

The Diary of
Anna Kropf Ropp
1968-1972

Monday, January 1, 1968. Cloudy, not so foggy, clear at Pasadena. We got to Erma Birkey's at 6:15. Ate breakfast at 5:00. We got seats on bleachers. Erma had put chairs out, but were picked up. The parade was wonderful. We ate dinner at Hermas. Left there at 2:00. Got to Ron's at 6:15. Glad to be back. Tried to call Virginia and Emil's, no answer. Ron to Don Knowles.

Tuesday, January 2, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. Got up late. We washed all day. Took tree and decorations down. Ron to office in morning. He and Pete run some errands in p.m. Ron feeling better.

Wednesday, January 3, 1968. Foggy in morning, fair in p.m. Good to see the sun. I ironed. Jo done some washing again. Cleaned up house. Ron busy. Pete run some errands. Boys colds better. Ron, Pete and I to Bible Study in evening.

Thursday, January 4, 1968. Chilly, 28°, fair, fine day. Wrote some letters. I ironed. Jo washed some and done some mending. Pete took boys for walk in p.m. He and Jo to store. Ron had meeting in evening, also luncheon and meeting at noon.

Friday, January 5, 1968. Cloudy, foggy, chilly. Jo washed some. I ironed some again. We made salad and pudding for supper. Ron, Pete and Marty to town in p.m.

Saturday, January 6, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. Ron and Pete to men's breakfast at 6:30. We done cleaning and mended some. I done some steam ironing.

Sunday, January 7, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. We all went to church. Ron had good sermon. We had communion. Were home in p.m. Ron and Jo had naps and relaxed. Went to church in evening. Had a film, "World on Fire."

Monday, January 8, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. We went to town. Ron had his picture taken. Jo went to register to substitute-teach. Pete got sweater. We ate downtown at smorgasbord. We washed when got home. Looked at pictures in evening.

Tuesday, January 9, 1968. Mostly cloudy, cool. Got up late. We washed. I ironed. Ron to meeting in morning. Jo cleaned closet and packed some things away in boxes. Pete and Ron on some errands in p.m. Ron and Jo to meeting in evening. We babysat. I mended some.

Wednesday, January 10, 1968. Rained most of day, cleared off in evening. I baked coffeecake braid. Jo worked in closet. Pete cracked English Walnuts in p.m. Pete and I to Bible Study with Ron in evening.

Thursday, January 11, 1968. Fair, beautiful day. Pete and I to Dr. Vogts at 11:00. They took us to dinner at Cafeteria at Village. Had a good visit. They brought us back at 5:00. Jo scrubbed and waxed kitchen floor. We were home in evening.

Friday, January 12, 1968. Fair, nice day. We done cleaning, washed. I baked coffeecake. Washed my hair after supper. Jo pinned it up. Willis and Donna came at 10:00 p.m. Stayed all night.

Saturday, January 13, 1968. Fair, lovely day. Men all went to men's breakfast. Willis, Donna, Pete and I left at 10:15 for Sequoia Park. Quite a lot of snow in mountains. Was beautiful. I got kinda sick. We looked at pictures in evening.

Sunday, January 14, 1968. Partly cloudy. We all went to church. Had dinner at Rons. Got Chinese dinners. Willises left at 2:30 for home. Wrote to Allens. Ron, Pete and I to church in evening. Jo home with boys.

Monday, January 15, 1968. Mostly cloudy in morning. Rons and we left at 7:45 for the coast. Were in little rain in morning. We stopped at Solvang, a Danish town, very interesting. We ate dinner there, then on to the coast. Stopped at several beaches, then on to Santa Barbara, a beautiful city. Had fish dinner at Lobster House. Took walk on pier in moonlight. Got home at 1:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 16, 1968. Fair, fine day. Got up late. Everyone rather tired. Jo and I washed and ironed most of day. We went to store in evening. Got birthday card for Ida and mailed it. Ron worked in office and made calls in p.m.

Wednesday, January 17, 1968. Fair, lovely day, 60°. We went to Allenbergers in morning. Got pants and shirts for boys. Ron working in office. We went to Susan Janzens for lunch. Had nice time. Went to Manchester awhile in p.m. Ron got haircut. He went to Veterans Hospital to see one of his parishioners. Pete and I folded church newsletters. We went to Bible Study in evening.

Thursday, January 18, 1968. Foggy in morning, fair in p.m. Jo and I to Women's Work Day at church. Men helped take care of boys. They went to town in p.m. Men went to see Harlem Globetrotters in evening. Jo to women's meeting. I stayed with children. George had surgery.

Friday, January 19, 1968. Fair, nice day. Jo washed some. I cleaned off dishwasher, freezer and icebox. Ron, Jo and Marty to town in p.m. Pete cracked walnuts. I scrubbed kitchen floor and laundry room and ironed. Kept Jon. Were home in evening. Looked at some pictures.

Saturday, January 20, 1968. Foggy in morning, fair, nice day. Ron and Pete to men's breakfast. Pete went with John Berky to help paint at Negro church. Ron went in p.m. We done cleaning and washed and ironed. Washed our hair. Jo and I to grocery store.

Sunday, January 21, 1968. Foggy in morning, fair in p.m. We all went to church. We took Rons to dinner at Steak House. Ron made call to hospital in p.m. We all went to church in evening. Had film (Charlie Churchman).

Monday, January 22, 1968. Foggy in morning, fair. Ron left at 2:00 a.m. for Topeka Kansas for interview at Meningers [Clinic]. Went on bus to San Francisco. Too foggy. Went on TWA there. Jo washed diapers. We went to Manchester Shopping Center in p.m.

Tuesday, January 23, 1968. Fair, warm, fine day. Jo was called to teach in morning. I done washing. Had big one. Jo babysat. Jo home at noon. She mended some in p.m. Pete, Marty and I to ski shop. Got turtleneck sweaters for Allens. We went to zoo. Ron called in evening.

Wednesday, January 24, 1968. Fair, nice day, warm, 70°. Pete and I washed car in morning. He and Dr. Vogt left at 11:00 for Sanger. I done ironing in p.m. Jo mended. We all went to airport at 10:30. Met Ron. Good to have him back.

Thursday, January 25, 1968. Fair, nice day. Ron to meeting at 6:30. We done all of cleaning. Pete done some odd jobs. Jo rested a while. We all went to Irvin Koops for supper.

Friday, January 26, 1968. Foggy in morning, mostly cloudy. Men to ministerial luncheon and made some calls in p.m. Jo and I to cleaners in morning. Cleaned men's suits. We washed some. I washed all windows on inside. Jo sewed some, I mended a little.

Saturday, January 27, 1968. Cloudy, rained, thundered and lightninged and snowed some in evening. We washed and ironed. Washed my hair. Jo sowed some. Ron busy in office. He and Pete to men's breakfast. We all went to Reedley at 4:30. Ron to meeting and supper. Rest of us to Roland Goerings for supper.

Sunday, January 28, 1968. Fair, cool, nice day. We all went to church. Ron preached his resignation sermon. We all left at 2:00 for Willis's at San Jose. Got there at 5:00. Dave there too. They took us to Smorgasbord. They have nice apartment. We stayed there all night. Mountains are beautiful.

Monday, January 29, 1968. Cloudy. Rained and drizzled. We left Willis at 9:00. Went to San Francisco to Aquarium. Then ate uptown. Jo, boys, Pete and I wrote on cable car. Was fun. Went to Stanford University at Palo Alto. Met Dave at 4:00. He showed us around campus. We ate supper and left for home. Got here at 10:00.

Tuesday, January 30, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. Jo went to teach school, but came back. Had to go back at noon. We washed. Ron and we downtown in p.m. Went to Chinatown stores, but didn't find anything. Ron had meeting in evening.

Wednesday, January 31, 1968. Partly cloudy, nice day. Jo had meeting in morning. She taught school in p.m. I cleaned up house. We made salad. Got ready for company. Pete and Ron played golf in p.m. I kept boys. Dr. Vogts here for supper. Ron to Bible study in evening.

Thursday, February 1, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. We washed some. Jo to school at noon. I done ironing in p.m. Pete went to play golf with Ervie Weins and Lee Weinbrenner. Ron made calls when Jo got home with car. He and Pete to men's meeting in evening. Marty sick in evening, stomach upset. Cleaned silverware.

Friday, February 2, 1968. Fair, a beautiful day. Done all of cleaning. Jo to school in p.m. Marty still not feeling good. Cleaned some of Jo's spoons in her collection. Ron busy in office. He and Jo to Deacons meeting in evening. Got home late.

Saturday, February 3, 1968. Foggy in morning, cloudy. Men to men's breakfast. Jo washed and I done ironing. Washed my hair. Marty some better, but vomited again in evening. Pete and I to Long's. Got stationary for Susan Jenzen and candy for John Bergeys. We all went to Rudy *Mieraus* (sp?) for supper.

Sunday, February 4, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. We all went to church and to Jon Bergey's for dinner. Had a delicious meal and nice visit. Marie called in morning. Aunt Annie passed away at 5 AM. Ron to youth meeting in evening. No church service.

Monday, February 5, 1968. Cloudy. Marty and Jon still not feeling too good. Jo called Dr., says it's a virus. Giving them liquids. We washed. Jo to school at noon. Ron home. He, Pete and I went bowling when Jo got home. We shopped some. Got record for Pauls. We took Chinese food home for supper. Ron to meeting. We packed suitcases.

Tuesday, February 6, 1968. Foggy in morning. Ron and Marty took us to bus station. Left at 6:45 for Stockton. Always hard to leave them. Ate lunch at Stockton. Left there at 12:00. Roads through farming areas, then into Feather River Canyon with its beautiful scenery. Snow on mountains, saw deer. Rode in dome car. Didn't sleep too well. Took pictures.

Wednesday, February 7, 1968. Fair. Spent most of day in dome car. Enjoying the scenery, magnificent mountains, canyons. Rode along Colorado River over 200 miles. Lots of snow most of way. Enjoyed visiting with people. Took pictures.

Thursday, February 8, 1968. Fair. Nice day as we travel through more level country. Thought of Allens as we passed through Chariton. Got to Chicago at 2:00. Had lunch with the Warnkes from Michigan, then parted. We got to Bloomington at 7:30. CRs and Gram met us. They had key locked in house. Had to break window to get in. Jim L lost Rambler keys. Good to be home after a wonderful trip.

Friday, February 9, 1968. Mostly fair, turning colder. We put things away. Washed few things. Done all cleaning. Went to town at 3:00, stopped at Grams and girls. Got groceries and some cards. Ate in town. Went to Georges awhile. He's getting along pretty good.

Saturday, February 10, 1968. Fair, cold, zero. Went to work at 7:00. Kinda good to be back. Pete worked on income tax, etc. I washed hair when got home. We and Gram to girls for supper. They have new colored TV.

Sunday, February 11, 1968. Fair, cold, zero. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Had good day. He went to church and to Ida's for dinner. Mary worked too. We went to see Uncle Henry awhile.

He's lonely. Went to Georges a little, then to church. Girls along. Went to Emersons after church. Had homemade ice cream. We called Allens.

Monday, February 12, 1968. Fair, 8° above. I washed and done ironing. Wrote letters to Rons and sent Valentines to grandchildren. Pete working on income tax. Went to town in evening. Got Frances some hand towels for her birthday. We went to Earl Thomas at 9:00 to have income tax figured.

Tuesday, February 13, 1968. Fair, 6° above. Nice day. Got things ready for dinner. Ida, Mary and Gram here. Had goose. Made cherry pie. Ida shortened dress Jo gave me. Also a skirt. Mary helped me with knitting. Sent Georges floral arrangement.

Wednesday, February 14, 1968. Fair, nice day, 8° above. I baked cookies in morning. We went with George and Merle to Peoria at 3:00. They took us out to eat at (unclear) in Morton. Merle gave me little necklace, Pete tie for Valentines. Edds came at 10:30. They stayed for dinner. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, February 15, 1968. Fair, nice day, warmer. I baked coffeecake braid. Roy Zook here in morning. We went to town at 11:30. Paid income tax. Done some shopping. Took Gram to grocery store. Allen and Don got to town at 10:00. They were at Hudson all day. Gram, Allen and we and Ida to Edgars for supper. Mary to Mrs. *Scogins* (sp?). So good to see Allen.

Friday, February 16, 1968. Windy and colder in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Pete took Allen to Hudson. They stopped at CRs awhile. Allen and Don left at 1:00 for home. They took field cultivator back. I done cleaning when got home.

Saturday, February 17, 1968. Fair, cold, 5° above. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Took Ida, Mary off. OR busy. Washed my hair when got home. We went to Georges awhile. I knitted some.

Sunday, February 18, 1968. Fair, nice day, near zero, warmed up some. We went to Roanoke church to peace workshop. Girls along. They went to Edds for dinner. Pete and I stayed at church. Stopped at Edds awhile. We went to church in evening.

Monday, February 19, 1968. Cloudy, snowed little in p.m. I washed and done ironing in morning. Got things ready for company. Ed Miller here most of morning to see about insurance on buildings. Georges and Earl Kaufmans here for supper. Looked at our pictures. Had 1 ¼ inches snow in night.

Tuesday, February 20, 1968. Cleared off, colder in evening. Pete and I to Meadows. Took some apples from cold storage for Home. Pete had board meeting. I helped peel apples. Put them in freezer. Visited in p.m. We went to girls for supper. Pete put up their mirror for them.

Wednesday, February 21, 1968. Fair, 10° below. Pete helped carry mail. I washed table cloths, etc., bedspread and rugs from our bedroom. Baked quick coffeecake. Went to club meeting at Evelyn Schwoerer. Gram didn't feel well enough to go. Mabel had company. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, February 22, 1968. Fair, nice day, 5° below. We went to town at 8:30. Pete sorted mail. I helped. Got paint for bathroom. Went to service company meeting at consistory. Took gram with us. Got groceries. We went to church in evening, work night. Men worked in furnace room and ladies and restroom. Mrs. Gering, Ruth M[iller], Marie Heiser, girls and I and Frances Stephens cleaned kitchen. I took doughnuts, coffee and tea.

Friday, February 23, 1968. Fair, 5° above, nice day. Pete carried mail. Got home at 6:00. Big day. I went to work at 7:00, rather busy. Washed my hair and cleaned up living room. We went to Georges for supper. Had fried oysters. Very good.

Saturday, February 24, 1968. Fair, 12° above. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Finished cleaning when got home. Done some mending.

Sunday, February 25, 1968. Fair, warmer, nice day. We went to church. Ate dinner at Hubbards. Went to see Uncle Henry at Heritage Manor. Stopped at Duncan Miller's a little to see Dick. David Schrag's here a while in p.m. Got our projector to use at annual meeting. Went to church in evening. Nurses gave musical program. Mrs. Gering's father passed away.

Monday, February 26, 1968. Cloudy, snowed some in p.m., misted in evening. Washed and baked coffeecake braid. Done ironing. Pete worked outside some. Went to bank in p.m. Done odd jobs in p.m. We went to church in evening. Helped make chili for YPU supper. Took Chevy to Brackman's to have it tuned up.

Tuesday, February 27, 1968. Cloudy, snowed in evening. I baked 2 pies, one for YPU chili supper. Put clothes away. We went to town in p.m. Mary Brackman gave me a permanent. Pete to Fertilizer meeting. We took Gram and Ida to YPU chili supper. Mary went early to help. We went to Georges a while. Got cheese for Pauls.

Wednesday, February 28, 1968. Mostly cloudy, snow flurries. Went to work at 7:00. *Heggen* (sp?), *Follick* (sp?), Hunt, Velma and I to Streator at 3:00. Took cheese tray from head nurses and supervisors. Had car washed when got back. Was 6:30 when got home. Pete to town in morning. Went to Town meeting at Town Hall. I packed suitcases and some beans and tomatoes.

Thursday, February 29, 1968. Fair, cold. Pete to Meadows Annual Meeting. I went to work at 7:00 till 1:10. Changed clothes and packed car. Girls and I left at 2:30 for Meadows. Got Pete and we left at 3:15 for Ann Arbor. Ran into snow and slick roads before we got to Valparaiso Indiana until after we left Benton Harbor [Michigan]. Sure glad to run out of it. Ate supper at Benton Harbor. Got to Pauls at 10:00 our time. All stayed at Pauls. Motels full.

Friday, March 1, 1968. Mostly cloudy, quite chilly. Good to be with Pauls again. We all went to Greenfield Village to Museum and Village. Girls and I didn't take tour of Village. Kept Andy. Too cold to take him. We looked at our pictures. Phil and Judy Kingsley here in evening. Girls slept at friends of Paul's apartment. They were gone for weekend.

Saturday, March 2, 1968. Cloudy, some snow flurries, chilly. Margin we all up town in morning. Shopped a little. Paul kept Andy. Paul studied in p.m. and Marj rested awhile. Jewish friend of Paul's here for supper, Mike? [Frاندzel]. An interesting fellow.

Sunday, March 3, 1968. Fair, fine day, 10 – 12°. We all went to Mennonite services. Bluffton musical group gave program. Were at Paul's for dinner. Left there at 12:45 for home. Got here at 7:50. Stopped at Meadows for Rambler had flat tire on it. We ate supper at Manor Inn. Thankful for a good trip.

Monday, March 4, 1968. Fair, fine day, 46° during day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on corn crib. We went to show, "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner." Very good. Had car washed. I stirred up rolls.

Tuesday, March 5, 1968. Fair in morning, cloudy and windy in PM. Washed. Dried towels and PJs outside. Baked rolls. Took them to Ida's to bake. Our 220 fuse was blown. IPL fixed it. Done ironing in p.m. Pete worked on corn crib. I went to Good Will with Jeanette and Mary. My first meeting as chairman.

Wednesday, March 6, 1968. Cleared off at noon. Went to work at 7:00. Very busy in p.m. Outpatients, accidents and cardiac died in ER. Got off work at 4:45. Everything full. We took Gram and girls to Kiwanis pancake supper but people lined up nearly to Main St. so we went to see Uncle Henry and to Pancake House for supper. Went to choir practice.

Thursday, March 7, 1968. Fair, fine day, 40s. We went to town at 8:30. Took Elaine billfold combination for her birthday. I went to Rehabilitation Workshop at Eastland. Pete in town all day. We got groceries. I washed my hair and cleaned up bedrooms when got home. Pete got medicine refills for Gram.

Friday, March 8, 1968. Cloudy, rained off and on, warmer. Went to work at 7:00, busy day again. Mrs. Heggen and I to St. Joe to see new hospital. Very nice. After 5:00 when got home. Pete worked some on crib and cleaned off garden. I done some of cleaning when got home.

Saturday, March 9, 1968. Cloudy, foggy in morning. Partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Busy in p.m. Got off at 4:00. Pete to Mennonite Relief Sale at Peoria. Went with Cys. He and Cy stayed to help after 4:00. Got home at 6:20. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We went to Grams in evening. Basting girls showed pictures and we showed hours. CRs, Ida, Mary, Pearl and Mohr girls there. Phyllis P[atton] Brown had [baby] girl.

Sunday, March 10, 1968. Mostly cloudy, colder in evening. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Floors busy. Pete to church and to Ida's. He went to Grams a little in p.m. Merle Weidig there too. We, girls and Luella M[ishler] to St. Joe's Hospital open house at 4:00. Girls and we to Specialty House for supper. Went to church in evening. Called Allens in evening. Debbie had been out of school all week with sinus infection.

Monday, March 11, 1968. Partly cloudy, rather windy and chilly. Pete to Meadows board meeting. I washed and ironed and cleaned cupboards and broom closet in kitchen.

Tuesday, March 12, 1968. Cloudy, snowed and blowed until in p.m. Cleared off. Drifted some. We and girls to hospital at 9:00. Went to policy meeting. Were going to Champaign but too snowy. Came home and washed kitchen walls. We went to Meadows Home annual dinner at Elms in El Paso. We took Sam Kings. He told about trip around (?). Roads okay.

Wednesday, March 13, 1968. Fair, 10° above, nice day. We painted bathroom. Went to town at 3:00. Got paint for another coat for bathroom. Stopped at Georges. They just got back from Michigan. Got dozen chickens at Lakins. Went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, March 14, 1968. Fair, windy and warmer. Went to Home Bureau at 10:00. Was on committee. I baked apple cake. Gram went with me, Mabel and Roberta. Pete painted both rooms another coat. I washed tile and put up curtains when got home. We went with Georges to McLean for supper. Had nice evening.

Friday, March 15, 1968. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day, OR real busy too. Pete carried mail. I got groceries. Washed my hair and done all of cleaning when got home. Mended some. Marie home.

Saturday, March 16, 1968. Foggy in morning, showered little, fair in p.m., warm. Pete carried mail. I made salad, baked cake. Cleaned some windows on outside and scrubbed porch. Got things ready for company. Edgars, Val Kampmeiers and Paul Thietjes, girls, Gram, Marie and CRs here for supper. Had nice time. Showed some of our pictures.

Sunday, March 17, 1968. Fair, fine day, 60s. Went to church and to girls for dinner. Went for ride in p.m. Went to church in evening. Gram and Marie to Kampmeiers. Marie back to Godfrey.

Monday, March 18, 1968. Rained off and on in a.m. Washed. Hung towels and pajamas outside. Done ironing. Pete carrying mail. I went with him from here to town. Went uptown a little, then to Georges and we went to Eastland. Got Steve 2 shirts for his birthday and (unclear) pad for Allens. Went to Kmart, looked for yarn. Were at Georges for supper.

Tuesday, March 19, 1968. Rained most of morning. I baked apple cake for Home Bureau. They served at Farm Bureau. Baked cookies and apples. Pete carried mail. I went to town in p.m. Merle and I to net shop. I got yarn for Afghan. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, March 20, 1968. Cloudy, chilly. I cleaned closets in bedrooms in morning. Pete carried mail. I went to club meeting at Dorothy Singleys. I showed our California pictures. We went to Fred Waring show at (unclear) Field House. They were very good.

Thursday, March 21, 1968. Snowed in early morning, had $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. Melted on roads. Chilly, colder in evening. Pete carried mail. I cleaned medicine cabinet in bathroom and baked coffeecake braid and apples. I went to Merles in p.m. She helped me with knitting. Took her coffee cake and baked apples. Home in evening.

Friday, March 22, 1968. Cloudy, some snow flurries in evening, chilly. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Had death, Mr. Ellis (55). I took Ida to work. Mary off. Stopped at Grams a little. Done cleaning when got home.

Saturday, March 23, 1968. 22° Mostly cloudy, fair in evening, windy, cold. Around 30 all day. Went to work at 7:00, another busy day. Pete carried mail. I washed my hair when got home. Were home in evening.

Sunday, March 24, 1968. Fair, beautiful day. We left at 9:00 a.m. with Georges and Jimmy for Chicago. Went to big shoe store. Quite a sight. Drove around Chicago. Went to spinning wheel at Hinsdale for supper. Nice place. We got home at 7:30. Went to girls. Watched Ice Capades in color. Stopped at Laeschs [Dairy], new store had cons. (cones?)

Monday, March 25, 1968. Fair, warm, 70°, windy. Pete carried mail. I washed and ironed before noon. Washed things from upstairs. Mended some in p.m. Girls and we left at 4:00 for Peoria. Shopped some. Ida got hat. Ate at Bishops. Got home at 8:30. Showered in evening. Glenn took beef to Danvers.

Tuesday, March 26, 1968. Beautiful day, 75°. Pete carried mail. I washed bedding and curtains. Cleaned 2 bedrooms. Girls came out and helped me until noon. They cleaned their yard. We went to Hudson at 4:00 to Dress Shoppe. Didn't find anything. Pete to meeting at Town Hall. Pete got liver and heart at Danvers.

Wednesday, March 27, 1968. Fair, very windy, 72°. Pete carried mail. I baked quick coffeecake. Wrote to Rons. Cleaned good silverware. Cleaned out drawer in China cabinet and cleaned China cabinet. We went to choir practice. Took girls and Gram some liver. I knitted some.

Thursday, March 28, 1968. Beautiful day, warm, 70s. Pete carried mail. I cleaned boys room upstairs. Cleaned yard and washed car. Baked angel food cake. Went to Merles a while in p.m. to net. We went to town in evening. I went to alumni meeting. Was on committee. Had angel food cake with strawberries. Pete to see Art Bertsche.

Friday, March 29, 1968. Another beautiful day, low 70s. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. We went uptown when I got off work. We got garden seeds. I washed my hair and done cleaning when got home. Were home in evening.

Saturday, March 30, 1968. Fine day, rather windy. Went to work at 7:00, busy day. Had death, tractor accident at 2:30. 15-year-old boy. Pete carried mail. I stopped in Normal on way home. We went to girls for supper. Took CRs, Pearl and Minnie. Gram and Edgars there too.

Sunday, March 31, 1968. Had thunder shower early a.m. Cloudy, colder, fair in evening, rather windy. Went to church. Were home for dinner. Girls and we to Eds in p.m. Charlie Greasers there awhile. Wrote Allens. Went to church in evening. Harold Miller's daughter, Sandra was killed on Hovey [Ave.] last night.

Monday, April 1, 1968. Fair, 80° in morning. Pete to Danvers to work for Service Company. He took soil samples all day. I washed. Dried most of clothes outside. Finished cleaning silverware. Done most of ironing. Took Gram to Dr. at 3:30. She didn't feel so good. But Dr. says all okay. Got groceries. Finished ironing after supper.

Tuesday, April 2, 1968. Mostly cloudy, showered in evening. I baked lemon dessert for Good Will. Baked sugar cookies and iced them. Cleaned hallway and Cedar closet. Made Jell-O salad. Pete worked in morning taking soil samples. Went to town meeting in p.m. I went to Good Will Circle in evening. Was on committee. Jeanette, Mary and I to funeral home.

Wednesday, April 3, 1968. Rained most of day. We were going to Iowa. Called Shirley and found Allen and Don had left for here. We sowed lettuce, radishes, peas and put out onions. I went to church at 8:30. Helped get dinner for the Harold Miller family. Had 76. Sad funeral. Allen got to Hudson at 8:30. Got here at 3:00. So good to be with him. We went to girls for supper. Gram too. We went to funeral home to see Mrs. Barnhart. Went to choir.

Thursday, April 4, 1968. Cloudy, real windy, cold, few snow flurries. Allen left for Iowa at 8:00. He took rugs, etc. Sure good to have him but hate to see him leave. We cleaned attics upstairs. Went to Mrs. Barnhart's funeral. Went to Eastland. Pete got some work clothes. We went to Georges. Were there for supper. We knitted some. Dr. Martin Luther King was assassinated at Memphis Tennessee.

Friday, April 5, 1968. Cleared off, 31° in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Helped at auxiliary guest day some. Pete went to Danvers to get meat. He worked some on crib. I done cleaning and washed my hair. Having riots and fires in Washington DC and Chicago.

Saturday, April 6, 1968. Fair, 28°, warmed up some. Went to work at 7:00. Floors busy. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom when got home. Pete to men's breakfast in morning. Worked some on corn crib. I wrote letters in evening.

Sunday, April 7, 1968. Fair, very windy in p.m. Some dust blowing, storm warnings out in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Floors busy. Pete to church and to Grams for dinner. Mary worked. Ida to Carlock with Mohrs. Bluffton choir sang. Our church and to Danvers fed them.

Wrote some letters. Went to church in evening. Gram and girls along. Rioting in Chicago and Washington DC mostly quiet.

Monday, April 8, 1968. Fair, real windy. Pete worked for Service Company. I washed, dried most of clothes outside. Done ironing. Cleaned furniture in living room with sweeper and washed and waxed all of furniture. Emerson and Ruth [Miller] here in evening to see about putting out garden. Had coffee, ice cream and berries. Ruth brought cupcakes.

Tuesday, April 9, 1968. Fair, fine day. Pete to Fellowship breakfast and to Meadows board meeting. Got back at 1:30. I cleaned living and dining room. Aired bedding and cleaned some yard and uncovered roses. Pete helped Emerson [Miller]s put out potatoes. I watched Martin Luther King funeral. Lasted most of day.

Wednesday, April 10, 1968. Partly cloudy in morning. Had little shower, fair in p.m. Pete to work at Service Company. I cleaned West room upstairs and waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Mended some in p.m. and shortened my beige *shantang* (sp?) dress. We and girls went to Eastland [Shopping Center] in evening. Got Gram Easter Lily. Stopped there awhile.

Thursday, April 11, 1968. Mostly fair, warm. Pete to work for Service Company. I went to meeting at hospital at 9:00. Bill Dunn explained building procedure. I went to Home Bureau. Took Gram. She, Mabel and Roberta on committee. Marie home in evening. We went to church. Had communion and last of films. Choir sang and we went over number for Sunday. Girls along.

Friday, April 12, 1968. Fair, rather windy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to work to. I got groceries on way home. Done cleaning. We went to Georges awhile in evening.

Saturday, April 13, 1968. Mostly cloudy, windy, sprinkled a few times. Pete carried mail. I washed my hair. Made salad. Washed sheets, etc., pajamas and overalls. Ironed. Colored eggs. Went to town awhile in p.m. Girls along. Looked for dress. Went to knit shop. Had mistake in my Afghan. Pete mowed back yard. Girls came for meat.

Sunday, April 14, 1968. Easter. Rained early in a.m. Cloudy, windy and much colder in p.m. Cleared off. Got things ready for dinner. Went to church. Gram, Marie, girls, CRs, Pearl, Minnie, Rays and Edds here for dinner. Edds home in PM. Gordons here for supper to. We took ride in p.m. Went to see CRs milk [parlor?]. Allens called in p.m. Sure miss them. We showed pictures. Had ham and sweet potatoes.

