs (not clear). Helped Goodwill Circle with lunch. Stayed at I. S. and you. Mary and I to town at 10:00. She went to Mothers. Pete and I to hospital. We ate lunch at Mothers. Pete uptown in p.m. Mother had club meeting at her house. Pete got Ida at 4:00 and took her to Mothers. We went to Dr. Scholz at 430. He says may be six months before mine on is okay. That seems like a long time. Boys feel kind of bum. Allen surely is broken out. Paul little slow in breaking out.

Thursday, March 17, 1949. Nice day. Mary done ironing in morning. I dusted house and got dinner. Rested awhile in p.m. We cleaned up the upstairs and stirred up cookies. Pete hauled manure. Paul seems some better. Ronnie had game after school. Pete, Mary and I to Ida's awhile in evening. And got Ronnie. Snowed in night.

Friday, March 18, 1949. Fair, 15° above. Pete and I to hospital in morning. Mary washed in morning. Done ironing in p.m. We baked cookies and pie crust and cleaned up house. Paul doesn't feel so good. Has such a sore foot. Allen some better. Pete and I took Ida and Mary to Edds in evening. We went for supper. Ronnie to town stayed all night with Donald Camp. Marie and her girlfriend, "Dusty," came home in evening

Saturday, March 19, 1949. Partly cloudy I fixed pie and got dinner. Allen feeling better, and think Paul some better. Pete to town in p.m. Ronnie home with him. I went to Gridley with Roys to see Aunt Martha. Her legs are terrible, draining all the time.

Sunday, March 20, 1949. Fair, windy. Ronnie, Pete and I to church and to see R.'s for dinner. Roy's, many, Mother, Marie, dusty and Mrs. J. Thayer. Mabel sent Allen and Paul's dinner to them. They feel some better. Edds brought Ida and Mary back at 5:30. They took Ida to town. She and Nettie didn't come in house. Mother & Marie stopped in morning to see boys. Mary here again in evening. We and Mary and Ida to church in evening. Miss Regier, China missionary, spoke.

Monday, March 21, 1949. Fair, warmer, windy. Rained in evening and most of night. I went to hospital alone to take treatment. Mary washed. Things dried fast outside. She done ironing in p.m. Pete hauled manure in morning. Cleaned off garden in p.m. Allen helped him awhile.

Tuesday, March 22, 1949. Cloudy, showered in morning. Colder in p.m. We cleaned icebox and waxed floors in bedroom and living and dining rooms. Mary cleaned them with gasoline. I went over them with wax. Mary and I to town at 3:30. Got Ida. We went uptown a while, ate supper and went to Edgars. Dorothy fixed my hair, also Ida's and Mary's. I came home at 7:00. Got Pete. He had locker meeting. I went to committee meeting at Marie Heiser's. Mary stayed all night with Ida.

Wednesday, March 23, 1949. Cloudy, fair in p.m. Chilly. I went to hospital in morning. Pete took calf to sale barn. We met Mary uptown at 11:00. Ida got off at noon. She and Mother came along home. We made 17 quarts chili in pm. canned 14 quarts. Gave Mother and Ida some and Mary 1 quart (number not clear). We baked angel food cake for Paul. Had it and ice cream, waffles and sausage for supper. Pete to choir practice. Mother, girls and I to Billys a while. They are still in a mess and not straightened up. Boys still have some scabs.

Thursday, March 24, 1949. Thayer, rather windy and warmer. Pete and I took Mary to train at 8:33 a.m.. She left for home. Hated to see her leave. Boys and I cleaned up the upstairs. I cleaned the kitchen and bathroom. Made ice cream and cleaned the burners on my stove. Pete and Allen sawed wood in p.m.. Oscar helped. Pete and I to party for John Scheets at Frank Krafts. Potluck supper. Had nice time. Boys home.

Friday, March 25, 1949. Fair, rather windy. Nice day. I went to hospital, had treatment. Took Mother uptown. Mrs. J. to Lincoln. Mother came along home. We cleaned up living and dining rooms. Done some baking. Pete spread fertilizer. Alan disc corn stalks in p.m. Mother to town in evening with CRs. Pete and Alen to J D Schirtzs in p.m. to get seed oats. Boys still have some scabs.

Saturday, March 26, 1949. Rained all morning and some in p.m. Warmer. Done Saturday work. Pete and Ronnie fanned seed oats at CRs in morning. We went to town at 12:00. Allen and Paul to Mothers. They stayed all night. Ronnie took lesson. I went to Dr. H. P. Sloan. He says everything okay. District music Festival at Bloomington high school. Allen didn't get to be in it. Was disappointed.

Sunday, March 27, 1949. Fair, very windy in morning. Ronnie, Pete and I to church. Were home for dinner. Allen and Paul came along home. Edds and Noah K. here in p.m. Allen to town at 4, got Ida. She was here all night. Mother to Kampmeiers in p.m. with Edgars.

Monday, March 28, 1949. Fair, fine day. We washed. I went to hospital in morning. We done ironing in p.m. and put covers on boys bedsprings. Allen back to school. He's glad to get back. Pete made fence for hogs. Aunt Martha called at noon. She wants us to get her and take her to hospital. We went to friendship circle in evening. We were hostesses with Hoover's and research.

Tuesday, March 29, 1949. Beautiful day. Warmer. Pearl took Pete and I to Gridley to get Aunt Martha. Took her to hospital. She's glad to get there. Her legs are terrible. We were home at noon. Paul with Minnie in morning. I cleaned up house in p.m. was outside a while. Edgars, Ida and Mrs. Gurtner here for supper. Had waffles and ice cream. Dorothy combed my hair. See our disk. Pete worked on drill in p.m.

Wednesday, March 30, 1949. Rained in morning and also in evening. Gloomy day. Ronnie sick early in morning, but okay so went to school. Got sick in school. Nurse took him to Mothers. I went to St. Joe in morning. Stopped at Mennonite to see Aunt

Martha. Went to Dr. Schultz in p.m.. Stopped at Mothers got Ronnie he has temperature and sick at stomach. Paul home with Pete. Pete and George to welding class. Merle, Ida and I to county music Festival with Allen. He played with band. Don Smith along. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday, March 31, 1949. Colder. Misted in p.m. Ronnie some better. Didn't go to school. I baked cookies, coffee cake and made pudding in morning. Done some cleaning in p.m. Pete working outside. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Pete went to show. Boys home.

Friday, April 1, 1949. Cloudy, rained some. Cleaned living room and dining room in morning. Pete and I to St. Joe in morning. Took eggs to hatchery and took some wood to Mother. Ronnie much better but didn't to go to school. He and Paul home. We stopped to see Aunt Martha, she's up in chair. I cleaned the kitchen and bathroom in p.m. We all went to Frank Patton's for supper. Had nice time. Phils there after supper.

Saturday, April 2, 1949. Fair, nice day. Allen to dentist in morning. Paul to Mothers. Ronnie to town in p.m. with Mabel. Paul came home with her. I went to Morton and Peoria with May and Laura, also Marie H. and Mabel Nafziger. We went to Morton Pottery see about tomato souvenirs. We had nice trip. Girls done some shopping. Pete put up wire are for brooder house. He and Alan cleaned up wood etc. in orchard.

Sunday, April 3, 1949. Fair. We all went to church. Nice to all be there again. Norman Verckler here for dinner. Boys played ball at Glen R. in pm. They went after Ida at four. We took her back in evening. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. Went to Elmer Siegs to see about having lawn worked.

Monday, April 4, 1949. Fine day. I went to hospital in morning. Pete to CRs at noon sowing oats. Paul with me to town. I went to town in p.m. to nurses home. Goodwill Circle served dinner to Koda[k?] Roamers. Paul at Mothers. Boys to 4-H meeting. Ida came along home.

Tuesday, April 5, 1949. Fair, had shower at 4:30 p.m. We washed. Clothes got dry. Ida cut out Chambray dress for me. I ironed some. Pete and C. R. sowing oats. Finished CRs and started on ours. Got rained out. Pete to welding class. Ida and I to Mrs. Steffens. Had letter from Germany read. Merle there too also Luella.

Wednesday, April 6, 1949. Fair, nice day. Went to hospital for treatment in morning and stopped at Mennonite to see Aunt Martha. She's some better. I finished ironing in p.m. and done some pressing. Boys finished sewing our oats. Pete disc some. Pete and I to choir practice. Was nice to be at practice again.

Thursday, April 7, 1949. Fair, rather chilly, partly cloudy in p.m.. I cleaned some cupboards in morning. Pete and Paul to town. Got to 425 baby chicks. Mother and Mrs. J. came along out. We finished cupboards and mended some and cleaned upstairs. Pete and Ronnie spaded little garden. I sowed lettuce. Allen to American Legion played with

the German band. Pete and I to Bloomington high school, heard Dr. English on Socialized Medicine.

Friday, April 8, 1949. Fair, nice day, rather cool. Done cleaning. Went to hospital in morning. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. Baked cookies and pudding in p.m. Pete plowed ground south of house for truck patch. We planted potatoes and sowed peas when boys got home from school. Pete and I to Edgars in evening. Dorothy fixed my hair and Ida's.

Saturday, April 9, 1949. Fair, chilly in evening. Done in Saturday work. Pete & boys hauled manure in morning. Boys and I to town in p.m. Allen played with band in contest at Bloomington High School. They got first. Ronnie took lesson and helped Mother with her yard and garden. Merle and Mrs. Schlinker here in morning to practice with Allen for tomorrow. Dressed two chickens in evening.

Sunday, April 10, 1949. Cloudy, showered some in evening. We went to church. Allen played trombone, Mrs. Schlinker sang. Merle accompanied them. For Sunday School we had baptismal services. Ronnie was baptized, also five other boys. We ate dinner in town at Streids. Boys played ball in p.m. in normal. Paul at mothers. Pete and I to funeral home to see Ed Springer and went to hospital to see and Martha. Got Ida. We made salad etc. We all and Walter Yoder's went to Consistory to Easter program. Wesleyan gave it. We went to Walters afterwards.

Monday, April 11, 1949. Fair, we washed. I went to hospital at 10:00. We cleaned up house. Made roles and got things ready for supper. I ironed curtains and put them up. Wenger, Maxwell, Marie Heiser and Hazel, Carol Diller, Slagell, M. Ford, and Stuckey here for supper. Had ice cream. Pete to Ed Springer's funeral. Boys stated garden in p.m. They all hauled manure in morning. Boys have vacation.

Tuesday, April 12, 1949. Fine day, cloudy awhile in p.m. Done ironing in morning. Pete and boys hauling manure. They cleaned henhouse. Allen and I put out radishes, onions, spinach, beets, carrots and beans in garden. Put peas and some glad bulbs in truck patch, also onion sets. Pete to welding class. I went to Goodwill Circle at Louise *Meltsons* (sp?) with Lois. Saw eclipse of the moon.

Wednesday, April 13, 1949. Fair, real warm in 80s. Went to hospital in morning. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. She's better. Pete and boys hauling manure and disc stalks in p.m. We put out rest of glad bulbs. Rested awhile was so tired. Edgars and Ida hear for supper. Dorothy combed our hair. We went to choir practice. Edgars to Mothers. Allen practiced with Merle for Sunday morning.

Thursday, April 14, 1949. Cloudy, rained little in morning. Rained hard in evening. Cooler. Pete and boys plowed until rain stopped them. They hauled some manure and cleaned out barn. I stirred up cookies in morning, baked them in evening. Iced them. I went to Home Bureau at Robert Rengel's. Ronnie and I worked on nut cups awhile. Cleaned upstairs in morning.

Friday, April 15, 1949. Cold, snowed most of day. Melted about as fast as it came. Pete and I to town. I went to hospital for treatment. We had car greased. Boys home. Pete and I ate lunch at Mothers. She came home with us. We got things ready for supper. Baked cherry pies and fixed ham. Ida came out with Mabel at 4:00. Marie came on 6:50 train. CR's got her. They all were here for supper. I done cleaning in morning. Cleaned the kitchen and bath in p.m. Paul and Ray at Mothers all night.

Saturday, April 16, 1949. Fair 22°. We all went to town at 10:30. Allen to dentist. Ronnie took lesson. Marie along uptown. Paul at Mothers in morning, then he and Ray to CRs at 11:00. Ray had birthday party in p.m. Ronnie there too. We came home at one. Allen ate lunch at mothers. He and Gordon at ISNU in p.m. to get instructions for 4-H rally which was in evening. Allen and Ronnie went with CRs. We took Ida to Edds. Went for supper.

Sunday, April 17, 1949. Rained early in morning. Cloudy and real chilly. Allen and I went to sunrise service at nurses home at 6:00. Allen played trombone. We all went to church. Had communion. We were at Mothers for dinner. CRs and Roy's there too. Edds brought Ida home in evening, were here awhile. Had popcorn. Pete took Ida home.

Monday, April 18, 1949. Cloudy, chilly all day. Pete had AAA meeting. I washed alone. Hung towels etc. and overalls out. They dried some. I went to town at 3:00. Paul at Mothers. I met Pete. We went to Dr. Schultzs. He says my arm is improving some Miss Stewart quit at St. Joe so won't take any treatments until they get someone to take her place. Boys back to school.

Tuesday, April 19, 1949. Fair, rather chilly. Pete to town got Mother. We cleaned up house, polished some silverware. Bake 2 angel food cakes and worked some in yard. Allen took Mother home at 4:30 and got Ida. Pete to locker board in evening. Ida and I finished favors. Made nut cups.

Wednesday, April 20, 1949. Nice day. Ida and I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Got ready for club meeting in p.m. Were 45 here. 36 adults and 9 children. Served angel food cake with whipped cream and strawberries. Pete to town at 12:30, got Mother and Mrs. J. They went home with Marie H. Pete to welding class in evening. Finished great for fireplace. Allen and I to choir practice. Took Ida home. Pete plowing.

Thursday, April 21, 1949. Partly cloudy. Pete finished plowing 25 acres. I done baking etc. in morning. Done some straightening up. Ronnie stayed in town after school. They had ballgame. He went to Mothers. We went to town at 6:15. Allen to Latin Club banquet. He went to Mothers awhile. Got Ronnie and went to PTA at Central School. Rained in night.

Friday, April 22, 1949. Cloudy, colder. Done some cleaning in morning. We went to town after dinner. Went to see Aunt Martha. Pete done some business for her, also for locker. We went to Carnival at high school in evening. Dressed 2 chickens in evening. Mother to Indianapolis with Uncle Henry's. Paul stayed all night with Mrs. J.

Saturday, April 23, 1949. Fair, nice day. Cleaned up kitchen. Boys and I to town at 10:15. Allen to dentist and Ronnie took lesson. I went to Edgars at 11:30. Boys came home. Dorothy fixed my hair. Ate lunch there. Went two nurses home at 2:00 on bus. Helped get dinner for Bluffton alumni. Pete and boys made fence. Boys to relays at school in evening. Allen got me at 10:00. Ronnie to Mrs. J. He and Paul stayed all night. Harold here in evening. Tuned piano. Elmer worked up front yard.

Sunday, April 24, 1949. Nice day, little cool. We went to church. Boys played ball in p.m. at park. I got things ready for supper. George, Merle and Mrs. Patton and Norman V. here also. Ida came home with boys. Norman and George took pictures.

Monday, April 25, 1949. Nice day but real windy. Looked kinda rainy at times. Ida here we washed and ironed. I sewed tomato seeds and some onion sets. Also green beans. Elmer came out in morning to sow grass seed but too windy. Pete done some AAA work in morning. Disc in p.m. Allen to Association of Commerce at 6:00. Quartet played. He was home at 8:00. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Ida hurt her foot hurt her so bad.

Tuesday, April 26, 1949. Cloudy in morning. Warmer, rained most of p.m. We planted some lima beans, little sweet corn, some radishes and lettuce. Pete started plowing on five acres in morning. Set fence post in p.m. I went to town to dentist at 1:00. Had committee meeting at hospital afterwards to make plans for auxiliary to serve Mother-Daughter luncheon. Paul home with Pete. I stopped to see Aunt Martha. Ida's foot OK again.

Wednesday, April 27, 1949. Partly cloudy. Warmer, cooler in p.m. and mostly cloudy. Baked cookies, coffee cake and made custard in morning. Went to missionary meeting at Will Mohr's with Mabel. She had work done on car. Came home with May M. Pete set fence posts in morning, ground feed in p.m. Allen played with quartet at 4-H leaders dinner at Farm Bureau. We all and Ida went to Consistory to see Mr. Hayes pictures he took on hunting trip to Africa. Allen saw part of pictures.

Thursday, April 28, 1948. Fair, rather cool. I cleaned up stairs in morning. Shortened white shirt sleeves for Pete in p.m. Pete disc and harrowed field across road. Pete and I to PTA at high school. Boys finished harrowing in evening.

Friday, April 29, 1949. Fine day, warmer. Done cleaning. Baked pie. Polished silverware in p.m. and was outside a while. Boys finished spading garden. Pete raked it. Pete finished plowing five acres disk and harrowed it. Allen to town at 8:30 got Mabel. She took their car in for Gordon. He was at La Salle.

Saturday, April 30, 1949. Fair in morning. Partly cloudy in p.m. Sprinkled some in p.m. I took Allen to high school at 6:45. Band went to Canton to state contest, got second. Went after him in evening. I sowed flower seeds in morning and finished them in evening. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. he took lesson and mowed Mother's lawn. Mother

and Mrs. J. along to town. We bought dress for Aunt Martha. Stopped to see her. Ida came along home. We baked cake in evening. Pete shall load corn in morning. Plowed garden and part of truck patch.

Sunday, May 1, 1949. Cloudy and misted some in morning. Had a shower at noon. Fair in p.m. Windy. We all went to church. Home for dinner. Boys played ball at Carlock in p.m. We rested. Pete and I took Ida to town in evening. Stopped at Billys awhile.

Monday, May 2, 1949. Fair, nice day, warmer in p.m. Rather windy. I washed. Cleaned up house and basement. Done ironing in p.m.. Elmer Sieg here finished grading yard and seeded the lawn. Boys had 4-H club meeting here in evening. Were 38 here. At popcorn and apples for them.

Tuesday, May 3, 1949. Fair, windy in p.m. and hot 86°. We went to town at 10:00. Pete went to bank. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. Done some business for her. I done shopping for her house slippers and hose. We went to Owen's nursery, got four evergreens and two cherry trees. Paul at Mothers. We took Ida there at 4:00. Cut out dress for her. Pete to Men's Fellowship. Ida and I to Merle's. Helped make favors for hospital. Dressed chicken in evening.

Wednesday, May 4, 1949. Fair, windy, hot 92°. I went to nurses home, auxiliary served Mother-Daughter luncheon at 1:30. Got through at 4:30. Ida, Mother and Mrs. J. came alone out for supper. Pete making fence around truck patch. Paul home with him. We went to choir practice in evening. The apple trees are beautiful with blooms. We left our car at George's to have it worked on. Came home with Florence.

Thursday, May 5, 1949. Fair, hot, 92°. Mabel and I to Mothers. Cleaned her living room and washed windows. Pete disc and harrowed some in p.m. Paul home with him. Allen went to play at high school with Wayne Mohr. Ronnie and I went along. Brought CRs home also took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Pete and Paul home. I cleaned up the upstairs.

Friday, May 6, 1949. Hot, turned cooler in evening and cloudy. Done cleaning. Pete put on some screens. I washed between screens and windows. Done some baking. Washed out some things. Washed my hair. We put out lima and green beans. Boys started planting corn. Finished 18 acres for us and our sweet corn. Pete and I and Paul to Mothers in evening. Marie home. Edgars there. Dot fixed my hair. Dressed three chickens.

Saturday, May 7, 1949. Cloudy in morning, fair and much cooler. Done Saturday work. Bake cake and pot. Boys and I to town at 1030. Allen to dentist. Ronnie took lesson. Took Mother and Marie to cemetery took flowers out. Marie stayed uptown. I washed windows in p.m. Iced cake. Got things ready for company. Allen disc in morning. Pete maked fense. They worked with hogs in p.m. Cleaned up brush. Uncle Frank Whitigs here in evening. Got some sacks.

Sunday, May 8, 1949. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Mother and Marie went with us. They came home with us. Edgars, CRs and Mrs. J. here too for dinner and supper. Ida here in evening. Boys and Marie to town in p.m. CR and Marie to see Aunt Martha. Allen, Gordon and Ronnie went to play ball. We ladies went to pond away etc. (?) also went to CRs awhile. Marie back to Chicago in evening. Had a little shower.

Monday, May 9, 1949. Cloudy and showered a little in morning. Cleared off toward noon. Rather windy. I washed. Hung clothes outside they dried. Ironed a little. I went after Ida at 4:00, she ironed some in evening. Pete and I went to see Grandma Patton a while. She's sick in bed. Pete disc and harrowing.

Tuesday, May 10, 1949. Fair, cool. Ida washed some sheets and bedding and my shag rugs. We finished ironing. Cleaned up house and baked two batches of cookies. Goodwill Circle met here in evening. Ida hostess with me. Were 34 here. Boys to ball game. George here with Pete. Boys planting corn. We serve ice cream, strawberries and cookies, also candy and nuts and coffee.

Wednesday, May 11, 1949. Fair, nice day. I went to hospital at 10:00, had treatment for my arm again. Have a new man from Mayo Clinic. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. She's getting along OK. Done some odd jobs. We went to high school in evening. Band and chorus gave their spring concert, very good. Ida and Mother along. Pete finished planting our corn. Had radishes to eat.

Thursday, May 12, 1949. Fair, warm. Went to Home Bureau at Fred Bastings. Cleaned upstairs after got home. We planted some flowers in truck patch and planted cucumbers and gourds. Pete helping CR work his ground. Paul home with Pete. He harrowed corn in p.m. We went to Bloomington High School in evening to hear the Bloomington-Normal symphony. Mother along.

Friday, May 13, 1949. Fair, real warm. Done cleaning. Went to town at 4:00. Got Ida and some things for supper. George, Merle, and Mrs. Patton and Mr. and Mrs. Schlinker and Rosa here. We had wiener roast out in orchard and we packed a box for Germany. George showed some pictures he took. We have nice time. Pete helped CR some and he took brooder stove down. Dressed rooster in evening.

Saturday, May 14, 1949. Partly cloudy, real warm. We went to town at 10:00. Ronnie took lesson and mowed Mother's lawn. Paul there too. Allen disc for CR in morning. We came home at 2:45. I baked cookies, fixed dressed chicken and made ice box desert and baked pie. Pete done some odd jobs. Put out more gourds and mush melon.

Sunday, May 15, 1949. Fair, quite warm. I went to hospital at 6:00. Helped Goodwill Circle Senior breakfast. Pete and boys to Sunday school with Colters. I changed at Mothers went to church. Home for dinner. Boys to CRs. Pete and I to commencement at Grace ME. I helped with reception. Eds and Ida there too. Pete took Mother and Mrs. J. to Maurine Nord's wedding. Eds, Billys, Ida, mother, Mrs. J. here for supper. Had nice time.

Monday, May 16, 1949. Partly cloudy, sprinkled some in morning & pm. Washed, hung some of clothes in basement. Dried rest outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete finished fence at truck patch. He went to hospital meeting at Carlock in evening. I took Ronnie to church skating party. Ida and I to Dorothy's, she fixed our hair. Allen and Paul home. Mrs. Robert Otto died suddenly at 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17, 1949. Partly cloudy. Showered some in p.m. I went to hospital for treatment at 10:00. Went after Marie Yoder. She and I went to cancer meeting and luncheon at Tilden Hall. Met Mother uptown, stopped to see Aunt Martha. Ida came along home for supper. Pete and I to Robert Otto's at 530. Allen played ball with 4-H. We went to Ronnie's school spring festival, was real good.

Wednesday, May 18, 1949. Showered in morning. Partly cloudy in p.m. I baked cookies, coffee cake and made custard. Pete and I to Mrs. Otto's funeral at Carlock at 2:00. Locker board and wives went together. Club meeting at Mabel's. I stopped there after funeral. We went to choir practice but Helen got there late. We didn't stay as we took Ida to train she left for KC at 8:10 (standard time). Kinda wished I was going along.

Thursday, May 19, 1949. Rained most of the morning and some in p.m. Cooler in p.m. A fine rain. I fixed some eggs for Ronnie's picnic his class had picnic. Had it in gym on account of rain. Went to hospital in morning. Cleaned upstairs in p.m. Pete on Hospital Drive in p.m. and evening. He went after Ronnie at 6:00.

Friday, May 20, 1949. Cloudy, showered some. Done cleaning. Baked cake and coffee cake. Mended some in p.m. Pete on Hospital Drive all day. We set out some tomato and cabbage plants.

Saturday, May 21, 1949. Rained some in morning and in evening. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist, Ronnie took lesson. Boys mowed Mother's lawn. Paul stayed at Mothers. She took he and Ray to show "So Dear to My Heart." They stayed with Mother all night. Alan harrowed being ground in p.m. Pete fanned beans and fixed fence. We set out sweet potato plants. I lengthened black dress. Got lettuce in for supper. Edgars here for supper. She combed my hair.

Sunday, May 22, 1949. Showered some in morning. Fair in p.m. We went to church. Ate lunch in town. Paul at Mothers. We went to open house at hospital. Allen was patient for electrocardiogram and Ronnie patient for eye operation demonstration. Pete was usher and I helped serve punch and cookies in nurses home. Walter Yoder's, Pete and I to St. Joe at 4:45 to their open house. Melvin Colters here a while in evening.

Monday, May 23, 1949. Fair in morning, had big rain at 12:30 and rain again in p.m. I washed clothes, got dry except overalls and some of underwear and pajamas. Hung them in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Pete finished Hospital Drive in morning. We went to Friendship Circle in evening at church.

Tuesday, May 24, 1949. Cleared off in morning. Quite cool. I went to hospital. See Aunt Martha. She's ready to go home. Mother, Mrs. J., Mabel and I went to Mrs. Nord's awhile in p.m. See Maurine's gifts. Pete made fence working on yard fence on north side. He went to locker meeting in evening. Boys played ball at Glenn's. Pearl went to California.

Wednesday, May 25, 1949. Fair in morning. Showered during day. Pete disc bean ground in morning. Until it rained. Mother, Minnie, Mabel and I to Gridley. Cleaned up and Martha's house, quite a mess. Pete and Paul took Aunt Martha home in p.m. She's pretty good. Emil and Sadie got to Billys in p.m. Billy and aEmil came at 5:30 to see house. We all and Edds at Billys for supper. Marie came home in evening.

Thursday, May 26, 1949. Cool. We went to town. I went to hospital. Pete took roosters in. Mother along uptown. I looked for dress but didn't find any. We got home at 1:00. Pete worked around here some and finished working the bean ground. I got things ready for supper and washed my hair. Went to Dorothy's at 4:30, had hair fixed. Pete and Ronnie went to church, heard missionary talk on China. I went to alumni meeting. Allen and Paul home. Cleaned upstairs in morning.

Friday, May 27, 1949. Fair, cooler in evening. Pete sewed his beans. I done cleaning. Baked cookies, pie and coffee cake. Mended some. Dressed rooster in evening for Mother. Paul to Colter's awhile in p.m. to play with David and Mary. Allen went to sophomore class picnic and wiener roast at CR's. They went on hayrack ride.

Saturday, May 28, 1949. Fair, cool. Done Saturday work. Baked cake. Pete, Ronnie and I to town in p.m. Marie along uptown. Allen and Paul home. Allen trimmed hedge. Pete plowed truck patches and planted sweet corn. Mother and Marie came along home. Had waffles and sausage and shortcake. After supper we took flowers to Ropp Cemetery and drove around and to town. We all went to Phil *Kron's* (sp?). Marie took boys. Ida had sale at Orvies. Sold most of the furniture.

Sunday, May 29, 1949. Nice day. We went to church. Then went to Mackinac River for picnic. CRs, mother, Marie, Minnie and we all went except Allen. He played ball, Gordon went with him. Mother, Marie, Mabel and I to cemetery, took flowers while boys chored. Ray here in evening while CRs went to baccalaureate services.

Monday, May 30, 1949. Fair, nice day, warmer. I washed, done most of ironing. Edds came at 10:30 for the day. Pete and boys puts cultivator on tractor. Made some fence and sorted hogs. Pete, Paul and I to town at 7:30 took Marie to train. She went back to Chicago. Edds went home at 5:30.

Tuesday, May 31, 1949. Fair, much warmer. I finished the ironing and went to hospital at 10:00. Done some mending in p.m. Got things ready for supper. Paul and I took Pete some water and cookies. He plowed corn in p.m. He sorted hogs in morning and sold them. He went to locker meeting in evening. Boys in school.

Wednesday, June 1, 1949. Partly cloudy, warm. I baked cookies and made iced cream. Cleanup house. Merle, Mrs. Patton and Mrs. Augsburger here in p.m.. Mrs. A cleaned my slip cover for me. We had cookies, ice cream and coffee. They left at 4:00 for Pattons. I fixed eggs for Allen. He went to band picnic at 4:00. Pete finished plowing field of corn in morning. He and Allen hoed corn in p.m. Boys home from school at noon. We went to choir practice in evening. Kathy Ann born at 12:47 a.m.

Thursday, June 2, 1949. Mostly cloudy, warm, humid, had shower in night. I went to hospital. Took Mabel to Mothers first, and went there at noon. Aunt Minnie W. there. We made curtains for Mother's living room. Boys to school in morning. School out at noon for the summer. Pete and boys made some fence. Tried to bail at CR's but too tough. We went to Fans Field with the boys. Had ballgame. Allen pitched for all the game. They won. Cleaned upstairs in morning.

Friday, June 3, 1949. Partly cloudy. Had shower at 6:30 a.m. Done cleaning. Went town at 10:00. Had a permanent. Then went to Mothers for dinner. Aunt Annie and Bernadine there, also Mabel. Pete and boys bailing at CR's a while in p.m. We went to commencement at NCHS in evening. Allen played with band. Large crowd. Paul at Mothers, stayed all night.

Saturday, June 4, 1949. Fair, quite warm. Done Saturday work. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Boys and I to town at 10:30. Ronnie took lesson. Allen to dentist. I got new dress. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. We went to Elmer S[ieg]. Got four boxes strawberries. Mother got some too. I baked cake and coffee cake, made salad dressing and cooked rhubarb in p.m. Pete and Allen bailing until we went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie and Paul home.

Sunday, June 5, 1949. Fair nice day. Went to church. Home for dinner. Boys practiced ball at CRs. I went to church at 4:00 with May M. We served lunch for Bluffton choir. We all went to their program at NCHS in evening. Was very good.

Monday, June 6, 1949. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed in p.m. Pete and boys finished bailing CRs hay. CR gone. Allen mowed some of our alfalfa and Pete mowed some. Mower broke. Pete to town got parts. Orvies and Ida got here at 6:45. Had supper ready, had new peace. Boys do for each ballgame. Orvies, Ida and I to John Miller's awhile after supper.

Tuesday, June 7, 1949. Nice day, a lot cooler. I went to hospital at 10:00. Orvies left for town and took Ida's things in. They went to Dr. and Billys. Went to Washington in p.m. Were going to Edds all night. I stopped got Ida at 11:30. She came along home. We made 11 ½ pints cherry and strawberry preserves. I made to cherry pies in morning. Ronnie picked them. Pete and I took Ida to town in evening. We went to Edgars a while. Pete finished mowing hay and raked some. They planted some corn.

Wednesday, June 8, 1949. Fair, real cool. I baked cookies. Cleaned up house. Picked peas for dinner and seeded some cherries. Ronnie picked them. I went to Marion Ottos

to home bureau committee meeting in p.m. Pete raked hay in morning. Allen finished plowing corn first time in morning. They bailed hay in p.m. I canned 2 quarts cherries and evening. Allen and I acquire practice. Pete and CR bailed until 8:15.

Thursday, June 9, 1949. Fair, nice day. Went to hospital. Mother and Mrs. J. came along home. We canned 12 quarts cherries and 7 ½ pints preserves and 8 pints peas. Pete and boys finished bailing hay and morning. They picked peas and cherries in p.m. Got things ready for supper. We all went to community club picnic at J. Mohrs. Paul spoke recitation. Ida came out with Mishler's.

Friday, June 10, 1949. Fair, quite warm. Done cleaning and scrubbed. Made cherry pie and ice cream. Pete and Allen plowed up three or four acres of alfalfa and worked the ground. Ronnie and I worked in garden awhile. Got flower bed worked over. Pete, Allen and I to choir practice in evening. Dressed chicken in evening.

Saturday, June 11, 1949 partly cloudy, humid, we had good rain ¾" at 4:20, fine rain. We went to town in morning at 10:00. Paul went at 9:00 with Jeanette to Children's Day practice. He and Ronnie at Mothers for dinner. Paul and Ray stayed all night. Put 6 quarts cherries in locker. I baked a cake in morning. Made salad and ice cream in p.m. Pete got home at 3:30. Pete and I and CRs to Juanita Webb's wedding at Second Presbyterian Church at eight. Boys to ballgame. Had committee meeting at Glens first. We went to ballgame after the reception.

Monday June 12, 1949. Partly cloudy, warm and humid. Had few little showers at Minier. Boys to Sunday school. We all went to Woizeski family reunion at Minier. Was in park. Had nice time. Rather small crowd. We ate supper at 5:30. We got home at 6:30, had to hurry with chores. We went to church in evening. Choir gave program. Ida went along. Boys there too.

Monday, June 13, 1949. Cloudy, damp. Washed clothes, dried some but it rained at 11:20. Got them all in and put them in basement. Hung overalls and some towels out in p.m. they dried. Allen went to veterinarian to test cows in morning. Boys picked peas and Ronnie picked some cherries. Canned 4 quarts peas and made 3 pints cherry preserves. I ironed a few pieces at 4:00. Then iron went bad. Pete to locker meeting at slaughter plant. Paul and I to town, got Mother's iron. Ironed some after I got back. Boys to ballgame.

Tuesday, June 14, 1949. Rained off and on all day and had big rain in evening. Lost power for over an hour. I went to hospital in morning. Pete to town. I ironed some in morning. I went to Home Bureau at Eva McCues. Took Mother after she got done at dentist at 1:30. I came along home. She finished the ironing. I dressed 2 chickens. Pete and boys culled chickens in p.m. Allen with Vet in morning testing cattle. Boys to 4-H keeping fit program in evening. We went to Goodwill Circle at Chester Miller's with May. Sure did rain.

Wednesday, June 15, 1949. Cloudy, cooler. Pete and boys vaccinated pigs in morning. They worked on yard fence in p.m. I baked cookies and pudding in morning. Transplanted some petunias and went to club meeting at Florence Sharp's. Took Mabel. I worked in garden while in evening. Transplanted flowers. Pete, Allen to choir practice in evening. Ida came along home.

Thursday, June 16, 1949. Cool, nice day. Ida washed, helped her some before went to hospital. Pete along to town, took hens in. We canned 10 pints peas, baked cake, cooked chickens, baked coffee cake and rolls and done cleaning and Ida done ironing. Had a big day. Pete and Allen to Roy's at 3:00, bailed a load of hay but too wet. Ronnie worked in garden a while. Boys to 4-H meeting in evening at Glens. Pete took Ida home.

Friday, June 17, 1949. Cloudy, damp and humid. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom and got things ready for dinner. Paul Thietjes, Edgars, Mother, Mrs. J. & CR's here for dinner. CR's home at 3:30. Pauls left at 4:30 and Edgars went after Ida at 4:00. Dorothy fixed her hair and she combed Mother's & mine. I set out some flower plants that Mrs. Dasher sent out with Ida. Dot & Mother helped me some. They got flowers for cemetery for Father's Day. They stayed for supper. Pete to town at 6:30 interview man for slaughter plant. They had meeting.

Saturday, June 18, 1949. Fair, quite warm and humid. Cleaned the kitchen and bathroom. Washed out some things in morning. Allen and Ronnie to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist, he came home at noon. Ronnie mowed mothers lawn in morning. He stayed for dinner. Louise K. and kids and Edgars there. Paul and I to town in p.m. He practiced at church for Children's Day, then went to mothers. Ronnie took lesson and went to dentist. Mother and Mrs. J. came along out with us to CR.'s. We were all there for supper. Pete and Allen bailed at Roy's in p.m. Pete went to vet in morning.

Sunday, June 19, 1949. Fair, hot. We went to church. Home for dinner. Boys played ball at Glen Raiders. Pete, Paul and I to church. Helped decorate for children's program. Ida came out with us at 5:00. We went to children's program in evening. Paul said Lord's Prayer and had 2 exercises. Helped boys pack their suitcases for camp.

Monday, June 20, 1949. Fair, hot and humid. I took boys to church at 8:00. They left by bus at 8:15 for Camp Mack, Indiana. I washed and canned 12 pints peas. Pete picked nearly half of them in the morning, I finished in p.m. Ironed some before supper and again after. Pete with vet in morning and he sowed few beans in p.m. Plowed truck patch in evening. He and Paul to Roy's awhile.

Tuesday, June 21, 1949. Fair, not quite so hot, showered little early in morning. I finished ironing. Picked beans for Mother and lettuce and beets. Paul and I to hospital in morning. Canned 4 quarts beans in p.m. and dusted house. Helped Pete some with chores in evening. Pete with vet in morning. He plowed garden too in p.m. He plowed beans and sweet corn.

Wednesday, June 22, 1949. Fair, quite warm. I worked in garden all morning. Mended some in p.m. and cleaned up kitchen. Pete bailed at Roy's in p.m. and plowed corn in p.m. He had locker meeting in evening. They let Harry B. and Dwaine go. I took Pete to town, got Ida and went to George and Merle. They brought us home and took the car back. Ida a long home.

Thursday, June 23, 1949. Partly cloudy. Had little shower in p.m. We canned 6 quarts beets and Ida washed some. I went to hospital in morning. Merle came after me and I got the car. Had some work done on it. Mother came along out at noon. She and I went to Gridley with Pearl to see Aunt Martha. She's real good. I cleaned upstairs in p.m. Pete finished plowing corn second time. We went to band concert awhile in evening. Took Ida and Mother home.

Friday, June 24, 1949. Fair, at about ½" rain in evening. Hot. I picked peas and beans. Got Mother and Mrs. J. at 10:00. We canned 10 pints peas. Kept enough for supper. Canned 6 quarts beans. Done cleaning and dressed chicken (frier). Pete went with vet in morning. He hoed truck patches in p.m. Edgars and Ida here too for supper. We have fried chicken, new potatoes and cabbage and peas.

Saturday, June 25, 1949. Partly cloudy, hot, humid, had ½" rain early in morning. Done Saturday work. Pete and I to town at 10:30. Paul at Mothers. We went to Dr. Schultz. He said I could quit treatment on my arm. It's much better but thumb and part of arm still numb. We went with Alvin Mohrs, Earl Ks and Phils to picnic at the Funk's Grove, then went to All-Star baseball game. Boys came home with Rev. Weaver. They had a fine time at camp. Got to Mothers about 6:30. They went to ballgame. Paul at Mothers all night.

Sunday, June 26, 1949. partly cloudy, hot and humid and had several showers in town. We went to church, took our lunch, ate at Park. Boys played ball at Fans Field. Pete and I took Paul to park a while. Ida came home with us. Pete and Paul took her home. One of Ronnie's pigs died. He feel so badly about.

Monday, June 27, 1949. Fair, hot. Washed. Had big one. Picked beans. Ronnie helped me some. Canned 7 quarts, gave Merle 2 quarts beans, also beets. Got things ready for supper. Georges and Mrs. Patton and Ida here at 4:30. They worked with hogs. They're sick. Got bad vaccine. Several died. Allen gone with Ed Miller. Getting steel bins ready for grain. Go over the county. Had fried chicken and ice cream for supper. Pete with vet.

Tuesday, June 28, 1949. Mostly fair. Hot, 90° and humid. Done ironing and pressing. Baked cake and coffee cake. Got things ready for supper. Went to Friendship Circle picnic at Chester Miller's except Allen, he went to ballgame. Pete with vet in morning. Allen with Ed Miller. I didn't go to hospital. Pete hoed weeds in corn while in p.m. Rained in night.

Wednesday, June 29, 1949. Fair, hot and humid. Cleaned up house. Picked peas for dinner. Pete plowed some corn in p.m. and he helped CR bail some hay. Allen helping with steel bins. I went to missionary meeting at Lois Miller's. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie and Paul to Mothers. Ronnie mowed her lawn.

Thursday, June 30, 1949. Fair, hot, 93°. I washed, had a pretty big one. Cleaned up upstairs and bedrooms downstairs. Done ironing. Pete finished laying corn and plowed beans in p.m. He went with vet in morning. Allen gone. He went to band practice in evening. And I went to alumni meeting. George and Merle here awhile, also Doris and Roscoe P.

Friday, July 1, 1949. Fair, hot, 106° in town. Looked rainy in evening. I canned 14 quarts beans. Ronnie helped me some. Baked cake and made applesauce. Cleaned up in living and dining room. I went to auxiliary meeting in p.m. a while. Pete and boys town. Pete took new manager through locker and slaughter plant in morning. Ida came home with us. Edds here for supper. Ida home with them. Pete had building committee meeting here. Allen and Ronnie to band concert at Towanda. Marie home.

Saturday, July 2, 1949. Fair, hot. 102° in town. Baked cake and done Saturday work. Boys and I to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist. Ronnie took lesson. Pete with vet. He ground feed and mowed lawn. Boys washed and Simonized car in p.m. I made applesauce, dressed chicken, iced cake. Done little sewing etc. We all went to Edgars for supper. CR's and Mother and Marie there too. Boys had ballgame in evening. We went out awhile.

Sunday, July 3, 1949. Fair, hot, around 100°. We went to church in morning. We all went to Aunt Martha's for dinner. Took our dinner, took chicken and cake, ate in yard. Roy's, Mother, Marie, & CR's and Barbara Stalter there. We picked few raspberries. Boys came home with Roys. Pete, Paul and I to Edds, got I do. We all went to George and Merles for picnic supper. Their friends (Careys) from Michigan there.

Monday, July 4, 1949. Hot, 100°. I washed. Made applesauce for supper and fixed beans etc. Ironed awhile in p.m. Pete and boys done odd jobs and cut some weeds. Pete to town at 3:45, got Mother and Marie and Ida. We all went to Roy's for picnic supper. Allen and Gordon took Marie to train, she left at 8:20. We watched fireworks. Roys took Mother and I do home. Mrs. J. in Lincoln.

Tuesday, July 5, 1949. Fair, hot, 98°. More breeze. Allen didn't go to work. Ed Miller thought too hot. Pete had corn shelled in morning. They baled hay at CRs until it showered at 4:30. We had rain in evening. I canned 17 quarts beans and finished ironing. We took boys to ballgame in evening but didn't play on account of rain.

Wednesday, July 6, 1949. Fair, hot, 94°. Rained in town in evening. Pete and Allen mowed our alfalfa hay and they bailed at CRs at 4:00. I baked cookies and pie. Cleaned up house in morning. Done some mending and sewing in p.m. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Allen and I to choir practice.

Thursday, July 7, 1949. Rained at 9:30 and 5:30 and again at 9:00. Hot and humid. I worked in garden in morning until it rained. Washed in p.m. Clothes didn't quite all get dry. Cleaned up upstairs and two bedrooms in p.m. Pete, Paul and I to town in evening. Ida and I to Dorothy's. She fixed our hair. Pete to see Mr. Hoover. Allen to band practice. Ronnie to club meeting at R. Raiders. Allen and Don Smith went after band practice. Pete & CR worked on combine.

Friday, July 8, 1949. Rained off and on all day. Mother here. We canned 6 quarts beans for her, also 26 ½ quarts apricots and 7 pints marmalade. Made 2 quarts apple sauce. We took Mother home and got our groceries. Ronnie took his lesson. Had a big day. Cleaned living and dining room in morning.

Saturday, July 9, 1949. Had a rain at 11:00. Hot and humid. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. I went to Peoria with CRs. Mother along too. Gordon went to Dr. about skin condition on his hand. Mabel took Mother to town after we got back. She had an accident, hit another car at intersection. Mother had fractured rib. Took her to hospital. Pete and I took CR in. They x-ray Mother. Took car to the garage. We came home at 7:00. Ida along. We ate supper and went back. I baked cake and dressed chicken. Mother resting. We all came home. Gordon and Ray here a while. Mother nauseated etc.

Sunday, July 10, 1949. Fair and cooler, such a relief. We went to church, stopped at hospital in mourning. Took CRs in too. We had basket dinner at church and annual church meeting in p.m. Boys home in p.m., had ball practice. Paul home with Kay Yoder in p.m. Boys came after us. We stopped at hospital. Dr. taped Mother in morning, but had to take it off, couldn't stand it. She rested better in p.m. Mabel home at noon with Roys. Ida with Mother.

Monday, July 11, 1949. Fair, beautiful day. Washed and done ironing. Boys bailed our hay. Sold some to Ray and load to Oscar. I took lunch to field. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Ida and I went to hospital awhile to see Mother. We also went to 909 N. Center St. to see Ida's apartment. Boys home.

Tuesday, July 12, 1949. Fair, much cooler in evening. Done baking – cake, coffee cake etc. Got things ready for supper, dressed chicken. Went to town in p.m. to annual Home Bureau meeting. Stopped to see Mother. She's up in chair. Ida came along home. We went to Goodwill Circle picnic at Sam Sommers. Boys bale hay and CRs. Hay molded. He stacked it outside. Had sweet corn.

Wednesday, July 13, 1949. Fair, nice day. Ida here. We canned 16 quarts apple sauce. We went to town in p.m. Ida got new Westinghouse icebox. We moved her things to 909 Center apartment. Ronnie helped too, after he mowed and raked Mother's lawn. Pete combined oats at Roy's. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida and boys to her apartment to straighten up things.

Thursday, July 14, 1949. Fair, warmer. We washed. Ida done most of it and ironed. Ronnie and I worked in garden, dug out iris and transplanted them, some job. Allen helped awhile in p.m. then he helped at Roy's. Pete combining there. Morris Heisers here in morning. Got beets and beans and gave them apples. We had lima beans for dinner. Get things ready for supper. Went to CR's to Farm and Home Bureau picnic. Boys to ballgame. We took either to town after picnic.

Friday, July 15, 1949. Fair, cool. Done cleaning and baked pies. Pete finished combining at Roy's and started on CR's. Mabel and I to town to see Mother in p.m. We dusted her house. Marie came home in evening with Elizabeth Dean. We went to band concert at Carlock. Allen played. Girls 4-H club had ice cream and cake.

Saturday, July 16, 1949. Fair, warmer. Done Saturday work. Dressed chicken, took part of it to Mothers. Boys and I to town at 10. Allen to dentist. Marie and I took Mother home from hospital. She's better. Boys and I there for lunch. Took Marie uptown. Ronnie took last lesson and had recital. Came home at 3:30. Pete finished combining CRs Oates at 2:00 and started on hours. Pete and Paul at CRs for dinner.

Sunday, July 17, 1949. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Fixed our lunch to eat at Park but Mother and Mabel wanted us to stay there. Boys played ball in p.m. Marie left for Chicago at 4:00 with Elizabeth Dean. Pete went after Ida and she stayed with Mother when we came home. Mrs. J. got back at 6:30. Phils and John Mailers here in evening. We made freezer of cream.

Monday, July 18, 1949. Fair in morning. Had shower at noon. Fair in p.m. Washed most of clothes, dry before it rained. Overalls dried in p.m. Done ironing. Boys combined here until it rained, lacked one round of being done when it rained. Ray's combine didn't work. Pete to town for locker business in p.m. Ida came home with him. She done some washing and stretched curtains. Pete and I to church in evening. Made plans for organ fund drive.

Tuesday, July 19, 1949. Fair, hot, over 90°, humid. Ida and I canned 28 quarts apple sauce. Gave her 4 quarts. We baked cookies, also roles and coffee cake. Merlin and Paul and Ray Fowler and Ray R. here for dinner. Allen helped Ed Miller in morning on beans. Pete and CR combined Oscarand's oats and finished ours. Nice to be done. We took Ida home in evening and stopped at Mothers. I picked bucket full of cucumbers in evening. Took Mother some. Allen helped bail at Roy's in p.m.

Wednesday, July 20, 1949. Mostly cloudy. Showered little at noon. Ronnie and I worked in garden in morning and I mended in p.m. Pete and Allen started bailing straw at Roy's in morning. But too damp. Pete and boys picked six bushels transparent apples in p.m. and cut weeds out of corn field. We went to choir practice in evening and to Ed Sharps to solicit for organ fund.

Thursday, July 21, 1949. Rained in morning and had big rain in evening. We lost electricity. Had some wind in places. Went to town in morning. Took Mother to Dr.

She's doing OK. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers for lunch. We done some shopping. Allen got shoes, overalls and matched suit. He paid for them with his money from AAA. Edgars and Ida here for supper. We had ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen to band practice. Took 5 quarts corn to locker. Cleaned upstairs and my bedroom.

Friday, July 22, 1949. Mostly cloudy. Fair in evening. Made 5 gallons kraut. Allen helped me some. Washed and dressed chicken. Done cleaning and ironing and baked pie in p.m. Got things ready for picnic. We went to Earl Alwes to Garfield picnic. Pete and boys cut weeds in corn.

Saturday, July 23, 1949. Rainy morning and looked rainy in evening. Showered some here. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 10:00. Allen to dentist. We got Ronnie a cornet. Rented it for three months. Paul stayed at Mothers all night. Boys to free show at Carlock with Fowlers. Pete and I, Earls, Phils, and John Mailer to Peoria to Pere Marquette for dinner. We went with Earl. Phil took Johns. Pete and Allen pulled some fence posts in p.m.

Sunday, July 24, 1949. Fair, quite warm and humid but good breeze. We went to church. Home for dinner. Boys had company in p.m. Pete went after Ida at 4:00. Walter Yoder's came at 8:30. Brought Kay out. She stayed all night. Walters going to Chicago.

Monday, July 25, 1949. Mostly cloudy in morning. Partly cloudy rest of day. Showered some at noon and again in evening. Washed. Got clothes dry. Done ironing in p.m. Pete went with vet in morning. Allen to town at 8:00. Mr. Miller helped him with music for 4-H amateur program. Boys picked 2 bushels transparent apples. They cut weeds in p.m. Kay here all day and night. We went to ballgame in evening. Had new tomatoes.

Tuesday, July 26, 1949. Partly cloudy and very humid. Good breeze. Marie came after Kay at 9:30. I went to town at 10:00. Took Mother to Dr. Baked cookies, coffee cake and pudding and made applesauce in p.m. When after Ida at 5:30. Dressed chicken in evening and cleaned up kitchen. Pete with vet in morning. Boys cut weeds in morning and again in p.m. Bailed at Roy's a while after 6:00 but too wet. Pete to Gundy's in evening.

Wednesday, July 27, 1949. Fair, hot but cool breeze. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We canned 48 pints corn and 10 quarts apple sauce. Ida washed in morning and done ironing before supper. Pete and Allen bailed at Roy's in p.m. Ronnie cut weeds in chicken yard and worked in gardens some. Martha and Bill Woizeski here a while with their cousins. Marie Yoder came for apples. We went to choir practice. Allen to 4-H amateur tryout at Farm Bureau. He made the contest. LaRue Schad accompanying him.

Thursday, July 28, 1949. Fair, quite hot. Pete to St. Louis with some of locker board at 5:00. I took him to town. I went to one dollar day at 9:00. Got boys some T-shirts etc. Boys worked in gardens some. Dressed chicken, cooked apples. Got things ready for supper. Boys cut weeds in corn in p.m.. Edds came at 6:30. We went to park for supper. Mother, Mrs. J., Edds and Billys there too. Julia in Ohio. Pete got to Edgars at 6:30.

Came to park with them. Allen and Ronnie to NCHS. Ronnie had first lesson on cornet. They were at park for supper. Cleaned upstairs. Edds here all night.

Friday, July 29, 1949. Rained at 4 a.m. And rained northeast of here in evening. Hot and humid. Cooler in evening. Done cleaning in morning and picked lima beans. Edds left for Lake Bloomington at 7:40. Pete went with vet. Pete and boys cut weeds in corn in p.m. I baked cake, cooked apples, dressed 2 chickens and took care of some pickles. We went to band concert in evening at Hudson. Allen played.

Saturday, July 30, 1949. Fair, cooler. Real cool in evening. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town. Allen to dentist. Ronnie and Paul to Dr. Jones for checkup. Paul vaccinated for smallpox. Pete with vet in morning. He and Allen bailed load of straw in p.m. Ronnie and Paul to Sunday School party at Laura's. Ida came home at 4:00 with Mabel. Merle and George here awhile, got chickens and apples. I got supper. Duncan Millers and Mrs. Kemp here for supper. Had nice time.

Sunday, July 31, 1949. Fair, cool, beautiful day. We went to church. Home for dinner. Boys had company in p.m. We took Ida back to town in evening. She had her day off.

Monday, August 1, 1949. Fair, real cool in morning, 58°. Washed had big one. Done ironing. Pete with vet in morning. He finished bailing our straw. CR gone. Pete bailed at CR's awhile in evening. Boys on 4-H club tour at 6:00. Was late when we ate supper. Had rain in evening and lots of electricity.

Tuesday, August 2, 1949. The fair, fine day. Little warmer. Baked pies and cooked apples. Cleaned up house in morning. Got corn ready for locker in p.m. Went to town at 4:00. Got five boxes (1 & 1/2 pints). Pete with vet in morning. He bailed straw at CR's. Finished it. Allen helped Roy Barkley in p.m. Pete to men's meeting at church in evening.

Wednesday, August 3, 1949. Fair, nice day. Dressed chicken for Home Bureau. Pete and boys ground feed. CR helped Allen trim his cows. Pete and I to town at 10:00. We got him some trousers etc. Got home at 2:00. I washed and stirred up cookies. Done ironing before supper. Allen helped bail load hay at Ray's, but too wet so Pete and CR bailed Oscars straw. Boys cut some weeds in corn. We went to town in evening. Dorothy fixed my hair, also Ida. Allen and LaRue practiced with Mr. Miller.

Thursday, August 4, 1949. The fair, nice day. Baked cookies and apple crisp. Cleaned upstairs and got things ready to leave. Pete shelled corn. Boys worked some on cows. Allen with vet awhile. We went to town with CRs at 2:30. We left with Hoovers for Goshen Indiana at 3:00. Got to Goshen at 9:20. Stayed at Tom Bylers all night. Was nice to see them again. Allen bailing at Roy's in a.m. He and Ronnie to band practice in evening. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. Mother and Mrs. J. staying with boys.

Friday, August 5, 1949. Fair, nice day. We went to conference at 9:30. Ate dinner at the Goshen College. Met Verne Bloss at afternoon session. Sure glad to see her. We went

to Hilda Byler, Jake Sutterman's for supper. Had a lovely time. Went to church in evening. Went home with Verne all night to Middlebury. Sure enjoyed it. Warrens (sp?) wasn't home. Went to Glenn Millers a while at 4:00.

Saturday, August 6, 1949. Fair, warmer. We went to conference at 11:20 Verne with us. We ate lunch at college with Hoover's. They took us for little ride to a lake. Went to women's meeting in p.m. To college for supper and had tour of college buildings. Went to Lee Hartzler's Church in evening and two Tom's all night.

Sunday, August 7, 1949. The fair, warmer. Had rain at 4:00 p.m. Went to church in morning, Toms with us. We ate dinner at Tom's. I went to p.m. session awhile in p.m. Pete went with Ernest Smoker to see Farm Bureau co-op. Tom's and we went to Miles Yoder's at 3:00. We left Tom's at 4:00 for home. Came with Ernest Schrock. Allen met us at Meadows. Mabel with him. Allen took Mother and Mrs. J. home in evening. Ronnie and Paul home. We got home at 11:00.

Monday, August 8, 1949. Fair, quite warm. Pete and boys took stock to fair. Allen had 2 cows and Hereford heifer. Ronnie had three pigs & Hereford heifer. I got their clothes ready. I washed and done ironing and pressed clothes. Kathleen Miller here at noon got corn. She took my cooker along. Duncan here in evening, picked up green beans. Allen in milking derby.

Tuesday, August 9, 1949. Fair, hot. We went to fair in morning. Boys showed Herefords, had a lot of competition. We came home at 4:00. Ida came with us. We went back for evening. Boys staying at fair all-night. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, August 10, 1949. Fair, hot. We washed before reckless. Got ready to go to the fair. Went about 10:00. Took Mother along. Ronnie showed hogs. Got sixth on his barrow. Allen in amateur program in p.m. Played trombone. LeRue Schad accompanied. He did real well. We went back in evening a while, then went to Hoover's to see Beachys. Had nice time. Done ironing in evening.

Thursday, August 11, 1949. Partly cloudy. Hot, cooler in evening. We had rain here at 1:00, 1/2". Didn't rain at fair. Allen showed dairy. Got second on Susie and got third in milking derby. Allen and I came home at 4:00. He chored. I got some of his things ready to go to Springfield. Pete brought stock home. We went back in evening. Ida along. Rained several times. They had part of show, but was a mess. Wet, muddy. Canned 3 1/2 quarts bread and butter pickles.

Friday, August 12, 1949. Partly cloudy, humid and hot. Washed and ironed in p.m. Had big one. Had shower in p.m. I done cleaning and canned 5 quarts dill pickles. Pete and Ronnie cut weeds and mowed oats field. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Ronnie, Paul and I to Mothers. Ronnie mowed her lawn. Marie home in evening. Gartner's met her at train. Allen to Springfield at 6:00 a.m. took Susie.

Saturday, August 13, 1949. Mostly cloudy. Cooler. Done Saturday work. Baked cake and apple crisp. Made applesauce. We picked lima beans and got them ready for locker. Got six boxes (1 1/2 pint size). We went to town at 3:00. Marie uptown. They went to Gartner's for supper. I took some clothes for Allen to Floyd Mohr's in morning. He went to Springfield.

Sunday, August 14, 1949. Partly cloudy, rather warm and humid but good breeze from North East in p.m. We went to church, choir on vacation. Went to CRs for dinner. Mother & Marie there too. Edgars, Uncle Charlie, Uncle Henrys, Clarence Woizeski's there are awhile in p.m. Clarence stopped here awhile. Mother and Ida here too. Ida came out with Edgars. Mother and I dressed chicken for her and one for me while boys done chores. Picked beans for her too. Billys came as we were leaving for CRs to eat supper. They went along up there. Marie to Chicago in evening.

Monday, August 15, 1949. Partly cloudy, quite warm. I washed. Worked in garden a while in p.m. and done ironing. Pete worked on mower in morning. Ronnie finished mowing oats field before noon. Pete dug up tile to north cistern and fixed it. He and Ronnie dug potatoes. Didn't get many, 2 bags. I fried chicken in evening and got things ready for dinner for next day.

Tuesday, August 16, 1949. Partly cloudy, hot and humid at times. Ronnie and I left at 6:30 with CRs, Laura and May for the fair at Springfield. Went in Mohr's car. Gordon got first and reserve champion. Allen got ninth and he showed in open class in place of being in milking derby. Pete to meeting, Farm Bureau board meeting. Locker board met with them. Paul at Mothers. Clarence W. there for dinner. Ida came home with Pete in evening, also Paul. We got home at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17, 1949. Partly cloudy. A warm and humid. Had little shower at noon. Ida and I canned 16 quarts sauerkraut, 12 quarts tomatoes, and 26 quarts peaches and 5 pints preserves. Made rolls and cinnamon rolls. I washed out few things. Pete went to Birklebaws at noon got 1 1/2 bushel peaches. Bought one bushel and they gave us one half bushel. Pete and Ronnie moved hog houses in a.m. and scrubbed them. We took Ida to town and got old furnace at mothers.

Thursday, August 18, 1949. Partly cloudy, warm and humid. Cooler in evening. I cleaned house. Moved davenport and chair out, cleaned them and vacuum swept. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors, also cabinet tops and chairs. Washed windows inside and some outside. We went to Merle and George's for hamburger fry in their yard. Ida there too.

Friday, August 19, 1949. Cloudy, cooler, showered most of the day. Cleared off in evening, much cooler. I canned 7 quarts tomatoes and 17 pints lima beans. Pete to town in morning. He helped me pick lima beans and he finished them after dinner in rain. I baked cake in morning. Allen got home from Springfield at 5:00. Edgars, Ida, Mother and Mrs. J. here for supper. Made ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Saturday, August 20, 1949. Fair, real cool 50°. I washed had big one. Done little cleaning. Fixed vinegar for sweet pickles. Pete and boys baled hay a while at CRs. I went town at 3:30. Mother along got her groceries. I got dress unexpected on sale. Gray suit dress. Ida came along home here all night. She ironed some and I ironed a while. Got done except few overalls.

Sunday, August 21, 1949. Fair, cool, 50°. We went to church, home for dinner. Mother came home with us. We went to Melinda Augspurger's funeral in p.m. at Eureka. Ida along to Edds. Boys home. We all went to church in evening. Peter and Alfreda Dyck spoke on their work in Europe with the MCC and showed pictures. Very interesting. We stopped at CRs in p.m. to see Sham the Indian student.

Monday, August 22, 1949. Fair, cool, little warmer. Washed. Pete mowed alfalfa awhile after he helped CR unload hay. Allen to dentist in morning and again in p.m. having his braces taken off. Pete, Allen and I to town in p.m. Pete to meeting. I got plant for Goodwill Circle for Ethel Ramseyer and gift for Roberta Mailer. Paul at Mothers. He stayed for evening. Ida came along home, she ironed a while. I canned 9 quarts sweet pickles. We went to friendship Circle in evening. Allen played. Ronnie mowed hay in p.m.

Tuesday, August 23, 1949. Fair, warmer. I finished ironing and baked cookies in morning. Cooked apples etc. Canned 15 quarts tomatoes in p.m. dressed 2 chickens in evening and picked some lima beans. Allen finished mowing hay in morning. Pete done odd jobs and mowed lawn. Allen to dentist in p.m. Pete got ready to shell corn and mowed the road.

Wednesday, August 24, 1949. Fair, quite warm. Pete and boys shelled corn in morning. They bailed hay in p.m. five loads. They bailed alone so didn't unload. CR's went to Fairbury fair. I cleaned up house, got things ready for supper. Paul and I to Normal, get few groceries after 4:00. Frank and Philip Pattons and Mrs. Mailer here for supper. Had nice time.

Thursday, August 25, 1949. Fair, hot. We bailed hay, got done at 4:30. Had a big crop. I picked & canned 13 pints lima beans and canned 12 quarts tomatoes. Kept me busy. Duncan Millers here a while in evening. Pete to committee meeting at Gerald Galloway's.

Friday, August 26, 1949. The fair, washed in morning. Then cleaning in p.m. and ironed. Pete went after Ida at 4:00. Allen helped bail at Roy's. Pete helped a while. Karl and Billy Kloozs were here awhile in evening. Carl's got to Billys at 4:00, Jane with them. I do back to town with them.