Monday, April 15, 1968. Fair, beautiful day. Frosty in morning, 30°. Warmed up some. Pete to work. I washed and cleaned shelves in fruit room. Marie took Gram, Mabel and I to Peoria. David along too. Ate at Kramers. Took drive on Grandview and Glen Oak Park. Got home at 4:00. Scrubbed fruit room and done ironing. Emersons here in evening. Planted some garden. Pete and I helped.

Tuesday, April 16, 1968. Mostly cloudy, real windy. Dust blowing in p.m. Showered some in evening. Pete to work. I cleaned recreation room and spaded flower beds in morning. Cleaned furnace room in PM. Big day. Tired. Stirred up rolls in evening.

Wednesday, April 17, 1968. Cloudy, rained early a.m. Baked pecan rolls. We went to town at 9:30. Mabel and David along. Left Rambler at John Brackman's to have brakes adjusted. We went to Garfield Tour Day. Pearl and I on committee. Went to Laeschs. Ate at Howard Johnson's and to Blicks. Pete along. Grandma not feeling too good. Marie to Alton. We got some perennials and roses. Planted them. I went to Georges in evening. Pete to election meeting.

Thursday, April 18, 1968. Cloudy, damp. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, had student with me. Pete fixed Ed Miller's windmill and mowed lawn and worked on tearing down corn crib. I done cleaning when got home.

Friday, April 19, 1968. Cloudy, foggy in morning. I went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on corn crib. I got off at 3:00. We left at 4:00 for Allens. Got into rain at Burlington. Rained hard at times. We ate supper at Burlington. Got to Allen's at 10:00. Good to see them all. Thankful for safe trip. Had little rain here.

Saturday, April 20, 1968. Mostly cloudy, rather windy. Cleared off in evening. Helped Shirley make filling for pies. Washed my hair. Shirley pinned it up. Misted some in p.m. Allen, Shirley, Debbie and Steve to Humeston at 3:30 to help at horse sale. Pete, Jeff and Pam and I went at 5:15. We ate supper there. Shirley worked in kitchen. I helped awhile. We brought boys and Pam home at 10:00.

Sunday, April 21, 1968. Fair, beautiful in morning. Clouded up in p.m. We all went to church. Then we went to Shenandoah Iowa to Henry Fields. We ate dinner at Clarinda. Was nice drive, lots of flowers and trees in bloom. We went to pasture in evening. Watched Allen and children ride horses. We looked at pictures in evening.

Monday, April 22, 1968. Cloudy, had ½ inch rain at Allens in early morning. We left Allens at 10:15. Got home at 4:30. Had good trip for which we are grateful. Always hard to leave them. We planted lilies and Oriental poppies we brought from Allens. We sowed spinach, carrots and beets and some green beans. I washed out some things in evening.

Tuesday, April 23, 1968. Cloudy, very windy, cold. Had few little showers. Pete to work. I washed. Hung some things out for a little while. Done ironing. Made salad and baked dream bars. Got supper. George and Merle here for supper. Had roast beef and frozen peaches.

Wednesday, April 24, 1968. Cloudy, cold, 33° – 34°, windy. Few snow flurries in p.m. Pete to work, got home early. I defrosted icebox. Went to town at 10:00. Took some things to Mrs. Yeakel for Allens. She and Charlene to Allens. Mary and I uptown. I got black-and-white three-

piece suit (double knit). Ida to aid meeting. I took girls and Gram to Eastland at 3:00. Gram got dress. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, April 25, 1968. Fair, in 30s, warmer during day. Cloudy in evening. Pete carried mail. I went with Marie Yoder to district auxiliary meeting at Heritage House in Peoria. Had tour of Proctor Hospital in p.m. Ruth Ann Schertz, Lucy Schwartz, Clara and Esther Stutzman along too. We got Collie dog from Anderson's in Normal. Were home in evening. Rons called in evening.

Friday, April 26, 1968. Cloudy in morning, rained in morning, fair in p.m., warmer. Pete to work for Service Company until noon. He mowed yard and worked on corn crib. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Done cleaning when got home. Home in evening.

Saturday, April 27, 1968. Fair, nice day. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Admissions and no admissions clerk. Had DOA lady from St. Louis. Went to Mrs. Gerings. She gave me chrysanthemums. We planted them and sprayed roses and hoed them. Didn't wash my hair, have cold.

Sunday, April 28, 1968. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day again. Pete to church and to Grams for dinner. We and Georges to girls for supper. Had shower in night.

Monday, April 29, 1968. Fair, fine day. Pete to work. I washed. Then Mabel and I to Grams. Cleaned her living room and washed windows. I done ironing when got home and raked some in garden. Big day and tired. Wrote Allens.

Tuesday, April 30, 1968. Fair, fine day, 70° – 72°. Pete to work. I aired winter coats etc. and put them away. Trimmed all of ramblers. Were all dead but are coming up from below. Baked rhubarb pie. Girls came out. Pete worked up garden. We sowed some flower seeds and put in glad bulbs and I put out dahlia bulbs.

Wednesday, May 1, 1968. Rather windy in PM and cooler. Pete to work. Rambler had something wrong with clutch. Left it at Brackman's. I went after him. I washed 2 loads and made doughnuts. Sowed flower seeds. Went to town. Stopped at Grams. She has back trouble. I went to see Uncle Henry. Had car washed and got some flower seeds and sowed them. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, May 2, 1968. Fair, warm, 88°. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to work too. Roy Haeft got him. Pete to town with him in evening to get Rambler. I went uptown after work. Got medicine for Gram and took it to her. She feels better. We went to east field in evening, got asparagus. Home in evening.

Friday, May 3, 1968. Partly cloudy, showered early morning. Went to work at 7:00. Had hair done after work. Done some of cleaning when got home. Pete didn't go to work. Mowed lawn. We went to Georges for supper. (Had another death at work.)

Saturday, May 4, 1968. Fair, windy, quite cool. Went to work at 7:00. *Gascho* (sp?) Worked with me. Not so busy. Pete to men's breakfast. Worked on crib. We planted green beans and onion sets. Emersons brought some cabbage and tomato plants and planted sweetcorn. I went to nurses alumni banquet at Ramada Inn. Took Marie Hastings and Winifred [Maxwell], Marie Heiser, and Catherine Mishler. Nice evening.

Sunday, May 5, 1968. Fair, cool, in 30s. Warmed up. Went to church and to grams for dinner. Lawrence Mohrs and CRs there. Went to church supper. Had sandwiches and salads. Had Howard Habeggars from Colombia, South America. They told about their work there.

Monday, May 6, 1968. Fair, in 30s, warmer, rather chilly wind. Pete worked on crib. I washed and ironed and we washed windows and put in screens. We went to town in evening. Got new clothes dryer at Sears. Stopped at Dunn's. Got asked her plants Shirley sent. Bills were at Allens over weekend.

Tuesday, May 7, 1968. Mostly fair, real windy, cloudy in evening. Sprinkled little. Pete worked on crib in morning. Met Laura at 11:30. Finished carrying mail. I went with him to town. We and girls to Niepagens. Got petunias and geraniums for porch box. I washed off porch in morning. Pete to Meadows board meeting in evening. I went to Mother's Day tea. Took Merle, Gram and girls. Bastings showed picture.

Wednesday, May 8, 1968. Fair, rather windy again. I baked coffeecake braid. Done some odd jobs. Sears delivered our clothes dryer. I planted tuberous begonias, fixed porch box. Set out chrysanthemum Allens sent me. And set out Petunias around shrubbery and gave roses plant food and watered them. Had ½ inch rain in night.

Thursday, May 9, 1968. Mostly cloudy, chilly in evening. Went to work at 7:00, busy, no beds. Got groceries. We set out Petunia plants in garden and Aster plants Shirley sent. Sprayed roses and we planted 2 rows sweetcorn. Pete worked on crib.

Friday, May 10, 1968. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. I went to work at 7:00, busy day again for everyone. Pete worked on crib and around the lawn. I done cleaning and washed my hair and pinned it up. Baked angel food cake and cooked some ham. Had shower in night. Marie home.

Saturday, May 11 1968. Cloudy, misted little in morning. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00, not so busy. Pauls got here at 3:30. Good to see them again. Andy has grown. We went to girls for supper.

Sunday, May 12, 1968. Fair, fine day, warm, 80°. We all went to church and to CRs for dinner. Gram and Marie, Gordons and Rays there too. We came home at 4:00. Put Andy to bed. Got things ready for lunch. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary and Dick here. Had nice time. Good to have Pauls here. I took cake to Mabels.

Monday, May 13, 1968. Partly cloudy, warm, rather humid. Showered in evening. We washed. Had some for Pauls. We put sheep across road. Pete and Paul took air-conditioner out. Washed windows. We all went to Grams for dinner. Men spaded up some of Grams flower bed. We went to Eastland [Shopping Center]. Pauls wanted a few things. Pete to bank. Took air-conditioner to have worked on. Pauls to Peoria to see Dick at 4:30. I ironed. We kept Andy. Ron to Chicago.

Tuesday, May 14, 1968. Partly cloudy, warm. I went to work at 7:00. Very busy, everything full and no beds. Accidents in. Pauls left at 8:30 for Allens. Was good to have them. I washed 3 loads when got home. Dried outside. Pete worked on crib. We went to Georges for supper. Ron called from Chicago.

Wednesday, May 15, 1968. Cloudy, had rain (1 ½ inches) in morning. Severe thunderstorm at 4:00. Had over 2 inches rain. Tornadoes southwest of here (Easton and near Emden). Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Georges in p.m. to help put in air conditioner. I ironed when got home. Had tornadoes at Wapella and (unclear). Went to choir practice.

Thursday, May 16, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on crib. Mowed grass outside of yard and along garden. I cleaned bedrooms when got home. I went to development meeting at hospital awhile, then we went to [Eugene] Field School. Had program for Margaret Davidson who is retiring. Pete had part in program.

Friday, May 17, 1968. Fair to partly cloudy. Cooler. Went to work at 7:00. Pete mowed lawn and worked on crib. I done cleaning when got home. Went to town. Got groceries and met Ron at train. So good to see him. We went to eat. Pauls left Allens for California.

Saturday, May 18, 1968. Fair in morning, cloudy, rained in p.m. Men to men's breakfast. I washed and washed my hair. Gram home with men here for dinner. I done ironing. Done Ron's washing and ironing too. Men to CRs awhile. We went to Edds awhile at 5:30. Gram along. Took her home. Girls and we to Georges. Basting girls there. Showed their pictures.

Sunday, May 19, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Showered off and on. We went to church. Ron preached. We, Gram and girls to Heritage House in Springfield. Met Marie there. Had nice visit. Came home by way of Clinton and Wapella. Storm was terrible and still lots of water in fields. Edgars, girls and Gordons here a while in evening. Asked Rays but they didn't come. CRs to Macomb. We talked to Allens.

Monday, May 20, 1968. Partly cloudy, chilly, had little shower in p.m. We left at 5:30 for O'Hare Field. Ron left on TWA at 8:45. We got up there at 7:40. Had breakfast. We miss him. Was good to have him home. We got home at 12:00. I washed and ironed. Set out some petunias along walk.

Tuesday, May 21, 1968. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., had little shower. Went to work at 7:00. Everything full. Pete worked on crib. Got most of it cleaned up. I got tomato, eggplant and

pepper plants. Set them out. Emersons here. Set out tomatoes and pepper plants. Had pie and coffee when we got done. Rons and Pauls are to meet in Upland.

Wednesday, May 22, 1968. Mostly cloudy, showered toward evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete with Miller boys and Cy to Wapella to help clean up after tornadoes. I baked rhubarb crisp and cooked rhubarb. Stirred up oatmeal cookies. Pete went after air-conditioner. No choir practice. Had 2/3 inch rain in night.

Thursday, May 23, 1968. Cloudy, rained hard in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Cecil Raber here to hook up dryer. We went to Eastland at 5:30. Girls along. Ate supper at Walgreens. Done some shopping. Got things for Tropical Christmas bundle.

Friday, May 24, 1968. Cloudy, gloomy. Had rain early in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Pete put air conditioner in. Gordon helped put up vent for clothes dryer. Took Skippy to town. Had her spaded. I done cleaning and we and girls went to see Mrs. Scogin. Her place was hit by tornado. She has things pretty well cleaned up.

Saturday, May 25, 1968. Cloudy. Rained most of p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Busy in p.m. OR busy. Pete carried mail. I washed my hair and finished my cleaning. Home in evening.

Sunday, May 26, 1968. Cloudy, rained in morning and again in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Busy. Accidents and admissions. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. He stopped at Grams. Pete and Mary got me at 3:00. Went to Wesley Methodist [Church] to nurses graduation in time to help serve reception. Big crowd. Home in evening. Lawrence Mishlers came in evening. Looked at our pictures.

Monday, May 27, 1968. Rained in morning and again in evening. Went to work at 7:00, busy, no beds. Pete piled lumber in barn. We went to with Don Weys to Odell to Pam Landstrom's 8th grade graduation. Went to Lawrences after program.

Tuesday, May 28, 1968. Misted in morning. Sun came out a few times in p.m., warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked around crib. I washed when got home. Dried clothes in dryer. Real nice. Made vegetable soup and fixed cherry pie for supper. Done ironing after supper.

Wednesday, May 29, 1968. Rained in morning and evening. Went to work at 7:00. Have few beds. Pete mowed some lawn. He went to town at 3:30. We, gram and Mabel to cemeteries. Took flowers. Pete and I to Holiday Inn. Morris Troyers took us, Georges and Harold Fosters to dinner. Had a delightful evening. Went to their room awhile.

Thursday, May 30, 1968. Partly cloudy. Good to see some sunshine. Went to work at 7:00, wasn't too busy. Pete finished mowing yard and went to Georges at 11:00. Worked in their yard. I went out after work. Phils and Esther Cash there too. Had supper. Had nice evening. Ray left for New Jersey [National Guard] camp.

Friday, May 31, 1968. Fair most of day, cloudy in evening. Elaine back from vacation. Good to have day off. Stirred up rolls. Done cleaning. We went to town at 1:00 to bank and paid taxes. We set out sweet potato plants and rosebush. Worked in garden. Pete plowed a little.

Saturday, June 1, 1968. Partly cloudy, misted little in morning, fair and cooler in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked rolls and washed my hair. Cleaned Windows and scrubbed porch. Made salad. Pete mowed some along drives. Got things ready for supper. Art and Elmer Siegs, Edgars, Marguerite B[erwitz], Gram, girls, CRs and Carol here for supper.

Sunday, June 2, 1968. Fair, fine day. Had little shower late evening. Went to church. Earl Kaufmans and we had dinner at Jefferson Cafeteria. Home in PM. Billys and girls here for lunch.

Monday, June 3, 1968. Fair, beautiful day, in 80s. Pete at CRs helping fill silo. I washed and ironed. Worked in garden. Put out more glads. Planted lima beans, more lettuce and radishes. Girls came out in evening. Planted cucumbers and mush melons. Emersons here in p.m. Plowed and hoed truck patch.

Tuesday, June 4, 1968. Fair, warmer. Pete helping CR. I worked in garden most of morning hoeing. Went to Peoria with George and Merle in p.m. Merle got some dresses. We ate at Cliftwood in Morton. Pete worked until 7:30. I went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, June 5, 1968. Clear, beautiful day, near 90°. Pete carried mail. Helped CR when he got back. I made doughnuts and baked cookies and rhubarb pudding. Emersons here after lunch. I helped plant sweetcorn. Went to town awhile. Girls with me. Got blue and white stripe dress. Robert Kennedy shot at Los Angeles.

Thursday, June 6, 1968. Fair, hot, 90°. Pete carried mail. I went to town at 9:00. Got permanent at Esther Cash. Was 2:00 when got home. Took Gram uptown. She got wash dress and some medicine. Pete and I to funeral home to see Ed Engel family. Went to Georges awhile.

Friday, June 7, 1968. Fair, hot, in 90s. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Very busy day. Done cleaning when got home and watered plants, etc. Were home in evening. Made fruit salad. Pete mowed some lawn.

Saturday, June 8, 1968. Fair, hot, 90°. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00, busy. Got 4 quarts strawberries at Leischners. Put 5 jars in freezer. We finished mowing lawn. Went to CRs for supper. Took salad. EAs, Paul T[hietjes], Val K[ampmeier]s, Tom T[hietjes] and Vernon [Woizeski]s, Gram and Marie and Gordons there.

Sunday, June 9, 1968. Fair, hot, 94°. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete to church and to Woizeskis 50th reunion. I went after work. Was at Nob Hill. Went for ride with Marie to Wapella. Was at Grams for lunch. Went to pageant at church. (Home Builders) *Faith in Ferment*.

Monday, June 10, 1968. Fair to partly cloudy, hot, 96 – 98°. Pete at CRs. I washed. Had quite a lot. Ironed. Worked in garden in morning, hoed. I went to committee meeting at church for Good Will. Made plans for ice cream supper. Looked rainy in evening. Storms in places.

Tuesday, June 11, 1968. Mostly fair, little cooler, much cooler in evening. Pete election judge for primary election. We had sheep sheared. Had to have man move them to east barn. I worked in garden. Baked coffeecake braid. Went to vote and took Pete his lunch. Went to Ida's. She cut out print dress (yellow). We went to Meadows in evening. Pete had board meeting.

Wednesday, June 12, 1968. Fine day, cool, 72°. Pete to CRs until 10:00. Made up beds upstairs and dusted. Cleaned oven. Went to town at 11:00. Met David Schrag. Bought pictures for Ralph Vercler as gift. I got new watchband. David Schrag here for lunch. Pete to CRs at 3:30. I cleaned windows, sprayed roses. Went to Georges in evening.

Thursday, June 13, 1968. Fair, cool. Defrosted icebox. Pete to CRs awhile. I cleaned silver service. Pete and I to Galesburg at 9:30 to meet Jo and boys. Got there at 11:10. Train due at 11:26 but 4 ½ hours late. Arrived at 4:00 p.m. We went to show, *Yours, Mine and Ours*. Enjoyed it. Got home around 6:00. Girls and Gram here for supper. Had new peas. Good to have Jo and boys.

Friday, June 14, 1968. Mostly cloudy, showered early a.m. Storm warnings out in PM. Rained 1 inch in evening. Looked stormy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete at CRs. Ray got home in PM. I cleaned up bedroom. Washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. We washed 2 loads in evening. Marty sick at stomach in evening. Jo sick too in night.

Saturday, June 15, 1968. Cloudy, cool. We washed. Went to Grams for dinner. Went to town and Eastland awhile. Got 5 boxes berries from Leischner's. Put 4 containers in freezer. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom and done ironing in evening. Boys feeling better.

Sunday, June 16, 1968. Fair, fine day. We went to church and ate at Hubbards. Were home in PM. Went to CRs at 4:00 for awhile. Went to girls for supper. Gram there too. Pete and I to church. Had film on Africa. Allen called in evening.

Monday, June 17, 1968. Nice day, cool. I washed, had quite a lot. Jo not feeling good. Sick at stomach and to Jon has cold. Cleaned up house and made salad. Baked ham. Got things ready for supper. Pete mowed lawn. Orvies and Willises got to girls about 5:00. They and girls here for supper. Orgies stayed here all night.

Tuesday, June 18, 1968. Mostly fair, warmer in p.m. I done ironing. Martha Jo feeling some better but Jon sick with cold and earache. Got medicine from Dr. R. Stutzman. We all went to girls for dinner. Edds there too, but went home at 3:30. Rest came here for lunch. We looked at pictures in evening. Willis and Donna here all night. Orgies to see Gram but she didn't hear them.

Wednesday, June 19, 1968. Fair, nice day, warmer, near 90°. Jon little better but still fussy. Orvies and Willis left at 7:30 for Allens, then home. We washed, had big one. Rosalie and children came for Jo. Here for dinner. Left before 1:00. I finished washing in PM. Done ironing. Pete plowed garden and truck patch. We planted more sweetcorn. I hoed in garden in evening. A big day.

Thursday, June 20, 1968. Fair, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, accidents, etc. Pete cleaned up around crib. Loaded trash on truck. Girls here in evening. Helped picked peas (Emersons). Got 3 big buckets full. I put 1 quart and 5 1/2 pints and 3 pints in freezer. Girls got some too.

Friday, June 21, 1968. Fair, hot, 90° – 91°. Had little shower in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Done cleaning when got home and cleaned upstairs. Washed my hair. Pete took trash to town and worked some on truck patch and done odd jobs. Packed suitcases. We had rain in night, 1 inch.

Saturday, June 22, 1968. Fair, rather warm. Pete and I left with Lawrence Mishler's at 8:00 for Nauvoo, Illinois. Got there at 11:00. Got trails set up in Park. Drove around some of historic places and went through mill and bakery. Allens got there at 4:00. Good to see them. They set up tent. We went for walk. Mick having some back trouble.

Sunday, June 23, 1968. Mostly fair, hot and humid. We had breakfast together. Ida, Mary and Luella got to camp at 10:00. Luella drove for Mary. We went to playground. Allen grilled steaks for dinner. We all packed up and left at 3:00. Went to Museum on way out. Deb and Steve rode with girls, Jeff with us. Got to Micks at 6:30. Thankful for a safe trip and good weekend.

Monday, June 24, 1968. Partly cloudy, high 80s, humid. Looked rainy at times. Sprinkled some. Washed. Pete and Debbie took Steve to Carlock. He left at 9:00 for camp Friedenswald. Ruth and Sue [Miller] here in morning. Picked peas. I done ironing. Pete mowed some in p.m. Deb and Jeff rode to Minnie's. We went to town in evening. Deb to Dr. Stutzman's. Jeff to Grams awhile. We set up tables at church.

Tuesday, June 25, 1968. Had a big rain Monday night and rained in evening again. I baked 2 pies for church. We went to town at 1:30. I went to church to help get ready for ice cream supper. Had sandwiches and salad too. Were busy and short of help. Debbie and Sue helped in dining room. I still have some laryngitis. Deb at Stutzmans.

Wednesday, June 26, 1968. Cloudy. Have had around 5 inches rain since Monday evening. I defrosted icebox. Baked coffeecake braid and snickerdoodle cookies. Pete and Jeff took some bricks out of corn crib foundation. Jeff to Darren's in evening and all night. We went to Georges awhile but I felt bad. Came home early. Had chills and fever, pain in left side, could hardly breathe.

Thursday, June 27, 1968. Cloudy, 56° high. Misted some. I still don't feel good. We went to town at 10:30. Took Debbie and Jeff to Grams. We went to Dr. Deneen's. I have pleurisy. Still have some temp. He gave me antibiotics. We were at Grams for dinner. Home early. Debbie at Mary Alice Mouser's all night.

Friday, June 28, 1968. Mostly fair, rather windy, cool. I feel some better. Done cleaning. Got Debbie in PM. Washed some. Baked bars and made salad. Ruth Miller and Pete set out tomato plants. We all went to picnic at Meadows. Board members honored Ralph Verclers. Gram fell at grocery store.

Saturday, June 29, 1968. Looked rainy but cleared off in evening. Hot and humid again. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast. Debbie and Jeff with CRs to Jersey Parish at Mansfield. We went to town at 5:00. Got Jeff a pair of shoes. Girls took us to Village Inn for supper. Went to Mrs. Yeakels awhile. Stopped at Grams. Hannah Woizeski there.

Sunday, June 30, 1968. Fair, hot, 90°, humid. We all went to church. Stopped at Grams. Were home for dinner in p.m. We went to Carlock at 7:00 to meet Steve. Bus came at 7:45. Had watermelon when got home. Had .85 inch rain in night.

Monday, July 1, 1968. Cleared off at noon, rather humid, cooler in evening. Pete and Mary, Deb, Steve, Jeff and Gary Stutzman left at 7:15 for Iowa. They got to Allens at 1:00. I washed, big one, 8 sheets. Dried most of it in dryer. Took Gram to Dr. at noon. Ida home with me. We done ironing and cleaned up bedrooms. I transplanted some flowers. We went to town at 6:00 to Eastland. Ate supper. Got material for dress. Stayed at Ida's all night.

Tuesday, July 2, 1968. Fair, fine day, cool. Ida and I to work at 7:00. Pete and Mary got home at 4:00. Ruth Miller and girls here. We picked beans. I canned 7 quarts. Pete plowed garden. I hoed roses and flowerbeds in yard in evening and transplanted some Asters Shirley sent. Girls here for supper.

Wednesday, July 3, 1968. Fair, fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete helped carry mail. We went to Eastland. Done shopping, got trousers and shirts for Pete. We went to Georges. We went to Barneys for supper.

Thursday, July 4, 1968. Nice day, cool. I washed out uniform etc. Worked in garden. Pete worked in truck patch. We sowed endive and planted more sweetcorn. I baked dream bars and baked beans and fried chicken. We went to Minnies for picnic. Gram, Marie, girls, Pearl, CR's family and Clara [Brodbeck].

Friday, July 5, 1968. Mostly fair, much warmer in p.m. I defrosted icebox and done all cleaning. Washed some things and ironed. Pete plowed beans for CR in morning. We went to town in p.m. to bank. Got new tire and had car greased. Pete to Meadows board meeting. I sowed lettuce and washed clothes. Done little packing.

Saturday, July 6, 1968. Fair, quite warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete carried mail. Girls picked beans and canned 7 quarts. Martha Jo, boys, Rosalie and children and Mrs. Emerick got here about 2:30. Gram, Marie and girls here for supper. Had hamburgers. Ate outside. Rosalie, Jo and children and I to CRs to see barn. We looked at pictures.

Sunday, July 7, 1968. Partly cloudy, rained in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Rosalie and children left about 8:45 for home. Pete, Jo, boys and Mrs. Emerick to church. They all, girls, Gram and Marie to Howard Johnson's for dinner they came home after dinner. Jo and Mrs. Emerick to Gordons a while. Mary got me at work. We all, gram, Marie and Pearl at girls for supper. Had homemade ice cream.

Monday, July 8, 1968. Partly cloudy, fair in p.m. We washed. Dried some outside. Done ironing. Pete mowed yard and went to town. George and Merle here awhile. Gave them some plants. Edgars here too. We packed suitcases. Girls came awhile in evening.

Tuesday, July 9, 1968. Fair. We left at 5:45 for Allens. Got there at 11:30. Good to see them. Men are combining. We helped Shirley pick beans. Canned 21 quarts. Boys having good time with Pamela. Gary Stutzman still at Allens. Ida called. Marvin is in hospital at St. Luke's with prostate trouble. To have surgery. Had surgery today.

Wednesday, July 10, 1968. Fair, quite warm. Were in few showers in p.m. We left Allens at 10:30. Ate lunch at Red Oak, Iowa. Stopped at Henderson Bethesda Mennonite Church. Some building. We ate supper at North Platte Nebraska. Drove until 10:00. Had trouble finding motel. Stayed at Hotel at Sedgwick, Colorado. Drove 529 miles.

Thursday, July 11, 1968. Fair in morning, cool in evening. Had fire in fireplace. Started driving at 7:45. Ate breakfast at Sterling, Colorado. Nice place. Got to Estes Park at 12:00 p.m. Ron arrived at to: 30. Good to see him. We had very nice cabin. Unpacked and went to grocery store. Had rain in p.m. Called Frances in evening. Marvin getting along pretty good.

Friday, July 12, 1968. Fair, real cool in morning. Rons and we to Bear Lake in morning, a beautiful spot. Came home for lunch. Went on Trail Ridge Drive in p.m. Gorgeous scenery. Mrs. Emerick home all day. She didn't want to go to mountains. I didn't feel good.

Saturday, July 13, 1968. Fair, warmer. Ron to meeting in morning. We went to laundry mat in morning. Ironed in p.m. We went to conference in evening. We registered in p.m. Mrs. Emerick home in evening. Kept Marty.

Sunday, July 14, 1968. Fair, nice day. We all went to church at 9:00. Had discussion groups after sermon. Came home for lunch and back to meeting in p.m. and again in evening. Had communion in evening. Mrs. Emerick kept boys with help of some girls.

Monday, July 15, 1968. Lovely day. Men went to prayer group at 7:00. Ron leader. Mrs. Emerick, Jo and I went at 9:30. Gordon Cosby spoke. We came home for lunch and back to

afternoon session. Jo and I to women's meeting at 7:00. I was one of tellers. Mrs. Russell Oyer elected chairman. Pete to men's meeting. Boys home with Mrs. Emerick and girls.

Tuesday, July 16, 1968. Mostly fair, warmer in p.m. I went with men to prayer group. We ate at YM grounds. Jo and her mother to morning session. We went to afternoon discussion on new proposed Constitution. Gordon Cosby spoke again in a.m.

Wednesday, July 17, 1968. Fair, warm in p.m. Went to conference in morning. Men to prayer group. P.m. was free so we washed and ironed some. We went to smorgasbord for supper on the Big Thompson River. Went to conference in evening. Marvin home from hospital but had to go back in night, hemorrhaged.

Thursday, July 18, 1968. Mostly fair. Had shower in evening. Men to prayer group. Jo and I to session at 9:00. Rons had lunch with group. We brought boys home for lunch and back to session. I took care of Jon awhile in p.m. Ron had meeting in p.m. I saw Mrs. Harder awhile. She is ill and going back to Denver. Went to session in evening.

Friday, July 19, 1968. Fair, looked rainy at times. Men to prayer group. Jo and I to session at 9:00. Marty to Kiddie Carrel. Mrs. Emerick kept Jon in PM. We done some packing after p.m. session. All went to evening program, mass choir, very good. Finished packing.

Saturday, July 20, 1968. Fair, quite warm, 96° and windy driving through Kansas. Rons and we left Estes at 6:30. We drove to Boulder Colorado and had breakfast together. We parted there as they started for California and we for home. We certainly enjoyed our stay together and is hard to part. We drove to Lawrence Kansas (unclear) 50 miles. Got motel. Karl Klooz came to motel, then took us to his apartment for awhile.

Sunday, July 21, 1968. Fair, hot, 95° – 97°. Left Lawrence at 7:30. Got to Harrisonville [Missouri] at 9:30. We went to church with Frances. Then to or fees for dinner. Bills, Georges and Lesters there. Frances, Pete and I to St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City. Marvin seems better but still has some problems. We got back to Orvies at 6:30. Had lunch there. We stayed all night with Frances.

Monday, July 22, 1968. Mostly fair, little cooler driving. Left Marvin's at 7:30. Got to Allens at 11:30. Lots of traffic on [Interstate] 69. We had lunch with them. Good to see them. Left there at 2:45 for home. Got home at 9:00. Ate supper at Farmington. Had shower there. Everything at home okay. Connie Rader was killed at 5:30 p.m. Car hit her bicycle. Such a shock.

Tuesday, July 23, 1968. Fair, warm and humid. Pete mowed yard and plowed garden. I washed and worked in garden. Done ironing. We went to town at 5:00. Took film in and got birthday cards. Stopped at Grams. Went to girls for supper. Went to Georges, got cheese tray for Glenn [Rader]s. Had sweetcorn for supper. Talked to Rons.

Wednesday, July 24, 1968. Mostly cloudy, warm and humid. Showered in town, few sprinkles here. Baked coffeecake braid and cookies. We went to Glenn Raders in morning. Took tray. Feel so sorry for them. Pete done some mowing. I hoed roses, fed and sprayed them. We sowed some lettuce. Fills and we to funeral home for Rader family. Such a crowd. Called Allens in evening.

Thursday, July 25, 1968. Mostly cloudy, humid, warm. Pete carried mail. I went in at 9:00. Took this end of route for him. Done some mending. Washed out some things. We went to Connie Rader's funeral at East White Oak [Church]. Large crowd. We canned 7 quarts beans when got home. Were home in evening.

Friday, July 26, 1968. Mostly cloudy, humid, warm. Defrosted icebox. Washed my hair. Done all cleaning. We made 4 gallons Kraut. Went to town at 1:30 to bank. Went to hospital, farewell for Mrs. Heggen. Went to Eastland. Got new mixer with money from Rons. Got paint for house. Stopped at Georges. Went to CRs for supper. Marie home. Pete to meeting at church.

Saturday, July 27, 1968. Had over 1 inch rain early morning. Fair and cooler in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town. Trimmed walks. We went to Georges in evening. Went with them to Sears. They got new TV, colored. Gram and Marie at Gordons. Got pictures from Estes.

Sunday, July 28, 1968. Fair, pleasant day. We went to church. Delegates gave report on conference. Pete one of them. Stopped at Grams. They insisted we have lunch with them. Came home at 3:00. Wrote letters. Girls here for lunch. We went to Edds. Took our pictures along. Gram and Marie to Kampmeiers. Talked to Paul in evening.

Monday, July 29, 1968. Fair, nice day. I washed and fixed 8 quarts the pickles. Done ironing and worked little in garden. Pete cleaned Rambler & washed it. Sorted lambs and sold 11. He went to bank in p.m. Ruth Miller here, got corn. Pete to Township meeting in evening. I packed some.

Tuesday, July 30, 1968. Partly cloudy. Pete, Ida, Mary and I left at 6:15 for Madison Wisconsin. Got to Pauls at 10:45. We went in Rambler. Went to State Capitol in p.m. and drove around campus. Went to Smorgasbord for supper. Looked at Pauls and our pictures.

Wednesday, July 31, 1968. Fair, pleasant day. Had rain at Madison early morning. Paul to classes. We went shopping near Paul's apartment. We left Pauls at 4:15. Got home about 9:00. Stopped for supper. We brought Paul's car home. Left Rambler for them. Thankful for good trip.

Thursday, August 1, 1968. Mostly cloudy in morning. Cool. I picked cucumbers. Made 4 quarts bills and fixed brine for sweet pickles. Took gram to Dr. at noon. She isn't feeling too good, heart fibrillation. She got sick about 6:00, chills. CR went in and Mary helped. Took her to hospital at 7:30. Phill [Patton]s, Earl [Kaufman]s and we to *Palamas* (sp?) at Pontiac at 5:00. Went to girls. Pete mowed lawn.

Friday, August 2, 1968. Fair, cool, 55°. Went to work at 7:00. Gram some better. Pete scraping paint on house. He got me at work. Took me to 4-H Fair. Irene Dunn and I stayed in hospital booth until 7:00. Pete took girls out. We ate supper. Didn't stay for program.

Saturday, August 3, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Showered little in morning. Warmer and humid. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day with emergency room and admissions and no admitting clerk. Pete scraped paint on house and started putting on primer. I done cleaning. Washed my hair and set it. Picked cucumbers. With them in brine. Ruth [Miller] got sweet corn to can. Gram better.

Sunday, August 4, 1968. Had 1 inch and .15 rain early a.m. Fair, warm, high 80s, humid. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He went to church and to girls for dinner. Billys there too. Pete to hospital to see Gram awhile. Dorothy there too. We went to Georges for supper. Got supper at Specialty House. Went for ride. Got banana split.

Monday, August 5, 1968. Mostly fair, hot and humid but good breeze in p.m. Washed and washed car. Pete and I took Gram home from hospital at 11:00. She's pretty good. Pete got some groceries for her. I done ironing. Picked cucumbers. Put more in brine. Made ½ allon dills. Pete worked on house some. Girls here a little in evening. Got corn. Emersons here in morning, got corn.

Tuesday, August 6, 1968. Fair, hot, 90s, humid. I baked 3 Apple pies. Put 2 in freezer. Put 2 1½ pints applesauce in freezer. Worked with corn. Girls came out after work. We fixed corn for them. Put 8 1½ pints, 1 quart and 6 pints in freezer. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. A big day. Pete painted some on house. Stirred up rolls in evening.

Wednesday, August 7, 1968. Fair, hot, humid. Had little shower in p.m. I baked pecan rolls. Hoed roses, fed and sprayed them. Worked some in garden. Pete painted some in morning. We went to Grams at noon. Took some things. We got sandwiches. I dusted up her house. She isn't feeling too good. Got some medicine refilled. Went to town a little. Cooked applesauce. Gram called at 10 PM. Had chest pains. We went to Grams at 10:00.

Thursday, August 8, 1968. Partly cloudy, hot and humid. Rained at noon. We took Gram to hospital at 3:00 a.m. by ambulance. Chest pain. We came home at 4:30. Got little sleep. Pete to Meadows meeting. I baked ham and cake, made salad, dusted up house. Mabel and I to Grams at 11:30. Came home at 3:00. Got things ready for company. Phil [Patton]s, Mrs. Mailer, Georges and girls here. Allens got here at 3:00. Were at (unclear) for supper.

Friday, August 9, 1968. Partly cloudy, hot and humid. Pete and Allen to town to see Gram. She's better. They went to Hudson. Boys and Deb went swimming and 2 Stutzman's. I washed. Had sheets, etc. for Gram. Got things ready for supper. Washed my hair. Shirley set it. Allens to town awhile in p.m. CRs, Gordons, Minnie and girls here. Had potluck supper. Pearl gone. Marie came later. Looked at pictures in evening. Allens to Mrs. Yeakel.

Saturday, August 10, 1968. Had 1 inch & .06 inches rain early a.m. Cleared off in p.m., much cooler, a relief. Pete took me to work. He went to men's breakfast. I was busy all day. Gram up in chair. Allens to see her. They were at Mrs. Yeakel's for lunch and to Dunns in evening. R. Stutzmans there too. I washed 2 loads and done cleaning and ironed. Allens here all night.

Sunday, August 11, 1968. Fair, beautiful day, 54° in morning. We all went to church. Allens left from church. Went to Carlock with her folks for dinner, then on home. We miss them again. We went to hospital to see Gram. She is doing okay. We left with Georges at 4:00 for Peoria. We went to *Carol* (sp?) Smorgasbord with them then to Georges. Phils and Mrs. Mailer there awhile.

Monday, August 12, 1968. Mostly fair, pleasant. I washed. Had bedding from downstairs guest room. Put alum H₂O on pickles. Put 6 pints peaches in freezer and made 3 ½ pints preserves. Got ½ bushel culls from Lutz. Done ironing. We went to church at 4:30. Helped get supper for Bienenberg choir from Switzerland. I took tomatoes. Choir good. Thought [we] would have some wine all night but didn't.

Tuesday, August 13, 1968. Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy, warmer. Girls and we left at 8:00 for state fair. Large crowd. We went to Eastland. Got shirt for Ron. Ate supper at Red Wheel. Took girls home, then to hospital to see Gram. She's pretty good. Got home about 7:45. Vera Beachy called from Indiana. Will be here tomorrow night.

Wednesday, August 14, 1968. Mostly fair. Quite warm and humid. Washed bedding from upstairs. Canned 7 quarts tomato juice. Dusted up stairs and made up bed. Got things ready for supper. Girls came for cucumbers and corn. Pete painting. Alvin [Beachy]s got here at 7:10. Had supper ready. Debbie with them.

Thursday, August 15, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Had rain in p.m. Alvins left at 9:00 for Newton [KS]. Pete painted in morning. I washed again, bedding and towels. Done ironing. Canned 11 ½ quarts Kraut. Went to town at 4:00. Got George indoor-outdoor thermometer and gave them tablecloth for anniversary. Stopped to see Gram after left Georges. Skippy got leg hurt.

Friday, August 16, 1968. Partly cloudy, quite warm and humid. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete painted. I had hair done. Esther Cash gave me extra permanent as other one didn't hold too well. Done cleaning in evening. Pete went after air conditioner and put it in. CR helped put it in. Storm warnings out until 8 PM. Looked rainy. Paul Millers got 2 bushels tomatoes. Emersons on vacation.

Saturday, August 17, 1968. Partly cloudy, some cooler. Pete took me to work. He carried mail. I canned 6 quarts sweet pickles and made 6 quarts dills. Girls got tomatoes and corn. We went to Georges for supper. Had smoked shrimp. Gram home from hospital at 11:00.

Sunday, August 18, 1968. Fair and warmer. Rained in p.m., 1.15 inches. More humid. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. They took Grandma her dinner.

Pete stopped there in morning and [I] went there after work. Gram kinda weak. We went to Parke Hastings awhile in evening. Late coming home. JD Schertz passed away.

Monday, August 19, 1968. Fair, rather windy, quite humid, near 90°. Washed and put 3 quarts, 5 1 ½ pints and 3 pints corn in freezer. Done ironing. Baked brownies. Pete done some mowing and mowed some of yard. Took Skippy to vet, has broken leg. He picked tomatoes. We went to first-floor picnic at Ash St., Park. Stopped at Grams.

Tuesday, August 20, 1968. Fair, 92° – 94°, rather humid. Defrosted icebox. Made 4 pints peach marmalade. Canned 32 quarts tomato juice and 5 quarts dills. Pete mowed some lawn and around barnyard. He painted in p.m. Got our dog at vets. Has her leg in cast. We went to funeral home at Carlock to see JD Schertz family. Paul Millers here in evening. Got tomatoes and corn.

Wednesday, August 21, 1968. Fair, hot, 96°. Canned 12 quarts tomatoes in morning. Finished mowing lawn and dug onions and a few potatoes. We went to JD Schertz funeral in p.m. Stopped at Grams. She's about same. Went to bank and grocery store. Got things ready for supper. Edgars and girls here. Gave EAs pickles and tomatoes. Louise Gilkerson at Holiday Inn. We took Mary and Ida to (unclear) and got Louise at Holiday Inn. She stayed all night with Mary.

Thursday, August 22, 1968. Fair, hot, 95° – 96°. Pete painted in morning and went to elevator meeting at Carlock in p.m. I baked coffeecake braid and apple pie. Washed woodwork and floors upstairs. Washed 3 loads in p.m. and ironed. I gathered phlox seed and sprayed roses after supper. Another big day. Wonder if Rons are moving.

Friday, August 23, 1968. Fair, hot, high 90s. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Ida along, Mary off. We stopped at Grams on way home. We went to Rock show at ISU. Was 8:30 when got home. Very interesting, but very hot. Saw Dudley *Collenders* (sp?) and visited with them. They got to Georges last night.

Saturday, August 24, 1968. Fair, good breeze, not so warm, much cooler in evening. Pete to men's breakfast and to Lucca Forest for dinner (Township). I done cleaning. Washed hair and set it. Canned 8 pints and 6 quarts tomatoes and 4 quarts juice for Gram. Worked some in garden. Hoed roses. We went to Georges awhile in evening. Cooked chicken and baked bars. Put 4 pints lima [bean]s in freezer.

Sunday, August 25, 1968. Fair, beautiful day, cool, a relief after the hot, humid days. We went to church and took lunch to grams. Ate with her. She seems a little stronger. Fixed things for supper, chicken salad, fruit cups. We went to carry in supper at Ernest *Schick* (sp?). Our church guests of Meadows church. Rev. Dick was speaker. A nice evening.

Monday, August 26, 1968. Mostly fair, real cool, in 50s. Pete finished painting white on house. I washed and ironed and worked some in garden. Pauls got here from Berne about 4:00. Good to see them. Charles and Carol Snyder, friends of Pauls, got here about 7:00.

Tuesday, August 27, 1968. Fair, fine day, cool, 48°. Pete hauling corn from steel bins. Hauled to Yuton. Cecil Raber here, cooked up electricity to West barn and bins. Pauls and Charlies to town awhile in morning. I fixed blueberry dessert and casserole for lunch. Paul took Charlie to CRs awhile. We all went to girls for supper. Gram at girls. Allen came with FS [Farm Supply] from Iowa. A nice surprise. Here all night.

Wednesday, August 28, 1968. Fine day, warmer. Pete finished hauling corn. He and boys took rest of lambs to town. Allens and Charlies left at 1:00. Allen met bus at FS Farm at Lexington. Marj sewing some and repacking suitcases. I washed 4 loads in p.m. We all and girls to State Farm Park with Edgars. Had nice supper for us. Marie home. She and Gram invited too, but didn't go.

Thursday, August 29, 1968. Fair, cool. Pauls and we to Pancake House with Gram and Marie. Went uptown awhile. Came home at noon. Got things ready for supper. Dick Miller here for supper. Watched Democratic convention. Ron called. Mrs. Emerick isn't good. She flew home.

Friday, August 30, 1968. Partly cloudy, pleasant. Ed stopped in morning. He was at Gaileys [Eye Clinic]. Baked apples and brownies. Got things ready for dinner. Rev. Gerings here. We went to town in p.m. Paul to bank. I got some medicine from Dr. Wellmerling for Pauls to take with them. We went to CRs in evening. Wiener roast. I took apples and brownies. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, Pearl, Mohr girls, Minnie, Gordons and Rays there. Stopped at Georges in p.m.

Saturday, August 31, 1968. Showered most of morning. Cloudy in p.m. Paul packing suitcases. I got things ready for dinner. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We went to Ropp reunion at Ash St., Park. Had pretty good crowd. We stopped at girls on way home. We washed and ironed. Pauls finished packing. I washed my hair. Marjorie pinned it up.

Sunday, September 1, 1968. Rained most of morning. Partly cloudy in p.m. Cooler in evening. Dick, Pete and I took Pauls to O'Hare. Left at 8:00. Got there at 10:30. They left at 11:30 for LA. Will stay with Rons all night, then leave for Taiwan for a year. We miss them very much. We got home at 3:00. Girls stopped on way back from Ed's. We went for ride up north to see new Lake.

Monday, September 2, 1968. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00, Izzy day. The Thomases were transferred from Clinton. Mr. Thomas in OR in p.m., ruptured bowel. Pete to church to help paint, etc. Only 2 others there. He ate lunch at Grams. Marie left after dinner. Pete to Ropp Cemetery to help clean it up. I fixed some things for supper. We went to Mick Mishlers. Had picnic supper. Dick Ropps and Betty Ropp and sons there.

Tuesday, September 3, 1968. Fair, fine day. I washed, had big one, bedding from west bedroom. Pete finished painting house. I done ironing. Went to Good Will with Jeanette. Pete to Town meeting at Town Hall. Mr. Thomas passed away.

Wednesday, September 4, 1968. Cloudy, showered some. I defrosted icebox and cleaned West bedroom. Washed curtains. We went to town in p.m. Had cast taken off Skippy's foot. We and Cys to Minier funeral home to see Thomases. Pete and I to choir practice. Mabel [Nafziger] had punch and cookies.

Thursday, September 5, 1968. Partly cloudy, cooler. I made 10 pints chili sauce and cleaned 2 closets in our bedroom. Stirred up rolls. Picked lima beans. Put 2 pints in freezer. Pete on United Fund drive in morning. Emerson here in p.m., Dug potatoes and got tomatoes. We went to Georges awhile in evening.

Friday, September 6, 1968. Fair, fine day. I baked pecan rolls and went to auxiliary at 10:00. Had bake sale. Took rolls. Mary went to. I went to yarn shop. Had mistake on Afghan. Got pair of white shoes. Stopped at Grams. She was at grocery store. Gave her and girls rolls. I washed my hair and done cleaning. Pete on United fund drive. Roy Zook leveled off where old crib was.

Saturday, September 7, 1968. Fair, nice day. Mrs. Emerick passed away. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast and put motor in furnace and went to Yuton. He went to Mennonite men's dinner at ISU at 6:00. Girls and I to Carlock home coming. Went home with them. Pete got me there. Ron called at 4:30 to tell us Mrs. Emerick passed away early morning. They left for Ohio.

Sunday, September 8, 1968. Partly cloudy, little warmer. We packed suitcases. Went to church. Ate lunch with Gram. Got hamburgers. Mary worked until noon. We left at 1:30 for Ohio. Got to West Liberty at 8:30 our time. Stopped to eat at Urbana. Lots of traffic. Stayed all night at Anna's.

Monday, September 9, 1968. Mostly cloudy, rained hard in evening. Pete and I to Bluffton. Got to Dicks at 10:30. We and Rosalie and Ronnie to funeral home. Mrs. Emerick looks nice. We ate at Rosalie's. Took Marty and Jon to Bill's Schantz's before funeral. Went to funeral at 2:00. Nice service. Ron sang "Abide with Me and "Lord Speak to Me." We and Ron went after boys from Cemetery. Had lunch at Rosalie's. Went to Lima and to Mark's all night.

Tuesday, September 10, 1968. Cloudy, misted off and on, cool, rained in night. No rain at home. We went to Dicks, had breakfast there (later). Rons and we to Bluffton at 1:00. They and Mark to talk to Dr. Travis. We went to Norman [Vercler]s. Rons and we to see hospital new addition and to Marbeck Center on campus. Back to Dicks. Rons and we left for Dayton at 4:45. Rons left there at 6:25 for LA. We drove to West Liberty. Went to Clara H. a while. She had friends in. Went to Arnie's for the night.

Wednesday, September 11, 1968. Cloudy in misting at West liberty. We went to barbs for breakfast. Anna and Clara there too. Left Anna's at 10:00 their time. Got home at 4:00R time. Cleared off at noon. Nice. Had no rain here. Gram sick again, chills. Mabel with her. Came home and unpacked. Went to girls for supper and to choir, then to Grams. She's very uncomfortable.

Called the Dr. Took her to hospital at 11:00. CRs home. Pete and I with Gram. Got home at 12:30.

Thursday, September 12, 1968. Fair, nice day. I washed and ironed. Pete mowed lawn and painted picnic tables. I went to church at 4:00. Helped get supper for students at ISU, Wesleyan and Mennonite Hospital. Had 34. Went to hospital little after supper. Gram better.

Friday, September 13, 1968. Fine day, warmer, 82°. Went to work at 7:00. Very busy day. Pete carried mail. I washed hair and done cleaning. Emersons here awhile in evening. Got tomatoes, etc.

Saturday, September 14, 1968. Fine day, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete carried mail. Marie home. Gram up in chair. I got groceries. We went to Georges awhile in evening. Took them tomatoes and melons. Baked Apple pudding.

Sunday, September 15, 1968. Fair, nice day. Pete took me to work at 7:00, busy. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. He visited with Gram a while in p.m. Marie back to Alton. We went to church supper. Reldon Schirck showed pictures of Bluffton. Good crowd.

Monday, September 16, 1968. Mostly cloudy, rained in evening. Washed. Washed bedding from our bedroom. Cleaned room. Done ironing. Pete cut down some dead trees. We went to town at 2:00. Went to bank. Stopped to see Gram. Girls and we to Eastland. Got dress for Pam and shirt for Jon. Had letter from Pauls, they are settled in Taiwan.

Tuesday, September 17, 1968. Mostly cloudy, warmer. I cleaned bathroom. Washed some gowns for Gram. Pete piled some brush and painted powerhouse roof in p.m. I went to town. Got shirt for Marty. Saw Gram, she's about same. Went to girls. Ida helped me with making some towels for alumni bazaar and cut out dress for me. I made buttonholes in evening on towels.

Wednesday, September 18, 1968. Cloudy, partly cloudy in p.m., had little shower. I cleaned hall and broom closet in morning. Went to club meeting at Catherine Mishler's. Mabel with me. Went to hospital a little. Gram released from hospital. Pete and I took her home before choir practice. Went to girls after practice. Tried on my dress. Pete picked up money for United Fund. Rained in night.

Thursday, September 19, 1968. Cloudy. Rained in morning. Had over 2 inches the last 2 days. Partly cloudy in p.m. I cleaned kitchen and cupboards. Washed curtains. Pete on United Fund drive in p.m. Girls here after work. Got tomatoes and endive. I went to alumni meeting in evening. Pete to Grams. She's getting along fairly well.

Friday, September 20, 1968. Fair, fine day, warmer. I cleaned living room, waxed furniture, cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Pete finished drive in morning. He picked tomatoes in p.m., etc. We went to girls for supper. Rev. Gerings and Erwin Goerings there. Had nice time. Took tomatoes in for EAs.

Saturday, September 21, 1968. Fair, nice day, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast. He helped CR fill silo awhile in p.m. I stopped at Grams on way home. Girls and we to Edds awhile in evening. Nettie isn't very good and Edd has hernia trouble again.

Sunday, September 22, 1968. Fair, warm, fine day. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete to church and to Ida's for dinner. Mary worked. Pete to Grams awhile. Got me at work. We went to Springfield with Georges. Ate at The Mill. Nice place.

Monday, September 23, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Rained off and on all day. Washed and done ironing. Cleaned fruit room in morning. Baked cookies and banana bread when got done ironing. Pete done odd jobs and mowed some around truck patch.

Tuesday, September 24, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Showered some. I cleaned recreation room in morning and furnace room in PM. Baked coffeecake braid. Gram not feeling good. We went in at 3:30. Stayed all night. She's dizzy, weak and heart bothers her. Had fair night.

Wednesday, September 25, 1968. Fair, nice day. Gram seems little better. Mabel went in at 11:00. We came home. I aired bedding and we put up storm windows and washed windows. Paul Bates here in p.m. to see about renting place. We went to Grams at 6:30. Mabel home. We stayed all night. Went to choir.

Thursday, September 26, 1968. Fair, beautiful day. Mabel and CR to grams in morning. Decided to take her to CRs for a while. Gram upset. Isn't feeling very good. We brought her out at noon. Pete and I back after lunch. He painted porch boxes. I changed beds and cleaned up house. Baked 2 Apple pies when got home. I went to auxiliary volunteer dinner at Wesley Methodist [Church]. Girls along. Pete got new razor. We stopped at funeral home. To Georges awhile.

Friday, September 27, 1968. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete mowed some lawn and to Ira Troyer's funeral in p.m. and to bank. Pete cut some brush for Ed Miller. I done cleaning when got home. We went to town at 6:45. Had my hair done. Girls and we to Eastland. Alumna had booth there. Doing pretty good. I furnished 4 dozen cookies, coffeecake braid and banana bread. Gram seems little better. Pete with Gram while Mabel to town.

Saturday, September 28, 1968. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Busy. Pete finished mowing yard. Pete signed lease with Paul Bates to farm our farm. Went to see Gram. She's better. We went up in evening. Girls came in evening. Got melons and tomatoes. We packed suitcases. I washed out some things and ironed. Tried to call Allens but no answer.

Sunday, September 29, 1968. Cloudy, rained in morning, fair in p.m. We left with Georges at 7:00 for the East. We drove to Detroit. Got to Dudley Callenders at 4:00 their time. We stopped several times on way. Had lunch in car. We went to Fish and Chip (Paul's), good food, and then to pizza place to hear them sing. Had cake for Merle's birthday. Got to bed late.

Monday, September 30, 1968. Fair, fine day. We had breakfast at Dudleys. We left there at 10:15. Drove through Canada to Niagara Falls. Got here at 4:30. Lots of dairy farms along way and as we near Niagara, lots of fruit, vineyards, etc. Stayed on Canadian side.

Tuesday, October 1, 1968. Fair, rather windy. We drove around, took pictures. Flowers beautiful on Canadian side. Drove through hills of New York (on Route 20) to Canandaigua where we stayed all night overlooking Canandaigua Lake. Merle didn't feel too good. Didn't go out to eat with us. Called home. Gram about same. Talked to Allens. They are fine, shucking corn.

Wednesday, October 2, 1968. Mostly fair. Drove to Bristol Center. Tried to find where George was born. Drove over interesting country and many hills. Went to Watkins Glen. Got motel. Merle stayed there. George, Pete and I walked 2 miles through Canyon, etc. Beautiful. Wrote some letters and cards in evening. Had motel on hill overlooking Lake. Went downtown to eat supper.

Thursday, October 3, 1968. Mostly cloudy, rained hard while in p.m. We drove to Newark in morning to Jackson-Perkins Rose Gardens. Roses beautiful. We drove to Syracuse. Got to Morris Troyer's at 4:00 PM. Good to see them. They have such an interesting home. Morris had class in evening.

Friday, October 4, 1968. Mostly cloudy, colder, 50°. Rained off and on all day. Morrises, Georges and we drove to the Adirondack Mountains. The trees were so very gorgeous. The colors were magnificent. Drove around 400 miles. Morris took us out to eat when got back to Syracuse at 7:00. Morris to meeting in evening.

Saturday, October 5, 1968. Cloudy, rained off and on, colder. Went to Syracuse China factory retail store in morning. Pete and Morris to football game at halftime. We ladies went shopping awhile in p.m. Called home in evening. Gram some better except for back trouble.

Sunday, October 6, 1968. Partly cloudy in morning. Cloudy PM and rained in night. We all went to church with Morrises to Presbyterian. We took everyone to dinner (*Drummers* [sp?] Country Club). Went for long drive through hills. Stopped at Orchard. Spent the evening at Morrises.

Monday, October 7, 1968. Cloudy, rained in morning, chilly. We left Morrises at 8:00 for home after a wonderful time with them. Drove to basket place at Rochester. Georges done some buying, then on to Wayland to wood place, interesting place. Then on to Ashtabula Ohio where we had Travelodge Motel. Ate at Swallows, nice place. Good seafood. Marvins and Orvies at girls.

Tuesday, October 8, 1968. Cloudy. Left at 8:00 for home. Ate breakfast at Aunt Jemima's. Cleared off in morning. We got to Georges at 5:00 after a good trip for which we are grateful. Stopped at girls. Ate supper. Marvin's and Orvies there. Pete to board meeting at Meadows. I went to CRs to see Gram. She's about same. I unpacked.

Wednesday, October 9, 1968. Cloudy, rained off and on, clearing in evening. Pete carried mail. I washed and ironed. Got things ready for supper. Pete to see Gram p.m. Marvins, Orvies and Ida and Mary here for supper. Looked at pictures. Marvin's here all night.

Thursday, October 10, 1968. Fair, fine day. Pete and Marvin got Orvies in time for breakfast. I got things ready for dinner. Folks to CRs to see Gram. Mabel took her home. Folks to Billys a while. I stayed with Gram until Marie got home. Pete took some soil samples for FS [Farm Supply]. We had supper at girls. Then all went to Edds. Marvins here all night. Allen called in evening.

Friday, October 11, 1968. Fair, nice day. Pete helped with mail awhile in morning. I cleaned up bedrooms. We all went to Starved Rock. Leaves were pretty. Girls took day off. Were all here for supper. Looked at our pictures from New York. Folks all to town in evening.

Saturday, October 12, 1968. Fair, fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Marvin's and Orvies left at 9:00 for home. Ida with them. Pete carried mail. He stopped at Grams. I washed some when got home. Done cleaning. Ironed sheets and made up bed in guestroom. Went to Georges awhile. Pete dug sweet potatoes.

Sunday, October 13, 1968. Cloudy and rained in morning. Fair in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Not too busy. Pete to church and to Grams for dinner. Marie left in p.m. for Godfrey. We bought Gram home with us. She isn't feeling so good. Hard for her to get around. Mary here awhile.

Monday, October 14, 1968. Fair, fine day, 82°. I washed and ironed. Pete mowed lawn. Burned some brush. We dug Dahlia bulbs and Tuberous Begonias. Gram seems to feel a little better. Was on porch a little and went for a little walk in yard.

Tuesday, October 15, 1968. Fair, windy, 84°. Gram not feeling too good. Pain in back in bed most of day. I defrosted icebox. Made doughnuts. Gathered some flower seeds. Gave Gram bath and washed out some things for her. Pete sorted potatoes and put in basement, also sweet potatoes and onions. Mary here for supper. Emersons here, also Mabel. Pete to town in p.m.

Wednesday, October 16, 1968. Fair, windy, warm. Gram little better. Pete took Minnie's chickens to town. I made salad and got dinner for Gram and Pete. I went to Garfield winner – loser at Fairview Park. Took chicken and salad. Pete with Gram. Went uptown, got medicine for Gram. I got Velveteen for Debbie for birthday. Got Mary at work. Had her car worked on. Fern Miller here in p.m.