Saturday, August 27, 1949. Partly cloudy. Showered in evening. I baked cake etc. cleaned kitchen and bathroom. We all went to town at 10:45 except Allen. Paul at mothers. We expected Dave at noon but he called at 11:00 had missed his train. So came on bus. We stopped at Billys and they wanted us to stay for lunch so did. Jane came home with us. She, Paul and I met Dave at 5:45. I do home with us. Billys and Karls

came out in evening. Jane showed her pictures. Allen had date, went to LeRoy to get his girl, went with Kenneth Reeser.

Sunday, August 28, 1949. Had shower at noon. Fair in p.m. Pete and boys to church. Pete was superintendent for Sunday School and lead singing for church. I got dinner for company. Karls, Billys, Edds and Ida here, also Dave. Ida got off work at noon. We had fine time. They were here for lunch. Billys went to town awhile. Came back later. Boys and Jane to show in evening. We all went to CRs to see museum.

Monday, August 29, 1949. Fine day, cooler. Washed had big one. I ironed in p.m. but didn't get done. Pete and boys to town in p.m. Ida home with them. We all went to Edds for supper, had nice time.

Tuesday, August 30, 1949. Had little shower in morning. Fair in p.m. Cool. Ida here. We finished ironing, made 4 quarts mixed pickles. Baked cake and pie in morning. Dave, Allen and I to town. I went for some business for Pete. We got Dave's trunk at the depot. We canned 16 quarts tomato juice and canned 1 1/2 quarts tomatoes. Pete and boys cleaned out henhouses.

Wednesday, August 31, 1949. Fair, had shower at 4:00 p.m. and blew. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Went to Merle's at 10:30. She and I cleaned the choir robes with *penuzit* (sp?). Got along fine. Ida came home with me. We helped Dave get packed. Pete and I to choir practice awhile. Rest of them took Dave to see Dr. Yoders. We all took Dave to train at 9:10. He left for home. Boys had big time. Pete and boys made to gallon cider in p.m.

Thursday, September 1, 1949. Clear, real cool 40°. I washed. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We made 34 glasses grape jelly and 2 quarts juice for me and 3 quarts for Mother. Made 12 pints grape conserve and 12 pints peach preserves and dressed five chickens. Boys started to school. Went until noon. Pete and boys hauled manure. Pete to supper at Farm Bureau. I stirred up cookies in evening. Sure was tired. Had big day.

Friday, September 2, 1949. Fair, little warmer. Baked cake and cookies. Done all of cleaning and canned 7 quarts tomato juice. Went to town in p.m. got hair fixed and got groceries. Pete met 7:00 train. Walker Ropp and his friend came. They went to CRs a while. I done ironing and iced cake. We had ice cream and cake when boys got home.

Saturday, September 3, 1949. Fair, warmer. Got things ready for dinner. We all went to Ropp reunion at Miller Park. Marie came in p.m. Walker and his friend to Minier at 3:30. I stopped at hospital to nurses alumni tea at 5:00. I went to banquet in evening at nurses home. Goodwill Circle served it. I furnished chicken. Pete to town. Boys didn't go out. Allen, Ronnie and Paul home.

Sunday, September 4, 1949. Partly cloudy, warmer. Had several showers in p.m. We went to church. Roy's, Minnie, Mother, Marie, CRs and we were at Aunt Martha's for dinner. She had nice dinner. We took Mother & Marie home and got Ida. We went to

church in evening. Boys home. Dr. Pannebackers here showed pictures of seminary in Chicago.

Monday, September 5, 1949. Cloudy while in morning. The fair nice day. We washed and Ida ironed some. We canned 14 quarts peaches and 6 pints marmalade. Pete and boys hauled manure. Boys had no school. We went to town in evening took Ida back and we went to depot to see Marie off. Boys to 4-H meeting. Mother came home with us here all night. Pete and boys made cider in p.m.

Tuesday, September 6, 1949. Partly cloudy, cool. We made 10 1/2 quarts apple butter. Cooked it on the range in garage. I baked cake and got things ready for supper. Went to dentist at 5:15 had tooth pulled. Ida along home. We all went to picnic at I. S. N. U. picnic grounds for nurses. Pete took Mother home and got some of the girls.

Wednesday, September 7, 1949. Fair, cool. Dorothy Singley here in morning to see about club meeting. I canned 12 quarts peaches and 3 pints preserves and 11 quarts tomato juice. Pete and Paul to town in morning. Pete and boys carried pullets in henhouse.

Thursday, September 8, 1949. Fair, real cool 45°. I went to Home Bureau at West Twin Grove Church. Pete helped CR shell corn in p.m. Paul with him. Mabel, Mother and I stopped at Roy's on way home. Made plans for shower for June A. I cleaned upstairs and bedrooms. We all went to Merna to Ernest Straub to choir wiener roast.

Friday, September 9, 1949. Fair, cool. Washed and ironed in evening. Canned 12 quarts peaches and 2 1/2 pints preserves and canned 9 quarts tomato juice. Another big day. Pete put manure loader on tractor. Hauled some dirt in lots. He went to slaughter plant awhile in morning. Allen to Le Roy in evening.

Saturday, September 10, 1949. Fair, warmer. Done cleaning and scrubbing. Baked coffee cake and desert in morning. Picked some lima beans. We went to town in p.m. Boys at Mothers. Ronnie mowed her lawn. Allen shocking corn fodder at Roy's. Ida along home. We baked cake and apple dumplings. Pete and Ronnie hauled cobs and manure from hog lot in morning.

Sunday, September 11, 1949. Cloudy, cool. Showered off and on during day. We went to church. Mother and Ida here. Minnie came while we were eating dinner so she ate with us. Mother, Minnie, Ida and I to Stella Hastings a while in p.m. Took Minnie home, gave her some apples and squash. George, Merle and Mrs. Patton and Earl Kaufman's here in evening. Pete took Mother and Ida to town.

Monday, September 12, 1949. Rained all morning. Rather windy in p.m. Washed, dried close in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Washed my hair. Pete sorted hogs and sheep in morning. Sold some. He went to town in p.m. for locker. He went to locker meeting in evening. I went to Dorothy's had hair fixed.

Tuesday, September 13, 1949. Cleared off in morning. Nice day, cool. Mother and Mrs. J. here. We filled the dryer with apples. Canned 7 quarts peaches and 6 pints preserves and made over 2 gallons tomato juice for catsup. Pete and I to Community Chest dinner at YWCA. After dinner I went to Goodwill Circle at Merle's. Pete to Men's Fellowship at church. Took Mother and Mrs. J. home. Boys home working on 4-H records. Pete shocking fodder at Roy's in p.m.

Wednesday, September 14, 1949. Cloudy, Chile. Showered little in p.m. I made 11 bottles catsup and finished drying apples. Baked cookies and pies. Cooked squash for pies. Pete shocking fodder at Roy's. He and I to choir practice in evening. Boys working on record books.

Thursday, September 15, 1949. Fair, cool. Baked to pies for Tomato Festival. Made peach crisp. Went to truck patch got peaches. Cleaned up the upstairs. Got things ready for supper. Allen took me to town at 4:30. Helped at booth at Tomato Festival. Pete to church board meeting in evening. I came home with him. Was 12:00 when we got home. Boys home. Finished record books.

Friday, September 16, 1949. Partly cloudy, rather windy. Canned 10 quarts tomato juice. Done all of cleaning. Got flowers in to take to church. Went to church at 4:30 with Janette Colter. We served supper for I. S. N. U. students. Allen to supper too at 6:00. Paul at Mothers. Pete and Ronnie to town with CRs. We all went to football game after got done at the church. Allen played in band. NCHS won

Saturday, September 17, 1949. Mostly cloudy. Warmer. George and Merle and Mrs. Patton and we went to Chicago to Railroad Fair. Left here at 6:15 got home at 11:50 p.m. Had a big day and were tired but saw lots and had a fine time. Wheels A Rollin was wonderful. CR done chores in evening. Paul stayed with Mother. They went to Tomato Festival. Gals worked hard at booth.

Sunday, September 18, 1949. Cloudy in morning. Rained early. Fair in p.m. nice. We went church. Went to Hubbard's Cupboard for lunch. George, Merle and Mrs. P. there too. Came home in p.m. rested. Boys played football with neighbor boys. Pete went after Ida at 5:00. Pete and I picked up four bushels apples. George, Merle and Mrs. P. here a while in evening. We had pumpkin pie and coffee and George and Merle brought a gallon of ice cream.

Monday, September 19, 1949. Fair, rather windy, beautiful day. Ida had her day off. We washed and ironed. Washed things off boys beds for housecleaning. We aired all bedding in linen closet in p.m. Pete cleaned out garage and went to town in p.m. Pete took Ida to town in evening.

Tuesday, September 20, 1949. Fair, nice day. Mother and Mrs. J. came out. We filled dryer with apples and made 13 pints chili sauce. We picked tomatoes and dusted up house. Jacob Mohr passed away early in morning. Pete helped Fowler's pour basement

floor. Metzger, Ira Troyers and John Millers here for committee meeting in evening. Dorothy and Edgar here in evening, got apples. They took Mother and Mrs. J. home.

Wednesday, September 21, 1949. Reigns in morning. Mostly cloudy. Baked cookies and made peach crisp for dinner for club. Dressed 2 chickens and dried apples. Went to club meeting at Fern Millers. Was to be at park but too rainy. Pete and I to Jake Mohrs awhile. I went to town, got Allen, he went to dentist after school. I went to Ida's awhile then to cancer dinner and meeting at Illinois Hotel. Pete and Allen to choir practice.

Thursday, September 22, 1949. Fair, cool. Baked pie and cooked chicken. Went to Mohrs at 10:15. Helped get dinner. Goodwill and Friendship Circle served. Pete and Paul there too for dinner. We went to funeral in p.m. Mother and we went to town awhile. Paul stayed at Mothers. We all went to PTA supper at high school. Ronnie had to exhibit at school. Won 3 firsts and 1 second on gourds, squash and popcorn. He cleaned up brush at Mothers after school.

Friday, September 23, 1949. Fair, quite cool. Done cleaning. Pete and Paul to Gridley to get A. Martha. They got back at 10:30. We went to town. Pete to locker and to sale in p.m. at ISNU. Paul, A Martha and I to Mothers for dinner. Mabel there too. I took Aunt Martha to Dr. Wellmerling in p.m. He took the plastic stockings off and put on rubber stockings. Boys came along home from town. Pete took A. Martha home. Alvin Mohrs here at 6:00. Picked three bushels apples. I baked cake in evening. Boys to 4-H. wiener roast at Laesches.

Saturday, September 24, 1949. Fair, cool. Done Saturday work. Boys and I to town at 11:30. Allen to high school. He went with band to Eureka Pumpkin Festival. Mother, Mrs. J., Ronnie, Paul and I went too. Saw Edds. Allen and Don Smith home with us. Allen to town in evening. I went after Ida at 5:30. Mother, Mrs. J., Ida and I to Roy's in evening to shower for June Anderson. Mother, Mabel and I helped.

Sunday, June 25, 1949. Fair, beautiful day. Mrs. Patton, George and Merle and we all went to Starved Rock. George's cousin and wife met us there. Had nice time and good dinner. We all went to church in evening. J. E. Hartzler here holding meetings. Choir sang. Wilbur Albrecht's stopped here few moments in evening.

Monday, June 26, 1949. Fair, cool. Fine day. Washed. Had big one. Done ironing and aired boys' mattresses. Pete started combining our beans. CRs, Laura, and May to Memphis, Tennessee. We are doing their chores. Pete and I to church in evening. Boys home.

Tuesday, September 27, 1949. Fair, cool. Pete finished combining our field of beans and went to Oscars in p.m. I cleaned the upstairs and attics too. Had a big day and was tired. Pete and I to church in evening.

Wednesday, September 28, 1949. Fair in morning. Cloudy in p.m. Windy and cold. Washed things from two bedrooms downstairs, curtains etc. and cleaned our bedroom.

Another big day. Pete combining at Oscars. Mother came out in p.m. with Marie Heiser. Marie got some tomatoes. Mother gathered flower seeds and tied up some endive and helped pick some tomatoes and got things ready for supper. We went to church in evening.

Thursday, September 29, 1949. Fair, cold 30°. Pete picked some apples in morning. He finished combining at Oscars in p.m. I cleaned west bedroom and done ironing. Put up curtains and finished straightening up. Allen to town after he got home from school, got Ida and things for wiener roast. We went to Community Club roast at Ed Millers. Ida to town with Luella. CRs got home at night.

Friday, September 30, 1949. Fair, cold, 32°. Warmer during day. We went to town in morning. I cleaned bathroom in p.m. and cleaned up living and dining room. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Had waffles and ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen to Clinton with band, football team played. Ronnie went with CRs.

Saturday, October 1, 1949. Fair, rather windy. Baked cake and got things ready for dinner. He & boys picking apples. CR helped. We made cider. Mother, Marie and Mrs. J. here. Mother helped to sort apples. We enjoyed the day. We all went to CRs in evening. Surprised them for their anniversary (20th). Mohrs, Roy's, and many their. I do there to, she stayed all night here. Edds and Owen Kenagys here in p.m.. They brought Ida out. We all gave CRs a gift. We had ice cream and cake.

Sunday, October 2, 1949. Cloudy. Showered some. We went to church and were at Mothers for dinner. CRs, Edgars and Ida there. Ida to work at 2:00. We all went to June Anderson's wedding at Methodist Church in normal. We came home at 4:00. Got things ready for supper. J. E. Hartzler and Reverend Metzgers here for supper. We went to church in evening. Choir sang.

Monday, October 3, 1949. Cloudy, rainy and damp. I washed, dried clothes in basement. Done ironing in p.m. and finished after supper. Sure was tired. Pete to Wapella with Glenn Maxwell to buy some gilts. Ronnie with them. He went walk tell a school at noon. Edgars here at 5:00, got bushel tomatoes. Ida came out with them. She stayed all night. Pete to committee meeting at Metzgers.

Tuesday, October 4, 1949. Cloudy, damp. We cleaned the basement. Was a big job and we sorted toys etc. Dressed the three chickens and made pie. Duncan's got chickens. Pete to town in morning. Took 8 bushels apples to cold storage. Ida washed some. Also washed basement curtains. I went with Merle in evening to Presser hall. Music appreciation class. Pete and George to men's fellowship. I gave 2 bushels apples and bushel tomatoes for canning at church.

Wednesday, October 5, 1949. Cloudy, showered some. I washed dishes in china closet and cleaned hall and waxed floor. Went to Mrs. Anderson's in p.m. to see June's gifts. She had those that were at the shower. Pete and Glenn went after hogs at Wapella in

morning. Pete worked around here in p.m.. I baked cookies and coffee cake in evening. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, October 6, 1949. Cloudy, rained some. Cleared off in evening. Eclipse of moon. I cleaned the kitchen cupboards and washed walls and waxed floor. Had a big day and was tired. Pete helped me move stove and icebox.

Friday, October 7, 1949. Fair, warm. Nice day. Cleaned up bedrooms. Went to auxiliary meeting at 10:30. Had all day meeting. Took Mother uptown in morning. I went uptown awhile after meeting. Got suit for Paul. Ida along home. We all went to friendship Circle wiener roast at J. D. Schertzs. Had hayride to. Pete worked on corn dump.

Saturday, October 8, 1949. Fair, rather windy and real warm. Pete and boys worked with hogs. Boys put some wood in basement. Pete finished corn dump. I cleaned living and dining room. Pressed drapes. Washed floor. Was another big day. Lucy C. here got squash and apples. We went to football game in evening. Mother to Chicago to see Marie.

Sunday, October 9, 1949. Fair, hot. We went to church. Had communion. We went to Edds for dinner. Ida got off at noon and went to, also Edgars. Had a nice time. We had a wiener roast in evening. Phils, Alvins M., Georges, Harold, and Edgars stayed too. Earls couldn't come. Had a nice time. They all brought something. I baked pie and apples in morning.

Monday, October 10, 1949. Partly cloudy and morning. Awfully windy. Rained in p.m. I washed clothes, dry by noon. So windy. Done ironing in p.m. Mother home from Chicago. Pete and boys hauled manure in morning. Ground feed and put up dump. Boys had no school. Teachers meeting. Pete to locker meeting.

Tuesday, October 11, 1949. Cloudy, showered during day. Mabel and I to Mothers. Cleaned her living room and washed windows on outside. Pete to Ottawa to locker meeting. He got home at 6:50. Ida came out with him. We went to Goodwill Circle at Marie Heiser's. Pete to committee meeting at Farm Bureau. I came home with Jeanette.

Wednesday, October 12, 1949. Fair, a fine day. Baked cookies and pies. Made 4 quarts tomato juice in morning. Dressed 2 chickens. Pete working at Roy's. Paul and I to town, he got a haircut and new shoes. We went to Dorothy's at 4:30. She fixed my hair. Allen home with us he stayed after school to practice for the stunt night. We went to choir practice and to Mothers. Had ice cream and cake for CRs 20th anniversary. Laura, May and Edgars there. Edgars, Mother and CRs out to dinner. CR's have new Chevy.

Thursday, October 13, 1949. Fair, fine day. Cleaned up house in morning. Baked some apples. Went to Home Bureau at Danvers. District meeting. Pete at Roy's all day. Putting picker on tractor. Paul with him. Mother came home with me from home bureau. I set out tulip bulbs here by House. We all went to stunt night at NCHS. Ida along too.

Friday, October 14, 1949. Fair, nice day. I washed, cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Made coffee cake and ice cream and baked pie. Done ironing in p.m. Paul and I to town at the 3:00. Saw NCHS homecoming parade. Ida along home. Boys started shucking corn here in morning. Pete finished combining our four acres beans in p.m. We all went to football game in evening.

Saturday, October 15, 1949. Fair part of day. Ida, Paul and I left for a Ohio at 8:35. Pete took us to train. He had business in town all morning. We got to Indianapolis at 1:30. Left at 2:00. Got to Bellfountaine at 5:35 Eastern time. Marvins there to meet us. We went to Harry Kauffmans for supper. Had sandwiches and ice cream. Had nice time. Marvin's have nice home.

Sunday, October 16, 1949. We went to Sunday school and church and to Paul for dinner. Had nice time and big dinner. Went for ride in evening. Went to Ernest Greers awhile in evening. Saw television. Pete and boys to church. They, Mother, Mrs. J., Dorothy and Minnie and CRs to Lake Bloomington for dinner.

Monday, October 17, 1949. Cloudy, rained in morning and evening. We and Paul Davys went to Columbus. Shopped some. Was nice trip. Ernest Greers there for supper. Pete to town in morning. Ate lunch at Mothers. She came home with him. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Took Mother home.

Tuesday, October 18, 1949. Nice day. We washed. Ida cut out 2 dresses for Mary. We called on Lizzie Yoder in p.m. and went to Urie Hostetter's in p.m. She had some of her sisters and Anna Y. Was real nice. Paul with Marvin in p.m. We all went to Marion Kings (Artie Kaufman) for supper.

Wednesday, October 19, 1949. Fair, fine day. We Done ironing in morning. Went to see Ola Kenagy and stopped at Dan Yoder's. Ate lunch and went to Bellfountaine in p.m. Ida got new dress. We stopped at Otis Kauffman's on way home. Got supper ready. I went after Marvin at Paul's. Dan Yoder's and Paul's were at Marvin's for supper.

Thursday, October 20, 1949. We left Bellfountaine at 5 a.m. Eastern time for home. Got to Bloomington at 12:25 noon. Rained most of way home. Pete met us. Ida along home. We washed in p.m. Hung clothes out awhile then put them in basement. Pete shucked corn here a while in p.m. Boys and I to football game, Normal and Trinity. Normal won. Pete to locker meeting. Ida home before game. Cleaned up upstairs.

Friday, October 21, 1949. Cloudy. Rained early. Warm. I dried clothes and ironed. Done cleaning and canned 7 quarts pairs and pint preserves. Made pumpkin pie. Pete on community chest drive all day. We went to choir practice in evening.

Saturday, October 22, 1949. Fair, colder, 34°. Done Saturday work and made coffee cake and apple crisp. Allen and I to town at 9:30. He marched with band in Wesleyan parade. He ate dinner at Wesleyan Memorial. Mother to parade with me. I ate lunch

there. We got home at 2:00. Cleaned up rest of house & got ready for company. Mennonite Church Y. P. had hay rack ride here. Pete finished shucking corn here. Corn good. Made [left blank] bushels. Allen to dentist.

Sunday, October 23, 1949. Fair, some warmer. Went to church. Choir practiced at NCHS after church. Late getting home. Allen to Buths to practice before he had dinner. Gene Mosbacher here talked to Pete long time so he and Allen had late dinner. Boys to CRs played football. We went to NCHS in evening. Mennonite churches gave music festival. We done 2 numbers & "Lord Bless You and Keep You."

Monday, October 24, 1949. Fair, cool. I washed and ironed. Pete town in p.m. Worked around here in morning. He went to locker meeting in evening. He gave talk to board members of subsidiaries. I had nominating committee meeting at nurses home. We went to town with CR.

Tuesday, October 25, 1949. Fair, nice day. Colder. Mother and Mrs. J. here we canned 26 quarts pairs and made 6 pints marmalade. I took them home at 4:30 and got Ida. Pete shucked at Roy's. He worked on talk in evening. Boys, Ida and I to Ed Sharps to Friendship Circle. Went masked. Had a good time.

Wednesday, October 26, 1949. Beautiful day, cold 26°. Real frosty. I cleaned up house. Missionary meeting here in p.m. Mother here she came out with CR. We took her home in evening. Pete had meeting stockholder locker meeting. He gave talk. They served lunch meats, crackers and coffee. Mrs. Bowles and I got things ready. Pete shucked at CRs. I came home with us at night. Boys home.

Thursday, October 27, 1949. Fine day, Chile. We made rolls and Parker House rolls. Baked cookies. Ida washed out some things. We canned 3 pints pairs and 4 quarts spiced pairs and 2 pints preserves. We raked some yard in p.m. I sanded icebox and painted worn places. We went to PTA at NCHS. Miss Maxwell showed pictures. Pete shucked at Roy's. We cleaned up stairs in evening.

Friday, October 28, 1949. The fair, fine day. I painted icebox and done cleaning. Mabel, Paul and I to Mothers at 11:30. Clara and Hazel Shad and Anna Neuhauser there. Had nice time. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom in evening. Allen to Lincoln with some boys. NCHS played football there. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Ronnie to party at school. Pete and Harry B. met with Ray Miller. I went to Dorothy's she fixed my hair. Ida there too. Ronnie home with us. Paul stayed all night. We went to funeral home to see Ralph Kempf.

Saturday, October 29, 1949. Beautiful day. Warm. We went to Ralph Kempf funeral at 9:00. Boys to Harold Mohr's helped pick up corn. Pete and I went at noon. We had sack lunch. We helped in p.m. Allen to town at 1:00 pep band played for football game. He brought Paul along home. We picked up about 100 bushels. Allen to town in evening to party.

Sunday, October 30, 1949. Mostly cloudy and colder in p.m. We went to church. Allen came home with Pattons. Pete, Ronnie, Paul and I ate lunch in town then went to Anchor to Paul Curtis. Pete got a hog. We drove to nursery on way home. Ida came along home. We all went to CRs in evening. Some movie, 4-H Headlines.

Monday, October 31, 1949. The fair, cold. 24°. Ida had day off. We washed and ironed. Washed the porch. Baked cookies and made apple dumplings. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Ida and I to Mothers to committee meeting for Home Bureau and then went to town awhile to shop. Boys home. Pete shucking at CRs.

Tuesday, November 1, 1949. Fair, cold 22°. Pete shucking corn at CRs. I painted in basement, toy cabinet, table and chairs. Baked pies and coffee cake after dinner. Pete and boys to Men's Fellowship. Allen on committee. Jack Stevenson showed 4-H Headlines. I do, Paul and I to Merle's. Packed box for Germany.

Wednesday, November 2, 1949. Mostly cloudy, cold and chilly. Cleaned up house and painted some in basement. Marie Hastings here in p.m. We addressed cards for alumni ballots. Pete at CRs shucking. We went to choir practice. Ronnie stayed after school for basketball practice. He went to Mothers. Ida there to, cut out dress for Mother.

Thursday, November 3, 1949. Fair, nice day, quite chilly. Done some painting in morning and again in evening. I went with Clara B. Congerville to women's meeting of the conference. Had big crowd and good meeting. Pete finished shucking corn at CRs in morning and finished at Roy's in p.m. Allen went after Ronnie at 6:00, he had basketball practice.

Friday, November 4, 1949. Fair, windy and colder in p.m. Took boys to school at 8:00. Allen had to be there early. Done cleaning. Finished putting trim on chairs etc. in basement. Washed windows on outside and all of storm windows. Pete put them on in evening. He helped Ernie shell corn and took pick her off tractor. Ronnie at Mothers for supper. He had practice. We went to football game in Bloomington with NCHS. Paul at Mothers, stayed all night.

Saturday, November 5, 1949. Fine day, Chile. Was 22° in morning. We dressed 2 chickens and went to town at 8:00. Allen marched with the band at Normal homecoming. We saw parade. Ray to town with us. Ronnie to Mohr's, took our tractor and wagon. Allen to football game in p.m. Pete and I to Mohr's helped pick up corn again. Not many helping. Metzger, Laura and we. Paul home with Allen in evening. Allen gone in evening.

Sunday, November 6, 1949. Fair, fine day. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Mother here. Edgars and Ida came at 4:00. They brought ice, made ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Monday, November 7, 1949. Fair, fine day. I washed and ironed few pieces. Went to town at 3:30. Allen to dentist. We helped decorate at Wesleyan Memorial Center for

banquet. Pete, Allen and I to 4-H achievement banquet. Allen State Project honor member. Ronnie and Paul home. Merlin Fowler here for supper and all night.

Tuesday, November 8, 1949. Fair, warm. Went to town got Mother. She cleaned silverware. I done ironing and we cleaned up basement. Baked cookies and pie. We went to high school in evening awhile. Had open house. Went to three of Allen's classes. Went to Goodwill Circle at the Clara Broadbecks. Came home with Jeanette Colter. Boys home. Had silent auction.

Wednesday, November 9, 1949. Fair, warm, windy. I cleaned up whole house. Washed windows, etc. Pete to town. Had AAA meeting. Ida and Ronnie home with him. Ronnie had basketball practice. We went to choir practice. Ida, Ronnie and Paul stayed home.

Thursday, November 10, 1949. Fair, warm. Had Home Bureau meeting here. 56 here. Mother, Mabel, Ruth, Mrs. Anderson, and Hastings and Freida Stahly hostesses. Ate in basement. Got along fine. Mother helped me dress five chickens in evening. Ida cleaned up house. Pete, Ronnie and I to Central PTA in evening. Took Mother and Ida home. Allen and Paul home.

Friday, November 11, 1949. Mostly fair, warm. Washed and ironed. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Baked cake and apple crisp. Had busy day. Pete to Saybrook and town. Took inventory of lockers. Boys picked up some corn and went hunting. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Boys and I to play at NCHS. Allen played solo during acts. Ida went along. Took George and Merle some rabbits.

Saturday, November 12, 1949. Cloudy, showered some in p.m. I made dessert, salad dressing, made pie and dusted up house. Pete to Gridley at 12:30 to get A. Martha. I took her to Dr. Wellmerling in p.m. Was late when we got home. She stayed all night. Allen and Ronnie picked up corn for 4-H. at Mohr's. Pete ground feed and sawed some wood. Ida to Edds all night.

Sunday, November 13, 1949. Fair in morning. Cloudy and rained hard around 4:30 and 5:00. Boys and Pete to church. We had company for dinner and supper. Mother, CRs, Roy's, Minnie, and Aunt Martha here. Pete, Pearl, Mother and I took Aunt Martha home at 4:00. We went on to Eureka and got Ida. CRs went to ISNU at 4:00 to tea. Boys played football. Pete took Mother and Ida home in evening.

Monday, November 14, 1949. Fair and windy, colder. Showered little at 4:00 p.m. I washed had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Pete covered corn dump with tin. He went after Ronnie at school at 5:15. Allen to dinner with Gordon for football boys. He used CR's ticket. CR in Chicago at IAA meeting. Pete done his chores in evening. Gordon had basketball practice.

Tuesday, November 15, 1949. Cloudy, chilly. Pete to town got Mother. She helped me. I cleaned up house and in p.m. we got things ready for supper. Elmers, Arts, Clarences,

Uncle Charlie Seig here for supper. Edgars, Mabel, Ray and Gordon here also. Allen and Gordon to town after supper. We ate in basement got along OK. Pete sorted rest of apples and carried them in basement. Mother and I covered endive and parsley.

Wednesday, November 16, 1949. Cloudy, cold. Snowed and rained in p.m. and evening. We dressed eight chickens for Duncan Miller's in a.m. I went to club meeting at Dorothy Allen. Took Mabel, Nina F[owler], also Mother and Miss Maxwell. Lena showed her pictures. Pearl along home. Mother, CRs and Pete and I went to Edgars at 6:30. Met CR at train there. Edgars took us to White Fence Tea Room for their 20th anniversary. Had fine dinner and good time. Boys home.

Thursday, November 17, 1949. Cloudy, cold. Some snow flurries. I baked pie and washed. Went to Floyd Mohr's at 11:00. Helped 4-H club serve lunch at Purina demonstration. Came home at 12:45. Got ready for town. Pete, Paul and I to town. Paul at Mothers. We got him a bed and I went to dentist. Allen to Carlock in evening to corn meeting. Aunt Emma Woizeski passed away in morning.

Friday, November 18, 1949. Cloudy, cold. Rather windy. Done cleaning, baked cookies and cake and done ironing. Helped Pete transplant roses in p.m. He put in walk to north yard gate. Ronnie at Mothers after school. He went to Carlock with basketball team. Allen went to game with Wayne Mohr. Ronnie came home with them. Pete, Paul and I to funeral home in evening. Then to Dorothy's. She fixed my hair.

Saturday, November 19, 1949. Fair, some warmer. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Made salad and pudding. Dressed 2 chickens. Pete, Ronnie and I to town at 12:45. Pete and I to Aunt Emma's funeral. Got Ronnie shoes on sale and got pair for me. Allen and Paul home. Pete and boys to Roy's in morning. Got steer for Ronnie. Allen to town in p.m.

Sunday, November 20, 1949. Mostly cloudy, chilly. We went to church and to Mothers for dinner. Marie was there. She left at 2:30 with Miss Dean. Ida came home with us. We had company for supper. Ray Hastings and Morris Heisers here. Had a nice time. We counted ballots for alumni.

Monday, November 21, 1949 fair, windy and cold in morning. Had some snow flurries in p.m. and evening. I washed hung towels, sheets and overalls outside. They dried. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked on walks in back getting ready to pour concrete. We went to barn dance at Service Co. Warehouse. Ida came along home. Allen home.

Tuesday, November 22, 1949. Fair, real chilly, windy, cold. 13° in morning. We baked 2 pies and made apple crisp. Ida and I to town at 10:30. Helped Goodwill Circle serve lunch at ISNU. Had a flat tire when we left there. Went to Mothers. Dorothy combed my hair. Pete laid walks at back door. Paul with him. We went to Friendship Circle with Jeanette. Pete and Si went to town hall awhile then went to church. Boys home.

Wednesday, November 23, 1949. Fair, 25°, nice day. Cleaned up house. Dressed six chickens. We went to town at 1:00. Went to dentist. Mary and Marvin came at the 3:00. We didn't get home until nearly 6:00 waited for Ronnie. Ida at Dorothy's after work. Got her hair fixed. Edgars brought her out. They were here for supper too.

Thursday, November 24, 1949. Cloudy, rained early in morning. Showered in evening. Pete and Paul to town at 10:00 met Marie at train. I went with Marvins to hospital. Mary has a sore thumb. Dr. Guy S. lanced it but didn't get anything. Marvins to Edds at noon. They all went too. We all went to Clarences for dinner. Aunt Martha there too. We ladies took her home. Ida at CRs for supper too. Marvin's at Edds all night. Boys went hunting in morning.

Friday, November 25, 1949. Cloudy, chilly. Done cleaning. Marvins came back at 9:30. We all went to town at 1:00. Allen to dentist. I went with Mother to Dr. Dineen. We done some shopping. Ida along home. She washed some after supper. Allen to town with Don Smith.

Saturday, November 26, 1949. Cloudy in morning. Fair in p.m. Windy. Baked cake and dressed chicken. Made salad. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Mary ironed some. We went to Edds for dinner. Billys there too. Marvin stayed there all night. Allen took Ida to town in evening. He had date. I iced cake, cooked chicken and made sauce in evening.

Sunday, November 27, 1949. Fair, nice day. Marvins came for church. We all went to church. Had company. Edds and Marvins here. Edgars, Mother and Ida came in evening. Here for supper. Billys here awhile in p.m. Dorothy fixed my hair. Marie back to Chicago in p.m. Ida here all night.

Monday, November 28, 1949. The cloudy and morning. Fair in p.m. Windy. We washed, hung some things in basement. Got most of clothes in at 12:00. Marvins, Ida and I and Paul to Mothers for dinner. We went uptown in p.m. Done shopping. Mary got me a skirt and I bought coat. Pete to town hall on AAA. We ironed some in evening. Thought maybe Paul and I would go to Missouri but couldn't hardly get ready. Pete took Ida to town in evening.

Tuesday, November 29, 1949. Fair, fine day. I finished ironing. Went after Mother. We baked fruitcakes and dressed five chickens for Mother and one for D. Millers. Pete worked around barn. Pete after Ronnie in evening and took Mother home. Allen to basketball game with Don Smith. Marvin's left at 7:40 for Missouri. They wanted Paul and I to go along but felt I couldn't get away.

Wednesday, November 30, 1949. Fair, nice day. Mother here. We canned 7 quarts chicken and 9 pints soup. Pete and CR took hogs to have butchered. I went to missionary meeting at Mabel's in p.m. Pete on AAA work. We went to choir practice in evening. Took Mother home. Ronnie and Paul home. Baked cookies in morning.

Thursday, December 1, 1949. Fair, chilly. Cloudy and cold in evening. Pete on AAA work in morning. I done cleaning upstairs and bedrooms downstairs. In p.m. we made liver sausage and I went to town few minutes toward evening and got Ronnie. We went to Carlock to church basketball game. Allen played.

Friday, December 2, 1949. Nice day. Went to CRs. Made plastic vases and candle holders and billfold. Pete on AAA work. He got Ida at 5:00. She helped me some with my coat shortening it. Allen to school party in evening and had date. He took Ida home. I washed after supper.

Saturday, December 3, 1949. Fair in morning. Cloudy and evening. Showered some. Allen to dentist at 8:30. Car broke down at Glen's coming home (timing gear). Glen pulled him home. Got CRs car and pulled it to town. Allen brought their car home. He and Ronnie helped CR pick up corn. Pete and I to production credit dinner at Lutheran school. Mother and Paul along too. We came home with Mabel. Clara B[rodbeck] and I bought gift for Mabel H. baby. Winnifred M[axwell] and I got gift for Wenger.

Sunday, December 4, 1949. Fair, nice day. Rather windy. Boys to Sunday school with Gordon. Pete and I went with Roys. They brought Pete, Allen and I home. Ronnie and Paul came home with Gordon after Sunday school.

Monday, December 5, 1949. Fair, 22°. Nice day. Washed, hung some of clothes outside. Dried good. We went to town at 12:00. Dampened clothes before I went. I got permanent. Pete helped unload boxes for rummage sale. We use CRs car and left it at Farm Bureau for him. We got our car. Nice to have it. Paul at Mothers. I'd been ironing after supper.

Tuesday, December 6, 1949. Cloudy, showered little in morning. I went to Peoria with Mabel. Mother, Laura and May went too. Done some shopping. Were home at 4:00. Mother here for supper. Ronnie stayed in town for practice. Allen to town with Don Smith. They all went to basketball game and had dates. Ronnie home with CRs. We took Mother and Paul to town. Pete and I to Friendship and Goodwill Circle dinner at the YWCA, then went to Farm Bureau to locker Christmas party. Ida to dinner too. Pete on AAA in morning. Paul with him. He didn't feel good in evening.

Wednesday, December 7, 1949. Cloudy, colder. Baked cookies, coffee cake and pudding. Made pie crusts. Cleaned up house in p.m. and scrubbed. Pete took calf to sale. Man here with bulldozer to fill up pond. He worked a while at noon. Pete worked in grove in p.m. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie stayed for basketball practice and went to Mothers. Allen and Paul home. Paul feeling better.

Thursday, December 8, 1949. Fair, chilly, nice day. Baked pies in morning. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Lawrence's. Mother came along home. Pete went after Ida. He went on AAA in morning. Ground feed in p.m. Paul with me. Got things ready for supper. Mary and Marvin came at 5:30 from Missouri. Pete, boys, Marvin's and Mother

to community club at NCHS Allen and Paul on program. They took popcorn balls. Ida and I to Esther Wenger's shower at Nurses Home. Ida along home.

Friday, December 9, 1949. Cloudy, damp and chilly east wind. Ida washed some. I baked cake. We girls town at 10:30, Done shopping for Mary. We all went to Edds at 12:30. We took some things along for dinner. Pete helped with pond in morning. Got things ready for supper. We all went to basket supper at church in evening. Mr. and Mrs. Kreider showed pictures of Germany. Snowed in evening. Rather slick. Ida stayed in town.

Saturday, December 10, 1949. Cloudy, rather slick early. Misted all p.m. Snow melted. Marvin's left for home at 6:45. Hope they got along OK. Done cleaning and dressed chicken for PTA bake sale. Pete, Ronnie, Paul and I to town at 9:15. Ronnie practiced at high school. Paul at Mothers. We done shopping. Ronnie to show in p.m. with some girls. Allen went with CR to Lilly Orchard. Got Christmas trees. Went in morning. Got home at noon. I cleaned the kitchen and bathroom in evening and ironed.

Sunday, December 11, 1949. Cloudy, rained at noon and rained and blew real hard in evening. We went to church. Were home in p.m. Finished addressing Christmas cards. Boys to church at Carlock in evening. We were going to Pattons but they had company and Phils weren't home so went to Mae Meyers awhile.

Monday, December 12, 1949. Fair, much colder, 22°, rather windy. Washed, hung clothes in basement. Pete helped men finish filling pond. We went to town at 11:00, Pete to locker meeting. I done shopping, got new black dress. Paul at Mothers. I ate lunch there too. Ronnie at Mothers after school. He helped her wash. He went to play practice at NCHS Paul and I went after him at 8:30. I came home with us at 5:00.

Tuesday, December 13, 1949. Fair, quite cold. Ida made pajamas for me. We shortened my new dress. Done ironing. Pete on AAA work. We went to Ray's school program in evening. Ida stayed in town. Allen home.

Wednesday, December 14, 1949. Fair, cold, 5° above. We cleaned up house and wrapped Christmas gifts. Put lace on my black skirt. Made pie. Pete to town in morning. Ronnie stayed in town after school. We went to choir practice in evening. Paul and Ronnie at Mothers.

Thursday, December 15, 1949. Fair, 2° above zero. Cleaned upstairs. We went to town at 10:30. Went to creamery dinner at the Consistory. Pete helped usher. Went uptown awhile. Got Paul a tricycle for Christmas. Ida came along home. We went to Ronnie's Christmas program. He had leading part was Santa Claus. Done real well. Allen played basketball at Carlock. Minnie with us to program. Paul stayed with her during day.

Friday, December 16, 1949. Fair, windy. Done cleaning. Pete got Mother. We baked five batches cookies and dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy and dressed goose for us. We

put it in locker. We all went to Farm Bureau chili supper. Allen to basketball game after supper. Ronnie stayed all night at Mothers.

Saturday, December 17, 1949. Cloudy, rained in p.m. & evening. Done Saturday work. Wrapped packages to mail. We went to town at 12:30. Pete and Paul had haircuts. Paul at Mothers awhile. We took them to Edgars at 4:30. We all went to Edgars for supper. Edds and Uncle Chas and Ida there to. Had big dinner. Very good.

Sunday, December 18, 1949. Cloudy, foggy, misty. We went to church. I went home with Hoover's. Marie Yoder and I ate dinner with them. We made sandwiches for Wengers reception. Goodwill Circle served. Ida and I saw the wedding. Pete there for reception. Was big affair and very beautiful. Boys home. Pete home to chore. He and Ronnie back to town at 6:30. Marie Yoder and Jimmie, Ronnie, Ida and I to Dickens Christmas Carol. Walters had tickets. Walter and Pete stayed with Kay. She has mumps.

Monday, December 19, 1949. Cloudy, rather foggy, damp. I washed, dried clothes in basement. We went to town at 2:00. I went to nurses home, helped serve for the personnel party. Paul at Mothers. Got Ronnie at school in evening. Junior high chorus had Christmas program but couldn't go. Boys to 4-H basketball game in evening.

Tuesday, December 20, 1949. Raining, cloudy. Done ironing in morning. Dusted house. Clean the kitchen and bathroom. We put our Christmas tree up in p.m. We went to NCHS winter concert, band and chorus. Was very good. Mother and Ida went along. Ronnie to Lexington with basketball team after school. He got to NCHS at 8:30. Sure rained in evening.

Wednesday, December 21, 1949. Rained most of day. I went to town at 9:00. Had hair fixed. Went to dentist and shopped little. Mother home with me. We went to club meeting at Will Alwes. Pete took mother to town, got Ronnie and Ida. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida and Paul home. Pete doing odd jobs.

Thursday, December 22, 1949. Colder, 20°, snow flurries most of day. Ida had day off. We washed, baked two kinds of bars and made divinity, fudge, penochi, date roll and mints. Ironed in evening before supper and finished after. Allen to party in evening. Took Ida home. Marie home in evening.

Friday, December 23, 1949. Cold, 3° above. Done cleaning. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors and cleaned basement. Put up decorations in recreation room. Radio very good, lots of Christmas carols. Ronnie didn't feel so good in morning. Pete and Allen worked outside cleaned hog barn. Tractor quit on them. Dressed three chickens.

Saturday, December 24, 1949. Fair, some warmer. Got the boxes ready for mailman and milkman. Also Reverend Metzger's. Gave Duncan Millers chicken and fruitcake. We went to town at 10:30. Had company in evening. Edds, Mother, Marie, Ida and Edgars here for supper. Had oyster stew and ice cream and salad, fruitcake etc. Had Kropf gift exchange. Edds went home. Ida stayed all night.

Sunday, December 25, 1949. Cloudy, showered little in morning. Rained in evening. We went to church. Choir had special numbers. Organ and chimes very nice. We all went to Mothers for dinner and supper. Uncle Chas and Ida there too and CRs. Had a very nice Christmas. Paul got tricycle. Uncle Chas took us to see Christmas decorations. Ida here all night.

Monday, December 26, 1949. Mostly cloudy. We washed and made batch of candy. We all went to Roy's for dinner and supper. Had Ropp-Bohrer exchange. Ida there too. We had a nice time. Played Canasta. Pete took Mother and Marie and Ida to town.

Tuesday, December 27, 1949. Cleared off, nice. Done ironing and got ready for company. Georges and Mrs. Patton here for supper. Ida here too. We helped Merle make favors for hospital. Pete and CR to town in morning. Bought gas hall heater for mother. He and boys worked outside some.

Wednesday, December 28, 1949. Fair, nice day, Monday. Cleaned up house. Got dinner. Went to missionary meeting at Ella Schertzs. Entertainment committee served refreshments. Pete and boys made fence for loading shute. Pete and I to church Men's Gospel Team. Boys to CRs. And [we] went after church to see their tree.

Thursday, December 29 1949. Fair, nice day. Wrote some letters. Got things ready for dinner. Shortened my new skirt and made button holes and buttons on my new pajamas. Pete and boys uses CRs tractor. Sawed wood. Boys helped CR pick up corn little while in morning until it got muddy. Corny has heifer calf. Allen sure glad. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Pete made some calls.

Friday, December 30, 1949. Fair, nice day, 50°. Done cleaning and made batch mints. I mended in p.m. and wrote some letters. Pete and Ronnie ground lot of feed, and Allen cleaned barn ceiling and windows. We all went George and Merle's for supper. Harold [Pattons], Lillie [Heck], Hoovers, Norman [Vercler] and Ida there too. Had good dinner.

Saturday, December 31, 1949. Rained in morning. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 10:30. Paul at Mothers. He and Mother to show at 4:30. He stayed all night with her. Pete and I to Earl Kaufman's in evening. Harold's, Phils, and Norman there. Had good time watched the old year out. Boys home. Fowler boys here. Smith and Schwartzle here later in evening.

Sunday, January 1, 1950. Cloudy and gloomy. We went to church. Mother along home. Roy's, CRS and Ida here for supper. Made ice cream. Had salad and ham sandwiches etc. Pete took Ida and Mother home.

Monday, January 2, 1950. Range nearly all morning and some in p.m. Washed. We took tree and decorations down in p.m. Cleaned up living room. Pete and boys cleaned in morning. We all went to Edds for supper. Edgars, Mrs. G., Mother and Ida there too. Also Owen Kenagys. Had Turkey and all the trimmings, sure good. Ida here all night.

Tuesday, January 3, 1950. Rained hard in a.m. Turned much colder in evening. I done ironing in morning. Ida cut out dress for me (feed sacks). Done some baking in p.m., pie and nut bread. Boys back to school again. Ronnie stayed for practice after school and went to Mothers. Pete to Men's Fellowship. Ida and I to Dorothy's had hair fixed. Ida stayed in town. Sleeted and snowed some in night.

Wednesday, January 4, 1950. Colder 10°. Colder during day. Few snow flurries. We went to town at 11:00. Pete took calves to sale barn, took for CR. He's in Washington, DC for Creamery. Paul at Mothers. He and Ronnie stayed all night. Were going to get them when we went to choir practice. But it was called off. We had steer butchered in morning. I had eyes tested at Dr. Gailey's, didn't have to change classes. Pete helped with CR's chores.

Thursday, January 5, 1950. Partly cloudy, cold, 3° above. Pete to town. Got Mother and Paul and got quarter beef at slaughter plant. We canned 17 quarts beef for us and 5 quarts for Mother. Made 19 quarts chili. Canned 17 quarts. Also cooked bones for soup. Pete after Ronnie at 6:00. He had basketball practice. Took Mother home. Boys to 4-H meeting at CRs. Allen secretary and baseball captain.

Friday, July 6, 1950. 18°. Rather slick. I canned 7 quarts soup. Cleaned up bedrooms. We went to town at 11:00. I went to auxiliary. Pete done shopping. Paul at Mothers. Ronnie stayed in town. He had basketball game. Allen to town in evening to swing band practice and got Ronnie.

Saturday, July 7, 1950. Fair, cold, 10°. Done cleaning and scrubbing. Baked pie, apple crisp and date pudding. Made marshmallow putting. Pete and Allen cleaned up in barn. Ronnie shelled popcorn. We all went to basketball game at NCHS, Normal got beat by 1. Played Joliet. Ida along to game and here all night.

Sunday, January 8, 1950. Fair, some warmer, thawed some but still rather slick. We all went to church. Took Ida home after church. She worked 2-10. We were home in p.m. Pete and I, CRs, Roy's, Ray H. and Harold Mohrs went to Parke Hastings in evening. We took lunch. I took marshmallow pudding. We played Canasta. Boys home. Ray here. Gordon to show.

Monday, January 9, 1950. Mostly cloudy, damp. I washed, hung overalls out but didn't dry very much. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked in barn. Paul has cold and earache.

Tuesday, January 10, 1950. Fair, much colder. We went to Farm Bureau dinner at Consistory. Paul at Minnies. Ida came along home. She and I to Goodwill Circle at Ina Schwartzs. Went with JD Schertzs. Allen to ballgame at Clinton, went on bus. Ronnie had practice, he stayed at Mothers all night. Pete and Paul home. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, January 11, 1950. Fair, not quite so cold. We washed, also washed and bleached some feed sacks. Ida finished my print dress all except hem and buttons and button holes. I ironed and got things ready for supper. Pete to locker meeting. We went to choir practice. Paul's cold better.

Thursday, January 12, 1950. Misty and foggy. We had rain in night. Went to Home Bureau at Bill Miller's. Got Mother and took her home. Pete and Paul home. Pete worked on books. Boys played basketball at Carlock. We went along, real foggy. Cleaned up the upstairs in p.m. after got home from meeting.

Friday, January 13, 1950. Rained hard most of morning. Colder in evening. Done sweeping. Pete had AAA meeting all day. He had church board meeting in evening. I went to Ida's and went to Mrs. Mishlers awhile. Ronnie to Washington with basketball team. We brought him home.

Saturday, January 14, 1950. Fair, 15°, nice day. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom. We went to town at 10:00. Were home at 2:15. Pete to slaughter plant in p.m. I mended some. Rained in night.

Sunday, January 15, 1950. Foggy and misted in morning. Sun shone while at noon. Rained hard about 1:30. Turned much colder in p.m. and evening. We went to church. Pete Sunday School superintendent. We were home for dinner. Pete, Paul and I to Anna Augsburger's in p.m. Pete to Creamery talked to Mr. *Felsch* (sp?). We stopped at Ida's awhile on way home. Fowler boys here awhile.

Monday, January 16, 1950. Fair, cold, washed. Hung underwear and overalls outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete took Harry Bower to see locker board members about *Fruin* (sp?), etc. He had board meeting in evening. Ida & I to Billys a while in evening. Got Ronnie at school at 10:00. Basketball team to Benson.

Tuesday, January 17, 1950. Partly cloudy, cold. Cleaned up house. Paul and I to dentist at 11:00. Mother came along home. Pete and I to slaughter plant a while in p.m. Made plans for annual meeting. Edgars and Ida and Mother here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Had waffles, sausage and ice cream. Ronnie practice ball after school. Home with Edgars.

Wednesday, January 18, 1950. Fair, cold, 8-10 above all day. Done usual work. Wrote letter in morning. Paul and I to club meeting at Jean Ann Barclay. Went with Pearl. Made cancer dressings. Pete to AAA meeting. We went to choir practice in evening. Boys home. Stopped to see Morris Heiser's new boy. Boys took lessons after school.

Thursday, January 19, 1950. Fair, cold, 5° above. Cleaned upstairs, fixed deviled eggs. Went to nurses home. Helped serve lunch for Mission Board. May Mohr operated on for tumor. Pete to welding class at NCHS. Allen to Carlock to ballgame. Ronnie, Paul and I to PTA at Central. Ronnie sang in chorus. Boys & Pete home with CRs. I went to hospital. Went on duty with May M. from 11 to 7. Got along okay but was tired.

Friday, January 20, 1950. Fair, nice day. I got home at 7:30. Got things ready for dinner. Pete and I to annual hospital meeting. Entertainment committee took care of dinner. Boys home from school at noon, finished semester exams. Paul at CRs. Mother there too. Canning meat. I do a long home with us. She was here all night. Ronnie to Lexington with ball team. Rest of us to Phils for supper. Schwartz girls there too. Allen to ballgame after supper.

Saturday, January 21, 1950. Partly cloudy. Warm. Done cleaning. We all went to town at 9:30. Pete to meeting for locker, had annual locker meeting in p.m. Boys at Mothers for lunch. Allen and Ronnie to meeting in p.m. Brass quartet from NCHS played. Allen and Bill Lampi played solos. I helped make sandwiches. Ida at Mothers in p.m. She went home with Edds in evening. Ronnie to box supper at Central school. Allen to show and got Ronnie.

Sunday, January 22, 1950. Cloudy and gloomy. Went to church. Home for dinner. Boys had company in p.m. Gordon and Ray, Fowlers, Wilbur Schwartzel and Wayne Mohr. Pete and I to Edds to get Ida. Boys to church in evening. Took Ida home.

Monday, January 23, 1950. Cloudy, foggy, rained hard in night. Thundered and lightnined. Washed and ironed some. Pete to town in morning, had income tax figured. Pete and I to Roys in evening for dinner. Had Turkey. CRs, Rays [Hastings], Alwes, Joe Davies and Ed Hills. Played canasta. Had nice time. CRs and we gave Pearl and Marie coesages.

Tuesday, January 24, 1950. Mostly cloudy and windy. Damp and warm, 65°. Finished ironing. Done some pressing and scrubbed outside. Baked cookies and pies. Cooked squash. Pete working around the barn. He went to locker meeting in evening. Boys & I to ballgame at NCHS Pete there awhile too. Duncan Millers have a girl.

Wednesday, January 25, 1950. Cloudy, very windy, warm 65°. Had quite a storm at 5 p.m. rained terribly hard and blew and hailed some. Thundered and lightnined. Pete to town to get boys when it was storming. I went to missionary meeting at J. D. Schertz. Pete and I to choir practice in evening. Allen took trombone lesson after school.

Thursday, January 26, 1950. Fair, cold. 10° above most of day. I baked cake, cooked chicken, got things ready for supper. Cleaned upstairs. We all went to alumni family night. I was on committee. Allen played solo. Also Duncan M[iller] brass quartet played. Norman done impersonations, sure good. We had mock wedding. Florence K. bride and I was groom. Paul ring bearer. *Beeson* (sp?) preacher. Ida there too.

Friday, July 27, 1950. Fair, some warmer. I done cleaning and mended some in p.m. and washed my hair. Pete hauled manure. We went to Edgars in evening. Dorothy fixed my hair and Ida's hair. Ronnie to Clinton with ball team they won. We got him at school at 10:00. CR gave pint of blood at St. Joe that replaces what I used a year ago.

Saturday, July 28, 1950. Fair, warmer, rather windy. Done Saturday work. Made pie. We went to town in p.m. Ronnie took cornet lesson at D. Miller. Allen with Roy Barclay all day checking [corn] bins. I made salad in evening. Washed out gym colthes for Ronnie. Morris Heisers here a while at 5:00 got eggs.

Sunday, January 29, 1950. Sleeted and froze ice awhile in morning. Ice mostly gone by noon. Colder in p.m. We went to church. Pete Sunday School superintendent. Mother home with us at noon. Allen to town at 3:30. Swing band practiced at high school. Neighbor kids here in p.m. Ida came out with Allen. Harold P[attons] and Lilly Heck, Norman Verckler and Frances Willet here for supper. Norman showed pictures and [we] played canasta.

Monday, January 30, 1950. Cloudy 8° above. Snowed. Windy in p.m. I washed. We went to town in p.m. Pete got corn loan. Mother and I got gift for Jane Brobeck and done some shopping. Ida home with us and we got Ronnie at school. He had ball practice. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting at Farm Bureau. Went with Gordon. Allen elected song later and Gordon vice president.

Tuesday, January 31, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Ida had day off. She done her washing and we washed some bedding, quilts etc. I done the ironing and we baked coffee cake and rolls and got things ready for supper. Ida, Pete and I to all church party at Christian Church. Laura [Mohr] went along. Ronnie to town, he had ballgame. Paul at Mothers. Allen to game with Wayne.

Wednesday, February 1, 1950. Cloudy, cold. Cleaned up house. Unpacked some boxes that were in attic. Put some pictures in albums in p.m. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie to Mothers after school. He had practice. Paul there in evening. Pete hauled some manure.

Thursday, February 2, 1950. Fair, 8° above. Nice day. Wrote letter and cleaned upstairs in morning. Worked with pictures again in p.m. Marie Yoder here got 1-2 dozen eggs. Pete to welding class. Ronnie stayed for practice. He and I to keep an auditorium in evening. Metcalf PTA had youthpanel discussion. Gordon on program. Allen and Paul home. Allen played with swing band quartet at noon at Farm Bureau.

Friday, February 3, 1950. fair, nice day, 10° above. Warmer during day. Done sweeping. We went to town in p.m. I went to auxiliary meeting. Pete took some iron etc. to Ticks. Also took hens to town. Boys to basketball game in evening.

Saturday, February 4, 1950. Fair, nice day, warmer. Done Saturday work. Pete and boys hauled manure in morning. Allen, Ronnie and I to town in p.m. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting. Ronnie took lesson. Boys and I put pictures in albums in evening.

Sunday, February 5, 1950. Cloudy. We went to church. Allen Secretary. We ate dinner at Mothers. We all went to Jsne Broadbeck's wedding at Baptist Church at 2:00. Pete and I to Mr. Baughman's awhile afterward [sic] wedding. Boys at Mothers. Ida came home with us.

Monday, February 6, 1950. Cloudy, damp, foggy in morning. Ida here. We washed. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked around farm. Edgars here for supper. Mother here too and they brought Ronnie home. Dorothy fixed our hair. We had waffles and ice cream.

Tuesday, February 7, 1950. Fair, nice day. Pete and I left at 7:30 with CRs for Champaign to Farm and Home week. Pearl along too. Had nice day. Pete to Men's Fellowship in evening. Allen to high school quartet and swing band practice.

Wednesday, February 8, 1950. Cloudy, rained hard in evening. Thundered and lightning. Cleaned up house. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Baked macarons and cookies. Went to town at 4:00. Got Allen at school. Took Ida to Mothers. Paul there too. Pete, Allen and I to church. Choir had chop suey supper. We took freezer of cream. Ronnie to Mothers after practice. He got wet.

Thursday, February 9, 1950. Fair, rather warm. Pete left at 5:45 for Marion Illinois. Went with some from locker. They got home at 9:00. I went to Home Bureau at F. Bastings. We ladies to Clara Broadbeck's, saw Jane's gifts. Allen came home from school with (pink eye) conjunctivitis. He had federation meeting but didn't go. Ronnie and I with CRs to FFA banquet at Lutheran school. Paul at Mothers. We got him on way home. Cleaned upstairs in morning.

Friday, February 10, 1950. Fair, nice day. Done most of cleaning. Dusted living room in evening. Allen to school for band. Pete and I to town with CR's car. Pete to meeting. I took Allen to Gailey Clinic. Dr. said he should go to school. We came home. CR took me to Ed Sharpe's. Missionary society meeting, all day meeting. Irma Berkey there. CR to town after lunch. Took Allen back to school. He and Ronnie to ballgame in evening. Pete had building committee here. Lucy C. and children came with Phil. Marie home in evening.

Saturday, February 11, 1950. Fair, nice day. Done Saturday work. Went to town at 11:00. Paul to Dicky Miller's birthday party at 12:00. Was luncheon. Ronnie took lesson at 8:30. We ate lunch at Mothers. Marie along uptown. Allen home. He and I have colds. Ronnie and Paul's colds better. Allen to minstrel show with Gordon. Got things ready for company.

Sunday, February 12, 1950. Cloudy, rained in evening, froze ice. Pete and boys to church. Mother, Marie, CRs, Edgars and Ida here for dinner and supper. Ida got off at noon. I had a cold, felt kind of bum. Gordon and Allen to show in p.m. Rest played canasta a while. Marie to Chicago in evening. Irma Berkey at church in morning.

Monday, February 13, 1950. Everything full of ice. Started to melt middle of morning. Pete to P. M. A. meeting at Farm Bureau at 9:00. I washed and ironed some. Felt some better. Pete, Allen and I to D.H.I.A. dinner at Farm Bureau in evening. Ronnie and Paul home.

Friday, February 14, 1950. Cloudy, misted, snowed in p.m. I finished ironing and pressed Pete and Allen's shirts. Pete worked in barn. Pete to town at 5:00, got Ida. She and I, Laura, May and Ruby went to Goodwill Circle at Lois Millers. Allen and Ronnie to ballgame at Lexington with Wayne Mohr. Pete and Paul home. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, February 15, 1950. Cloudy, chilly. Ida washed. We washed boys' blankets etc. I cleaned up house and done some baking. Mother here for lunch. She came out with Roy. We went to club meeting at Pearls in p.m. Mother to town with Mabel at 5:00. We went to choir practice in evening and took Ida home.

Thursday, February 16, 1950. Fair, nice day. We went to town at 9:00. Dollar day. Done some shopping. Got shirts and sweaters for Allen. We ate lunch at Mothers. I cleaned upstairs in p.m. and done some ironing. Pete to welding class. Ronnie to Mothers after practice. Allen had practice at school in evening. Ida and I to Edgars. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Friday, February 17, 1950. Fair, nice day. Done all of cleaning. Baked cake and bars and pie shells. Made fruit salad and got things ready for supper. We went to Garfield supper at Farm Bureau. Allen to ball game after supper. We came home with Roys. Allen had date. Pete to town in morning.

Saturday, February 18, 1950. Snowed some in morning. Much colder and windy. We went to town at 9:00. I went to ISNU sale barn. 4-H served lunch. Ronnie and Allen helped too. Pete, Mother, Paul and I to Federal Land Bank dinner at Farm Bureau. I went back to sale barn at 3:30. Pete, Allen, Paul, CR, and Ray came home. Ronnie and I came home with Mabel and Gordon. Cleared \$64.57 at sale.

Sunday, February 19, 1950. Fair, nice day, quite cold. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Allen to high school swing band practice in p.m. Ronnie and Paul played basketball. Ray here in p.m.

Monday, February 20, 1950. Fair, rather windy, chilly. I washed, hung towels and overalls out. Ironed a while. Went to town at 4:30. Met Allen at barbershop. He had haircut. We got him a sport coat, grayish blue. Pete had locker meeting all day. Allen to town in evening for dress rehearsal for Inkscapades. I ironed some. Pete working on shuffle board.

Tuesday, February 21, 1950. Rained most of day. Froze some in evening. I finished ironing and done some pressing. Paul and I to town at 12:30. Mother with us. We went to McLean County Health Improvement meeting at Farm Bureau. Pete helped Ernie butcher. We went to NCHS in evening. Inkscapades gave program. Swing band played, also quartet. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, February 22, 1950. Snowed and blowed until p.m. We cleaned silverware in morning and cleaned up house. We went to Mothers in p.m. Took Pearl, Minnie, Mabel and May. Pete took us in, were afraid roads would be bad. He came home with CR and ground feed. Clara and Mrs. Otto at Mothers too. Ida, Pete and I to church in evening. Reverend Weaver to be there but was ill. We had no choir practice. Ida here all night. Ida had day off.

Thursday, February 23, 1950. Fair, nice day, thawed some. Ida and I cleaned upstairs. We went to town with CRs at 10:30. We got us each a blouse. Ida got her coat at Rolands. I got print for dress. We ate lunch uptown. Ida went on duty at 2:30. I went to hospital to see Irene Moore. She had hemorrhoidectomy. We got home at 4:00. Baked cookies and peach crisp. Pete to welding class. I went to PTA, then went to Mothers. Dorothy combed my hair.

Friday, February 24, 1950. Fair, cold, 5° above. Done cleaning and waxed dining room floor and my bedroom floor. Made candy for Central PTA. I went to town in p.m. Mother and I to World Day of Prayer services at Presbyterian Church. Got our groceries. Got boys at school. They took lessons. Pete working on shuffleboard in p.m. He shelled corn at Oscars in morning. Boys to ballgame in evening.