Thursday, October 17, 1968. Cloudy, very windy. Packed suitcases, got things ready to leave. Pete and I left at 1:10 for Allens. Drove in some showers. Then sun came out. Much colder in evening. Got to Allens at 7:15. They are fine. Looked at pictures in evening.

Friday, October 18, 1968. Mostly fair, cold and windy. Men combining corn. Pete disc in p.m. Worked late. We peeled apples to freeze for pies. Shirley washed. We went to other house.

Cleaned up some. Saw pigs and horses. Mary and I washed our hair. Shirley set it. We done the ironing. Shirley took supper to field [for men].

Saturday, October 19, 1968. Fair, beautiful day. Shirley and Debbie to Leon. Men combine in corn. Pete put cover on tractor. Mary and I and Jeff done cleaning. Pete run dryer awhile after lunch. Run wire in his hand, very sore and painful. Mary, Pete and I left at 3:30 for Harrisonville. Got there at 7:00. I drove all the way. Ate supper at Orvies. Pete and I stayed all night. Girls at Marvins. Called Dr. about Pete's hand. Advised soaking in Epson salts. Pete didn't sleep very well.

Sunday, October 20, 1968. Fair, fine day. Pete's hand is better. We went to hospital, saw Dr. Wheeler. Gave Pete penicillin, also oral Penic. And pain pills. Has infection, injured tendon. Orvie to church. Brought Carrie to Marvins. Allens came, got here at 11:10. Were all at Marvins for dinner and supper. Dewies here for supper. We girls took Carrie home and went for drive in Garden City. Allens left at 3:00 home. We were at Orvies all night. Edgar had heart attack.

Monday, October 21, 1968. Fair, warmer and windy. Had thunderstorm. Rained in evening. Pete's hand about same, swollen more. Ida, Mary and I to Everetts awhile in morning. Saw Lydia Zook. We were at Orvies for dinner. Frances to work at noon. Orvie, girls, Pete and I to see Louise G and Carrie, then drove to *Index* (sp?) where we lived and to cemeteries. Were at Marvins for supper. Arthurs and Orvies here too. We stayed at Marvins all night.

Tuesday, October 22, 1968. Fair, windy, chilly. We left Marvins at 9:05. Ate lunch at Leon and on to Allens. Men combining. We helped Shirley some. Washed some and ironed. Had birthday dinner for Debbie. We gave her ring and material for jumper. Shirley and we girls to field but didn't see them combine. Pete's hand no better.

Wednesday, October 23, 1968. Cloudy. We left Allens at 9:15. Went to see Allen a little. Pete's hand swollen, no better. I done most of driving. Rained most of way home. Got back here at 3:30. Took Pete to Dr. at 5:30. Took him to hospital. Is in 367. Cellulitis. Sure hope it will soon be better. I came home. Got his things in mind. Went to girls all night.

Thursday, October 24, 1968. Partly cloudy, windy, colder. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Pete had x-ray of hand. Has piece of wire in it. Admitted Gram to hospital in morning. Marie and Mabel brought her. She's in 218. I went home after work. Fed sheep, dog and cats and picked few tomatoes and got endive in and some squash. Went to girls for supper and all night. Went to hospital in evening. Pete had EKG and blood work. Has compresses.

Friday, October 25, 1968. Fair, 30°, little warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete had Ba enema and chest x-ray. He went to surgery at 1:30 for removal of wire from hand. Had general anesthesia (Dr. Causey). Went home at 4:30. Mailed letter to Pauls. Washed out some things & chored. Back to girls and to hospital. Pete very drowsy but getting along okay. Gram pretty good. Marie to Springfield to meeting.

Saturday, October 26, 1968. Beautiful day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Mrs. Chappell with me. Pete is better. Had GB x-ray & BA meal. Is tired from x-rays. Hand is better. Still has compresses. Grandma not feeling so good, rather dizzy. Marie home in evening. I chored and washed my hair and set it. To girls and to hospital. CR in awhile. Pete got flowers from Earls. Talked to Shirley.

Sunday, October 27, 1968. Mostly fair, cloudy, colder in evening, Wendy. Went to work at 7:00. Mrs. Chappell with me. Not too busy. Pete is improving. CR and Marie took Gram to Americana Nursing Home. Feel sorry for her. She seems quite cheerful. I went to see her awhile after left hospital. To girls, had lunch. We went to Kiwanis Travelogue, very good. At girls all night. Talked to Rons. They are busy.

Monday, October 28, 1968. Cloudy, cold. Girls to work. I came home at 7:00. Washed. Had little extra. Went to town at noon. Had TB skin test for bazaar. Took some medicine to Gram. She has some back pain. Went to hospital. Brought Pete home. So good to have him home. I ironed. Jeanette here awhile. We stopped to see Gram on way home. Shirley called. They are getting along okay.

Tuesday, October 29, 1968. Mostly fair, 27°. Pete's hand about same. I baked coffeecake braid, sour cream cookies and banana bread. Emerson Miller here awhile in p.m. Girls here for supper.

Wednesday, October 30, 1968. Fair, fine day, warm. I cooked squash. Washed some summer dresses, etc. cleaned silver service and silverware. We went to town in p.m. Stopped to see Gram. Seems pretty good. Went to Georges. Stayed for supper. Went to choir practice. Back to Georges. He had surprise for Merle. Phils, Harolds and Esther there. We gave her record and towel.

Thursday, October 31, 1968. Fair, warm, 80°. Beautiful day. I baked 2 pumpkin pies and coffeecake. Went to town at 1:00. Had TB test read (negative). Had hair cut and set. Got things ready for supper. George and Merle and girls here. We worked on seat covers for Merle. Pete's hand about same.

Friday, November 1, 1968. Cloudy in morning, fair, nice day. Done cleaning. Went to auxiliary meeting at 10:00. Mary there too. Some of us to Wesley church to make plans for bazaar. Stopped to see Gram. She seems rather blue and upset. Pete home. I done little ironing. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom.

Saturday, November 2, 1968. Mostly cloudy in p.m. Rained a while in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast. Stopped to see Gram. I did too after work. Girls and I uptown. Mary got dress. I got material for dress. We went to Georges in evening. Helped Merle some with covers. We had smoked shrimp.

Sunday, November 3, 1968. Cloudy, chilly, 40°. We went to church. Nice to be there. Ida and we took gram to Jefferson cafeteria for dinner. Mary worked. We went for drive. Stopped at Brokaw

to see Dorothy. Edgar little better. No company. We went to Edds when Mary got off work. Nettie seemed better.

Monday, November 4, 1968. Partly cloudy, little warmer. I washed and ironed and baked pecan rolls. We went to town at 1:30. Stopped at hospital. Got napkins and left Pete's insurance papers there to be filled out. We went to Wesley Methodist Church to help set up for bazaar. Home in evening.

Tuesday, November 5, 1968. Mostly cloudy. Showered in evening. Pete to election board at 5:30. Got home at 8:00. I went to vote and to Wesley Methodist to help with auxiliary bazaar. Had a big day. Large crowd. I Mary and Ida helped. Ida to Gailey's at 1:30, then home. I got home about 8:30.

Wednesday, November 6, 1968. Cloudy, showered some, chilly. We went to town after lunch. Went to Ida's. She cut out my beige dress. Went to see Gram a little, then uptown. Done little shopping. Took Pete to Dr. McGinnis. His hand doing fine. We went to girls for supper and to choir practice.

Thursday, November 7, 1968. Cloudy, showered some, chilly. Pete and I to Meadows. He had board meeting. I helped Alice Reeser some. Wrote letters for one of patients. Helped wash dishes in p.m. Lloyd Gundy passed away. We went to Lawrence Mishlers for supper.

Friday, November 8, 1968. Cloudy, cold. Snow flurries in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. No beds. Done cleaning when got home. Stopped to see Gram on way home. We went to funeral home at Carlock to see Lloyd Gundy family. Went to Harold Imhoffs. Got rug.

Saturday, November 9, 1968. Cloudy, few snow flurries, 30°. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Mrs. Chappell with me. Everyone busy. Pete carried mail. He stopped to see Mother. I washed my hair and set it. Baked brownies. Were home in evening. Talked to Allen. They are nearly done with corn, so guess Pete won't go to help.

Sunday, November 10, 1968. Partly cloudy, chilly, 34°. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Fairly busy. Mrs. Chappell with me. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. Luella and Ruth S. there too. We stopped on way home. Tried on my dress. Richard Earles and his girlfriend here in evening. Want to rent house when we go to California.

Monday, November 11, 1968. Cloudy. Snowed some but melted. Colder in evening. I washed. Pete went after mail. Furnace blew soot all over. Had to clean basement and upstairs. Pete took pipes down and cleaned them. Al Giermanns here in p.m. I ironed after they left. We went to employees' banquet at ISU. Goldie Rupp got award. Was happy for her.

Tuesday, November 12, 1968. Fair, 24°, rather windy. Pete cleaned off garden. I cleaned out some dresser drawers, etc. We went to town in p.m. I went to supervisors meeting at hospital. Stopped to see Gram. Ordered our Christmas cards.

Wednesday, November 13, 1968. Cloudy, chilly wind. Baked cookies and date pudding. We raked yard in morning. I went to meeting at hospital awhile in p.m. We finished cleaning yard. Glad it's done. We went to choir practice in evening. Julia K[looz] is in hospital. Has fractured hip.

Thursday, November 14, 1968. Cloudy, range some in evening. I potted some vines. Went to Home Bureau. Met with Bloomington unit. Went to girls at 2:00. Met Edds. Took him to Dr. *Century* (sp?). He has lump under tongue. Dr. opened it, is abscess. Pete cleaned leaves. Took Rambler to Jon Brackman. New cable to battery. Julia had hip pinned.

Friday, November 15, 1968. Cloudy, rained and misted off and on all day. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Took Ida. Mary off. Stopped to see Gram. Edgar is improving. Still no company. Cleaned up bedrooms when got home. Were home in evening. Knitted awhile.

Saturday, November 16, 1968. Gloomy day, misted and showered. Pete carried mail. I washed lace tablecloth and rugs. Done cleaning. Cooked chicken. Made salad. Done ironing. Washed my hair and set it. Home in evening. Marie home so Gram home with her.

Sunday, November 17, 1968. Cloudy, misted. We went to church. Ida and we with Marie and Gram to Hubbard's for dinner. Marie left for Godfrey. We took Gram back to home. She was upset as usual. We went to church. Helped serve reception for Alpha Baughman's 80th birthday. Got things ready for supper. Paul Millers, Ida and Mary here. Paul showed pictures.

Monday, November 18, 1968. Cloudy, misted some an snow flurries in evening. Cecil Raber here, fixed furnace. Had quit last night. I washed and ironed. Went to town at 4:00. Mailed letter to Pauls and Rons. Saw Gram awhile. Drove out to Georges but they wasn't back yet from Wisconsin. We ate at Bob Johnson's. Came home and just got back when George stopped. Wanted help to unload, so we went back to town.

Tuesday, November 19, 1968. Mostly cloudy, snow flurries most of day, colder, windy. We and girls to Peoria. Done some shopping. Got home at 3:30, so went to Eastland with girls. Mary got new washer and dryer at Sears. Home in evening.

Wednesday, November 20, 1968. Cold, 22°, few flurries. Fair in evening. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Elaine at meeting in Chicago. Pete to Federal Land Bank meeting at Chenoa. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, November 21, 1968. Fair, nice day, good to see sun. Defrosted icebox and put flower seeds away. Pete on Crop drive awhile. We went to town at 11:30. Stopped to see Gram. Seems pretty good. Went to bank. I looked for shoes. Ate at Mr. Quick's. Went to Georges. Helped them in p.m. Stayed for supper.

Friday, November 22, 1968. Fine day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Busy. Had plane accident in p.m., Ken Smith from Pekin. Done all cleaning when got home. Pete covered roses. Put cones on.

Saturday, November 23, 1968. Mostly fair, mild. Went to work at 7:00. Chappell with me. Quite a few admissions. Pete to town in morning. Saw Gram and Uncle Henry. He got groceries. CR helped him take air-conditioner out. I washed windows when got home. Washed my hair. Baked date bars and made salad.

Sunday, November 24, 1968. Fair, fine day. Pete took me to work at 7:00, got me at 12:00. Went to dinner at church. Mission Sunday. Dr. Schwartzs spoke in morning and again in evening. Pete, Mary and I to dedication service for nurses at Wesley Methodist [Church]. Helped serve at reception. Had lunch at girls. Went to church in evening.

Monday, November 25, 1968. Cloudy, rather chilly. Pete took some soil samples in morning for FS. I washed and ironed. We went to town in p.m. Stopped to see Gram. Went to Social Security office to apply for Social Security, then to Western Store. Got shirt for Allen. Went to Georges awhile. Merle not feeling good.

Tuesday, November 26, 1968. Partly cloudy to fair. Pete to Chicago with George. Left at 5:00, got back at 2:30. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors and went to Merles at 11:00. Took vegetable soup. I packed some boxes for them and helped Merle some. Pete and I planted tulip bulbs for them.

Wednesday, November 27, 1968. Fair, rather chilly. Dusted up house. We went to town awhile at 10:00. Made salad. Cleaned out some drawers and wrapped some Christmas presents. Got skirt materials for Shirley. Emersons here, got carrots. We went to choir practice. Talked to Shirley in evening.

Thursday, November 28, 1968. Rained all day, windy and colder in evening. Got things ready for dinner. Had chicken. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, CRs and Pearl here for dinner. Edds couldn't come. Gordons and Minnie came for supper. Rays came late, had been to her folks. Everyone brought something. Have lots to be thankful for but miss our family so much.

Friday, November 29, 1968. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town in p.m. Gram at home for the day. Pete to see she and Marie. I washed my hair. Done some cleaning and washed 2 loads of clothes. Ironed. Packed suitcases.

Saturday, November 30, 1968. Fair, 28°, foggy in places early. We left at 6:00 for Allens. Mrs. Yeakel with us. Got to Allens at 11:50. Good to see them. Allen plowing. Men and Debbie to new saddle shop at Garden Grove. Shirley took children to Humeston in p.m. Boys got haircuts. Jeff to music lesson. I knitted some.

Sunday, December 1, 1968. Cloudy, snowed some in morning. Allens and Mrs. Yeakel to Sunday School. We all went to church. We took everyone to dinner at Jimmies at Humeston. Allen, Deb, Pam, Jeff and we took drive. Stopped at Garden Grove. We looked at pictures in evening.

Monday, December 2, 1968. Cloudy. We left Allens at 8:34 home. Shirley to work at Dr's clinic in Leon. Pamie staying with Mrs. Roberts. We got to town at 2:40. Took Mrs. Yeakel home. Stopped to see Gram and went to Normal to get more jumper material for Deb. Went to girls and wrapped it and mailed it. Done washing when got home.

Tuesday, December 3, 1968. Cloudy, mild, little foggy in morning. We left at 7:30 with Parke and Ruth H[astings] for Chicago. Went to Oakbrooke in morning. Shopped around some. Went to International [Livestock Show] in p.m. Saw Ray [Ropp] a little. Went to horse show and rodeo in evening. Got home at 3:00. Had nice time.

Wednesday, December 4, 1968. Partly cloudy, colder in evening, windy. I baked coffeecake braid. Done ironing. Washed out few things. Pete to Yuton. Got feed and we went to town at 3:30. Went to girls. Ida helped shorten my red and black winter coat. Pete to see Gram. I wrote Pauls. Sent them a check for Christmas. Ate at girls. Went to choir.

Thursday, December 5, 1968. Mostly fair, chilly. We went to town, shopping. Stopped a few minutes at Georges. I went to alumni dinner at Terrace. Had pictures from hospital.

Friday, December 6, 1968. Fair, quite chilly. I baked ginger and carrot cookies. Stirred up Danish cookies and rolls. We went to town in p.m. to Georges. Helped them. Pete put up some lights. We rearranged things in gift shop. Stayed for supper. I took pudding and cookies.

Saturday, December 7, 1968. Fair, 18°, rather windy. I baked cookies and rolls and done cleaning. We went to town, stopped to see Gram. Girls up town with us. Also went to Eastland. Home in evening.

Sunday, December 8, 1968. Beautiful day, 15°. We went to church. Pete taught Sunday School class. We went to girls for dinner. Wrote notes and letters when got home. Went to Georges for supper. Had Cornish hens, very good. Gram to Hicksons with CRs. Ron called in evening.

Monday, December 9, 1968. Fair, 20°. Pete tearing down old garage. I washed. Baked apple pudding and banana bread. Done ironing and baked sugar cookies and iced them. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, December 10, 1968. Fair, fine day. We went to town at 10:00. Took coffee cakes, banana bread and cookies to Eastland for auxiliary bake sale. We shopped some. Ate at Bob Johnson's. Went to Georges. Pete trimmed some trees. I helped pack some things. Went to Eastland at 3:30. I worked at [auxiliary] booth until after 6:00. Went back to Georges for supper. Made Penuchi.

Wednesday, December 11, 1968. Fair, warmer, in 40s, very windy in evening. Pete took sheep buck to town. I baked crescent and press cookies. Washed my hair and set it. Wrapped gifts in p.m. and made batch of fudge. Went to see Gram in evening. Took potatoes and 2 dresses to Frances Stephens. Went to choir.

Thursday, December 12, 1968. Cloudy, real windy, colder in evening. Showered at noon. Had hard shower in evening. Pete to board meeting at Meadows. I went to Home Bureau at Park ME [Church]. Went to post office, mailed cards. Done little shopping. We went to Christmas church party at Meadows church. Had delicious meal and nice time. Around 60 there.

Friday, December 13, 1968. Mostly cloudy, windy, cold, low 20s. Snow flurries. Done cleaning. Fixed centerpiece. Got dinner. Pete to town, got Edgars. Gram and Mary had oyster stew. Enjoyed having them. I cleaned out some letters and papers in evening. Were home in evening.

Saturday, December 14, 1968. Fair, cold, 7° above. Pete to men's breakfast. Helped carry mail. I finished cleaning. Made English toffee. Went to Georges at 11:00. Help them pack, etc. Stopped to see Gram. Pete came awhile in p.m. Went to see Earl Thomas about income tax. Were home in evening.

Sunday, December 15, 1968. Partly cloudy, 14° above. We went to church. Took gram to dinner at Hubbards. Stopped to see uncle Henry, then to Edgar's to see their tree. Came home at to: 30. Dick Earle and Beverly Cox here to see about things before we leave. We and girls to children's program. We and Marie Heiser took food from Good Will to Mrs. Stephens.

Monday, December 16, 1968. Fair, nice day, warmer. Pete carried mail. I washed and ironed. Cleaned out drawer and made room for Dick's things. We went to town at 4:00. I had appointment with Dr. McGinnis at 5:00 for physical. Everything seems okay. Took Gram her mail. Home in evening.

Tuesday, December 17, 1968. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., misted a little. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine and Chappell ill with flu or colds. Number of personnel ill. Pete carried mail. Finished wrapping Christmas gifts. Emerson Millers took us out to Ranch House. Had enjoyable evening.

Wednesday, December 18, 1968. Cloudy, gloomy, rained in evening. Pete carried mail and went to dentist. Went to Social Security office. I went to dentist at 10:30. Went uptown, got Gram, went to club meeting at Mrs. Flanders. Baked 2 pecan pies for Drs. dinner. Went to funeral home to see Lloyd Welsh. We went to choir practice. Got box from Pauls.

Thursday, December 19, 1968. Cloudy, real windy, colder. Pete carried mail. I took car to Jon Brackman's. Mary took me to hospital. I got Mary's car. Got a permanent, then went to Drs. dinner in OR. I took pecan pies. Had gift exchange. Got compact in case. I got car on way home.

Packed Ron's gifts in box. Got some things ready to pack. We went to Chet Roths for supper. Nice evening.

Friday, December 20, 1968. Cloudy, few snow flurries in morning. I washed 3 loads. Done cleaning. We defrosted freezer. I defrosted icebox and ironed in p.m. We went to town at noon. I went to hospital personnel dinner. Pete got travelers checks. He went to Township meeting at Town Hall. I wrapped gift from Pauls, girls and we to Edds in evening. We ate supper at Carlock.

Saturday, December 21, 1968. Cloudy, rained and sleeted some in evening. Slick for a while. I went to work at 7:00. Chappell sick. Pete to town. Got new back tires, wheels repacked and lined up. He stopped to see Gram. We went to Georges awhile in evening. Pete gave George some tools, gave Merle lipstick holder and address book. They gave us centerpiece and candy.

Sunday, December 22, 1968. Cloudy, sun shone while in p.m., real windy and much colder in evening. We went to church. Pete taught Sunday School class. Choir gave Christmas program. Marie came home in morning. We were home for dinner. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary and CRs here for supper. We had gift exchange. Put candles and Christmas things away.

Monday, December 23, 1968. Cloudy, windy, snow flurries, much colder. I washed and ironed. Packed dishes away, etc. We went to town in p.m. Pete to bank. I got new raincoat. We stopped at Edgars, Billys and Grams. She and Marie were home. Stopped at Mabels a little. Took Minnie cheese. Went to Georges a little. Merle gave us towel set. Packed in evening.

Tuesday, December 24, 1968. Fair, 10° above. We finished packing. We, Ida and Mary left at 9:00 for Allens. Had big load. We got to Allens at 3:30. Good to see them. Shirley worked, got home at 4:30. We had gift exchange in evening. We got nice pictures of Allens children.

Wednesday, December 25, 1968. Cloudy in morning, had several inches snow, cold, 7° above. Sun shone while in p.m. Children open some of their gifts in morning. Had breakfast late. Had dinner at 2:30, turkey at all. We went with Allen, Steve and Deb to chore. Saw Steve's new horse. Pete and Allen to Dons awhile. Children busy playing with gifts.

Thursday, December 26, 1968. Cloudy, 22°, rained most of night at Allen's. We left there at 10:00 for Harrisonville. Soon started misting and just on freezing point on highway. Conditions better when we got to Bethany. Warmer. Got to Orvies 3:30. Got cleaned up and to Marvins. Emil and Sadie Klooz, Arts, Dave and Carrie, Orvies and Marvins took us all out to eat and back to Marvins. Was lovely time. We at Marvins all night. Girls to Orvies. Frances had cold.

Friday, December 27, 1968. Cloudy. We left Marvin's at 9:15. Foggy and misty. Drove in very hard rain on West Rogers Turnpike. Bad driving. Started to snow some at Oklahoma City. Colder, windy. Visibility poor. Ate lunch at Oklahoma City. We stopped for Knight at 5:00 at El Reno Oklahoma.

Saturday, December 28, 1968. Fair, warmer. We left El Reno at 8:00. Drove on snow packed and icy roads about 75 miles. Better when we got to Clinton. Ate dinner at Amarillo Texas. Had wheels lined up at Tucumcari New Mexico. Drove to Albuquerque where we stayed at Lo La Mi Lodge. Nothing fancy. Drove about 425 miles.

Sunday, December 29, 1968. Fair, beautiful day. We left Albuquerque at 7:00. Had little snow packed roads between Grant and Gallup. Some snow most of way, quite a lot around Flagstaff and south about 50 miles. We ate dinner at Flagstaff about 2:00. We drove to Phoenix to Rodeway Inn. Very nice place, colored TV and all. Talked to Ron. Saw lots of cacti along way. Scenery beautiful near Flagstaff.

Monday, December 30, 1968. Fair, fine day. Left Phoenix at 7:00. Lots of waste land. We drove to Indio. Stopped at date plant, got dates and grapefruit. Many palm trees. Drove on to Palm Desert and Palm Springs. Had lunch there, interesting place. Got to Ron's at 2:00. Good to see them. We went for little ride to town, etc.

Tuesday, December 31, 1968. Fair, nice day, warm. Got up late. Pete and Ron to play golf. We all washed our hair. Jo set them. We washed out some things. We ironed in p.m. I wrote to Paul. Ron took us for ride to see decorations. Jo with junior high to [New Year's Eve] watch party.

Wednesday, January 1, 1969. Fair, 80°. Pete and Ron to Pasadena at 6:00, took ladders and planks to sit on. Jo, boys, Ida, Mary and I left at 8:00. We took some lunch. Had to walk a ways. Met men. Had a good place to see parade. Was just wonderful. We got back at 2:00. Had lunch. Rested in p.m. Went to drugstore. Ironed some. Talked to Allens and Mabel.

Thursday, January 2, 1969. Fair, another fine day, warm. We all went to Ontario to grocery store. Ron to classes at noon. Pete had car greased and washed. We washed for loads and ironed for Jo. I made salad. Were home in evening. They are having cold-weather at home.

Friday, January 3, 1969. Fair, warm, 80s. Ron to school. Jo, boys, Ida, Mary, Pete and I to Disneyland. Got there at 11:00 and got home at 8:00 after an enjoyable day. Saw Dr. Shonat and his wife there. Mary fell there, hurt her knee and ankle. Ron took their Christmas tree down.

Saturday, January 4, 1969. Another fine day. Got up late. We washed some. I baked brownies and Jo put Christmas decorations away. We done some cleaning. At 2:30 we all went to Santa Monica Beach awhile. Drove through Beverly Hills, Hollywood, then to Chinatown. Had delicious meal at Golden Pagoda. Shopped some. Saw LA at night, a real sight to see. Got home at 9:00.

Sunday, January 5, 1969. Fine day, warm. We all went to church. Home for dinner. Jo to meeting in p.m. at church. Ron went too. They had meeting in evening. We kept boys. Read and wrote some letters.

Monday, January 6, 1969. Warm. Jo school started. We washed and done ironing. Ron studied some. Got Jo at school at 4:00. Went to Montclair Shopping Center, a big place. I got green skirt. We ate at Smorgasbord and came home. Looked at our pictures from Rose Parade.

Tuesday, January 7, 1969. Fair, but quite hazy. Pete raked some yard. I cleaned icebox. Girls washed windows. We cleaned up house some. Ron to school at noon and again in evening. Mended some. Ida cut some blocks for boys bedspread. Jake Schlenker passed away.

Wednesday, January 8, 1969. Cloudy, quite foggy, cool, 50s. Ron to breakfast. He and dad to lecture at 11:00. Pete got groceries in p.m. Ron to class. I baked coffeecake braid. We baked date pudding. Ida worked on boys bedspread. Girls washed their hair. Jo set them. Jo had Drs. appointment in evening. Ron and Pete to choir practice.

Thursday, January 9, 1969. Cloudy, hazy. I washed. We done ironing and made chili. Mary made pie crusts. Ida worked on boys bedspreads. Girls, Pete and I to Theater near Rons (musical comedy). We enjoyed it. Mrs. Richter here awhile in p.m. I washed my hair. Jo pinned it up.

Friday, January 10, 1969. Mostly cloudy, little warmer. I washed 2 loads. Mary baked cake. We done all of cleaning. Ida worked some on bedspreads. Fixed turkey. Pete took girls to get tickets. Got things ready for company. Willis and Donna came at 5:15. Ron, girls and Pete met them at Ontario Airport.

Saturday, January 11, 1969. Hazy and smog, warmer. Had breakfast late. Went to Claremont to Ron's school and to Botanical Gardens. Drove to Padua Hills. Visited some gifts shops. Drove to mountains in back. Ate lunch late. Drove to Graber's *Olives* (sp?), interesting. Had pizza in evening.

Sunday, January 12, 1969. Partly cloudy, cloudy in evening. Rons to Sunday School. We all went to church. Home for lunch. Had turkey salad, cheeses, frozen peaches and cake. We all took Willis to Ontario Airport. They left at 2:40. Ron had youth group at 4:00. We all went to church at 5:00 to Love Feast and communion.

Monday, January 13, 1969. Cloudy, started to rain at noon. Rained rest of day and part of night. Ron to school, had tour. Jo to school. Ida, Mary, boys, Pete and I to Los Angeles to Farmers Market. Quite a place. Many shops, food markets, gifts shops, etc. Got home at 3:00. I washed 3 loads when got home.

Tuesday, January 14, 1969. Cloudy, rained in morning and showered some in evening. I washed in morning. Mary ironed. Ida worked on boys spread. We baked cake. Mary made pie crusts. Ron to class in p.m. and evening. Pete and I to town a little. Got card for Clara Schlenker. We took girls to Pomona. They left on El Capitan at 8:39 for home. We miss them.

Wednesday, January 15, 1969. Sun shone while, cooler in evening. I washed 4 loads and ironed some. Got meals. Pete trimmed some on trees in morning. Boys outside awhile. Ron to class most of day. He and Pete to choir practice in evening. Jo and I cleaned up house. Got boys room back in order.

Thursday, January 16, 1969. Fair. Jo to school, Ron to class at noon. He has sore throat, don't feel too good. I done up work. Wrote some cards and letters. Got some things ready for supper. Jo, boys and we to shopping center. We took boys to little zoo at Sears. Ron sick with cold, in bed most of evening.

Friday, January 17, 1969. Partly cloudy, rather chilly. Ron some better. Left at 8:00 for class. Jo to school. I washed all of Rons bed and boys PJs. Had some trouble with wash machine. I baked cookies in p.m. We went with Jo after supper to get groceries. Allen to Des Moines hospital to have IUP and cysto.

Saturday, January 18, 1969. Fair in morning, rained in p.m. and evening. Ron fixed wash machine. I washed 5 loads, ironed some. Run sweeper and cleaned up kitchen. Jo worked on Christmas card list. She and Ron to town. Cleaned some clothes. Washed my hair in evening.

Sunday, January 19, 1969. Cloudy, rained most of day. Ron home with Jo. He has some cold. Rest of us to church. Home rest of day. Ron studied. I wrote letters and cards. Talked to Allen. He got home today from hospital. Has scar tissue around opening bladder. Medication will correct.

Monday, January 20, 1969. Rained and drizzled all day. Pete took Jo to school and got her. Ron to class at hospital in morning. Working on paper in p.m., to class in evening. I washed and done ironing. Baked date pudding. Rained all night.

Tuesday, January 21, 1969. Cloudy. Rained hard and windy in morning. Pete took Jo to school. I washed drapes. Ron finished paper in morning. To class in p.m. and evening. I knitted in evening. Done some mending in p.m. Jo typing paper for Ron. Rained in night.

Wednesday, January 22, 1969. Rained very hard in morning, streets full of water. Floods in foothills. Sun shone little in p.m. Can see mountains again, snow on them. I baked pecan rolls. Washed boys beds. Made chili and salad. We got Jo at school and went to White Front store. Got silver polish and groceries. Pete and Ron to choir practice. Jo typing Ron's paper.

Thursday, January 23, 1969. Sun shined a while in morning. Rained in evening and most of night. I cleaned walls in kitchen and cleaned some of Jo's silver service. Washed out few things. Ron to class & library all day. Took lunch. Jo typed on Ron's paper. Allen and Don home.

Friday, January 24, 1969. Cloudy, rained, gloomy. Ron to class. Jo teaching. I done all of cleaning. Wanted to wash some but machine broke. Pete and Ron to Sears. Got parts. Ron fixed machine in evening. Rained all night. Many areas flooded, homes and lives lost.

Saturday, January 25, 1969. Rained all day. Water high in many places. People evacuated. Jo changed books, etc. in boys room. Arleta and George Lapp came at noon. They tried to make some calls but couldn't get through. They were here for supper. I baked cake and iced it. They showed pictures of Hawaii in evening.

Sunday, January 26, 1969. Rained. Quit in evening. Went to church. Dr. Eitzens here for dinner. While getting dinner had word campus Avenue had to evacuate. Damn was giving way. Jo, boys and I packed suitcases. Left at 2:30 for Eitzens. Men stayed. Put things up as much as possible. Went to Eitzens for supper. Checked back at 8:30. Things improved.

Monday, January 27, 1969. Fair. Great to see sunshine. Came back to Ron's in morning. Thankful everything okay. We unpacked. Ron working on paper. Dad to help scoop mud outside of house in p.m. We washed some. I ironed. Dr. Eitzens have lovely home.

Tuesday, January 28, 1969. Mostly cloudy. Rained again in p.m. Jo to school. Pete helping again but got rained out. Home at 2:30. Ron helped scoop mud out of homes in morning. Went to class in p.m. Stayed and studied in evening. I washed and ironed and took care of boys. Mended.

Wednesday, January 29, 1969. Clear, nice day, chilly, had Frost. Snow on mountains. Ron and Jo to school. I washed Marty's bed. We went uptown a while in morning. Got some cards, etc. Got hamburgers at McDonald's. Brought them home. Pete to help in flood areas in p.m. I cleaned rest of Jo's silver service. Boys and I got Jo at school. Marty sick in evening. Gram went home from Americana [nursing home].

Thursday, January 30, 1969. Fair, frosty in morning. Pete helped in flood area in morning. I done 5 loads washed and ironed. Made salad. Made cake for church. They served supper to volunteers helping with cleanup. Pete and Jo took her class to concert at Ontario after school. Marty along. Ron at school all day. Pete took him and got him. One of his classmates died suddenly.

Friday, January 31, 1969. Fair, nice day. I done all of cleaning and washed 2 loads. Stirred up cookies. Ron to school awhile, then he and Pete to flood area to help clean out houses. I got Jo at school and we went to see the [flooded] area. It's unbelievable. Words cannot express what a mess. We went to Chinese restaurant. Good food.

Saturday, February 1, 1969. Fine day, warmer. Ron to flood area. Pete and I to Norwalk to see Ada and Glenn Foley. Had good visit and delicious dinner. I washed my hair in morning. Jo pinned it up. We got home at 6:00. Rons to grocery store. They went out to dinner (invited). We kept boys.

Sunday, February 2, 1969. Fair, fine day. We went to church. Had dinner at church. We and boys came home after dinner. Rons stayed for annual meeting. Wrote letters and cards in p.m. Jo graded papers.

Monday, February 3, 1969. Fair, nice day. Jo to school. Ron typed a paper. I washed and ironed. Had a big one. Pete painted closet in kitchen.

Tuesday, February 4, 1969. Fair, nice day, cloudy in evening. Rained in night. Jo to school. Men helped in flood area. I baked coffeecake braid. Trimmed lilies and geraniums in p.m. Took care of boys. Rons to one of his professors house in evening. I knitted.

Wednesday, February 5, 1969. Rained in morning. Partly cloudy. I washed 4 loads. Ron trimmed roses. We went to Ontario awhile before noon. Brought hamburgers home. Ron to Dr. in p.m., stomach bothering [him] some. I mended some. Jo home late, having parent-teacher conferences. I knitted in evening.

Thursday, February 6, 1969. Rained off and on most of day. I washed 2 loads. Done all of cleaning. Made salad and meatloaf for supper. Men to flood area in morning. Ron to seminary in p.m. Jo and I to ladies meeting at church in evening.

Friday, February 7, 1969. Fair, chilly, quite a lot of snow on mountains. I washed and ironed. Pete and I went to town a little. Got cards. Rons to Ontario when Jo got out of school. They went to the Joey Bishop show. Got home late. We packed suitcases.

Saturday, February 8, 1969. Fair, nice day. Rons and we left at 6:00 San Diego. Got to Don Friezen's at 9:00. They went with us to Tijuana, Mexico. That is quite a city with its many shops and shacks and rough parts. Came back to states to eat. Then went to Sea World on Ocean. On way there we road on fairy. Got a motel. Went to Don's for supper. We stayed at La Jolla, near Ocean.

Sunday, February 9, 1969. Fair, nice day. Got up late. Went to beach a while. Went to Irene and Jon Rubins at noon. Saw their home. Went out to dinner together. Left there at 3:00. Lots of traffic on freeway. Got home at 5:00 after an interesting weekend. Ron to youth meeting. We called Gram, she seems okay. Marie home for weekend.

Monday, February 10, 1969. Fine day, warm. Ron back to school. Jo to school. I washed, had a big one. Timmy Waltner here in morning. Pete worked in backyard, cut down some trees, etc. I done ironing in p.m. Didn't feel too good. Still have lots of cold.

Tuesday, February 11, 1969. Very foggy in morning. I washed 3 loads again. Baked some bars. Ron had classes all day. Got home late. Had counseling in evening. Jo had parent – teacher meetings in evening. Pete to Ontario in p.m. Got slides. Sent Valentines.

Wednesday, February 12, 1969. Cloudy, cooler in p.m. Jo had no school. We went shopping in morning. Got Jon new shoes. I got pair of socks for boys. Had lunch at McDonald's. Got home at 2:00. Wrote letter. Got book of poems for Grandma.

Thursday, February 13, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete and boys outside in morning. Pete worked in backyard. I washed boys bedding and load of wash and wear. I baked coffeecake braid. Rons to grocery store in evening. I knitted. Tom Woizeski, his wife and daughter were here in p.m. Had nice visit.

Friday, February 14, 1969. Fair in morning, cloudy and cooler in p.m. I washed and ironed and done all of cleaning. Got Jo at school. Pete to flood area to help with cleanup. Ron went in p.m. Had class in morning. Pete took us all out to eat in evening. Had chicken.

Saturday, February 15, 1969. Rons and we left at 9:00 for Indio and Palm Springs. Drove through mountains going over. Came back on freeway. We got grapefruit and dates at Indio. Ate dinner there. Drove to Palm Desert. Saw lovely homes, then on to Palm Springs. Shopped a little, then left there at 5:00. Drove in rain most of way. Got home at 6:15. Rained here most of day.

Sunday, February 16, 1969. Foggy in morning, beautiful day. We all went to church. Home for dinner. Jo had meeting at 2:30. Don Showalters called on Ron in p.m. Herman Rempels here in evening. Had popcorn. Showed pictures of rose parade, etc.

Monday, February 17, 1969. Beautiful day, 75°. Washed, had big one. Pete and Ron worked in backyard. Ron to library in p.m. We planted garden in evening. Ron sowed some grass seed. Didn't feel too good in evening.

Tuesday, February 18, 1969. Rained off and on all day. Washed diapers. Baked pecan rolls. Ron to school all day and evening. Hailed, thundered and lightning in evening. I knitted in evening.

Wednesday, February 19, 1969. Cloudy, showers all day. Washed boys beds. Made Rice Krispie cookies. Ron home for lunch. Had counseling in evening. He and Jo to grocery store after school. Pete and I went for walk. Quite chilly. Gram fell. CRs with her.

Thursday, February 20, 1969. Fair in morning, partly cloudy. Lots of snow on mountains. I washed some. Cleaned bedrooms. Went to bookstore before noon. Pete painted cupboard in p.m. I scrubbed kitchen floor ready for waxing. Pete and I to Sarah and Maria Bullers for supper. Had nice time.

Friday, February 21, 1969. Cloudy, chilly, showered little in evening. Jo home, no school. We washed. Got ready for company. Glenda Schoulz here. Had nice visit. We went for ride in p.m. to flood area. Quite a change. Lots has been done. Glenda left at 6:00. Pete and I to Curt Richters for supper. Had nice evening with them.

Saturday, February 22, 1969. Fair, cool. We left at 9:30 for LA. Went to Museum. Saw prehistoric animals. Quite interesting. Also *heith* (sp?) building. We then went to *Olivia* (sp?) to visit shops. Things much higher than in Tijuana. Got home at 4:50. Got things ready for supper. Erv and Mary Koop from Fresno here. Had ham, baked potatoes and made apricot putting. Nice to see Ervins.

Sunday, February 23, 1969. Cloudy, rained most of day. We went to church. Were home. Rons to Dave Eitzen's open house for their son and daughter-in-law. Ron's youth group met here in evening. Mrs. James Waltner and children came along to visit.

Monday, February 24, 1969. Rained most of day. I washed, had quite a lot. Done ironing. Ron studied, to library part of day. Jo to school. Had letter from Mary. Gram ill. Fell at home. Called CRs in evening. Took Gram to hospital Saturday. CRs gone to Chicago and Wisconsin Sunday and Monday. Gram about same.

Tuesday, February 25, 1969. Cloudy, rained, flooding again. People evacuating. Jo had no school. Stopped raining toward evening. Sure grateful. Ron to classes all day. We wrote Allens, girls and Gram. I baked some lemon bars. Jo cleaned out some drawers, etc. Went to clinic in morning. Had her throat checked. I knitted in evening.

Wednesday, February 26, 1969. Fair, good to see the sun. Ron and Jo to school. I baked coffeecake braid. Made chili. Washed boys PJs. Pete and Ron helped in flood area in p.m. I got Jo at school. She went to church to help get supper for youth group. Bethel College president there. Ron there too. We kept boys.

Thursday, February 27, 1969. Fine day, warm. I baked pecan rolls. Washed boys beds and 2 more loads. Went to orange packing plant. Got box of oranges and went for little drive. Mountains covered with snow, beautiful. We scrubbed back porch in p.m. Pete put cupboard doors on. I ironed some. Ron at school all day. Cleaned boys bedroom in p.m.

Friday, February 28, 1969. Fair, rained in p.m. and evening. I washed and done all of cleaning. Ironed. Pete and boys outside in morning. We all went to grocery store in evening. Pete and I to theater near Rons. Saw "Mr. *Bebuski*," (sp?) comedy play.

Saturday, March 1, 1969. Fair, nice day. We left at 10:34 Long Beach. Stopped at Norwalk a few minutes to see Ada and Glenn. Ada has CA cervix. Drove to beach and saw Queen Mary ship at Long Beach. Got to Tom Woizeski's at 2:00. (Unclear) and Henrietta and Dick Dill and their families there. 34. Had potluck dinner and good time. Irene there too. Got home at 6:50.

Sunday, March 2, 1969. Fine day. We went to church. Home for dinner. Went to mission program at 4:00 at church. Howard Habegger spoke. Had supper at church. Howards here after supper. Had nice visit.

Monday, March 3, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair, nice day but chilly, windy. Washed and ironed. Had big one. Pete and Ron to Corona to help scoop mud. Pete home in PM. Jo took car to school. I knitted in evening.

Tuesday, March 4, 1969. Fair, nice day, little warmer. Wrote letters to girls, Gram and CRs in morning. Went to store. Got some meat and card for Elaine. I washed windows inside and out in PM. Made butterscotch pie. Pete to Ontario in p.m. to get some film. Ron in school all day.

Wednesday, March 5, 1969. Fair, nice day. I washed 3 loads. Baked peanut butter cookies. Wrote Pauls. Jo home early from school. Not feeling well. Pete and I downtown. I got new black hat. Ron in school all day. Gone in evening awhile.

Thursday, March 6, 1969. Fair, nice day. Jo sick, didn't go to school. I washed boys beds. Ron in school all day. Pete and I transplanted some plants and rosebush in p.m. Letter from Merle, she's in hospital. I knitted in evening.

Friday, March 7, 1969. Mostly fair, rather frosty in morning. Jo and Ron to school. Ron home at noon. Worked on his car in p.m. I washed and done all of cleaning. Pete, boys and I to Ontario Airport to pick up our tickets for San Jose. Jo, Dad and I to Ontario. Got 2 sets of towels for Jim and Leticia Allen. We went out to eat. Washed my hair when got home. Gram to Shamel Manor.

Saturday, March 8, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete and I left at 9:00 for San Jose. Went on air California, 9:00 [a.m.] flight. Got along okay. Bothered me some descending. Got there at 10:00. Willis met us. Donna and her mother had their hair done. We picked them up later. Ate dinner at 3:00. Went for drive. I had pleurisy in evening. We all went to Jim's wedding at Baptist church. Big wedding. Went to open house at her folks after reception. Late when got home.

Sunday, March 9, 1969. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. Showered little in Upland. We went to San Jose College awhile in morning. Got up late. We left at 3:20 for Rons. Willis and Donna took us to airport. Was a nice weekend. Cloudy most of the way home. Glenda Shoultz at Rons

for dinner. She was in church. Jo still not feeling too good. Ron to church in p.m. He sang with quartet.

Monday, March 10, 1969. Rained in morning, fair. Jo to school. Ron to school in p.m. I washed, had big one again. Done ironing. Ron and Pete to Ontario in p.m. I knitted in evening.

Tuesday, March 11, 1969. Fair. Ron and Jo to school. Pete, boys and I went for drive. Got some chickens. I cleaned some silver service for Jo. Mrs. Rickert and Metta Niswander were here in p.m. I got things ready for supper. Ron to counseling in evening. I knitted in evening.

Wednesday, March 12, 1969. Mostly fair, chilly. Wrote some letters. Worked outside some. Planted row of "Violas" alongside of yard. Jon not feeling good, has cold. Ron to ministerial breakfast in morning, then to school. Jo took our car to school. She had meeting in p.m. Pete to Ontario to get typewriter for Ron. He studied in evening.

Thursday, March 13, 1969. Mostly cloudy. Had shower in p.m. I washed boys beds. Jon better. I made peach pudding for supper. Jo took car to school. Ron to school all day.

Friday, March 14, 1969. Fair, lovely day. I washed and done all of cleaning. Pete helped some. Done ironing. Washed my hair in evening. Jo pinned it up. Ron gone all day. Saw some of professors, got his advisers.

Saturday, March 15, 1969. Fine day, warmer. Ron, Marty, Pete and I to San Bernardino Orange Festival. Jo home with Jon. He's better. Had some interesting exhibits. We went to Upland, got some cards, etc. Rons to Sunday School supper and party. We kept boys. Baked some pumpkin pies Jo had fixed.

Sunday, March 16, 1969. Lovely day, 65°. We all went to church. Virginia Ijams came at noon. Pete and I took her out to eat. Drove around a little. Back to Rons. Had pumpkin pie and coffee. Rons to mission program at 4:00. Had supper there. Virginia left at 5:30. Buller sisters here in evening.

Monday, March 17, 1969. Fair, fine day. I washed. Ron, boys, Pete and I to shopping center in morning. Finished washing when got home. Done ironing. Ron worked in yard and on his car. Pete and I with the Rickets in evening. They took us to Henrys Restaurant. Nice place. Went to their house. .Played Yahtzie.

Tuesday, March 18, 1969. Fair, quite a lot of smog. We wrote Pauls, Steve and girls. Baked pecan rolls. We took bedspreads, blankets and rugs to laundry. Washed boys pajamas. Ron at school all day. Had counseling in evening.

Wednesday, March 19, 1969. Fair, warm. Wrote to Willis. Baked oatmeal cookies in morning. Fixed lunch. We took boys to Park. Had picnic lunch. Went to grocery [store] on way home.

Baked orange cookies and iced them. Made meatloaf for supper. Got supper as Jo went to Dr. after school. Ron had meeting in evening. I knitted in evening.

Thursday, March 20, 1969. Fine day. Ron and Jo to school. Pete spaded up around flower bed. I washed 4 loads, ironed and mended some. Didn't feel too good. Jo, Lenore Waltner and I to material shop. Jo got material for boys shirts. Lenore is going to make [them]. I got 2 for their Easter. We all went to shopping center. Got some things Pauls want. Shep [our dog at home] died. Sure miss her.

Friday, March 21, 1969. Cloudy, rained most of day. I washed and ironed. Done all of cleaning. Pete helped some. Ron home for lunch late. We packed box for Pauls. Rons and Pete to grocery store in evening. I washed my hair and set it.

Saturday, March 22, 1969. Fair, fine day. Rons and we left at 10:004 Pasadena. Stopped at Los Angeles County Arboretum, then on to Erma Birkey's. Took her out to eat. Then we all went to Huntington Library. Very interesting place. Wonderful cactus gardens. From there went to Glenda Schoulz for supper. An interesting day.

Sunday, March 23, 1969. Cloudy in morning. Fair in p.m. Rons and we left at 8:34 Santa Fe Springs where Ron preached. Donna and Larry Eisman met us there. We all went Knotts Berry Farm in p.m. Had dinner there. Went to Donna's a while on way home. Had dessert. Got home at 6:30. Ron to youth meeting. Pete and I to church at 7:00. Klassen boy showed pictures of Vietnam.

Monday, March 24, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete and Ron worked in yard, burned some brush. I washed and ironed. Baked cake and made salad. Made meatloaf. Jon and Kathy Eichler were here for supper. Couple Ron married in Fresno.

Tuesday, March 25, 1969. Fair, warm, near 80°. I baked coffeecake braid. Went to school to see Jo's class with all kinds of hats. Pete to Ontario in p.m. Took film. I washed some colored clothes in p.m. Ron in school all day and evening. Jon hit his head on bed in evening. Jo and I took him to hospital at Pomona. Had 3 sutures. Pete and I to Sunday School party for us at Chris Krabill's. Jo to PTA. Shirley Rempel babysat.

Wednesday, March 26, 1969. Fair, 80s. Pete, boys and I to Claremont at 10:30. I had appointment with Dr. Rude. Have low-grade infection. Gave me Tetrysin and some other kind. Went to Botanical Gardens & met Ron at 12:30. We went to lunch at Griswold's Smorgasbord. Stopped at grocery store and drugstore on way home.

Thursday, March 27, 1969. Fair, 88°. I washed boys beds and several other loads. Ironed. We went to orange packing shed. Got box to take home and on to Ontario. Got pictures. Herman

Smuckers were here in evening. They are on their way home from Florida. Enjoyed seeing them. We looked at our pictures after they left.

Friday, March 28, 1969. Fair, 88°, some smog. I washed and done all of cleaning. Pete helped some. He had car greased and checked and had haircut. Ron home at noon. We went to Park. Had picnic supper, then to grocery store. Washed my hair in evening Jo pinned it up. Pres. Eisenhower passed away.

Saturday, March 29, 1969. Fair, warm. We got things ready for dinner. Art Rickerts, Sara and Maria Buller here for dinner. I washed load of clothes. We were going to show in evening but too large crowd. Went to Kmart a little.

Sunday, March 30, 1969. Fair, near 80°, smog. We all went to church. Went to Olive Tree Restaurant. Chris Kreibels here awhile in p.m. Done some packing. Pete and I to Harry Cooleys for supper. Had other guests. Had nice time. Came home early. Finished packing.

Monday, March 31, 1969. Mostly cloudy. We left Ron's at 8:00 home. Hard to leave them again. Went I-10 to Indio. Got grapefruit to take along. Went through Prescott Arizona. Some curves and mountainous roads. Got Route 66 at a Ashfork Arizona. Drove to Winslow Arizona. 515 miles. Hot through desert, in 90s. Some sand blowing near Indio.

Tuesday, April 1, 1969. Partly cloudy, warm. We left Winslow Arizona at 7:30. Drove to *Guymon* (sp?) Oklahoma, some over 600 miles. Quite warm driving. Talked to Ron in evening. Jon had 2 stitches taken out. Herman Rempel and boys there for supper.

Wednesday, April 2, 1969. Partly cloudy, warm. Left Guymon at 7:00. Got to Newton Kansas about 12:00. Ate lunch. Called Alvin Beachys. Went there awhile then to see Hilda Harder. Back to Alvi's at 5:00. Went with them to Hillsboro to Roland Goerings for supper and to church. Alvin preached. Spent night at Alvins. George Frances took sick. Took him to hospital at noon. CVA.

Thursday, April 3, 1969. Cloudy. Went to Mrs. Harder's for breakfast and to General Conference offices. Left at 11:00 for Harrisonville. Got there at 3:00. Went to Orvies. Marvins there for supper. Got call from Allens at 5:00. George Frances passed away at 6:15 a.m. Such a shock. Talked to Merle. She wants Pete for pall bearer.

Friday, April 4, 1969. Showered off and on. Left Orvies at 7:15. Got to Allens at 10:45. Good to see them. Had dinner and left there at 1:40. Sorry to leave so soon. Got home at 7:00. Changed clothes, went to girls for supper and to funeral home to see Merle. Hard to realize George is gone. He looks nice. Went home with moral a while. Glens with her and Jimmie.

Saturday, April 5, 1969. Cloudy, windy and chilly. Washed my hair. Unpacked some things impressed some clothes. Went to Grams a little. Marie home. Went to church at 12:30. Good Will had dinner for family. Went to funeral at 2:00 at Carmody's [Funeral Home]. Pete pall

bearer. Burial at Troyer. I went to Cemetery with Harolds. We all went to Merle's. Took plant to Gram on way home. Merle sent it.

Sunday, April 6, 1969. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Merle, Glens and Esther Cash with her. We went to Gordons for dinner. Gram, Marie, CRs, Cutters, Wayne Kings there. Went to funeral home at 4:30 to see Harry Bower. Then to Merle's awhile. Went to church. Group from BC [Bluffton College] gave play. Went to girls awhile afterwards.

Monday, April 7, 1969. Fair, fine day. We went to Merle's in morning. Dorothy and Glenn went home in a.m. The lawyer (Ludtke) at Merle's. Pete was asked to help her with business. Esther Cash is staying nights. Marie back to Alton. Gram back to Shamel Manor.

Tuesday, April 8, 1969. Partly cloudy, rained in evening and night. I washed in morning. Went to Merles. Much to be done in regard to business. Going through papers, etc.

Wednesday, April 9, 1969. Mostly cloudy. We went to town, Social Security office and bank. Went to Merle's. I addressed thank you notes for her. Pete helping with papers, etc. Insurance man there. Esther Cash came back in evening. Ironed in morning.

Thursday, April 10, 1969. Nice day. Pete making fence in morning. I done washing for Merle. Went to Home Bureau with Mabel. Pete got me at 2:30. Went to Merle's. Ida and Mary came after work. We cleaned store in gift shop and scrubbed floors. Stayed for supper. Esther came too.

Friday, April 11, 1969. Fair, fine day. Done Merle's ironing. Done most of cleaning. We went to town in p.m. and to Merle's. I finished her notes. She had callers all afternoon. Fixed supper for her. Dudleys got there at 7:00. They didn't have supper.

Saturday, April 12, 1969. Nice day. Baked cake and finished cleaning. We went to town at 9:30. I went to Esthers, got permanent. Pete visited with Gram, Uncle Henry and Zelma. Merle and Dudley stopped by on way home from Cemetery. Girls, Emerson, Ruth, Stephen and Wendell here in evening. Had ice cream, berries and cake.

Sunday, April 13, 1969. Fair, rained late evening and night. Had visiting Sunday at church so we and girls went to St. John's Lutheran Church. Enjoyed it. Rev. Gerings and Harolds there too. Took Gram to Student Union. We all went to Eds a while. Pete and I to Merle's awhile. Dudleys left. We went to Rev. Gerings in evening, open house. Had nice time. Jimmie home.

Monday, April 14, 1969. Rained most of day. We went to Merle's at 9:00. Took her to Savings and Loan and to bank. Went to Sears. Pete got groceries for her in p.m. I swept rugs, etc. Jimmie opened store at 10:00. We came home at 5:00. Took cakes to Brokaw Hospital for Merle.

Tuesday, April 15, 1969. Fair, nice day. Done ironing. Baked pecan rolls and cookies and cleaned upstairs. Pete worked on some fence. We went to town in evening. Girls and we to Eastland. I got lining for silk material Marj sent.

Wednesday, April 16, 1969. Fair, in 70s. I went with Mabel to Garfield visiting day. Went to IPL [Illinois Power & Light] and to McLean County Mental Health Workshop and to Eastland for lunch. Pete met me there. Went to Merle's. Lawyer came. She made her will. Esther Cash took Merle and us to McLean for supper. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, April 17, 1969. Mostly cloudy, cooler in evening. I cleaned cupboards. We went to town at 9:30. Met with John Ludtke, lawyer. Made out our wills. Went to Merle's. Took her to hospital to see Dr. Wright about her leg. Took her to pick out her tombstone and to grocery store. I went to auxiliary style show at Wesley Methodist. Mary along. Ida had to hold. Pete to meeting at YWCA.

Friday, April 18, 1969. Cloudy, rained most of day, about an inch. I cleaned kitchen and done cleaning. We went to Paul Millers for fondue. Harold Pattons there too. Had nice time. We went with Pauls at 10:00 to Halls Tog Shop sale. Pete looked at suits, but too small. Paul got suit.

Saturday, April 19, 1969. Fair, cool. Had little rain here. I cleaned west bedroom, washed my hair and set it. Pete mowed back yard and put tar on house roof. We went to town at 2:00. Got print material. Ida cut it out. We, girls and Gram to Edgars for supper. Showed our pictures.

Sunday, April 20, 1969. Fair, nice day. Went to church and to girls for dinner. We took Gram too. Went for ride in p.m. Stopped at Marguerite Berwitzs. Pete and I to Merles at 5:00. Took her to Cemetery. Took some plants out. Esther C[ash] and we there for supper.

Monday, April 21, 1969. Fair to cloudy, few little showers in p.m., windy, chilly. I washed and ironed. Cleaned closets in our bedroom. Pete worked on fence. We made garden. Planted peas, lettuce and onions. We took Rambler to John Brackman to get breaks fixed. I went to nurses home. Made decorations for homecoming. Pete to Earl Webbs.

Tuesday, April 22, 1969. Mostly cloudy, windy, chilly. We sowed squash and radishes. Went to town at 9:30. Took Merle to have will probated. Ate lunch with Lucy C[atherine Patton] at Village Inn. Took Merle to bank and to Federal Savings. We went to girls at 5:00. Ida cut out silk print dress I got from Pauls. We sewed some on it. Were there for supper.

Wednesday, April 23, 1969. Cloudy, chilly, 40s. We left at 9:00. Went to Chicago with Merle and Jimmie. Got meat, cheese, etc. Got back at 4:15. Went to girls, tried on my dress. Ate supper in town and to see Gram. She has been dizzy all day. Went to choir practice. Rons called in evening. Good to talk to them.

Thursday, April 24, 1969. Fair, nice day. Cleaned bathroom. We went to town at 10:00. I went to hospital to talk to Elaine. We went to Merle's. Took her to bank to borrow some money. Pete and Jimmie wrote some checks for her in p.m. and helped Bill Easton set up the grandfather clock which they had ordered before George passed away. Were home for supper.

Friday, April 25, 1969. Fair, warmer. I cleaned our bedroom, washed bedding and rugs and curtains. Pete mowed front yard and plowed truck patch. I spaded flower beds around garden. Emerson here at 4:00. He and Pete planted potatoes. We planted carrots and beets. Helped Emerson plant lettuce, spinach and carrots. Merle and Esther to Michigan.

Saturday, April 26, 1969. Partly cloudy, 80s. Went to work at 7-3:30, carried book. Pete carried mail, got groceries and 3 dozen cabbage and 1 dozen tomato plants. Done cleaning and washed my hair and pinned it up. Home in evening. Rained some in night.

Sunday, April 27, 1969. Cloudy, showered in p.m. Pete took me to work, 7 – 3. He went to church and to girls for dinner. Gram at CRs. Stopped to see her but she wasn't home. We went to church in evening.

Monday, April 28, 1969. Cloudy, quite chilly. Washed and cleaned fruit room. Ironed. We went to town at 3:00. Took some things to Thrift Shop and to Merle's a while. Stopped up town. Got sandwiches and went to see Gram awhile. Home at 7:00. Pete to meeting at Town Hall.

Tuesday, April 29, 1969. Fair, chilly in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day with admissions. Pete helping CR set out some roses they got at Fields. We went to church in evening. Helped cleaned kitchen, etc. Not many there. Stopped at girls. Got my silk dress Ida made. Set out Dahlia bulbs.

Wednesday, April 30, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete to CRs. I cleaned living and dining room, waxed furniture. Took Merle to Dr. at 3:00. She's doing okay. We planted sweetcorn and onion sets. Went to choir practice.