Saturday, February 25, 1950. Snowed most of the day. Much colder in evening. Done Saturday work and baked cake. We went to town at 11:00. Allen played with swing band for REA. Ronnie practiced at high school with chorus. Pete, Mr. Hoover and I met with Walter Yoder. Signed paper for insurance and settlement for my arm. Got \$510. Paul at Mothers. Ida home with us. We went to PTA talent show at NCHS. Allen and Paul home.

Sunday, February 26, 1950. Fair, cold, 15° below. Little warmer during day. We went to church. Allen to Chicago at 6:30 a.m. with 16 other NCHS students. Seen Spike Jones and others. We had company for supper. Hoovers and Walter Yoders were here. Jim home with us after church. Paul home with Kay after church. He, Marie and Kay came out with Hoovers. Walter ill with cold couldn't come.

Monday, February 27 1950. Fair, around zero. Warmer during day. I washed. We went to Service Company dinner at Consistory at 11:00. Paul at Mothers. She didn't feel like going to dinner. Ida home with us. Edgars here too for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen back from Chicago at 2:30 a.m. He went to Mothers and to school from their. He went to 4-H federation in evening.

Tuesday, February 28, 1950. Cloudy, rained some. Little icy early. Warmer, fair in p.m. We went to town in morning. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen. We ate lunch there. Came home and I done ironing in p.m. We went to Friendship Circle in evening at church. Allen and Paul home. Ronnie stayed for practice after school and went to Mothers. He came home with us.

Wednesday, March 1, 1950. Very windy. Snow real hard at times, then sun would shine. Colder in evening. Cleaned up house and mended some. Colter youngsters and Fowlers here in p.m. Pete to church in evening and building committee met. Allen and Ida to Consistory to Pittsburgh Symphony. I went with Mrs. Hoover. Allen with Norman and Ida used Allen's ticket. Allen to concert in p.m. Ronnie and Paul home. Boys had no school on account of coal strike.

Thursday, March 2, 1950. Fair, near zero. Cleaned upstairs and bedrooms and got things ready for dinner. Boys home. I put pictures in Paul's album. Pete and boys doing odd jobs. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Winifred and Marie Maxwell along. Ronnie at Fowler's all night. Paul, Ray Fowler here all night. Allen to 4-H committee meeting at CRs. Made salad in evening.

Friday, March 3, 1950. Cloudy and morning. Snowed little. Pete has cold. Sick in p.m. Had temperature so he stayed in. I cleaned up living and dining room and got things ready for boys' lunch and Marie too. Mother and I to auxiliary all day meeting at hospital. Had nice meeting. Ronnie and Paul and I to Grace M. E. Church in evening. Saw Sam Campbell's pictures of California and West. They were wonderful. Pete and Allen home.

Saturday, March 4, 1950. Nice day, warmer. Done Saturday work and some baking. Pete, Paul and I to town at 11:30. I cleaned up Mother's living room and porch. We ate lunch there. Allen to town in morning with Gordon. They put up 4-H sign on Courthouse Square. Boys home in p.m. Ida home with us. Allen had date.

Sunday, March 5, 1950. Beautiful day, 55°. We went to church. Ida stayed in town at noon. She worked at 2:10. Mother home with us. She, Pete and I went to Gridley to see Aunt Martha and went to El Paso to see Aunt Ella. We took Mother home. Boys home, they played ball with Fowlers.

Monday, March 6, 1950. Fair, windy and chilly. Washed, hung most of clothes outside. Done ironing in p.m. and got things ready for supper. We went two 4-H supper at Farm Bureau. Ida along to. She came home with us.

Tuesday, March 7, 1950. Cloudy, very windy, thundered and lightning. Rained and hailed some in evening. Much colder. Ida washed and we washed spread and rugs. Was so windy had to finish drying clothes inside. We cut out print dress for me and worked on it some. Pete to Men's Fellowship. He was on committee. Ida and I to Bernadine Forbes. Made plans for Good Will. I took Ida home. Allen to Towanda. Swing band played. Paul and Ronnie home.

Wednesday, March 8, 1950. Much colder. Snowed some in morning. Cleaned up house. Baked cookies and cherry torte. We went to town in p.m. Done some shopping. Pete got feed and grass seed. Paul at Mothers, he stayed for supper. Ronnie there oto. He had basketball game after school. Pete and I to church and choir practice in evening. Allen home. Studied. School started again. Coal strike settled.

Thursday, March 9, 1950. Fair, thawed little in p.m. I cleaned upstairs in morning. Went to Home Bureau at Eva McCue. Paul with Pete. They worked outside. Got things ready for supper when I got home. We went to community club supper at Farm Bureau. Ida about sick with cold or flu.

Friday, March 10, 1950. Partly cloudy. Rained some late evening and sleeted some. Done cleaning. Mended some and got things ready for supper. Made ice cream. Dorothy and Edgar here for supper. She fixed my hair. Ida sick isn't able to work.

Saturday, March 11, 1950. Cloudy, misty, rained some in p.m. and snowed in evening. Done Saturday work. Pete, Ronnie and I to town at 10:00. Took Ronnie to Dr. Yoder for checkup. He had diphtheria and tetanus booster shot. He went to Mothers and helped her clean cupboards and washed her kitchen walls. Pete and I to Mr. Hedgcock's dinner. Advisory committee. Saw Edds at Farm Bureau. Ida still sick. Her stomach is upset. She came home with us.

Sunday, March 12, 1950. Cloudy, cold. Roads rather slick. Gloomy. We went to church. Ida stayed home. She feels better. We were home rest of day. Read and played some canasta in evening. Evelyn Stahly married.

Monday, March 13, 1950. Fair, cold, 15°. Rather windy. I washed. Hung some blankets and overalls outside. Done ironing in p.m. and made marshmallow pudding. Ida feeling some better. She *slept* (sp?) little. We took her home in evening. Pete and I to church. Had pictures and talk on mental hospital in Hagerstown Maryland.

Tuesday, March 14, 1950. Fair, 15° above. Some warmer during day and windy. Made marshmallow putting, mints, date kisses and cake and coffee cake. Mended some in p.m. and cleaned up house. Pete hauled some manure. I went to Goodwill Circle. Ida and I hostesses with Bernadine F. 27 there. We served marshmallow pudding, green and white candy mints, date kisses and coffee. Mohrs went along. Ida worked, still weak.

Wednesday, March 15, 1950. Fair, 25°. Done morning work. Wrote letter. Pete hauling manure. Went to club meeting at the Will Denzers in p.m. Also solicited for Red Cross. Pete and I to church in evening and to choir practice. Mother along to church. I went after boys at school after club meeting. They had lessons. Allen elected vice president of student council for 1951.

Thursday, March 16, 1950. Fair. Cleaned upstairs. Done some mending. Fixed things for supper. Pete hauled some manure until it thawed. Pete and I to town in evening. He

went to welding class. I went to Merle's. She and I went to show at Normal. We had refreshments at Merle's when we got back.

Friday, March 17, 1950. Cloudy, rained some. Done cleaning. We went to Mothers at 9:30. Pete and CR painted her kitchen. I washed her bathroom. Pete and I to see Dr. H. P. Sloan at 3:30. We settled with him. Paid him \$150. Mother came along home. Edgars and Ida here too for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen and Ronnie to Sunday School party at Joy Millers. May M[ohr] with them.

Saturday, March 18, 1950. Fair, 20°, cold and windy. Then Saturday work. Made pie for NCHS PTA. Allen and I to town at 9:45. He practiced at school and his solo for contest. I took Mother to see about new linoleum. She went with me, got new suit (green). I came home with Mabel at 1:00. We went to Mrs. Anthony funeral with Pearl. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting at 2:00. Pete and I to Consistory saw *Meta* and *Hari* (sp?) (dancers). Mrs. Hoover gave us tickets. Boys to show.

Sunday, March 19, 1950. Cloudy, windy, cold. Rained some in evening. Froze little ice. We went to church. Home for dinner. Pete and I to see Grandma Patton in p.m. and went to Stella Hastings to solicit for Red Cross. Boys had company. Neighbor boys here.

Monday, March 20, 1950. Cloudy, misted and gloomy. Washed and done ironing. Pete worked with hogs and took stumps out of old chicken yard. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Allen to school. Had play practice.

Tuesday, March 21, 1950. Cloudy, gloomy. Rained in evening. Pete working with hogs etc. I baked cookies, pudding, and 2 pie crusts. Paul and I to town at 1:00. He and Mother to dentist and took Mother to doctor. She doesn't feel so well. Took Allen to Mrs. Logan to practice his solo. Ronnie practiced with District 5 band after school. Allen to play practice.

Wednesday, March 22, 1950. Cloudy, chilly and damp. Colder in evening. We left at 8:30 for sale at I. S. N. U. Pete and Harold M[ohr] took stove and tables in. I baked 2 pies and helped all day. Pete and Paul came home. They went to town at 1:00. Came after me at 4:30. We got home at 5:15. Ida along home. We went to church in evening. Allen to play practice. Paul and Ronnie home. We done good at sale. Cleared over \$100.

Thursday, March 23, 1950. Fair, nice day. Glad to see sun. I cleaned upstairs and washed windows and mended some. Pete working with hogs. He and CR worked on disc in p.m. Pete to welding class in evening. Gordon and Allen and I to NCHS PTA meeting. Panel discussion very good. Ray here with Ronnie and Paul. CRs at Wapella.

Friday, March 24, 1950. Partly cloudy. Windy and cold. Done cleaning. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Baked cake, macaroons and apple crisp. Went to town at 3:00. Helped Mother awhile to clean up. She had new linoleum laid in kitchen and bathroom. Ronnie there after school, helped her. I took Allen to Mrs. Logan to practice.

He went to play practice. Ida along home. Washed in evening. Allen forgot Ronnie at Mothers.

Saturday, March 25, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Showered some in evening. Pete and Allen to town at 8:00. Ronnie to El Paso with chorus. They got first. Allen to Paxton to district contest. He got first in solo and also quartet. We had party for Paul. 10 children here. Mother, Marie, Ida, Mabel, Minnie and Pearl stopped. Mary Lou and Dickie Miller, Kay Yoder, Tina Kaufman, Phylis Patton, Ray R[opp], Paul Ray Fowler, Stevie Farrel, Jackie Moore and David Colter. Mary [Colter] and Robert Patton couldn't come, had measles. We all went to Edgars for supper.

Sunday, March 26, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Warm, 75°. We went to church and to CR's for dinner and supper. Edgars and Roy's, Mother and Marie there too. Nancy Kampmeier there for dinner. Allen took her to town at 3:00. He went to play practice and brought Ida out for supper. Gordon and Allen took Marie to train in evening.

Monday, March 27, 1950. Fair, windy, partly cloudy. I washed, hung pajamas and overalls outside. Done ironing. Pete to locker meeting at slaughter plant. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting at Farm Bureau. They had party for Jack Stevenson who is leaving. Allen and Virginia B[uth] played duet. Ida and I to Dorothy. She fixed our hair.

Tuesday, March 28, 1950. Cloudy, colder, windy. Had few snow flurries. I cleaned up house. Done some baking and mended some. Pete had AAA meeting in town. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Allen to play practice. Ida came along home.

Wednesday, March 29, 1950. Fair, quite chilly. We cleaned the two attics in west room in morning. We went to town at 12:30. We done little shopping. Mother along. Ida and I to missionary meetings at Ruth Sommers. Pete to Mothers, fixed her drain. He and Paul home with Mabel. I took Allen to Presser Hall. He had try out for woman's club music came up. He had to play practice. Ronnie at Mothers. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floor. Ida and I to church in evening. Pete and Paul home.

Thursday, March 30, 1950. Fair, nice day. Pete to Chicago at 3:40 a.m. I took him to train. I cleaned up upstairs and bedrooms. Paul and I to Mothers at 11:30. Went uptown awhile and I went to auxiliary meeting at hospital. Met Pete at 6:50. We went to plays at high school. Had 4 one-act plays. Allen in one. Pete to Chicago on locker business.

Friday, March 31, 1950. Fair in morning. Rained in evening. I went to town at 9:00. Helped serve lunch for "come and see day" for high school students at 3 hospitals. Served at Holy Trinity Church basement. Had 690. I done cleaning in p.m. and got things ready for supper. Pete, Ronnie and I to Central School. Ronnie got letter in basketball, had potluck supper. Allen and Paul home. Ronnie to Champaign with chorus. They got first.

Saturday, April 1, 1950. Fair, windy, real chilly. Pete, Allen, Paul and I to town at 8:15. Allen went with the band to Paxton to contest. They got second, chorus got first. Pete to

advisory committee meeting for locker. Mother, Paul and I uptown. We ate lunch at Mothers. We went to Owens [Nursery], got Mother evergreen. Pete planted it. Edds and Ida stopped here awhile on way home. Ronnie helped C. R. fan oats. He ate dinner there.

Sunday, April 2, 1950. Showered at times during day. We went to church. Pete Sunday School superintendent. We went to Edds for dinner. E. E. and Ella there a while in p.m. Ida home with us. Pete took her to town in evening.

Monday, April 3, 1950. Partly cloudy in morning. Started to rain at 11:00. Rained most of p.m. and evening. Windy in evening and rained hard. I washed, hung some out but had to finish drying in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Boys home on vacation. They hauled manure and Pete sowed grass seed in yard. Ronnie rolled part of yard. Pete to town in evening. Allen to swing band practice then to 4-H meeting. Ronnie to 4-H with Eddie Fowler.

Tuesday, April 4, 1950. Cloudy, gloomy and chilly. I cleaned the kitchen. Pete to town in p.m. Allen to 4-H committee meeting at Farm Bureau at 2:00 then went to play practice at NCHS. They had potluck supper. Merlin Fowler here all night and Paul went to Fowlers, stayed all night with Paul and Ray. Pete and I to stockholder meeting of locker. They voted to get mortgage loan. Allen home with us.

Wednesday, April 5, 1950. Ground covered with snow in morning. Mostly cloudy, cleared off in evening. I cleaned icebox and stove drawers in morning. Cleaned the bathroom. Baked pie and cookies. Pete to Decatur with some of locker board. Boys doing odd jobs. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, April 6, 1950. Fair, 25°, nice day. I cleaned the upstairs and washed bedding etc. had a big day. Ronnie helped me some. I went to Edgars at 4:30, had my hair fixed. Pete to town in morning. Allen worked in brooder house. He and Pete scrubbed it in p.m. We had the sheep sheared in p.m. Allen to town in evening, swing band played on W.J.B.C. for cancer program.

Friday, April 7, 1950. Fair, some warmer, real windy. Done cleaning and ironed some. I went to town at 1:30. Had glasses fixed and went to Good Friday Union services at Methodist church. Reverend Metzger preached. A nice service. Allen and Ronnie helped Mr. Acks on corn business. Pete moved brooder house and made fence. Paul to show with Mother. We went to Earl Kaufmans for supper.

Saturday, April 8, 1950. Cloudy in morning, cold, fair and p.m. Allen, Paul and I to town at 9:30. He took trombone lesson from Wesleyan student. Allen got pair of blue trousers. Got Paul coat. Pete working in brooder house. He has cold. Ronnie went with Mr. Acks awhile in morning. We met Marie at train at 2:00. Allen practiced at LaRue [Schad's] after we got home. Boys went to 4-H rally. Pete and Paul home. Allen led songs and he and Don Smith and Jane Buth played trio. He was in parade. Fellows dressed up.

Sunday, April 9, 1950. Cloudy, windy, cold. Rained some in evening. Easter. We went to church. Had communion. We all went to Mothers for dinner and supper. Uncle Chas and Edgars there too. Edgars to Minier in p.m. Ida there for supper. She came home with us. Gordon, Allen and Ronnie to see "Cinderella" in p.m.

Monday, April 10, 1950. Fair until noon. Very windy. Rained and blew in evening. We watched. Ida and I to town at 1:15. She got new dress. We took Marie to train in p.m. and I went to dentist. We got our baby chicks, 430. Pete disc for CR in p.m. CR sewed some oats. Boys started to school after vacation. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Ida to town. Done ironing in evening.

Tuesday, April 11, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Windy, cold. I made rolls and cleaned three closets in bedrooms. Also made cherry torte. Pete worked around barn. I went to Goodwill Circle at Nurses Home. Had Stanley demonstration. Went with Laura and May [Mohr]. Allen to play practice.

Wednesday, April 12, 1950. Fair, windy and cold. I cleaned two bedrooms. Washed bedding and curtains in west room. Nearly froze. Clothes froze yet at 10:30. Waxed floors too. Had big day. Pete disc for CR in p.m. CR gone. We went to choir practice in evening. Allen to play practice. Beverly Cox along to choir. Ronnie to Mothers after his lesson. Paul to Eugene Field PTA with CRs and Mother.

Thursday, April 13, 1950. Fair, windy. Cold, 17°. Paul and I to Home Bureau at Mrs. Baker's. Pete disc for CR in p.m. CR at meeting. Pete hauled manure in morning. I cleaned upstairs in morning. Done some ironing and pressed curtains after got home and straightened up west room. Pete to welding class. Allen to play practice. Ronnie, Merle and I to PTA. Ronnie played with band and sang with chorus. Paul with Mrs. Patton.

Friday, April 14, 1950. Fair, warmer. 29°. Done cleaning. Pete to Chicago on 3:50. I took him to train. Paul and I to Mothers at noon. Ate lunch there. Went uptown in p.m. to see Martha Woizeski. She's been sick. Ida came home with us, also brought Allen home. Met Pete at train was late. We all went to County Music Festival at I. S. N. U. Very good. Allen played with the band. CR sewed some of his oats.

Saturday, April 15, 1950. Fair, warmer, fine day. Made salad and dessert. Allen and I to town at 9:00. He took lesson. Mother home with us. Ronnie discing our oats ground in morning. Allen disc in p.m. CR finished his oats and started on hours in p.m. Pete and I sewed peas, lettuce, radishes and onions in truck patch and I cleaned off garden. Ronnie and Mother helped. Ida and Edgars here for supper. Had ice cream. She fixed our hair.

Sunday, April 16, 1950. Fair, nice day. Got things ready for company. We went to church. Merle, George, Mrs. Patton, Lois and John Miller, and Ed Sharps here for dinner. Paul at CRs for Ray's birthday. Boys played ball at Glenn Raiders in p.m. Pete and I to Hopedale in evening with Howard Springers. Goshen chorus gave program. Georges and Mrs. Patton went too. Boys home.

Monday, April 17, 1950. Fair, cloudy in evening. Washed clothes. Dried fine. Pete & CR finished sewing our oats. Pete and I planted potatoes in p.m. and I raked front yard. Boys and Pete helped some in evening. Allen to play practice in evening. Pete to locker meeting and I went to alumni board meeting at hospital. Ronnie and Paul home.

Tuesday, April 18, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Showered some in evening. Pete harrowed oats and got plow ready. I done ironing in morning and finished raking yard in p.m. Ronnie stayed in town after school for band practice. He went to Mothers, helped her. Allen to play practice in evening. Ronnie home with him.

Wednesday, April 19, 1950. Mostly cloudy, windy. Had some showers. Baked cookies, pies and coffee cake and cleaned up house. Went to club meeting at Jeanette C[olter's]. Also done some soliciting for cancer drive. We went to choir practice in evening. Boys home. Ida came along home.

Thursday, April 20, 1950. Fair, windy. Cold, 32°. I went after Mother. We plowed garden, put chicken yard with garden. Transplanted perennials. Pete plowed it with tractor. We had a big day. Didn't get done transplanting. Ida washed in morning and ironed in evening. Ronnie sang on radio with chorus in p.m. Allen to Mrs. Logan after school to practice. I got boys at school and took Mother home.

Friday, April 21, 1950. Fair, 28°. Warmer in p.m. Ida and Paul cleaned upstairs in morning. Pete helped me a little in garden then he disc stalks. Ida and I worked transplanting flowers and spading most of the day. Then cleaned in evening. Allen to Peoria for the day with Mr. Diveley and John Chiddix to the student council convention. Ronnie went with chorus to state contest at Ipana. They got second. I went after Ronnie at 6:15. Edgars here awhile in evening, got flowers. Ida to town with them. Allen got home at midnight.

Saturday, April 22, 1950. The fair, much warmer. 75°. Done Saturday work. Allen, Ronnie and I to town in morning. Allen took lesson at 9:00. He stayed in town for spring festival at Wesleyan. Ronnie and I home at noon. Pete disc in morning. He went to town in p.m. Ronnie took out some fence. I got things ready for supper and mended some. Ida and Allen home with Pete. Norman [Vercler] here for supper. Allen to town in evening to NCHS relays awhile, then to Wesleyan. Norman took Ida home.

Sunday, April 23, 1950. Rained in morning and had big rain at noon and hailed some. We went to church. Home for dinner. Allen, Paul, Pete and I to NCHS at 4:00 the Three Twins from Wesleyan gave program and broadcast from there. Ida went with us. Ronnie to Fowler's in p.m. Rained in night.

Monday, April 24. Rained all morning and again later in p.m. and evening. Water everywhere. I washed, ironed some in p.m. Went to town at 4:00 and to dentist at 5:15. Had tooth pulled. Pete worked around barn. He went to church board meeting. I went to hospital. Was to have alumni board meeting but was called off. Our phone out. I went

to Mothers awhile. Met Ida at hospital at 10:15 she's working 2 to 10. She came along home. Boys home.

Tuesday, April 25, 1950. Mostly cloudy, windy from west and cold. Had over 4 inches of rain since Sunday noon. I finished ironing and pressed Allen's and Paul's trousers. Ida cut out dress for herself. Baked cookies and pudding for supper in p.m. Ida sewed some. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Ida along home. Allen to play practice. Ronnie and Paul home.

Wednesday, April 26, 1950. Fair, chilly and windy. We cleaned hall, aired bedding etc. Went to town at 1:00. Ida on duty at 2:00. I went to missionary meeting at Ethel Ramseyer's. Took Mother to Aunt Ida [Woizeski]'s. We went to choir practice. Took Mother home from Uncle Frank [Woizeski]'s. Boys home. Florence S. along to choir.

Thursday, April 27, 1950. Partly cloudy, chilly. Mabel and I to Mothers at 8:30. Cleaned her two bedrooms and hall. Mabel to meeting at 1:00. We helped set out some shrubbery. Pete cleaned brooder and hen house. Allen stayed in town after school, had play practice at 6:00. We went to PTA at high school.

Friday, April 28, 1950. Cloudy, showered little in p.m. Done cleaning in morning. Pete hauled manure. Vaccinated pigs in p.m. I went to town, helped auxiliary get things ready for rummage sale. I took Allen to town at 6:00. He went to state music contest at Taylorville, quartet got first. He got second on solo. Went to play practice after he got home.

Saturday, April 29, 1950. Cloudy, cold, rained some. Boys and I to town at 9:00. I went to help at rummage sale. Allen took lesson. I went with Mother to Dr. Dineen at 11:00. Pete and Paul home. Pete cleaned up grape arbor. I baked cake, coffee cake and made salad dressing in p.m. Karl [Klooz]s and Aunt Tina came to Billys in p.m.

Sunday, April 30, 1950. Mostly cloudy. We went to church. Karls, Aunt Tina, Billys, Edds and Ida here for dinner. Edds and Ida to Passion Play in p.m. Karls left at 3:30 for Champaign. Billys to town with them. They came back at 6:30. Edds and Ida here too for supper. Aunt Tina stayed all night. Boys played ball at Glenn's in p.m.

Monday, May 1, 1950. Fair, nice day. Washed. Fine day. I ironed some in p.m. Finished after supper. Aunt Tina wrote letters and mended some. Pete ground feed. Allen to play practice in evening.

Tuesday, May 2, 1950. Fair, rather windy and warmer. Aunt Tina sick in morning. Her stomach and bowels bad. She got up at 11:00. Felt some better. I sewed spinach, beets, carrots, radish and tomato seeds and beans. Pete helped me. Also transplanted some iris. Aunt Tina, Ida, Mabel and Julia and I to mothers for lunch. Ida came along home. Pete and I with CRs to supper at Baptist Church. Allen to play practice. Ronnie and Paul stayed with Ray at CRs.

Wednesday, May 3, 1950. Fair, warmer, 75°. I finished transplanting iris and we set out four dozen cabbage and one dozen tomato plants. I baked cookies, pie and pudding. Cleaned up house. I went to Frank Pattons at 4:00, see Grandma. She's quite poorly. Pete hauled manure. Ronnie to Mothers after school, worked in her yard. Allen to play practice. We went to choir practice. I was sick in night, vomited.

Thursday, May 4, 1950. Rained in morning. Fair in p.m. I didn't do anything in morning, didn't feel good. Cleaned china closet in p.m. and rested some. Can't eat much. Pete hauled manure. Allen to play practice in evening, took Gordon. Ronnie to church swimming party at YMCA. He had his picture taken for eighth grade graduation.

Friday, May 5, 1950. Fair windy in morning. Got worse during day. Wind was terribly strong. Dust storm in places in p.m. I washed in morning and done cleaning. Went to auxiliary in p.m. Ida along home, washed my hair. Pete, Ida and I to town at 6:00. Went to Edgars, had my hair fixed. Pete to church, he and Hoover met with *Sakemiller* (sp?). I took him to slaughter plant at 8:00 to meeting. I came home. Pete home with Allen and Gordon. They were at play rehearsal. Grandma Patton worse.

Saturday, May 6, 1950. Fair, rather windy. Done Saturday work and dressed to chickens for Mother. Pete and I to town at 10:00. Allen and Ronnie plowing. We got home at 1:30. Allen back to town to play rehearsal. I ironed in p.m. and put out onion plants. Pete plowed truck patch and garden. We all went to play at NCHS. "One Foot in Heaven". Allen had one of leading parts. Very good play. I went to Pattons after play, stayed all night. Grandma isn't good. Got some rest.

Sunday, May 7, 1950. Fair, nice day. Cooler in evening. Windy. Got home at 9:20. We went to church. Allen helped clean up at high school awhile in morning. Then went to church. Reverend Weaver preached. Home in p.m. I rested some. Boys played ball at Hudson. Pete went after Ida at 5:00. He went to Pattons at 8:30. Grandma Patton passed away at 11:45. Lucy C. and I up until she died. Harold came out after she passed away.

Monday, May 8, 1950. We went to bed at five, slept in till 6:30. I stayed at Pattons until the 11:30. Lucy C. and I alone most of morning. Cleaned up house. Partly cloudy and windy. Showered in evening. Ida here. She washed and we ironed. I made salad to take to Pattons and went up there at 5:00 to see about Goodwill serving lunch. Ida and I to Goodwill at Alma Galloway's. Jeanette along too, also Laura and May. Took Ida home.

Tuesday, May 9, 1950. Cloudy, rained most of the morning and some of p.m. I done some baking etc. Dressed chicken. We went to town at 11:30. Ida and Mother came along home with us. We went to Carlock to funeral home to see Grandma Patton on way home. We all went to Unit District 5 music Festival. Ronnie in band and chorus. Very good.

Wednesday, May 10, 1950. Partly cloudy, nice day. I went to Pattons at 9:15. Helped Goodwill Circle serve dinner. We went to the funeral at 2:00. Pete, CR, Earl K., and Al

Mohr sang. I helped get lunch in evening. Pete and Paul there too. We got home at 6:00. Got ready to go to PTA supper at Eugène Field. Mabel and Ray along. Pete to locker meeting after supper. We came home with Alvin Ottos.

Thursday, May 11, 1950. Partly cloudy, warmer. Cleaned up the upstairs. Went to Home Bureau at Rengel's. Done some cleaning when I got home and got ready for 4-H meeting in evening. Were 40 here. Served popcorn and orange drink. Pete made fence for hogs. I have cold. Can hardly talk.

Friday, May 12, 1950. Fair, beautiful day. Then cleaning. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Went to dentist at 1:00. Had another tooth pulled. Dressed three chickens for Dorothy and two for us in evening. Pete disc in morning and plowed in p.m. Ronnie to Mothers after school, mowed her lawn. I met Marie at train at 7:50 and brought Ronnie home.

Saturday, May 13, 1950. Fair, warmer, fine day. Allen and I to town at 9:00. He took lesson. Went to Dorothy's. She fixed my hair but didn't wash it. Pete and Ronnie moved some of pigs and ground feed. They worked with pigs in p.m. We sewed all of flower seeds. Put out green beans and lima beans and some sweet corn. Allen and Ronnie to Merle's awhile in evening. Practiced duet. I do home with them. Ronnie plowed some in p.m.

Sunday, May 14, 1950. Fair fine day, warm. (Mother's Day) we went to church. Mother, Marie, CRs and Ida here for dinner and supper. Ida to work at 2:00. Boys played ball at Glenn [Raders]'s in p.m. Mother, Merle, Mabel and I to CRs and Roys a while in evening. Minnie here in p.m. We ladies took Marie to train in evening and took flowers to cemetery. Mother came along back. Uncle Chas, and Amanda and Marguerite [Burwitz] here. Allen and Gordon to Le Roy a while in evening.

Monday, May 15, 1950. Fair, cooler, beautiful day. Washed and ironed in p.m. Pete finished plowing corn ground in morning. Disc in p.m. Boys disc in evening until dark. Pete to locker meeting.

Tuesday, May 16, 1950. Nice day, real cool in evening. Cleaned living and dining room and waxed floors in morning. Went to town at 1:00, had permanent. Mother came along home. We went to Music Festival at high school, was very good. Allen went early with CRs. He helped decorate stage. Ida along too, also Mother. Boys started planting corn here in morning.

Wednesday, May 17, 1950. Cool. Baked cookies, cake and coffee cake. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Washed out some things. Went to town awhile. Ida along home. Got things ready to leave for Missouri. We went to church supper. Bertha Linneman showed pictures. Allen home, done some studying. Boys finished planting our corn and started on CRs.

Thursday, May 18, 1950. Fair, warm during day. Pete took Ida, Paul and I to town at 8:45. Edgar took us to Springfield. Met Marvins at 9:00. We got to Creighton [Missouri] at 4:30 (CST) stopped at Marvin's store a while. We got to Orvies at 5:30. Ate supper here. We all went to Dave's graduation, was very nice. Arthur and Georgia there too. Marvins to Ervies all night. We stayed at Orvies. Rained in evening and night. Mother here in evening to help boys. Dr. Wellmerling's wife died.

Friday, May 19, 1950. Fair, cooler. Marvin's, Ida and we went to Bertha Yoder's for dinner. Carrie there too. Paul with Edna in p.m. We went to Uncle Ludwig's. Aunt Tina there too. Ate supper at Orvies. We all went to Marvins awhile in evening. Marvins at Ervins all night. We were at Orvies. Pete & CR finished planting corn. Mother made some soap. She went to town in p.m., had permanent.

Saturday, May 20, 1950. Partly cloudy, warmer. Ida and I downtown awhile in morning and stopped to see *Selma* (sp?). Margins at Bill *Gilkersons* (sp?) in morning. We were all at Orvies for dinner. We went to Marvins a while in p.m. Paul and I to Marvins all night. Pete to town in morning. Allen mowed lawn. Mother made more soap. Ronnie disk for CR. They sowed beans. Marvin's, Dave, Ida, Paul and I to Arthur's at 5:30. Rained there in evening.

Sunday, May 21, 1950. Beautiful day in Missouri. Irvins, Marvins, Ida, Orvies, Uncle Ludwigs, Aunt Tina and Arthurs all at Marvins and Frances's. I helped Frances get dinner. We went to Irvin's awhile in evening and to Orvies all night. Pete and boys to church and to Mothers for dinner. Rained in p.m. Pete, Mother and Zelma went for ride. Saw Dr. Wellmerling at cemetery. He gave them some flowers.

Monday, May 22, 1950. Beautiful day. Cool. We left Garden City at 6:30 CST. Got to Bloomington at 5:30 DST. Marvins and Dave here all night. Boys went to show in evening. Pete discing, getting ready to sow beans. Everything all right at home. Was glad to get back. Ida stayed in Missouri.

Tuesday, May 23, 1950. Fair, nice day, warm. Washed. Had a big one. Worked in garden in p.m. We planted cucumbers. Done some ironing in evening. Pete sewed beans.

Wednesday, May 24, 1950. Fair, windy, hot, 92°. Done ironing in p.m. Pete put screens on windows in p.m. I washed all windows outside. Done some odd jobs. Pete ground feed and fixed fence. Allen to the 4-H Federation meeting. I went to choir practice. Pete to locker meeting at Farm Bureau. I went there after choir. Was stockholder meeting.

Thursday, May 25, 1950. Fair, hot. Baked cookies, pies and cleaned up the upstairs. Pete worked around here in morning. We went to town in p.m. I went to Home Bureau style show. We got running afterschool. Got him and new shirt. Paul at mothers in p.m. and he stayed in evening. Ronnie mowed her lawn. Allen to Rogers Hotel dinner. Thespians. Pete & CRs to PTA. I went to alumni meeting.

Friday, May 26, 1950. Partly cloudy, much cooler. Mabel and I to Mothers. Cleaned her living room. Washed her slip covers, drapes, bedspread etc. Washed windows on the outside. Pete & CR worked at Ropp Cemetery in p.m.. Cleaned it up. Paul with Pete. We went to show at Phil-Kron [drive-in movie theater] – 4 H. picture, “Green Promise.” Boys went free.

Saturday, May 27, 1950. Cloudy, cold, 50°. Done all of cleaning and put up drapes. Ronnie to Chicago with eighth grade. Went on school bus. Left at 7:00. Pete and I to town in p.m. Mother along. She got dress. Pete and Allen hauled manure in morning. Allen harrowed beans in p.m.

Sunday, May 28, 1950. Cloudy, cool. I went to hospital at 6:00. Helped get breakfast for Seniors. Went with May. Went to church. Home for dinner. Paul at Mothers. Boys played ball at Glenss. Pete and I to commencement for nurses. I helped with reception. Edds and EEs there too.

Monday, May 29, 1950. Fair, much warmer. Washed and ironed awhile in p.m. Finished after supper. Dressed chicken. Reverend Metzgers here awhile in p.m. Mabel and I took Mother to cemeteries at 4:30. Put flowers on graves. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting. Pete plowed truck patch and hoed some in garden. He put up the bell.

Tuesday, May 30, 1950. Fair, rather windy in p.m. Ronnie and I cleaned fruit and recreation rooms in morning. Edds and Mother here for dinner. Edds have new Chevy. Pete and Allen worked in Ash Grove in morning. Edds, Pete, Allen and I to Troyer Cemetery in p.m. Pete sang with quartet. Allen played solo. Edds home at 5:00. We all went to Minnies for picnic supper.

Wednesday, May 31, 1950. Fair, rather cool. I finished cleaning the basement in morning. Pete mowed alfalfa. Boys to school until noon. Ronnie stayed for graduation practice then went to Mothers. Washed her porch. I went to missionary meeting at Carl Ummels. Had hamburger fry. Irma Berkey there. Allen to band picnic at 4:30. We met Ida at train at 6:05 CST. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, June 1, 1950. Fair, nice day, warmer. I washed bedroom curtains and rugs, blankets, quilts etc. and washed off south porch. Went to Home Bureau committee meeting at Russell Yoder’s in p.m. Pete raked hay. Boys home from school at noon, school’s out. Pete to town at 3:00. Met an architect at church. Got Ronnie a pair of shoes. We all went to Ronnie’s graduation in evening at Normal High School.

Friday, June 2, 1950. Cloudy and windy. Had nearly 1 inch rain at 4:30 or 5:00. Done cleaning and ironed in p.m. Put up curtains. Pete and boys got ready to bail hay. They bailed little before it rained. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Boys and I to high school commencement. Band played. Paul at Mothers in evening.

Saturday, June 3, 1950. Partly cloudy. Showered some in morning. Done Saturday work. Pulled weeds awhile in garden. Ronnie to Chicago at 7:00. Bus drivers took

patrol boys to ballgame, Cubs and Phillies. We went to town at 11:00. Allen to dentist. Paul at Mothers. Mother and Ida along home. We went to Edds for supper. Had big meal. Fowlers brought Ronnie home. Fair in evening. Ida here all night.

Sunday, June 4, 1950. Fair, cool, beautiful day. We went to church. Ida worked at 2:10. We were home for dinner. Boys played ball at Glenn's. We went to truck patch. Went for walk.

Monday, June 5, 1950. Fair, nice day, cool. Washed. Done ironing in p.m. Boys and I do 4-H meeting at Ruth Denzers. Parents were invited. Pete to meeting at slaughter plant. Allen went with Mr. Acks, working on government bins.

Tuesday, June 6, 1950. Fair, quite warm, 85 to 86°. Pete and I to town at 9:30. He went to Dr. Gailey. Has infection in his eyes. Dr. thinks an allergy. Mother home with us. We worked in garden and cleaned garage. Ronnie helped us. Pete put cultivator on tractor. Boys to first 4-H ballgame. They won. I went to committee meeting at Mildred Burwitz for reunion. Pete to men's meeting and practiced with quartet. Allen working.

Wednesday, June 7, 1950. Fair, windy, hot, 88°. Ronnie painted some chairs in morning. And I finished them in p.m. Pete plowed corn in morning. I went to church with May and Laura at 10:00. Got dinner for Denler or family. Pete and I to Henry Denler's funeral in p.m. Pete sang with quartet. They baled hay at CRs in p.m. I sanded and varnished arms on davenport and chair. Worked outside awhile in evening. Pete put screen door on the front door. Allen worked.

Thursday, June 8, 1950. Cloudy, real windy. Finished painting chairs in morning and cleaned upstairs. Ronnie painted screen door. Pete plowed corn in morning, bailed at CRs in p.m. Allen working. I went to home bureau at Mrs. Deal. Was installed for chairman. Hope I can do a good piece of work. Edgars here for supper. Dressed 2 chickens for them and one for us. She combed my hair.

Friday, June 9, 1950. Cloudy. Had good shower at noon. Pete to Chicago at 4:00 with Ray Miller and came back at 2:50. I took into town and got him. Then cleaning and baked cookies, shortcake. Allen working. Ronnie mowed lawn. Norman V[ercler] here for supper. He took us to town, got Ida. She was here all night. Got 2 quarts berries from Laura. Marie home.

Saturday, June 10, 1950. Fair, cooler, beautiful day, rather windy. We cleaned cupboards and waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Washed windows. Washed and ironed. Ida and I to town. Paul practiced at church. Had his haircut. Pete got tables and shares in mourning. He finished plowing corn in p.m. Ronnie helped bail at CR's. Allen worked, put up ruffling [?] in kitchen. Worked outside sowed lettuce & some flowers.

Sunday, June 11, 1950. Fair, beautiful day. We had the Woizeski family reunion here. Were 75 here. Had a nice day. Clarence Woizeski from Indiana here. Marie here too,

left in evening. Ida here too. We went to Children's Day program in evening. Paul on program.

Monday, June 12, 1950. Partly cloudy, rained some in p.m. Washed in morning. Pete, boys and I to town at 12:00. Ronnie got haircut and mowed Mothers lawn. Pete to Dr. with his eyes. Dr. changed medicine. I went to cancer education program. Allen working on bins. Pete and I went to see some men in evening to work on locker drive. Fowlers boys here. Got six boxes strawberries from Laura.

Tuesday, June 13, 1950. Had a big rein in morning. 7:30 electricity off 1 ½ hours. Looked stormy. I made 7 pints strawberry preserves and ironed some. We went to town at 12:30. Pete to see man on locker drive. Boys and I got shirts etc. Boys cut down tree for Mother. Ida along home. She finished ironing. We had new peas. She and I to Goodwill Circle at Gilberts. Pete to see George Francis. Rained some in night.

Wednesday, June 14, 1950. Cloudy in morning. Fair, hot and humid in p.m. Cleaned up house in morning and made salad. Paul and I to town with CRs. We went to Mothers for dinner. Thietjes and Edgars, Nancy, Jack, Mabel and Ray there too. I baked cake. Made meatloaf and got things ready for supper when I got home. We all went to church supper for Irma Birkey. Mother along too. Ida worked.

Thursday, June 15, 1950. Partly cloudy, hot, humid. Reined in p.m. Cleaned upstairs. Got things ready for supper. Work in garden in p.m. transplanted flowers. Pete to town in p.m. Ida and Mother home with him in evening. We all went to community club supper at Bill Miller's. Peat to locker meeting after supper. Allen to 4-H Federation.

Friday, June 16, 1950. Fair in morning, hot 90° and very humid. Looked rainy in p.m., sprinkled some. I washed. Boys picked some cherries. Canned 2 quarts and made pie for dinner. Done cleaning in p.m. and finished transplanting flowers and set out tomato plants and ironed. Pete and I to town in evening. Dorothy fixed my hair and Ida's. Boys cut some weeds. Cooler in evening.

Saturday, June 17, 1950. Partly cloudy, much cooler 60°, chilly wind all day. Furness run some. Canned 11 quarts peas and got 11 boxes berries from Laura. Put 4 quarts in locker. Make 3 ½ pints preserves. Done Saturday work and got things ready for supper. Edds and Charles Greasers [sp?] from Heston Kansas here for supper. Pete to town in p.m. Ida came out with him. He took her home. Allen helped make hay at Colter's awhile in evening. Killed Skippy [sick old black and white dog] in evening.

Sunday, June 18, 1950. Cloudy, rained nearly all day. Sure is wet. We went to church. Went to Walter Yoder's for dinner. Had board meeting so Marie asked us to go home with them for lunch. Had a very nice time. Ida home with us in evening. Helped Ronnie pack his suitcase for camp. Rained in night.

Monday, June 19, 1950. Cloudy, Chile, misted in morning. Surely is wet. We watched. Pete picked few charities. He had AAA meeting. Alan and I picked some cherries in p.m.

Mrs. Anderson gave us big pan of strawberries. Made five a half pints strawberry and cherry preserves. I canned three and half quarts cherries. Ida done ironing. Dried most of clothes inside. Ronnie left for Camp Mack at 7:00. Paul, Ray here all night. Pete to locker meeting. Ida to town.

Tuesday, June 20, 1950. Partly cloudy, showered at noon, fair in evening. I canned 16 pints peas. Mother helped me pod some. She was at CRs. I picked some cherries in evening. Pete helped some. Seeded them after supper. Baked cookies and pudding in p.m. Pete and Allen took Ray's windmill down.

Wednesday, June 21, 1950. Fair, much warmer at noon. Canned 8 ½ quarts cherries. Got things ready for dinner. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Mason. Then we all went to McLean to the Palmer Gardens. Pearl took us. Pete to town in p.m. Men here in morning to get instructions for measuring corn ground. Paul with Allen in p.m. Ray here too. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, June 22, 1950. Fair, warm. Mother here. We canned 11 pints peas. I picked some cherries at CRs in p.m. Made 5 quarts preserves. Allen and Pete put tin roof on coal house. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Allen to band practice. Paul and I with CRs to chavari [SP?] Laura Jean Hadden and husband. Had nice time. Cleaned upstairs in evening.

Friday, June 23, 1950. Partly cloudy, rather windy, hot and humid. Worked in garden all morning. Pete plowed it. Allen helped me hoe some. Pete mowed yard. Done all the cleaning in p.m. Picked peas for supper. Pete plowed beans in p.m. Allen helped Roy bale hay. Mother, Ida and Edgars here for supper. Had hamburgers, ate outside. Allen to 4-H judging in evening. Dressed 2 friers.

Saturday, June 24, 1950. Cloudy, quite warm. Picked peas and put ___ pints in locker. Pete finished plowing beans in morning. Allen and Paul with CRs to Flanagan to Jersey show. Allen took calf. Pete and I left town at 12:30 with Walter Yoder's for camp Mack, Milford, Indiana. Drove in rain most of way out. Got there at 5:45. Ate supper there and stayed all night there. Boys fine. We went to consecration services in evening. Mother stayed with Allen and Paul. Walters and we ate lunch on road. Took chicken.

Sunday, June 25, 1950. Fair, hot and humid. We went to services at Camp Mack. Ate dinner there. Left for home at 12:30. Ate lunch at Gibson city. Got to Bloomington at 6:30. Walters brought us home. Allen and Paul at CRs in evening. Baptist young people there. Boys to church and ate dinner at Mothers. Allen played ball. Ronnie and Jim home with us.

Monday, June 26, 1950. Fair, warm, cooler in p.m. and evening. I washed. Had a big one. Done ironing in p.m. Allen worked on bins. Pete plowed truck patch. He and Ronnie hoed it. Pete plowed corn in p.m. He had a committee meeting at Galloway's in evening. Ida and I uptown awhile. Allen to 4-H Federation picnic at CRs.

Tuesday, June 27, 1950. Beautiful day, cool. We picked peas. Canned 11 pints. I went to town at 4:00. Stopped at Mothers. She isn't feeling good. Ida came home with me. Pete and Allen finished plowing corn second time in morning. Allen helped Floyd Mohr put up hay in p.m. Pete and Ronnie helped Roy's a while in p.m. Pete to locker meeting in evening. Allen and Gordon to State Farm ballgame.

Wednesday, June 28, 1950. Cloudy in morning. Clear off. We watched. Canned 7 quarts of beans. Went to missionary meeting at Ruby Mohrs in p.m. Irma Birkey there. Ida ironed when we got home. Baked cookies. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida home. Ronnie mowed part of Mother's lawn. Pete measuring cornfield. Rained a good shower in evening.

Thursday, June 29, 1950. Fair, cool. Done some baking and worked in garden. Sowed endive and radishes. Cleaned upstairs. Went to town in p.m. Took Mother to Dr. She's feeling better. Pete to Saybrook with Ray M. and Harry Bower at noon. Pete and I to meeting in evening with Hoovers to see new church. Ronnie mowed and trimmed Mothers lawn in p.m. Boys had game in evening. Paul at Fowlers all night.

Friday, June 30, 1950. Fair, had shower at noon. Pete and I sowed endive, radishes and turnips. I picked beans. Gave Mother and Dorothy some. Done cleaning and worked in garden awhile and mended. Pete to town in morning. Boys cut weeds in corn. They and Pete to ball game in evening. I went to Dorothy's had hair fixed.

Saturday, July 1, 1950. Partly cloudy, cool. Then Saturday work. Baked cake, putting, and Mac or ruins. Canned 5 quarts of beans. Ronnie and I to town at 2:30. Met Marie at train. I do home with us. Boys to junior ballgame. I dressed three chickens in evening. Pete had building committee meeting in evening. Walter Yoders, Jake Reesers, Ira Troyer, Metzker, Lois. Served lemonade and cookies. Ida to town with Walters.

Sunday, July 2, 1950. Partly cloudy, looked rainy in evening. We went to church in morning. Had a basket dinner at noon and annual meeting in p.m. Discussed building program. Decided to have plans drawn immediately for consideration. Ronnie to Yoders in p.m. Paul with Mother and Marie to Gurtner's for dinner. Mother, Marie, Ida, Edgars and CRs here for picnic supper. Walked to old pond. Had nice evening. Dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy.

Monday, July 3, 1950. Cloudy, rainy morning. Fair toward evening. Washed, dried most of clothes in basement. Dried some outside in p.m. Done ironing. Dressed 2 chickens. Pete on AAA work part of day. We all went to CRs for picnic supper. Mother, Marie, Ida and Edgars there. Boys to 4-H meeting in evening. Ida here all night.

Tuesday, July 4, 1950. The fair, rather cool, fine day. I baked cake and cookies. Fried two chickens and got things ready for dinner and supper. Ida fixed zipper and shortened my new dresses. She and Ronnie picked peas for dinner. We all went to Roys for dinner and supper. Mother and Marie there for dinner. CRs had Mohrs. They and all of Ottos there for supper. Had fireworks. Ida went to work at 2:00. Allen took her to town.

Wednesday, July 5, 1950. Fair, cool, fine day. Canned 25 quarts beans and done mending. Ronnie helped me some with beans. Allen working on bins. Pete on AAA work. Ronnie worked with his steer awhile in p.m. Pete and I to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, July 6, 1950. Fair, cool. I worked in garden most of morning. Washed out few things. Pete plowed beans. Allen working. I took Mother to Dr. in p.m. Her back bothers her so much. Dr. taped it. Pete plowed garden in evening. I finished hoeing flowers. Boys to band practice.

Friday, July 7, 1950. Fair, nice day. Done all of cleaning in morning. Went to auxiliary meeting with Pearl in p.m. Pete to town in morning. I came home with him at 3:00. Ida along too. Allen worked with Ronnie, hoed weeds and corn & beans. Edds here for supper. Ida home with them. Allen to [4-H] Federation committee meeting.

Saturday, July 8, 1950. The fair, much warmer. I washed in morning and picked beans. Paul and I to mothers at 11:30. We canned 19 quarts beans. I washed for her. Pete and boys sowed alfalfa and yard. Worked on combine. We went to All-Star ballgame in evening. Allen was to play but he got hit on nose by ball. Cracked it and sort a mashed cartilage. Took him to hospital. Heaven knows x-rayed. Dr. Dr. Wellmerling set it and packed it. We went back to game and saw donkey ballgame.

Sunday, July 9, 1950. Fair, warmer. We went to church except Allen went to Mothers. His nose swelled and still bleeding some. Put some ice packs on. Jim Yoder along home, stayed all night. Mother, Paul, Pete and I to Edds for dinner. Boys were going to ball practice but didn't have any way. Pete took Mother home.

Monday, July 10, 1950. Fair, nice day. Washed and done ironing. Baked cake and pudding. We bailed hay in p.m., got done in evening. Served lunch. Jim Yoder here. Boys to ballgame in evening and took Jim home. We went to ice cream supper at CRs. Girl Todd, milk hauler, gave it. Allen's knows some better. Took packing out in evening.

Tuesday, July 11, 1950. Fair, nice day. Then some baking. Cleaned up house and picked bushel of beans. Pete took them to Lutz's [Market]. Got two dollars for them. Boys working around here in morning. We all went to Goodwill Circle picnic at park. Ida along too. Ronnie home with Jim Yoder.

Wednesday, July 12, 1950. Fair, had shower in evening. Cooler in night. Mother and I to Edds at 8:00. We picked 20 boxes red raspberries and two boxes of black ones. We went to Ellas awhile in p.m. Put 13 1/2 boxes in locker and canned 7 quarts. Kept out several boxes to eat. Gave Mother some. Mother and I to Edgars at 5:30. Had our supper and hair fixed. Ida there later. I got Pete and Allen. We went to choir. Got Ronnie at Yoder's and took Mother and Ida home.

Thursday, July 13, 1950. The fair, quite cool. Dressed chicken for 4-H fair and one for picnic. We all went to Walter Yoder's farm at McLean. They want to rent it to us, but I can't see it. Big old house. Sure have the blues. Took Paul to dentist in p.m. Mother and Ida along home. We all went to farm and home bureau picnic at Ehrlich's. Sure cold. Boys to band practice. Boys cleaned upstairs.

Friday, July 14, 1950. Fair, 52°. Warmer during day. Done cleaning and washed. Went to Irene Mohr's sister's funeral. Marie K[aufman] and Lucy C[atherine Patton] there too. Done ironing when I got home. Pete and Ronnie bailed at CRs in p.m. Allen working. We went to band concert at Carlock in evening. Took Mother uptown in p.m.

Saturday, July 15, 1950. Fair, warmer, rather windy. Baked cake and made salad. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom and waxed floors. Allen working. Pete and I to town at 11:00. Got home at 2:30. I got dress from Aunt Ida for my birthday. I worked in garden awhile and dressed chicken and iced cake. Pete and Ronnie worked in barn in p.m. Allen to town in evening with Gordon. Pete and I picked bushel of beans.

Sunday, July 16, 1950. Rained at noon and p.m. We went to church. Went to school club picnic at Mrs. Fagerburg's. Not very nice on account of rain. Pete and I went with Hoover's at 5:00 to Cooksville, Cropsey and Melvin to see churches. Walter Yoder's along. We ate at Gibson city. Allen to committee meeting at Metzkers. Ronnie and Paul to Fowler's. Ida came along home with us.

Monday, July 17, 1950. Cloudy, rained. We washed. Dried clothes in basement. Ida sewed on aprons for Mary in p.m. I done ironing. Allen to committee meeting at the Farm Bureau in evening. Rest of us went to Phil Kron [drive-in theater], see "So Dear to My Heart." Got in free with Wheaties box tops. Ida and Merlin and Paul Ray [Fowler] along. Fowler boys here for dinner. Billys gave us some apples.

Tuesday, July 18, 1950. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. Rained in night. I done some baking. Ida finished aprons. We cleaned some clothes and hung overalls etc. outside to dry. Ida and I to annual Home Bureau meeting in p.m. at YWCA. Pete on AAA work. We went to church meeting in evening. Decided to go ahead with remodeling church. Boys to game, took Ida home.

Wednesday, July 19, 1950. Rained most of the morning and awhile in afternoon. Sun shone in evening. Cooler. Done some odd jobs in morning. Canned 7 1/2 quarts beats in p.m. Pete to dentist at 8:15. Boys worked in barn awhile. They and Pete trimmed hedge in evening. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday, July 20, 1950. Cloudy and cool. Missed it in morning. Allen and I to town a while. Got Marie gift and he went to Farm Bureau about amateur contest. I made apple crisp and sauce. Transplanted few things in garden. Pete to town before noon on locker business. He and I picked nearly a bushel of beans in p.m. Mended some. Boys to band practice in evening. Pete, Ida and I to Edgars, also Paul. Took them eggs. Dot combed our hair.

Friday, July 21, 1950. The fair, real cool, 56°. Nice to see son. Washed out few things. Made nearly 5 gallons kraut. Done cleaning in p.m. and mended some. Pete cut five acres oats in p.m. Allen worked. Pete to church meeting in evening (building committee). Allen to Farm Bureau, made plans for ball tournament. Ida and I to Billys. Ronnie and Paul home. Merlin here all night.

Saturday, July 22, 1950. Partly cloudy. Warmer in p.m. Baked pie and bars. Pete and I to town at 11:00. Done cleaning in p.m. Washed windows. Pete and Allen worked on combine and started it. Threshed one load of oats. Boys cut weeds in morning and Ronnie worked awhile in p.m. Pete cut oats awhile in evening.

Sunday, July 23, 1950. Mostly cloudy, quite warm and humid. Cooler in evening. We went to church. Pete and I ate lunch in town. Boys home, Jim Yoder with them. They played ball in p.m. at Glenss. Chester Millers, Walter Yoders and we went to see Fisher Church. Surely nice. Kay and Paul at Mothers. They went to show. Edds, Owen Kenagys and Ida here when we got home. They stayed a while. Kay home with us. We took Ida, Jim and Kay home after lunch.

Monday, July 24, 1950. Fair, fine day. Boys started combining. Pete finished five acres here and went to Roys. Allen ground feed and went to town at 10:00. Made plans for program for amateur night. I washed and ironed. Fixed lunch for men. CR finished cutting our oats. Allen and I to town at 7:00. Laura and May to amateur program. Mabel and Ray along. Pete to locker meeting. Ronnie and Paul to town with him. Ida went with us too. We came with CRs.

Tuesday, July 25, 1950. Mostly cloudy in p.m. Sprinkled some in evening. Dressed to chickens, made salad and dessert. Worked in garden. Went to town at 4:30, got Ida. Pete combining, finished Roy's field and started on hours in p.m. Paul and I took Mabel and Ray along to Alvin Otto's for PTA supper. [I was?] Committee chairman. Pete invited but he worked late. CR went late. Ida got supper and mixed up cookies.

Wednesday, July 26, 1950. Fair, warmer, nice day. We baked cookies and two pies and coffee cake. Picked beans and a bucket full of cucumbers. Cleaned up house. I went to town at 11:45. Got Mother, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Anderson. They were here for dinner. Mabel and Ray stayed too. Boys combining. Finished ours in p.m. started on CRs. Worked late. CR to dinner at 6:30. Ida and I took ladies to town at 5:00. We went to Edgars had our hair fixed.

Thursday, July 27, 1950. The fair in morning. Had shower at noon. Stopped combine. I washed. Mabel and I to Mothers at noon. Mrs. J., Mrs. Anderson, Laura and May there. Dressed chicken in morning. I got dinner for men before went to town. Fixed cucumbers after got home and ironed some. Went to alumni picnic, was at nurses home. Too wet at Park. Boys to band practice. Pete to committee meeting at church. Hoover and Contractor. Paul at Mothers.

Friday, July 28, 1950. Fair, quite warm. Cleaned upstairs. Went to dentist at 8:30. Got groceries. Done all of cleaning. Finished ironing and pressed clothes. Picked pickles, polished shoes, got things ready to go to St. Louis. Pete started combining at 10:30. Finished Roy's and Clarence's oats and started on ours. Boys to ball game. Allen cut some weeds.

Saturday, July 29, 1950. Fair, warm. Pete, Paul and I left with Gurtner's at 6:00 for St. Louis. Got to Paul T's at 11:00. Stopped at airport awhile. Edgars and we girls uptown in p.m. Paul, Pete, Tommy, and Paul to zoo in p.m. They had big time. We stopped at store where Marilyn is working. We all except Marilyn went to opera at Forest Park. Saw "Desert Song." Was beautiful and a perfect evening. Had lunch after got back to Paul's, late when we got to bed. Boys at CRs in evening. Mother here all night. C. R. and Ronnie finished Oscar's oats.

Sunday, July 30, 1950. Partly cloudy. Warm. Rather humid. We all went for drive to Forest Reserve. Scenic drive. Ate dinner at Paul's. Left for home at 4:20. Got to Bloomington at 9:00. Stopped in Springfield awhile. Boys to church and to Mothers for dinner. They went to Mackinaw [River] swimming in p.m. Boys had hamburger fry in evening. Fowlers here and Gordon. Ida here all night. She helped boys with supper. Gordon took them to show. Edgar brought us home.

Monday, July 31, 1950. Partly cloudy. Rather humid. We washed and ironed. Picked lot of cucumbers. I made 8 quarts bread-and-butter and put gallon in brine and fixed some for dills. Boys bailing straw at Roy's. Boys on the 4-H club tour in evening. Pete and I to locker meeting. Elected new Board of Directors. Pete off board. Took Ida home.

Tuesday, August 1, 1950. Fair, not so humid. I took boys to town at 10:00. Dr. Yoder had physical checkup. They're fine. Allen's blood pressure a little high. Ronnie had his card for school filled out. Cleaned up house in p.m. and done some mending. Pete, Paul and I to men's meeting in evening. Lafette Funk showed Mexico pictures. Boys had ball game at Carlock. Boys bailing straw. Canned 13 quarts dill pickles.

Wednesday, August 2, 1950. Fair, much cooler. Done some baking. Dressed chicken. Boys bailing our straw. Finished it. Gordon [Ropp] and Eddie [Fowler] helped. I went to missionary meeting at Pearl's awhile. Fixed lunch for men. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen to birthday party for Mary Jo Logan and Winona Bacon. Was at Logan's. Picked cucumbers.

Thursday, August 3, 1950. Fair, real cool, 55°. Had furnace on a while. Canned 3 quarts bread and butter pickles and 4 quarts dill pickles- lima beans, canned 15 pints and worked in garden awhile. Allen and Ronnie bailed CRs straw in p.m. Gordon, Eddie and Pete unloaded. CR and Ronnie bailed some in morning. They bailed Oscar's straw yet in evening. Pete to church meeting. Boys to band practice. Ida, Paul and I to Billys, got some apples. Cleaned upstairs in p.m.

Friday, August 4, 1950. Fair in morning, showered little in p.m., cool. I washed and ironed in p.m. Done cleaning. Men cut weeds in morning. CR clipped cows and steer. They started bailing hay at Roy's but quit on account of rain. All went to band concert in evening at Normal, Eugene Field PTA serve ice cream and cake. Pete and I helped some. Ida, Billys, Edgars there too. Marie home in evening. She there too. Lucy C[atherine] here in p.m.. We had sweet corn. Gave Dorothy pickles.

Saturday, August 5, 1950. Nice day, little warmer. I dressed chicken for Edgars, 3 for Duncan Millers, and one for us. Done cleaning. Baked cake and coffee cake and made applesauce. Worked in garden awhile. Allen to town in morning. Helped put up tents at fair. Pete and Ronnie cut weeds in morning and bailed hay at Roy's in p.m. We all went to Mothers for supper. Ida a long home.

Sunday, August 6, 1950. Fair, nice day. Pete, Ida and I to Washington, Illinois in morning to [Central District] conference. Met Edds at noon. We had picnic lunch. Drove to Eureka between p.m. and evening sessions. Looked at Christian church. Had very good programs at conference. Boys home all day. Ida went to town with Luella Mishler.

Monday, August 7, 1950. Fair, warmer. Boys left 7:00 fair. Allen has two cows and heifer calf. Ronnie, Hereford steer and seven pigs. Pete and Ernie [Fowler] took them in. I washed. Picked cucumbers. Fixed syrup for sweet pickles and done ironing and pressed clothes. Pete cut weeds and helped bale hay at Roy's in p.m.

Tuesday, August 8, 1950. Rained and drizzled most of the day and evening. I picked lima beans. Put 5 quarts in locker. We went to fair at noon. Sure a mess out there. Ronnie showed steer, got 19th. Paul and I back in evening. Program was called off. Pete went with Chester Miller to solicit for church.

Wednesday, August 9, 1950. Cleared off in morning, nice day. We went to town at 8:00. Ronnie showed hogs got 2- 6th, 7th and 8th [place]. Ida along home when we chored. We washed out some clothes for boys. Baked bars for boys. Went to fair in evening. Sure some crowd. Record crowd.

Thursday, August 10, 1950. Partly cloudy, hot in p.m. Showered in evening, much cooler. Paul and I to fair with CR. Pete to Millers awhile to solicit. He and Mother to fair at 10:00. Allen showed dairy. Got second on Susie, fifth on Linda, and fifth on heifer calf. He got second in Milking Derby and fourth in showmanship. Ida along home. Pete and boys, CR and Ernie brought stock home. Ida, boys and I to fair in evening. Kind of wet. Allen took things for Springfield. Pete to building committee meeting at church. Had tomatoes. Ronnie home.

Friday, August 11, 1950. Partly cloudy, cool. Boys left fairgrounds early for Springfield. I washed early. Went to dentist at 9:00. Mother along home. We can 12 1/2 quarts sauerkraut, 9 quarts apple sauce. Done cleaning and ironed and baked cookies. Edgars

and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Gave her 2 buckets pickles and sweet corn and cabbage. Pete cut weeds and ground feed. Ronnie helped.

Saturday, August 12, 1950. Cloudy, cool, done Saturday work. Canned 6 pints lima beans. We went to town in p.m. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Mowed her lawn. Pete and I to Colter's in evening awhile to solicit. Floyd Mohr took hay and clothes to Springfield for Allen. Took some for Gordon too.

Sunday, August 13, 1950. Fair, cool. We went to church in morning. Pete to solicit Fred Meyers and Mohr girls in p.m. He and I to church in evening. Saw camp pictures of new camp in Michigan. Paul and Ronnie home.

Monday, August 14. Fair, cool, cloudy in p.m. Sprinkled little. Washed and ironed. Dressed chicken. Cooked apples. Got things ready for Springfield. Pete to meeting at church. Ronnie to band practice.