Thursday, May 1, 1969. Fair, 75°. Pete at CRs. I baked coffeecake braid, cleaned Cedar closet. Hoed and fed roses. Spaded chrysanthemums and flower bed for zinnias. Baked 2 rhubarb pies. Cleaned up bedrooms. Edgars, Gram, Ida and Mary here for supper. Had steak.

Friday, May 2, 1969. Fair, warm, 80s. Pete helping CR. I went to auxiliary guest day. Took Merle along. Helped set up tables at nurses home after took Merle home. Got my thumb on glass. Dr. McGinnis looked at it, bridged it. Had Tet toxoid. Washed my hair when got home.

Saturday, May 3, 1969. Fair, 80s. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Pete carried mail. I went to Homecoming at nurses home. Had luncheon at noon. Laura W and I only ones from our class. Dr. Schwartzs and Lena Graber there. Lena spoke. Had business meeting. Came home after tour of construction. Went to banquet at 4 Seasons. Nearly 150 there. Very nice day.

Sunday, May 4, 1969. Fair, warm, 80s. Went to church. Gram, girls and we to Hubbard's for dinner. Went to see Uncle Henry and Zelma. Gram enjoyed seeing her friends at Americana [Nursing Home]. Came home at 3:30. Roberta here in evening to solicit for cancer drive. Called Allens in morning. Hadn't been in field all week.

Monday, May 5, 1969. Fair to partly cloudy, 82°. Pete to CRs. I washed and ironed. Baked rhubarb bread and rhubarb crunch. Helped Pete mow front yard. Trimmed roses and planted row of beans.

Tuesday, May 6, 1969. Mostly cloudy. Showered little in evening. I went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete helping CR. I went to Mother's Day tea and program at church. Took Merle along. Pete with Jimmie. They went on some errands after Jimmie closed store.

Wednesday, May 7, 1969. Mostly cloudy, showered in evening. Pete and I to Merle's at 8:30. Lawyer there. Then to hospital at 9:00. Met Dr. Deneen. Pete had EKG, has had irregular pulse but Dr. says nothing serious for which we are thankful. Pete home, helped CR. I helped at Thrift Shop. Took Gram to Gailey's at 2:00. Doesn't need glasses changed. We planted beans. Went to choir.

Thursday, May 8, 1969. Cloudy, showered in p.m., had one half inch overnight. Went to Home Bureau, was hostess. Mabel and I made hamburger and rice casserole. Gram along. Had over 40 for dinner. Stopped, got some plants. Marie Hastings here awhile in evening. Got Ropp Cemetery book.

Friday, May 9, 1969. Mostly cloudy, showered off and on all day. Went to work at 7:00. Martha Mishler in hospital, very ill in ICU, cardiac and chest congestion. Pete to town at noon. Went to Merle's awhile. We took her to lawyer to have her will signed. We signed ours too. We went to Clarences for supper. Marie home. She and Gram there.

Saturday, May 10, 1969. Cloudy, windy, chilly, showered. I washed and ironed and cleaned recreation room. Baked cookies. Washed my hair, done the cleaning. Pete to men's breakfast. He and CR cut limb off tree at Grams. He cut some at Gordons. Mowed back yard and along garden and yard. Went to Merles awhile in evening.

Sunday, May 11, 1969. Partly cloudy, chilly. Had few sprinkles. Went to hospital to see Mick [Mishler]. Martha a little better. Went to church. Gram, Marie, girls, CRs, Rays and we to Elms for dinner. Ladies took ride around Lake. Everyone came here, had lunch here. We listened to Pauls tape and showed our pictures.

Monday, May 12, 1969. Fair, cool, nice day. Washed 2 loads. We went to town at 10:30. Homer Park looked at Gram's house. Went to Merles a little. Took her slides of George. Got pictures. We planted 2 roses. Fixed the porch box. We sowed flower seeds, planted lima beans and cucumbers and mush melons. Set out petunias. Girls here awhile. Helped Emerson's here put out more garden. Worked late. Pete to town to show Gram's house. I ironed. Martha M[ishler] had stroke.

Tuesday, May 13, 1969. Cloudy, rained in morning. Were going to share sheep but got kinda wet. Packed suitcases. Left at 10:30 for Allens. Drove in rain to Burlington. Ate lunch there. Didn't

rain at Allens. He and Don spreading fertilizer. Got to Allens at 4:20. Good to see them all. Shirley worked. Martha M very bad.

Wednesday, May 14, 1969. Foggy in morning, fair, nice day. Allen in field. Dad with them awhile. Took Allen's lunch. Shirley washed and cleaned closet in boys' room. I ironed quite awhile. Pete and boys planted lima beans. We sowed Shirley's flower seeds. Pete and Steve went fishing.

Thursday, May 15, 1969. Fair, nice day. Men started planting corn in p.m. We took dinner to them at Dons and ate with them. Allen up early and works late. Shirley claimed basement. I helped. We set out tomato, cabbage and Aster plants. Pam and I went after Debbie at Humeston at 5:00. Pete took Allen supper to him. We went to other place. Jeff and Pam rode horses. Played tape from Pauls.

Friday, May 16, 1969. Partly cloudy, windy, looked rainy at times. We done cleaning. Shirley washed. I ironed a little. Took dinner to field. Shirley sowed on Debbie's dress for play. I baked cookies. We looked at some pictures in evening. Washed my hair. Shirley pinned it up. Men worked late.

Saturday, May 17, 1969. Rained one half inch at Allens early morning. We left there at 10:20 for home. Got here at 4:15. Enjoyed being with them. Always hard to leave. Shirley went to work. We had rain off and on all day. Had shower here at 6:00. We mowed front yard after got home. Much cooler in evening.

Sunday, May 18, 1969. Cloudy, cool, 50s. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Rather busy. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. We stopped to see Gram on way home. Wrote to Pauls. We went to Merles awhile in evening.

Monday, May 19, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine on vacation. Pete mowed back yard. Helped CR plow. I washed when got home. Set out cabbage and Aster plants we brought from Allens.

Tuesday, May 20, 1969. Cloudy in morning, sprinkled little, fair in p.m. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete at CRs. I made rhubarb – strawberry pie and rhubarb crunch. Done ironing after supper. Stopped at Grams on way home and got groceries.

Wednesday, May 21, 1969. Fair, cloudy in p.m., rained, windy and chilly. Went to work until 1:00. DeVore took book. I went to club meeting at Fern Miller's. Brought Gram out. Pearl took her home. Dorothy Schwartz talked. Kathryn and I on committee. I took Dorothy home. We went to choir picnic at Frank Bertram's. Had hamburgers and wieners. Took pie, had [picnic] in garage.

Thursday, May 22, 1969. Cloudy, rained some in morning, had ½ inch all together. Went to work at 7:00. Went uptown after work. Pete in town, had car greased and Rambler worked on. He went to Merles. I went back to Merles. Were there for supper.

Friday, May 23, 1969. Mostly cloudy, cool. I cleaned furnace and laundry room. Baked cookies, cleaned up bedrooms in morning. We went to Merle's in p.m. Pete and Jimmie worked in basement. We got Merle's groceries. We sold Grandma's house. Went to CRs in evening to make plans for disposing of things in house.

Saturday, May 24, 1969. Fair, fine day. I washed and ironed. Done cleaning. Washed my hair and pinned it up. Worked in garden some. Emerson here in p.m. He and Pete worked in truck patch. Planted sweet potatoes. Had sheep sheared. Girls and we to Edds in evening. Girls took ice cream and berries.

Sunday, May 25, 1969. Fair, cooler in evening, had few sprinkles in p.m. We went to church. Stopped to see Gram. She went to CRs for dinner. We went with Merle and Esther to Lakeside Country Club for dinner. Went to Merle's. Took her to Cemetery. They found Bill Woizeski dead at his home. Talked to Rons & Allens. Still having rain at Allens.

Monday, May 26, 1969. Fair, much warmer in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. A busy day. Pete helped CR. We went to Flinspach Funeral Home in evening. Gram with us. Carl Woizeski from Wisconsin came.

Tuesday, May 27, 1969. Fair, warm, in 80s. Went to work at 7:00. Pete helped Ora with mail. He went to Bill Woizeski funeral. Was pall bearer. I stopped at Grams on way home. Wisconsin folks there a few minutes. I washed handwashing and we put screens in. Washed windows on outside. Emersons here, hoed truck patch. Had ice cream and berries.

Wednesday, May 28, 1969. Fair, hot, near 90°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete at CRs all day discing for beans. I washed and ironed when got home.

Thursday, May 29, 1969. Partly cloudy, hot, 92°. Had thunder shower in evening, 1/3 inch and some wind. Blew big limb down from northwest tree. Went to work at 7:00, busy day. Pete carried mail. We went to Grams after work. Marie home, sorting things in house. We went with them and girls to Hubbard's for supper and drove through cemeteries.

Friday, May 30, 1969. Fair, little cooler. Pete sorted mail. I done all cleaning. Mabel, Pete and I to Grams at 9:00. Cleaned out the attic and sorted things. Quite a job. We went to Cemetery in p.m. Took flowers. I washed my hair when got home. Pete cleaned up tree limb. We all went to CRS for picnic. Girls and I furnished strawberries.

Saturday, May 31, 1969. Cloudy, showered some. Went to work at 7:00. Pete carried mail. Mabel and Marie worked some in basement. Pete and I stopped after work. We, Gram and Marie to girls for supper. Dudleys at Merle's. Martha Mishler home from hospital.

Sunday, June 1, 1969. Cloudy, showered some, cooler. Pete took me to work. Got off at 4:00. Had accidents in. Pete to church. He, Gram, Marie and girls went out to eat. Marie left for Godfrey. Girls, Merle and we to Carlock church. Harry Martens told of their work in Jordan.

Monday, June 2, 1969. Partly cloudy, windy, cold. I washed and ironed. Baked pecan rolls. We went to town awhile in p.m. Pete mowed lawn. We went to Lawrence Mishlers in evening. Took some rolls and cookies. Stopped at CRs.

Tuesday, June 3, 1969. Fair, 46°, little warmer. Pete, Mabel, Gram and I to Grams house. Sorted and decided things. Sold living room suite & stove and some other things. Pete helped CR in p.m. We got home at 5:00. A big day. I went to good will with Jeanette. Planted more lima beans and cucumbers.

Wednesday, June 4, 1969. Fair, warmer. I stirred up cookies. Mabel and I to Grams at 9:00. Gram along. Took her home after lunch. We sold dining room and bedroom suites and other items. I took Merle to Dr. in p.m. Mabel stayed at house. We finished dividing things, sorted pictures, etc. Pete at CRs all day. I hoed and fed roses.

Thursday, June 5, 1969. Fair, nice day, warmer. I washed sheets, bedspread, rugs and dresses of Grams. Baked cookies, hoed flowerbeds and patterns. Aired bedding and ironed. Pete mowed some of barn yard and helped Emersons some in truck patch awhile. We went to Merle's awhile in evening. Took our pictures. Margaret Schaffer there.

Friday, June 6, 1969. Partly cloudy in p.m., showered little, warm and humid. Cooler in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Pete finished mowing and went to town in p.m. Got dozen chickens at Lakin's. Stopped at Merles awhile. I cleaned up bedroom and living room. Stopped to see Gram on way home. Zelma in hospital in critical condition.

Saturday, June 7, 1969. Cloudy, fair in evening, cooler. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed my hair. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom. We went to town awhile before noon. Got 4 boxes berries girls got at Leischner's. Put 4 quarts in freezer. Washed out uniform, etc. Cleaned some of silver pieces. Marie came out at 4:00. She, Gram and we to McLean for supper and took a ride. Marie here all night. I made salad.

Sunday, June 8, 1969. Cloudy, windy, real chilly. Fixed things for reunion. Pete and I to church. Marie to Grams early. We all went to Woizeski reunion at Nob Hill. Such a crowd. None of Thietjes there. Marie to Chicago to meeting with Roger Woizeski. Left her car here.

Monday, June 9, 1969. Fair, rather windy, chilly. Warmer in p.m. I washed. Made salad and baked sponge cake. Dusted up house. Got things ready for supper. Pete to Grams house in p.m. Got air conditioner. Rev. Gerings and Erwin Goering, Ida and Mary here for supper. Had chicken and strawberry shortcake. Pete to Town meeting awhile after they left.

Tuesday, June 10, 1969. Fair, warmer. Done ironing. We went to town at 10:00 to Auction Place. Stopped at hospital to see about [work] hours. I washed off porch in PM. Went to Holiday Inn at 4:00. Got Marie just back from Chicago. Stopped at Grams house. Bud Lierman got things we didn't sell. Gram and Marie there too. We went to Steak House for supper. Marie here all night.

Wednesday, June 11, 1969. Fair, windy, hot. Marie left at 7:40. Pete helped carry mail. I baked coffeecake braid and washed west bed and napkins, towels, etc. We went to Grams at 1:00. Mabel there too. We cleaned up 2 bedrooms and basement. People got bed room suites and dining table. Mary helped awhile. I ironed in evening. Watered roses and some plants.

Thursday, June 12, 1969. Fair, windy, hot and humid. Storm warnings out a while in p.m. Pete carried mail. I done some odd jobs. Got things ready for dinner. Went to home (unclear) picnic at Ash Park. Took Mabel, Carol, Gram, and Ida went along.

Friday, June 13, 1969. Fair, much cooler. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Stopped to see Gram on way home. Zelma critically ill. I done some of cleaning when got home. We went to Lawrence Mishlers awhile. Martha feeling some better.

Saturday, June 14, 1969. Cloudy, looked rainy all day, rained in evening, .02 inches. Pete carried mail. I hoed some in garden. Washed my hair. Finished the cleaning. Cleaned rest of silverware. Girls and I to town in p.m. Looked at material. Pete and I to Merles awhile in evening. Zelma Woizeski passed away in evening.

Sunday, June 15, 1969. Cleared off in morning, cool, beautiful day. We, girls and Mrs. Yeakel left at 8:00 for Nauvoo State Park. Got there at 11:00. Allens came at 11:15. Good to see them. We had picnic dinner. Went to Museum and visited until 3:00. We started for our homes. Jeff and Pamela home with us. So good to have them. Got home at 6:15. Parke and Ruth Hastings here in evening. Showed our pictures.

Monday, June 16, 1969. Fair, little warmer. Pete carried mail. I took Jeff and Pam to Bible school. Got them at noon. Done washing. Children and I to Grams house with Mabel at 1:00. Finished cleaning and clearing out things. Pete came when got done. Diana, David, Darren here awhile. We went to funeral home to see Zelma's family. Gram along. Children at girls.

Tuesday, June 17, 1969. Fair, cloudy in evening, cooler. I took children to Bible school. They went home with Dunns. Stayed all night. I helped Pete deliver mail, drove for him. We went to Zelma Woizeski funeral at 3:00 at Lutheran Church. Pete pall bearer. We stopped up town and at Merles. Ate supper at Lum's.

Wednesday, June 18, 1969. Cloudy, looked rainy in morning, fair in p.m. Cleaned oven and done odd jobs. Got children at Bible school. Jeff to Darren's in p.m. Pam and I to club meeting at Pearls. Took her to [Dr.] R. Stutzman at 3:15 for checkup. Pete carried mail. Went to girls for supper. Gram there too.

Thursday, June 19, 1969. Partly cloudy, warm and windy. I washed, had big one, blankets, rugs, etc. from Grams and children's things. Took children to Bible School and got them. Pete carried mail. Darren here in p.m. I ironed and mended. We went with Edgars to State Farm Park. Dorothy had picnic supper.

Friday, June 20, 1969. Fair, cooler in evening. I went to senior chapel and breakfast at Wesley Methodist Church at 6:00, then went to work. Pete took Jeff and Pam to Mabel's at 6:30. She took them to Bible School. They had picnic. Harvella got them and brought them back at 5:30. Pete carried mail. We and CRs to Lendtkes office at 11:30 to close deal on Gram's house. Freed took book for me. I washed my hair and done cleaning.

Saturday, June 21, 1969. Mostly cloudy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete carried mail. He took Jeff and Pam to girls and brought them home. We picked peas, had [peas] for supper. Gave girls some and put 4 pints in freezer. Girls and Gram here for supper. Pete mowed back yard. I had very busy day at work.

Sunday, June 22, 1969. Rained off and on during day. We went to church. Jeff and Pam had part in children's day program. We went to girls for dinner. Mary and I to commencement for nurses. Helped serve reception. Children to Mrs. Yeakels awhile. Pete and I to Lincoln with Township officials and their wives. Took Ed Millers. Children with girls.

Monday, June 23, 1969. Cloudy. Washed and ironed. Pete to town in morning, [had] car greased, etc. I transplanted asters. We set out tomato plants, picked 2 buckets peas, put 4 1 ½ pints and 4 pints in freezer. Pete, Jeff and Pam podded them. Girls and we to Edds in evening. Nettie about same. Had big day. Marvin in hospital at Kansas City.

Tuesday, June 24, 1969. Cloudy, showered in morning. We left at 8:15 for Allens. Sue and Gary Stutzman with us. Got to Allens at 2:40. Fair there. Shirley working. Allen took us to see crops. He and Pete picked 6 boxes strawberries. Debbie and I got supper.

Wednesday, June 25, 1969. Cloudy, windy, started to rain at Allens at noon. We and Stutzmans left Allens at 1:40 for home. Drove in rain until we got to town. Just poured from Burlington to Peoria. Bad driving. Just showered here. Allen to school in morning. Pete with him. Shirley and I picked peas and children rode horses. We got home at 8:30. Ate in town. We miss Jeff and Pam. Thankful for safe trip. Girls got peas.

Thursday, June 26, 1969. Very windy, hot, humid. I washed bed upstairs and rugs, etc. We went to town in p.m. I had meeting at hospital. Pete to bank. We and girls to Eastland. Got trim for Mary's house. I got yellow material for dress. We stopped to see Gram. We went to Merles in evening. Phils there too.

Friday, June 27, 1969. Fair, cooler at noon, had .02 inches rain early a.m. and wind storm. We went to town in morning. I went to Merles. Took her spinach and lettuce. Dusted some for her.

Pete to Internal Revenue and to Dr. Deneen for checkup. Dr. says [he's] okay for which we are grateful. We picked peas. I put 2 1 ½ pints and 3 pints in freezer. I ironed and cleaned bedrooms. Pete plowed corn in p.m. at CRs. We went to Merles a little in evening.

Saturday, June 28, 1969. Fair, hot, 90°, real windy in evening. I dusted up stairs and made up beds. Done rest of cleaning. Cleaned paths in garden, hoed roses and fed them. We went to town in morning. Took Paul's car to Jon Brackman's. Had to pull it to start it. We got groceries for Merle and took them to her. We had sandwich with her. Girls and Gram here for supper. Had thunder shower.

Sunday, June 29, 1969. Fair, hot, humid. We went to church. Girls and we ate at Golden West. Went to church to get ready for reception for John and Lois Miller's 50th wedding anniversary. Had big crowd. Home in evening. Mrs. Emma Toepke passed away.

Monday, June 30, 1969. Had severe thunderstorm and wind about 7:30. Rained most of morning. Had 1 ¾ inches. I washed and ironed. Baked dream bars and chocolate bars. Pete sawed up tree for CR that blew down. Our phone out until evening. We called on Toepke family in evening at funeral home. We went to Lawrence Mishlers. Martha a little stronger.

Tuesday, July 1, 1969. Fair, fine day. Picked peas. Put 3 ½ pints in freezer. Made salad. We went to town at 10:00. Took Merle to bank and Federal Savings. Had lunch there, then took her to Hawkins. I went to head nurses and supervisors picnic at Nob Hill. Met at hospital. Went with Mrs. Bell. Pete home.

Wednesday, July 2, 1969. Fair, warmer. Pete and Stefan at Marys painting house. I went to thrift shop, helped their. Got home at 4:00. Got supper. Merle, Esther Cash and girls here. Had chicken and new potatoes, peas and watermelon.

Thursday, July 3, 1969. Fair in morning, had thunderstorm at 5:00, one half inch rain. We picked peas. Put 3 pints in freezer. Mabel and I took Gram to town. She got underwear and dress. We ate lunch in town. Pete met me at grams. We went to *Olvina* (sp?) Ropp's sister Kathryn's funeral at Gibson City. Went to Raymond for lunch. Went to Merls a while. Had my hair done at Esther's at 7:15. We planted sweet corn and sowed endive in morning.

Friday, July 4, 1969. Fair, hot, 93°. Went to work at 7:00, busy day. Pete painted at Mary's. I done cleaning when got home. Fixed salad. We went to CRs for picnic. Gram, Marie, girls, Laura, May, Minnie, Gordons, Rays, Lloyd Singleys and (unclear) student there. Pearl came late. Marie staying at CRs.

Saturday, July 5, 1969. Had ¼ inch rain at 7:30. Went to work at 7:00, busy. OR helped. Pete to men's breakfast and to Mary's. Painted on porch. We went to Val K[ampmeier]'s for supper. Thietjes, EAs, Art Siegs, Marguerite B[erwitz] and we all. We went with Marie. Had nice evening.

Sunday, July 6, 1969. Had 3 force inch rain early a.m. Partly cloudy, cooler in evening. Pete took me to work at 7:00. Busy, accidents and admissions. Floors short of help. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. We were home in evening. Gram, Gordons, CRs and Marie to Springfield. Marie stayed there all night with Gordons. Rained in night, ¼ inch. Talked to Martha Jo. Ron is at Loma Linda hospital, on-call all week.

Monday, July 7, 1969. Cloudy, foggy, partly cloudy in p.m., 80°. I washed. We picked beans and canned 14 quarts. Ironed some. Went to Mrs. Yeakels at 4:30. Picked 8 quarts raspberries. Put 3 ½-gallon cartons and 1 quart in freezer. Pete mowed some of the lawn.

Tuesday, July 8, 1969. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Baked rolls, picked peas. Put 3 ½ pints in freezer. Ironed. Went to meeting at hospital, 2 – 3. Pete to bank. Stopped to see Gram. Took her rolls and raspberries. Made 5 jars freezer raspberry jam. We took Merle out to eat. Family restaurant. Went to Kmart. She paid bill at Sears and went to groceries.

Wednesday, July 9, 1969. Rained in morning, fair in p.m. Mabel and I to annual Home Bureau meeting at ISU. Pete to town at noon. He got me at ISU. Signed some papers at Earl Thomas. Went to girls. Mary went with us to Mrs. Yeakels. Picked 7 boxes raspberries. Were at girls for supper. Ida cut out my yellow dress.

Thursday, July 10, 1969. Fair, good to see the sun, quite warm. We picked beans. I canned 7 quarts. Cleaned up house. Pete to Mary's. He and Stefan [Miller] painted. Alta Litwiller, Elsie Miller and Katherine Mishler here in p.m. We made out programs for Garfield Club. I sprayed roses. We went to Lawrence Mishlers awhile.

Friday, July 11, 1969. Fair, hot, sprinkled little in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to girls, painted. I took Merle to Dr. at 4:00. Everything pretty good. Went to girls. Ate supper. Mary, Pete and I to Mrs. Yeakels. Picked nearly 5 boxes raspberries. Put most of them in freezer. Mrs. Runge had colostomy.

Saturday, July 12, 1969. Fair, hot, in 90s, humid. Stef here for breakfast and dinner. He and Pete worked in truck patch. I worked in garden in morning. Pete plowed it. Girls came out, picked beans. We canned 14 quarts in p.m. They were here for dinner. I washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Ida worked some on my dress. Earls, Phils and we to Toluca for our birthdays. To Earls afterwards.

Sunday, July 13, 1969. Fair, not quite so hot. We went to church. Took Gram to dinner. Girls along. Ate at Golden West. Went to see Uncle Henry. Pete and I to Merles awhile. Came home at 4:00. Went to Lake Bloomington at 5:00. Had picnic with Phils, Phyllis and Jim. We took watermelon. Phil took us for ride on his boat. Nice evening.

Monday, July 14, 1969. Fair, hot, 90°. Washed and ironed. Pete mowed lawn. We picked beans. I canned 7 quarts. Put 3 1½ pints and 2 pints in freezer. Pete to Marys in PM. Painted. I went in at 5:00. Mary and we picked raspberries at Mrs. Yeakels. I put 2 quarts and 2 pints in freezer.

Tuesday, July 15, 1969. Fair, little cooler, good breeze. I made 5 jars raspberry jam. Canned 2 quarts and 1 pint beets. Worked in garden. Pete to Marys, painting. I went at noon. Mary off. She had appointment at Gailey's in morning. She and I painted a little. I stopped to see Gram a little. Went to Merles. Took her to Cemetery. Put some dirt on George's grave and planted some geraniums.

Wednesday, July 16, 1969. Fair, hot, 94°. Pete to Mary's, finished painting her house. They got air conditioner. I canned 7 quarts beans. Froze 1 quart. Picked cucumbers. Made 4 quarts dills. Baked coffeecake braid and made butterscotch pie. Got things ready for supper. Went to Garfield picnic at Marie Heiser's. Ida finished my yellow dress.

Thursday, July 17, 1969. Mostly fair, hot, 90s, humid. I went to town at 9:30. Got permanent. Took Esther [Cash] beans, cabbage and cucumbers. Pete mowed around yard and put air conditioner in. CR helped. Sure nice to have it. I made chocolate oatmeal no-bake cookies. Made chocolate ice cream dessert for freezer. Made 3 quarts dill pickles. Went to development meeting in evening. Pete got groceries.

Friday, July 18, 1969. Mostly cloudy, showered around but none here. Hot. Went to work at 7:00. Stopped at Grams on way home. Pete to Merle's. Done some painting, trimmed shrubbery, etc. I done cleaning when got home. Picked beans for Marie. Got cauliflower for her.

Saturday, July 19, 1969. Cloudy in morning. Left at 9:34 Marie's. Gram with us. Fair, nice day in Godfrey, 85°. Got to Marie's at 12:20. Went for drive in p.m. along river and Pere Marquette Park, also Grafton where the river had flooded. Went to Flaming Pit in Edwardsville for dinner in evening. Pete to men's breakfast at Illinois House in morning. Had rain at home in evening and night.

Sunday, July 20, 1969. Rained in morning and again in p.m. but nice evening. We went to drugstore in morning and to Grafton. Got several baskets peaches (seconds), also got nectarines. Ate dinner at Howard Johnson's. Went to Center awhile. Ron Goldsmiths, Marie, Pete and I to Opera, "Mame," at St. Louis. Marie got our tickets. Ron drove. Gram stayed at Marie's.

Monday, July 21, 1969. Fair, not so hot. We had breakfast at Howard Johnson's. Left Marie at 9:30. Ate lunch at McLean. Got home at 1:30. Thankful for safe trip. I washed, picked cucumbers, made 4 quarts dills. I put 3 pints peaches in freezer and made 3 pints preserves. Ironed some in evening. Pete mowed barnyard. Went to town meeting in evening. Girls here awhile. Gave them some peaches.

Tuesday, July 22, 1969. Fair, in 80s. Pete mowed lawn. I worked in garden and we trimmed along walks. I finished ironing. We went to town at 3:00. Pete brought Paul's car home. I shopped a little. Got Lucy Katherine pin and earrings. Sprayed roses.

Wednesday, July 23, 1969. Fair, warmer. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Pete got bushel of apples in a few apricots at CR's. Canned 6 pints apricots and put 5 containers in freezer. Canned 5 quarts dill pickles. We went to Merles in evening.

Thursday, July 24, 1969. Fair. I cleaned up house and cooked some apples. Got things ready for supper. Marie came home. She, Gram, girls, CRs, Rays, Art Siegs, Edgars and Marguerite Burwitz here for birthdays. But cake. Everyone brought something. Gordons came late. Had nice evening. Marie here all night.

Friday, July 25, 1969. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00, rather busy. Marie to town at 10:00. Was with Gram. I washed my hair when got home. Pete picked bucket of apples at Gordons for girls. He worked in ash Grove cleaning up. Marie, Gram, girls, Pete and I and Pearl to Ranch House for supper. Went to Pearls awhile.

Saturday, July 26, 1969. Fair, warmer, in 90s. Pete carried mail. Marie, Gram, Mabel and I to Peoria to see Helen Niehaus. She went with us to Bishops for lunch. We went for drive. Home at 3:30. Everyone rested awhile. We took Gram home after supper. Rained ½ inch late evening. Mary got cucumbers in morning.

Sunday, July 27, 1969. Cloudy, cool in morning, fair in p.m., real cool in evening. We went to church. Marie to grams in morning. They, Pete and I at girls for dinner. We came home early. Fixed things for supper. We went to E Schrocks to Meadows-Normal church picnic and vesper services. We took Merle along. Marie with Gram in evening, here all night. Tried to talk to Allens but poor connection.

Monday, July 28, 1969. Cloudy, chilly, low 60s. Cleared off in evening. Marie left at 8:00. Pete carried mail. I washed, dried some in dryer. Made 8 quarts dill pickles. Done ironing. Baked 3 apple pies and cooked kettle of applesauce 2 1 ½ pints. Went to Lawrence Mishlers in evening. Took them apple pie. Edna had mastectomy.

Tuesday, July 29, 1969. Fair, cool, fine day. I defrosted icebox. Baked cookies. Put 3 pints peaches in freezer. We went to Merle's at 11:30. Took pie. We helped clean her basement in p.m. She took us to Grady's for shrimp dinner. Came home at 7:00.

Wednesday, July 30, 1969. Fair, fine day. Pete to girls. Tore down the garage. I worked in garden and put up 6 quarts dill pickles. Went to Ida's at noon. Helped Pete a little in p.m. Girls and we to 4-H fair at 4:00. I stayed in hospital booth until 6:00 and helped Elaine R[eynolds] close up at 9:00. We watched show. I stopped to see Gram. Took her some cookies and glads.