Tuesday, August 15, 1950. Mostly cloudy, foggy in morning and again at night. We went with CRs to State Fair. Boys showed. Allen got eighth. He's coming up in Milking Derby. Ronnie and Paul came home with Floyd Mohr. They done chores. Edgars brought Ida out after work. CRs and we stayed for banquet given for Jersey boys and girls. We enjoyed it. Dr. Holland speaker. Was 2:00 o'clock when we got home. Bad driving, foggy. Walter Meers killed in morning.

Wednesday, August 16, 1950. Rather hot. Ida here. We washed and ironed and canned 43 pints corn. Had big day. Pete measuring corn. We took Ida home in evening. Heard Allen was second in Milking Derby. *Pantagraph* called Grandma.

Thursday, August 17, 1950. Fair, quite warm. Phil Patton here in morning to get chickens. I picked lima beans. Canned them in p.m., had 11 pints. Pete trimmed trees for Roy in morning. He and Ronnie helped CR shell corn in p.m. Was in evening paper Allen was first in Milking Derby. Ida and I to Mothers in evening, Dot fixed our hair. Pete soliciting. Paul Fowler here all night. Ronnie at Fowlers. Cleaned upstairs.

Friday, August 18, 1950. Cloudy, cooler. Done cleaning. We went to town at 9:30. Ronnie and I to dentist. We bought two bushels peaches. Mother along home with us. We canned 28 quarts and made 7 pints marmalade. Had big p.m. Pete soliciting in p.m. Boys home from Springfield. Allen got first in milking Derby. Heard him on W. S. I. [sp?] at noon, was glad for him. Pete and I to Earl Kaufman's in evening. Pete took Mother home. Ronnie to Shirley Fowler chauvarie

Saturday, August 19, 1950. Fair, real cool and cloudy in p.m. I washed, done cleaning. Baked cake for Ronnie and made peach crisp. Went to town at 4:00. Mother along got groceries. Ida along home. She done ironing. I dressed chicken. Canned 7 quarts sweet pickles and cooked apples. Pete to Indiana to stone quarry with Mr. Hoover. Left at 6:00. Got to town and 9:00. Had committee meeting then got home at 11:30.

Sunday, August 20, 1950. Fair, real cool, 43°, beautiful day. Pete, Ida, Paul and I left at 8:20. Met Edds at El Paso and went with them to Kropf reunion at Batavia, Illinois. Was a beautiful drive and had an enjoyable day. We got home at 8:15. Boys to church with CRs and came home with Ed Sharps. Allen to Thespian picnic at Lake Bloomington with Gordon. Ronnie done chores. Ray here. He went to CRs for supper. Pete took Ida home.

Monday, August 21, 1950. Clear and cool, 40°. I washed and ironed. Baked cookies and apple crisp. Pete measuring corn. Allen registered at school in morning and helped put up hay at Ed Miller's in p.m. Ronnie finished cleaning out coal house. Edds and Ida here for supper. They got peaches in town and got sweet corn and small lima beans. Paul to Mothers, she took he and Ray to park. Boys to ballgame at Carlock.

Tuesday, August 22, 1950. Fair, cool. Pete with Hoover to Streeter, Mendota and Peoria to look at brick. Mabel here, got lima beans. Helped her pick them. I canned 13 quarts tomato juice. Went to dentist at 1:00. Went with Mother to Mrs. Newbauer's funeral. Boys hauled some manure. Pete, Allen and I to Friendship Circle at Sam Sommers. Allen played. Tina Kaufman in hospital, fell off swing.

Wednesday, August 23, 1950. Fair, quite warm in p.m. We went to town in morning. Took corn to Duncan Millers. I helped her canned 24 pints. They left for Missouri in p.m. We went to Mothers for dinner. We got corn ready for locker, seven and half quarts. Peach to ISNU farm to Fairbury Fair with CR. Paul sick in evening. Got too hot at ISNU. Pete and I to Cloyd Stahly in evening soliciting.

Thursday, August 24, 1950. Fair, warm, rather windy. Washed and baked pie and coffee cake. Canned 16 quarts tomato juice in p.m. Boys cleaned upstairs in evening. Pete finished measuring corn ground in morning. He and Ronnie hauled stones for ditches in p.m. Allen working on bins. Pete and I to Bob Rengels in evening. About Home Bureau. Stopped at Bastings, they wasn't home.

Friday, August 25, 1950. Fair, quite warm. Cooler in evening. Done cleaning. Washed windows on outside and inside. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors and cabinet top. Done ironing and worked in garden awhile. Pete and Ronnie took his steer to slaughter plant, sold it. They went to town in p.m. Allen working. Billys and Ida here awhile in evening. Got sweet corn and chicken. Boys to ball game at Carlock.

Saturday, August 26, 1950. Partly cloudy, quite warm. Dressed three chickens and baked cake. Pete and I to town at 11:00. Took tomatoes to Mothers. I helped her can 10 quarts. Pete met with Hoover. Had executive meeting Home Bureau in p.m. I made salad, iced cake and we picked lima beans in evening. Pete and I helped CRs address Jersey bulletin in evening. Ronnie and Paul there too. Allen and Gordon to Fairbury. Allen mowed hay.

Sunday, August 27, 1950. Partly cloudy, warm. We went to church and to Belvidere reunion at park. We came home at 3:00. Got things ready for company. Dr. Yoder's and

two children, Mr. Hoovers and Walter Yoders and Ida here for supper. Had nice time. Ida came out with Mabel. CR home with us. We made ice cream. Ida here all night.

Monday, August 28, 1950. Cloudy and morning. Sprinkled off and on all morning. Fair in p.m. We watched, dried few clothes in basement. Finally got them all dry. We ironed. I canned 6 1/2 quarts tomato juice. Pete to town in morning, he and boys hauled some manure. Pete raked hay late in p.m. Allen to football practice. We took gift to Tina Kaufman and took Ida to town. Jim Yoder along home with us.

Tuesday, August 29, 1950. Fair, warm in p.m. Cooler in evening. Baked bars and dressed chicken. Went to officers training school at Farm Bureau at 1:00. Ida along home. Got things ready for supper. We all went to groundbreaking ceremony and basket supper at church. Allen to football practice in evening. He worked on bins and we bailed our hay in p.m.

Wednesday, August 30, 1950. Cloudy, had shower in p.m. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice and dressed chicken. Went to missionary meeting at Clara Brodbeck's. Allen and Gordon to football practice morning and evening. They took Ronnie and Nancy Mohr to school, freshman day. Pearl and I got them after meeting. Pete ground feed. Were going to bail at CRs but it rained.

Thursday, August 31, 1950. Mostly cloudy, Day hump. Watched, overalls didn't get quite dry. Cleaned upstairs and bedroom downstairs. Washed my hair and ironed. Pete took me to Mothers at 4:30. Dorothy fixed Ida and my hair. Allen to football practice morning and evening. We and Ida to Billys for supper. Edds there too. Karl [Klooz]s here. Had nice time. Jane, Betty Jane [?], Ronnie and Paul to school. Got Allen. Ronnie to Jim Yoder's all night. Pete and boys hauled manure.

Friday, September 1, 1950. Cloudy. Rained in evening and night. Baked cookies and cake. Cleaned living room. Dressed two chickens. Pete and I to town in p.m. I went to (unintelligible) meeting. Pete had haircut. Allen helped CR bale hay. Pete helped unload. Paul and I to Edds for supper with Karls and Billys. Ida along too. Ronnie came home from Yoders with Karls. Pete to church meeting. Allen to football practice. Started digging on church basement.

Saturday, September 2, 1950. Mostly cloudy, cool. Done cleaning. Got things ready for dinner. Fixed chicken for supper. We went to Ropp reunion at Pekin. Went over with CRs. Boys had football practice. They went over after practice. Went to alumni homecoming and banquet with Marie H[astings]. Pete and Ray to town. Boys home. Marie [Ropp] home in p.m. Goodwill served banquet. Furnished chicken.

Sunday, September 3, 1950. Cleared off in morning. We went to church. Pete Sunday School superintendent. Allen and Gordon to football game at Wesleyan in p.m. Edgars, Mother and Marie stopped off awhile in p.m. We all went to CR's for supper. Sieg families and Uncle Henrys there too. Also Ida, Laura, and May.

Monday, September 4, 1950. Fair, cool, fine day, rather windy. Washed and ironed. Allen to football practice in morning. Pete and boys hauled manure. Moved hogs in from pasture. Moved hog houses. Edds here awhile in p.m. Got grapes, apples and chicken. Mrs. Mishler, Luella and Katherine here got apples. Katherine got 2 chickens. Boys to 4-H meeting at Rengels.

Tuesday, September 5, 1950. Fair, cool, 44°. Fine day. Boys started to school. Paul's first day. Ronnie and Paul home at noon. Allen practiced football in p.m. Pete to town in morning, took Ronnie. Got receipt at co-op and saw Mr. Hoover and *Roan* (sp?). He and Ronnie moved on houses in p.m.. I canned 20 quarts tomato juice and 7 quarts tomatoes. Baked pie and coffee cake. Was tired. Pete to town at 6:30. Met stone layer [for church] and went to Men's Fellowship.

Wednesday, September 6, 1950. Fair nice day. Made 18 glasses of grape jelly. Cleaned the attic and closet in boys' room. Boys to school all day. Pete fixed fence in morning. Went to farm management tour at CRs in p.m. Went to choir practice in evening. Allen to Jersey banquet at Illinois Hotel with CRs. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday, September 7, 1950. Fair, nice day. Warmer. I washed housecleaning things from upstairs and cleaned the upstairs. Had a big day. Pete at church all day working. Boys in school. Done ironing. Marvin and Frances got here at 9:30. Stop that I does a while. Marvin awfully thin. He was pretty tired.

Friday September 8, 1950. Had shower early in morning. Partly cloudy. Pete to church to work. Frances and I canned 18 quarts tomatoes and I dressed 2 chickens. We drove to Edds awhile in p.m. Went to Roanoke, got Edd from work. Pete brought Ida along home. She stayed all night. Marvin feels fair.

Saturday, September 9, 1950. Fair to partly cloudy. Sprinkled little in morning in p.m. We done cleaning. I washed some. Got things ready for dinner. We all went to Missouri reunion at Park. Pete and Allen to town early. Allen practiced with some boys at Dr. Barber's home. Boys came home and chored. Pete and I home with Marvins. We stopped at town and got groceries. Ida along too. Pete and Marvin took her home in evening.

Sunday, September 10, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Showers sum in morning. Boys to Sunday school. Marvin's, Pete and I to church. Edds there to. They and Mother and Ida here for dinner. Ida got off at noon. Nettie brought cake and carrot salad. Marvins at Edds. Left at 5:30. Gurtners here at 4:00 and stayed for supper. Had nice day.

Monday, September 11, 1950. Partly cloudy, rather humid. Washed and dressed chicken in morning. Made apple crisp and sauce and got things ready for supper. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked at church. Brought Ida along home and Allen and Gordon. Pete, Ida and I went to nurses' picnic at Carlock church. Boys home. Ida back to town with Hoovers

Tuesday, September 12, 1950. Cloudy, drizzled and damp all day. Made 14 bottles of catsup, 9 ½ pints chili sauce. Had big day. Pete in town. Brought Ida and Allen home. Ida, Pete and I to Edgars in evening. Dorothy fixed my hair. Boys home. Ida here all night.

Wednesday, September 13, 1950. Partly cloudy. Made three pies. One for men working at church. They poured footings. Lois planned the meal. Took 2 pies to Goodwill Circle booth at Tomato Festival. Marvins came back from Edds. They, Ida and I to Mother's for dinner. We ladies to cooking school in p.m. Pete worked at church in morning. Went uptown with Marvin in p.m. We brought Allen and Gordon home in evening. We took Ida back to town in evening.

Thursday, September 14, 1950. Cloudy, gloomy and chilly. Marvins left for Ohio at 9:00. Pete to town with them. I went to Home Bureau at West Twin Grove Church. My first meeting as chairman. Cleaned the upstairs after got home. Pete came along home. I went to town at 6:00. Worked at booth at [Tomato] Festival until 11:00. Mabel working at PTA booth. She came home with me.

Friday, September 15, 1950. Nice day. Washed and done cleaning in morning. We went to town at 1:30. Pete took some chickens to town. I was going to cooking school but couldn't get in. Went to Normal. Got Mother and took her home. We went to football game at NCHS. Normal won. We went to [Tomato] Festival awhile after game.

Saturday, September 16, 1950. Partly cloudy. Warm in p.m. Cooler in evening. Done Saturday work. Baked three pies and cookies. Went to town at 1:30. Took Paul and Ray to Mothers. She took them to see Soap Box Derby. I worked at PTA booth until 5:30. Pete and boys cleaned out henhouse and moved sows. We went to town in evening. Ray and Paul stayed at Mothers all night.

Sunday, September 17, 1950. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. We went to church. Home in p.m. Were outside a while in p.m. Pick few apples. Boys worked some on record books.

Monday, September 18, 1950. Fair, nice day. Washed and done ironing and took Ronnie and Paul to dentist after school. Pete working at church. Brought ham home. Our drain in basement blocked up. Had man from town open it. I went to Goodwill Circle in evening at Clara Brodbeck's. Pete and Alan to Carlock meeting for draft and predraft men.

Tuesday, September 19, 1950. Rained early in morning and again in evening. Had big rain. Done some baking and made applesauce. Went to Peoria with CRs at 11:00. Pete to town in morning. Went on community chest drive in p.m. We went to Centennial pageant in evening. Started to rain just when we got there so was called off. We went to show "Our Very Own." Real good. Allen home working on record books. Band marched in parade.

Wednesday, September 20, 1950. Rained some in morning and p.m. I got grapes ready for conserve. Went to Elsie Miller's to club meeting. Was to be at park but rained. Losers entertained winners. I was on winners' side. We went to choir practice in evening. Boys home. Allen practiced football after school.

Thursday, September 21, 1950. Fair and morning. Had big rain and storm, some hail at 4:30 p.m. Went to town at 9:30 to Mrs. Dammon. Helped decorate float for Home Bureau. Mabel and I ate lunch at *Mrs. Dammon's* (not clear). Pete at church. He ate at Mothers. Mabel and I do mothers a while, then got Ray and Paul at school. We went to see agricultural parade. Banned in parade. It rained and stormed just when the parade started, just ruined everything. Pete, Paul and I to PTA at Field. Boys home. Allen working on record books.

Friday, September 22, 1950. Partly cloudy in morning, fair. Cleaned upstairs and downstairs and cleaned the closets in bedrooms. Pete to town. Met Hoover and *Wroan* (sp?). Washed my hair. Went to Dorothy's at 3:00, had my hair fixed. Got Ida and went to ballgame. Pete and boys to town with CRs. Allen got to play some. They played U High. Got beat. Ida here all night.

Saturday, September 23, 1950. Beautiful day. Rather windy, quite cool. We washed Ida's things and housecleaning from two bedrooms. We cleaned the two bedrooms. Waxed floors and Done ironing. Pete to town in morning. Took Ronnie in. He went to Chenoa. FFA boys in band played. Allen to town at 3:00. Practiced with ensemble at Dr. Barbers. We all went to Elmer Siegs to wiener roast. CR's along home. Boys home together. Some had dates. Ronnie with them. Ida here all night.

Sunday, September 24, 1950. Partly cloudy. Cold 34°, some frost. We all went to church at nurses home. Primary department had Sunday School at Eldon Rupp's. We went to Ed Sharp's for dinner. Mother along too. Allen to high school in p.m. practiced German band. Ronnie home to study. We all went to pageant in evening. Was real chilly. Mother with CRs. We took Ida home.

Monday, September 25, 1950. Fair, cool, 36°. I washed and an ironing and cleaned recreation room. Pete to town all day. Worked at church. He took Ronnie and Paul to dentist. Paul has ulcerated tooth. Allen to [4-H] Federation meeting in evening. Pete and boys carried chickens in henhouse.

Tuesday, September 26, 1950. Fair, cloudy in p.m. Rained some in evening. Baked cookies and two pies. Cleaned up house. Washed some windows. Raked some yard. Furnace man here worked on furnace. Pete working at church. Friendship Circle wiener roast here in evening. Rained when we were eating, had to move to basement. NCHS German band here played. Allen played with them. They went back to town to practice. 45 were 50 here.

Wednesday, September 27, 1950. Cloudy, misted some. Pete worked at church. I went to Clara Brodbeck. Missionary society. Canned 7 quarts tomatoes, apples and grape

juice. We took Glenn Raders *some* (sp? not clear) to use. I took two bushels apples, bucket grapes, and three bushels tomatoes. Ida home with us. We all went to stunt night at NCHS. The band won the trophy. Ronnie in it. The German band played between acts.

Thursday, September 28, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Pete at church. I canned 13 ½ quarts tomatoes. Baked coffee cake and bread pudding. Went to town at 1:30 with Mabel. We went to NCHS homecoming parade. Allen and Ronnie in band. CR took our tractor in for float. Ronnie brought it home. Allen & I uptown. He got jacket and shoes. Brought Pete home. We all went to football game in evening. NCHS got beat. Allen took Virginia B[uth]. home. Brought us home first.

Friday, September 29, 1950. Partly cloudy. Warm. I washed. Done cleaning. Made 5 ½ pints preserves (tomato). Cleaned the bathroom. Done ironing after supper. Pete at church. Allen to homecoming dance. Took Virginia Buth. She is homecoming queen. Mother to Chicago to Marie's in p.m.

Saturday, September 30, 1950. Cloudy, warm and humid. Done Saturday work. Baked cake and macaroons and apples. Allen and I to town in p.m. I went to Home Bureau board meeting. Allen practiced at Dr. Barbers. Mabel came home with us. Pete and Ronnie shucked corn for hogs and done odd jobs. Allen shocked corn at Roy's in morning.

Sunday, October 1, 1950. Fair, warm. We all went to church, had communion. Were home for dinner. Boys had company. They went to CRs played ball. May Myers and Jim came at 3:30. Were here and till 6:00. Pete and I in orchard awhile, picked few apples. We went to CRs for supper. Parkes, Rays and Roys there, ate outside. I took salad. Allen to church awhile with Gordon.

Monday, October 2, 1950. Partly cloudy, windy, showered some in evening and cooler. I washed and done ironing. Aired bedding in linen closet and put living room suite and rug outside and cleaned them. Pete & CR worked on combine and had chickens culled. Boys to 4-H wiener roast and hay rack ride. Allen took Virginia and Ronnie Nancy Chiddiks. Mother home from Chicago.

Tuesday, October 3, 1950. Fair, cooler. Mother down in her back. CR to town in morning. I went at noon and took her to hospital at 4:00. I cleaned living room and dining room in morning. Except waxing floors, done that after got home. Ida along home. She got supper. Pete worked at church. We went to men's fellowship in evening. Ladies invited. Norman [Vercler] showed pictures. Allen and Paul home. Ronnie to FFA meeting. Went with Eddie [Fowler].

Wednesday, October 4, 1950. Fair, cold, 34°. I took Pete to church in morning. We washed. Ida done hers. We done Mother's washing and cleaned the fruit room in basement. We went to Nurses Home at 3:00 p.m. Canned 68 quarts tomato juice. I took three bushels in and they had a bushel. Ida ironed some in evening. We went to choir practice in evening and took Ida home. Mother is little better but her neck hurts her too.

Thursday, October 5, 1950. Partly cloudy, cold, 34°. Quite a lot of frost. I finished Mother's ironing and cleaned china cupboard in morning. Cleaned upstairs and waxed living and dining room furniture in p.m. Went to town at 4:00. Went to hospital, see Mother. Got Ida and boys from practice. We all went to Community Club and Garfield wiener roast at CRs. Pete and I left after supper, went to FFA for parents of freshmen. Had refreshments. Ida to town with Mishlers. Pete and CR worked on combine. Pete started it at CRs.

Friday, October 6, 1950. Fair, warmer. Cleaned up bedrooms and pulled weeds in strawberry bed. Went to town at 9:30 with Pete. He worked at church. I went to hospital. Got groceries and had hair fixed at 12:30. Went to auxiliary awhile. Pete had haircut and we stopped to see Mother. Allen left with football team for Elkhart Indiana at 6:30. Are going by bus. Will stay all night. Pete to church meeting at nurses home.

Saturday, October 7, 1950. Cloudy. Rained and showered most of the day. I made 4 quarts tomatoes and canned 5 quarts tomatoes, baked cookies and apples. Cleaned the hall and done Saturday work. Pete and Ronnie picked rest of apples and done odd jobs. Allen to town at 2:00. He came home with Mabel. The team lost. I dressed chicken in evening. We went to Alvin Mohrs for supper. Stopped at hospital. See Mother. Allen home.

Sunday, October 8, 1950. Cloudy, showered during day. We went to church in morning. Mother better. Were home for dinner. Pete and I to town in p.m. See Mother and went to Dorothy's. She pinned up my hair. Boys home. Ronnie and Paul to CRs in p.m. Allen had date in evening.

Monday, October 9, 1950. Cloudy in morning. Cleared off in p.m. Washed clothes. Dried slow. Finished few in basement. Pete worked at church. Ironed in p.m. Ida home with Pete. She finished ironing. I went to Community Chest meeting with Roy. Pete to building committee. Allen's leg some better. He hurt it at football practice. Boys helped at church. Ronnie mowed Mother's lawn. No school. Teachers Institute.

Tuesday, October 10, 1950. Fair, warmer. Ida washed some. We cleaned the kitchen. Waxing floor and bathroom floor. Baked rolls and cake for Allen. Had big day. Gordon *Panago* (sp?) here worked on icebox. Pete at church. Ida and I to Goodwill at Merle's. Pete to hospital see Grandma. She's better.

Wednesday, October 11, 1950. Partly cloudy, cooler in evening. I cleaned the rest of basement, furnace room and laundry room. Pete and I to town at 12:30. He helped at church. I went uptown a while and to hospital, see Mother. She's up in chair. Allen to Dr. with his leg. No broken bones. Gave him diathermy. He went to committee meeting at Farm Bureau. We went to choir practice. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday, October 12, 1950. Fair, fine day. Pete finished combining beams at CRs and combined five acres of ours. I went to Home Bureau meeting at Grace M. E. Church.

Neighbor meeting. Met with Bloomington Township unit. Stopped to see Mother. Allen's leg better. He went to wiener roast at Siebert's Natural Academy of Science. I cleaned up the upstairs & bedroom hall after got home. Went after Allen at school at 6:00.

Friday, October 13, 1950. Fair, nice day. Mabel and I to Mothers. Cleaned her bedroom, hall and living room. Went to hospital at 3:30. Took Mother home. Ida along, stayed with her. Pete and Paul to town after supper. They took Ida home. CRs, Ronnie and I to Pontiac to football game. Allen and Gordon went on bus. Marie came home. She stopped at Pontiac to see game. We brought Pete and Paul home. Left our car for boys to come home. Pete finished combining our beans.

Saturday, October 14, 1950. Fair, fine day. Warm. Cleaned living room, kitchen and bath. Baked cake and coffee cake. Allen, Ronnie and I to town at 11:00. Allen to Dr. had diathermy on leg. He practiced with the boys at Dr. Barber. Ronnie stayed all night with Bruce Barber. He helped Grandma awhile. I took Marie to grocery store. Pete combined beans at Oscars. We took Ida to Edds. Went for supper.

Sunday, October 15, 1950. Fine day. Warm. We went to church and to Mothers for dinner. Had ham. I took cake, endive, sweet potatoes and carrots. CRs and Minnie there too. Roy's gone to Florida. Edds brought Ida back. They went to Billys. Stopped at Mothers and here on way home. Allen had date. He took Ronnie to Grandma's. He stayed all night. Marie back to Chicago.

Monday, October 16, 1950. Beautiful day. Washed and ironed in p.m. I slipped on basement floor and hurt my hand. Started hurting me in p.m. Went to hospital at 5:30 had x-ray. Went to clinic. Dr. W. ball said had no fracture, but sprained. Mary Diesel bandaged it. We brought Allen home after practice. Ronnie at Mothers. I finished ironing after supper. Pete to town in morning. They finished Oscar's beans.

Tuesday, October 17, 1950. Fair, warmer. I done some baking. Went to Mothers at 11:00. Went to hospital at 1:00. Miss Diller reviewed some nursing procedures with me. Pete left at 4:00 a.m. for southern Indiana to stone quarry. Went with [unintelligible]. Mother and Ronnie home with me. Also Mabel. We had PTA executive meeting at [Eugene] Field school. Gurtners and Ida here for supper. She fixed our hair. Allen to Carlock with Mr. Miller. German band played. Pete home at 6:30. Mother here all night.

Wednesday, October 18, 1950. Fair, quite warm in 80s. Made 4 quarts tomato juice to use. Canned 2 quarts pairs and 2 pints marmalade. Mother mended some. Mabel and I to club meeting at Mrs. Flanders. Boys had no school, visiting day. They shucked some popcorn in p.m.. Pete to town in p.m. Allen to football practice in evening. We took Mother and Ronnie to town.

Thursday, October 19, 1950. Fair, warm, cooler in evening. I cleaned upstairs in morning. Allen took our car to garage at 8:00. Had work done on it. I took CR's car to town. Took Mother to doctor. Brought Gordon home from school at 4:15. FFA boys

here in morning. Worked on pigs. Pete to town with them. He worked at church. Broke car home. He and boys to football game at NCHS. Mabel and I to PTA at Field school.

Friday, October 20, 1950. Fair, cooler. Done cleaning. Washed. Dressed 2 chickens. Pete took car to town in morning. Clutch went out. He worked at church. CR in town. Pete got his car and came after me at 1:30. I went to committee meeting at hospital. Brought Pete and Ronnie home. Allen took Virginia to community players. Roys gave him tickets for his birthday.

Saturday, October 21, 1950. Fair, warm. Baked pie. Done Saturday work. Pete, Paul and I to town at 10:30. Got Paul trousers and a shirt. Allen and Ronnie shucked some popcorn. Paul stayed with Mother in p.m. and all night. Pete and I to Clarence Hoffman's sale in p.m. We went to play at NCHS in evening. Allen went with Kip Reeser.

Sunday, October 22, 1950. Mostly cloudy. We went to church. Home for dinner. Pete and I went with Alvin Otto to Winifred Maxwell's mother's funeral. Was at Clinton. Bruce Otto, Paul Fowler, Larry Mohr, and Jim Meyers here in p.m.. Wayne [Mohr] and Eddie [Fowler] here awhile. Pete and I to town at 4:00. Got Ida went to [unintelligible] Springer's and Billys awhile. Allen and Jim to Carlock in evening.

Monday, October 23, 1950. Partly cloudy. We washed and done ironing. Dressed chicken and made apple crisp. Billys and Aunt Tina here for supper. Jim [Meyers] here too. He and Allen to Carlock. Allen stayed all night with him. May [Meyers] gone to St. Louis. Pete helped put picker on in morning. Helped at church in p.m.

Tuesday, October 24, 1950. Mostly cloudy, cool. Mabel and I to town. Cleaned Mother's kitchen and done her washing and ironing. Ida along home. We went to Friendship Circle at Phils. Halloween party. Pete shucked corn at Roy's in morning. I here in p.m.

Wednesday, October 25, 1950. Partly cloudy. Done some baking and odd jobs. Went to missionary meeting at Mrs. Kaufman's. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:00. We went to choir practice at 7:00. Boys along to practice. Went to Edgars awhile. Dorothy combed my hair. Pete finished shucking field of corn here in morning. Shucked at Roy's in p.m.

Thursday, October 26, 1950. Rained in morning. Pete helped shuck at Roy's until it rained. I baked 2 pies and dressed chicken and cleaned upstairs. Went to hospital at 1:00. Clare Stutzman, Florence K. and I made chili for alumni chili supper and bazaar. We served around 500, some crowd. I was so tired. Pete and boys to town with CRs for supper. They went to NCHS to PTA. Ronnie stayed with me. Allen and Gordon to Schroeders to 4-H Federation committee meeting. We came home with CRs. Pete dug glad bulbs.

Friday, October 27, 1950. Fair, warm. I washed and done all of cleaning in morning. Took Mother to doctor in p.m. She came along home. I done ironing. We went to ballgame in evening. Pete shucked corn at Roy's.

Saturday, October 28, 1950. Fair, warm. Boys and I to town at 8:00. They marched in band at ISNU homecoming parade. Took Virginia. She, Allen and I ate lunch at Mothers. Ronnie home with Bruce Barber. Boys to ballgame in p.m. I went to directors meeting at Farm Bureau. Paul home with Pete. They finished shucking corn here. Allen to 4-H Federation party at Schroeders. Ronnie to Sunday School party at May Mohr's. Marie to Champaign, ballgame. Came home at night.

Sunday, October 29, 1950. Fair, warm. Beautiful day. We went to church. Went to CRs for dinner and supper. Mother, Marie, Minnie, and Edgars there. We all took something. Had hamburgers. Ate outside at noon. Edgars, Pete, Paul, Mother and Minnie to Congerville in p.m.. Got cider. Edds and Ida came at 4:30. Edds stayed awhile. Pete took Mother and Ida home. Edgars took Marie to train. Gordon and Allen to youth meeting.

Monday, October 30, 1950. Fair, warm. Fine day. Washed and ironed some in p.m. Finished in evening. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:00. Ida along home. Here all night. Allen's class (seniors) had wiener roast and hay rack ride at CRs. Went after some of them at school. Pete shucking corn at Roy's.

Tuesday, October 31, 1950. Fair, real warm in 80s. Ida washed and ironed. We cleaned up the basement. Pete and I put up storm windows in morning. Washed all windows outside. We baked rolls and pie and canned 7 quarts pears. Allen stayed in town after football practice. We went to Halloween parade in Normal. German band in parade. Took Ida home.

Wednesday, November 1, 1950. Fair, windy, warm in 80s. Cooler in evening. Sprinkled little. I cleaned up all of House and canned 7 quarts pears. Pete helped shuck corn at Roy's. Choir had wiener roast here in evening. Had it in basement. Had big crowd around 50. I furnished all of relishes, [ice]cream and cocoa. Bruce Barber in Dickie Miller here all night.

Thursday, November 2, 1950. Partly cloudy, much cooler. I washed and ironed. Canned 8 quarts pears. Edgars, Mother and Ida here for supper. Had wiener roast in basement. Edgar to meeting after supper and Pete to church. They moved things out of basement and brought furniture out here. Pete took ladies to town. Pete shucked corn at CRs.

Friday, November 3, 1950. Mostly cloudy and cold, windy. [Unintelligible, *Done* (?) some cleaning also kitchen and bathroom. Went to auxiliary in p.m. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:00. Pete shucked corn at CRs. We went to football game at Bloomington. They played NCHS [should say BHS]. We nearly froze. NCHS last the game. They got beat.

Saturday, November 4, 1950. Partly cloudy, cold, 30°. We went to town at 9:30. Boys played in band at Wesleyan homecoming parade. They went to game in p.m. They came home with Virginia and Jane. Pete, Paul and I got home at 3:00. Got Paul coat and cap. Pete ground feed. I shortened uniform, fixed a hat. Took Minnie pair of hose for her birthday. Mother to town with us. Allen had date. Ida to Edds on bus.

Sunday, November 5, 1950. Fair, cold 20°, windy. Warmer during day. We went to church and to Edds for dinner. Mother was going along, but didn't feel well enough. Billy and Aunt Tina there. Ida came along home. She, Pete and I to Mothers awhile. Allen to Reverend Metzger's to youth meeting. Ronnie and Paul home.

Monday, November 6, 1950. Fair, warmer. Find washed day. Clothes dried fast. Washed and ironed some. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:00. He ironed some in evening. Pete and I to open house at school. I helped at cafeteria. Boys home. Pete helped shuck corn at Roy's. They finished Roy's.

Tuesday, November 7, 1950. Cloudy, showered and rained most of day. I finished ironing. Went to Eugene Field School at 11:00. Visited Paul's room. Ate lunch with him at cafeteria. Came home at 2:00. Canned 4 quarts pears. Pete and I to vote at 4:00. He finished shucking corn at CRs at 4:00. Shucked in rain. I went to board meeting at hospital. Pete to men's meeting at Nafziger. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting. Ronnie and Paul home.

Wednesday, November 8, 1950. Cloudy, colder, rained in evening. I went on case at hospital, 7-3. Mrs. Morrison from Lexington, gallbladder and appendectomy. Got along OK. Girls good to help. Ida came along home at 4:00. We canned 12 quarts pears. Pete took [corn] picker off tractor in morning. Worked around home and took up some endive. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida to town, Paul with her until after choir practice.

Thursday, November 9, 1950. Cloudy, cold. Pete took me to town at 7:00. He went to Eureka. Got hog for Ronnie. He got me at 3:00. I washed uniform and got things for Ronnie and Paul's supper. Pete, Allen and I to 4-H achievement banquet at Wesleyan. Allen is outstanding and a state project honor member.

Friday, November 10, 1950. Mostly cloudy, snowed some, had flurries most of day. Worked again. Pete to town with milkman. He was out at church a while, talked to Mr. Wroan and Hoover. Ida along home. I baked cake and coffee cake and dessert for supper. I cleaned up bedrooms, living and dining room. Boys cleaned upstairs. Allen played with German band at Emerson school contest. Ronnie to Carlock with May [Mohr] to program. They gave play, got first. Ironed uniform in evening. Pete moved potatoes and endive to cellar.

In Saturday, November 11, 1950. Partly cloudy, cold, 20°. Ida and I to work at 7:00. Pete and boy's shucked popcorn. Allen went hunting in p.m. Pete and Ronnie shelled popcorn in evening. I went uptown after work, got uniform and got groceries. Ida along

home. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Edgars and Mother came at 8:00. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen had date. Ida to town with Edgars.

Sunday, November 12, 1950. Fair, 22°, little warmer. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He and boys to Sunday School and church. They were home for dinner. Paul Ray [Fowler] here in p.m.. Merlon [Fowler] and Ronnie went hunting awhile. Pete came after me at 3:00. Ida along home. Allen to youth meeting in evening. Ed Woizeski passed away.

Monday, November 13, 1950. Fair, warmer. Ida and I to work at 7:00. Pete to Peoria with Earl Kaufman, see about fixtures for church. I got off my case at 3:00. Went to Mothers and gave her hypo. Took Ronnie to dentist at 4:00. Ida along home. Pete to building committee meeting in evening. Brought Allen home from school. He had German band practice.

Tuesday, November 14, 1950. Partly cloudy, windy, showered in evening. We washed had a big one. Done ironing. We baked rolls and date pudding for Goodwill Circle. Ida hostess. Baked pie for supper. I went with Mabel to funeral home at 4:00 to see Ed Woizeski. Pete to town, worked at church. Allen to football banquet at Wesleyan, given by Rotary club. German band played. Ida and I to Earl Kaufman's to Goodwill Circle. She went to town with Luella.

Wednesday, November 15, 1950. Cloudy, rained. Put clothes away and done odd jobs. Made 6 pints pear marmalade. Went to club meeting at Nina Fowler's. We went to choir practice in evening. Paul to Ida's. Allen home studied.

Thursday, November 16, 1950. Partly cloudy, windy and cold. Went to Dorothy Singley's. We made a lamp shade for Mother. Mabel there too. *Ronella* [sp?] Otto there too. Got home at 2:30. I cleaned the silverware and cleaned the upstairs. Pete, Paul and I to chili supper at Christ Lutheran Church. Then went to [Eugene Field] PTA. Paul on program. Allen to Towanda for chili supper. German band played. Ronnie home.

Friday, November 17, 1950. Fair, nice day. Pete to town, had brakes fixed on car and worked at church. I done cleaning. Washed out a few things. Washed off porch in p.m. Made cookies and hard meringues. Marie Yoder here, got eggs. Dressed 2 chickens in evening. Pete to PMA Election at town hall. Allen to party at school. German band played.

Saturday, November 18, 1950. Partly cloudy. Done Saturday work. Allen, Ronnie and I to town in morning. Allen to dentist. Ronnie raked in mother's yard. Got ready for company in p.m.. Phils and Frank pattens and Mrs. Mailer and her friend here for supper. Had oyster stew. Pete plowed garden, & dug some tile at pond. Took chicken and eggs to Goodwill Circle bake sale at Robinson's Paint Store.

Sunday, November 19, 1950. Cloudy, gloomy, rained in evening. We went to church. Aunt Tina and Billys here for dinner. We went to church in evening. Lady from Japan

spoke. Very good. Allen to youth meeting at 6:30. Pete, Aunt Tina and I to Ida's awhile before church. Ronnie and Paul at home. Snowed in night. Aunt Tina here all night.

Monday, November 20, 1950. Cloudy, cleared off in p.m. Much colder 18°. Washed, dried clothes inside. Done ironing in p.m. and finished after supper. We dressed five chickens, four for Mother and one for us. Pete took straw to church in p.m. He went to committee meeting at hospital. Allen to dramatics club party at school.

Tuesday, November 21, 1950. Fair, little warmer, most of snow melted. Pete went after Mother. Then he went to church. Worked there all day. We canned 5 quarts chicken and 6 pints soup for her. Made my fruitcakes and got things ready for supper. Edgars and Ida here. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida didn't feel good, has some pleurisy.

Wednesday, November 22, 1950. Cloudy, snowed some, cold. I baked cake and tortes and cleaned up house and dressed three chickens in morning. We went to town in p.m. Took Aunt Tina to Billys. Ida along home with us. Pete, boys and I to choir practice in evening. Pete to building committee meeting. Ida and Paul home. Ida some better. We made salad and iced cake in evening.

Thursday, November 23, 1950. Fair, cold, 4 to 5° above zero all day. Mother, Marie, Darlene Moser (Marie's friend), CRs, Roy's, Minnie, and Aunt Martha here for dinner and supper. CR went after Aunt Martha. Pete took her home at 5:00. Boys went to football game at Wesleyan. Allen brought Virginia along home for supper. Gordon went to show after supper.

Friday November 24, 1950. Fair, cold, 4° below zero. I washed, had a big one. Allen to Champaign to All-State band. Went with Duncan Miller at 7 a.m.. Pete and I to town at 1:30. I went on case, 3:00 to 11:00, Mr. Schlecter from Colfax. Pete got me at 11:00. Ronnie and Paul home. Boys have colds.

Saturday, November 25, 1950. Cloudy, snowed during day. Real windy in evening. Done ironing in morning. Pete and I town at 1:30. Pete to Dr. Watkins, has sore throat. I went to work at 3 to 11. Allen home from Champaign at 6:00. He and Buth girls to show. They got me at 11:00. Having bad storms in New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Sunday, November 26, 1950. Cloudy, snowed, windy. We went to church. Ate dinner at Mothers. Went to cornerstone laying ceremony at church. Was cold and disagreeable. We came home at 3:15.

Monday, November 27, 1950. Mostly cloudy. Mabel and I left at 6:00 for Chicago. Went on Home Bureau tour. Three busloads. Went to Garfield mum show and to Christmas show at the Palmer House. We done some shopping. Met Marie at Palmer House and had lunch. Allen took car to school, had picture retaken afterschool. Ida home with him. Mabel and I got to Bloomington at 11:00. Had a nice trip. Roads a little icy in spots. Pete shipped lambs and culled chickens.

Tuesday, November 28, 1950. Cloudy, rather windy and cooler. We washed and ironed. I baked cookies, coffee cake and dessert for supper. We went to friendship Circle at Chester Millers. Ida one of hostesses. Pete to town in morning to PMA meeting. Ronnie and Paul home in evening. Allen to Buths awhile.

Wednesday, November 29, 1950. Fair, real chili, wind from South. We went to Scott Ijams sale in morning. Came back to town at noon. Done some shopping in p.m. We went to choir practice in evening. Allen and Paul home. Ida, Pete and I to Billys at 4:00. Took Aunt Tina birthday gifts.

Thursday, November 30, 1950. Cloudy. We went to town in morning. I went to Central and Eugène Field school. Had health certificates signed. Also took some feed sacks to Aunt Tina. Pete was at church on business. Boys cleaned upstairs in evening. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Pete to Farmers school at NCHS.

Friday, December 1, 1950. Cloudy, rained some in evening. Done cleaning in morning. Went to town at 12:30. Took roosters to town. I went to auxiliary meeting. Pete was at church, had to see about doors at M.E. Church. We went uptown a while, Ida along. We went to Farm and Home Bureau oyster and chili supper at Farm Bureau. Mother along and Virginia B[uth]. Boys to basketball game after supper. Allen got letter in football.

Saturday, December 2, 1950. Cloudy, much warmer. Colder in night. Done Saturday work. Allen, Paul and I to town at 9:00. I had permanent at Mrs. *Clawitter* [sp?]. Boys and Mother to see Santa Parade. Went with Allen in p.m. Got him sweater and suit. Ida, Paul and I stayed at Mothers. Allen home to chore. We were all at Mothers for oyster supper. Edds, Aunt Tina and Julia there too. Pete and Ronnie took load of hay to slaughter plant and ground feed. Ida here all night.

Sunday, December 3, 1950. Partly cloudy and fair in evening. Colder, 20°. We went to church. Home for dinner. Paul stayed at Mothers. Ida, Pete and I to Carlock to Sunday School meeting with Walter Yoders. Jim and Kay here. Allen took Ida to town in evening. Went to youth meeting and brought Paul home.

Monday, December 4, 1950. Fair, little warmer. Washed. Hung some towels and overalls out. Done ironing in p.m. Pete helped shell corn at Oscars in p.m. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting in evening. Ronnie to church skating party. Allen elected director on 4-H Federation board.

Tuesday, December 5, 1950. Cloudy. Started to snow in evening. Snowed about all night. Pete and I to town in morning. We done some shopping. I went to hospital awhile in p.m., helped to get circulars in mail. Went to Eugène Field PTA board meeting at 3:20 with Mabel. Came home with her. We went to men's fellowship at nurses home. Allen and Reeser boys on committee. Lorene [Reeser] and I took care of lunch. Had ice cream packs, cookies, coffee and cocoa. Had Freedom Forum.

Wednesday, December 6, 1950. Cloudy, snowed most of day. Pete to town at 9:00 to church. He went to Ed Laesch sale awhile. I cleaned up house. Worked in basement. Put flower seeds away. Sorted apples etc. baked cookies and apple crisp. Pete to committee meeting in evening. Allen played with German band at Illinois Hotel for Business and Professional Women's Club. Ronnie to FFA basketball game. Paul and I home.

Thursday, December 7, 1950. Snowed and load all day. Roads drifted some. Allen stayed after school. Bought Christmas tree for school, then went to Farm Bureau. German band played for Normal Township supper. Was worried about him getting home but [he] got through. Ronnie and Paul home early. Schools left country children out 30 minutes early. I cleaned upstairs and cleaned out drawers and mended. Pete worked on door.

Friday, December 8, 1950. Fair, cold, not so windy. Boys to school. Some roads closed. I've done cleaning and some baking. Washed out some things and ironed them. Boys and I to basketball game in evening. Pete to building committee meeting at hospital. He painted door in morning.

Saturday, December 9, 1950. Fair in morning, cloudy and p.m. thawed little in town. Snowed some in evening. We all went to town in morning. Pete and I to Production Credit dinner at Lutheran school. Boys ate at Mothers and done some shopping. Paul to high school, practiced for program. Ronnie stayed all night with Bruce Barber. Allen to Champaign with Buths to see Ice Show. We went to Phils awhile.

Sunday, December 10, 1950. Fair, clouded up in p.m. We went to church. Went to Mothers for dinner. I took things in. We all went to Paul's Christmas program at high school. Was real good. Ida came along home. Ronnie and Paul to see Dickens Christmas Carol at Consistory. Billy gave us tickets. Ida, Pete and I to ISNU to hear Messiah. Allen home.

Monday, December 11, 1950. Snowed some most of day. I washed and ironed. Went to Colters a while in p.m. Practiced for Christmas program for Home Bureau. Pete to dentist in morning. Ground some hay in p.m. Allen to town in evening. German band played for Young Men's Club at Lutheran school.

Tuesday, December 12, 1950. Partly cloudy, cold. Cleaned up house and put clothes away. Fixed some evergreen for decorations. Mended some. Pete hauled beans to Kerrick. Sold them for \$2.80 per bushel. Boys to ball game. Snowed some in night. Went to Dorothy's in evening. Had my hair fixed. Was at alumni board meeting first.

Wednesday, December 13, 1950. Snowed little. Cold. I baked three batches of date pudding and coffee cake. We went to town in p.m. Ida home with us. Pete and I to choir practice. Boys home, studied. Ida washed.

Thursday, December 14, 1950. Fair in p.m. Ruth Otto came at 9:00. We made ham loaf. Went to Home Bureau at Mabels. Had Christmas program. I sang with Quartet. Pete hauled manure. We went to Boys Christmas program at NCHS was very good. Ida stayed in town. We got packages ready to mail after got home from meeting.

Friday, December 15, 1950. Cold, near zero. I went on care at 7:00, eye patient Mrs. Robbins. Pete was to work at church but too cold. He went to town a while in p.m. I dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy in evening. Pete and I and Ida to Friendship and Goodwill Circle dinner at White Fence. Had nice time. Boys home.

Saturday, December 16, 1950. Fair, cold, zero. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took me in. He went to creamery dinner. He was usher. Boys home. Paul has some cold. Ida home with us in evening. We cleaned up house. We all went to Billys for supper. Edds and Mother there too. Boys to basketball game after supper.

Sunday, December 17, 1950. Fair, cold, 3-5° below zero. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys to church. They were home for lunch and p.m. I helped serve at Myrna Slagell reception at 3:30. She was married at 3:00. Ida helped too. We all went to Edgars for supper. Mother & Uncle Charlie too. Allen didn't go. Went to Christmas carols. Paul's cold seems worse.

Monday, December 18, 1950. Fair, cold. 9° below. Went to work at 7:00. Paul didn't go to school, had bad cold. Ida came home with me. We washed in evening. Allen to town. He helped Norman [Vercler] entertain nurses. They were "Rudolph."

Tuesday, December 19, 1950. Cloudy, snowed. Pete got mother. We made 6 batches of cookies. We ironed some in p.m. and put up the Christmas tree. Paul didn't go to school. Has cold. Pete took Mother and Ida home at 4:30. Mother met Dorothy at 4:30. Went to Art Sieg's for supper.

Wednesday, December 20, 1950. Fair. Finished ironing and washed uniform and blouse in morning. Went to club meeting at Marie Hastings in p.m. Pete and boys hauled manure. Pete to town, help at church in p.m. Paul's cold better. Ida came out with Pete. We made some candy. We went to choir practice. Paul at Ida's. Boys had no school. Christmas vacation.

Thursday, December 21, 1950. Fair, rather chilly. Cleaned upstairs. We all went to town. Finished Christmas shopping. Paul at Mothers awhile. Pete and boys got haircuts. Mother along home. We made popcorn balls. Pete to Farm School. Allen & Bruce (sp?) played their horns for community sing. Rained little in evening. Cold, 8° below.

Friday, December 22, 1950. Fair, little warmer. Wash and ironed. Done cleaning. Washed windows. Put up kitchen curtains. Fixed some decorations. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. We dressed three chickens in evening. One for Dot and two for us. Pete and boys tore down old hen house. Marie home in morning.

Saturday, December 23, 1950. Fair, warmer. Thawed some. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom. Waxed floors and cabinet top. Ronnie cleaned up basement and put up decorations. Finished wrapping gifts and made favors for table. Allen worked at Phils. Pete to town in morning. Had the car fixed. Ida home with him. I made mints and marshmallows. Ida made fudge. Radio good.

Sunday, December 24, 1950. We went to church. Edds, Edgars, Mother, Marie and Ida here for dinner. Had Kropf exchange. Had nice time. Edds and Edgars home at 5:30. We, Ida, Mother and Marie to Roys for supper. Had Ropp-Bohrer exchange. Had big day and nice time. We had Christmas program at church in morning. Roys, Mother, Marie and Ida to midnight services.

Monday, December 25, 1950. Cloudy in morning. Snowed some. We dressed chicken for Metzgers and Duncan Millers. We stopped at Duncans a while. We were all at Mothers for dinner and supper. Had a very nice Christmas. CRs and Uncle Charlie there too. Ida there for supper. We got Paul a record player.

Tuesday, December 26, 1950. Fair, colder in evening. I washed. We all went to town at 8:45. Allen to dentist at 9:00. Exchanged Ronnie's sweater. We ate lunch at Mothers. Marie to Chicago in p.m. Dicky Miller came home with us. I finished hanging up clothes and cleaned up basement. Ironed some and stirred up cookies. Finished ironing in evening. Allen had date. Dicky here all night.

Wednesday, December 27, 1950. Fair, cold. 10° below. Nice day. I baked cookies. Got things ready for supper and cleaned up house. Went to missionary meeting and Edith Millers. I took cookies and cream for refreshments. Pete town in p.m., worked at church. Ida home with him. Earl Kaufmans, George, Merle and Mrs. Patton and Norman here for supper. Norman took picture of tree. Earls brought us a puppy. Allen to game.

Thursday, December 28, 1950. Fair. 5° below. Nice day. Cleaned up the upstairs. Washed out few things. Boys to basketball tournament. They're selling buttons. We went to town. Paul at Mothers. I had a physical exam for nursing. We went to Val Kampmeiers in evening for supper. Ida along. Allen to game. Mother & Edgars at Minier too. Had nice time. Pete and boys ground feed.

Friday, December 29, 1950. Fair, warmer. Done cleaning and got ready for company. Pete and Ronnie helped at church in p.m. Allen to game. Mother and Ida home with Pete. Roys and CRs here for supper. Had chile. Boys and CR to game in evening. Normal got second. Allen doing Phils chores yet. Pete and boys hauled feed, etc.

Saturday, December 30, 1950. Fair, some warmer. Done Saturday work. Pete and boys hauled manure and cleaned up lumber around old hen house. I went to town in p.m. Had packages from Mary. Allen to CRs in evening to party. High school.

Sunday, December 31, 1950. Fair, little warmer. Went to church. Home for dinner. Fowlers and Wayne M[ohr] here awhile, also H. J. McElroy here hunting. We went to

show at Normal. Got Ida. Had lunch when we got home. Watched the old year out and new year in. Allen had date with Phil Jones. They went to show.

Monday, January 1, 1951. Fair, partly cloudy in p.m., showered in evening. Ida here. We washed. Pete and boys *in town* (not clear) to pipe at high light - pipe broke. (?) We all went to Edds for dinner. Mother and Billys there too. Had turkey and all the trimmings. We took freezer of cream. We went to CRs for supper. Roy's, Ray Hastings, and Stella and Minnie there. Laura and May too. Ida here all night.

Tuesday, January 2, 1951. Rained most of day. Pete and boys worked in barn. Enclosing around milking area. Ida and I done ironing and I washed out some things. Made rolls. Ida cut out blouse for me and I cut down my nursing caps. Pressed trousers. Allen to dentist at 5:00. Pete and Allen to men's meeting at Al Mohrs. Took Ida to town.

Wednesday, January 3, 1951. Cloudy. Put some Christmas decorations away. Cleaned up house. We went to Mothers at 11:00. Pete and CR settled up with her. We ate lunch there. Went uptown a while. I had chest x-rayed. We went to choir practice in evening. Allen and Paul home. Boys back to school. Allen still doing Phil's chores.

Thursday, January 4, 1951. Partly cloudy, warmer. Cleaned upstairs. We took Christmas tree down and put things away and cleaned up living room. Baked pie and apples. Done some mending. Pete to farm school at NCHS Paul and I to Dorothy's. She fixed my hair. Boys to 4-H meeting at CRs. Allen elected president of club. Pete ground feed.

Friday, January 5, 1950. Partly cloudy. Pete worked outside in morning. I cleaned up bedrooms. Mended some. Wrote letter. We went to town at 12:45. Pete helped at church. Trusses came. I went to auxiliary meeting. We went to basketball game at NCHS We beat Trinity. Quite a game. Marvin K[ropf] in hospital again, kidney infection.

Saturday, January 6, 1951. Cloudy, colder in p.m. Few snow flurries. Done Saturday work. Baked pudding, coffee cake, pie crust and cornbread. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. Got him some shoes. I went to board meeting. Pete and Allen worked in Ash Grove. Allen to town with CR and Gordon in evening.

Sunday, January 7, 1951. Fair, cold, 4° above. Nice day. I went to work at 7:00, on with Mrs. Helm - cardiac. Pete and boys to church. Went to show in p.m. Ida along home. We got supper right away and washed out few things. Ida and I to Mothers a while. Allen went to youth meeting.

Monday, January 8, 1951. Fair, cold, 8° above. Pete took us to town at 7:00. He went to dentist and two meeting. I got off Mrs. Helm's case. She went home without Dr. Ball's orders (quite a case). I washed in evening. Ronnie helped me some. Ironed some after supper. Pete and Ronnie Dunn dishes. Allen to 4-H Federation. I was tired.

Tuesday, January 9, 1951. Fair, some warmer. Ironed a while in morning. Went to Home Bureau with Mabel to Ed Otto's. Pete worked at church. Mabel took Mrs. A[nderson?] and I to town, she had appointment. We met Pete and came home with him.

Ida along. Ida and I to Goodwill Circle at Laura's. Went with Florence. Boys to game. Pete and Paul home.

Wednesday, January 10, 1951. Fair, nice day. I went on case at 10:30. Worked until 6:30. Cleaned up house in mourning. Pete worked at church. I went to Ida in evening, ate supper with her. Pete ate lunch at Mothers. She came along home with him. Got their supper. We all went to choir practice with Florence S. Paul at Ida's. Have a gallbladder patient. Operated at 9:30. Dr. Barber's patient. Was awfully tired.

Thursday, January 11, 1951. Fair, 15°, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Alex Alwes sale. Farm Bureau dinner, but we didn't go. Pete to town after Ida and I went uptown. Got pair of white shoes. Ida here all night. Pete to Farm school. Boys home. Boys cleaned up upstairs in evening.

Friday, January 12, 1951. Fair, nice day. Pete and Ida to J.D. Schertz sale. Ida made pies and washed. I furnished pie and [ice]cream. I went to work at 7:00. Went uptown after work. Took Allen to dentist. Ida cleaned bedrooms in morning. She ironed after she got home from sale. Cleaned up living room in evening and dressed 2 chickens for Mother. Allen to Lexington to ball game.

Saturday, January 13, 1951. Rained some, cloudy. Ida and I to work at 7:00. Pete and boys worked around home. I got off my case at 3:00. Cleaned the bathroom and kitchen and dressed chicken. Pete to town about income tax. Ida and I to Billys. They were gone. We visited with Aunt Tina. Allen to show with Gordon. Ronnie and Paul home.

Sunday, January 14, 1951. Rained, froze and slick awhile in morning. Soon melted. We went to church. Billys and Aunt Tina here for dinner and supper. Aunt Tina stayed all night. Allen went after Idq at 4:00. He went to youth meeting. Billys took Ida home. Ronnie and Paul to Fowlers in p.m.

Monday, January 15, 1951. Cloudy. Snowed in for noon. Washed and done ironing. Aunt Tina helped some. Pete to J.D. Schertzs is in morning and to town in p.m.. Ida home with him. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting in evening.

Tuesday, January 16, 1951. fair, warmer. We got quarter beef from CR. We canned 21 quarts beef, 21 quarts chili and cooked bones for soup. Baked cookies and coffee cake in morning. Had big day. Boys to ballgame with Wayne Mohr. Ronnie home with CRs. Pete took Ida to town. Real windy in p.m. and evening.

Wednesday, January 17, 1951. Fair, nice day. Canned 7 quarts soup. Cleaned up house. Aunt Tina and I to club meeting at Jessie Haddens in p.m. We made dressings for cancer patients. Pete worked in truck patch. He went to building committee meeting in evening. I went to choir practice. Aunt Tina to Ida's awhile. Boys home, studying for exams. Paul at Duncan Miller's all night.

Thursday, January 18, 1951. Fair, fine day. Pete to dentist in mourning. Worked at church in p.m. I cleaned up the upstairs and bedrooms. Scrubbed walls. Wrote letter. Baked cake, made salad and dressing. Got things ready for supper. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair, also Aunt Tina's. Aunt Tina mended some.

Friday, January 19, 1951. Fair, nice day, warm. Cleaned up living room. Got things ready for dinner. Pete and I to annual hospital meeting. I helped with dinner and was on nominating committee for auxiliary. Boys home at noon. Finished semester exams. Allen with Gordon and Wayne to basketball game at Lexington.

Saturday, January 20, 1951. Cloudy, misted some, colder in p.m., snowed little. I washed and ironed and done Saturday work. Pete and boys ground feed and worked outside some.

Sunday, January 21, 1951. Fair, cold, 6° above. Pete and I left with CRs at 8:15 for Peoria, to *Venards* (sp?). He's making soil conservation picture. CR in several scenes. Pete in one. Mabel and I in one. Boys to Sunday school and church. Gordon and Ray to town with them. Boys all went to Mothers for dinner. We got home at 6:30. Allen to youth meeting.

Monday, January 22, 1951. Cloudy, windy from Southeast, very chilly. Pete and I, & JD Schertz went with Chet Roth to Fairbury and Forrest to Honegger's. Saw about 4 barns converted to hen houses. An interesting day. We stopped in town, looked at cars. Ida a long home. Wilbur Schwartzel here in evening. Snowed in night.

Tuesday, January 23, 1951. Cloudy, foggy and gloomy. Most of snow melted. Ida and I washed and ironed. Baked rolls and cookies. Pete and I took Ida to town in evening and stopped at George's new place of business, "Cheese House." Allen with Wayne to basketball tournament.

Wednesday, January 24, 1951. Clear off. Quite chilly. I went with Pete to Carlock to see about car. Then went to Pearl Andersohn to missionary meeting. Had all day meeting. Came home with Pearl [Bohrer]. Pete to town. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie to F. F. A. basketball game. Paul to Ida's.

Thursday, January 25, 1951. Fair, cold. Pete helped Ernie Fowler and morning. He cut some wood in p.m. I cleaned upstairs. Dressed chicken, baked pies. Got things ready for supper. Mended some. We went to alumni family night supper. Allen stayed home. Has cold and had some chemistry to do.

Friday, January 26, 1951. Mostly cloudy. Had few snow flurries in morning. Done cleaning in morning. Got things ready for supper. Pete to town in morning. Had meeting. I went to town at 1:00 with CR. Had my glasses fixed and got dress. We all went to basketball game in evening. NCHS won. Had letter from Georgia. Arthur has to report for active duty in Air Force March 1st.

Saturday, January 27, 1951. Cleared off, cold. Done Saturday work and done some baking. I went to town in p.m. Directors meeting. Pete and boys hauled manure, shelled some corn, etc. Man from Honeggers here. To see what we need in barn for chickens. Ida came home with me. Here all night.

Sunday, January 28, 1951. Cloudy, windy and cold. 12° above all day. Few snow flurries. We all went to church and to Minnie's for dinner. Had good dinner. CRs, Mother, Ida and Roys there. Allen to church in evening, took Ida home.

Monday, January 29, 1951. Fair, cold, 10° below. Got up to zero during day. Some wind too. I washed and done ironing. Pete worked outside most of morning. In house in p.m. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting in evening. I mended some and sorted things out of drawer.

Tuesday, January 30, 1951. Mostly fair. Cold, 15° below. Warned up a little during day. I went on case at 8:00. Mrs. Holderly, cardiac. She passed away at 7:15 p.m. Pete took me in and he went to town in p.m. Ida home with us. We went to the all church party at Methodist church in Normal. Had nice time and supper. Fixed some things for supper after we got home. Boys to ball game at BHS. Allen with Wayne. Boys with CRs.

Wednesday, January 31, 1951. Cloudy. 5° below. Up to 8° above during day. Snowed. I cleaned up house. Put clothes away and washed out some things and done mending. Pete cut some trees at the ditch south of the house and chored. Had no choir practice. Called off on account of weather.

Thursday, February 1, 1951. Cloudy, snowed some and windy, cold, 10 to 12° below. Cleared off in evening. Was zero about all day. I cleaned up bedrooms and upstairs. Wiped up kitchen and bathroom. Baked cookies and coffee cake. Got things ready for supper. Edgars and Ida here. Dot fixed our hair and they left at 8:00. Edgar had meeting. Pete at town hall all day. PMA. Glenn Rader, Gordon and Wilbur Schwartz here for 4-H committee meeting.

Friday, February 2, 1951. Fair and cold. 20° below. Swept living room. Dressed 2 chickens for Duncan M[iller]. Pete to town. I went to auxiliary meeting with Mabel. Mother along too. Had guest day and silent auction. Went at 10:00. Came home with Pete. Got Allen at school. He had play practice after school. He went with Gordon to game at Mount Pulaski.

Saturday, February 3, 1951. Cold. Below zero. Done Saturday work. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors and cabinet top. Dusted living room. Worked with pictures in p.m. awhile. Pete and boys worked in barn. Allen to town in p.m., helped get letters out for 4-H Federation. Art Baum here in p.m. Tried to sell us Chevy, but too much money. We all went to George and Merle's for supper. Ida too.

Sunday, February 4, 1951. Fair, nice day, warmer. We all went to church. Had business meeting after church, about more money for building. Mother home with us for dinner.

Pete and I took her to town in evening. Were going to see Mrs. Litwiller, but they were gone.

Monday, February 5, 1951. Cloudy, warmer. I washed and ironed. Got things ready for supper. We went to 4-H family night supper at Farm Bureau. Allen President. I went early with Laura and May. We made coffee and fixed tables. Ida and the Mother there too. Snowed and rained, real windy in night.

Tuesday, February 6, 1951. Cloudy, rained most of day. Much colder in evening. Pete and I to Champaign to farm and home week. Left at 7:45 with CRs. Had good meetings. Pete to men's meeting at Ira Troyer's. Ronnie to freshman party at school. Ida and I to see Aunt Tina awhile. Allen and Paul home. Boys home from school at 2:00. Teachers had meeting in p.m. Ida home with us.

Wednesday, February 7, 1951. Fair, cold, 5° below and real windy. We washed and ironed. Baked cookies and a pie and made doughnuts. Ida sewed some, made apron for Frances. Pete worked in barn some. Allen and Gordon on dates. Ronnie and I to choir practice but didn't have any. Not enough there. We took Ida home. Pete didn't go, has sore throat.

Thursday, February 8, 1951. Cloudy, cold, zero, snowed nearly all day. Went to Home Bureau at Danvers. Got Mother and took her back. Got Allen at school at 4:30. He and Brad Rodman practiced after school. Pete, Allen and I to farm school dinner at Lutheran school. Allen and Brad played duet. Allen to play practice after they played. We came home with CRs. Ronnie and Paul home.

Friday, February 9, 1951. Fair, cold, 15° below. Warmed up some. Done cleaning and dressed chicken for Goodwill Circle bake sale. We went to town in p.m. I went to World Day of Prayer at Methodist church. Nice service, had communion. Went uptown awhile. Boys to basketball game at U High.

Saturday, February 10, 1951. Partly cloudy, 14° above. Windy, warmer during day. Done Saturday work. Pete and boys worked on brooder house. Allen and I and Paul to town in p.m. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting. Paul to Dicky Miller birthday party and then to Grandma's. He and Ray there all night. Boys to ball game at NCHS. Went with Wayne Mohr. Wilma Harder died.

Sunday, February 11, 1951. Fair in morning, foggy in p.m. We all went to church. Lyle Shay preached. Were home in p.m. Allen and Gordon to town. Ida home with them. Edds here a while in p.m. Allen and Ronnie to youth meeting at Mary Lou Bachman's. They had taffy pull too. Ida here all night. Ida put pictures in albums.

Monday, February 12, 1951. Cloudy, gloomy and foggy all day. We washed and ironed. Made rolls and macaroons and desert for supper. Boys had no school. Pete and boys worked on brooder house in morning. Pete, Ronnie and Paul to Clinton to hog sale.

Bought Ronnie a guilt. Allen to play practice in p.m. He and Gordon had dates in evening. They took Ida home. Reigning in night.

Tuesday, February 13, 1951. Slated and snowed. Slick out. Snowed in evening. I cleaned up house. Put clothes away. Wrote Georgia and Frances. Mended in p.m. Pete worked on brooder house. Was going to PTA committee meeting but called off on account of weather. Goodwill Circle postponed too. Allen to play practice at 5:30. Ronnie to ball game with CRs at 7:00.

Wednesday, February 14, 1951. Fair, flawed some. I cleaned oven in stove. Done some odd jobs. Cleaned out dresser drawers. Pete worked on brooder house and ground feed. Pete, Ronnie and I to choir practice. Allen has cold. He and Paul home. I made cocoa for choir. Merle took doughnuts. Had it for Helen's birthday.

Thursday, February 15, 1951. Cloudy. Snowed some in evening. I cleaned upstairs and bedrooms. Washed out some things. Got things ready for supper. We went to town in p.m. Pete and [Noble] Hoover met with Wroan. I stopped at school about material for nursing. Pete, Paul and I to PTA supper at Eugene Field. Boys home. Allen to BHS in p.m. to joint student council meeting. Reigning in night.

Friday, February 16, 1951. Cloudy, snowed some in p.m. I went on thyroid case at 7:00, Mrs. McClister. Pete worked on brooder house. Dressed 2 chickens for Mother. Made two pies for 4-H sale and peach crisp for supper after got home. Pete and Paul and I to town. Met Marie at train. Pete to building committee meeting. I went to Mothers. Dorothy fixed my hair. Allen home, has cold. Ronnie to game at Trinity with CRs. They came home with us. Paul and Ray stayed all night with Mother and Marie.

Saturday, February 17, 1951. Mostly cloudy, flawed. I worked 7-3. Boys to sale at ISNU. 4-H served there. Pete to town with CR. Pete and CRs and Mother [to] Federal Land Bank dinner. Pete to NCHS at 3:00. He practiced with quartet. I went to sale after work. Helped gather up things. Ida along home. Cleaned living room, kitchen and bathroom in evening. Allen and Gordon had dates.

Sunday, February 18, 1951. Cloudy, rained some. I worked 7-3. Pete and boys to church and to Mothers for dinner. Ida and I went out after work. Roys and CRs there. Marie back to Chicago in evening. Allen went to youth meeting in evening and took Ida back to town.

Monday, February 19, 1951. Cloudy, foggy, damp. I went to work at 7:00. Pete working on brooder house. Ida home with me. We washed and I made two pies for sale. Ironed some after supper.

Tuesday, February 20, 1951. Rained most of day. Rained hard in evening. I worked. Pete home. I ironed some in evening. Was going to Goodwill at Metzger's but had to go alone and [it was] too bad out. Allen to meeting with Schwartzel.

Wednesday, February 21, 1951. Partly cloudy. I worked. Got off case at 3:00. Pete to service company dinner. I went uptown awhile to get some underwear. \$1 day. Allen to play practice in evening. We went to choir practice. Ida here all night. She and Paul home.

Thursday, February 22, 1951. We washed and ironed. Ida had day off and finished ironing Monday washing. Cleaned up house. I baked cookies and bars, coffee cake and pudding. Sent Dave box of cookies. Pete took car to garage in morning. Allen took CRs car in. Pete brought it home. We went to PTA at NCHS with CRs. Allen to play practice. Pete sang with quartet, was good. Ronnie, Paul and Ray home. I stayed all night with Ida as didn't have the car and had to go on case.

Friday, February 23, 1951. Fair, fine day. I went on gallbladder case, Mrs. Johnson from El Paso. Pete working on old brooder house. I came home at 4:30 with CR. Got supper and we went to ball game at NCHS with CRs. Allen and Ronnie with Kip Reeser. I stayed at Ida's again all night.

Saturday, February 24, 1951. Fair, warm, nice day. Worked, got off case at 3:00. Pete and Allen to Champagne with CRs two for each calf sale. Allen bought calf. He sold Corny. Ronnie home. Cleaned feeders etc. Paul and Ray at Mothers. Aunt Tina there too. Billys to St. Louis and wanted me to keep her so she went to Mothers. Ida along home. I got car at garage in p.m. We cleaned up house and made marshmallow dessert. Allen and Gordon had dates.

Sunday, February 25, 1951. Cloudy, warm in 50s. Ida and I to hospital at 7:30. Jeanette along. We helped good will serve breakfast for six seniors and staff. Pete and boys to church with Si Coulter. Ida and I ate lunch at Hubbard's Cupboard. Pete and boys home with May Mohr. We went to Marie Yoder. Squeezed oranges and lemons for spiced tea. We served at nurses commencement capping at Grace Church. We took Aunt Tina home. She spent the day with Mother. Allen to church and he took Ida home.

Monday, February 26, 1951. Cloudy in morning. Real windy. Fair in p.m. I washed, hung underwear, pajamas, towels and overalls outside, dried good. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to town at 11:30. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen to 4-H Federation meeting in evening. Pete finished getting brooder houses ready in morning.

Tuesday, February 27, 1951. Fair, nice day. Cleaned the whole house. Washed windows etc. Got ready for Friendship Circle. Pete to town at 11:00. Got 650 chicks, leghorns from Honeggers. Friendship Circle in evening. Colters, Ina and Ruth Schwartz and Ida on with us. Lloyd Imhoff showed Africa pictures. Pete, Phil, Al and Herald sang. I had a crowd, 41 adults and 13 children. Served ice cream and cookies and coffee. Allen to February to game.

Wednesday, February 28, 1951. Cloudy, showered during day, rained hard at 4 p.m. I baked cookies and cupcakes in morning. Went to missionary meeting at Fern Millers in p.m.. Went after Allen at 4:30. He practiced his solo after school. Pete and I to choir practice in evening. Allen to play practice. Paul and Ronnie home. Ronnie studied. Pete ground feed.

Thursday, March 1, 1951. Nice day, rather cool. I went on case at 7:00. Mrs. *Sludlinger* (sp?), gallbladder yesterday p.m. Pete working on hog house. I cleaned up upstairs in evening. Washed out few things. Allen to town with me in morning. He had to be at school at 8:00, play practice and sextet practice. He went to ballgame at Fairbury with Wayne in evening.

Friday, March 2, 1951. Cloudy, rained and slated some. Warmer during day. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We cleaned up bedrooms and living and dining room. I baked peach crisp and coffee cake. Allen to game at Fairbury with Gordon. Pete worked on hog house.

Saturday, March 3, 1951. Cloudy and windy in morning, colder and cleared up in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along. Pete and boys to town in p.m.. Allen went in morning to help decorate window at Pennies for 4-H. Went to play practice in p.m.. Pete to locker meeting. Paul at Mothers. Ida along home. I cleaned up bathroom and kitchen. We all went to play at NCHS, had 5 one-act plays. Allen had leading part in one. Mother along. Ida here all night.

Sunday, March 4, 1951. Beautiful day, rather cool. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took us in. He and boys to church. They were home for dinner. Pete got me at 3:00. We stopped to see church on way home. Edds here awhile. Pete, Allen and I to town in evening. Young folks met at J. Litwiller's. Mrs. L. is ill. Then we went to E. Nafziger's 50th wedding anniversary. Was very nice.

Monday, March 5, 1951. Fair, rather windy. Worked 7-3. Allen and Ronnie hauled manure in morning. Allen to town with Gordon at 10:00, put up 4-H sign at courthouse. They had play practice, no school, teachers meeting. I took Allen to dentist at 4:00. Pete, Ronnie and Paul at Ernie's [Fowler], helped Butcher 2 hogs. Ida home with us. Boys had their 4-H meeting here in evening. Had 30 here. Had donuts and cocoa.

Tuesday, March 6, 1951. Fair, nice day. I worked. Ida had day off. She washed, dried everything outside. She ironed some. I got things ready for supper when got home, and ironed. I finished ironing after supper. Allen to play practice in evening. Pete working with hogs etc. Allen along with me in morning. He went to Mothers. Had to be at school at 8:30.

Wednesday, March 7, 1951. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Got Allen at school at 4:30. He had music lesson. We went to choir practice in evening. Mother home with me at 4:30. I took Home Bureau things to Jenny Basting. Paul at Mothers while we went to choir. Allen to play practice.

Thursday, March 8, 1951. Fair. Went to work at 7:00. Ida home with me. Made meat loaf. Baked cookies etc. Cleaned upstairs. Allen to play practice. We all went to Eugène Field PTA supper club (sp?). Ida here all night. We took Mother along.

Friday, March 9, 1951. Fair, Chile, East wind. Worked 7-3. Cleaned bedrooms and living and dining room after got home. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dot fixed our hair. I went after Allen at 5:30. He had intercity student council. He went to play practice in evening and Rag Mops played at Little Red School.

Saturday, March 10, 1951. Cloudy, snowed in p.m. and evening. I worked, got off case. Allen to Petersburg at 6:00 to play [and] speech contest. Ida home with me. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Ronnie helped Phil in p.m. We took Ida to Edds in evening, went for supper. Was bad driving. Billys there too. Took Aunt Tina over. Allen got home after 11:00. They went on school bus.

Sunday, March 11, 1951. Cloudy, snowed some, Roads drifted in places north and south. Had big drift in front of garage. Went east to go to church. Were home in p.m. Edds brought Ida back. They got stuck on 150, traffic jam, so tried to go across to 51 but got stuck east of Ed Miller's. Edd walked here. Pete helped them get out. They stopped here and warmed up. They got home okay.

Monday, March 12, 1951. Cloudy, snowed most of day. I washed and ironed. Stirred up cookies in evening. Pete got some corn at Kerrick in morning. Went with CR. Boys drove to school. Bus real late, came at 9:00. Got road open south of us. Pete to elevator meeting at Kerrick in p.m. with CR. He went to practice singing at Eugène Field in evening.

Tuesday, March 13, 1951. Cloudy, snowed some in p.m., followed some. Pete and I and CR's to Mothers. Papered her living room. Pete put in some new hardwood floor along west side of room. Mabel helped at Home Bureau from 10:00 to 1:30. Allen had date in evening. Goodwill Circle postponed.

Wednesday, March 14, 1951. Cloudy, snowed some. We went to Mothers. Papered the hall. Pete sanded the floor. He and I to Mr. Hedgecock advisory committee dinner at Farm Bureau. CR to Rotary. I helped put filler on in p.m. We went to choir practice in evening. Norman's birthday. Had popcorn and pop. I went to Brokaw 11 to 7 with Mrs. Bates. Sure was tired and dreaded it.

Thursday, March 15, 1951. Cleared off. Some of snow melted. I got off work at 7:00. Pete got me. I went to bed at 9:30. Got up at 4:00. Didn't feel very good. Cleaned upstairs. Pete worked on hog houses. He, Paul and I to Eugène Field PTA. Pete and Paul home with CR's. I took car to work. Mrs. Bates better. Had pretty good night.

Friday, March 16, 1951. Fair, 18°, nice day, thawed some. Got home at 7:30. Allen took car, he went to dentist at 8:00. Pete cleaned hog houses and got ready for pigs. I

cleaned bedrooms and went to bed at 10:00. Got up at 3:00. Cleaned dining room and got things ready for supper. I got off case, Mrs. Bates better. Allen to Congerville. Rag Mops played. Allen got his front tooth fixed.

Saturday, March 17, 1951. Cloudy, rained and sleeted. Colder in p.m. Done Saturday work. Pete and I to town at 10:00. Got home at 1:30. Boys hauled some manure. Pete and boys moved hog houses etc. in p.m. I baked cake, cherry torte, etc. dressed chicken in evening.

Sunday, March 18, 1951. Mostly cloudy, windy, cold. We went to church. Home for dinner. Pete and I with Hoover's to Peoria at 3:30. They got piece for fireplace and they took us to Jefferson Hotel for Smorgasbord. Sure enjoyed it. Lots to eat. We stopped at CRs on way home. Saw CRs guns. *Gil* (sp?) Webbs there too. Allen to church. Ronnie and Paul to CRs in p.m.. Merlin here in evening.

Monday, March 19, 1951. Partly cloudy, 18°, strong cold wind from Northwest. I washed, washed off kitchen walls and wood work in p.m. Pete helped wash ceiling. Pete to building committee meeting. I went to Goodwill Circle at Ruby Mohr. Ida came along home. Boys home.

Tuesday, March 20, 1951. Fair, cold. I went to town. Got Mother. We cleaned cupboards and silverware. We painted part of woodwork in kitchen. Pete helped. Ida washed in morning. She done my ironing in p.m. Pete got limestone. He took Paul to dentist at 4:00. Took Mother home. We went to musical program at NCHS. Contestants played. Allen played in sextet and solo. Mother went a long. Ida home after program. I washed wall in bathroom in p.m.

Wednesday, March 21, 1951. Fair, cold. I cleaned closet in bathroom and drawers in the stove. Pete helped truckers. Got his truck out of field. Had limestone on. Pete to town in p.m. for church building. I took him in. Mabel and I to club meeting at Mrs. Hilton. Went after Allen and Pete after meeting. Ida and I to Dorothy, had our hair fixed. We all went to choir practice in evening. Paul at Ida's. We went to Carlock after Jim Meyers. He was here all night.

Thursday, March 22, 1951. Fair, cold, 8° above. I cleaned upstairs. Pete and I finished painting wood work in kitchen. He painted woodwork in bathroom. I washed windows, waxed cabinet top and floors. Washed bathroom curtain. We went to PTA at NCHS. Ronnie and Paul home. Allen to Chicago with physics class. I took he and Jim to town at 5:45. Had breakfast for boys. Dressed chicken in evening.

Friday, March 23, 1951. Partly cloudy, much colder in evening. Sleeted little. Done cleaning. Cooked chicken and noodles. Boys having spring vacation. They ground feed. I went to town with Lois at 2:30. We got supper for Bluffton chorus. Served chicken noodle soup, potato chips, cheese, relish plate, fruit salad and cookies and coffee and tea. We all went to concert at NCHS. Had two boys here all night, Gerald Miller and Dick Simcox. Marie and Darlene home.

Saturday, March 24, 1951. Partly cloudy, Chilly. Baked cake, made fruit salad, got dinner. Washed west bedroom curtains. Bluffton boys here until 2:30. Pete and I and Paul to town. Took boys to hospital. Ronnie home. Allen working at Phils. Ida along home. Ronnie and Allen to 4-H rally in evening. Allen on program. I iced Paul's cake. Ida pressed curtains and we put them up.

Sunday, March 25, 1951. Cloudy and morning. Few snow flurries. Fair in p.m.. We all went to church, had communion. Alan to nurse his home at 5:45 to Easter sunrise service. Played solo, holy city. Mother, Marie, Darlene, CRs, Edgars and Roy's and Minnie here for dinner. Had ham. Big day for Paul. Got lots of gifts. Edgars to Minier at 4:00. Roy's home too. Lucile here. CR's, Mother and girls here for lunch. Allen took Mother and Ida home. Gordon took girls to train.

Monday, March 26, 1951. Fair, windy and chilly in morning. Washed. Had big one. Dried everything outside. Done ironing in p.m. Pete and boys hauled manure awhile and morning, while it was frozen. They went to Hudson at 11:30. Raked corn in steel bins. Boys having vacation.

Tuesday, March 27, 1951. Cloudy, started raining at noon. I went on case at 7:00. Mr. Salzman, heart and kidney. Was busy all day. Pete and boys to Kerrick, raked corn in steel bins. Pete and I to friendship Circle at nurses home. Boys home.

Wednesday, March 28, 1951. Cloudy, damp, chilly. Rained hard in evening. I worked 7 to 3. Patient bad all day, irrational. He passed away at 6:30 p.m. Ida along home. We dusted up house. Pete, Ronnie and I to choir practice. Allen has cold. Pete to town a while in p.m.

Thursday, March 29, 1951. Mostly cloudy, showered in p.m. and evening. I went on case with Mrs. Ed Otto at 7:00. She's real ill, heart and kidney. Pete and boys made some fence. Boys worked on microscope lens, anchored it. Pete and I, Earl K[aufman]. (?) I went to alumni meeting with Marie and Verna and Elma Heiser. Pete stayed with Earl and Mick. Allen to school, practiced music.

Friday, March 30, 1951. Colder, rained and snowed. Went to work at 7:00. Allen had 4-H committee meeting in morning. He went to school at 3:30, practiced for music contest. Paul at CRs most of day. Pete and Ronnie fanned oats at CRs in p.m. I done cleaning in evening. Boys cleaned upstairs.

Saturday, March 31, 1951. Cloudy, windy and chilly. Went to work at 7:00. Allen left at 7:30 for Farmer City to music contest. He didn't feel very good, cold and dizzy. He got second on solo. Sextet got first. Having his tooth fixed bothering him in playing his horn. Pete and boys to town at 11:00. Paul at Mothers. I got off Mrs. Otto case. They wanted me longer but need a day of rest. Mother along home. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Had waffles and sausages and baked sponge cake and cookies. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom.

Sunday, April 1, 1951. Everything covered with snow, beautiful scene. Melted some. Cloudy and chilly. We went to church; ate at Hubbard's. Went to George and Merle's cheese house. Stopped at Brokaw to see Mrs. Bates but isn't having company. But she's better. Got home at 3:00. Stopped at church. Ate some lunch. Allen to youth meeting and had a date.

Monday, April 2, 1951. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Rest of snow melted. Went on case at 7:00. Mrs. Gielow, gall bladder. Boys back to school. Pete worked around home. Ida came home with him. We washed after got home. I made pudding and ham for supper. Pete to men's practice at Eugène Field school with Glenn Maxwell. Boys to 4-H meeting at Fowler's.

Tuesday, April 3, 1951. Cloudy, being up. I went to work at 7:00, Ida too. She came along home in evening. We ironed some. Pete and Ronnie to church, helped take plaster off. Ida and I to see Aunt Tina. She was alone, was glad to see us. Allen and Paul home. My patient getting along fine.

Wednesday, April 4, 1951. Fair, fine day. I went to work at 7:00. Ida had day off. She done her washing and boys' sheets and beddings and finished ironing. I ironed my uniform. Ida made nut bread. I made pie. Ida shortened my dress. Pete to town at noon. Got Mother (unintelligible) gas stove for \$45. Pete and I to choir practice in evening. Ida home to town. Boys home.

Thursday, April 5, 1951. A beautiful day. Warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete moved pigs out on pasture. He went after corn at Yuton period I cleaned up house and got supper.

Friday, April 6, 1951. Rained off and on all day. Rained most of evening. I worked seven to three. Got off case. Pete ground feed. He went to building committee meeting in evening. I cleaned bedrooms. Ronnie cleaned upstairs. Allen worked on his telescope.

Saturday, April 7, 1951. Cloudy, showered some. Cleaned living room, kitchen and bath. Baked nut bread, coffee cake, cookies and pie. Allen on scrap drive for 4-H. Boys to band contest at Farmer City, got second. Pete and I to town. Paul at Mothers. Car went bad coming home. Ida home with us. Kip Reeser brought boys home. Edgars, Uncle Charlie and Mother here a few minutes. Uncle Charlie has new car. They brought Paul home. Made salad and dessert in evening.

Sunday, April 8, 1951. Mostly cloudy, showered some. Pete and boys to Sunday School with Mabel. Ida and I to church with Roy's as couldn't use our car. Edds, Owen K[enagys] and will S[chrocks] here for dinner. Allen had 4-H officers committee meeting here in p.m. Had it in basement. Made out programs. Billys and Aunt Tina here awhile in p.m. Ida to town with them.

Monday, April 9, 1951. Cloudy, showers. Pete and Allen took our car to garage with CR's car. Pete at church all day. I washed, hung some outside but had to dry them all in basement. Had big washing. Done nearly all of ironing. Dorothy came out with Pete. Edgar had meeting. He came after Dorothy at 9:00. Pete to singing practice at school with Floyd Mohr.

Tuesday, April 10, 1951. Fair, cloudy in evening. I cleaned the boys' room and west room, also attics. Had big day. Pete to church with milkman. He's helping Cecil Raber [electrician]. Got our car at garage in evening. I went to Goodwill at L[ucy] C[atherine] Patton with May Mohr. Pete to church. Men doing some painting. Boys home. Finished ironing in morning. Truman fired General MacArthur.

Wednesday, April 11, 1951. Rained nearly all day. Disagreeable. I finished straightening up the boys room. Cleaned two closets in our bedroom. Pete and I to town in p.m. Got some cherry trees at nursery. Got Ronnie at school at 3:45. Took him to Dr. Barber. He has fungus infection back of his year. Pete, Ronnie and I to choir practice. Allen and Paul home.

Thursday, April 12, 1951. Everything covered with snow. Showered and snowed some nearly all day. Went to Home Bureau at Florence Kensingers with Mabel. Mrs. Hoffman showed *Canada* (?) pictures in p.m. Pete at church, helped Cecil Raber. Allen to school in evening. Finished chemistry project.

Friday, April 13, 1951. Cloudy, rained most of day. Done cleaning in morning. Pete and I to town in p.m. He helped Cecil Raber at church. Allen had date in evening.

Saturday, April 14, 1951. Fair, warmer, 29°. Done cleaning. Pete to Chicago on 3:50. I took him to train. Paul and I to Mothers at noon. Ate lunch there, went uptown in p.m. and to see Martha Woizeski. She's been sick. Ida came home with us, also brought Allen home. Met Pete at train, was late. We all went to county music festival at high as in you very good. Allen played with band. CR sowed some of his oats.

Sunday, April 15, 1951. Cloudy, windy and cold. We all went to church except Allen. Has cold. Home for dinner. Pete and I, Ida and Mother left at 4:00 for Edds. Ate lunch there. Went to Roanoke church, men's chorus gave program. Edd sang with them. Allen to town with Jim Meyers in evening.

Monday, April 16, 1951. Cloudy, fair in evening. I took Mother to Dr. Deneen, she wasn't feeling good. Went at 10:00. Ate lunch at Mothers. Went uptown a while. Ida along. Got short coat (gold). Pete to practice at school. Ida here all night. [Elaine] Reynolds called me to go on with Mrs. Otto at night, but didn't go.

Tuesday, April 17, 1951. Fair, nice day, chilly. We done Mothers washing, Ida's and mine and washed things from two bedrooms and cleaned them. Had big day. Ironed a little. I went after Allen and Gordon at 6:00. Ida and I to Dorothy's in evening, had hair fixed. Pete to church to work. He was at Edgars a while.

Wednesday, April 18, 1951. Fair, cloudy in p.m. I ironed in morning. Went to club meeting at Maxine Alwes in p.m.. Finished ironing when got home. Had my bedroom curtains. Pete and I put out lettuce, radishes, onions, peas, spinach, carrots and beats, also sweet peas. We went to choir practice. Allen to 4-H Federation officers school. He came home with Gordon. We brought CR home.

Thursday, April 19, 1951. Fair, nice day, warmer. Went on case, Mr. Willey from Secor, cardiac, Dr. *Chroon* (sp?). He was bad all day, passed away at 10:30 p.m.. Pete working infield discing. They sowed some of our oats. We went to PTA at Eugène Field. Men sang, was good. Alan to Thespian meeting. Ronnie home.

Friday, April 20, 1951. Fair, nice day, rather chilly east wind. I baked cookies, coffee cake and pudding. Cleaned hall and linen closet, aired bedding, done cleaning. Had full day. Pete disc for CR in morning, he [CR] was gone all day. Pete finished our oats in p.m. We went to ISNU in evening, county music festival. Boys played with band, very good. Mrs. J. W. Litwiller died.

Saturday, April 21, 1951. Cloudy, showered little in morning. They sowed oats at CRs. Got done. Allen worked at Phils. I went on case nine to five. Mrs. McCarty resection (Dr. Wellmerling). Pete came in at 3:30. Pete and I to funeral home at 5:00 to see Mrs. Litwiller. Allen to town in evening. Ida here all night.

Sunday, April 22, 1951. Cloudy in morning, cleared off in morning. Windy from northwest. I went to work at 7:00. Pete, boys and Ida to church in morning. Pete got me at 3:00. Am off case. Boys playing ball in p.m. at Fowlers. We ate dinner at 5:00. Pete took Ida home in evening.

Monday, April 23, 1951. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed. Planted peas in truck patch. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida finished ironing after supper. Pete plowing. Ronnie plowed after school. Allen stayed after school for track. He came home with Edgars.

Tuesday, April 24, 1951. Fair. I went to work at 7:00. Had cataract, Miss Niedergang, got off case at 3:00, she's fine. Ida a long home. We went to Friendship Circle at the Christian Church fellowship hall. Allen to play practice. Ronnie and Paul home. Set out cabbage plants and dozen tomatoes, put out onion sets.

Wednesday, April 25, 1951. Cloudy, rained in morning. Partly cloudy in p.m. We cut potatoes. I cleaned the fruit room in morning. Pete ground feed and went to field at 2:30 to plow. I cleaned china cabinet and washed ceiling in dining and living room. We went to choir practice in evening. Allen to play practice. Paul at Ida's. We went to look at dining room suit at Eddie *Aure* (sp?).

Thursday, April 26, 1951. Cool, beautiful day. Went on case at 7:00. Mr. North. *Gastrotomy* (sp?). Went off case at 3:00. He's getting along OK. Pete finished plowing

in east field and disc some and hauled manure. Mother came along out for supper. Brought Allen home from track. We went to PTA at high school in evening. Ronnie along. Took Mother home. Allen and Paul home.

Friday, April 27, 1951. Cloudy in morning. Fair, warm, 75° in p.m. I cleaned up bedrooms. Cleaned living and dining room and waxed floors. Planted beans in evening. Had big day. Pete hauled manure. Allen to state music contest. Sextet got second. Allen to play practice in evening. Boys cleaned upstairs. Thunderstorms in night. Had over 1 inch rain.

Saturday, April 28, 1951. Fair, hot, around 80°. Had thunderstorm at 4:00. Hailed some here, blowed and rained. I went to work at 7:00, cataract, Mrs. Robbing. Pete and boys to work on [corn] bins. Allen to relays at NCHS in p.m. Took Paul to Mothers. He got me at work. Allen two relays in evening with Jim Myers. We went to George's cheese house a while in evening. Took Ronnie two relays. He came home with Eddie [Fowler].

Sunday, April 29, 1951. Rained in morning, cleared off before noon. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys to Sunday School and church. Boys rode home with Colters. Pete and I ate at Hubbards. We went to church awhile and to Edgars. Ida home with us. Allen to play practice at 4:00. We went to truck patch awhile in evening, got rhubarb.

Monday, April 30, 1951. Fair, partly cloudy in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Pete helped Cecil Raber at church. I went to dentist after work. Pete to committee meeting at church in evening. Ida and I to Dorothy's, had our hair fixed. Allen to play practice. Ronnie and Paul home.

Tuesday, May 1, 1951. Nice day, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked with Cecil R[aber] at church. Ida came along home. Washed out a uniform etc. in evening and ironed them, also some shirts for Allen. Ronnie to FFA. Allen to play practice. Pete to Men's Fellowship. They worked at church. Ida and I raked back yard in evening.

Wednesday, May 2, 1951. Partly cloudy, warm, in the 80s. Ida had day off. She washed and ironed some. I helped with ironing when I got home. Pete cleaned out hen house. We went to choir practice in evening and to George and Merle's cheese house. Helped them a while. Allen to play practice. Ida to town in evening. I baked cake in evening.

Thursday, May 3, 1951. Partly cloudy, warm. I got off case at 3:00. Pete finished cleaning hen house. Paul home, having achievement tests. Ida and Mother along home. Edgars, Billys and Edds here for supper, also Aunt Tina. Had waffles, sausage and ice cream. Allen to play practice.

Friday, May 4, 1951. Partly cloudy, cooler. Done cleaning. Waxing dining, living and bedroom furniture. Cleaned chair covers and rugs. Pete spread fertilizer and disc in p.m. Allen to dress rehearsal in evening. Pete and I with Lloyd Gundys to Pekin to Lloyd G. Church. Reverend Atherton holding meeting. Paul and Ronnie home.

Saturday, May 5, 1951. Clear and morning, cool, cloudy in p.m. and rained toward evening. Done Saturday work. Bake cookies, coffee cake, nut bread and pie. Ronnie plowed in morning. We planted potatoes. Allen plowed in p.m. Pete and Ronnie finished raking bins at Kerrick. We put screens on kitchen and dining room. I washed windows. We worked in garden awhile. We all went to play at NCHS, "Jane Eyre." Allen in play.

Sunday, May 6, 1951. Cloudy, showered. Real chilly. We went to church. Pete Superintendent. Allen to school, helped put scenery away. Were home for dinner. Allen to church in evening. We went to Mothers awhile, then all went out to cheese house to see George and Merle. Ida along.

Monday, May 7, 1951. Fair, nice day. Washed and done ironing, dusted house. Paul and[I?] raked grass off front yard in evening after supper. Pete mowed lawn in morning. Worked some in field in p.m. He went to building committee meeting in evening. Boys to 4-H meeting at Glen Raders.

Tuesday, May 8, 1951. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Mrs. Hochstettler. Relieving Mrs. *Rost* (sp?). Pete plowing. They finished in evening and Ronnie disc some after supper. Ida along home. We cleaned up house. Goodwill Circle met here, had around 36. Mr. Legg and Wesleyan student out in evening. Boys worked on their telescope. Schwartz girls hostesses with me. They took care of refreshments. Had ice cream, strawberry pie.

Wednesday, May 9, 1951. Cloudy, showered in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete discing. Ida along home. We sowed most of flower seeds, but had to quit on account of rain. Planted lima beans too. We went to choir practice in evening. Boys home. Ida to town.

Thursday, May 10, 1951. Cloudy, rained most of the day, colder in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked at church, helped Cecil Raber. We helped item move after I got off work. Moved to 1007 1/2 Prairie. We bought her ice box for Mother. CR helped Pete move it. He went home with CR. I stayed, helped Ida, then went to Mothers, and Dorothy fixed my hair.

Friday, May 11, 1951. Cloudy, Chile, cleared off in evening. Pete helped Cecil at church. He and Mother dressed 4 chickens, 2 for Edgars and 2 for Mother. I took boys up town after work and school. Got Allen work shoes. Paul got haircut, Ronnie got ball and spike shoes. Got Allen white shoes for prom. Pete and I met Marie at train. He helped at church in evening. Paul and I at Mothers. Paul stayed all night.

Saturday, May 12, 1951. Beautiful day. Some warmer. Got off my case at 3:00. Pete and boys ground feed and vaccinated pigs. Boys cleaned brooder houses. Pete to town in p.m. Ida, Mother and Marie along home. Paul came home too. They and CR's here for supper. Had hamburgers. Boys got tractor stuck in old pond. CR helped get it out. Made supper late. Allen to town awhile. Gordon had date.

Sunday, May 13 1951. Beautiful Mother's Day. We went to church and all went to Mothers for dinner. CR's and Aunt Martha there too. Pete and I took Aunt Martha home. Ida worked. Allen to show in evening with Jim Meyers.

Monday, May 14, 1951. Fair, warmer, fine day. Rather windy. Washed and done ironing in p.m. Boys started planting corn here. Boys disc after school. Pete and I finished sewing flower seeds. Planted more limas, set out four dozen tomato plants. Allen to school in evening. Practice with sextet for Inkscapes.

Tuesday, May 15, 1951. Nice day, real warm, 80°. I worked in garden in morning. Pete discing. CR finished planting 20 acres corn of ours and started on his. I went to town in p.m. Got permanent. Mother and Ida along home. Got Allen in Normal. He got haircut after school. We all went to spring concert at NCHS. Was very good. Allen played solo with band.

Wednesday, May 16, 1951. Fair, warm. I cleaned recreation room and laundry room in morning. Kept me busy. Went to club meeting at Mrs. Mason with Mabel. Pete discing at CRs. Allen to Phils after school, done his chores. Allen to town in evening. Inkscapes had program. Pete ground feed after supper. I sowed cucumbers, lettuce and radishes. Lucy C. here awhile, brought Allen home.

Thursday, May 17, 1951. Mostly cloudy and morning, fair in evening. I washed and cleaned up upstairs and downstairs in morning. Baked cookies, coffee cake, nut bread and made meatloaf. Got things ready for supper and ironed. Allen to Phils after school. Plowed until nearly 10:30. Ronnie disc in evening until 10:30. Boys finished planting corn at CRs in evening. Pete, Paul and I to you Eugene Field PTA supper in evening. Ida along home after meeting. I put things in suitcase.

Friday, May 18, 1951. Fair, warm. CR took Ida and I to town at 8:30. I went to dentist, had sore gum. We left at 9:30 for Ohio. Got to Bellfontaine at 6:00. Train 30 minutes late. Mary met us at train. Ate supper here and visited. Boys planting corn at our house. They finished planting corn.

Saturday, May 19, 1951. Fair, real warm. We done some baking in morning and went to go fountain. Marvin worked until noon. We all went to Sidney in p.m. Mary got new glasses. We went to Paul Yoder's for supper. Dan up there to. Mother, Edgars and Uncle Charlie's to Clarence Woizeski's 25th wedding anniversary. Allen to senior prom, took Lorraine Reed. They had good time. Pete and boys to town. Went to PhilKron [drive-in movie theater].

Sunday, May 20, 1951. Partly cloudy. Rained in evening. We went to church. At Marvin's for dinner. Went to Dan's and *Ola* (sp?) Kenagys and Ernest *Greers* (sp?). Pauls, Dans, Harry Kauffmans and Mabel at Marvin's in evening. Had ice cream and cake and potato chips. Pete & boys to church. Were home for dinner. Boys played ball at Hudson in p.m. Mother and Edgars and Uncle Charlie got home from Indianapolis.

Monday, May 21, 1951. Fair, cooler. Mary washed and took us to train. Left Bellfontaine at 8:50. Bernadine met us at Indianapolis, took us to lunch. Got home at 6:50. Pete and Paul met us. Was kinda tired. Pete made fence etc. We had nice trip but nice to be home.

Tuesday, May 22, 1951. Cloudy, showered and cool. I washed and dried clothes in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked around barn. I done some mending in evening. Had lettuce, radishes and onions to eat.

Wednesday, May 23, 1951. Partly cloudy, real cool. Cleaned up house. Baked cake and pie. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Pete and I to town in p.m. Had my eyes tested. We bought Allen luggage for graduation. Pete harrowed corn in morning. We went to choir practice in evening. Allen to Phils after school. Mother came home with us from town. Took her home when went to choir.

Thursday, May 24 1951. Real cool. Iced cake in morning. Mabel and I to PTA meeting at Presbyterian Church in Normal at 9:00. Pete worked on bins. Pete, Ronnie and I to FFA supper and hamburger fry at NCHS in evening. I took cake. Allen and Paul home. Ray here too for supper. Ronnie to Mothers after school, mowed her lawn. I dressed 2 chickens (friers) in evening.

Friday, May 25, 1951. Partly cloudy, real windy in p.m. Done cleaning. Baked cookies and tortes. We finished taking storm windows off and putting screens on. I washed windows on outside. Got ready for company. Norman and Mary Lou Baughman and Ida here for supper. Allen drove to school, brought Ida home. Pete worked with water pipes for barn. Ida stayed all night.

Saturday, May 26, 1951. Showered most of day. Had pretty good rain. I went to work at 7:00, cataract, Mr. Grimes from Indiana. Allen helped Ed Miller take samples from bins. Pete and Ronnie raked corn in bands. Allen had date in evening with Shirley Yeakel. Ronnie and Paul to Fowlers. Pete mowed lawn in evening.

Sunday, May 27, 1951. Fair in morning, cloudy at noon, showered in p.m. Windy from northwest. Cold, 46 to 50°. I went to work at 7:00. Pete, boys and I ate in town. Allen to Irvin [Theater]. Pete and boys to Normal [Theater], "Pa and Ma Kettle." We stopped at Mothers on way home, gave her hypo. Ida along home, stayed all night. Allen to youth meeting. He addressed commencement invitations.

Monday, May 28, 1951. Cloudy and morning, fair in p.m. Rather cool. I went to work at 7:00. Pete helped Ed Miller take corn samples from corn bins. I washed after got home, everything except overalls got dry. I ironed some after supper.

Tuesday, May 29, 1931. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on bins. Ida along home in evening. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. They left early, Edgar had meetings. We done ironing after supper.

Wednesday, May 30, 1951. Fair, nice day, warmer. Ida had day off. She washed. I worked at hospital. Finished ironing after got home. Boys home, no school. Pete and boys worked some in garden. They were at CRs in p.m., put cultivate on tractor. Edds came at 3:00. Nettie isn't feeling good, gallbladder and high blood pressure. They left at 6:00. Mother home with me in p.m. We all went to CRs for picnic. I took beans, onions, buns and potato chips.

Thursday, May 31, 1951. Partly cloudy. Warmer. I went to work at 7:00. Pete made fence etc. Allen had his last day of high school. He went on picnic at Lake Bloomington. A.N.S. club [?] took Pete and I to town. Pete to church building committee meeting. I went to Ida's for supper and two alumni meeting. Had to wait until 12:00 for Allen. Hoover took Pete home. Ronnie and Paul cleaned upstairs.

Friday, June 1, 1951. Fair, hot, near 90°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete plowed field corn. Allen went with senior class to Lake Decatur. Pete got him at school at 7:45. They had nice time. I done cleaning and washed out some things after got home. We worked in garden. Planted more lima beans and I cleaned paths and some of flowers.

Saturday, June 2, 1951. Fair, quite hot, 90°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys ground feed. Mowed lawn, etc. They went to town in p.m. Ronnie and Paul at Mothers. Mowed her lawn. Ida along home with us. We took her to Edds. Went for supper. Allen home. Cooler in evening.

Sunday, June 3, 1951. Mostly cloudy. Showered little in p.m. Much cooler. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys to church. They took their lunch along, ate at Park. Boys had ball game. Pete and I and Paul home after 3:00. I got things ready for supper and dusted house. Edds and Ida here for supper. We all went to Allen's baccalaureate at NCHS. Rev. Troyer spoke. Very good. Nice service.

Monday, June 4, 1951. Mostly cloudy. Cool. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and Allen put out 840 tomato plants, Allen's 4-H project. I washed after got home. Things dried pretty good except overalls. Finished sheets and pajamas in basement. Made little fire in fireplace. Harolds [Patton] and Lily [Heck] there at 5:30. Brought Allen shirt and cuff links. Boys to 4-H meeting. I have cold, sure feel tough, hoarse.

Tuesday, June 5, 1951. Fair, cool, went to work at 7:00. Pete and Allen plowed tomatoes and put fertilizer on. Pete plowed corn a while. Allen cut some weeds. Pete and Ronnie went after calf at Glen Orns at 4:30. I done ironing after got home. I finished after supper. Pete to church, men worked. Boys to 4-H ballgame at Fans Field. I felt a bum all day. Boys won both ballgames.

Wednesday, June 6, 1951. Partly cloudy, cool. Went to work at 7:00. Went uptown awhile after work. Fixed deviled eggs for boys. They went to band and chorus picnic. I washed out some things and worked in garden. Pete helped [Chet] Roths vaccinate

chickens in morning, and plowed corn in p.m. and bailed load hay at CRs, but too tough. Ronnie and Paul went to school until noon.

Thursday, June 7, 1951. Cloudy, showered, reigned in p.m.. Had over 1 inch rain in night. Allen at Roy Barclays in morning. Pete and boys going to bail at CRs in p.m. but rained. Ronnie and Paul's school out at noon. Ida home with me. She done cleaning. Ronnie cleaned upstairs. I baked cookies, angel food cake, coffee cake, and shortcake for supper. Ida and I to Mothers in evening. Dorothy combed our hair. Didn't wash mine as had cold. Allen met Marie at train in p.m.

Friday, June 8, 1951. Mostly cloudy, fair in evening. I cleaned up the kitchen and bath before went to work. Ida home with me. Allen and I uptown, got him some shoes. Edds and Orvies here for supper. Orvie and Edna [Kropf] got here 6:30 for Allen's graduation. We all went to commencement. Very nice, and large crowd. Dr. Winters speaker. Aunt Martha [Claudon] came for commencement too. Orvies here all night. Also Ida. Marie here too.

Saturday, June 9, 1951. Mostly fair. Real cool. Went to work at 7:00. My patient home at 12:30, got off case. Pete to town in morning. Orvies and we all ate dinner at Mothers. Orvies, Pete and I to George's [Cheese House] awhile and stopped at Billys but they wasn't home. Stopped uptown a while. Ida home with us, also Marie. Mother came out with boys. They picked strawberries, got nearly gallon. We all went to CRs for supper. Allen and Gordon had their girls. Allen had surely Yankel. I furnished chickens and berries. Orvies at Ida's all night.

Sunday, June 10, 1951. Fair beautiful day. Real cool. Boys to Sunday school. We all went to Woizeski reunion at Nelson Park in Decatur. Very nice, about 60 there. Ida came along home. She worked all day. Allen done Phil's chores and had date. Orvies to Peoria and at Edds all night.

Monday, June 11, 1951. Partly cloudy. Washed and ironed in p.m. and in evening. Allen at Bill Miller's. Pete and boys bailed hay at CRs. Ida here, her day off. Orvies and Nettie here for dinner. Left at 1:30. I baked rolls and we picked six boxes strawberries. Boys to [4-H] keeping fit program. Pete to committee meeting. Made 3 pints strawberry preserves.

Tuesday, June 12, 1951. Showered off and on all day. I finished ironing in morning. Put up plastic ruffles in kitchen. Worked in garden in p.m. Pulled weeds in flowers and transplanted some. Pete mowed lawn and he and boys helped me some in garden. Allen to Camp Shaw-Wa-Na-See at Kankakee. Helped clean up. Went with Dell *Schneiders* (sp?)

Wednesday, June 13, 1951. Fair, warmer. I cleaned up house and picked 7 quarts berries. Baked cake, cookies and shortcake. Dressed 3 chickens. I took 3 quarts berries to locker. Mother home with me. We went to choir practice and took her home. Pete finished plowing corn first time.

Thursday, June 14, 1951. Fair, cool. I went to Home Bureau. Had tour. Went to Morton Pottery and to Pekin Park for picnic. Had 4-H girls and installation of officers. Jenny Basting chairman. I went after Ida at 4:00. Got things ready for supper. Went to Community Club at Ed sharps. Allen at Bill Miller's. We bailed some hay here but kinda tough.

Friday, June 15, 1951. Partly cloudy. Cool. Edgars, Paul Thietjes and Mother and CRs here for dinner. Pauls left at 1:30. Dorothy fixed Mabel, Mother and my hair. Edgar to town in p.m. Brought Ida out, had her hair fixed too. Boys finished bailing our hay. Allen mowing our hay. Edgars, Ida and Mother and Ray [Ropp] here for supper. Ray and Paul home with Mother. Morris Hiesers here a while in evening.

Saturday, June 16, 1951. Cloudy, cool, rained in morning. Baked cake and shortcake and cleaned kitchen and bathroom. We went to Mothers at 10:00. Pete and Ronnie picked cherries. Mother and I seeded them. Took 6 1/2 quarts to locker. Mother canned seven pints [cherries] and 7 pints preserves. Pete and boys and CR and Gordon worked at church, cleaning up. I went uptown awhile in p.m. Ida along home. Ronnie stayed at Walter Yoders for supper. They brought him home in evening. Allen had date. We picked six boxes berries. Fixed some [strawberries] and cherries for preserves.

Sunday, June 17, 1951. Fair, warmer. Went to church. Were home for dinner. Allen wrote thank you notes. Ida here. She, Ronnie, Paul, Mother, Mabel, Ray and I to Laurence Mohr's at 3:30. Boys done chores first. We had wiener roast and ice cream at the river. Went fishing awhile. Laura and May [Mohr] there too. We had nice time. We took Mother and Ida to town. Allen and Ronnie home with CRs.

Monday, June 18, 1951. Fair, hot in p.m., 90°. I washed, had big one. Pete took Allen to town. He went to camp Shaw-Wa-Na-See to 4-H Counselor group. Mother came out with Pete. We can 16 quarts cherries and cooked some preserves. I had to pick some of cherries. Pete raked hay in morning and they bailed some after 4:00. Mother to town with Gordon. I ironed plain things, sure tired.

Tuesday, June 19, 1951. Rained at noon and p.m. Had a big rain north of here. I picked peas, canned 11 quarts and canned 8 quarts cherry preserves. Done ironing in p.m. Another big day. Pete plowed corn in morning. Allen home from camp at 6:00. Ronnie to Champaign, judging team left at 8:30 a.m. Back at 4:00. Boys to 4-H meeting at Siebert's. Silverleaf met with Linden Lead 'Em. Pete, Paul, Mabel and I to Venards at Peoria. Left at 7:00. Saw show. CR and Pete were in "Willing Acres." Real good.

Wednesday, June 20, 1951. Fair, cool, beautiful day. I canned 4quarts cherries and fixed some for preserves. Picked 6 boxes strawberries and stemmed them in evening. Went to club meeting at Clara Miller's. Pete and boys working on corn bins, taking samples. Paul with Ray and Paul with Ray in p.m. Pete and I to choir practice in evening. Allen to 4-H Federation. Ronnie to ball game. Pete turned some of hay in evening. I transplanted some flowers.

Thursday, June 21, 1951. Cloudy, rained most of p.m., sure wet. I washed. Clothes didn't get all dry. Worked in garden awhile. Ronnie plowed it. Pete finished turning hay and plowed truck patch. Allen to Bill Miller's. Came home in p.m. I baked cherry pie, coffee cake and cookies in p.m. and cleaned the upstairs. Dressed three chickens in evening, two for Edgars and one for us.

Friday, June 22, 1951. Cloudy, gloomy, rained in p.m. and evening. Pete and boys helped me pick peas. Paul and I podded them. Canned 12 pints. Done cleaning. Baked cake and shortcake. Pete and boys to Covell and Stanford. Took corn samples from bins. Ronnie ironed some for me in evening. Another busy day. Picked 4 boxes berries and stemmed them.

Saturday, June 23, 1951. Cloudy, rained in evening and again in night. Done Saturday work. Iced cake and made 3 1/2 pints strawberry preserves. Transplanted some flowers and shortened gingham dress. Pete and boys to Shirley in morning. Took corn samples. Allen and I to town in p.m. Ronnie and Paul to Mothers. Mowed [her] lawn and trimmed trees. Pete turned hay. Got ready for supper. We all went to CRs in evening. Eugene Field PTA officers and committeemen.

Sunday, June 24, 1951. Cloudy in morning, fair and p.m. Rather windy and cooler. I went to work at 7:00. Relieved Mrs. Rost, still on Mr. Hochstettler. Pete and boys to church, home for dinner. Pete after me at 3:00. We went to George's [Cheese House] awhile. Ida along home. Allen had date. We all walked to Minnie's awhile in evening. Roy's gone on vacation.

Monday, June 25, 1951. Fair, nice day, cool. Warmer in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Ida washed. Pete and Allen picked peas. Ida podded some. We finished after got home. Canned 11 pints peas. Ronnie picked cherries at CRs. Made pie and 2 pints preserves. Allen at Bill Miller's in p.m. bailing. Pete finished bailing our hay. Got done at 5:30. Sure glad to have that done. Ernie bought it. Ida ironed some. I finished after dark. We worked in garden until dark. Pete plowed truck patches. Allen to 4-H Federation. Ronnie to ball game.

Tuesday, June 26, 1951. Had rain at 7:00 a.m. Pete brought Ida and I to work. He and boys worked on bins. Ida along home. We canned 21 quarts beans. Had Mabel's cooker too. Pete and Ronnie took a load of church furniture to church, had Roy's truck. Ida and I went in too. Friendship Circle. Had work night. Rained in night. Ida stayed in town.

Wednesday, June 27, 1951. Had rain in morning and evening. Was awfully dark in morning and blew pretty hard. Had tornadoes around Lincoln communities at 8:00 p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys worked on bins awhile until it rained. Mother along home for supper. Picked box of strawberries and boys picked box raspberries. We all went to choir practice in evening. Paul at Mothers. Had new cabbage.

Thursday, June 28, 1951. Had big rain in morning. Looked very stormy and dark. Rained off and on all day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys worked on bins until it rained. They worked at church in p.m. Ida along home. We cleaned upstairs and bedrooms. Pete to church to work. Boys to band practice. I went to alumni meeting. Paul at Ida's.

Friday, June 29, 1951. Fair. Washed. Partly cloudy in p.m. and sprinkled. I picked peas. Canned 13 quarts. Allen helped me pod some. Pete and boys worked on bins in morning. Pete and Ronnie took beans to town in p.m. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida ironed some after supper. I finished. Had 2 uniforms. Boys to 4-H judging contest.

Saturday, June 30, 1951. Partly cloudy. Sprinkle little in p.m. Fair in evening. Cool. I canned 10 quarts beans, baked cake and nut bread, dressed 2 chickens. Cleaned living room, kitchen and bathroom. Cleaned windows and picked peas for supper. Allen with Ed Miller. Pete took hens to town in morning. Paid taxes. Ida home with him. Mary and Marvin [Yoder] got here [from Ohio] at 5:30. Glad to see them. Allen and Ronnie to Farm Bureau picnic at Wesleyan. Allen helped serve ice cream.

Sunday, July 1, 1951. Beautiful day, cool. We went to church and to Aunt Martha's for dinner. CRs, mother and many their two. Marvin's and Ida to Eureka at 8:30. Pete, Paul, Ray and I to Edds [in Eureka] from Gridley. Boys home with CRs. They chored. Ronnie to May Mohr's awhile to practice play. We brought Ida home. Marvin's stayed at Edds.

Monday, July 2, 1951. Affair, nice day. Washed. Worked in garden in p.m. and evening. Sure tired. Pete finished plowing corn second time in morning. Allen laid by last field corn in p.m. Pete plowed truck patch north of house and mowed yard in evening. Allen with Ed Miller in morning. Pete and Ronnie bailed at Ernie's. Boy's 4-H was to have supper but Glenn called it off. Too busy.

Tuesday, July 3, 1951. Partly cloudy, cool. I finished hoeing in garden. Marvin came at 10:15. Marvin helped in garden and he and boys hoed in truck patch. Mary ironed and I got dinner. I helped some with ironing. Mary, Allen and I to town at 3:00. Allen had physical for 4-H. Went to [Dr.] H. P. Sloan. Ida along home. We went to park for picnic. Billys there too. Boys to 4-H Junior ballgame. Marie home in p.m. She, Mother and Edgars at Park awhile. Dressed three chickens, to for Duncan M[iller].

Wednesday, July 4, 1951. Mostly cloudy, very cool. Showered some in evening. I cleaned up house. I baked raspberry custard pies. Edds, Ida and Marvins here for the day. We went to town awhile in p.m. Stopped at church. Gurtner's got Mother and Marie there and went to sewage disposal plant. Got things ready for supper. Made ice cream and fried two chickens. Boys and CRs here to for supper. Also Shirley Yeakel and Roberta Cutter. Allen to like Bloomington on picnic at noon. We ate in basement, had fire. Too cold outside. Allen and Gordon to town. Paul and Marvins at Ida's all night.

Thursday, July 5, 1951. Partly cloudy, real cool. Marvins came at 8:30. We dressed 22 chickens. Mary helped us. Marvin hoed some in truck patch. Allen to 4-H camp. Left at 10:00. He went as counselor. Pete and I to town in p.m. Ida along uptown. She got off at noon. We went to Murrell and Georges a while. We all went to Owen Kenagys for supper. Marie Y[oder] came for eggs in evening. Ronnie to town with her and ate supper there and went to band practice. He went to Mothers afterwards. We got him there.

Friday, July 6, 1951. A beautiful day, cool. Marvins left for home at 8:00. We picked beans for them. Gave them cabbage, apples and chicken to take along. I washed, had a big one. Went to auxiliary in p.m. Ida along home. I done cleaning. Ida ironed. We dressed 3 chickens, 2 for her. Third floor [hospital staff] is having picnic. Pete and Ronnie bailed hay at Ernie's.

Saturday, July 7, 1951. Partly cloudy, much warmer in p.m. Done Saturday work. Waxed kitchen floor. Pete ground feed. We went to town at 11:30. Pete and Ronnie worked at church. Ronnie up town awhile. Got shoes for he and Paul. Paul at Mothers, mowed her lawn. I took Mother to hospital at 3:30 to see Aunt Ida Weidig. Stopped that I does a while to occur some apples. Ronnie and Paul to raise a while. He had fireworks. Baked cake and coffee cake in evening.

Sunday, July 8, 1951. Mostly cloudy, humid, threatened rain several times. Had rainstorm at midnight at 2 1/2 inches. Had flood north of here, Streator, Pontiac and El Paso. We went to church, home for dinner. Pete and I to Mrs. Troyer at 4:00 to see Mrs. Augspurger. She's very low. We got Allen and Gordon at Farm Bureau. They had fine time at camp. Ida along home. She and I to town with Allen in evening. He had date. I went to Mrs. Troyer to stay all night. Mrs. Augspurger died at 8:00 p.m. I came home with Allen at 1:15. Sure did rain and storm. Maurice T[royer] got to Mrs. Troyer's at 11:30 p.m.. Jim Yoder here all night.

Monday, July 9, 1951. Fair, quite warm. Washed and ironed. I got things ready for supper. Pete and I to funeral home at 6:15 to see Mrs. Augspurger. We all went to 4-H picnic at Ehrlichs. Nice time and had nice meeting. Pete worked at church. Jim Yoder here.

Tuesday, July 10, 1951. Mostly cloudy, warm and humid. Pete to church. I went to Mothers. Washed for her. Pete and I to Mrs. Augspurger's funeral. He sang with quartet. Ida along home. Pete to Roy's, helped bale hay. Allen detasseling corn for Funk's at Stanford. I took him to town at 5:30 a.m.. Pete to church. Rest of us to 4-H amateur contest at Fans Field. Allen Master of ceremonies. Got home late after 12:00. Ronnie and Jim to Yoder's. Ronnie stayed all night.

Wednesday, July 11, 1951. Cloudy, rained and showered all p.m. and evening. Allen to work early. Pete to church. Ida and I washed in morning. Clothes didn't try. Put them in basement. Mother, Ida, Paul and I to Eds. Picked raspberries, 28 boxes red and 2 boxes black. Left 4 boxes for Carrie N. and kept out some to eat. Ida and I to Mothers at

5:00. Dorothy there too. She fixed our hair. Ronnie home with Pete and Allen to chore. We went to choir practice at church. Allen home to bed early.

Thursday, July 12, 1951. Cloudy, gloomy. Worked with clothes. Made fire in basement. Hung some outside in p.m. Made 7 glasses raspberry jelly. Dressed chicken. Got things ready for supper. Ironed some. We went to Farm and Home Bureau picnic at Ehrlichs. Allen to band practice. We came home with Colter's. Pete worked at church. Allen detasseling.

Friday, July 13, 1951. Fair, nice day. Finished ironing and done some pressing. Done cleaning. Mended some. Pete to church. Ronnie cut weeds. Allen detasseling corn. Left at 4:50. Makes long days. Boys to ball game in evening. Then Allen went to 4-H Federation board meeting. Pete and I to church in evening. Cleaning up. Having terrible floods in Kansas City, also fires.

Saturday, July 14, 1951. Nice day. Done Saturday work. Baked cookies and coffee cake. Pete to church in morning. Allen to work early. I went with Lois [Miller] to church at 1:00. We worked until after 7:00. Allen late getting back. Ida and Mother along home. Edgars here. I dressed three chickens for them in morning. They got beans, cabbage and apples. Allen had date, went with Don Smith. We took Mother back after supper and stopped at church. Things pretty well cleaned up.

Sunday, July 15, 1951. Fair, warmer, nice day. We went to church. Had dedication of our church. Very nice services. Mother along in morning. Allen had to work. We went to church in evening. Choir sang again. J. E. Hartzler there morning and evening. Sure nice to go to church there again. Paul at Fowlers all-night. Merlin [Fowler] here all night and went along to church in evening. Allen home at 8:00.

Monday, July 16, 1951. Fair, had little shower at noon and in evening. Rained more in town in evening. I washed and ironed in p.m. Ronnie mowed alfalfa. Pete plowed garden and 2 truck patches. I picked box raspberries for supper and picked up some apricots. CR bailed some before noon until it showered. They baled a little at 4:00. Allen worked detasseling. I went to nurses' home in p.m. To committee meeting for homecoming. Allen left at 4:10.

Tuesday, July 17, 1951. Fair, quite warm in p.m. I worked in garden all day. Pulled weeds in strawberry bed. Pete hoed some in morning. He and Ronnie finished bailing at CRs in p.m. Allen working. Ronnie and Paul to junior ball game in evening with Eddie Fowler. Pete raked hay after supper.

Wednesday, July 18, 1951. Partly cloudy, fair and p.m., warm and humid. I worked in garden most of day. Sowed lettuce, radishes, Swiss chard and carrots. I went to town awhile at 4:00. Got Mother at hairdressers. She had permanent. We got Marie a slip. Ida along home. Pete and I to choir. Allen to ball game and Ronnie home, didn't feel good. Paul to Mothers, stayed all night. Mowed her lawn. Allen worked until noon. Pete raked hay. Got combine out. Cut alfalfa.

Thursday, July 19, 1951. Fair, cooler, fine day. I washed. Baked apple crisp and cookies. Helped get apricots. Went after Mother. We canned 39 quarts apricots and made one half pints marmalade. Mother got 6 quarts. Pete bailing hay here. Edgars here for supper, also Ida. Dorothy fixed our hair. She got apples and cabbage. Allen detasseling. He went to band practice and he and Ronnie to ball game.

Friday, July 20, 1951. Partly cloudy and morning, fair nice day. Allen working. Pete finished bailing here in p.m. and finished bailing at Roy's. We had nice hay. I done cleaning, dressed chicken and baked cake. Got lunch for balers. Venard and two men from Sweden and Denmark here. They took pictures of bailing. We went to Garfield picnic at Bill Miller's. Mother and Ida came out with Allen. Allen to band concert at Carlock with Don Smith.

Saturday, July 21, 1951. Partly cloudy, hot, humid and windy. Done Saturday work. Dressed chicken for Home Bureau (fair). Pete and CR worked some on combine. Pete started to cut our oats at 4:00. Worked late. Allen worked. I went to town at noon. Took Mother to Aunt Ida's (Weidig). I stopped awhile. Picked two buckets of cucumbers in evening. Done some mending and cleaned windows. Rained in night. Lightning to nearly all night.

Sunday, July 22, 1951. Rained in morning, partly cloudy in p.m., warm. We all went to church. Had Sunday School in our church for first time. Allen went to work at 1:00 p.m. Pete and I and Ida to church in evening. Maurice Troyer talked. Pete and I to see Mr. Hoover a while. He's been sick, cold and heart, but is some better. Ronnie and Paul to Fowlers in p.m., home in evening. Allen got home late, 9:00.

Monday, July 23, 1951. Mostly cloudy, showered in morning and at noon. I washed. Had to finish drying starched clothe in basement. Hung rest of them out in p.m. Done ironing in p.m. Fixed pickles. Canned 10 quarts dills and 5 1/2 quarts bread and butter in evening. Fixed brine for sweet pickles. Sure was tired. Ronnie helped me some in evening. Allen detasseling. Ronnie pulled some weeds in corn. Pete worked on combine. He went to church in evening to work. Allen to 4-H Federation. Paul at CRs all night.

Tuesday, July 24, 1951. Fair, fine day, cooler. I went to work at 7:00. Dr. Bowman from Greenview Illinois, cataract. Pete finished cutting our oats and started on CRs. He's gone to Dundee and Gordon at Fisher Fair. Allen tasseled corn in morning. He went after Ida and I at 3:30. I baked cookies and coffee cake. Ida made apple dumplings. Allen and Schwartzell to see Glenn Rader in evening about 4-H. Edgars and Mother came in evening. Got chickens, cabbage, apples. Dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy and 1 for Mother.

Wednesday, July 25, 1951. Fair, much warmer and humid. I went to work at 7:00. Ida had day off. She washed and ironed some. I ironed uniform. She canned 7 quarts apricots and 7 pints marmalade after got home and canned [qt?] applesauce. Pete and

boys cut weeds etc. Pete started to combine at Roy's at 2:00. We all went to Silverleaf 4-H ballgame. We won.

Thursday, July 26, 1951. Fair, hot, humid, 90°. Went to work at 7:00. Patient getting along OK. Allen brought Ida and I to town at 6:30. He went to detassel. They finished detasseling. Allen brought me home. Paul and I cleaned upstairs. I picked pickles and got a bushel of apples for Mrs. [unintelligible]. Pete combined at Roy's. Finished there and combined a little of hours. Ronnie pulled weeds. Paul Ray Fowler here all night.

Friday, July 27, 1951. Fair and partly cloudy. Showered in some places. Hot and humid. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We done cleaning and took lemonade to men. Peter combine our oats. CR broke down at noon. Got it welded. Ernie helping. Got done with hours at 7:00. Allen helped fill. I help with chores. Allen to town early. We all went to Silverleaf ball game. Played [Bloomington] Busy Bees and lost. We went with CRs and they came home with us.

Saturday, July 28, 1951. Cloudy, damp and humid. Went to work at 7:00. Got groceries etc. after work. Done cleaning. Fixed cucumbers for sweet pickles. Had sweet corn for supper. Pete and boys mowed lawns and cut weeds in corn. Ida along home.

Sunday, July 29, 1951. Fair, cooler, fine day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete, boys and Ida to church. Pete, Allen and Ida to Mothers for dinner. Ronnie and Paul home. Getting things ready for FFA fair. I got off case at 3:00. Earls, Phils, Pete and I to Irvin [Theater], saw "Show Boat". Went to Green Mill afterwards, had dinner. They came here awhile. Boys played shuffleboard. Allen had date. Ronnie and Paul home.