Thursday, July 31, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. I hoed roses and fed them. Pete mowed some lawn. I baked 3 apple pies and put in freezer. We went to town in p.m. Stopped at Grams, paid her rent. We went to Merles. Helped her put some candles, etc. in gift shop. Pete uptown. Were at Merle's for supper. Went to Sears on way home.

Friday, August 1, 1969. Mostly cloudy, pleasant day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete got CR's truck and hauled Mary's garage (lumber) out here. I done cleaning when got home. Were home in evening. Carol got cucumbers.

Saturday, August 2, 1969. Fair, cool, fine day. Pete carried mail. I washed. Washed my hair. Made 5 quarts applesauce. Cooked chicken and made salad dressing. Done ironing. Girls took us to Holiday Inn for our birthdays. Dorothy called and wanted us to come to heritage Manor. Uncle Henry's very ill. EAs and we stayed until 11 PM. EA called Roger [Woizeski].

Sunday, August 3, 1969. Fair, pleasant day. Pete to Sunday school, he taught. I went to heritage. Stayed with Uncle Henry until Roger came at 9:30. He's about same. I went to church. Gram and girls here for dinner. Had chicken and biscuits and corn. Girls home at 2:00. We took Gram at 4:00. Went to Uncle Henrys. Stayed until 6:45. Bob [Woizeski]s there too. Went to girls for supper. Phyllis Yoder got there at 7:00.

Monday, August 4, 1969. Fair, nice day. We left at 7:00 with Merle and Jimmie for Chicago. Got some meat and cheese and went to *Chernin's [Shoes]*. Pete got pair of brown shoes, I got pair of light and dark rpair. Merle got 3 pair and Jimmie 2. Got to Merle's at 4:30. We stopped at Lumber Land. Got cabinet and sink for bedroom. We went to Heritage Manor. Uncle Henry critical. Clearances got there at 8:00 PM. Talked to Allen.

Tuesday, August 5, 1969. Fair, little warmer. I put 9 quarts and 4 pints corn in freezer. Went to town at 11:00. Stopped at Grams. Ida and I took food for Mobile Food. Stopped to see Uncle Henry. He's about same. Pete finished mowing yard and burned old lumber for Mary's garage. Went to Lumber Land, got cabinet. Mabel got cucumbers. Emersons here in evening, got vegetables.

Wednesday, August 6, 1969. Fair, little warmer. I washed 3 loads. Dusted up stairs. Pete and I to town at 11:00. Delivered Mobile Meals. Went to bank. I baked bars and banana bread. Went to Merle's. She took us to Streid's for dinner. Stopped at girls on way home. Uncle Henry passed away at 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 7, 1969. Cloudy. Ida came out. We put up corn for them. I put 2 quarts and 6 pints in freezer. We took Ida back and to delivered Mobile Meals. Mary left for Ohio with Phyllis Yoder. We packed and left for Allens at 1:45. Ate supper at Humeston. Got to Allens about 8:00. Good to see them.

Friday, August 8, 1969. Fair, fine day. We fixed half bushel of apples for pies. Shirley washed. Men took Steve's hogs to market. Pam and I to Garden Grove. Got flour, etc. Shirley packed suitcases. We left with children at 1:35. Got home about 7:00. Changed clothes. Pete, Debbie and I to visitation for Uncle Henry. Boys and Pam to Ida's. Got hamburgers for them. Marie home. Stayed with Ida.

Saturday, August 9, 1969. Had several thunderstorms in early morning, over 1 ¾ inches rain. Didn't sleep much. We went to town at 9:30. Children at Ida's. We went with Marie and Gram to Uncle Henry's funeral at 10:30. We, Marguerite [Berwitz], Art [Sieg]s, Clarence & Bernadine & Roger [Woizeski] to Howard Johnson's for dinner. Deb with Mary Ann Mauser to show in p.m. Done some cleaning in p.m. Gram, Marie and Ida here for supper.

Sunday, August 10, 1969. Fair, nice day, in 80s. We went to church. Gram and Ida along home. We took them back after supper. Debbie at Carl Ernst's in p.m. and evening. Pauls called at noon. They're at Rons. Will be in Chicago tomorrow at 1:15 p.m.

Monday, August 11, 1969. Fair, warmer. Pete carried mail. I washed 4 loads. Boys and I to post office at 8:30. Jeff and I took part of route. Steve with Pete. Steve, Pete and I left at 11:45 for Chicago. Was 3:00 when we got there. Pauls were waiting. So good to see them. Andy has grown. Paul has beard. Debbie home with Pam and Jeff. She cleaned up house.

Tuesday, August 12, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete carried mail. I washed 4 loads. Pauls slept late. Steve & Jeff to Stutzmans in morning. Got lunch. Done ironing. Pete brought Gram and Ida out for supper. We took them home. Debbie to Ernsts all night. We took cucumbers to Shamel Manor.

Wednesday, August 13, 1969. Fair, in 80s. We all went to [State] Fair at Springfield. Heard Gov. Ogilvie. Went to Gordon's office & to their house. Roberta took Paul, Pete and I to Sec. of Agriculture, Mr. Lewis's home. Had reception for Republicans. Steve & Jeff stayed at Gordons for evening. Came home with Jill Laesch. Debbie and Pam went to Stutzmans all night.

Thursday, August 14, 1969. Fair, warmer, humid. I washed. Made salad and applesauce. Pete and Steve mowed yard. We went to town at noon. Got girls at Stutzmans. Took Debbie, Steve and Jeff to depot. They went to Alton. Marie met them. We went shopping. Stopped at Merles. Pauls took us to dinner in evening, The Masters Place.

Friday, August 15, 1969. Fair, warm, had rain in town in evening. We had little shower. I washed and we ironed. Done cleaning. Washed my hair. Marj helped in it up. I mended some. Marie and children came home in PM. They had nice time. We all went to raise for dinner. Gram, Marie, CRs, Pearl and Minnie there. Nice evening.

Saturday, August 16, 1969. Fair, warm. Had rain in evening. I washed. We ironed, baked ham. Marj & Deb made cookies. Pete and Paul to men's breakfast. They took Ida to get her groceries.

Gary Stutzman here all day. Jeff at Dunns. Pauls and Pam to Edds at 4:30. We went to Eastland. Got Deb material for jumper and skirt. We all went to Ida's for supper. Gram, Marie and CRs there too.

Sunday, August 17, 1969. Fair, partly cloudy, warm. We went to church. Paul talked about Taiwan. Gram, Marie and we all to Golden West Steak House for lunch. Marie back to Alton. We had open house for Pauls. EAs, Val [Kampmeier]s, Glenn Rade's and Dunns here in p.m. Had punch and cookies. Gram and Pearl here for lunch. CRs family here in evening. Mary got home. Joe *Planks* (sp?) and Barb brought her. Came in evening. Paul showed pictures.

Monday, August 18, 1969. Fair, humid. I washed, had big one. We all went to Eastland at 11:00. Edgars took us to eat at Walgreens. Came home and done ironing. Allen and Shirley got here at 2:30. Good to see them. Emersons, Stutzmans, Dunns, Rowes and Bob Kaufmans here in evening. Had ice cream and cookies. Allens here all night. Looked at pictures. Talked to Rons.

Tuesday, August 19, 1969. Fair, warm and humid. Allens to Carlock to see Fern Wick. Then Allen to Hudson. Were all here for lunch. We divided grams things. Debbie baked cake. Allens to town. Boys to Dunns to swim. Allens to Mrs. Yeakels. We all went to Pearl's for picnic supper. Took chicken, tomatoes and cake. CRs, Rays, Gordons, Gram, Minnie, Ida, Mary, Allens, Pauls and us. Debbie here all night. Rest at Yeakels.

Wednesday, August 20, 1969. Cloudy, showered in p.m., cooler. Allens left at 8:45 for home. Pauls left at 10:10 for Berne. Was so good to have them all. Sure miss them. I washed beds downstairs. Dried clothes in dryer. Cleaned up West room and swept rugs and ironed. Pete carried part of mail route in p.m. Ruth [Miller] here, got corn. Girls came for corn. We went to Mick [Mishler]s awhile in evening.

Thursday, August 21, 1969. Cleared off in morning, fine pleasant day. Pete carried mail. I washed bedding and blankets from upstairs. Cleaned the upstairs. Baked bars, ironed and straightened up the upstairs. Picked cucumbers. Gave them to Ann Miller. They were here, got beans. We went to church at 8:00. Farewell for Jim Rowes. Had ice cream, pie, cake and bars.

Friday, August 22, 1969. Fair, fine day. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. We went to Merles when got off work. Took her to Luedtke's office, then to Morton for supper. Went to Cliffwood. Merle took us to supper.

Saturday, August 23, 1969. Fair, warmer in p.m. Pete carried mail. Rambler stopped east of Linden [Street]. I went after Pete. Helped him deliver rest of mail. Took Gram to dimestore and we got groceries. I washed my hair and cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Baked coffeecake. Girls and we to Burkelbaus in evening. Got peaches and apples.

Sunday, August 24, 1969. Fair, nice day, warmer. We went to church. Went to girls for dinner. Gram there too. Took her home at to: 30. We went to Ora Byerly's 40th wedding anniversary open house at Christian [Church]. Girls and we to Edds at 5:00.

Monday, August 25, 1969. Fair, warmer. Pete carried mail. I washed and ironed. Made 6 quarts dills. We picked tomatoes. We went to Merle's for supper. Took her melons, cucumbers, tomatoes and corn. Gave Jimmie some corn.

Tuesday, August 26, 1969. Fair, warm. Pete to girls. Painted the garage. I put 2 quarts in 2 pints peaches in freezer. Made 5 pints peach marmalade. Canned 7 quarts tomato juice. Went to Ida's at noon. We went uptown a little. Got more paint. I hoed roses. Went to development meeting at hospital.

Wednesday, August 27, 1969. Fair, in 80s, humid. I canned 10 quarts tomatoes and 7 quarts dill pickles. Pete carried mail. I met him at noon. Carried this part of route. We went to town at 3:00. Pete had appointment at Gailey's. Dr. *Hanek* (sp?) found he has started cataracts. Changed his glasses. Edgars came for cucumbers. Had letter from Shirley. Coons got their sweetcorn.

Thursday, August 28, 1969. Fair, warm. Pete carried mail. I put 7 quarts corn in freezer for Shirley. Canned 7 quarts tomato juice. Went to hospital at 2:00. Press conference. Made over \$4,000,000 goal. Picked lima beans. Put 7 pints lima beans in freezer and 2 quarts and 1 1/2 pints peaches in freezer. Went to Merles a little while in evening.

Friday, August 29, 1969. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Busy with admissions. Pete carried mail. I washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Marie and Gram came at 5:30. We all and CRs to Hubbard's for supper. Stopped at grocery [store]. CR got haircut. Marie here all night.

Saturday, August 30, 1969. Fair, warm, 90°. Pete carried mail. I worked, 7 – 12. Went to Ropp Reunion at Ash St., Park. Pete came at noon. Finished route afterwards. Marie, Gram and girls here for supper. I went to Merles awhile after reunion.

Sunday, August 31, 1969. Fair, warm, 90s. We went to church. Marie, Gram, girls and we to Heritage House in Peoria for dinner. Went for drive. Came home, rested awhile, then took our lunch and went to Funks Grove. Enjoyed it.

Monday, September 1, 1969. Mostly cloudy, warm, humid. I washed, had big one. Canned 9 1/2 quarts tomato juice and put 3 1/2 pints peaches in freezer. Done ironing. Pete mowed some yard and along garden and north of yard. We went to Merles awhile in evening. Packed suitcases. Tired, big day.

Tuesday, September 2, 1969. Cloudy, cooler. We left at 7:30 with Lawrence Mishlers for Arkansas. Drove to Branson Missouri, 440 miles. Got here at 6:00. Drove in several showers in p.m. Parked trailer in Branson Trailer Park. Beautiful scenery.

Wednesday, September 3, 1969. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and again in evening. Drove to Diamond City. Stopped at Dewey Shultzs, then parked trailer in Park near west end of Bull Shoal Lake. Real estate man took Micks to see some property in p.m. Saw some nice homes. We drove to Harrison, Arkansas (25 miles) toward evening. Rained hard. We went to Dewey Schultzs in evening.

Thursday, September 4, 1969. Fair, nice day, had little shower in p.m. We looked at houses at Diamond City, then on to Bull Shoals. Parked trailer at State Park. Went to Mountain Home. Realtor took us to see houses. Ate uptown at noon. Called girls in evening. Everything okay. We went to see Dr. barbers in evening. They have quite a home.

Friday, September 5, 1969. Fair, quite warm, humid. We went to Mountain Home again. Looked and looked at houses. Ate uptown at noon. Stopped at gift shop on way home to see beautiful pictures made out of buttons.

Saturday, September 6, 1967. Fair, warm. We went house hunting in Bull Shoals. Micks bought a house at Hilltop and Oak Street in Bull Shoals. Went back to house in p.m. and stopped at Dr. Barber's. Rested rest of day and evening.

Sunday, September 7, 1969. Rained early morning, cleared off. Little cooler. We went to church at Buffalo Mennonite church. 27 miles. Wayne Yoder is minister. He was away. Had a visiting minister. We had dinner at Mrs. Yoder's. Had interesting day. We moved trailer in evening to Mick's new home. Left some things in their house. Went for drive in evening.

Monday, September 8, 1969 fair, fine day, cooler. We left bull Shoals at 6:00. Ate breakfast at Ava, Arkansas. Ate dinner at St. Louis. Got home at 5:00. Good to be home and thankful for good trip. Unpacked suitcases. Had letters from all children. Allens are looking for something else.

Tuesday, September 9, 1969. Fine day, 47°, chilly wind. I washed. Pete picked 2 buckets tomatoes. We went to town at 11:00. Pete got his new glasses. We went to Farm Bureau and FS [Farm Supply] Day at 4-H grounds. Met Merle at Troyer Cemetery at 2:30. She wanted to see where to set stone. Got home at 4:00. I canned 15 quarts tomato juice. Pete mowed some yard. I done ironing after supper.

Wednesday, September 10, 1969. Fair, cool. I cleaned kitchen in morning. Pete and Mick took our lambs to sale barn and hauled load of wire and junk away. We went to town in p.m. I took Merle to Dr. Livingston. Pete to see Gram awhile. Merle has new car, Pontiac. She took us to McLean for supper. Glens came there in evening. We went to choir.

Thursday, September 11, 1969. Rained early in morning, fair. I went to work at 7:00, a busy day. Elaine Reynolds] [to meeting at Danville. Pete took Merle to lawyer in morning. He helped some

at store. Merle and Dorothy have store open. I went to 6th district dinner and meeting at Lincoln. Went with Elaine and Stuckey. I washed my hair when got home.

Friday, September 12, 1969. Fair, 52°, little warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Merle's in morning, met with realtor. He and Mick finished hauling junk. Took load to Peoria. I finished cleaning cupboards and broom closet. Stopped to see Gram. Emersons here in evening, got tomatoes.

Saturday, September 13, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete helped Mick unload junk. I cleaned the 3 closets and cleaned up living room. We went to town at 11:00. Bought new riding mower and got wallpaper for the 2 bedrooms downstairs. Went to Merle's awhile. I helped Dorothy some in store. I washed bedroom curtains and ironed them. Cleaned kitchen and bathroom. Picked lima beans. Put 2 ½ pints in freezer. Kept 1 pint to use.

Sunday, September 14, 1969. Fair, rather windy. Went to church. Gram and girls here for dinner. Girls home early. Gram with CRs to L[awrence] Mohrs. I baked some cookies. Gathered few flower seeds. Were home in evening.

Monday, September 15, 1969. Mostly cloudy. Rained late p.m. I washed, had bedding from our room. Took everything out of west room. Roy Bastings came at 2:00 to paper. Were to come early but Roy had elevator meeting. Pete helped Mick load some lumber. Roys came back after supper. Finished bedroom. We went to girls for supper. Marvin's got there at 5:15. I washed up bedrooms after Roys finished.

Tuesday, September 16, 1969. Cloudy, drizzled and rained most of day. Roy's came in morning. Papered our bedroom. I straightened up west room and cleaned and moved into ours. I cleaned silver service. Pete to Merles in p.m. We went to girls for supper. Pete to Township meeting after supper. I cleaned up living room. Another big day.

Wednesday, September 17, 1969. Fair, much cooler, windy. I made lemon cake with apricot dessert. Got things ready for club meeting. Had 21 here. Marvins and girls here. Pete and Marvins went for drive. They and Gram here for supper. We went to Eastland in evening. Got material for dress (rust). Marvins here all night.

Thursday, September 18, 1969. Fair, cool. Marvins here. We visited in morning. Went to town in p.m. Stopped to see Gram awhile. Went uptown. Got Pam a red skirt for her birthday. Went to Billys after Mary got off work, then to Merles. She went with us to Streid's for supper. Marvins here all night.

Friday, September 19, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., cool. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, 2 deaths in hour's time. Accident patient at 3:00. Got off late. Marvins and Ida uptown in p.m. Went to Masonbrinks in p.m. and for supper. Ida sewing on dress for me. Pete uptown in

morning. Got photo static copies of Steve, Jeff and Pam's birth certificates. He painted Mary's garage. I washed my hair. Done cleaning. Marvins and girls here awhile in evening. Saw pictures.

Saturday, September 20, 1969. Fair, fine day. Marvins, Ida, Mary, Pete and I left at 7:30 for Wisconsin Dells. Got there at noon. Got a nice motel ("The Star"). Went on boat trip to Lower Dells, then on to Upper Dells. Got off boat 3 times to take walk in canyons. Was beautiful. Got back at 6:00. Ate supper and drove to town.

Sunday, September 21, 1969. Fair, little warmer. Had breakfast at Pancake House. Then went to Biblical Gardens. Very interesting and beautiful in the woods. Went for drive to Devils Lake and State Park, nice spot. Started toward home. Got here at 5:00. Thankful for a safe trip, a nice weekend. I got lunch. Marvins here all night.

Monday, September 22, 1969. Mostly fair, warmer. I washed. Had quite a lot. Pete helped Ora [deliver mail] a while. Home at noon. Marvins here for lunch. Made fruit salad. Marvins to town. Stopped at Grams, then on to Edds. I done ironing. Pete mowed lawn. Emersons here, got tomatoes. We and girls to Edds. Took our supper. Marvins at girls all night.

Tuesday, September 23, 1969. Cloudy, rained and drizzled most of day, fair in evening. Pete to town Hall at 5:30. Voted on Con-Con (?). I made 9 pints chili sauce. Canned 6 ½ quarts tomato juice. Baked coffeecake braid. Cleaned bathroom and hallway in p.m. Went to vote at 5:00. Pete home at 6:45. We went to Micks but [they] were gone. Marvins left for home. Ida went with them.

Wednesday, September 24, 1969. Partly cloudy. Wrote to Allens. Cleaned living room in morning. Went to town in p.m. and to Merle's. Helped Dorothy get ready for sale. We got groceries. Ate in town and went to see Gram awhile. Went to choir practice.

Thursday, September 25, 1969. Fine day, cool. Went to town at 8:00. Had appointment at dentist. He pulled my last tooth. We cleaned her living room drapes. Pete got haircut. Went to Merle's. I went to Methodist Church in p.m. Set tables for auxiliary and volunteers. I came home at 5:00. Mary and I to dinner. Took salad. Pete stayed, helped Dorothy. Brought him home.

Friday, September 26, 1969. Fine day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Merle's. She's selling out. I had hair done after work. Went to Merle's. Helped [with sale]. They had a busy day. Closed at 8:00. Rained in night, ¼ inch.

Saturday, September 27, 1969. Cleared off in morning, cool, 54°. Pete to men's breakfast. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We hung drapes. We went to Merle's at 9:00. Mary along. I went to bank for her and done other errands. We had a very busy day. Sold nearly all of meat and cheese, and many other things. Got home at 11:00. A long day. Was tired.

Sunday, September 28, 1969. Beautiful day. We went to church. Gram and Mary here for dinner. Went for ride toward evening. Stopped to see Martha [Mishler]. Mick not home. Drove north to Carlock and to Lake Bloomington. Had lunch when got back.

Monday, September 29, 1969. Partly cloudy, sprinkled some, fair at noon, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Elaine on vacation. Pete put new cabinet in bathroom. I washed when got home. Dried first load outside. Done ironing after supper.

Tuesday, September 30, 1969. Fine day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete took soil samples for F[arm] S[upply]. Then to Merles at 10:00. Buyer for St. Joe Hospital came, bought most of food. I went out after work. Some of girls there. Bought some things. Merle took us to Drive-in for supper. Pete to elevator meeting at Carlock.

Wednesday, October 1, 1969. Mostly fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town, stopped to see Gram. He and Merle took some meat, etc. to Meadows home. Dudleys came in p.m. Pete done some odd jobs. I washed out some few things. Mary and I uptown. Got bathrobe for Marty. I got new dress (purple). We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, October 2, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair, nice day, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete dug glad and sweet potatoes. Worked around home. Mary home with me after work. Merle, Dudley and Mabel here for supper. They took Mary home. We looked at pictures.

Friday, October 3, 1969. Fair, fine day, 80°. I went to auxiliary guest day awhile at St. John Lutheran Church. Went to dentist at 10:30. Cleaned fruit room in PM and cleaned windows and put in storm windows. Pete helped CR awhile in morning. Was to help all day but corn picker needed repairs. I washed my hair and cleaned kitchen and bathroom.

Saturday, October 4, 1969. Fair, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Pete helped at CRs most of day. Emersons took us out to Ranch House in evening. Went to their house a while, then came here, looked at some pictures.

Sunday, October 5, 1969. Partly cloudy. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He went to church. Had communion. Went to Mary's for dinner. I wrote Rons and Pauls. Were home in evening. Talked to Allen. They were at Pulaski. Are busy combining corn. Debbie is attendant to Queen.

Monday, October 6, 1969. Rained in morning and p.m., ¼ inch. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Pete helped CR awhile in morning. Had to quit on account of rain. I washed when got home. Done ironing after supper.

Tuesday, October 7, 1969. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00, busy day again. Pete to town in morning and to Merle's. Man there to look over things in basement. He helped CR in p.m. I stopped at Grams on way home. Went to Good Will with Colters. Pete took bushel of tomatoes to Shamel Manor.

Wednesday, October 8, 1969. Fine day, cool, 45°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete at CRs. He picked bushel of tomatoes for Lucy Catherine [Patton]. I picked few lima beans. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, October 9, 1969. Fair, quite windy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete at CRs. Pete took some soil samples in morning. I cleaned recreation room when got home. We went to Merle's awhile in evening. Mary went with us. Talked to Shirley in evening. They wanted us to come out this weekend.

Friday, October 10, 1969. Cloudy, rained in morning, had thunderstorm and heavy rain at 8:00. Pete helped Ora carry mail. I cleaned furnace room and baked pecan rolls in morning. Done cleaning after lunch. We went to town at 2:30. I had dental appointment. Got things ready for supper. Mike and Martha M. here for supper. Rained at 12:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 11, 1969. Had over 3 inches rain in past 24 hours. Sun shone in p.m. Cloudy in evening. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed. Made 2 gallons vegetable soup for bazaar. Made blueberry dessert and baked bars. Pete patched roof with tar, cleaned out gutters. We went to town at noon. Met Marie and Gram. Had lunch. Marie and I uptown. Got centerpiece for CRs. Pete fixed Mary's air conditioner for winter. Went to Merle's awhile. Home late. I ironed after supper. Marie at Gordons.

Sunday, October 12, 1969. Cloudy, rained and drizzled all day. We went to church and to Gordons for Clarances' 40th anniversary. Mabel's brothers and sisters, Hixens, Chet Mcguires, Pearl and Minnie there, Gram and Marie. We went to church at 5:00. Farewell supper for Earl Sutters. Packed suitcases.

Monday, October 13, 1969. Cloudy, rained. Mary, Pete and I left at 7:15 for Harrisonville [Missouri]. Drove in rain to St. Louis. Got to Orvies at 3:45. Had to detour on bypass 71 on account of water on highway. Lots of water everywhere. We had 4 – 5 inches rain in last 3 days. We had supper at Orvies. Marvins there too. Edna seems fairly good but thin. Pete and I at Marvins all night. Marie back to Godfrey.

Tuesday, October 14, 1969. Fair, nice day, cold, 30°, frosty. Marvin and Frances to work. We went to Orvies. Met Marvins uptown at 11:00. They took us to lunch. Orvies, Mary, Pete and I to Garden City in p.m. Saw Carrie, then to Louise Gilkerson. Stopped at Cemetery. Back to Marvins. He took us to Deweys. He's a pitiful sight, very thin. We all went to Orvies for supper. We were at Marvins all night.

Wednesday, October 15, 1969. Cloudy, warmer. We left Harrisonville at 5:50. Ida with us. Went to Arthurs for breakfast. Left there at 7:50. Missed our turn, drove out of way to get on I-70. We got to Bloomington at 3:15. I went to dentist. Stopped to see Gram. She was at winner-loser dinner at Fern Miller's. I washed when got home. Ironed. Talked to Shirley.

Thursday, October 16, 1969. Mostly cloudy, windy, cold. I went to women's meetings at Carlock. Came home at noon. Dug dahlias and begonias. We went to Merle's in p.m. Helped her get some things ready to auction. We took her to see Marguerite's apartment. We went to Morton for supper.

Friday, October 17, 1969. Fair, 31°, little warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Merle's. Helped Racraft from Wapella load truck with things for auction. I went to dentist after work. Got endive in for Shirley. Washed my hair. Dusted up house. Pete solicited some for United Fund. We packed tomato juice and pickles, etc. Packed some clothes.

Saturday, October 18, 1969. Cloudy, range some in morning. Finished packing suitcases. Stopped to see Gram. Pearl, Pete and I left town at 11:30. Met Marie in Peoria. Pearl rode with Marie. Got to Allens at 6:30. Stopped at Nick' motel, left girls' suitcases there. Good to see Allens. Debbie had supper ready. Shirley worked.

Sunday, October 19, 1969. Mostly cloudy, drizzled some in morning, rained in night. Pearl and Marie came for breakfast. Allen, children, Pearl, Pete and I to church. Allen and children stayed for Sunday School. We, Pearl, and Marie took Allens to Humeston for dinner. Had good dinner. Deb and Steve on Trail ride. We drove to Lamoni. Saw campus. Went to see horses. Allen to YPU in evening. Looked at more pictures.

Monday, October 20, 1969. Cleared off, windy, nice day. Shirley to work. I washed and done ironing, baked apples and got supper. Men done odd jobs. Picked apples. Got pork at Locker. Went to Leon in morning.

Tuesday, October 21, 1969. Fine day, but quite windy. I canned 4 quarts tomato juice, made chili, mended some. Took Debbie to neighbors to sell Christmas cards when she got home from school. Shirley worked at clinic. Men combining corn. Allen stayed up until 1:00 a.m. running dryer. I knitted some in evening. Wrote some letters.

Wednesday, October 22, 1969. Mostly fair, colder, in 40s. Men combining. Pete disc in p.m. Shirley and I to Leon in morning. Got Debbie hose and had given her material earlier. I baked cake for Deb and baked cookies. Shirley made skirt for Debbie. Helped Shirley clean storm windows. Pete, Shirley, Jeff, Deb and I to ballgame at Humeston. Deb played in band. Steve home with Pam. Allen drying corn.

Thursday, October 23, 1969. Mostly cloudy, chilly and damp. Shirley washed. I made 5 quarts red-hot applesauce. Baked 2 pans apples. Shirley done some cleaning and went to help with 4-H float in p.m. I done ironing. Allen, Shirley and Deb to youth group weiner roast. Allen took them on hayride. Debbie Tate stayed all night with Deb. Allens slept at other house.

Friday, October 24, 1969. Showered little early morning, mostly cloudy. Men combining. Running out of room. Allen took 2 loads to Olsons. Shirley to work. Deb and I to Humeston in

morning. Took Deb home. I made Thousand Island dressing, cleaned up house, baked bars. Took Debbie and Steve to Le Roy to work on floats and got them. Cooked squash. Got supper.

Saturday, October 25, 1969. Cloudy, looked rainy. We all went to harvest Festival Parade. Jeff and Pam dressed up. Deb in band. Shirley and Allen sang with Pattersons on float. Steve on youth float. Pete pulled one of floats with Allen's tractor. Shirley helped with dinner. Deb and Steve worked in dining room. Pete disc in p.m. Allen combined. Clifford and Fern Wick came in p.m. Sure surprised. I washed when got home. Shirley got supper, waffles.

Sunday, October 26, 1969. Mostly cloudy, colder, windy. We all went to church and Sunday School. Cliffords left for home a little after 1:00. We rested and read rest of day.

Monday, October 27, 1969. Fair, colder, 28°. Shirley went to work. Men combining. I washed and ironed. Sorted some apples. Children all in school. Allen and Steve to eye Dr. at Osceola in p.m. Steve needs glasses.

Tuesday, October 28, 1969. Fair, cold, 20°. Shirley to work. Men combining. Quit at noon until 3:00. No room. Waited for trucks. I baked sugar and peanut butter cookies and 3 pumpkin pies and 2 little ones. Finished sorting apples.

Wednesday, October 29, 1969. Mostly cloudy, rained in evening and night. Shirley washed some and I ironed. We canned 22 pints pumpkin. I peeled apples, dried 2 trays in oven. Shirley washed and waxed car. Men didn't combine in morning, everything full, no trucks until p.m. Got one load. Pete disc some. Allen combined. Don plowed.

Thursday, October 30, 1969. Cloudy, rainy. We left Allens at 8:30. Drove in rain to Burlington. Got to town at 2:15. Pete got haircut. I got gown for Merle's birthday. Stopped to see Gram. We went to employee banquet at ISU. CR was speaker. Marie Kaufman employee of year. We took girls. It's good to be home but miss Allens so much. Rained in evening.