Monday, July 30, 1951. Fair nice day. They combined CR's oats and started on Oscars. I washed. Went to town at 11:30. Met Mr. Grimes at Gailey Clinic. His daughter asked me to go with him. Had his glasses changed. I done ironing in p.m. Pete to church board meeting. I went with Ida up town, shopped a little. Paul to Mothers at noon. Mowed her lawn. Stayed all night. Allen and Ronnie to ballgame at Carlock.

Tuesday, July 31, 1951. Cloudy and morning. Fair and cooler in p.m. Pete and Ronnie to town in morning. Got home at 2:00. Mother and Paul along. I canned apples. Mother helped. Got 18 quarts and 7 quarts beets. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Had full day, sure tired. Allen to Phils in p.m. Pete finished combining Oscar's oats. Edgar and Pete took Ronnie to Baughmans in evening. He practiced cornet with Jim Yoder and Gene Nafziger for [church] conference.

Wednesday, August 1, 1951. Fair, quite warm, nice day. Baked cookies and coffee cake in morning. Went to Eugène Field school at 9:15. Helped Isabel Basting make Divinity candy for Tomatoe [sic] Festival. Ronnie left at 6:15 for FFA fair. Took hogs and geese. They bailed straw here and got done. Ray here for dinner. CRs gone. Made some fudge in evening for PTA and fixed pickles. Broke a tooth off.

Thursday, August 2, 1951. Fair, warm. Baked 2 apple pies. Cleaned upstairs. Picked pickles. Went to town at 10:30. Helped at PTA booth at Tomato Festival until 3:45. Went to dentist. Pete bailed at CRs, got done. I canned 3 quarts bread-and-butter pickles in morning and 6 quarts bills. Ronnie home from FFA fair. Got 3rd on geese and 1st on parent of Barrows and 2 thirds on hogs.

Friday, August 3, 1951. Fair, cooler, fine day. Washed and picked lima beans. Took 3 1/2 quarts to locker. Done cleaning. Went to dentist at 3:45. Had a tooth pulled (eye tooth). Ida along home. She ironed. Pete bailed straw at Albert Millers in morning and at Oscars in p.m. Boys worked on henhouse. They went on 4-H tour in evening. Ida, Pete and I to Gridley to conference. Ida home with Carol Diller.

Saturday, August 4, 1951. Fair, real cool, 58°. Done Saturday work. Pete, Paul and I to town at 9:30. Paul to Mothers. I helped at Fairgrounds. Got dinner for men putting up tents. Allen to town with Eddie [Fowler] in morning. They helped with tents in p.m. Pete and I up town in p.m., looked at Chevy car. Went to Normal. Pete got haircut. Got Paul shoes. Paul at Mothers all night. Ronnie home, worked on Fair things. Went to [unintelligible] in evening. Got calf. Stopped at Roy's awhile. Allen had date.

Sunday, August 5, 1951. Fair, nice day, cloudy in evening. We went to Gridley to conference. Allen and Ronnie home at noon. We stayed for p.m. and evening. Came home with Robt. Otto. Boys getting ready for fair. Paul to Sunday school with Ray. He and Mother to CRs. Paul home in evening. Ida to conference in evening with Carol Diller and Stuckey.

Monday, August 6, 1951. Had big rain in morning, 2 inches. Fair in p.m. Started raining at 7:00. Boys ready to load trucks but waited until 9:00. Fuller's truck took cow and calf for Allen, five hogs and three geese for Ronnie. I washed, dried starched clothes in basement. Hung others out in p.m. They dried. I done ironing. Pete worked on henhouse. Fixed syrup for sweet pickles. Ronnie got three 1sts on geese.

Tuesday, August 7, 1951. Foggy and cloudy and morning. Cleaned up house. Picked lima beans. Pete working on henhouse. We went to town in p.m. Mother helped me with lima beans. Put 2 quarts in locker. We went to 4-H fair in evening. Ida along.

Wednesday, August 8, 1951. Partly cloudy. Showered little. Pete worked on henhouse. Paul and I and Mother to 4-H fair. Took Dicky Miller along. He stayed here all night. Ronnie showed hogs. Got two seconds and eighth. Ida along home. We washed for her and some things for boys. They dried some outside. We all went to fair in evening. Big crowd. Ida along home.

Thursday, August 9, 1951. Cloudy and morning. Showered some. Fair in p.m. and evening. We went to town at 8:15. I went to dentist. Allen showed at 8:00. Got third on Susie, fifth on heifer and fifth in [milking] derby. We came home at 3:00. Allen along. Ronnie came with hogs and geese. Washed some and packed boys clothes for Springfield. I took boys to fair. Took Dicky home. Pete with Mr. Baughman to solicit

for church. Ida to Dorothy's. Had hair fixed. I took her home. Canned 6 quarts pickles in morning (sweet).

Friday, August 10, 1951. Fair, nice day. Done cleaning. Went to dentist at 10:30. Had some more bridge work put in. Mother along home at noon. We dressed five chickens for her. Done ironing. Put eggs in cases. Went to truck patch, picked some tomatoes. Pete worked on henhouse. He and Mr. Baughman soliciting. Mother here all night. Boys went to Springfield at 4:00 a.m. Ronnie took three hogs, barrows. Allen took Susie and heifer.

Saturday, August 11, 1951. Partly cloudy, rained some in p.m. We canned 8 quarts chicken and 8 pints soup for Mother. Got two and a half quarts lima beans ready for locker. Done Saturday work. We went to town in p.m. Paul and Paul Ray [Fowler] home with Mother. Mowed her lawn. Pete and I to Mrs. *Mc De Witt* (sp?) funeral. She committed suicide on Thursday. Edds came after Ida. They stayed for lunch. Floyd [Mohr] took hay and clothes to Springfield for boys.

Sunday, August 12, 1951. Fair, cool, beautiful day. We and Mother to Eureka at 10:00. Went for church and to Edds for dinner. Ida along home. We went to church in evening. Carlock men's quartet put on program. Took Mother home. Paul with her while we went to church.

Monday, August 13, 1951. Fair, warmer. Pete worked on henhouse in morning. Bailed at Roy's in p.m. I washed and ironed. Dressed chicken and cooked apples and fried chicken in evening. Pete and I carried 388 pullets in henhouse. Was tired. Got things ready for Springfield.

Tuesday, August 14, 1951. Mostly cloudy, hot and humid. Real cool in morning. CRs, Paul and I left at 6:45 for Springfield. Pete home, worked on henhouse and cut weeds. Allen got 4th on Susie and 14th on calf. Gordon took grand champion in junior show and open class. Paul and I home with Laura and May [Mohr]. Laurence [Mohr] with them too. CRs stayed for Jersey banquet. Boys are okay. Pete to board meeting in evening. Paul, Ida and I to Billys awhile.

Wednesday, August 15, 1951. Cloudy in morning. Damp. Fair in evening. I canned 6 quarts sweet pickles. Washed out some clothes. Allen sent his dirty ones home. Picked lima beans and canned 7 pints. Work in garden. Sowed more endive. Pete and I picked tomatoes in north truck patch. He cut weeds. Edgars, Mother and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Thursday, August 16, 1951. Cloudy and morning, sprinkled little. Cleared off toward evening. Pete went after Mother. We canned 37 pints corn and put 8 1/2 quarts in locker. Worked some on dress in evening. Pete cut weeds. He took Mother to town at 4:30 and took corn to locker. We canned 6 quarts tomato juice. Worked on my blue dress awhile, shortening it.

Friday, August 17, 1951. Fair, nice day, cooler. Baked cookies, coffee cake and apple dessert for supper. We went to town at 9:30. Paul at Mothers awhile and we ate lunch there. We looked at cars and I got black felt hat. Pete to Fagerburg's to see about their farm. I done cleaning in p.m. and finished my dress. Pete helped bail at Fowler's. Had good shower in evening at 6:00. Boys home from Springfield at 6:30. Ronnie got fourth, seventh and eighth on the barrows. Marie home in evening. I went to committee meeting at nurses home.

Saturday, August 18, 1951. Fair, cool, lovely day. I washed, had big one for boys. Picked lima beans and canned 6 pints. Done ironing. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom. Pete and boys cut weeds and went to bail at Roy's at 3:30. We all went to State Farm Park for supper. Edgars furnished everything. CRs, Mother, Marie and Uncle Charlie there, also Ida and Betty. We had a fine time. A lovely place.

Sunday, August 19, 1951. Fair, beautiful day, cool. We went to church. We all went to Roy's for dinner and supper. Mother, Marie, CRs and Aunt Martha there. Ida there for supper. Marie and I to town after Ida at 4:30. CR's to wedding in p.m.. Allen had date in evening. Roy took Mother and us home. Gordon to town, took Marie to train. I do here all night.

Monday, August 20, 1951. Clouded up, rained in p.m. I went to work at 7:00. Relieved Mrs. Rost on Hochstettler case. Ida washed. Most of things got dry. She ironed to. Pete to town to Dr. had hemorrhoids opened. He looked for car. I went with him at 3:00. Edds came at 6:00, got sweet corn. I baked cake after supper and we made salad. Boys hauled manure in morning.

Tuesday, August 21, 1951. Fair, cool. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and Ronnie to town. Ronnie registered at school. Pete got Chevrolet, 1951, 4-door, had 6000 miles on it. Gray-green. Nice car and are glad to get it. Paul at Mothers. He and Ray mowed her lawn. They went to show in p.m. Allen came after boys, Ida and I. We went to Goodwill-Friendship Circle picnic at Chester Millers.

Wednesday, August 22, 1951. Fair, cool, 48 to 50°. Beautiful day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys hauling some manure. Pete to Dr. in p.m. He's better. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice after got home. Pete to church in evening to work. I went to Dorothy's. Mother along. She combed our hair. Ronnie to ball game at Corvell with Laeschs. Allen and Paul home.

Thursday, August 23, 1951. Fair, fine day, real cool. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys hauled manure and dug potatoes. Ida along home. We canned 9 pints lima beans. Edgars here in evening. Got 2 chickens (from locker), sweet corn, apples and tomatoes to take to Paul's [Thietjes]. Allen had date with Shirley.

Friday, August 24, 1951. Fair, warmer in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. She done cleaning. I baked cake, cookies, coffee cake and we cooked apples. Boys to dentist at 8:00. Pete came after us at 3:00. We got groceries. Pete and boys cut weeds.

Pete, Ida and I to church in evening. Cleaned it. Allen took CRs car to Reesers to get Gordon.

Saturday, August 25, 1951. Cloudy, showered little. Went to work at 7:00. Pete helped with Mrs. Augspurgers sale. Paul at Mothers. She went to sale a while, but rained so she didn't stay. Pete bought two little tables and gas stove. Dressed chicken in evening. Allen mowed part of alfalfa. Got off case.

Sunday, August 26, 1951. Cloudy, showered some. Went to church and to Belvidere reunion for dinner. Pete and I to nurses commencement at our church and to nurses home. Helped at reception. I was in charge. Had big crowd and little short of help. Pete helped awhile. Ida along home. Got ready for company. Phils and Mrs. Mailer, Harolds and Lily and Earl Kaufmans here for lunch. Phils thought it was after supper, didn't come until late. Boys practiced. Allen had date.

Monday, August 27, 1951. Mostly cloudy. Wash clothes. Dried slow. Had big wash. Ironed some but didn't get done. Pete to building committee meeting. Mother and I to Dorothy's. She combed my hair. Boys home, done dishes.

Tuesday, August 28, 1951. Foggy in morning, fair in p.m.. Hot and humid. Finished ironing. Mowed alfalfa. Went to town in p.m. to nurses home. Got ready for homecoming and banquet. Had Western round up theme. Everyone dressed in gingham and cottons. It was real nice. Phil, Earl, Harold and Pete saying. Norman [Vercler] played organ during dinner. Carlock served. We took a bail of straw in for queen and attendants. CRs, Paul and Mother to Chicago and Brookfield zoo. Got home at 12:30.

Wednesday, August 29, 1951. Rained early in morning, about 1 inch. I cleaned up house and baked cake. Missionary meeting here in p.m. Pete and boys worked some on barn foundation. Pete to town to bank. We went to ice cream supper at church in evening. I furnished cake. Mother along. Edgars there a while. Cleared \$86. We had choir practice too. Ronnie to ballgame. Allen home.

Thursday, August 30, 1951. Fair, hot and humid, 90°. I picked lima beans and canned 8 pints, 3 quarts mixed pickles. Pete and boys bailed 4 loads of hay. Roy bought all the hay. CR gone, also Gordon. I went to Mothers in evening. Dorothy fixed our hair. Edds here awhile in evening. Made plans for going to Ohio.

Friday, August 31, 1951. Fair, hot and humid, 92°. I washed and done cleaning. Baked cookies and cake. Fix lunched for men. They finished bailing our hay, sure glad to get it up, awfully hot for them. I went after Ida at 5:00. We all went to Phils for supper, except Ronnie had ball game. Ida here all night. Her vacation starts. Dressed chicken.

Saturday, September 1, 1951. Cloudy, much cooler. Dave got here from Goshen at 7:00 a.m. We done Saturday work. Got things ready for dinner. Went to Ropp Reunion at Miller Park. Took Mother along. CRs didn't go. Marie and Darlene Moser came home

in p.m. Edgar got them at train. We done some shopping up town. We all went to CRs in evening to picnic supper. Edgars and Roy's there too. Allen and Gordon had dates.

Sunday, September 2, 1951. Cloudy, real cool. We all went to church and to Mothers for dinner. I took lima beans and tomatoes. She had ham. Dave and Ida along. CR's there. We all went to Edds in evening for lunch. Billys here awhile at chore time.

Monday, September 3, 1951. Cloudy, cool. Washed. Dried starched clothes in basement. Other things tried pretty good except overalls. Done ironing and packed Allen's trunk. Pete took it to depot at 4:30. He and boys finished fixing foundation on barn. Edgars, Mother, Marie and Darlene here awhile in evening. Dot combed my hair. Boys to 4-H meeting. Allen done Phil's chores. Dave and Ida left for Missouri at 4:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 4, 1951. Mostly cloudy, cool. Cleaned up house. Went to truck patch. Got one half bucket peaches. Pete and Allen picked tomatoes, around 20 bushels. Got Roy's truck and took them to town. Allen took them in. Pete and I in car. We done some shopping. Allen to Dr. *Halub* (sp?). Ronnie and Paul to school in morning, home at noon. Pete mowed lawn. I dressed chicken in evening and packed our clothes and finished packing Allen's.

Wednesday, September 5, 1951. Partly cloudy, cool. Edds, Allen, Pete and I left home at 8:30 40 Ohio. Got to Mary's at 4:00. Got along fine. Ronnie and Paul to school. They are doing chores. Rained some right at Marvins. Sure dry out here in Ohio. Edgars took Mother out to stay with the boys.

Thursday, September 6, 1951. Mostly cloudy, real cool, fair in evening. We took our lunch went to Urbana. Ate lunch with Marvin where he works at Johnson's factory. Went on to Springfield awhile and back to Mary's. Washed out some of Allen's clothes. We all went to Paul Yoder's for supper. Ronnie busy, taking care of little pigs.

Friday, September 7, 1951. Cleared off in p.m. Real chilly, looks like fall. We left Mary's at 8:45 for Bluffton. We stopped at Lima to see the Glen Martins, but wasn't home. We got to Bluffton at 11:00. Took Allen to Ropp Hall where he is staying. Helped him get settled. We went uptown for lunch. Allen ate at college. He took tests in p.m. We stopped to see [Rev.] Alvin Beachys awhile. Edds & Mary with us to Bluffton. Got back at 5:45. We ate at Maple Dairy in evening.

Saturday, September 8, 1951. Fair, some warmer. Helped Mary do some baking in morning and washed out some things for Allen. We went to children's home in p.m. and to Ohio Caverns. Saw Jim Stuckey. He was our guide. We stopped up town a while. Went to Dan Yoder's for supper. Mother to town in morning with Mabel. Allen having some tests.

Sunday, September 9, 1951. Beautiful day. Marvins, Edds and we went to Bluffton for church. Allen, his roommate, Zehr boy, and Jim Rogers (colored) there too. We were at Beachys for dinner. Allen and Jim there too. Mary took chicken, cake and pudding.

Boys left for college at 2:30. They had freshman hike. Edds and we left Beachys at 2:40 for home. Got home at 10:00 p.m. Got along OK, but lots of traffic. Rained some from Goodland, Indiana on home. Mother here with boys. Edds stayed all night. Hated to leave Allen. Had more pigs. Boys to church.

Monday, September 10, 1951. Rained some in morning. Cleared off at noon. Edds home in morning. Pete to town, he's on grand jury. He took Mother home. Boys to school. Sure lonesome and miss Allen so much. I picked tomatoes. Canned 22 quarts tomato juice and washed out hand washing. We picked some tomatoes in evening.

Tuesday, September 11, 1951. Fair, fine day. Washed, had a big one. Housecleaning things from upstairs. Done ironing in p.m. Pete to town all day on grand jury. Boys to school. I went to Goodwill Circle at Goldie Rapps. Laura and May [Mohr] along.

Wednesday, September 12, 1951. Fair and morning, real windy. Rained at 5:30. I cleaned boys room upstairs and attic in morning. Canned 7 quarts peaches and 2 pints preserves in p.m. Pete helped Ernie [Fowler] shell corn in morning and picked tomatoes in p.m.

Thursday, September 13, 1951. Fair, fine day, real cool. Cooked apples. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Dammons. Mabel and I had PTA committee meeting at Eugene Field. Pete to town in morning. Took tomatoes to cannery and worked at church, helped Cecil Raber. Mother home with me. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Friday, September 14, 1951. Fair, cool. Pete and I picked up peaches and got grapes in morning. I made 12 glasses grape jelly in morning. Pete to town, worked at church until noon. Mother home with him. We canned 25 quarts peaches and 12 pints peach conserve in p.m. We took Mother home in evening. Pete and boys shucked load of corn for hogs.

Saturday, September 15, 1951. Cloudy and morning, real chilly, fair in p.m. I picked over a bucket of lima beans. Took Mother a bucket full. Pete, Paul and I to town at 10:00. Paul mowed Mother's lawn. We ate lunch at Mothers. Ronnie worked with hogs and helped CR unload hay. I baked cookies and coffee cake in p.m. and finished cleaning. Paul done some of it in morning. Edgars, Pete and I to Streator at 6:00. Met Ida at train at 7:15 (daylight time). We ate at Pines and went to Edgar's friends awhile. Boys home.

Sunday, September 16, 1951. Fair, fine day, cool. 42° in morning. We went to church. Home for dinner. Ronnie worked on record books. Had cow with milk fever in evening. Had vet out. We picked up some peaches and was out in field awhile.

Monday, September 17, 1951. Nice day, cool. Washed and done ironing. Pete worked at the pond some, digging for tile. Pete and I to town in evening awhile. Took eggs in and got groceries. Boys home.

Tuesday, September 18, 1951. Fair, cool. I made 11 bottles catsup and 11 pints chili sauce. Baked angel food cake and apples. Got things ready for picnic supper. Pete and I to town, got 4 nurses, took them to North Danver's Church to picnic. Boys home.

Wednesday, September 19, 1951. Partly cloudy. I went on case at 7:00. Marie Hastings had all resection. Got along fine. Has [l... unintelligible] tube and IV's. [Nurses] K. Mishler and [Irene] Dovel on too. Pete and I to town in evening. Good Will peeled tomatoes at Rich's canning company. Home Bureau there too. Ida along home in p.m. She helped peel tomatoes. Got home at 12:00. Sure was tired. Paul at Dicky Miller's all night.

Thursday, September 20, 1951. Fair, warmer, rather windy. Went to work at 7:00. Ida had day off. She washed and ironed, dressed chicken and baked pie. We canned 8 quarts peaches and 4 pints preserves after I got home. Edgars fixed Ida's hair and got apples. I got things ready for supper. We went to Eugene Field PTA supper. Marie [Hastings] feels tough. Had letter from Allen, he's OK.

Friday, September 21, 1951. Partly cloudy, warm and windy. To work at 7:00. Sure kept busy. Marie feels bad but condition good. Pete took me to work. He went to town to sail. Bought hogs. Ronnie to ball game at U. High. Band played. He came home with CRs. I cleaned bedrooms and planted some lily bulbs. Went to choir practice in evening. Rained in night.

Saturday, September 22, 1951. Cleared off in morning, much cooler. Pete took me to work. He and Ronnie worked at church [on] lawn. Paul at Mothers. She and Ida along home. Edgars came out. He and Pete went to Ziebarts. Made 5 gallons of cider. Dorothy fixed my hair and combed Mother's. Ida cleaned up living room. Marie had another miserable day.

Sunday, September 23, 1951. Fine day, real cool, cloudy in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Boys to church. Home for dinner. Edds and Owen Kenagys here in p.m. They went with Pete to get Ida and I at work. Boys at CRs playing. Edds left at 5:00. Ida, Pete and I to church in evening. Frieda Gingerich showed pictures of Africa.

Monday, September 24, 1951. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Marie feeling much better. I baked cookies, coffee cake and apple crisp. Pete worked on tile at pond. Done hand washing in evening.

Tuesday, September 25, 1951. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We washed. Hung everything except overalls outside. Some dried. Finished sheets and pajamas in basement. Had fire in fireplace. Ironed some in evening. Pete working around home.

Wednesday, September 26, 1951. Partly cloudy, very windy all day. Had storm at 7:30 in evening. Blew terribly hard. Broke some limbs down. Phone out. Trees and several buildings blown down around here. I worked at hospital. Marie doing fine, up in chair.

Pete to town. Ida home with us. We finished ironing. Ida had day off. She helped can at church, Missionary Society. We went to choir practice. Ronnie to FFA meeting. Ida and Paul to Mothers. Dressed chicken, baked cake.

Thursday, September 27, 1951. Fair, cold, 32°, some frost. Went to work at 7:00. Got off Marie's case had 3:00. She's fine, up and around. Pete cleaned up limbs and sticks from storms and picked tomatoes. Got things ready for supper. We went to PTA potluck at high school. I was on table committee. Stopped at Krugers [local vet], have sick cow.

Friday, September 28, 1951. Fair, Chile, 34°. I canned 12 quarts tomato juice. Cleaned up boys' room. Cleaned attic and guest room and stairway in p.m. and cleaned the fruit room in basement. Had a full day. Pete to Kerrick in morning, got corn. Dug for some tile in p.m. and helped me in basement. We went to Friendship Circle wiener roast at ISNU picnic ground and went to church for program. Ronnie to game at Clinton with CRs.

Saturday, September 29, 1951. Fair, cool. Paul and I done cleaning. I went to town at 9:30 to bank and got Mother, Bruce Barber and two other boys. Pete and boys worked with apples. Picked some and made cider. Had Ziebart's cider press. I dressed 2 chickens for dinner. Hospital called at noon, wanted me to come on with Marie Hastings. She was ready to go home and took suddenly sick, pains in abdomen and temp went up. I went in before 1:00. Katherine M. on at 3:00. Ida home with me. We sorted apples while. Boys here for supper. I took them all home after supper. Turned clocks back to standard time.

Sunday, September 30, 1951. Cloudy, showered most of day. Went to work at 7:00. Marie felt some better in p.m. Dr. thinks it's a kidney infection. Ida had day off. She, Pete and boys to church. They were home for dinner. Pete after me in p.m. Boys at Fowler's in p.m. awhile. Paul stayed all night with Paul Ray [Fowler].

Monday, October 1, 1951. Fair, cool. Went to work at 7:00. Ida came along home. We washed in evening, some dried outside. Put rest in basement. I ironed some after supper. Pete to town in p.m.. Took eight bushels apples to cold storage.

Tuesday, October 2, 1951. Fair, real cool. I went to work at 7:00 Ida along home. We finished ironing. Edgars here for supper. She fixed our hair. Pete worked on tile. He went to meeting at church in evening. Marie feeling better. Got off case.

Wednesday, October 3, 1951. Cloudy in morning. Fair, windy and real warm. Pete to church. Seeded church lawn. Home at noon with John Miller. I got Mother. We made 12 1/2 quarts apple butter. I washed bedding for housecleaning from two bedrooms. Had big day. We took Mother home and went to choir wiener roast at Mary Lou Baughman. Had choir practice too.

Thursday, October 4, 1951. Fair, windy, real warm. I cleaned two bedrooms and waxed floors and done ironing. Another big day and was tired. Pete helped paint Roy's hay loader in morning. Paul Ray [Fowler] here all night.

Friday, October 5, 1951. Fair, warm. Mabel and I to mothers at 8:30. Cleaned her living room and washed windows on outside. I went to auxiliary meeting at nurses home. Pete to town with Roy at noon. Ida along home. I cleaned up living room in evening. Ida pressed her curtains and put them up in west bedroom. We went to ballgame at NCHS. They got beat.

Saturday, October 6, 1951. Cloudy, rained most of day. Windy in evening, real chilly. I baked 3 pies, 2 for PTA sale. Baked apples and made fudge and sent it to Allen. Cleaned bathroom and top cupboards in kitchen. Took baked apples to Marie Hastings in evening. She's feeling pretty good. Pete and Ronnie worked in barn. Pete took pies to town in morning, also eggs.

Sunday, October 7, 1951. Cloudy, cool, showered some. We went to church. Ate lunch in town. Went to George's a while. Got cheese. Ida along home. Ate lunch before men chored. We went to church in evening. Ronnie to youth meeting. Ida to town.

Monday, October 8, 1951. Fair, nice day. Washed and done ironing. Pete working on tile. I aired bedding in hall. I do, Pete and I to Symphony. Heard *Lauritz* (sp?) Melchoir. Was very good.

Tuesday, October 9, 1951. Cloudy in morning, fair. I cleaned hall, living and dining rooms. Waxing floors. Big day. I went to Goodwill Circle at church. Laura [Mohr] along. Pete and boys home.

Wednesday, October 10, 1951. Fair, cool. I cleaned the kitchen and washed storm windows and put them on in kitchen. Another big day. Went to choir practice. Pete worked on tile. Ida here all night.

Thursday, October 11, 1951. Fair, warm. Ida washed and I cleaned china cabinet and dining room. We washed car and went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Eugene Otto's. I washed storm windows and windows outside. Ida ironed. We all went to stunt show at NCHS. Had big crowd. Sophomore got prize.

Friday, October 12, 1951. Fair, warm. Done cleaning. Waxing kitchen and bathroom floors. We went to town in p.m. Pete drove a tractor for NCHS homecoming parade. Allen came home with George Bohrer and got to town at 6:00. We met him and all went to game. Pontiac won. Allen had date. We went to Mothers while. CRs, Laura and May [Mohr] there too. We had ice cream and cake for CRs anniversary. Marie home. She and her Mother to game too.

Saturday, October 13, 1951. Fair, warm. I washed for Allen. Baked cake and pie and nut bread. I went to town at 12:30, had hair fixed. Took Mother and Marie uptown. Ida

along home. We made salad, iced cake and cooked cranberries. Ida ironed some but iron didn't heat. Finished ironing at Mothers. Ronnie and Allen to surprise wiener roast for Allen at Carlock. Ronnie and Wilbur S. took tractor and hayrack. CRs and we to Mothers. Had supper in basement. Minnie there too. Had nice time.

Sunday, October 14, 1951. Fair, fine day. Got things ready for dinner. We all went to church. Mother, Marie, CRs, Roy's and Minnie and Edds here for dinner and lunch. Allen had date. He took Mother home and Marie to train. Edds and we to church. Roanoke men's chorus gave program at our church. Real good. Roy's and Mabel to meeting at the Baptist Church. We came home with Mabel.

Monday, October 15, 1951. Fair, fine day. Allen left at 4:00 Bluffton. Pete took him to George's. His stay seemed so short. I washed. Went to town at 2:00. Took Ronnie's band uniform. They played uptown for Community Chest. Went to Mothers and done some of my ironing. Brought Ronnie and Paul home at 5:15. Pete to town in morning. He started shucking corn at CRs in p.m.

Tuesday, October 16, 1951. Fair, warm, rather windy. I got Allen's laundry bag ready. He didn't have room to take it back. Worked in basement awhile in recreation room. Pete shucking corn at CRs. Mabel and I and Mother to Wayne Birkelbaw's at 1:00. Picked apples for Home Bureau.

Wednesday, October 17, 1951. Fair, lovely day, warm. I finished cleaning basement in morning. Went to club meeting at Forest Park. Losers entertained winners. Had chili. I was loser. Pete shucking corn at CRs. We went to choir practice in evening. Paul at Mothers.

Thursday, October 18, 1951. Cloudy, colder, showered some in evening. Went to town at 8:00. Ronnie to dentist. I went to Washington, Illinois to women's meeting with Clara Brodbeck. Had a very good meeting and enjoyed the day. Pete shucking corn at Roy's in p.m. We went to PTA meeting at Eugene Field. Ronnie to high school. On stage crew for play.

Friday, October 19, 1951. Fair, nice day, real cool. Done cleaning and some baking. We went to town in p.m. Got Ronnie at school and got him an overcoat. We went to ballgame in evening. Trinity with NCHS, tied.

Saturday, October 20, 1951. Partly cloudy, chilly. Done Saturday work. Canned 3 quarts pears and 1 pint preserves. Done some baking. Pete started shucking corn here. I went to town in p.m. Got pair of shoes. Ida along home. Pete and I to amateur musical program. La Traviata, opera. Real good. Hoovers gave us tickets. Ida along to town.

Sunday, October 21, 1951. Beautiful day, warm or. I went to work at 8:00. Mrs. Mauney, accident case, very bad. Pete and boys to church. They took their lunch and went to Mackinaw River and to see Mr. Rocke. Ida came along home. Stayed all night.

Monday, October 22, 1951. Cloudy, rained some. Went to work at 7:00. Mrs. Mauney passed away at 11:30. I got home at 1:30. Ate lunch and washed in p.m. Hung clothes in basement. Pete worked in hen house. Ronnie to NCHS in evening, play practice. He's on stage crew. We went to Mothers. Edgars there, also Ida. Dot fixed Ida's hair and combed Mother's.

Tuesday, October 23, 1951. Rained nearly all day. Windy and chilly. I Dunn ironing in morning. Went to town in p.m. Got new dress (red) and got permanent. Ida along home. We went to Friendship Circle at John Miller's in Normal. Hard time party and had auction. Charles King auctioneer. Had nice time. Boys home in evening.

Wednesday, October 24, 1951. Fair, nice day. I went to Mothers in morning. We canned 24 quarts pears. Went to Mrs. Mauney's funeral in p.m. Mother home with me. We made 6 pints marmalade. Edgars here too. They got apples and tomatoes. Stayed for supper. Pete worked in hen house. We went to choir practice in evening. Paul at Mothers. Ronnie to school. Play practice.

Thursday, October 25, 1951. Fair, warmer. Baked two pies for auxiliary chili supper. Baked cookies and done all of cleaning. Went to town and 2:45. Took eggs and got groceries. Went to nurses home at 4:30. Marie and I had to charge of gift counter. Sold lots of candy. It took in \$68.00. Pete, boys and Mother there for supper too. Pete to PTA. Ronnie to play practice. I stayed for alumni meeting. Paul to Mothers.

Friday, October 26, 1951. Partly cloudy, fair in p.m. Ronnie and I left at 10:00 for Bluffton. Went with Carol Diller, John S[tutzman] and Len Smuckers along too. Got to Bluffton at 6:30 Eastern time. Ronnie and I to Beachys. Ate supper there. Went to Ropp Hall. Marvins there for us. Allen played with pep band for pep session and square dance. I went home with Marvins. Ronnie stayed with Allen at dorm. Pete worked around home. Paul stayed all night at Mothers.

Saturday, October 27, 1951. Cloudy, misted some here. Rainy in Bluffton. I went to Bluffton with Carol Stuckey. Had crowning of queen, tug-of-war, ballgame and Don Cossack chorus. I watched ballgame from car. Sure was wet and cold. I ate at dorm at noon and evening. Stayed with Mrs. Vercler awhile, went to chorus with them. Allen ushered at chorus. I stayed all night at Beachys. Ronnie stayed at dorm, he and Jim Stutzman together. Pete shucked corn here. Mother and Paul came in morning. Pete and Paul to play at NCHS in evening.

Sunday, October 28, 1951. Fair, colder, rather windy. Went to church. Allen in choir. Marvins to Bluffton, went to church too. They, Allen, Ronnie, Jim Stutzman and I went uptown to eat. Had nice visit. Went to dorm, had open house. Went to Vesper service at 3:00. Allen saying with choir. We started home at 3:45 our time. Got home at 11:30. Pete and Paul to church and to Mothers for dinner. CRs there too. Ray [Ropp] here in evening.

Monday, October 29, 1951. Fair and morning, rained in p.m. I washed, had big one. Had Allen's washing. Done ironing in p.m.. Finished after supper. Pete finished shucking corn in east field. Ernie [Fowler] shucked in p.m. Pete worked around here. He and Ronnie to town in evening. Took Ronnie to Sunday School party.

Tuesday, October 30, 1951. Mostly cloudy, showered some in evening, colder. I went to work at 7:00, cataract, Mrs. Winters. Took Allen's laundry to post office in evening. Pete worked at pond.

Wednesday, October 31, 1951. Cloudy, chilly. Canned 5 quarts pears (red and green), made 4 pints preserves. Went to missionary meeting at Mabel's in p.m. Pete starting shucking corn here while before noon. He helped at Roy's in morning. We went to choir in evening. Paul at Mothers. Picked up some apples. Duncan M[illers] here got six bushels apples.

Thursday, November 1, 1951. Partly cloudy. Baked cookies and cooked pumpkin. Went to town with Pearl at 8:30. Helped at a rummage sale for auxiliary for two hours. Done all of cleaning except kitchen and bath. Sent Allen some cookies. Baked two pies and coffee cake. Was outside a while. Covered endive etc. Pete shucking corn here.

Friday, November 2, 1951. Fair, much colder in p.m. and evening. Mabel and I & Pearl to Chicago with Home Bureau. Four busloads left at 5:30. Went to Carson Pirie Scott warehouse, Olson's Rug Co., Motorola TV, uptown to shop and to see South Pacific in evening. Mabel and I met Marie at 5:30 and she took us out to supper. We got to Bloomington at 3:00 a.m. Had nice trip only our feet and legs got so cold on bus. Pete finished shucking here at 3:00 p.m. He moved potatoes in and some endive. Ronnie to ballgame in evening. Pete and Paul at Mothers.

Saturday, November 3, 1951. Cold, snowed and load, 6° above at 3:00 a.m. when we got home from Chicago. Some change. I was kinda tired and sleepy. Baked cake. Got ready for company. Norman and Mary Lou [Vercler], Herman Ballers here for supper. Pete to town in p.m. Ida home with him. She went back with Norman. Aunt Ella Ropp died.

Sunday, November 4, 1951. Fair, cold, 10° above. Some warmer during day. We went to church. Ate dinner at Mothers. Pete brought Ronnie and Paul home while Mother and I done dishes. Pete, Mother and I to funeral home to see Aunt Ella Ropp. Ida home with us. We went to church in evening. Took Ida home.

Monday, November 5, 1951. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., cold. Washed and hung towels, underwear and overalls outside, dried good. Pete helped shuck at Roy's in morning. Rufus Ropp here a while after lunch. We went to town in p.m. I done some shopping. Pete to blood bank, donated pint blood. We got new iron. Ida along home. Here all night. Ronnie to FFA basketball game with Eddie [Fowler].

Tuesday, November 6, 1951. Snowed, blowed all day, 22°. We ironed and made rolls. We went to town at 12:45. Ida along home. Mother and we went to Aunt Ella Ropp's funeral at 2:00. Pete pallbearer, also CR and Roy. We went to cemetery. Pearl and Mabel along. Roy took pallbearers. Terrible day for funeral, snow deep and drifting. Had to be pulled with tractor between us and Oscars. L[awrence] Mishlers, Roys and Fowler girls all had to be pulled. Glad to get home. I was sick in evening.

Wednesday, November 7, 1951. Snowed and blowed in morning, fair in p.m., not so windy. Roads all drifted. No school buses running. Paul got up with mumps, has them on right side, doesn't feel bad. I cleaned up house, got dinner, mended in p.m. Pete and Ronnie shoveled snow, chored and moved some hog houses and sorted some apples. Choir called off.

Thursday, November 8, 1951. Fair, some warmer. Paul getting mumps on the left side. Clarence took Mabel and I to Home Bureau. Went north to church then east to town. Got Mother. Took Ray and Ronnie to school. Road not open at Hilton's. Went through their field to get to Evelyn [Hilton]'s. Small crowd, 15 or 18 there. Mrs. Lystad there. CR stayed. Got boys at school. Our road south not open yet. Pete home with Paul. He felt sick at stomach in morning, better in evening.

Friday, November 9, 1951. Fair, snow melting some. Snowplow came from south at 10:30. Buses running. Ronnie to school. Paul getting along OK. I baked cake and cookies. Done cleaning. Sent box cookies to Allen also his overshoes. Pete town in p.m. He and I to Ida's in evening for supper. Had waffles and sausage. Mother, Edgars and Betty [Gurtner] there too. Ronnie home with Paul. Sorry they couldn't go but they didn't mind.

Saturday, November 10, 1951. Partly cloudy. Then Saturday work. Pete to Champaign to ballgame. CRs had ticket. He went with Del Scheider and came home with CRs. I went to town at 10:00. Lucy C[atherine] along. Ronnie home with Paul. He done chores in evening. Pete got home late nearly 8:00. Ida along home with me from town.

Sunday, November 11, 1951. Fair, nice day. Warm. Snow sure melted. We went to church. Paul to Mothers. He's better. Mother along home for dinner. Edds here too, and Ida. We took Mother and Ida to town in evening. Went to funeral home to see Louis Sieg, Uncle Charlie's brother. Boys home. Edds home at 4:30. Ronnie hunting in p.m.

Monday, November 12, 1951. Rain all morning, real windy. I washed and ironed. Dried everything in basement. Pete put eggs in cases. Worked outside awhile in p.m. Paul better, swelling going down.

Tuesday, November 13, 1951. Cloudy, windy. Rained hard in p.m.. Had tornadoes at Hopedale, Minier, Danvers and Hudson. We went to town in morning. Visited high school. Paul at Mothers. We ate dinner there. Went uptown a while in p.m. Paul getting better. I went to Goodwill Circle at church. Janette, Lucy C., Florence and Laura along. Had silent auction. Made over \$45.

Wednesday, November 14, 1951. Partly cloudy, windy. I went on case at 11:00. Worked until 7:00. (Miss *Youle* [sp?]), fractured shoulder. Pete worked around home. Paul home. We went to choir practice in evening. Paul to Mothers. Stayed all night.

Thursday, November 15, 1951. Partly cloudy, colder. Went to work at 7:00. Done Allen's laundry after got home. Pete worked around home. Paul home with me after work. Pete to men's meeting at church. I went to PTA at Eugene Field. Boys home.

Friday, November 16, 1951. I went to work at 7:00. Got off case at 3:00, wanted me longer. Paul at CRs. Pete helping Roys shuck corn. Done cleaning in evening and done ironing and dressed goose for Dorothy. Baked cake. Ida to Ohio with E. Stuckey. Left around 3:00 p.m. cloudy, snowed in p.m. and evening. Chilli. Ronnie to Dramatics party in evening. Pete took he and Nancy M[o]hr in. Floyd [Mohr] got them.

Saturday, November 17, 1951. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m., chilly. I went to town at 8:00. Helped make sandwiches and pack 1000 lunches for 4-H achievement at Wesleyan gym. Got done at 11:00. Pete and I took Edgar's goose out. Ate lunch there. Went to George's [Cheese House] awhile. Ronnie to 4-H, he was county project honor member. Allen county state outstanding member. We went to Carlock, voted on bond issue for Unit Five building program. Was defeated. Made salad and done cleaning in evening. Got Paul coat.

Sunday, November 18, 1951. Nice day, cold, 10° above in morning. We went to church. Mrs. *Baner* (sp?), China missionary, spoke in morning. Had basket dinner at noon. Good crowd. Children gave Thanksgiving program. F. Gingerich spoke to them. Paul spoke a piece. Mother there. We took her home. Paul stayed there until went to church in evening. A. E. Kreider showed pictures in evening.

Monday, November 19, 1951. Fair, cold, warmed up some. Washed, hung some things outside. They dried. Done ironing in p.m. Pete shuck corn at CRs. Edgars and mother here for supper. She fixed our hair. Mother stirred up cookies for me. Marvin K[ropf] called, said that they and Orvies were coming for Thanksgiving if it was okay. Called Mary and asked them to come. Paul to school again.

Tuesday, November 20, 1951. Partly cloudy, windy, chilly. I went after Mother at 8:00. We dressed 10 geese, 5 chickens in morning. Mother cleaned up house in p.m. I baked cake, cookies and coffee cake. Pete shucked corn at CRs in p.m. Pete, Ida and I to amateur musical club in evening. Helen P[atton] gave us tickets. They couldn't go. She called again had two more tickets so Laura and May [Mohr] went along. We took Mother home. Boys home.

Wednesday, November 21, 1951. Partly cloudy, windy. I delivered poultry in morning. Went to Mothers for lunch and club meeting at K. Mishler's. Pete finished shucking corn at CRs. Glad they are done. Ronnie and I to choir practice. Pete had cold. Marvin Yoder's got here at 9:30 and Marvin Kropfs and Irvins (Orvies didn't come) got here at

10:00. Allen got here at 10:30. Came with George. Marvin Yoders went to Ida's, stayed all night. Pete and I slept upstairs. Ronnie and Paul slept on the floor. Ida home with me in p.m.. We made salad and cleaned the kitchen and bathroom. I iced cake in morning.

Thursday, November 22, 1951. Cloudy, chilly. Edds, Marvin K[rope]s, Ervins, Marvin Y[oder]'s, and Billys here for dinner. Had goose. Ida worked, got off at 3:00. They all stayed for lunch. Had nice day. Sorry Orvie couldn't be with us. Irvin's home with Edds. The Marvins and Ida here all night. We went to CRs while in evening, after Edds, Ervins and Billys left. We were to spend Thanksgiving there. Roy's, Marie, Mother and Aunt Martha there. Allen and Ronnie to church in morning. Allen had date in evening.

Friday, November 23, 1951. Cloudy in morning fare in p.m.. Marvin K[rope]s left at 9:30. Took Ida to town. She went to work at 10:00. Marvin Y[oder]s to Edds for lunch. Left at 12:00 for home. Their stay was so short. I washed after they all left. Pete to Louis King's funeral at 1:30. Mother along, also Paul. He stayed there all night. Ray there too. Boys raked corn bins at Kerrick. Boys and I to Mothers awhile in evening. Pete to see Hoover.

Saturday, November 24, 1951. Partly cloudy, done Saturday work. We went to town at 10:00. Ronnie home, has mumps but feels OK. Isn't swelled much. We took Mother, Marie and the boys to see Santa Claus Parade. Marie and I to hospital she had *diatheramy* (sp?) for her back. We ate lunch at mothers. Late when we got home, 3:30. I done ironing. Ronnie home all day. Rest of us to Mothers for supper. CRs there too. Gordon and Allen doubled dated. They were at Mothers for supper. Paul home with us.

Sunday, November 25, 1951. Rained and drizzled. We all went to church except Ronnie. Mother and Marie home with us for dinner. Had waffles and sausage. Pete took Marie to train at 2:50. Mother along home. Allen had date in evening. Ronnie feels OK.

Monday, November 26, 1951. Fair, colder. Allen left with George B. for Bluffton at 4:00 a.m. I washed and ironed. Ronnie swollen a little more. Has [mumps] on both sides. Doesn't feel bad. Paul to school. Pete to Carlock in evening with Walter Yoder to men's meeting and chili supper. Dr. Fretz spoke. I went to church to shower for Mary Lou Baughman. She got lots of gifts. Was surprise on her. Ida along home, here all night.

Tuesday, November 27, 1951. Nice day, warmer. Ida washed and we washed feathers too. We dressed 4 chickens for Good Will. Got Allen's laundry ready to mail. Ida and I to Lois Millers to missionary meeting at 10:00. Had all day meeting. Pete to Hudson, worked on bins. Ronnie home. Getting along OK. We went to Friendship Circle at church. Pete elected new president.

Wednesday, November 28, 1951. Fair, chilly. We went uptown in morning and to production credit dinner at Wesleyan. I went to church at 1:30. Helped get dinner for Ed Ingles 50th wedding anniversary. Good Will served. Got along OK. We had choir practice too. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday, November 29, 1951. Partly cloudy. Nice day. I went after Mother in morning. We made fruitcake and made *spriegelies* (sp?). I baked ginger cookies too and pie. Ronnie OK. I went to alumni meeting. Pete to Farm school. Transplanted African violets. We took Mother home. Boys home. Pete helped take [corn] picker off tractor in morning and finished bins at Hudson in p.m.. Cleaned up stairs.

Friday, November 30, 1951. Fair, nice day. I cleaned my bedroom and helped clean eggs. We went to town at 10:30. Pete to bank, etc. He came home at noon, plowed truck patch. Mother and I uptown a while. Went to Farm Bureau at 2:00. Helped get supper for Drive Grove [Township] Farm and Home Bureau. Had chilli and oyster soup. Pete and Paul and Ida to supper. Ronnie home. Mrs. Anna Ropp died in Indiana.

Saturday, December 1, 1951. Nice day, done cleaning and Saturday work. Went to town at 11:00. Ronnie and Paul up town. Mother, Pete and I to Federal land Bank meeting to Farm Bureau. Up town a while after meeting.

Sunday, December 2, 1951. Partly cloudy, warm, nice day. We went to church and to Mothers for dinner and went to Anna Ropp's funeral at 3:00 at funeral home. Ida home with us. Went to Music Festival at Congerville in evening. Ida to town with Luella. Enjoyed the singing. We sang with choirs.

Monday, December 3, 1951. Cloudy and damp. Misted some. Warm, 60°. Washed and done ironing. Got things ready for supper. Baked sponge cake. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete plowed garden and plowed some at old pond. Pulled some stumps out. Ronnie to FFA basketball game in evening with Eddie [Fowler]. He went to school.

Tuesday, December 4, 1951. Fair, nice day. I went to town in morning. Done Christmas shopping. Pete plowed in morning. We went to Parke Stahly's funeral at North Danvers in p.m. Pete to men's fellowship in evening. I went to committee meeting at Marie Yoder's. Decided to order cabinets for kitchen at church. Ida along home, stayed all night. Ronnie home. Paul at Dicky Millers.

Wednesday, December 5, 1951. Fair, nice day. Ida washed. I stirred up rolls. We came to town at 10:00. Took Mother to Dr.. She has Tri-facial neuritis. Were home by noon. Baked rolls in p.m. Ida made an apron. She, Pete and I to Friendship and Good Will Circle Christmas dinner at Quality Café. Had nice time. Boys home. Pete plowed.

Thursday, December 6, 1951. Fair, warm, 60°. Windy, stormy in evening. Blew terribly hard. Hailed some at home. I went on case at 7:00. Mrs. Mitzelfelt (cataract) was in 206 Ward. Pete plowing. He had church board meeting in evening. I had committee meeting at Marie Hiesers to plan for Mary Lou B[aughman] reception. Went with Jeanette. Boys home. Mother feels some better.

Friday, December 7, 1951. Partly cloudy, little cooler. Went to work at 7:00. Pete finished plowing north field, 22 acres. I done some cleaning in evening. We put eggs in cases in evening. Took Mother to Dr. after got off work. He's giving her penicillin.

Saturday, December 8, 1951. Cloudy, snowed little, rained and sleeted some. I worked. Moved patient to 215. She's confused at times and nervous. Pete and boys to Creamery dinner at Wesleyan gym. Ida a long home in evening. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Mended some in evening. My patient got out of bed in night. Had slight hemorrhage in eye.

Sunday, December 9, 1951. Partly cloudy. I went to work at 7:00. Ida, Pete and boys to church. They were home for dinner. Jim Yoder along home. Pete and Ida got me at 3:00. We went to Cheese House awhile. We all went to church in evening. Had picture, was real good. Ida stayed in town. My patient had bad day, terribly confused and air rational, doesn't sleep.

Monday, December 10, 1951. Fair, nice day. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He and Paul to dentist at 8:15. Pete took Mother to Dr. in morning and went to Harold Birkelbaw sale. Ida along home in evening. We washed. I ironed some after supper. Patient still irrational, talks continuously.

Tuesday, December 11, 1951. Mostly cloudy, some snow flurries. Went to work at 7:00. Patient slept all day. Seems more rational when awake. Ida along home. We finished ironing. Baked cookies and baked cake and peach crisp. Packed Kathy Ann's gifts. Ronnie to basketball game with Fowlers. Pete shipped sows, ground feed etc.

Wednesday, December 12, 1951. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Iced cake before went to work. Patient better. I got things ready, dishes etc. to take to town. Went to choir practice. Choir had little party for Norman [Vercler] and Mary Lou [Baughman]. Had ice cream, cake (I furnished cake, mints and nuts). Gave them a desk pen set.

Thursday, December 13, 1951. Partly cloudy, Chile. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took me. He went up north to saw mill to see about lumber for hen house and went to town. Ida along home. I cleaned up stairs. We all went to program at NCHS. Band and choirs very good. Ronnie in band. We got our Christmas tree. Ida here all night.

Friday, December 14, 1951. Snowed and load most of day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked around home. I got home okay, drifted some in places. We went to Elmer's Siegs for supper. Edgars and Mother there too. I stayed all night at Ida's. Stopped at Mothers. Taped her back. She's having back trouble. I done cleaning in evening.

Saturday, December 15, 1951. Fair, cold, 8° below. Went to work at 7:00. Got off case. Pete and boys to town. Paul at practice at high school and he stayed with Mother. She isn't feeling good. I got penicillin and gave it to her. Ida along home. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We all went to Edgars for supper. Edds and Uncle Charlie there too. Mother not able to go. 18° below at 10:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 16, 1951. Partly cloudy, cold, 14° below. Didn't warm up much. We went to church in morning, home for dinner. Went to NCHS at 2:45. Paul had his Christmas program. Ida along home. We stopped at Maxwells. They celebrated their 50th anniversary. Addressed Christmas cards in evening.

Monday, December 17, 1951. Cloudy, snowed and blowed in evening. We washed and went to town at 12:00. Done shopping. Ida ironed some in evening. We went to symphony (duo pianists). We left at the half, roads were drifting, but got home okay. Ida stayed in town. Boys home. Wrapped packages and mailed them.

Tuesday, December 18, 1951. Mostly cloudy. Roads drifted. Buses didn't run. Boys home. I made 4 batches cookies and stirred up a batch. Finished ironing. We put up Christmas tree in evening. I finished writing Christmas cards. Sure tired. Normal opened road but still closed south of here.

Wednesday, December 19, 1951. Cloudy, real windy in evening. Snowed, blowing and drifting again. I baked cookies and date kisses in morning. Went to town at 10:30. Pete to meeting. I ate lunch at Mothers. We went to club meeting at Mrs. Mishler's. I gave cookie demonstration. Made press cookies and showed sample of others. Went to nurses home. Helped serve at personnel party. Pearl, Mabel and Nina along home. Roads bad, drifting. Made the table centerpiece and door piece.

Thursday, December 20, 1951. Cloudy, warmer, snowed some and rained some in p.m. Much colder in night and buses didn't run. Boys home. Snowplow went by in p.m. I made fudge, penuchi, divinity, mints and marshmallows. Wrapped gifts in evening. Pete and boys cleaned out some stalls. Boys dusted upstairs.

Friday, December 21 1951. Clear, snowed early in morning. 8° below. Blowing and drifting in morning. Allen called at 5 a.m. Was at depot, trains late. Were surprised but glad to hear he's home. School out day early on account of weather. Pete and Ronnie after him, got through yet. Snowplow went at 10:15 so Pete took boys to school yet. Quit blowing. I baked cookies, coffee cake, cherry torte and done cleaning. Waxed kitchen and bathroom. To choir practice in evening. Allen to see Shirley. Marie home in p.m. Dressed goose and two chickens.

Saturday, December 22, 1951. Partly cloudy, warmer. I washed. We went to town at 2:00. Paul at Mothers. Took her to get groceries. We ate sandwich there. I went with Allen, got him shoes for Christmas and went to Dorothy's. Had hair fixed. Ida along home. Allen had date. We done ironing in evening. Pete, boys and I had lunch at Edgars. Ida and Paul ate some supper here.

Sunday, December 23, 1951. Mostly cloudy, cold. We went to church and to Roys for dinner and supper. Had Ropp-Bohrer exchange. Mother, Marie, Ida and CRs there. We went to church in evening. Had choir Christmas program. Allen took Shirley too. We

all went back to Roys a while. Watched television. Ida stayed in town. Lucille and children got to Roy's at 8:30.

Monday, December 24, 1951. Cloudy, cold. I washed. We went to town awhile. Got ready for company. Edds, Edgars, Betty, Marie and Ida here. Also Shirley. Grandma wasn't able to come, is about down in her back. We had Kropf exchange. A nice Christmas. Edds and Ida stayed all night. Rained some in night. Had oyster stew and ice cream.

Tuesday, December 25, 1951. Everything covered with ice, cloudy, really slick out. Allen took some boxes to patents. We all went to Grandma's for dinner and supper. Mabel and I helped Marie with dinner. Mother didn't feel good. Ida there too. Edgars there for supper. We had nice time. Allen to Shirley's a while in p.m. then to Baughman's for supper and rehearsal for Mary Lou and Norman's wedding. Ida stayed in town.

Wednesday, December 26, 1951. Fair, cold. I done ironing in morning. We all went to Mary Lou Baughman and Norman Vercler's wedding at 3:00 p.m. at our church. Allen one of the ushers. Had a very nice wedding. We were at the reception too. I helped awhile. We all went to Pattons awhile in evening. Roads still very slick. Marie back to Chicago. Mother about same.

Thursday, December 27, 1951. Partly cloudy, cold. I wrote letters in morning. Pete, Paul and I to town at 1:00. Took Mother to hospital for diatheramy. Her back about same. I had physical at HP Sloan for nursing. Paul had checkup at hospital, Dr. Bailen. Has some *sinitis* (sp?). I gave him nose drops. Pete, Paul and I to alumni meeting in evening. Husbands invited because of icy roads. Ronnie, Allen to basketball tournament. Allen took Shirley.

Friday, December 28, 1951. Fair, some warmer, thawed some. Done cleaning and got ready for company. Pete and boys hauled manure and ground feed. Roy's, CRs, Ida here for supper. Also in Marilyn and Danny Goff. Grandma not able to come. Allen and Gordon to town after supper, had dates. I had ham loaf and ice cream. Ida stayed all night.

Saturday, December 29, 1951. Fair, warmer, melted a lot. Sure glad to see ice go. I washed. We went to town at 10:30. Pete took Ida to work early. Mother home with us at 1:30. Ronnie and Paul home. I done ironing in p.m. and roasted chickens for Mabel. We all went CRs for supper. Ida, Edgars, Paul T[hietjes], Louise K[ampmeier] and Nancy and Jack and Uncle Charlie [Sieg]. Had nice time. Allen to town. Practiced with quartet from Bluffton. Orlyn Zehr here all night. I had chest x-rayed.

Sunday, December 30, 1951. Cloudy, foggy, thawed. We all went to church in morning. Gospel Team from Bluffton gave program. Allen is baritone in quartet. Was very nice. Had good crowd. Mother and CRs there too. We were home for dinner. Orlyn here too. Pete took boys to town at 3:00. They left for Washington, Illinois to give program in

evening. Ida along home with Pete. We had planned to go to Washington but too foggy. We went to church in town. Took Ida home.

Monday, December 31, 1951. Cloudy, foggy early in morning, warm. Ice and snow really melted. We dressed 2 geese in morning for Neirstheimers. Pete took them to town. I washed, done ironing in p.m. Pete and I to Earl Kaufmans for supper. Phils and Heralds there too. Ronnie to Flanagan with Carol D[iller] and Luella M[ishler] to [New Year's] watch party. Paul with Ida. We went after them after we left Earls. Waited there for Ronnie. Ronnie to 4-H meeting in p.m. He was elected reporter.

Tuesday, January 1, 1952. Mostly cloudy, much colder, 18° above. Colder during the day. Ida washed her things and Mothers washing. Pete and I washed car. We all went to Edds for dinner. Edgars, Betty, Mother, and Billys there. Had big dinner. Turkey and all. We stopped to see Will S[chrock]. He isn't very good. Pete to Men's Fellowship in evening. Took Ida back to town. Gordon used car to get Roberta. Their car has pipe line frozen.

Wednesday, January 2, 1952. Cloudy, snowed in p.m. I done Mother's ironing and we went to town at 10:30. Took Mother to Dr., her back isn't any better. We ate lunch at her house. Pete to church to work. I helped Mother take her tree down. No choir practice in evening. So we went to Edgars. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Thursday, January 3, 1952. Fair. Cleaned upstairs. Took our tree down and cleaned living room. Baked cookies, coffee cake and date pudding. We went to Flanagan Church in evening. Gospel team from Bluffton there. Ida and Shirley went with us. Allen came home with us. Program good.

Friday, January 4, 1952. Friday, January 4, 1951. Cloudy, Chilly, rained some and icy in morning. Sleeted and snowed some. I washed for Allen. Went to town at 10:00. Took Mother to Dr. She's no better. Dr. wants her to go to hospital. We took her at 4:30. Giving her Diatheramy. I went to auxiliary meeting. Pete took Allen to children's home at Flanagan. They sang. Pete took them to Old People's Home and Hospital. We all went to Congerville in evening to hear them. Shirley and Ida along. Allen, Orlyn [Zehr] and Don Hostetler home with Allen. They took Shirley home. CRs have new car.

Saturday, January 5, 1952. Fair in a.m., foggy in p.m.. I done Allen's ironing. Boys here for dinner. They all left for Goodland, Indiana at 2:30. Enjoyed having Allen and the boys. Pete and I to town awhile. Stopped to see Mother. She's about same. Ida home with us. Cleaned the kitchen and bathroom. Done some washing. Aunt Tina passed away at 8 a.m.. Billys, Ida and I plan to go to funeral. Mary called in evening. She's going too. Pete to Laura [Mohr]'s in evening, committee meeting for Friendship Circle.

Sunday, January 6, 1952. Cloudy and real frosty and morning. Fair in p.m. Ida and I and Billys left at 8:45 for Chillicothe. Edd along to. Left car at depot. We got on train at 11:27. Got to Lawrence, [Kansas] at 6:10. Ernest met us. We were all at Karl [Klooz]'s for supper and all night. Went to funeral home to see Aunt Tina. She looks natural but so thin. Pete and boys to church. Boys home with CR. Pete at hospital to see Grandma. She's better. Merlin [Fowler] here all night. Paul at Paul Ray [Fowler]'s. Allen back to Bluffton after night program.

Monday, January 7, 1952. Fair, warmer. Orvies and Mary got two Karl's at 9:30. We all left for Lone Elm at 10:30. Ate lunch at Ludwig's. Uncle Ludwig's there too. Marvins and Ervies too. Funeral was at 2:00 at Methodist Church. Nice service. We all went back to Karl's. Marvins and Ervies went too, to spend evening. They and Ervies left at 8:00. We were all night at Karl's. First time our family was altogether for a long time. Pete worked at church awhile. Boys to school.

Tuesday, January 8, 1952. Fair. We left Karl's at 11:27. Got to Chillicothe at 4:40. Billy had flat tire going over so had to fix it before we could start home. Got to Edds at 8:40. Billys ate supper. We got home at 10:00. Pete and boys OK. Mother better. I was tired. Ida to town with Billys. Pete helped CR move his hay.

Wednesday, January 9, 1952. Mostly cloudy, chilly. I washed. Went to town awhile to see Mother. She's better. I ironed awhile when got home. Pete and I to choir practice. Paul at Dicky Miller's all night. Ronnie home working on speech. Pete got some coal in morning. Worked around barn. Wrote some letters in evening.

Thursday, January 10, 1952. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Dale Brennerman. Airplane accident. Both legs fractured, nose and jaw fractured. Burn compression and had tracheotomy. He's a pitiful looking site. A hard case. Pete worked on chicken house, putting in another floor. Lloyd Gundy helped him.

Friday, January 11, 1952. Partly cloudy. Snowed and sleeted a while in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Dale is better. Took x-rays of head. He can swallow blends. We left hospital at 1:20 p.m. for Woodlawn Hospital in Chicago. Stamper Ambulance took us. Mrs. Brennerman went along, also Mrs. Stamper. I had a box of equipment to take along. Doctors very nice to me, some experience. Dale stood trip real well. I came back with ambulance. Ate at Chicken Basket at Hinsdale. Got to Bloomington at 6:30. Stopped at hospital, returned pillows etc. and done some charting. Got home at 11:15. Pete worked on hen house.

Saturday, January 12, 1952. Fair, warmer. Done all of cleaning. Was pretty tired and worn out. Pete and I to town in p.m. Took Grandma home from hospital. Her back still kinda sore. Ronnie and Paul home. We went to basketball game at NCHS Paul stayed all night with Grandma. Fowlers to game with us. CR and Ray along home with us. Heard they moved Dale B. to Hines Hospital.

Sunday, January 13, 1952. Cloudy, foggy. We went to church in morning. Home for dinner. Paul to Fowler's awhile. Ronnie working on FFA speech. We went to church in evening. Sure foggy. Went to Walter Yoders awhile to see their pictures.

Monday, January 14, 1952. Cloudy, misted some. I washed and ironed. Pete worked around barn. He went after Ronnie and Ida at 4:00. Ronnie had play practice after school. Pete to Eugene Field to practice for minstrel. Ida and I to Dorothy's. Had our hair fixed.

Tuesday, January 15, 1952. Fair, nice day. Ida done her washing and we washed bedding. Done ironing. Baked rolls and three pies. Mended some. Pete ground feed. Ronnie to basketball game in evening. We took Ida to town and went to Carlock. Called on Claude Otto family. Claude passed away on Sunday.

Wednesday, January 16, 1952. Cloudy. Rather windy and chilly. Pete and I to *Orvil* (sp?) Miller's sale at 10:30. Took to pies. I helped at lunch counter. Pete, [unintelligible] and J. D. [Schertz] took stove and table to *Merna* (sp?) to Straubs for their sale. I done some mending. Pete and I to choir practice. Took Dorothy and Mrs. G[urtner] home from Mothers and took eggs tomorrow.

Thursday, January 17, 1952. Mostly cloudy, warm, near 70°. Colder in p.m. Wrote some letters and cleaned upstairs. Went to club meeting at Celia Patton's in p.m. Was postponed a day on account of sale. Put Christmas gifts away. Pete to farm school in evening. Boys and I to Mothers while. She's feeling better. Mabel and Ray there too.

Friday, January 18, 1952. Fair, cloudy in evening. We went to town in morning. Pete and CR settled up with Mother. I cleaned her living room. Went uptown a while. Boys home at noon, end of semester exams. I done cleaning. Baked cake and made salad and dressed chicken in p.m. Pete had committee meeting in evening. Mr. *Blunk* (sp?), Mrs. Davidson and Isabel Basting. Working on minstrel. Ronnie to basketball game with CR's. Band played.

Saturday, January 19, 1952. Rained early in morning, windy and warm. Cooked chicken in morning. Pete and I to town at 10:00. Went to Ernest Straub's sale at Merna. Good Will serve lunch. I helped. May and Clara Brodbeck along too. Ida along home with us. Got supper for company. Phil [Patton]s, Earl Mishlers, Mrs. Mishler and Luella [Mishler] here for supper. Had chicken with potato chips baked. Also made ice cream. Had nice time.

Sunday, January 20, 1952. Fair, colder. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Ida here. Had her day off. Edds here awhile in p.m. We went to church in evening.

Monday, January 21, 1952. Cloudy, rained in p.m. in evening. Froze some, rather slick. I washed and ironed. Pete worked around home. Boys in school.

Tuesday, January 22 1952. Cloudy, colder, rather slick in morning. I went on case at 7:00, Mr. Leigle from Morrisonville. Pete to John Schwartz's sale. Ida along home. We went to ballgame at NCHS, played U. High. We won. Pete bought 1 row corn picker at sale.

Wednesday, January 23, 1952. Cloudy, snow flurries. Went to work at 7:00. Got off case. Pete working on hen house. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie to ballgame at Carlock with Eddie [Fowler]. Paul at Mothers in evening. Allen left Bluffton for home. He stopped to see Marie.

Thursday, January 24, 1952. Cloudy, cold. Allen got home at 2:30 a.m. Came on train. Pete after him. I cleaned upstairs and bedrooms. Done Allen's washing in p.m., also Mothers sheets. Had big washing. Dave Yoder came at 3:00, sure surprised us. He's on way to GC. Allen and Dave got Ida and boys. Ida, Pete and I to chili supper at NCHS. Allen and Dave and Shirley to show. Ida and I to PTA meeting. Pete to farm school.

Ronnie and Paul home. Ray with them. Ida here all night. Dressed 2 chickens. Took Grandma one. We ironed some before supper.

Friday, January 25, 1952. Cloudy, warm, rained some and misted. Dave left at 6:45 for Missouri. He took Ida to work. I got things ready for dinner. Allen, Pete and I to town at 9:00. Allen to dentist. We went to annual hospital meeting. I helped with dinner. Stayed in town in evening. We all went to Ida's for supper, waffles and sausage. Edgars there too. Boys to basketball game. Edgar took Pete to Earl Thomas to figure income tax. Dorothy fixed Ida's and my hair. I ironed some in morning. Marie home in evening.

Saturday, January 26, 1952. Foggy, warm, rained at 11:00. Not so foggy then. Colder in p.m. Cleaned living room and done Saturday work. Finished Allen's ironing and mended some. Went to town at 4:30. Went to depot to see about trains for Allen. Got Ida and Shirley, also groceries. Pete and boys worked on hen house. We all went to Edds for supper. Had good supper.

Sunday, January 27, 1952. Fair, a nice day. We all went to church and to Mothers for dinner. CRs there too, also Edgars and Uncle Charlie. Allen to town in evening. We were home.

Monday, January 28, 1952. Fair, few flurries in p.m. Cold, windy, 10° all day. Allen left for Bluffton at 6:40 on train. I washed and ironed. Pete helped spread limestone and worked on hen house. We took eggs to cheese house in evening. Ronnie played with band for benefit basketball game at Wesleyan gym.

Tuesday, January 29, 1952. Fair, cold, 2° below. I left at 7:30 with CRs for farm and home week at Champaign. Pearl along too. Pete worked on hen house. Went to town in p.m.. We went to chili supper at Eugène Field (kindergarten club). Pete practiced with men for minstrel. I and Paul came home with Mabel and May. Ronnie home.

Wednesday, January 30, 1952. Fair, warmer. I went to town at 10:30. Got Social Security number. Paid Earl Thomas income tax. Mother along uptown. We ate lunch in town. Got home at 2:00. Got things ready for supper. Had lunch, sandwiches etc. Pete worked in hen house. We left for Bellflower at 5:30. Went with Mr. Allen and Custer. Ronnie in FFA speaking contest. He won second place. We all felt he done real well. We brought Ida along home.

Thursday, January 31, 1952. Fair, nice day. Warmer, rather windy. Ida washed. I dressed chicken, baked cake and rolls, also cookies. Ida ironed some. We got things ready for supper. Ida to all church party at Normal Presbyterian Church. Walter Yoders took her home. We all went to alumni family night. Pete, Ronnie and Glenn Maxwell to farm school after supper. Pete helped CR shell corn in p.m.. We cleaned upstairs and bedrooms.

Friday, February 1, 1952. Cloudy, damp and foggy. I cleaned the living room. Helped Pete and CR and Gordon unload a load of crushed cobs. Pete to town, got chickens, 1400

of them. I helped him put them out, quite a job. We took Ronnie and Nancy to play practice. Went to Dr. Krueger, got medicine for calf. Stopped at Mothers. I put eggs in cases and washed some.

Saturday, February 2, 1952. Mostly cloudy, warm, little cooler in evening. Done Saturday work. Helped some with chicks. Ronnie and I to town in p.m. He and Wilbur Schwartzel bought gift for LaRue Schad. Ida along home. We dressed two chickens in evening and made some fudge. Ronnie to ballgame with Eddie [Fowler]. Paul Ray [Fowler] here in evening. Pete worked in barn.

Sunday, February 3, 1952. Cloudy, misty and gloomy. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Boys to Fowlers in p.m. Pete at CRs awhile, worked on minstrel. Ida and I read some. We all went to church in evening. Mr. [Herman] Buller showed pictures and told of relief work in Europe. Ida stayed in town.

Monday, February 4, 1952. Cloudy, gloomy, rained some. I went on case at 7:00. Mrs. Conway. Gastric hemorrhage. She isn't very good. I got things ready for supper and ironed some sheets. We all went two 4-H family night supper at Farm Bureau. Mother and Ida along too. Ronnie gave his talk and had auction. Pete worked around home.

Tuesday, February 5, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took me to work. He went to town in p.m. Ida along home. We washed. Pete to town with CR at 6:32 practice for minstrel. Ida, boys and I to town at 7:00. Mabel along too. She and boys to ballgame. Pete to church board and Men's Fellowship. Ida and I to Mothers. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Wednesday, February 6, 1952. Snowed early in morning, colder. Went to work at 7:00. Patient about same. Pete worked on brooder house, building one. I done ironing after got home. We went to choir practice. Paul to Mothers. Ronnie to 4-H ballgame at Carlock.

Thursday, February 7, 1952. Partly cloudy, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Patient about same. Pete working on hog houses. Paul to Fowler's all night. Pete and I to farm school dinner at Lutheran school. Ronnie to play practice.

Friday, February 8, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Patient getting weaker. Pete working at home. I done cleaning after got home. Paul to Dicky Miller's birthday party after school. He and Dicky to ballgame. He came home with Ronnie and Fowlers. Paul Ray [Fowler] here all night. Pete shelled corn at Oscars in morning. He's having rectal trouble. Went to Dr. McGinnis after I got home. He got home at 7:00. Ronnie to game with Fowlers.

Saturday, February 9, 1952. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Took eggs to hatchery and got groceries. Pete and Ronnie sawed wood and worked on hog houses. Paul has sore throat (his tonsils). Ida along home. Made apple dumplings. I cleaned up bathroom and kitchen.

Sunday, February 10, 1952. Fair, lovely day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete, boys and Ida to church. Mother home with them for dinner. Ida, Pete and I to Lois Augsburger's 50th wedding anniversary after I got off duty. Ronnie to Fowlers in p.m. Mother and Paul home. Paul's throat still sore. He stayed with Mother while we went to church in evening.

Monday, February 11, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Patient not good. Ida home with me after work. We washed. I ironed some after supper. Pete worked on hog houses. Paul home from school. His throat still sore, tonsils swollen.

Tuesday, February 12, 1952. Partly cloudy, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Mrs. Conway passed at 7:40. Got home about 10:30. Done most of ironing. Finished in evening. Took Mother to Dr. Gailey in p.m. to have eyes tested. Doesn't need glasses changed. Boys had no school. Pete and Ronnie busy. Paul some better, got him medicine. I went to Good Will with Jeanette. Ronnie to play practice. Pete and Paul home.

Wednesday, February 13, 1952. Cloudy, rained and slated in p.m. Ground covered with sleet. Pete and I to town at 10:00 to Mr. Hedgecock advisory committee meeting and dinner at Quality Café. Uptown a while in p.m. Choir practice called off. Paul at Mothers after school. I took Ronnie to ballgame and went to Mothers and got Paul. Bad evening, windy and sleeting. Pete home. Stirred up cookies.

Thursday, February 14, 1952. Cloudy, chilly, rather slick. Baked cookies, made cherry torte and cleaned upstairs. Went to Home Bureau at Western Avenue Com[munity Center?]. Mabel and I to PTA committee meeting at Eugene Field after meeting. We took Ronnie to play practice. I went to see George and Merle. They're in their new house. Pete worked in chicken house.

Friday, February 15, 1952. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Pete got load of bedding at [unintelligible] near Shirley. I done cleaning, wrote some letters, made penuchi. Sent Allen and Marie box of candy and cookies. Dressed two chickens. Edgars, Mother and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Made ice cream. Mrs. Anna Ramseyer died.

Saturday, February 16, 1952. Fair, thawed some. We went to town at 11:00. Pete and Ronnie ground feed in morning. Ida along home. Paul at Mothers. We went to play at NCHS. Had 6 one-act plays. Ronnie in one, was very good.

Sunday, February 17, 1952. Fair, nice day, 15° above in morning. We went to church, home for dinner. We went to Mrs. Ramseyer's funeral at Carlock church at 2:00. Stayed for program at 3:00. Male quartet from Orville, Ohio. Edds there too. Was very good. Ronnie at Fowlers. Paul Ray here with Paul.

Monday, February 18, 1952. Cloudy, damp. Washed and done ironing. Pete took [corn] cobs to Yuton, had them crushed for bedding. Pete to minstrel practice in evening. Ronnie to FFA basketball game.

Tuesday, February 19, 1952. Cloudy, chilly, rained some. I helped Pete unload a load of cobs. We went to town at 11:00, were home at 2:00. Done some mending. Boys home early from school. Teachers' workshop. Pete and I to the committee meeting at Walter Yoders in evening. Made plans for chili supper. Boys home.

Wednesday, February 20, 1952. Fair, nice day. Baked cake in morning. Decorated it in evening for PTA supper. I made pies for sale for Home Bureau and one for us. Went to town at 11:00. Took pie to sale and went to Mothers for lunch. Club meeting at her house in p.m. Had nice meeting, 27 there. Mabel helped at sale in morning. She came home with me, also Ida. Ida, Pete and I to Concordia choir at Bloomington High School. Very good.

Thursday, February 21, 1952. Partly cloudy, cleaned upstairs. Pete to town, got Mother. We canned 21 quarts and 6 pints beef, 20 quarts chili and cooked bones. Got things ready for PTA supper at Eugene Field for minstrel. Pete and CR in it, real good. Had big day.

Friday, February 22, 1952. Fair, nice day. Done cleaning and canned 8 quarts soup. Mabel and I to PTA health meeting at Jefferson school. Went at 10:00. Mabel brought car home. I went to Fellowship Hall at Christian Church. Helped serve dinner for hospital personnel. Came home with Lois. Sure was tired. Allen got home at 10:30. Came with George B. Pete to town, got him. Ronnie to ballgame.

Saturday, February 23, 1952. Cloudy, rained some. I done Allen's laundry, a big one. Allen, Paul and I to town at 11:45. Paul had appointment at Dr. Bailen. His tonsils bothering him. Got Allen a jacket. Ida along home. She ironed some. I cleaned kitchen and bathroom. Pete and boys cleaned henhouse. Allen had date. Ida and Paul at Mothers while we went to choir practice. I took cocoa. Lois took cake for February birthdays. We went with Lois.

Sunday, February 24, 1952. Partly cloudy, nice day. We went to church. Edgars here for dinner. Mother had Siegs for supper so she couldn't come. Boys after Ida in p.m. I finished Allen's ironing and packed his clothes. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen had date and has a cold. Ida to town with Edgars.

Monday, February 25, 1952. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00, on with Dr. Wellmerling. He's awfully sick. Bad all day. Everyone worried. Gave him blood and IV, sure busy. John and Agee (sp?) helped me. Ida along home. We washed. She, Ronnie and I to Symphony, violinist. Pete and Paul to church, helped set up tables for chili supper. Ida and I made candy for chili supper. I took Allen to town at 3:30. He left for Bluffton. I stayed at Ida's until 7:00.

Tuesday, February 26, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. W. little better. Had another busy day. Sure tired. Pete worked in barn, cut door. We all went to chili supper at church. Ronnie and Paul to Mothers after supper. Pete and I helped serve etc.

Wednesday, February 27, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. [W.] better. Gave him enema, bowels unpacked. Another busy day. I took Ronnie to take drivers test for his license after school. Ida along home. We ironed in evening. Pete to choir practice. Ronnie to initiation for science club.

Thursday, February 28, 1952. Partly cloudy, colder in p.m. I went to work at 7:00. Dr. Wellmerling not so good as yesterday. Confused and temperature up again. Another hard day. Ida's day off. She done her washing and some for me. Also cleaned upstairs and bedrooms. I baked cookies, sponge cake and custard and ironed my uniform. Ida done other ironing. Pete worked on hog house. Ronnie to sell seeds in evening. We didn't go to PTA or alumni. I was tired.

Friday, February 29, 1952. Snowed, melted some. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. W. may be little better. Pete took us to work. He went to town in p.m. We went uptown after work. Got Jane Klooz gift, silver dishes. I got print dress. Late when we got home. Cleaned up living room in evening. Boys helped.

Saturday, March 1, 1952. Fair, colder, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys worked on hog house and in chicken house. I cleaned the bathroom and kitchen. We went to Clarence Siegs for supper. Had nice time. Stopped at Edgars, saw Paul Thietjes, also Maryland's boyfriend. Ida came home with us at night. Allen to Chicago with quartet.

Sunday, March 2, 1952. Cloudy, snowed and misted some in p.m. I went to work at 7:00. Dr. [Wellmerling] kind of confused in morning. Ida, Pete and boys to church in morning. Pete got me at 3:30. Stopped at mothers, gave her hypo. Were home in evening. Ronnie and Merlin [Fowler] went to smorgasbord at State Farm Park. Allen got to see Marie in Chicago.

Monday, March 3, 1952. Cloudy, misty, rained in evening. We went to work 7:00. Dr. little better. Ida along home. We washed and cleaned up the house. Boys home, teachers meeting. Pete and Ronnie cleaned chicks house. Marlon [Fowler] here. Boys cleaned up the basement. We had for each meeting here. Served cocoa and doughnuts, were 44 in all.

Tuesday, March 4, 1952. Cloudy, snowing and blowing all morning. Pete took me to work. Roads not too bad. School buses didn't run. Boys to school with Fowlers. Quit snowing at noon. Sun shone in p.m. Pete to town in p.m.. Ida home with us. We ironed some and washed our hair. Pete to men's meeting. Ida and I to Dorothy, had our hair fixed. Boys home. Dr. W. up in chair five minutes.

Wednesday, March 5, 1952. Fair, cold, 4° above. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. not feeling so good, so tired. Pete worked around barn. I finished ironing and washed uniform. Ronnie to basketball tournament at Lexington. Paul at Mothers. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, March 6, 1952. Fair, 8° above. Nice day, warmed up some. Went to work at 7:00. Doctor about same. Pete helped Cecil Raber with wiring at Fagerburg place. I made putting and a cleaned upstairs in evening after got home.

Friday, March 7, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. seems little better in some ways. Terrible drainage. Pete helped Cecil Raber with wiring. Ida along home. She done cleaning. I baked apple crisp, cookies and coffee cake. Had nine little pigs.

Saturday, March 8, 1952. Cloudy, snowed little in morning. I went to work 7:00. Bad day. Dr. about same. Pete and Ronnie moved calves to Fagerburg place, ground feed, cleaned out barn, got ready for sows. Pete took eggs to hatchery after I got home. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom.

Sunday, March 9, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys to church. Edds here in p.m. They and Pete to town after Ida and I. I helped serve at reception for [nurses'] capping after got off duty. Got done at 5:00. Edds soon left after we got home. We all went to church in evening. Ida stayed in town.

Monday, March 10, 1952. Cloudy, windy and rained. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on barn for pigs. Ida along home. We washed and I ironed some. Ronnie to Church skating party with Eddie [Fowler]. Dr. [Wellmerling] isn't very good.

Tuesday, March 11, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. about same. We went to Goodwill Circle at church in evening. I was hostess with Lorene R[easer], Lucy C[atherine Patton], and Luella [Mishler]. Served ice cream pies, coffee, nuts and mints. 26 there. Pete to Eldon Rupp's. Ronnie and Paul home. Cow had calf. Had Kruger out while we were gone. I done most of ironing in evening.

Wednesday, March 12, 1952. Fair, windy, cloudy in evening. Ida had day off. She washed and cleaned upstairs and ironed. I washed uniform and ironed it in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. Cole from Chicago here for consultation for Dr. W. Ordered blood plasmas and IV. Pete worked on hog houses, etc. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida and Paul home. Had shower in evening. Dressed chicken and made salad in evening. Baked cookies.

Thursday, March 13, 1952. Cloudy, snowed and misted some in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked around barn. Ida along home. We got things ready for supper. I cleaned up my bedroom. We all went to community club supper at Eugène Field school. Ronnie to 4-H meeting at Farm Bureau after supper. Dr. W. getting blood plasmas and IVs.

Friday, March 14, 1952. Cloudy, rather gloomy. Went to work and 7:00. Dr. W. had IVs again. Pete to town in p.m. Took eggs in. I got things ready for supper and cleaned up living room. We all went to Garfield family night at Town Hall. Hoovers showed pictures.

Saturday, March 15, 1952. Mostly fair. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. had x-rays and IVs. Feeling some better. Pete and Ronnie hauled some feed to other place. Were busy with pigs, etc. Ida along home. I got off at 4:00, late. Edgars here for supper. Made ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Sunday, March 16, 1952. Fair, 20°, beautiful day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete, boys and Ida to church. Home for dinner. Jim Yoder here. Boys to Fowlers in p.m. Pete and Ida got me. We went to Georges awhile. Went to church in evening.

Monday, March 17, 1952. Fair, beautiful day, rather windy. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. better until 2:00, then had a hard chill, reaction from blood plasmas. Ida along home. We washed. I ironed, got all of shirts done. Pete worked on hog houses.

Tuesday, March 18, 1952. Cloudy, rained most of today. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. little better, but weak. I finished ironing and done uniforms. Stirred up cookies. Pete cleaned stalls in bar.

Wednesday, March 19, 1952. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Went to club at Lucy Catherine's a while after work. Done Allen's laundry after got home. Mother called at 6:15. She was sick. Pete and I to town right away. She had a bad heart attack. Dr. Deneen came, gave her 2 hypos to relieve her. Pete and I stayed all night with her. She rested fairly well after midnight. Couldn't get her in hospital. No bed.

Thursday, March 20, 1952. Fair, nice day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Dr. about same. I came home at 5:30. Got Ronnie up and ate breakfast. Mabel to Mothers at 8:00. Pete home, finished chores, then to Mothers. He and Mabel stayed with her. Took her to hospital at 2:00. *Flinspach's* (sp?) [ambulance] took her. She was some better but had to have oxygen in night. She's in 210. We went to PTA at Eugène Field. Was tired and sleepy. Paul cleaned upstairs. Baked cookies.

Friday, March 21, 1952. Heart to cloudy. Wendy, warmer. Rained in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Mother feels some better but still kinda nauseated. Dr. little stronger. Ida along home. We done Allen's ironing and cleaned bedrooms and living room. Went to NCHS Inksapades. Was good. Ronnie had part in it. Pete moved hog houses. Had tornadoes in Arkansas.

Saturday, March 22, 1952. Cloudy, rained all morning, very windy. Went to work at 7:00. Mother about same. We moved her two 219. Pete to town in p.m. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy brought meatloaf, scalloped potatoes and ice. We made ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair. I didn't wash mine has had sore throat. Ida along home in p.m.

Sunday, March 23, 1952. Mostly cloudy, windy, cold, 18°. Snow flurries. Mother some better. Marie came down for the day. Pete and boys to church. Boys rode home with Phils. Pete, Marie and I ate dinner together. Marie at CRs for supper. They took her to train. Edds at hospital awhile in p.m. Went to Ida's awhile. Dr. not so good. We went to church in evening.

Monday, March 24, 1952. Clear, cold, 18° in morning, warmed up some. Went to work at 7:00. Mother is some better. Dr. about same. Ida along home. We washed and ironed some in evening. Pete to Earl Kaufman's to practice with quartet. I was too tired to go.

Tuesday, March 25, 1952. Fair, 20°. Went to work at 7:00. Mother feeling better. Dr. some better. Ida along home. We done ironing. Ida, Pete and I to Friendship Circle at church. Pete had to get bupane gas for brooder stove so he was late. I started business meeting. Dicky Miller here all night for Paul's birthday. Mother bought cake for Paul. Ida got ice cream. Ronnie home with boys.

Wednesday, March 26, 1952. Partly cloudy, few snow flurries in morning. Ida had day off. She washed and ironed. Cleaned upstairs and mended some. I went to work. Dr. about same. Mother not so well, had slight attack early in morning. Gave oxygen in a.m. Pete working on brooder houses. We went to choir practice in evening. Ida and Paul home.

Thursday, March 27, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Mother feeling some better. Getting plans ready to take Dr. [Wellmerling] to Chicago. Stayed with Mother a while after got off duty. Pete and I to alumni meeting. Pete sang with Earl [Kaufman], Phil and Harold [Patton]. Boys home.

Friday, March 28, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Mother not feeling quite so good. We took Dr. Wellmerling to Research Hospital Chicago. Left hospital at 9:30 in Flinspach ambulance. John Stutzman along to stay in Chicago with Dr.. We got to Chicago at 12:00. Left there at 1:00, got home at 4:30. Dr. hated to go, [I] felt sorry for him. Ida home with me. We all went to Music Festival at ISNU. Ronnie in band. Very good.

Saturday, March 29, 1952. Fair, warmer. Done cleaning and washed the car. Went to town in p.m. Stopped to see Mother. Got new hat and purse. Ida along home. Ronnie on FFA judging team. Judged hogs here. Pete and CR fanned oats. Pete disc corn stalks awhile in p.m.. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair and cut Paul's.

Sunday, March 30, 1952. Mostly cloudy, showered in morning, fair in evening and windy. Paul sick. Vomited and high temperature, 103° and 104° in p.m.. I took Ida and Ronnie to church. Went to hospital, gave Mother her bath. Came home got Pete and Paul, took them to hospital. We met Dr. Bailen there. Says Paul's tonsils are bad. I took Ronnie to town. He went with Mary Lou V[ercler] to YP [Young People's] rally at Meadows. Ida and I to church. Reverend Weaver spoke. I waited at Ida's for Ronnie. Pete home with Paul. Mother up in chair.

Monday, March 31, 1952. Cloudy, rained and showered in morning. Sun shone awhile in p.m. Paul better, but didn't go to school. I washed. Cleaned kitchen in p.m. Pete helped me wash ceiling and part of walls. Ironed some before supper. Paul didn't feel so good awhile in evening. Ronnie to dramatic club party at NCHS Mother up in chair.

Tuesday, April 1, 1952. Fair, Chile. Done ironing in morning and cleaned part of cupboard in kitchen. Cleaned attics and boys' closet upstairs in p.m.. Pete worked in Bonn. We sowed lettuce, radishes, spinach and peas in garden in evening. Pete to men's meeting. I went to see Mother. She's feeling some better. I went to Ida's awhile. Paul to school, was dizzy in morning.

Wednesday, April 2 1952. Fair, strong wind from west, chilly. I washed bedding from upstairs and curtains from bedrooms downstairs. Cleaned the upstairs and set out onion plants, a big day. Pete helped CR sow his oats. Mother had another slight spell, vomiting. We stopped there on way to choir practice. She rested better at night.

Thursday, April 3, 1952. Fair, cold, 28°. Rained in evening. I cleaned 2 bedrooms downstairs and waxed floors and furniture. Another big day, tired. Pete sowed our oats and he disc some at Fagerburg's. Mother feeling better. We went in awhile in evening. Dorothy there. We took her home. She combed my hair. Boys home. Paul feeling better.

Friday, April 4, 1952. Rained in morning, snowed in p.m. but melted. Disagreeable. I ironed curtains and scarfs, put up curtains. We went to town at 11:00. I went to the auxiliary over noon. Then spent some time with Mother. She didn't feel so good again. Cleaned up living room in evening and stirred up cookies. Ray here in evening. CRs to meeting.

Saturday, April 5, 1952. Mostly cloudy, chilly. I baked rolls, cookies and apple crisp. Cleaned bathroom in morning. We took Ronnie to NCHS. He went with band to music contest at Gibson City. They got second. Chorus got first. Pete to Chet Roth's. Paul and I finished cleaning cupboards. Pete dehorned calves in morning. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie got to church at 8:45.

Sunday, April 6, 1952. Chilly, fair, nice in p.m. We went to church, home for dinner. Myrna Parks called, they had tickets for Passion Play, so Pete and I went. Very good. Boys to Fowlers awhile. Ida along home in evening. We stopped to see Mother, she's feeling pretty good. We went church in evening. Choir gave Easter cantata. Had good crowd. Harold recorded our program. Helen had cold, couldn't sing. Took Ida home.

Monday, April 7, 1952. Fair, beautiful day, warmer. Washed and ironed some before noon. Finished after dinner. Aired bedding in linen closet. Went to town at 5:00. Took drapes and chair cover to cleaners. Stopped to see Mother. She's up in chair quite a lot. Pete and CR sewing oats in p.m. at Fagerburg place. Ronnie to 4-H in evening.

Tuesday, April 8, 1952. Partly cloudy, warmer. Cleaned hall and china closet. Aired living room rug and furniture. We planted all of peas and onion sets and planted potatoes after boys got home from school. Boys finished sewing our oats in morning. Went to Goodwill's Circle at Florence Scharp. Ida along home. Pete and boys to swine meeting at Lutheran school.

Wednesday, April 9, 1952. Partly cloudy, windy. Dr. Wellmerling home from Chicago. We washed and ironed. Cleaned living and dining room and waxed floors. Pete finished plowing west field and disc [corn] stalks at Fagerburg. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida to town with them. We went to choir practice. Allen home with Mrs. Vercler. Got to town at 9:00. Glad to see him. Shirley to choir practice with us. Showered some in night.

Thursday, April 10, 1952. Cloudy, chilly. I washed Allen's shirts, etc. Went to home Bureau at Mrs. Hruska. CR took us. Allen got Mabel and I at 2:30. Went to town, done some shopping and to hospital to see Grandma. She's feeling better, up in chair. I ironed several shirts for Allen. Paul to PTA with CRs. He was in play. We went to church, had communion, nice service. We dusted Mother's house afterwards. Mabel helped to. Boys to school a while.

Friday, April 11, 1952. Partly cloudy, dusted house, cleaned kitchen and bath, waxed floors. We went to town at 12:00. Took Mother home from hospital. Marie came at 2:00. We went to Union services at our church. Choir sang. Shirley helped us. Ida along home. She ironed some for Allen. We went church in evening. Bluffton peace committee gave play, very good. Two of the boys here all night. We stopped at Mothers awhile. She was kinda tired. Stirred up cookies.

Saturday, April 12, 1952. Rained all day. Bluffton boys left at 10:30. I baked sugar cookies and meringuelet (sp?) cookies and pie. Done Allen's washing in p.m. (laundry bag came). Ronnie colored Easter eggs. Merlin [Fowler] here awhile. Paul at Fowlers to Easter party. I ironed some shirts for Allen. Shortened my print dress. Allen to town at 5:00, got Ida and Shirley. We all went to Eds for supper. Ida stayed over. Ida worked on my dress a while, finished it when got home.

Sunday, April 13, 1952. Cloudy, misted little, chilly. Allen, Ronnie and I to sunrise services at 6:00. Good Will served cocoa, coffee and donuts. I helped. We got home at 8:00. Made ice cream. We went to Sunday School and church. Allen to U[nited B[rethren] Church with Shirley. We all went to Mothers for dinner. Mabel and I took most of dinner. Marie to Chicago in evening. Boys all home to chore. Mabel and I stayed, cleaned up house. Gordon came after Mabel and Mother. He took Marie to train, Mother to CRs. We all went to church, Allen and Shirley along.

Monday, April 14, 1952. Cloudy, rained in morning. I ironed 3 shirts for Allen before breakfast. Done washing. Pete and I took Allen to town at 12:30. He left for Bluffton with Mrs. Vercler. We went to hospital to see [Lena] Maxwell about working. I done ironing after got home. A big day, was tired.

Tuesday, April 15, 1952. Fair, chilly, windy. Packed Allen's laundry bag. Cleaned silverware and put cleaned paper in kitchen drawers. Baked 2 angel food cakes and coffee cake. Washed windows and cleaned some yard. Pete and Ronnie made some fence at Fagerburg's and here at home. Paul at Fowlers all-night.

Wednesday, April 16, 1952. Beautiful day, warmer. Cleaned up house. Got ready for club meeting. Ronnie got Ida at noon. Were 36 here with the children. Served angel food cake and whipped cream and raspberries, coffee, nuts and mints. Pete and Ronnie cleaned up orchard and ash grove. They took Ida to town and went to Carlock to meeting. Paul at CRs for supper, had party for Ray.

Thursday, April 17, 1952. Beautiful day. I baked pie. Got things ready for dinner. Mother came in morning. We had fried chicken for dinner. I raked yard in p.m. Pete and Ronnie hauled manure. Paul didn't feel so good awhile in p.m.

Friday, April 18, 1952. Partly cloudy, nice day in 70s. Done cleaning and mended some. Mother feeling pretty good. Can't eat too well. Bruce Otto here all day, helped Pete and Ronnie haul manure. Hauled 37 loads. I went to town in p.m.. Had piece of bone taken out. Had worked up through my gum. Ronnie with Eddie [Fowler] to 4-H meeting at Farm Bureau. I sewed tomato seed.

Saturday, April 19, 1952. Fair, beautiful day, warm in 70s. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Worked in garden. Cleaned off flower beds around fence, also strawberry bed. Sowed carrots, beets and beans. Pete and Ronnie finished hauling manure and started plowing at Fagerburg's. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Had fried chicken and ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair, also Mothers.

Sunday, April 20, 1952. Fine day, warm, nearly 80°. We went to church. Home for dinner. Mother here awhile. We went to church. Ronnie to play practice at 2:00. U[n]cle Henrys here awhile. We went to town with them. Got our car at school. Went to cemetery and to George's. Got some cheese. Drove around awhile. Ida went with us. Mother feeling pretty good.

Monday, April 21, 1952. Mostly cloudy, sprinkled some in morning. Washed, got things try. Had shower at noon. Pete plowed in morning. He got a load of nitrogen. I helped him unload it, put in sacks. Had Hinthorn's truck. They plowed in evening. Boys back to school. Ronnie to play practice. I done ironing in p.m. Grandma ironed few pieces.

Tuesday, April 22, 1952. Showered in morning, had big rain about 4:30. Rained again in night. We went to town in morning. Took Mother home. Pete took hens and some roosters to town. Had some work done on car. Cleaned up Mother's house. Went uptown a while in p.m. We were home at 3:30. I cleaned recreation room. Ronnie to play practice. Paul at Dicky Miller's all night. Pete and I to see checked and Theresa Myers. Theresa is pretty good but doesn't get out much.

Wednesday, April 23, 1952. Cloudy, cold, sure wet. I cleaned basement. Pete worked in brooder house. Mother getting along pretty good. We went to choir practice. Paul at Mothers. Ronnie to play practice.

Thursday, April 24, 1952. Partly cloudy, chilly. I went to work at 7:00. Worked with Mrs. Park, nurse in charge. Were kept pretty busy. Ida and I uptown awhile after work. She stayed in town. Pete worked around home. Ronnie to play practice. I went to alumni meeting and student party. Had nice time. Pete and Paul home.

Friday, April 25, 1952. Fair, fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Carried the book alone. P. Nussbaum helped me some. Myrna worked 3 to 11. I got along pretty good. Ida along home. We stopped at Mothers. We cleaned upstairs. Stirred up cookies in evening. Pete to locker stockholder meeting. Ronnie to play practice. We set out cabbage plants and dozen tomatoes and dozen cauliflower plants.

Saturday, April 26, 1952. Fair, fine day. We watched. Had Ida's and Mother's too. Done cleaning. Ida ironed. I made rolls, baked cookies, nut bread, and 2 rhubarb pies. Pete and Ronnie moved some of chickens to brooder houses in orchard. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy combed our hair. Edds stopped here on way home from Bloomington. Stayed for supper. Ronnie to NCHS relays. Turned clocks up one hour.

Sunday, April 27, 1952. Beautiful day warmer. We went to church. Reverend Beachy there (on way home from conference). He left Hoovers after dinner. We were home for dinner. Mother along home. Paul at Fowlers. Ronnie worked on biology project. Ida and I took Mother home while boys chored. Pete, Ida and I to Congerville. Roanoke choir gave program, very good.

Monday, April 28, 1952. Beautiful day, warm, over 80°. I went to work at 7:00, carried book. A busy day. Lots of patients in and not too many rooms. Pete spread nitrogen and disc a while in evening after supper. Ronnie home with me after school. He went to 4-H rally with Eddie [Fowler].

Tuesday, April 29, 1952. Fair, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We washed, dried clothes outside. Pete plowed, went out after supper awhile. Ronnie to play practice. Ida and I to school to see science exhibit, then went to Friendship Circle. Paul at Mothers. Ida stayed in town.

Wednesday, April 30, 1952. Fair, real warm, nearly 90°. I had day off. Done ironing and some baking in morning. Got Allen's laundry in the mail, so done it after dinner. Went to missionary meeting at Lydia Baughman awhile. Got some chicken feed. Done Allen's ironing when got home. Hoed cabbage and tomato plants. Ronnie home from school. He disc and harrowed. Pete plowed. Ronnie to play practice. We didn't go to choir practice.

Thursday, May 1, 1952. Fair, nice day. Warm, had shower in evening, settled dust. Mabel and I to Mothers. We cleaned her two bedrooms, hall and bathroom and washed.

Got home at 4:00. Dressed 8 chickens for Neirstheimers. Pete plowed. I went to work at seven, worked until 11:00. Ronnie disc some after supper. Cleaned upstairs in morning and packed Allen's laundry bag.

Friday, May 2, 1952. Fair, cooler. Much cooler in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Took chickens to store and went to bank in morning. Pete plowing. Ronnie discing fall plowing in evening. Ida along home. We dressed 16 chickens for Neirstheimers and 2 for Marie Yoder. I took chickens to store. Ida cleaned up bedrooms and living room. Pete and I planted beans and few lima beans in garden.

Saturday, May 3, 1952. Fair, real warm. Went to work at 7:00. Busy all day. Took eggs to hatchery and done some shopping. Ida along home. I baked cake. Edgars here for supper. Had waffles and sausage and ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete finished plowing corn ground and started on bean ground. Ronnie disc and harrowed corn ground.

Sunday, May 4, 1952. Fair, hot, near 90°. We went to church in morning. Home for dinner. Ronnie to play practice at 2:00. Pete to Krueger [veterinarian]. I went to work at 3:00, got off at 7:00. Went to Ida's. We all went to church in evening. Had pictures of migrant work and camp in Michigan. Student nurses sang. Paul Fowlers in p.m. Played ball.

Monday, May 5, 1952. Fair, hot, 90°, rather windy. I washed and ironed. Boys started planting corn here in morning. Ronnie home. He disc and harrowed. Pete plowing. Ronnie to play practice in evening. Rained some in evening. Pete planted awhile after supper.

Tuesday, May 6, 1952. Fair, cooler. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and CR planting corn. They finished 28 acres here and went to CR's. Started planting there. Ida along home. We went to Goodwill Circle. They had Mothers Day program. Ronnie to play practice.

Wednesday, May 7, 1952. Fair, windy, real chilly. Pete disking and harrowing. We got chairs and trays at noon. I cleaned up house. Baked cookies, pie and coffee [cake] in p.m. Washed windows. Got ready for Home Bureau. Pete to poultry meeting at Farm Bureau. Ronnie to play practice. I went to choir. Paul at Ida's. She came along home.

Thursday, May 8, 1952. Partly cloudy, real chilly. Home Bureau met here, had 44. Mother, Mrs. Hastings, Mabel, Mrs. Bramwell and Vera Schwartz hostesses. Had them all upstairs. Ate off trays. Mabel took Mother home. Ronnie disc after school. We dressed 24 chickens and Ida washed yet. She and I and Mabel to Symphony. Pete home. Ronnie to play practice. Jim Stutzman was killed in evening. Tractor turned over on him.

Friday, May 9, 1952. Cloudy, rained and drizzled most of day. Went to Carlock at 7:00. Everyone shocked over the tragedy of Jim Stutzman. Was hard to work. Ronnie upset over it so. Pete and CR to Elmer Ropp's funeral at Gridley in p.m. I ironed some after got home. Ronnie to dress rehearsal. We went to Mothers. Pete and Edgar got Marie at

train. Dorothy combed our hair. I took chickens to Neirstheimers in morning. Paul at Mothers all night.

Saturday, May 10, 1952. Cloudy, misted some, Chile. Went to work at 9:00. Paul Mowed Mothers lawn. Pete and Ronnie had feed ground at Yuton. Ida and Paul along home. We had early supper. Went to Carlock to see Jim Stutzman. He looked natural. We went to the play at NCHS, "Green Valley." Very good. Ronnie was in it. Marie along too. Ida here all night.

Sunday, May 11, 1952. Mostly cloudy. Showered at times, then sun would shine. Went to church. Were at CR's for dinner and supper. Mother, Marie, Ida, Laura and May there too. CR, Gordon, Ronnie, Ida, May and I to Jim Stutzman's funeral at Carlock. Such a sad funeral. NCHS chorus saying and senior class went in a body. We went to Mother's Day program at church. Young people put it on. Marie to Chicago. I made some candy for Allen. Sent with George Bohrs.

Monday, May 12, 1952. Mostly cloudy, windy and chilly. I washed and ironed. Hung towels and overalls out, they dried pretty good. Pete worked around outside and mowed lawn. Ronnie to town in evening. FFA boys treated to show and refreshments for selling garden seeds. Have lettuce to use.

Tuesday, May 13, 1952. Fair, beautiful day. Went to work at 7:00. Was a busy day. Ida along home. She shortened my blue dress. Mother along home too. We went to spring concert at NCHS, was very good. We took Mother home. She didn't go along. Boys planting corn.

Wednesday, May 14, 1952. Fair and morning, cloudy in p.m. Showered little. Mabel and I to Mothers. Cleaned her living room and washed her curtains, etc. Mabel to meeting at 3:15. I stayed and finished. Work in garden awhile in evening. Ronnie plowed after supper. Boys planting. Have a letter from Allen. He has infected foot.

Thursday, May 15, 1952. Fair, cloudy in evening and showered. I went to town in morning. Got permanent. Sowed my flower seeds and glad bulbs in p.m. Boys finished planting corn in p.m. Pete harrowed corn. I went after Ida at 5:00. We dressed 28 chickens in evening. Ronnie to track meet with Eddie [Fowler]. Paul Ray [Fowler] here all night.

Friday, May 16, 1952. Rained most of day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete town in morning. Ate lunch at Mothers. He went to dentist at 3:00. I went at 3:20. I helped serve Mother-Daughter luncheon at noon. Willet carried the book for me. Things were rather quiet. Ida along home. We all went to grade school musical program. CRs along home. Ida cleaned up upstairs. Tried to get Allen to see how he is but they didn't answer at the dorm.

Saturday, May 17, 1952. Rained nearly all morning. Windy, cold. Partly cloudy in p.m. Done cleaning and baked cookies, pie and coffee cake. Cleaned bathroom and kitchen in

p.m. Done some mending and cleaned out dresser drawers. Tried to call Allen again but couldn't get him. Wonder so much how he is. Pete and Ronnie worked in barn.

Sunday, May 18, 1952. Partly cloudy, chilly. We went to church. Home for dinner. Edds here in p.m. We went after Ida and stopped to see Billy's new house at 406 Grant. They were there working. A nice house. We went to church in evening. Took Ida home.

Monday, May 19, 1952. Cloudy, sprinkled little, chilly. Washed, dried some of clothes outside. Finished drying starched clothes in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Pete shelled corn in morning. Cleaned up in p.m. Shirley had letter from Allen. His foot is better and can wear shoes again. So glad he's better.

Tuesday, May 20, 1952. Mostly cloudy, little warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Went up town after work. Got a flat of tomato plants. We set them out in evening. Pete helped Ernie [Fowler] fan beans and took cobs to Yuton to have ground. Paul at Fowler's all-night.

Wednesday, May 21, 1952. Cloudy, misted some, rained and chilly. Went to work at 7:00. Got off at 11:00. Mother home with me. We went to club meeting at CRs in p.m. We dressed 2 chickens in evening. Mother took one. We set out sweet potato plants. Pete, boys and Ida home with Mother. Pete fixed glass in her china cabinet. I went to music rally at Bloomington high school. Went in uniform. Nearly 300 nurses and students there. Marie Hastings along. Janet *Geister* (sp?) of ANA spoke.

Thursday, May 22, 1952. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m. Ida had day off. She washed and ironed and cleaned upstairs. I went to work at 7:00. Pete worked around barns. Ronnie to ANS picnic at Lake Bloomington. We went to PTA supper and meeting at Eugene Field. Mother and Ida along. Children gave the program. Paul in rhythm band.

Friday, May 23, 1952. Partly cloudy. Pete finished plowing for beans, also harrowed corn. Ronnie finished after school. I worked in gardens nearly all day. Worked up flower beds around fence. Pete helped me work up some ground. Planted lima beans, cucumbers, Swiss chard, lettuce and radishes. I cleaned up bed and living rooms in morning. We worked late in evening. Sure was tired. Ray [Ropp] here in evening. We planted more sweet corn.

Saturday, May 24, 1952. Fair in morning, had rain in evening. It rained hard in town. Water was up to Mother's backyard. Ronnie disc and harrowed bean ground. I baked cookies, cake, coffee cake and pie. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Pete to church in p.m. Helped clean up lawn. Paul and I to town. Got him shoes, shirts and pants. Ida along home. We went to Carlock. Voted on school bond. It carried. Pete, Ida and I to George and Merle's awhile in evening. Mrs. Patton not good at all. Her mind is very confused at times. Dressed two chickens in morning.

Sunday, May 25, 1952. Partly cloudy, fair in p.m. We got ready for company. Went to church. Ronnie to Chicago with FFA boys to ballgame. They went on bus. Edds, E. E. Schertzs and Owen Kenagys, Mother and Ida here for dinner. Had nice time. We took Mother and Ida home in evening. Went to Al Mohrs awhile. Boys practiced singing. Ronnie home at midnight.

Monday, May 26, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete cut weeds, etc. I washed out some shirts etc. in evening. Pete, Ronnie and CR to Gridley to men's dinner and meeting. Dr. J. E. Hartzler speaker. Ray [Ropp] here in evening. Mabel gone.

Tuesday, May 27, 1952. Fair, nice day. Rained in evening. I washed and ironed. Helped Pete some. He disc, harrowed and planted about half of beans. Paul and I helped with chores. Ronnie had band picnic. We went to Friendship Circle in evening. Paul at Mothers.

Wednesday, May 28, 1952. Fair, quite cool. I went to town in morning. I visited Paul's school. Went to Mothers at noon awhile. Pete took roosters to town and had car greased. Edgars, Ida and Mother here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Had chicken and ice cream. Dressed three chickens for Dorothy and one for Allen in evening. Ronnie to choir practice. Dicky Miller here all night.

Thursday, May 29, 1952. Fair, cool. Done baking, cookies, pie etc. Done all of cleaning. Went to cemeteries at 3:00. Mother and Mabel along. I took eggs to hatchery and got groceries. Ida along home. Done packing in evening and got things ready to leave for Bluffton. Pete finished planting beans at noon. CR helped a while. Boys to school until noon.

Friday, May 30, 1952. Fair, fine day. Ida, Pete, Paul and I left for Bluffton Ohio at 7:15. Got to Bluffton Act II: 15. Got along fine. Ronnie home doing chores. He was at CRs for dinner and supper. He's hoeing beans. Mother here with him all night. Allen fine and busy. We went to dedication services at [Founder's Hall] Gym at 3:00, and [at] 8:00 choir sang in evening. Trombone quartet played in evening also. Ida and I stayed at Beachys. Pete and Paul stayed with Allen.

Saturday, May 31, 1952. Find day. Went to ballgame in morning, varsity versus alumni. Allen played some. Went to crowning of queen in p.m. Allen in it too. Was very pretty. Marvins got to Bluffton at noon. We went home with them in evening. Got to Bellefontaine at 7:00. Done little shopping. Allen couldn't go along, was busy. Mother with Ronnie until evening. She went home. Ronnie to Youth for Christ with Fowlers. Merlin here all night. Allen had car and date in evening.

Sunday, June 1, 1952. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. I ironed some shirts for Allen. We were at Marvins for dinner, also Paul Yoders. Marvins took us to Bluffton in p.m. Packed Allen's clothes to bring home. We all went to Beachys for lunch. Then to church. Choir gave their concert. Trombone quartet played too, was all very good and we

enjoyed it all. Marvins home after concert. Ida and I at Beachys. Pete and Paul at dorm. We got to bed late. Ronnie to church. At Fowlers for dinner.

Monday, June 2, 1952. Fair, rather windy. We left Bluffton at 4:15 [AM]. Got to Bloomington at 10:35. Got along fine. Thankful to be home. Ida to work at 11:00. Paul stopped at school. They were home at noon. School is out. Cloudy in p.m. Looked rainy and did rain in evening. I washed, had a big one. They got dry. Didn't wash all of Allen's things as looked so rainy. Ronnie got along fine.

Tuesday, June 3, 1952. Fair, rather humid in morning. I done ironing. Finished in p.m. and pressed clothes. Ronnie to Champaign with judging team. He got perfect score on poultry. Pete put cultivate her on tractor in morning. Plowed corn in p.m. after it was dry enough. Allen left with choir for trip east.

Wednesday, June 4, 1952. Fair, rather windy. Washed rest of Allen's things. Also my bedroom rugs and ironed. Baked rolls, cookies and pie in morning. Worked in garden awhile in p.m. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete and Ronnie plowed corn.

Thursday, June 5, 1952. Cloudy in morning. Sprinkled little. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and Ronnie bailing hay at CRs in p.m. I cleaned up upstairs in evening. We went to choir practice in evening. Ronnie to ball game at Carlock. Paul at Mothers.

Friday, June 6, 1952. Fair, hot, 93 to 96°. Baked cake and dressed chicken and done cleaning in morning. Went to work at 10:30 to 6:30. Pete and I to annual Home Bureau meeting & dinner at Wesley Methodist Church. CR with us. I changed that Ida's. Paul and Ray at Mothers. Mowed her yard. Marie home in evening. Ronnie home.

Saturday, June 7, 1952. Fair, hot, no breeze, 96°. Went to work at 7:00. Such a busy day. Paul to practice at church with Laura [Mohr]. I brought him home. Ida along too. Took Mother and Marie to grocery store. Pete and Ronnie plowed corn and mowed hay and helped CR finish bailing. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Iced cake and made salad. Picked $\frac{3}{4}$ gallon [of] berries in evening. Billys here awhile at 6:00.

Sunday, June 8, 1952. Fair, windy, hot. Looked kind of rainy in p.m. Went to church and to CRs to Woizeski reunion. Had big crowd, 79 (?). Went to Children's Day program in evening. Rained in evening at 9:00.

Monday, June 9, 1952. Fair, nice day. Pete and Ronnie cut hay and raked some. I worked 7 to 3. Had company for supper. Edds and Owen Hershbergers were here, also Ida. We picked nearly a gallon of berries after got home and straightened up house. Ronnie to 4-H meeting at Bruce Otto's. Pete took Ida to town.

Tuesday, June 10, 1952. Fair, nice day. Pete finished mowing hay. They bailed in p.m. Ronnie plowing corn. I washed and ironed. Paul and I trimmed yard. Pete mowed yard.

He plowed garden in evening. I went to Good Will at church. May [Mohr] with me. Ronnie to Glenn [Raider]s to judging (dairy). Dressed three chickens in evening.

Wednesday, June 11, 1952. Fair, windy, warmer. I picked bucket of peas in garden. Picked 3 quarts strawberries. Got dinner for company. Thietjes, Edgars, Mother, Mabel, Gordon and Ray. Paul [Thietjes]'s left for home at 2:30. Edgar to town in p.m. Mother and Dorothy stayed here. We bailed hay in p.m. Ronnie finished plowing corn first time. Edgars and Mother here for supper. We went to choir practice. Boys to 4-H ballgame. Allen in New York City.

Thursday, June 12, 1952. Had rain in morning at 7:00. 1 inch, more in places. Hot and humid, 90°. I worked 7 to 3. Pete and boys cut weeds, etc. Ida along home. We cleaned upstairs and got things ready for supper. Went to community club supper at Ed Miller's. Ronnie took Ida and Mother home. Ronnie played cornet solo and sang with quartet, Eddie and Merlin [Fowler], and Don Kunz.

Friday, June 13, 1952. Fair, hot and very humid, 92°. I washed. Picked peas and canned 6 pints. Picked nearly 7 boxes berries. Sure hot job. Made 3 pints strawberry preserves. Worked in garden awhile and cleaned bedroom. Pete finished bailing hay. Rained hard in evening and blew. Looked real stormy.

Saturday, June 14, 1952. Cloudy in morning. Showered some. Fair in p.m., hot and humid. I'd baked macaroons, coffee cake and shortcake and canned 6 quarts cherries. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We went to town in p.m. Mother helped me seed cherries. Put 5 quarts in locker. Paul mowed her lawn. Pete had a haircut. Ronnie to Millers to see about music. Mother along home. Edgars here for supper. Had hamburgers and ice cream. Ate outside. Ronnie to town with Eddie [Fowler]. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida to Edds in evening.

Sunday, June 15, 1952. Fair, hot and humid, 90°. We went to church. Mother and we went to Edds for dinner. Boys went swimming at Lake E[ureka] in evening. Pete and I took Mother and Ida home in evening.

Monday, June 16, 1952. Fair, good breeze, not quite so humid. Had thunderstorm in morning, rained some. I washed. Mother here. We canned 23 pints peas and I picked 5 quarts strawberries. Fixed some of them for preserves. Pete and Ronnie plowing corn, crossing it. Pete plowed some beans in evening after supper. I took Mother home. Boys to 4-H ballgame. Paul started to Bible school. He and Coulter's go with May Mohr. Had card from Allen. Had fine time in New York.

Tuesday, June 17, 1952. Fair, cooler in morning. Warmer in evening. I canned 5 pints cherry and strawberry preserves and 2 pints strawberry preserves. Canned 4 quarts cherries. Pete and Ronnie picked them. Paul to Bible school. He and I to town in p.m. Went to dentist and took Mother to Dr. Pete and Ronnie mowed road and orchard and yard. We set out some tomato plants in evening. I ironed before supper and finished after supper. Ronnie to Fowlers to practice singing and his solo for 4-H contest.

Wednesday, June 18, 1952. Fair, nice day. Pete hoed in truck patch. I worked in garden. Got things ready for dinner. Went to club meeting at Evelyn Schwoerer. We picked 4 boxes berries and worked in garden after got home. Pete plowed corn in p.m. Ronnie helped Ernie Fowler bail in p.m.. He practiced with Quartet in evening. Allen got to Orlyn Zehr's folks at 11: 30. Drove from Ont[ario] Can[ada].

Thursday, June 19, 1952. Fair, real cool, fine day. Pete went after Allen at Zehrs. Got back at 9:45. He had a wonderful trip. Saw lots of country, 2000 mile trip. I picked peas. Pete and boys helped me pod them. Done Allen's washing too, had big one, lots of shirts. Canned 17 pints peas in p.m. CR finished crossing his corn. Allen plowed beans in p.m. Pete plowed corn awhile after supper. Boys to band practice. Allen saw Shirley. Pete and Ronnie hoed in truck patch and plowed garden. I cleaned upstairs in evening.

Friday, June 20, 1952. Had big rain at noon, cool. I made cherry pie. Got things ready for dinner. Picked two and half boxes strawberries. Reset some flowers and took children to [Laura and May] Mohrs and got them. Ironed little in morning, finished in p.m. and cleaned up bedrooms. Pete plowed corn until it rained. Boys helped bail at Ernie [Fowler]'s awhile in morning. They worked on henhouse in p.m. Allen to town with Wayne Mohr, Ronnie and Fowlers. We went to Mothers. Dorothy fixed our hair.

Saturday, June 21, 1952. Mostly cloudy, rained early in morning, warm and humid. Cleaned living room. Done Saturday work. Baked sponge cake, coffee cake and cookies. I went to town in p.m. Mother helped me pod peas. Put 2 1/2 quarts in locker. She came along home. I went to nurses home with Janette Colter at 5:45. Goodwill Circle served at Pauline Nussbaum wedding reception. Ida and I to wedding to. Real nice. Pete and boys to 4-H talent program at Bloomington High School. Ronnie played cornet solo. Janette Colter played [piano] for him. We went to high school when he played, then back to nurses home. I went back to school when we finished. Boys worked in *p.m.* (not clear?)

Sunday, June 22, 1952. Mostly cloudy, rained at 2 a.m. Lightning bad. We went to church. Allen took Shirley to Jacksonville in p.m. to sing at wedding. They got back at 8:10. We all went to church. Little late. Roland Gundy and Mary gave program. Ida to church with Ina (?).

Monday, June 23, 1952. Fair, quite warm. Washed and done ironing. Pete and boys worked on hen house. Allen to town, got nails. Boys to 4-H Federation meeting. I went with Mabel and Mother to Billy Woizeski to see their lily. Stopped at Prentzlers. Ray [Ropp] here.

Tuesday, June 24, 1952. Fair, warm. We dressed 14 chickens, 12 for Marie Yoder. Baked cake, cookies and coffee cake. Helped Marie cut up chickens in p.m. and picked bucket of peas for her. We went to Friendship Circle picnic at Sam Sommers. Boys to ballgame.

Wednesday, June 25, 1952. Hot, in 90s. Went to work at 7:00 to 3:00. Pete laid corn by. Boys bailing at Roy's. Ida along home. Edgars came out for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ate outside, had ice cream. Ronnie to 4-H ballgame in evening at CRs.

Thursday, June 26, 1952. Fair, hot and humid, around 100°. Went to work at 7 to 3. Men bailing at Roy's. Ida had day off. She washed and ironed. Cleaned upstairs. We dressed 21 chickens (took 20 to Neirstheimers) after got home. I went to alumni meeting. Had tour of new wing [at hospital]. Ida went to town. Boys to band practice and 4-H judging at the Farm Bureau Field.

Friday, June 27, 1952. Fair, hot, near 100°. I picked beans, canned 7 quarts. Took Mother some. Bible school ended. They had picnic lunch. Pete and I to town, got Paul at church at 2:00. We took Paul to Dr. Bailin and Dr. Watkins. He's to have his tonsils out on Monday. Was hoping they wouldn't need to come out. I went to committee meeting at Ruth Bullers to make out Goodwill Circle committee. Boys to band concert at Towanda. They bailed at Roy's.

Saturday, June 28, 1952. Fair, hot, no breeze, 100°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys worked around home and cut weeds. Mowed lawn. Ida along home. We cleaned up bedrooms and living room. We all went to Farm Bureau picnic at Wesleyan Stadium.

Sunday, June 29, 1952. Fair, hot, have thundershower north of us at 6:00. Went to church. I went to work 3 to 7. [Myrna] Parks to Willet's wedding [Myrna Parks was head nurse who she relieved.] Ida went [to wedding] with Pearl. Boys swimming at Lake Bloomington in p.m. We all went to Bible school program in evening, real good. I changed clothes at Ida's.

Monday, June 30, 1952. Fair, cooler. Pete Paul and I to hospital at 7:30. Paul had his tonsils out at 8:00. Dr. Watkins. Bailin gave anesthetic. Were in 143. He got along okay, but had three sutures. We went home at 5:30. Ida stayed with Paul until Allen and Ronnie went to town at 8:30. Pete and I to Alvin Otto's to Bruce's recital. I went to hospital, stayed all night with Paul. He was rather restless. Allen bailed hay at Marlin Miller's.

Tuesday, July 1, 1952. Fair, cooler. Allen to town after Paul and I. We got home at 9:30. Paul doing very well, doesn't eat. I washed. Mother came out at noon. We canned 17 quarts beans. Pete and Ronnie picked them. Mother to CRs in evening to picnic. I ironed some in evening. Boys to ball game. They bailed hay at CRs. Paul rested better at night. I was tired, busy day.

Wednesday, July 2, 1952. Fair in morning. Looked rainy in p.m.. Showered little here. Paul is improving. I finished ironing in morning. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors in p.m. Worked in garden awhile. Pete and boys bailed at CRs until it showered. Pete, Alen and I to choir practice. Ronnie home with Paul. Paul Ray [Fowler] here awhile.

Thursday, July 3, 1952. Fair, warmer. Paul better, eating some. I went to work at 7 to 3. Was busy. Mother came out to be with Paul. She cleaned up house and dressed three chickens. Two for us and one for her. Ida along home. Mother to town at 3:00 when they got me. Ida and I baked cake, cookies and coffee cake and washed our hair. Allen and we to town, met Marie at train. Dot there too. We went to Mothers, had our hair fixed. Allen got Shirley. He brought us home. They finished bailing at CRs.

Friday, July 4, 1952. Fine day. Ida washed. I got things ready for dinner. Mother, Marie, Edds and Roys here for dinner. CRs came for supper. Roys to Raiders for supper. Minnie here. We had nice day. Edds home at 8:30. Rest of us to Roys to watch fireworks. Allen helped Bill Miller bale hay awhile in p.m. He went to town in evening with Shirley and another couple. Gordy wasn't here.

Saturday, July 5, 1952. Fair, some warmer. Paul better. Went to work at 7:00 to 3:00. Allen and Roger Ehrlich detasseling corn at Covell. Pete to town on business. Ronnie working around home. We all went to State Farm Park as guests of the Gurners. We had picnic supper. Dorothy furnished supper. Uncle Charlie there too. Shirley and Roberta there too. CRs and we came home together.

Sunday, July 6, 1952. Fair, warmer. Allen and Ronnie detasseling corn. I took them to Covell in morning. Pete and I to church. Paul at Mothers all day. I had to work 3-7. *Strouse* (sp?) ill. Pete after boys and helped them awhile. Marie left for Chicago in evening. We all went to annual church meeting. Al Mohr president of church board.

Monday, July 7, 1952. Fair, real warm in p.m., high 90s. Had rain in night and cooler. Washed, picked beans and canned 7 quarts. Ironed little. Dressed chicken and got things ready for supper. Went to 4-H picnic at CRs. It rained before program was over. Finished in house. Paul better. Allen detasseling. Pete and Ronnie worked on barn. Got binder out, etc.

Tuesday, July 8, 1952. Reigned until 10:00 a.m.. Fair and cool in p.m. Cleaned up house. Mother, Paul and I to Edds. Picked raspberries, got 15 boxes. Put 8 in locker and canned 6 quarts. Gave mother 2 and Ida some. I took berries to town. Mother stayed here, she ironed some. Uncle Frank [Whitig]'s and Dolores here in evening. Mother to town with them. Allen to detassel in morning, but got rained out. He and Ronnie went at noon to detassel.

Wednesday, July 9, 1952. Fair, cool. Finished ironing in morning. Men making hay. I picked some raspberries. Made 2 pints preserves. Baked rolls, cookies and apple crisp. We went to choir practice. Boys to ballgame at Corvell. Allen detasseling corn.

Thursday, July 10, 1952. Nice day. I washed, picked beans and canned 7 quarts. Baked cake. Dressed chicken. Got things ready for supper. Went to Farm and Home Bureau picnic at Roys. Ronnie finished mowing hay. They bailed in p.m. Allen detasseling corn. [I] cleaned.

Friday, July 11, 1952. Fair, some warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete finished bailing hay in p.m. Allen detasseling. Cleaned up living room after got home. Dressed chicken. Made carrot salad. Worked in garden after supper. Boys to band concert at Hudson. Paul with them. We worked on eggs. Ida left Streator at 11:34 Kansas City. Edgars took her.

Saturday, July 12, 1952. Fair, quite warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and Ronnie worked on combine. Unloaded cobs. Mowed lawn. Hoed truck patch. Allen detasseling. Mother and I uptown awhile after 3:00. Got us each nylon dress. Mother home with me. We all went to CRs to PTA officers picnic. Cleaned up kitchen and bath. Allen had a date in evening.

Sunday, July 13, 1952. Fair in morning. Had rain in p.m. We went to church. Ronnie home with Jimmy Oder. I went to the odors at 3:00. We went on garden tour at 4:00 to 8:30. Willard Yodors and Wilma Elliott and I and Walters. Had lunch at Walters. Pete, Allen and Paul home. Ray here awhile in p.m. Ronnie choruser in Sunday school.

Monday, July 14, 1952. Partly cloudy, looked rainy at times. Washed and ironed in p.m. Allen finished detasseling corn in morning. They started cutting oats in morning. Pete working on combine too. We had sweet corn.

Tuesday, July 15, 1952. Fair to partly cloudy. Baked two cakes and coffee cake, custard and muffins. Boys cutting oats. Started to combine at CRs in p.m. Ronnie, Paul and I to town. Ronnie had physical, Paul to Dr. Watkins for checkup. He's OK. Ronnie and I to Dr. Eaton. Edgars and Grandma here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Picked cucumbers, nearly bucket full.

Wednesday, July 16, 1952. Cloudy in morning, showered some, fair in p.m. Dressed 2 chickens. Baked cookies. Men cut some quotes in p.m. I went to town in p.m. Got Mother. We went to Billys, got apples. Got things ready for supper. Fixed 6 quarts dills and brine for sweet pickles. We all went to Garfield picnic at Ed Sharps.

Thursday, July 17, 1952. Partly cloudy, had shower, hot. I went to work, 7 to 3. Pete and boys worked in barn. I cleaned upstairs in evening. Got things ready for supper. Picked cucumbers, made 2 quarts bills. Boys to ballgame in evening. We cased eggs awhile.

Friday, July 18, 1952. Mostly cloudy, humid, showered. I went to work at 7-3. Pete and boys cut some oats. CR combined little. Allen helped. I washed after got home. Clothes didn't all get dry. Cleaned up bedrooms and living room. We all went to band concert at Carlock in evening. They had ice cream social too. Allen and Shirley to picnic at Oertwigs early. He came after us at 8:00.

Saturday, July 19, 1952. Fair, hot, had little shower in p.m. Pete and Allen finished cutting oats. CR combined awhile. Pete to town in morning. Got haircut and went to bank. I canned 7 quarts apricots, cooked applesauce and made pie. Done Saturday work.

Ironed some and helped Ronnie pack his clothes. He and I to town in p.m. Went to Dr. Hadden about my foot. Ronnie left by train for Chicago at 3:55. He's going to Lake Villa, FFA Conservation Camp. He's staying all night with Marie. I canned 3 pints apricots and 2 pints marmalade.

Sunday, July 20, 1952. Fair, rather windy, quite warm. We went to church and to Walter Yoder's for dinner. Allen, Jim, Kay and Paul went swimming in p.m. George Gerling passed away early morning. CRs, Mother and we went to funeral home. See George. Surely hard on the family. We went to cheese house awhile. Allen, Paul home, Ray with them.

Monday, July 21, 1952. Mostly fair, hot in 90s, humid. Washed and ironed in p.m. Picked cucumbers. Pete and Allen combining our oats in p.m. CR finished his at noon. Allen raked straw for CR in morning. Pete plowed garden and truck patch. They worked late in evening.

Tuesday, July 22, 1952. Fair, hot, 98°, rather windy. Baked pie, coffee cake and custard. Got things ready for dinner. Pete finished combining here at home. Mother, Mabel and I to George Gerling's funeral. A sad funeral. Pete started combining on Fagerburg place. Worked late. Allen had ball game. Edgars came out, brought ice. They ate some sweet corn too. Dorothy fixed my hair. Dressed chicken in morning.

Wednesday, July 23, 1952. Rained at 2:30 a.m. Cleared off in morning, cooler, nice day. I cleaned up house. Picked pickles and fixed them. Pete combined in p.m. Ernie [Fowler] helped awhile. They finished combining. Eds here in evening. We dressed 8 chickens for them. They stayed for supper. We went to Roy's after Eds left. Watched television. Democratic convention. CR bailed straw.

Thursday, July 24, 1952. Clear, fine day. Canned 2 quarts bills. Washed and picked bucket of beans for Marie Yoder. Baked cookies and apple crisp. Cleaned upstairs and bedrooms and washed some windows. Pete took oats to Yuton. They helped Ernie [Fowler] bailed straw in p.m. Allen to Champaign with Wayne Mohr to Guernsey show.

Friday, July 25, 1952. Fair, some cooler. Went to work at 7 to 3. Had committee meeting after work. Plans for senior breakfast. Boys bailing straw here in p.m. Fixed lunch for them after got home and cleaned the living room and dining room. Picked cucumbers. We all went to ballgame in evening. We got beat.

Saturday, July 26, 1952. Fair, hot, 98°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took me in. He and Allen finished bailing straw. They went to town in p.m. They got work shoes. I got a pair of duty shoes. Paul at Mothers. He went with she and Gurtner's to State Farm Park, Sieg family there. Ronnie got home from camp at 7:00. He had nice time. Came on bus from Pontiac. I baked cake in evening. Got home late. Allen had date. Cooler in evening.

Sunday, July 27, 1952. Fair, hot, little cooler in morning. Went to church. Ronnie led singing in Sunday school. Were home for dinner. Allen to State Farm Park in p.m. Edgars, Pete and I left at 5:00 for Streator. Went to Floyd *Canters* (sp?) awhile. Met Ida at train at 7:00. She left Kansas City at 12:30. We got home at 11:00. I do here all night. Boys home.

Monday, July 28, 1952. Partly cloudy. Looked rainy at times. Hot and humid. Turned cooler in evening. Ida here, we washed. She done ironing in p.m. I worked in garden awhile. Baked cake and custard. Pete and boys mowed weeds. Edgars here for supper, had ice cream. Dorothy fixed our hair. Boys on 4-H tour. Left at 6:00. Pete moved old hens on third-floor in barn. Edgar helped awhile. I helped finish.

Tuesday, July 29, 1952. Mostly cloudy, much cooler, fair in evening. Dressed chicken and made salad. Cleaned up house. Washed windows on outside. Got ready for Goodwill Circle picnic. Pete and boys got chairs and tables, and cleaning out henhouse. I went to town at 4:00. Ronnie along. Got clothes at cleaners, etc. Ronnie to Farm Bureau. Mother came out with Mabel. Had big crowd here for picnic.

Wednesday, July 30, 1952. Fair, cool. I baked cake and coffee cake. Washed. Went to town at 4:00. Pete took me in. Helped at nurses home with ice cream supper. Pete, Paul and Mother went at 7:00. Pete helped dip ice cream. Had big crowd. Sure was tired. Late when got done. Paul home with Fowlers from town. Ronnie home, not feeling too good. Allen to Farmer City with Wayne, Roger, Gordon and Orlyn Zehr. Pete and Allen cleaned out henhouse.

Thursday, July 31, 1952. Fair, cool, 52° in morning. Went to work at 7 to 3. Ronnie to FFA fair at Fairbury. Took hogs and geese. Got first on geese, second and fifth on hogs. Pete and Allen cut weeds and worked in henhouse. Ida a long home. We ironed, cleaned upstairs. I fixed syrup for sweet pickles. Dressed 3 chickens. Allen and Wayne [Mohr] had dates.

Friday, August 1, 1952. Fair, hot. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took us to town. He went to blood bank at 11:00. Boys made fence in morning and helped Ernie [Fowler] make hay in p.m. Phil [Patton]s, Earl [Kaufman]s and we went to Toluca in evening for dinner. We went in our car. Had nice time. Boys home. Cleaned up bedrooms and living room in evening. Marie home in evening.

Saturday, August 2, 1952. Partly cloudy, quite warm. Baked cake. Got corn ready for locker, 8 quarts. Pete took it to town. Done Saturday work. Canned 6 quarts sweet pickles. Got ready for choir picnic. Made 2 gallons ice cream and fixed chicken and coffee. Had a good crowd, 36 or 38. Boys cut some weeds in morning.

Sunday, August 3, 1952. Mostly cloudy, showered little in p.m. and evening. Went to church and to CRs for dinner. Took chicken, cake and tomatoes. They had surprise on us for our anniversary. Mother, Marie, Edgars, Edds, Laura and May. Ida came at 3:00, also Shirley and Roberta and Roys and Minnie there in evening. They gave us set of

towels and mixing bowls. Edds a covered dish. Marie back to Chicago at 3:30. Had a nice day.

Monday, August 4, 1952. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m., cool. Done washing. Ironed some in p.m. Finished after supper. Canned 29 pints corn in p.m. Gave Mother 6. Pete husk it for me. Boys to 4-H Fair early. Ronnie took hogs and geese, Allen took barrow. Pete to fair with Eddie [Fowler] at 10:30. He stayed for evening. Came home with Fowlers. Pete cut some weeds. Ronnie got third and fourth on geese.

Tuesday, August 5, 1952. Fair, cool. Cleaned up house and picked lima beans. Got them ready for locker, 7 quarts. Paul and I to town p.m. Went to fair awhile. We all went in evening. Ida along too and went home with us. Boys home in morning, helped chore, ate breakfast at home. Dicky Miller along to fair in evening and stayed all night.

Wednesday, August 6, 1952. Fair, real cool, 52°. We washed some in morning for Ida and boys things. We all went to fair at 8:30. Mother along. Boys showed. Allen got fifth on Barrows. Ronnie got 2nd and 6th. Ronnie along home to chore. We stopped uptown a while. Dressed chicken for Mother. Took Dicky M[iller] home after evening show.

Thursday, August 7, 1952. Mostly fair, some warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and Paul home. Mowed pasture. Ida along home. We baked bars and coffee cake and dressed 8 chickens for Goodwill Circle. We took them to church in evening. Ida home. Boys home from fair at 6:00. Allen helped Wayne Mohr all during fair. Boys home in evening.

Friday, August 8, 1952. Fair, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We done cleaning. Ida, Ronnie and I to town at 6:30. We helped Goodwill Circle served banquet for Y.P.U.. Ronnie at banquet. Had 96. Was at our church. Ida stayed in town. Pete and Paul home. Allen to State Fair at 11:00. Took Wayne's car down. Also Nancy Mohr. Rained shower in night. Pete and boys cut weeds in corn.

Saturday, August 9, 1952. Cloudy in morning, fair, warmer. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He went to town in p.m. Ida along home with us. We picked and canned 7 pints lima beans and cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Pete and boys carried pullets into barn. Dressed one of Paul's rabbits in evening.

Sunday, August 10, 1952. Fair, pleasant. We went to church in morning. Home for dinner. Jim Yoder along home. Paul Ray [Fowler] here awhile in p.m. We all went to church in evening. Had picture. Ida stayed in town. German student at CRs.

Monday, August 11, 1952. Rain early in morning and most of the day. One and a half inches, fine rain. Washed, dried clothes in basement. Done ironing. Dressed chicken. Ronnie to Springfield with CRs. Pete worked around barn. We all went to Ida's for supper. Edgars and Mmother there. Dorothy fixed our hair. I went to committee meeting at Strouse's. Made invitations for senior breakfast. Ida along home.

Tuesday, August 12, 1952. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. We left for [Illinois State] Fair at Springfield at 8:00. Pete, Ronnie, Paul, Ida and I. Allen home with us. He helped Gordon with stock at fair. Big crowd at fair.

Wednesday, August 13, 1952. Fair, warmer. Washed. Went to Lou Wellmerling's funeral in p.m. Mother along. Fixed bread and butter pickles and done ironing in evening after supper. Pete fixed eggs. Allen had date.

Thursday, August 14, 1952. Mostly cloudy, warmer. Pete to town in morning, took eggs. Went in p.m. to have mower fixed. Allen mowed weeds until mower broke. Boys painted brooder house. I baked cake, coffee cake and pie. Picked lima beans and canned 7 pints. Done all of cleaning and got things ready to go away. Sure tired. Also fixed syrup for sweet pickles. Pete took them to Ida.

Friday, August 15, 1952. Rained in morning and had 3 inches of rain in night, stormed. Pete, Paul and I left at 7:30 for Wisconsin. Went with Edgars. Mother went too. We got to Oshkosh at 4:00. Stopped there awhile, then went to Freds. We all stayed there all night. Walter took us for ride in evening. Allen and Ronnie home doing chores. They went to ballgame. Boys at CRs for supper.

Saturday, August 16, 1952. Early cloudy here, nice and Wisconsin. Edgars, Walter and we went to Oshkosh a while in morning. Mother stayed with Hannah. We all went to Carl's for dinner. They took us to Chain of Lakes and Whispering Pines. Saw some beautiful scenery and lakes. Went to Emma's for supper. Ronnie and Ray at Park from 7 to 12, then Allen went out and stayed rest of night, holding tables for CRs.

Sunday August 17, 1952. Fair, fine day in Wisconsin. Hot and humid here. We all went to church and to Evelyn's for dinner. Freds there too. All of their family there for wiener roast in evening. We went to Park and Lake Winnebago in p.m.. Boys to church and to {Miller} Park for dinner. Illinois Farm Bureau group had picnic. Boys played ball in p.m. Allen and Shirley sang duet at our church in morning.

Monday, August 18, 1952. Fair, warmer. We left Fred's at 8:00 for home. Went by way of Milwaukee. Stopped there two hours. Got home at 6:45. Also stopped at Lake Geneva awhile. Glad to get home safely. Boys got along OK. Ronnie had sore mouth and throat. Had treatment at Dr. Watkins on Saturday. He's some better. Edgars brought us home, ate supper here. Ronnie went to ballgame.

Tuesday, August 19, 1952. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Washed out some shirts before went to work. Ida along home. We ironed shirts and picked lima beans for supper and cooked apples. Pete and boys cut weeds & corn in beans. I went to committee meeting at Pauline N. Roth's. Worked on programs for senior breakfast. Ida to town. Allen to Fairbury with Gordon. Stayed all night.

Wednesday, August 20, 1952. Rained in morning, sun shone awhile in p.m.. Rained again in evening. Washed, dried most of clothes inside. Hung some out after dinner. We went to town in p.m. Mother along, got gift for Maryland Thietje's shower. Pete took eggs in. Ronnie and Paul mowed Mother's lawn. Allen at Fairbury. Home in evening. I went to Mothers. Dorothy fixed our hair. Allen along to Shirley's.

Thursday, August 21, 1952. Cloudy, fair in p.m. Warm and humid. Cooler in evening. I done ironing and some baking. Made 3 1/2 quarts bread-and-butter pickles, cleaned upstairs and two bedrooms. Finished drying clothes outside. Pete helped Ernie [Fowler] dig up tile. Allen and Ronnie hauled manure. Ronnie to ballgame in evening.

Friday, August 22, 1952. Fair, cooler, fine day. Pete went with George F[rances] at 3:30 to Chicago [on cheese buying trip]. Got back at 3:00 p.m. I worked 7 to 3. Went to Dr. Hadden at 3:30. My foot some better. Got new dress, blue. Ida along home. She fixed my dress. I cleaned living and dining room. Allen helped Ernie [Fowler] in morning. He took Shirley two nurses home in evening to practice. Ida to town. Ronnie to ballgame.

Saturday, August 23, 1952. Fair, cool, 45°. Beautiful day. Baked cookies and coffee cake. Done Saturday work. Left at 1:00 for Minier to shower for Marilyn Thietje. Dorothy and Louise gave it. Took Mother, Mabel, Betty G[urtner] and Mary N[eirstheimer]. Pete to town in morning. Allen hauled manure. Ronnie didn't feel good, has cold. Pete and boys cut corn in beans in p.m. Boys doing Phil's chores. Allen took Shirley to Danver's church to practice song.

Sunday, August 24, 1952. Fair, real cool, beautiful day. I went to senior breakfast at 7:00. Took flowers. Shirley along. She sang solo. Was nice. Tables fixed for vacation time. Pete, Ronnie and Paul to Sunday School with CRs. Ronnie and Paul home with Ed Sharp's and ate dinner at Fowlers. Pete and I ate in town and went to commencement for nurses at Wesley Methodist. Helped serve reception. Allen and Shirley sang duet at North Danvers in morning. Were at Shirley's sisters for dinner. Boys done Phil's chores. Allen to show in evening. Mrs. D. H. *Schwartz* (sp?) died.

Monday, August 25, 1952. Fair, little warmer, fine day. Washed and canned a bushel of peaches. 20 quarts and 2 pints preserves. Allen helped Phil all day. Pete took Ronnie to Dr. McGinnis. He isn't feeling good. Also went to Dr. Watkins. His middle ear has blood in it. Gave him penicillin. Ida came home with them. Aunt Martha [Claudon] called in p.m. Wanted me to come up [to Gridley]. She fell Saturday and hurt her face and head.

Tuesday, August 26, 1952. Fair, nice day. Ida washed. I done baking, and addressed for chickens. Ida finished ironing. We cleaned up house. I took Ronnie to hospital, had chest x-ray and blood work done for respiratory infection and anemic. Pete and Mother to Gridley to see Aunt Martha. Ida and I canned 10 quarts tomato juice and got supper. Scott Ijams, Mother, CRs and Minnie here for picnic supper, also Shirley. They all brought something.

Wednesday, August 27, 1952. Fair, nice day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys went to Pantagraph day out near Danvers. They got Ida and I at work. Dr. Wellmerling and John Stutzman here for supper. Had fried chicken, corn on cob, ice cream, etc. had nice time. Dr. showed some pictures. Am having some toothache.

Thursday, August 28, 1952. Fair, warm. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys cut some weeds and hauled manure. Ronnie feeling better. He had another sinus treatment at Dr. Watkins. Allen helped make hay at Floyd Mohrs in p.m. Ida along home. We fixed things for supper. We all went to nurses' picnic at Lake Bloomington. Was nice evening. We stopped at Earl Kaufman's, picked out icebox. (They're staying at cabin at Lake.) Ida to town with Nussbaums.

Friday, August 29, 1952. Fair, washed. Had quite a bit. Washed rugs. Went to dentist in p.m. Pete took eggs to town. I ironed some when got home. We all went to Mothers for supper. Marie home in p.m. Edgars, CRs and Minnie there too. Also Shirley and Roberta. I had toothache all night. Walked floor, slept very little. Helped Allen some in morning pack his trunk.

Saturday, August 30, 1952. Partly cloudy, warm. I was sick, vomiting from codeine etc. I took for pain. Still having toothache. Dr. Eaton out of town. Went to Dr. Chrisman. He pulled two teeth. Had crowns and bridge work on them. Was in bed rest of day. Boys to Ropp reunion for dinner. Allen came home after dinner. Pete to reunion and Allen stayed home. Ida home with Pete. She finished ironing and cleaned up kitchen. Allen had date in evening. I felt some better in evening. Ate tea and toast for supper.

Sunday, August 31, 1952. Warm, nice day. Boys to Sunday School. Pete to hospital for Aunt Martha. She called me in morning. Said Dr. bringing her to hospital. We all went to Edds for dinner. Shirley along too. Ida stayed over. I feel better but still not too good. Hannah Woizeski and Walter and Art *Becker* (sp?) here awhile in morning. They brought Martha and Bill home. Finished packing Allen's trunk. Pete and I to hospital to see and Martha. Allen and Shirley to mothers a while. We were all there a while. Had ice cream, Marie's treat. Shirley here for lunch. Ronnie and Paul home.

Monday, September 1, 1952. Rained most of morning and some in p.m., dark and dreary. Much cooler in evening. Allen left at 7:30 for Bluffton. Going back to school. We miss him. Pete took him to Orvie *Schenick* (sp?). His son drove out. Orlyn [Zehr] along too. We shipped his trunk in p.m. Pete and I to hospital in p.m. to see Aunt Martha. She's about same. Moved her to 219. Marie along too. Boys home. Fowler girls and Paul Ray here playing shuffleboard. I canned 21 quarts tomato juice in morning. Allen got to Bluffton at 4:30.

Tuesday, September 2, 1952. Fair, real cool, 46°. Boys started to school. Went until noon. Pete took eggs to town in morning. Done a few errands for Aunt Martha. I washed. Washed Allen's bedding. Done ironing in p.m. and got things ready for supper. Went to Men's Fellowship picnic at Phils. Was cold.

Wednesday, September 3, 1952. Fair, cool. Canned 7 quarts tomato juice and 5 quarts tomatoes. Fixed cucumbers for mixed pickles. Canned them in evening, 4 quarts. Went to town in p.m. to Dr. Hadden. Mother along. We stopped at hospital to see Aunt Martha. Dorothy, Ida and Mother along home for supper. Dorothy fixed my hair. We went to choir practice and Ida came home with Mother. They had their hair fixed. We took them home. E. A. [Gurtner] busy. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday, September 4, 1952. Beautiful day, cool. Went to work at 7:00. Pete working around home. Boys to school. Aunt Martha not so good in p.m. I went to alumni homecoming at Nurses Home at 5:00. Had Gypsy theme. Real nice. I went in with Marie Hastings. Pete and Ronnie to see show, "Quo Vadis." Paul at Fowlers all night. I came home with Pete.

Friday, September 5, 1952. Fair, fine day, slightly warmer. Done cleaning. We got a new International Harvester ice box. Earl Kaufman got it for us. We went to town in p.m., Mother along. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. She isn't good at times. Went uptown awhile. I fixed quart of lima beans in evening. Put them in ice box.

Saturday, September 6, 1952. Fair, rather warm. Cloudy in evening. Much cooler. Went to work at 7:00. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom in evening. Edgars here, got two big buckets tomatoes in p.m. Pete and boys mowed yard and weeds. Cleaned up brush at Fagerburg place. Ronnie to town in evening with Eddie [Fowler].

Sunday, September 7, 1952. Fair, real cool in morning. We went to church in morning. Home for dinner. I went to work at 3 to 7 and was terribly busy, emergencies and admitting patients. Had man who was hit in his eye by horseshoe. [Dr.] Gailey removed his eye. We went to church in evening. Ida along. Not many there.

Monday, September 8, 1952. Fair, fine day. I washed and ironed. Washed bedding and housecleaning things from upstairs. Canned 8 quarts tomatoes in p.m. Ronnie to town after school, got tennis shoes, and Ida along home with him. Pete painted hog house. Worked around barn. Ronnie to church skating party in evening.

Tuesday, September 9, 1952. Fair, nice day. Ida washed and washed woodwork in boys room. I went to work at 7:00. Mother along home with me. Ida had juice ready for grape jelly. I made 12 glasses jelly. We canned 11 quarts tomatoes and straightened up boys room. Ida and I to Goodwill Circle at church. Went with Jeanette [Colter]. We took Mother home.

Wednesday, September 10, 1952. Fair, hot, in 90s. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took us to work. He went to town in morning. Took eggs in. I went to Dr. Hadden after work. Got arch wear in my shoe. We brought linen lunch cloths for Pat *Guinee* (sp?) and Hewitt *Hafer* (sp?). Pete and I to Earl Kaufman's in evening awhile. We dressed 2 rabbits for them. Stirred up cookies in evening.

Thursday, September 11, 1952. Fair, hot, in 90s. Baked cookies and pie in morning. Went to Home Bureau at Mrs. Bohrs. I went to dentist from there, had gum treated. Mother along to town. Mabel and Mrs. Hastings went to Home Bureau with me. Came home with May. I made fudge for Eugene Field PTA. I and Jeanette served coffee and cookies to new students. Had reception at our church. Ida helped too. Ronnie to 4-H meeting at Farm Bureau. Pete to Pontiac threshermen meeting.

Friday, September 12, 1952. Fair, hot, in 90s. Went to work at 7:00. I fixed tomato juice for catsup when got home. Got supper. We went to [foot]ball game at NCHS. Pete worked around home. He picked tomatoes too. Normal won game.

Saturday, September 13, 1952. Fair, hot. Went to work at 7:00. Came home at 4:00. Ida along. We made eight bottles catsup and 10 pints chili sauce. Canned 11 quarts tomatoes. We done cleaning. Baked cake and apple dumplings. Pete to town in p.m. with eggs. They made some fence in morning.

Sunday, September 14, 1952. Cloudy in morning. Rain good shower in morning, fair in p.m., cooler in evening. We went to church. Ronnie led the singing again in Sunday School. Mother and Ida here for dinner. Ronnie to ball game in p.m. Pete and I with CRs to Hewitt Hafer and Pat Guinee wedding at Baptist Church. Were at reception too. We took Mother home in evening and we all went to Norman and Mary Lou Vercler's for lunch in evening. Had nice time.

Monday, September 15, 1952. Fair, cool, beautiful day. I washed and done ironing. Went to dentist at 3:00. Had gums treated. Took Marie Y[oder] some eggs. Canned 4 quarts tomatoes in evening. Pete painted some. Herman Buller here in evening. Got some sweet corn.

Tuesday, September 16, 1952. Fair, little warmer. Showered some late in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Mother and I to get our hair fixed at 3:30. Pete helped CR shell little corn in morning. Picked tomatoes. Turned hogs in corn field. Shipped some hogs. I went to PTA committee meeting at NCHS. Pete to Elmer Siegs to see Elmer about landscaping churchyard. Paul at Dicky Miller's all night.

Wednesday, September 17, 1952. Fair, nice day. Baked cookies and baked 2 pies for sale. Goodwill Circle served at ISNU sale barn. Pete and I to town at 10:30. I helped at sale till 12:30, then to dentist. Pete took eggs to town. Mother came out with us. We went to club meeting at Dorothy Singley's. Everyone wore funny hats. Myrna Parks helped me fix one. Had kitchen utensils on it. Mother here for supper. We went to choir practice. Paul sick at stomach. Got sick in school. Ronnie and Paul home.

Thursday September 18, 1952. Mostly cloudy. Showered in p.m., much cooler in evening. Paul home, still doesn't feel very good. Baked cake. Dressed two chickens. Got things ready for supper. Cleaned 2 attics in west room upstairs. We went to NCHS PTA for supper. Paul at Mothers. Band performed. Eugene Field PTA same night also had supper.

Friday, September 19, 1952. Real cool, 40°. Went to work at 7:00. Paul better, went to school. Pete worked around home. Mother to see Aunt Martha. I took her home. Cleaned up dining and living room after got home. We went to ball game. We played U. High, score 0-0. Edgars home from Florida.

Saturday, September 20, 1952. Partly cloudy, real cool. I cleaned our bedroom, also closets. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom. Got ready for company. Edgars and Ida here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete to town in morning. Mother and CRs to Chicago. CRs to ball game, stayed all night.

Sunday, September 21, 1952. Fair, nice day, cool. We went to church. Home for dinner. Peat and I to Gridley in p.m. Got her [Aunt Martha's] bonds and radio. Also went to Meadows [Home] to see about Aunt Martha staying there awhile. Ronnie working on record books. Paul at Fowlers. Ray [Ropp] here in evening. CR's gone.

Monday, September 22, 1952. Cloudy in morning. Looked rainy. Showered little again in p.m. Washed, dried clothes outside. Ironed in p.m. Harold Patton here in morning, tuned piano. Paul home in morning. Tired and didn't feel like going to school. Pete took him at noon. Pete dug sweet potatoes and worked on eggs in p.m. He and I to town in evening to see Aunt Martha. Also stopped at Dr. Wellmerling's to see him about Aunt Martha leaving hospital.

Tuesday, September 23, 1952. Fair, fine day, real cool. I cleaned the west bedroom. Aired bedding and clean linen closet and cedar closet. Went to town at 4:30. Got Ida. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. CR here for dinner. They got combine ready in morning. Started to combine [beans] in p.m. We went to Friendship Circle wiener roast at Chester Millers. Ronnie to F. F. A. meeting at school. Ida here all night. Got Allen's record book at post office in p.m.

Wednesday, September 24, 1952. Fair, some warmer. Ida washed. I cleaned bathroom in morning. She and I to church at 11:00. Helped can. We canned 186 quarts, mostly tomatoes. I took two bushels tomatoes in and one bushel for Nussbaums. We cleaned hallway and Ida ironed some. I baked cake and coffee [cake] after we got home. We took Ida home. We went to choir practice, Jeanette along. Boys home. Pete combining our beans.

Thursday, September 25, 1952. Fair, fine day, warmer. I cleaned the living and dining room, waxed floors. May and Lara [Mohr] here a few minutes in morning. Took some pictures of garden flowers. Marie Kaufman here awhile in p.m. Brought a suit of Earl's for Ronnie. Pete finished combining our beans at 1:30. He took load to Yuton. We all went to community club wiener roast at Fowlers. Was in Roy's barnyard. Ronnie to stunt show with Eddie [Fowler].

Friday, September 26, 1952. Fair, nice day, little cooler. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He helped Ernie [Fowler] combine his beans in morning. He went to town in p.m., drove

tractor for NCHS homecoming parade. I went up town a while after work. Got corsage for Ronnie. He went to ball game and dance. Had date with Bonnie Yoder. NCHS played Clinton.

Saturday, September 27, 1952. Fair, warm. Went to work at 7:00, rather busy. Mother here. She helped boys clean garage. Pete and Paul to town before noon. Pete took bonds to bank for Aunt Martha. We moved her to 226 (cheaper). Paul took his first piano lesson at Mrs. Kemp. He liked it. I took him to Dr. Watkins for final checkup on tonsils. He opened his ears too. Ida along home. We made salad and applesauce and baked beans and coffee cake. Pete took Mother home.

Sunday, September 28, 1952. Fair, real warm, 90°. We all went to church, home for dinner. Mother along home. Got ready for company. Edgars, Uncle Charlie, Elmer and Clarence Siegs here for supper. Art [Sieg]s were busy. CRs here too. Had weiners and hamburgers. Nice evening to be outside. Uncle Charlie to church meeting after supper.

Monday, September 29, 1952. Fair, hot. Washed and ironed. Went to dentist at 3:15. Got Ronnie at show, "Les Miserables". Junior class went. Pete and I to see show in evening. Cecil Raber here, put clock in chicken barn. Pete helped him.

Tuesday, September 30, 1952. Fair, hot. Mabel and I to Mothers, cleaned her living room and washed windows on outside. Got home at 3:00. I cleaned china cabinet and got things ready for supper. Edgars and Ida here. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete worked on dump and put eggs in case.

Wednesday, October 1, 1952. Mostly cloudy, looked rainy, cooler in evening. Canned 7 quarts tomatoes and 6 pints of juice for Ida. I fixed one half gallon to use. Cleaned cupboards and broom closet in p.m. Pete took eggs to town in p.m. He went to community chest drive meeting in evening. Boys and I to Wesley Church. Meeting to dedicate the reversion [revision?] of the Bible.

Thursday, October 2, 1952. Fair, real cool. Went to work at 7:00. Had brakes fixed on car. Ida along home. We washed woodwork and kitchen. Pete plowed little and picked tomatoes. We all went to choir practice. Ida and Paul at Mothers. Took Ida home after practice.

Friday, October 3, 1952. Fair, cool. Done cleaning. Scrubbed and waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Washed ruffles in kitchen. Went to auxiliary meeting at 11:00. Started canning tomatoes for alumni at 3:00. Was 7:00 when I got home. Canned 57 quarts juice. I took over a bushel [of tomatoes]. Nurses around hospital helped. Ronnie to Oak Lawn with band and football team. Allen home with George Bohrer. Got here at 12:00. We sure were surprised and glad to see him.

Saturday, October 4, 1952. Mostly cloudy, cool. I got up at 5:00 and washed for Allen before going to work at 7:00. Had busy day. Pete and boys to town in p.m. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. Paul took his lesson. Ida and Shirley along home. Done some baking

and got supper. I done Allen's ironing after supper. Allen took Ida home. Mother to St. Louis on train to Marilyn Thietje's wedding. Dressed chicken.

Sunday, October 5, 1952. Mostly cloudy, real chilly in p.m. We all went to church, had communion. Home for dinner. Pete, Paul and I took Allen to Mrs. Bohrer at 2:00. He and George left for Bluffton. I sent box cookies and jelly with him. We went to see George and Merle awhile. Ronnie at Fowlers. Mother came back with Gurtners. They got back at 7:00.

Monday, October 6, 1952. Fair, real chilly, 25°. I washed, got done at 9:30. Went to Home Bureau at Normal with Pearl. Had district meeting. Had good crowd. Done ironing after got home, all except plain things. Pete and I to church. Reverend *Weaver* (sp?) teaching classes for Sunday school teachers, etc. Very good. Paul at Mothers. Ronnie to 4-H wiener roast with Eddie [Fowler], was at Herb Niehaus.

Tuesday, October 7, 1952. Cloudy, real cool, gloomy. Finished ironing. Cleaned fruit rooms and washed storm windows in kitchen and dining and part of living room. Pete put them up. He helped Ernie [Fowler] put picker on tractor in morning. We went to town in p.m. I went to dentist. Mother along to town. Stopped to see Aunt Martha. Dorothy came home with us, also Ida. Edgar came for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ronnie to town. Part of band played at community chest *Park off* (?). Norman Verclers have a girl.

Wednesday, October 8, 1952. Fair, cool, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete took me in. We took Aunt Martha to Gridley and to Old People's Home after I got off work. She was anxious to go. We got home at 6:15. We went to choir practice in evening. Jeanette along. Paul at Mothers. Pete worked on picker in morning.

Thursday, October 9, 1952. Fair, little warmer, cooler in evening, windy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on corn crib, getting ready to shuck corn. Ida along home. Done her washing and some things for me. Nearly all dried outside. I baked peach crisp, coffee cake and angel food cake. Ronnie took Ida home. I ironed some. Ronnie and I decided to go to Bluffton. Paul didn't feel too good in morning.

Friday, October 10, 1952. Fair, nice day. Ronnie and I left for Bluffton at 8:30. Luella Mishler, Shirley and Dorothy *Prozelius* (sp?) along. Got to Bluffton at 6:00 our time. Made several stops. Had car radiator flushed and Luella stopped to see her aunt at Wabash Indiana. Shirley and I stayed at Beachys. Other girls at Lincoln Hall. Ronnie with Allen. We went to pep session and went to eat. Allen and Shirley to show. Pete and CR opening cornfields. Paul to school.

Saturday, October 11, 1952. Fair, fine day. We went to crowning of [homecoming] queen in morning. Went to town awhile in morning. All went to football game. Bluffton won. A lovely day for game. Marvin [Yoder]s came after Ronnie and I at 6:15. We ate supper at Marvins. Allen and girls went to banquet. Luella and Shirley at the Beachys

all night. Paul to mothers with Mabel. Mother took him for his lesson. Pete opening fields. I do help good will serve at mechanical husking contest. She went to Edds.

Sunday, October 12, 1952. Fair, nice day. Marvins and we to Bluffton to church. We all ate uptown. Got ready to leave for home. Went to Ropp Hall awhile. Left for home at 12:30 our time. Marvins stayed for vesper and reception. We got to Bloomington at 8:00. Had quite a lot of traffic. Sure thankful to get home safely. Pete and Paul to church and to Colters for dinner. Pete teaching new Sunday school class, young people's group.

Monday, October 13, 1952. Fair, nice day, cloudy in evening. Thundered and lightning but didn't rain. I washed clothes, dried good. Done ironing. Had big wash, had Allen's too. Pete husking corn. Boys home, no school, teachers meeting. Ronnie ground feed. Took eggs to town in p.m. He went to 4-H skating party. Pete and I to Rev. Weaver's class. Paul at Mothers.

Tuesday, October 14, 1952. Cloudy, started raining at noon, rained nearly all p.m. and evening. I cleaned recreation and basement in morning. Gathered some flower seeds. Pete husk corn in morning. Put eggs I case in p.m.. I went to dentist, got partial plate. Ida along home. We went to Good Will at church. Ronnie to wiener roast (A. N. S. Club) at Marquardt. Pete and Paul home.

Wednesday, October 15, 1952. Fair, real chilly. I finished cleaning basement in morning. Went club meeting at federal loan building. Had potluck dinner for winners. I was winner. Had a nice time. Was to be at Forest Park but too chilly. I took some eggs to F. Neirstheimers. We all went to Phils. Choir had wiener roast. I made cocoa and baked beans and sliced tomatoes. Pete finished husking 22 acres corn here. Made 70 bushels per acre.

Thursday, October 16, 1952. Fair, cool. I baked rolls, cookies, cooked pumpkin and baked pie. Cleaned upstairs. Cooked some tomatoes for juice. Made one half gallon and 1 pint. We went to PTA at Fields. Paul and I went with Ronnie, home with CRs. Ronnie to ballgame. NCHS with Trinity. Pete home, worked on eggs. He shucked corn at CRs.

Friday, October 17, 1952. I took Ronnie to town at 6:45. Paul to all night party at *C Ropp's* (not clear?). Fair, nice day, cool. Done all my cleaning, kitchen and bathroom too. Went to town in p.m. Took eggs in. Mother along home. Dressed chicken in morning. Edgars and Ida here for supper too. Dot fixed our hair. Pete shucking corn at CRs. We had chicken with biscuits and ice cream. Ronnie on a field trip with A.N.S. Club.

Saturday, October 18, 1952. Fair, nice day. I worked 7 to 3. Ronnie to town at 8:15. Band marched at ISNU homecoming. Paul and Mother to parade with Edgars and to their house for lunch. They took Paul to lessen. Ronnie to game in p.m. Ida home with us. We made 2 pumpkin pies, potato salad and cocoa for young people of church. Had wiener roast here. They played in basement, cold outside. Ida to town.

Sunday, October 19, 1952. Fair, fine day. We went to church. Jim Yoder along home. Edds came at 2:30. They and Pete took me to work, 3 to 11. Was rather busy but got along OK. Ida home with them. She and Pete to Peace meeting at Baptist Church. Boys home. Pete took Jim home.

Monday, October 20, 1952. Partly cloudy in morning, few snow flurries, had over 2 inches in Chicago. Was chilly, 20°. Went to work at 7:00, tired, as had short night. Pete shucking corn at CRs. Had little trouble, broke chain. Ida along home. We went to Rev. Weaver's class in evening. Jeanette and Laura along. Boys home.

Tuesday, October 21, 1952. Fair, fine day, cold in morning, 22°. I washed, had Ida's too, her back bothering her in morning. We done ironing and made rolls. I made cherry torte. Boys husk corn at CRs. Pete to town early to get part for picker. Boys took Ida to town after supper.

Wednesday, October 22, 1952. Fair, some warmer. I went on community chest drive for Pete in morning. Took eggs to town in p.m. Pete finished husking corn at CRs. Mother home with me from town. Took her home when we went to choir practice. Paul at her house.

Thursday, October 23, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Were real busy. Got off duty late. I finished community chest drive and cleaned upstairs after got home. Pete and I to Edgars in evening. She fixed our hair. Mother along too. Ida went early. Boys home. Pete husking corn here.

Friday, October 24, 1952. Fair, much warmer. Done all of cleaning. Washed some windows. Bake cake, dressed three chickens and made salad. Pete husk corn until 11:00. CR had meeting. I took wagon to field and brought load in. Pete to town in p.m. Mother home with him. Edgars met Marie and Leota (her friend) at train. They, Ida and CRs here for supper.

Saturday, October 25, 1952. Fair, warm, fine day. I went with CRs to Champaign to homecoming for ballgame. Played Purdue and got beat. Marie and Leota along. Ate lunch at Farm House. Had a nice time. Gordon had extra ticket so I went. Paul at Mothers. She took him to lessen. Ida along home with us. Pete and Ronnie husk corn. Started at Fagerburgs. Hoovers here in evening. We made chuck wagon for Friendship Circle. Ronnie to play at NCHS. Had date, Bonnie Yoder.

Sunday, October 26, 1952. Fair, warm, fine day. We went to church, and all were at CRs for dinner and supper. Ida and I came home while Pete chored. Worked some in basement and cased eggs. Marie and Leota back to Chicago. Ronnie took Mother and Ida to home.

Monday, October 27, 1952. Fair, cooler. Washed. Took eggs to Neirstheimers. Done ironing. Ida home with me. We went to Rev. Weaver's class in evening. Ida along. Pete husking corn.

Tuesday, October 28, 1952. Partly cloudy, cold, 20°. Cleaned up house. Went to church at 10:00, women's meeting, Illinois churches, nearly 200 present. Good meeting. I was on reception committee. Ida along home. We got basement ready for Friendship Circle. Had Western party. Carol D[iller] came early. She ate supper with us. Hoovers here at 7:00. We served scrambled eggs, bacon, hot rolls and coffee. Men served from chuck wagon. Around 35 here. Carol had some games etc. Pete husking corn 2 (or 9?) loads. CR gone.

Wednesday, October 29, 1952. Fair, windy. I canned 11 quarts pears. Made 2 quarts red and 2 quarts green. Went to missionary meeting at Fern Millers. Took tin cups home to Elsie Miller. Dressed five hens for Mother. Pete helped me. He shucked corn. We went to choir practice in evening. Made 4 quarts pear marmalade.

Thursday, October 30, 1952. Fair, real windy and so dry, lots of grass fires, some fields burning. Pete to town, got piece for dump. Brought Mother out. Canned 6 quarts chicken and 6 pints soup for her. Made mince pie and pumpkin. CR here for dinner. Boys husking. I went to town in p.m. Took Ida to Dr. Nord, then he wasn't there, mistake in appointment. Ida along home. We put eggs in cases and went to alumni meeting. Was on committee. Paul to parade with CR. Ronnie with Merlin [Fowler].

Friday, October 31, 1952. Fair, real warm, windy. Done cleaning. Ronnie and I set out tulip bulbs in morning before school. I went to meeting at Farm Bureau, health meeting. Went to town a little, got sweater for Aunt Martha. Ida not feeling too good, have gallbladder series, x-ray, etc.. Dressed 2 chickens for Dorothy. Ida and I there, had hair fixed. Mother there earlier. Pete and boys to ball game at Bloomington. NCHS beat. Pete finished shucking corn. Glad to be done.

Saturday, November 1, 1952. Fair, nice day, warm. We finished putting up storm windows. Ronnie took load of corn to Yuton [grain elevator]. Had our crib full. Sold 2 loads to CR and 2 to Yuton. Made 70 bushels per acre. Fagerburg corn made 40 bushels per acre. Paul to town with Mabel in morning. They raked Mother's yard. We went in p.m. Mrs. Kemp gone so Paul had no lesson. Got him shoes. We had committee meeting at mothers for Home Bureau. Baked cake and date pudding in evening. Ronnie home in p.m. Dressed 2 chickens for H[erman] Buller.

Sunday, November 2, 1952. Cloudy, rained some in p.m. We went to church. Mother home with us. CRs and we went to Meadows to see Aunt Martha. She's getting along okay, only her legs are so swollen. Ronnie home with Jim Yoder. Paul at Ray's in p.m. We took Mother home. Went to Norman [Vercler]'s awhile, took the baby a dress.

Monday, November 3, 1952. Partly cloudy in morning, fair. Went to work at 7:00. Pete dug carrots and endive, plowed truck patch. Ida along home with me. We went to Rev. Weaver's class in evening. Jeanette [Colter] along. Boys home.

Tuesday, November 4, 1952. Fair, real windy in morning. Washed, done ironing. We went to vote after dinner. Pete cleaned off garden and plowed it. He and CR put picker and [corn] dumps away in morning. We went to Earl Kaufman's awhile in evening to hear and see election returns. Eisenhower won by a large majority. Marvin Kropf had gallbladder operation. Gall stones and had stone in common [bile?] duct. Is real sick.

Wednesday, November 5, 1952. Fair, warmer. We put ground around roses. Pete worked on eggs and went with CR to get hog. Worked on henhouse in p.m. I transplanted some plants and cleaned silverware. Went to town in p.m., had permanent. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, November 6, 1952. Fair. Went to work at 7:00. Dressed 2 chickens, cleaned upstairs, done some packing. Washed out some things. Pete worked around home.

Friday, November 7, 1952. Fair, showered little in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day, full house. Ida along home. Pete to town in p.m. We baked pie, done cleaning, got supper. Marvin and Mary [Yoder] got here at 7:40. Pete went to town after Dorothy. She wanted to come out. E. A. out-of-town. He came after her. I took Mary to Dr. Walsh at hospital. Has infection in her eye. We got to bed late. Ronnie to ball game. Band played, last game and [NCHS] won.

Saturday, November 8, 1952. Fair but hazy and smoky. Marvins, Ida, Pete and I left at 8:00 for Missouri. Got to Creighton at 4:50. Drove in rain from Mexico, Missouri on. Marvin K. is real sick. Was so rundown. We all went to Ervie's for supper. Arthur's came after supper. Ida to Orvies allnight. Marvins at Ervies and we went to Frances's. Took Marvin's car. Ronnie played with band in Wesleyan parade. Paul at Mothers. She came out with boys.

Sunday, November 9, 1952. Cloudy, real chili, windy. We all went to Orvies for dinner. Pete, Frances and I ate early and went to Kansas City to see Marvin. He's awfully sick. Sure looks bad, is vomiting, has three nurses. We got to Kansas City at 9:30. Marvin [Yoder]s and Ida went to Frances, and stayed all night. Pete and I stayed at Orvies. Boys to church. Ronnie to Washington with Phils. Choirs sang. Mother and Paul home. Ray here for dinner. Pete and I to see *Hausers* (very unclear?). He (She?)'s been sick.

Monday, November 10, 1952. Fair, nice day, Chile. We all went to Kansas City. Frances went with us. She stayed in city all night. We done some shopping at the Plaza. Marvin seems slightly better, is sleeping some. Are giving him IVs again. We went to Arthur's for supper. Had nice time. Kathy Ann sure cute. We all stayed at Edna's all-night. Orvie went to city in morning.

Tuesday, November 11, 1952. Fair, nice day, warmer. We went to Uncle Ludwig's for dinner. Edna along. She went to city on bus in p.m. Frances called. Marvin seems little stronger. We stopped at Everett's, also number of other places. Stopped at locker to see Harveys. Also saw a LeRoy and Keith. Stopped to see Aunt Lizzie Kropf. Stopped at Harvey Roth's in morning. We were all at Ervies for supper in evening and all night. Mother and boys to town in truck (?). Worked at Mothers. She washed.

Wednesday, November 12, 1952. Fair, fine day. We left Ervies at 3:45. Got to Bloomington after 12:30. Stopped at Springfield to see Lincoln's tomb. We washed in p.m. clothes got dry except overalls not quite. We went to church in evening, are having meetings. Reverend Bohn from Pandora, Ohio. Mother went home in morning. Boys got along okay. Thankful to be home again safely.

Thursday, November 13, 1952. Fair, warmer, rather windy. I baked three pies and got chicken ready for dinner. Went to Mabel's. We had Home Bureau. Had chicken and biscuits, corn, apple jelly salad, relishes, rolls and pumpkin pie. Had over 50. Ida and Mary along. Peter and Marvin took eggs to town. Girls ironed some in morning, finished in evening. Edgars here for supper. Edgar to town at 7:30. Boys took Dorothy home later. She fixed our hair. Combed Ida's and mine.

Friday, November 14, 1952. Mostly fair. We went to town in morning. Mary to Gaileys [Eye Clinic]. Her eye better. Pete and Marvin to church. Helped unload tile for floor. Marvin had car greased. We shopped some. Mary got new dress. We went to Billys awhile. She had apple pie and coffee for us. Boys came on home. We girls stopped at Mothers awhile. We done all of cleaning after got home. I dressed 2 chickens. We all went to Edds for supper. Marvins and Ida stayed all night.

Saturday, November 15, 1952. Fair, warmer, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Ronnie took me in. Pete and boys worked around here. Ronnie took Paul to his music lesson. We got groceries and ice. I baked cake and iced it. We made salad and cooked apples. Marvins and Ida came back from Edds at 5:30. Arthur [Yoder] had car accident at Blue Mound, Missouri.

Sunday, November 16, 1952. Fair, real warm. We all went to church. Edds, Billys and Mother here for dinner too. Marvins left for Ohio at 2:30. We enjoyed their visit so much. Mother here for lunch. We took her home when we went to church. We dedicated the new projector. Mr. Sharp died.

Monday, November 17, 1952. Reigns in morning and again in evening. Went to work at 7:00, were busy. Pete to town in morning. Got cardboard at Leath's for hen house. Used Roy's truck. Georgia called me at 2:30, told us about Arthur's accident. Has shoulder out of place and shipped and other injuries, also chest injury. Sure sorry for them. Marvin getting better. We went to Carlock in evening. Called on Sharp family. Ida along too. Rained in night. Cooked chicken for Sharps. Good Will served.

Tuesday, November 18, 1952. Cloudy, rained some, colder in p.m. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete to sale at Hudson. Took some eggs to town and went to Mr. Sharp's funeral. Ida and Dorothy came along home. Edgar came later. We had oyster stew. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ronnie to school in evening, practice for PTA program.

Wednesday, November 19, 1952. Mostly cloudy, chilly, colder in p.m. Washed, had big one. Things dried pretty good outside. I went to club meeting at 12:30, visiting day. Went through Special Education Building at ISNU and new Baby Fold. Had refreshments there, cookies and coffee. We took cookies for Baby Fold. Mother made some for me. Pete and boys to show in evening, "Ivanhoe." I stayed home and ironed. Got done but was rather late. John Meyers passed away.

Thursday, November 20, 1952. Fair, fine day, Chile. I went to State Hospital auxiliary meeting at Springfield with Pearl [Bohrer], May [Mohr], Laura [Mohr], and Golda [Rupp] along too. Enjoyed the day. Left home at 7:15, got to Bloomington at 5:00. Stopped at funeral home to see John Meyers. Pete to town in p.m. Worked in hen house in morning. Paul and I to [Eugene] Field PTA. Pete and Ronnie to NCHS PTA. Phys Ed put on program [at NCHS], Ronnie in it.

Friday, November 21, 1952. Fair, nice day, went to work at 7:00, were busy. Pete went to John Meyer's funeral in p.m. with Mabel. He came home with me. Ida along home. We cleaned upstairs and bedrooms. I made peach crisp and baked cookies. Ida made gingerbread for Good Will. She and I to Good Will. Ida on committee with Carol, Ethel R., Irma S. Ida stayed in town. Laura and May along to meeting. Pete and boys home.

Saturday, November 22, 1952. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took Paul to practice at church for Thanksgiving program and his music lesson. Went uptown after work. Got Paul new coat and. Ida along home. We cleaned the living room, bathroom, kitchen. Baked cake, made salad and dressed chicken. Ronnie home. He plowed little.

Sunday, November 23, 1952. Fair, beautiful day, quite chilly. We went to church. Handbasket dinner at church. Children gave Thanksgiving program in p.m. Stopped at Glen Raders, got our Christmas tree. We all went to church in evening. Had pictures on Africa. Very good and large crowds there. Church full.

Monday, November 24, 1952. Cloudy, misted, rained in evening. Washed, dried clothes in basement. Done ironing in p.m. Had Allen's laundry, he sent it home with Carol D[iller]. Pete worked on eggs and took calls for poultry. We went to church in evening. Reverend Weaver's class.

Tuesday, November 25, 1952. Rained most of today. Very windy and stormy at times. Pete and I dressed 16 geese and 12 chickens. Got along fine. Was done by 4:00. We put some eggs in case. We went to Friendship Circle at church in evening. Election of officers. Walter Yoder president. Ronnie to basketball game. Sure was tired. Terribly windy in night. Marie came home in evening.

Wednesday, November 26, 1952. Cloudy, few snow flurries. Very windy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete delivered poultry. Ida and Dorothy along home. Dorothy fixed our hair. Pete and Ronnie took her home at 8:30 (E. A. busy.) Boys went to Chenoa to meet Allen. He came home with Reldon Scherick. Got home at 10:30. Glad he got home OK.

Thursday, November 27, 1952. Fair, nice Thanksgiving day. Had few snow flurries in night. Ida and I done Allen's wash. He had big one. Pete and boys ground feed. We all went to Mothers for dinner and supper. Marie furnished most of dinner. Had Turkey. CRs, Edgars and Roy's there too. Gordon and Allen had dates in evening. We all came home with Roys, had load. Ida home with Edgars. I have cold.

Friday, November 28, 1952. Fair, cold, 10° above. Done Allen's ironing in morning. Done cleaning in p.m. and baked cookies and apple crisp. Allen to dentist at 11:30. He ate lunch at Grandma's. She and Marie to show in p.m. and wanted Allen to go along so he stayed in. Pete and boys worked on hen house in morning. Pete done eggs in p.m. and evening. Isabel Basting here in evening. Took pictures of us all for Christmas cards. Allen had date in evening.

Saturday, November 29, 1952. Cloudy, snow flurries in p.m., melted some but real slick for a while. Done Saturday work. Cleaned some windows, etc. Paul to town with CRs in morning to see Santa Parade. He went to Mothers. Pete and I to town in p.m. Paul took lesson, and got him overshoes. Ida, Mother, Marie and Shirley along home. Were here for supper. CRs here too. Had waffles and sausage. Mabel brought salad and dessert. All had nice time. Roberta didn't come.

Sunday, November 30, 1952. Fair, beautiful day, but rather chilly. We went to church. Pete and I didn't sing in choir, have colds. Were home for dinner. Pete and I took Allen to Ernest Scherick. They left for Bluffton at 2:10. Was nice having him home. We stopped to see Aunt Martha. Took brace off her neck. She was glad to get it off. Marie back to Chicago in p.m. Pete, Paul and I to Becks Funeral Home to see Lou Augspurger who passed away yesterday p.m. We went to Cheese House awhile. Ronnie to church.

Monday, December 1, 1952. Cloudy, snowed little in morning and snowed again in evening. Washed, had big one. Done ironing in p.m. Pete chored and worked on eggs. Ronnie to International [Livestock Show] in Chicago with FFA boys. Left at 3:30 a.m. Pete took him to town.

Tuesday, December 2, 1952. Cloudy, gloomy, melted little. Streets and roads slick. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He went to dentist at 9:45 and two Roy Augspurger's funeral at 10:30. Ida and I to Wilma Nussbaum shower at Dorothy Agee's. Pete and Paul to church. Helped lay new asphalt floor. I stayed all night at Ida's. Ronnie home from Chicago. He went to high school from train. Played with band for basketball game.

Wednesday, December 3, 1952. Cloudy, gloomy. Some of ice off hard road. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Production Credit dinner. Ida home with us. She done her washing.

We washed feathers. I dressed 2 chickens and got supper. Pete, Ronnie and I to choir practice. Ida and Paul home.

Thursday, December 4, 1952. Cloudy, rained most of the morning. Ida and I to town. Done some shopping. Pete worked at church. I went to nurses home at 1:30. Helped make chili for alumni chili supper. Had big crowd. Cleared nearly \$500. Ronnie to school ballgame. Band played. Pete, Paul and Mother to chili supper. Pete to farm school after supper. Ida helped us with dishes. Cleaned upstairs in morning.

Friday, December 5, 1952. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Were busy. Ida along home. We cleaned bedrooms & living room and got things ready for [making] fruit cake. We all went to Farm Bureau chili and oyster supper. Pete to church after supper. Helped lay floor.

Saturday, December 6, 1952. Fair, nice day. Made my fruit cakes and cleaned up kitchen and bath. Pete and I and Mother to Federal Land Bank dinner at Farm Bureau. Ronnie and Paul to Creamery dinner at Wesleyan gymn. Paul took his lesson in p.m. Ida, Paul and I stayed at Mothers while Pete and Ronnie chored. Eds there for supper, had oysters. Ronnie to ballgame. Had date with Bonnie Yoder. Eds brought us home.

Sunday, December 7, 1952. Fine day, warm. We went to church. Were home for dinner. Jim Yoder here. We addressed Christmas cards. Ida here too. Edgars here for supper. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ronnie and Jim Yoder to youth meeting at Carlock. Ida to town with Edgars. Rained in night.

Monday, December 8, 1952. Partly cloudy, warm and windy. I got up at 4:15. Washed and went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We went to Cheese House in evening. Helped pack some boxes. Ronnie to FFA meeting at school. Pete worked around home. Got things ready to butcher.

Tuesday, December 9, 1952. Fair, warm. We butchered 2 hogs, one for us. Phil and CR each got half of one. They and Lucy C[atherine] here for dinner. Lucy brought pie and salad. I ironed some in morning and finished in p.m. We cooked head meet in pressure [cooker]. Boys took hog to locker to have it put up. We went to Good Will – Friendship Circle Christmas dinner and party at YWCA. Had nice time. Went with the Phils. Roys to Lexington with CRs to ballgame. Ruth Otto in accident.

Wednesday, December 10, 1952. Cloudy, colder, misted little and evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete hauled load of manure and took load of cobs to Yuton, had them ground. Ida and I uptown awhile. Got Wilma N[ussbaum] wedding gift (pair of sheets and pillowcases). We went to choir in evening. Paul at Mothers.

Thursday, December 11, 1952. Mostly cloudy. Stir up cookies in morning. We ground liver sausage meat. I went to Home Bureau meeting at Mrs. Rengel in Bloomington. Went with Mabel. Baked cookies and coffee cake and cleaned upstairs in evening. Pete, C. R. and Phil rendered lard in p.m. Ronnie to 4-H achievement banquet with CR. Pete

and I to the program at 8:00. Paul to Community Club at Field School with Colters. He stayed at Mothers after program.

Friday, December 12, 1952. Cloudy, showered little and morning. Colder in p.m. We dressed goose for Dorothy and cleaned up bedrooms. We went to town at 10:00, done our Christmas shopping. Ida along home. We all went to winter concert at NCHS. Mother along too. Program very good. Snowed some in evening. Ruth Otto had pins put in her hip.

Saturday, December 13, 1952. Snow flurries, cold, 20°. Cleaned living room and kitchen and bath. Help some with eggs. We went to town in p.m. Ida and I to Wilma Nussbaum's wedding at nurses home. We helped serve at reception. Paul practiced for Christmas program at high school. He took his lesson. Pete helped fellow spread phosphate and potash on 22 acres across road. CRs to Chicago.

Sunday, December 14, 1952. Cloudy, snowed in p.m., cold, 15° in morning. We went to church. Mother along home for dinner. We went to NCHS in p.m. to Paul's Christmas program. Very good. Ronnie home. We went to Al Giermanns after program. They had Open House, 35th anniversary. Ronnie to Christmas Carol, took Bonnie Yoder. We finished addressing Christmas cards in evening.

Monday, December 15, 1952. Partly cloudy, not so cold. Washed and done ironing. Pete worked on eggs. I went to Christmas party at nurses home. Had smorgasbord and gift exchange. Very nice party. Pete worked at church. Boys home.

Tuesday, December 16, 1952. Fair, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete cut hedge. Ronnie to basketball game in evening. We went to Edgars. Dorothy fixed our hair. Ida came home with me from work. Mother didn't feel good at night. Baked cookies in evening.

Wednesday, December 17, 1952. Fair, warm. Went to work at 7:00, real busy. Went to personnel party at nurses home. Took cookies for it. Auxiliary served, helped little. Mother sick. Pete took me to work and took medicine out for her. Got it at hospital, Quinidine and Seconel. Pete to town in p.m. Stopped at Mothers on way home. Got her supper. We went to choir practice in evening. Shirley along. Paul at Mothers.

Thursday, December 18, 1952. Fair, colder. I baked ginger cookies, press cookies and stirred up date filled cookies and baked them in evening. Went to club meeting at Verna Wallace's. Pete to town at 3:00. Boys to dentist at 4:00. Took Mother too, her tooth was bothering [her]. I cleaned up upstairs and living room after got home. We put up Christmas tree in evening. Mother feeling much better.

Friday December 19, 1952. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. We cleaned up bedrooms. We went to church in evening. Choir gave Christmas program. Was good, but small crowd. Shirley helped sing. We all went to

Chenoa after program. Got Allen. He came with the Reldon Scherick. They got to Ernie's at 8:45. Glad to see him again. Rained nearly all the way. Ida here all night.

Saturday, December 20, 1952. Cloudy, misted, gloomy. We done Allen's, Ida's and some of my washing. Had big one. We baked sugar and orange cookies. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. We went to town a while in p.m. Called on Will Mohrs, having their 50th anniversary. We all went to Edgars for supper. Edds, Mother and Shirley and Uncle Charlie their. I didn't feel good in evening. Back hurt me and was sick at my stomach. Ida along home. She ironed some before we went to Edgars.

Sunday, December 21, 1952. Cloudy, gloomy, misted some. Pete, boys and Ida to church. I was home. My back bothering me. Felt better in p.m. I wrapped gifts in p.m. We all went to Christmas Carol at Consistory. Shirley singing in it. She and Mrs. Kemp gave us tickets. Was very good. We stayed in town.

Monday, December 22, 1952. Cloudy, rainy and gloomy. I feel better. Washed and ironed. Pete and Allen worked on eggs and put cover on tractor. Pete, Ida and I to Edgars in evening. Boys shopping uptown. Pete to George [Frances]s. Got cheese and box for Ida. Mother not feeling good again. CR stayed with her all day. Was better in evening.

Tuesday, December 23, 1952. Cloudy, gloomy, windy and some colder and p.m. We dressed 4 geese and 8 chickens. I made Penuchi and Divinity in morning. Pete and I to town in p.m. Met Marie at train and took Mother to dentist. Done a little shopping. Made fudge in evening. Made centerpiece and finished wrapping gifts. Paul Ray [Fowler] here all night. Ronnie to basketball game with Eddie [Fowler]. Allen and Shirley and church group went caroling.

Wednesday, December 24, 1952. Partly cloudy, few flurries in night. Baked crescents, made mints and marshmallows. Cleaned up whole house and basement. Washed some windows. Pete and Ronnie to town. Paul to show at Normal with Ray. Pete brought them home. Allen helped me some. Ida home with Pete. We all went to Mothers for supper. Shirley along too. CRs there too but they left at 7:30. Boys had their gift exchange. Mother feeling some better.

Thursday, December 25, 1952. Partly cloudy, nice day, little snow on ground. Mother, Marie, Edds and CRs here for dinner and supper. Had goose and chicken. Shirley and Roberta here for supper. We had Kropf exchange in p.m. We all had a very nice Christmas, thankful to all be together. Allen to Shirley's awhile in p.m. Pete took folks to town. Allen and Gordon used our car to take girls home. CR's car wouldn't start. Edds stayed all night. I got \$10 from [Dr.] Gailey.

Friday, December 26, 1952. Fair, nice day. Mother didn't feel so good. Edds left at 9:30. I washed and we dressed goose for Roys. CRs to town in our car and took theirs to Carlock. I took Marie and Mabel to Meadows to see Aunt Martha. Done ironing after

got home and baked inexpensive fruitcake for Goodwill Circle. They served Meadows group. Ronnie to show with Fowlers. Allen and Paul home. Pete and I to Edgars at 8:30 see Thietjes. They got to E.A. [Gurtner]'s at 10:30. All Thietjes family there. Had lunch. Pete and boys cleaned barn.

Saturday, December 27, 1952. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and boys hauled manure. Boys town in p.m. Mother feeling some better. I cleaned bathroom and kitchen in evening. Allen had date. Got box of nuts from [Drs.] H. Sloan and McGinnis.

Sunday, December 28, 1952. Fair. We went to church and were all at Roy's for dinner and supper. Had Ropp – Bohrer exchange. Got cologne from Marie. Pete after Ida at 4:00. We watched television in evening. Allen and Gordon had dates. Roy brought us home and took Mother and Marie and Ida home.

Monday, December 29, 1952. Mostly cloudy. Rain little in p.m. I washed in morning. Pete and boys cleaned out barn. We all went to CR's for dinner. Had oyster soup. Mother, Marie and Roys there. Marie to Chicago in p.m. Allen, Pete and I to Minonk in p.m. Got Allen sport coat and dark blue trousers. I done ironing in evening. Cooked chicken for Tuesday night supper.

Tuesday, December 30, 1952. Cloudy, foggy in p.m. and evening. Bad driving early in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Ida along home. Got things ready for supper. Edgars and Kampmeiers and Mother here for supper. CR had 4-H meeting, couldn't come. Had chicken and potato chips [casserole] and made ice cream. Had nice time. Vals left at 9:00 as Val had to work. Pete and boys cleaned third floor in henhouse.

Wednesday, December 31, 1952. Cloudy, rained little, snowed. Pete, Allen and I to town in morning. Exchanged shirt for Allen. Pete took pig to sale barn and took some hens to town. Ronnie and Paul to Yuton, had cobs ground. I went to missionary meeting at Laura [Mohr]'s. Allen after me and we went after Ida. Allen and Ronnie double dated. Went to [New Year's] Watch party at U[nited] B[rethren] Church and to show. Allen with Shirley, Ronnie with Bonnie Yoder. Pete and I to Phils. Earl [Kaufman]s, Harold [Patton]s & Harold Hausers (sp?) there. Ida and Paul home. Paul Ray [Fowler] here all night.