Friday, October 31, 1969. Cloudy, rained most of day. I went to work at 7:00. Busy in ER. Pete to town in p.m. I went to dentist after work. We took Gram to Dr. in. She got flu shot. We ate at Hubbards and went to Merles awhile. Took her gift.

Saturday, November 1, 1969. Cloudy, rather chilly. Pete carried mail. I baked coffeecake, pecan rolls, cookies, banana bread and 3 pumpkin pies. Done all of cleaning. A busy day.

Sunday, November 2, 1969. Cloudy, misted some. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Gram there too. Took her to see Mary Runge at Heritage [House]. Went to Mrs. Yeakels. Took beans and apples that Shirley had sent. We went to Earl Kaufmans for supper.

Monday, November 3, 1969. Cloudy, rained and misted most of day. I washed and ironed in morning. Pete took Skippie to vet, got rabies shot. We went to town at 2:00. I went to Consistory, helped at Bazaar in dining room. Sure got workout, short help. Served over 600. I took

coffeecake, pecan rolls, cookies and banana bread. Got home at 8:30. Girls helped too. Pete took Merle.

Tuesday, November 4, 1969. Cloudy, chilly, misted some. Pete carried mail. I mended some. Went to town at 10:00. Stopped to see Gram. Went to bazaar at 11:00. Helped some over noon. Ida and I to Normal at 2:00. I got pattern for blue silk dress. Went to dentist at 3:30. Home in evening.

Wednesday, November 5, 1969. Fair, good to see the sun. We went to town in morning. Went to Merle's at 11:00. She insisted we stay for lunch. She got things ready for Thrift Shop. We took some things and Merle's things to Thrift Shop. Ida worked there. I got rest of endive in. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, November 6, 1969. Fair, fine day, warmer. I cleaned China cabinet and polished silverware. Cleaned up bedrooms and living room. Put Shirley's Tulip bulbs in ground and dug carrots. Pete put storm door on front door. Went to Merle's at 5:30. Ate with her. Went to funeral home at Carlock, Chas Ernst. Stopped at Mikes awhile.

Friday, November 7, 1969. Fair, lovely day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete done odd jobs and mowed lawn. I went to dentist, got my new teeth. Got supper. Gram, Ida and Mary here for supper. I washed my hair after supper. Paul called. Marjorie is still waiting.

Saturday, November 8, 1969. Mostly fair, mild. Pete to men's breakfast. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Washed out uniform. Girls and we to Peoria at 10:15. Mary got coat. I got pair of shoes. Ida got hat. I put flower seeds away. Were home in evening.

Sunday, November 9, 1969. Cloudy, real foggy in morning. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Merle there too. She was at church. We stopped to see Gram awhile, then to Merle's. We took her to Clinton at 6:00 to see Dorothy Augsburger she (unclear) Mr. Barnett passed away. Had lunch at *Brantville* (sp?) when got home. Rather foggy.

Monday, November 10, 1969. Cloudy. I washed and ironed in morning. Pete hauled some manure on garden. We went to town in p.m. Went to dentist, had to have some grinding done on dentures. Went to girls. We all went to Pancake House for supper and to Eastland. Got lining for my blue silk dress. Ida cut it out when we got back.

Tuesday, November 11, 1969. Mostly cloudy, hazy. Pete finished putting manure on garden and fixed tractor shed that wind damaged. I went to Ida's, helped her with my dress. I went to Good Will in evening.

Wednesday, November 12, 1969. Fair, cloudy in evening, sprinkled a little. Pete worked outside, put dirt on roses. I covered some perennials with leaves. Baked pumpkin pie and made butterscotch peanut butter cookies. Went to town at 1:00. Went to dentist. Done some Christmas shopping. Stopped at Merles. Ate at Eastland. Went to choir practice.

Thursday, November 13, 1969. Fair to partly cloudy, colder. Pete took some soil samples in morning. I went to district Home Extension meeting at Danvers Presbyterian Church. Went with Mabel. Were home in evening. Knitted some. Wrote Marie and Allens.

Friday, November 14, 1969. Snowed in morning, sun shone awhile, snowed in evening, ¼ inch in Street, slick. I went to work, busy day. Pete varnished around windows in 2 bedrooms, living and dining room. Done most of cleaning when got home. We went to Merles for supper. Came home early.

Saturday, November 15, 1969. Cloudy, cold. Pete carried mail. I washed and ironed, washed my hair and set it. Cleared off in p.m. We went to Illinois House to Edgar's 40th wedding anniversary. CRs and Gram went with us. Had nice evening. We gave them bowl with red Garnett roses.

Sunday, November 16, 1969. Partly cloudy, windy in evening. Paul called at 6:30 a.m. Marjorie went to hospital at 2:00 a.m. Pains irregular. We went to church. Gram, Luella [Mishler] and we to girls for dinner. Mary and I to Wesley Methodist [Church] to help with reception for dedication of freshman class. Talked to Pauls in evening. Marj went home. Pains stopped. Feel sorry for her. Were home in evening.

Monday, November 17, 1969. Cloudy, rained off and on all day. We made Christmas card list in morning. Went to dentist at 12:30. Shopped, got Debbie brown sweater. Went to girls at 3:30. Made our fruitcakes. Went to Master's Place for supper. Got Christmas cards at Normalite.

Tuesday, November 18, 1969. Cloudy, rained most of day. Pete to election board, voting on Con-Con. I baked ginger, Danish, and black Walnut cookies. Went to vote in p.m. and to Merle's. Took her to bank and grocery store. Colder in evening.

Wednesday, November 19, 1969. Fair, cold, 20°. We had call from Paul. Benjamin Edwin was born at 9:30 a.m., Wt. 8 #. Glad it's over. Everything seems okay. We addressed Christmas cards. I went to club meeting at Mabel's. Gram here for supper. Pete to town in p.m. Went to choir practice. Luella had cake and ice cream for Harold's 25th anniversary. Talked to Allens.

Thursday, November 20, 1969. Mostly fair, cold. We left home at 8:00. Lot more snow further north. Scenery pretty in Michigan. Everything covered with snow. Heater not working on car. Stopped once. Helped some. Got to Pauls little before 4:00. He and Andy home. We went to Bill Knapp's to eat and to hospital to see Marjorie and Benjamin. Baby nice and plump. Marj to lobby with us to see Andy. Thankful for safe trip.

Friday, November 21, 1969. Fair, 12°, nice day. Paul to school all day. Got along fine with Andy. We went to grocery store. I cleaned up apartment in p.m. Scrubbed kitchen and bathroom. Got supper. Went to hospital in evening.

Saturday, November 22, 1969. Fair, nice day, warmer. We went to hospital at 11:00. Brought Marjorie and Benjamin home. Baby was good, sleeps 5 hours or more between feedings. Doris (Marjorie's sister) here awhile in p.m. I baked apple pudding, roast chicken for supper. Washed my hair. Marjorie pinned it up. Knitted some.

Sunday, November 23, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., warmer. Paul, Pete and I to Methodist Church at 11:15. Had mission Sunday at home. Dr. [Robert] Kreider spoke. Baby slept most of day. I got lunch and supper. Paul studied. I wrote letter. Andy has cold.

Monday, November 24, 1969. Cloudy, foggy in p.m. Paul to school. I washed, had quite a lot. Done ironing, got supper. Baby fussy awhile. Paul to meeting in evening. I knitted some. Edna in hospital, CA has spread to liver and brain.

Tuesday, November 25, 1969. Mostly cloudy, colder in evening in fair. Paul to classes. Pete took car to garage to have heater fixed at 8:00. Gone all morning. I made salad and baked peanut butter cookies. Played with Andy. Called girls in evening.

Wednesday, November 26, 1969. Fair, fine day. Paul to classes. Pete and I went shopping. Got new uniform. Got some puzzles and book for Andy. Got terrycloth two-piece suit for Benjamin. I cooked squash and baked apples. Got supper. Paul and Marj to show in evening. We babysat. Got along fine. Allen finished shucking corn.

Thursday, November 27, 1969. Cloudy, snowing. Allen called in morning. They're home. CRs having dinner for the Ropps. Ida and Mary invited for supper. Mary worked. I baked pumpkin pie and washed diapers. Tried to get carry-in dinners but all [restaurants] closed so had TV dinners. Were good. Dietrich Carters here in evening. Had tape from Taiwan. Baby fussy.

Friday, November 28, 1969. Fair, nice day. We left Pauls at 8:30 their time. Got to town at 2:00 our time. Made good time although lot of traffic. Went through town, got gift (tea kettle) for Janet Patton. Stopped to see Gram but she was gone. We went to CRs for supper. Marie there. I washed and set my hair. Went to be home and thankful for safe trip.

Saturday, November 29, 1969. Fine day, chilly, 24°. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Rather busy. Stopped at Grams on way home. Marie there. Done some cleaning when got home. I went to shower for Janet Patton at Lucy Catherine's. Merle came, [I] went with her. Had nice time.

Sunday, November 30, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair at noon, nice day. We stopped to see gram before church. Went to church and to girls for dinner. We went to Eds in p.m. Nettie having trouble with back and hip. Ed some better. Merle and we to Glenn Augsburgers for supper. Merle drove. Had good dinner. Talked to Paul in morning. Baby pretty fussy with cold. Had medicine from Dr.

Monday, December 1, 1969. Fair, fine day. We went to Eds at 10:00. Took Nettie to hospital. Think Ed feels better. We ate in town. Came back to town and bank. I got slips for Marie and Merle. Stopped at Grams, paid her rent. I done ironing. Pete put cones on roses.

Tuesday, December 2, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete took soil samples. I baked crescents and carrot cookies. We finished addressing Christmas cards in evening.

Wednesday, December 3, 1969. Fair, cloudy in p.m., windy, quite chilly. We took car to Brackman's to have it tuned up. We went shopping. Got Eds heating pad, girls steam iron. Went to Eastland, got Janet Patton place setting for wedding gift. We went to choir practice.

Thursday, December 4, 1969. Fair, fine day, 60°. I baked yummy cookies and sugar cookies and iced them. Went to town to funeral home. Lester Reeser passed away. We went to Merles. Helped her sort papers. Took her to see Parkview apartment. Had oyster stew for supper.

Friday, December 5, 1969. Partly cloudy, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete helped Cy [Colter] clean cistern in morning. He went to Merles in p.m. Sorted and burned papers. I done cleaning when got home. We went to Merles awhile in evening.

Saturday, December 6, 1969. Cloudy, snowed in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast, then helped Ora carry mail. I pinned up Mary's hair when got off work. Pete stopped to see Gram on way home. I talked to Paul in evening. Baby is better. They plan to come home before Christmas.

Sunday, December 7, 1969. Snowed in morning, had about 3 inches. Pete took me to work. Bad driving, no snowplows out. Melted some during day, windy in evening. Pete to church. Ate dinner at Shamel Manor with Gram. He went to girls awhile. We stopped there awhile. Were home in evening. Wrote notes. Talked to Rons in evening. They're okay.

Monday, December 8, 1969. Fair, chilly. I washed. We went to town at 11:00. Got slip for Jo. I got permanent at Esther Cash. Pete to Merles. We took Ida uptown. Mr. and Mrs. Matis here to see about renting house. We went to Gil Webbs in evening. Pete had Township meeting.

Tuesday, December 9, 1969. Fair, warmer, some snow melted. I ironed in morning. We went to town at 10:00. Got Ron shirt. Got tree. Stopped at Grams. Made press cookies and banana bread when got home. We went to annual church dinner at Carlock church. Took decorations. John Reimer had charge of program. Nice evening, had 55.

Wednesday, December 10, 1969. Mostly fair, warmer, lot of snow melted. Pete carried mail. I baked coffeecake braid and chocolate bars. Scrubbed and waxed kitchen and bathroom. Pete and I to dentist at 3:00. Pete had inlay out. Had my dentures ground down a little. We and girls to Ed's at 4:30. Went to hospital, saw Nettie. She's a little better. Got hamburgers. Went to choir.

Thursday, December 11, 1969. Snowed early morning, fair in p.m., colder. We defrosted freezer. I made chili. Went to Home Bureau. Took Gram. Pete done odd jobs. We went to girls in evening. Made divinity, fudge and English toffee. Were there for supper.

Friday, December 12, 1969. Fair, 16°, nice day. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete helped Lawrence Mishlers load the trucks to move to Arkansas. Done cleaning and put up Christmas tree and decorations.

Saturday, December 13, 1969. Partly cloudy, in 20s. Pete carried mail. I washed bedspread and rugs. Took Pete's billfold to him, he forgot it. Got some groceries. Made salad and baked 3 pumpkin pies, put in freezer. Got things ready for supper. Glenn Augsburgers, Merle, Ida and Mary here. Had chicken. Glenn didn't feel good for awhile. Wrapped some gifts in p.m.

Sunday, December 14, 1969. Fair, cloudy in evening. Elaine [Reynolds] ill so had to work. Rather quiet day & glad of it. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. I wrapped some gifts when got home. We went to church. YPU gave program, refreshments after. Nice program, large crowd.

Monday, December 15, 1969. Mostly fair. Went to work at 7:00. Elaine still not feeling well. Busy day. Pete carried mail. Merle in hospital. URI and the nerves? Pete and I to *Roches* (sp?) in Eureka, got cheese for Merle. Stopped to see Nettie. She's better. Got knitting bag & tie wrapped to mail to Marvins.

Tuesday, December 16, 1969. Fair, 15°. Pete carried mail. I washed. Went to town at 10:30 to doctors dinner in OR. Took cheese plate. Had gift exchange. Went to supervisor-head nurses meeting at 1:30. Done ironing. Pete took wreath to cemetery for Merle. Went to Merle's, put cakes away that Jack G. got in Chicago. Took silver candelabra to Heralds. Saw Janet's gifts. Sent Orvies cheese box.

Wednesday, December 17, 1969. Cloudy, chilly. Made casserole for freezer. Made penuchi. Finished wrapping gifts. Went to club meeting at Lena Hilton. Had gift exchange. Got notecards. Cleaned upstairs, made up beds. Lucy Catherine [Patton] here awhile. We went to choir practice. Pete carried mail.

Thursday, December 18, 1969. Cloudy, misted early, colder in evening. Pete carried mail. I done all cleaning. Made door piece. Cooked cranberries. Went to town at noon. Got Merle's mail. She's better. Went to meeting at 1:00 on call system. We got groceries. Went to Shamel Manor at 6:00. Showed some of our pictures.

Friday, December 19, 1969. Mostly cloudy, few flurries. I went to work at 7:00. Pete carried mail. I went to dentist after work. Then got hair done. Merle still in hospital. Allens got here at 8:00 p.m. Glad to see them and had good trip. Jo called in evening.

Saturday, December 20, 1969. Fair, nice day. Pete carried mail. Allen to Hudson. Jeff to Darren's. Shirley and children to Minnie's awhile. I went to church at 9:30 to help get things ready for Janet's reception. Mary and I had to press table cloths. Allens to Grams and went shopping. Pete and I to Janet Patton and Larry *Shubbert's* (sp?) wedding at 4:00. I cut the wedding cake. Very nice wedding. Pauls got to girls at 7:30. Had car trouble. We were all there for supper. Gram too. Allens and Pauls here all night.

Sunday, December 21, 1969. Snowed most of day, melted some. Allens and Paul and we to church. Choir gave Christmas program. Marj home with children. Allens to Mrs. Yeakels. We were home for lunch. Pauls and we to CRs for supper. Allens to Stutzman's while. Were at Mrs. Yeakel's all night.

Monday, December 22, 1969. Partly cloudy. I washed. Pete carried mail. Marj, and he and I met Shirley and children at hospital. Took them through new part. Allen helped Pete carry mail. Were all here for lunch. Allens at CRs and Gordons in evening. I got things ready for supper. Had duck. Girls, Gram and Mrs. Yeakel here too. Had our gift exchange. Picture from Allens, pin from Pauls.

Tuesday, December 23, 1969. Snowing until in p.m., blowing. Allens left at 9:30 for home. Sure miss them. Pete carried mail. I washed and ironed. Marie got to town about 4:00. She took Pauls and we and Gram out to eat. Pauls to Larry Reesers, old friends got together. We went to see decorations. Marie here all night.

Wednesday, December 24, 1969. Fair, nice day, 10° above. Pete carried mail. Pauls left at 10:15 for Berne. Sure miss everyone. Marie and I dusted up house. Went to town a little at 3:00. Pete and I to Ora Byerly open house. Went to girls for supper. Gram, CRs and Edgars there.

Thursday, December 25, 1969. Cloudy, quite Christmas. Got things ready for dinner. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, CRs and Gordons here for dinner. Gordons not here for supper. Rays here. Had nice Christmas but sure miss our children. Marie here all night.

Friday, December 26, 1969. Cloudy in morning, fair. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town. Sorted some mail and bought 2 new tires for Chevy. Marie with Gram. I washed bedding from upstairs when got home. We went to Gordons awhile in evening.

Saturday, December 27, 1969. Cloudy, 2° above. Pete carried mail. I ironed. Marie took me to Mary's. She and I to Merle's. Helped her pack. Pete there awhile. Marie had hair done & stayed with Gram. We all and girls to Illinois House for supper. Went for drive. I cleaned up kitchen and dusted upstairs and washed my hair.

Sunday, December 28, 1969. Cloudy, snowed some early morning, misted some, warmer during day, foggy in evening. Marie, gram and we to CRS for breakfast. Marie left at 9:30 for Alton. Took Gram home. We went to church and to girls for lunch. I took ham. We went to Edds in p.m.

Nettie still in hospital but better. Went to Merles a little. She's ill with cold. Pete got some groceries for her.

Monday, December 29, 1969. Cloudy, colder in evening. I washed and ironed. We took tree and decorations down and put them away. Pete to town, had car serviced. We packed few things. Mr. and Mrs. *Matas* (sp?) here to see about moving in. Merle sick with cold. Snowed in night, 1 ¼ inch.

Tuesday, December 30, 1969. Cloudy, snowed some in evening and night. We went to Merle's at 8:00. Helped her move to Park Plaza Apartment. She has laryngitis. Put her to bed in p.m. She took us out at noon for lunch. Allen patent helped to. Was big day. Got home at 8:00. Packed some.

Wednesday, December 31, 1969. Fair in morning awhile, cloudy, snowed some. I washed some. We went to town at 11:30. Got travelers checks. I went to hospital Tea for those retiring, Ida and Erma Stuckey and Meg *Shammelbak* (sp?) among those. They had luncheon for them. We packed some. Went to girls for supper. Luella [Mishler] there. Stopped to see Gram. She has cold. Ron called her.

Thursday, January 1, 1970. Cloudy, some snow. We left home at 8:00 for Missouri. Drove in snow flurries to St. Louis. Roads mostly clear. Got to Harrisonville at 3:45. Ate supper at Orvies. Marvins there too. Edna seems pretty good. Stayed at Marvins all night. Dewey real bad. Minnie to hospital.

Friday, January 2, 1970. 12° at Marvin's. We left there at 9:00. Nice day, sunny, some snow on passing lane. Ate lunch at Tulsa. Drove to Elk City Oklahoma. Stayed at Holladay House motel, nice. Drove 444 miles.

Saturday, January 3, 1970. Clear, beautiful day, chilly. We left Elk City at 6:15, drove to Holbrook, Arizona. 670 miles. Had to get new tire at Grants, New Mexico. Where there nearly an hour. We stopped driving at 6:00 p.m. Talked to Rons.

Sunday, January 4, 1970. Fair, nice day, windy around Barstow. Started driving at 6:30. Got to Ron's at 4:00. Traffic heavy. Drove 562 miles. Thankful for a safe trip. We and Rons to Love Feast and Communion. Talked to Mary. Minnie very ill in ICU. Heart.

Monday, January 5, 1970. Fair, nice day, chilly. Jo and boys to school. We went with Ron to Claremont for awhile. Stopped at shopping center. Got lunch. Boys home at noon. We rested a while. I ironed some. Ron worked on car. He and Jo to counseling session in evening. Dewey Anderson passed away.

Tuesday, January 6, 1970. Fair, nice day. Ron to class in p.m. I ironed some. We took Christmas tree and decorations down in p.m. We looked at pictures in evening. Very cold at home. Allen in Des Moines all week at school. Pete raked some yard.

Wednesday, January 7, 1970. Fair, warm. Jo and boys to school. Ron working on his dissertation. I washed. Ironed some again. Pete raked some yard.

Thursday, January 8, 1970. Partly cloudy in p.m. Ron studying. Jo and boys to school. Pete and I to store, got meat. To card shop. Wrote some letters in p.m.

Friday, January 9, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Jo and boys to school. Ron to class at 10:00. I washed. Done beds too. Done all cleaning. Pete helped some. He had car greased at 11:00. Marty and I went after Jon at noon. I washed my hair and set it. Ironed some. Ron greased his car in p.m. Rained in evening.

Saturday, January 10, 1970. Rained some early morning, mostly cloudy. Jo and I to Albert Schwartzs. Saw an interesting Christmas tree made with jewelry. We had coffee. Jo went through Christmas cards. Ron studied. We went to grocery store. Home in evening.

Sunday, January 11, 1970. Cloudy, rained most of day. We went to church in morning. George Lehman (US worker, General Conference) spoke. He got sick. Ron took him to hospital. Pete got chicken for our dinner. Read in p.m. Ron to youth meeting in evening.

Monday, January 12, 1970. Showered in morning, mostly cloudy. Jo and boys to school. Ron studying. I washed and done ironing. Baked cake and made chili. Jo home late, had conference after school. She and Ron to meeting at school in evening.

Tuesday, January 13, 1970. Cloudy. I baked pecan rolls. Washed blankets and sofa cover. Ron to class in p.m. Had letter from Mary. Minnie isn't good. Read some. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, January 14, 1970. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Wrote some letters. Done up work and got meals. Cleaned out icebox. Done some mending. Knitted in evening. Pete and Ron to ministers meeting in morning.

Thursday, January 15, 1970. Mostly cloudy, rained in evening. I washed 4 loads. Cleaned some of cupboards. Defrosted icebox. Jo, boys, Pete and I to shopping center after school. Ron studying. Glenda Shoultz here in evening. Got box we brought for her from home.

Friday, January 16, 1970. Cloudy, rained most of day. Ron to class in morning. I washed beds. Done all of cleaning. Ron to class in morning. We were home in evening.

Saturday, January 17, 1970. Mostly cloudy, mild. Done some handwashing. Jo not feeling good. Ron and youth group painted nursery at church. Pete and I to Pomona Sears in p.m. Exchanged Jon's coat. He had pulled threads in his. We all went to grocery store. Jo to class meeting in evening. I washed my hair.

Sunday, January 18, 1970. Fair. We all went to church. Had smorgasbord at church. Rons stayed for annual meeting. Rest of us home. Wrote some letters.

Monday, January 19, 1970. Foggy in morning. Sun out awhile in p.m. Jo and boys to school. I washed and done ironing. Ron to Claremont in morning. Ron and Jo to counseling session in evening.

Tuesday, January 20, 1970. Foggy in morning quite a lot of sun. I baked coffeecake braid. Ron, Pete and I to seminary in morning. Dr. Pattison gave lecture. I baked peanut butter cookies in p.m. Ron, Pete and I to Presbyterian Church in evening. Heard Dr. Frank Laubach speak. He's 85, gave good talk. Ron to class in p.m.

Wednesday, January 21, 1970. Fair, nice day, Mountains not clear, smog. I washed 3 loads. Pete and I to town awhile. Got suit for Andy's birthday. Jo home for lunch. We scrubbed off back porch in drive. Worked on boys [bed]spreads in p.m. and evening.

Thursday, January 22, 1970. Foggy and mostly cloudy. Boys and Jo to school. I washed 3 loads. Baked 2 pie crusts. Made meatloaf. Washed off some doors with ammonia and water. Ron to court in p.m. for boy in church). I worked on spread. Finished sowing it together. Jo to meeting in evening.

Friday, January 23, 1970. Fair, nice day, warm. I washed, done all cleaning. Ron to class in morning. Ironed. We all went shopping when Jo got home. Went out to eat. Jo to baby shower. We went to grocery store. John Bergeys came after Hesston alumni banquet. Stayed all night. Went to bed late, 1:45.

Saturday, January 24, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Had breakfast late, 10:30. Had good visit. Johns left at 2:30. Irwin *Weins* (sp?) Came at 2:00, left at 3:30. Good to see Fresno folks. Howard Habegggers and John Shorts here for supper. Had roast and blueberry pie. Had a good visit, a full day. Washed my hair. Jo pinned it up.

Sunday, January 25, 1970. Fair, little cooler. We went to church. Art Rickerts took Pete and I to dinner. Ate at Holland Cafeteria in Montclair. Went to their home awhile. He took us to hospital to look around, real nice. Ron to youth meeting in evening. Met with parents. Wrote letters in evening.

Monday, January 26, 1970. Fair, nice day. Ron, Pete and I to Loma Linda hospital in morning. Enjoyed seeing it. Went on to San Bernardino jail. Ron to see young man there. I done washing and ironing in p.m., had big one. Rons to class in evening.

Tuesday, January 27, 1970. Foggy in cloudy most of day. Pete and I with Marlene Habegggers and John Shorts to market and auction in morning. It's quite a sight to see. Bought some vegetables. I done some washing. Jo and I to Nettie Cooleys at 3:30, farewell for Mrs. Hartzel Schmidt who is leaving for Newton, Kansas. Ron and I to store in evening. Wrote to Pauls.

Wednesday, January 28, 1970. Foggy little while, nice day. Jo home. She went to Dr. in morning. Has middle ear infection. I washed 2 loads. Make chili for dinner. Jo worked some on papers. I mended some. Ron studying. Made shortcake for supper, had strawberries.

Thursday, January 29, 1970. Beautiful day, Mountains clear. Pete and I with Rons to lecture at Claremont. Jane Morgan. I made salad for evening. We all to Rev. Waltners. Lenore's folks, Henry Pankratz and Howard Habegggers and John Shorts there. We took salad. Had a nice evening. Jo took her class to concert at Ontario after school. Marty with her.

Friday, January 30, 1970. Fair, nice day. We done all cleaning. I washed and ironed. Ron to class and to PT [parent – teacher] conference with Marty's teacher. Jo not feeling too good in evening. I washed my hair and pinned it up.

Saturday, January 31, 1970. Fine day. Pete and Ron worked in yard. Ron trimmed roses. Jo and I cleaned stove. We went to grocery store. I washed load of sheets. I baked cake and iced it. Pete and I to inauguration of Pres. of Claremont seminary at 3:00, very nice. Dan *Emys* (sp?) from Fresno here for supper and all night. Rons and Dans to Dr. Eitzens awhile. Jo has cold, laryngitis.

Sunday, February 1, 1970. Nice day. Dans left at 9:30. Ron and Marty to Sunday School. Pete and I to church. Jo home with Jon. Virginia Ijams came at 1:00. She took Pete and I to dinner. Went to Griswold's. Drove to Padua Hills. Ron to youth group. Windy in night.

Monday, February 2, 1970. Windy in morning, clear, beautiful day. Ron finished writing his dissertation. Has to edit it now. I washed most of day. Done ironing. Jo home late from school. PT conferences. John's cold no better. Coughs a lot.

Tuesday, February 3, 1970. Fair, nice day. Pete and Ron to market awhile. Got some vegetables. I washed load. Baked pecan rolls, mended some. Ron to class in p.m. Jon about same. I got supper. Jo not feeling good, stomach and bowels. Knitted in evening.

Wednesday, February 4, 1970. Partly cloudy. Jo to school early for conferences. Ron working on his dissertation. John seems some better. I baked coffeecake braid.

Thursday, February 5, 1970. Fair, nice day. Washed some. Washed all windows outside and in. Pete raked some in backyard. Marty home with cold. Jon better.

Friday, February 6, 1970. Beautiful day, warm. Done big washing and all of cleaning. Ironed. Marty to school. John home. Ron to Loma Linda Hospital in morning to be with Chris Kraybill family. Chris had surgery. Pete and I with Ron and youth group to Jewish synagogue in evening. Ron finished his dissertation.

Saturday, February 7, 1970. Lovely day, 84°. Ron and Jo to retreat at church in morning. Ron spoke. Marty not feeling good. I washed my hair and set it. Ron, Pete and I to Ontario awhile in p.m. Got some pictures and cards. Jo and I to Upland a few minutes.

Sunday, February 8, 1970. Fine day, partly cloudy. We went to church. Jo home with Marty. He's better. We all went to Frank Gingerich's for dinner. They have lovely home. Had nice time. Ron, Pete and I to Old Mennonite Church. Had joint him sing from new hymnals. 2 choirs sang too. Saw Ada King and Earl Martens. Called Gram. She seems okay. Marie home for weekend.

Monday, February 9, 1970. Cloudy, showered some, rained in night. I done big washing, ironed, made apple crisp for supper. Ron worked in our car. Put in new brake lining. Boys and Jo to school.

Tuesday, February 10, 1970. Cloudy, rained nearly all p.m. Ron, Pete and I to market in morning. Got some vegetables and berries. Stopped at Graber's Olive Place. Washed drapes and mended some. Ron to Claremont and counseling at 3:00. We went to Chinese restaurant for supper.

Wednesday, February 11, 1970. Cleared off in morning, nice day. Jo and boys to school. Pete and Ron to ministerial breakfast. I baked pecan rolls and sent Valentines and wrote notes. Pete and I to Upland awhile. Got cards, etc.

Thursday, February 12, 1970. Cloudy in morning, rather foggy. Rons and we left at 8:45 for Busch Gardens, Van Nuys. Virginia Ijams went with us. Had ride on monorail. Saw bird show, beautiful scenery and birds of all kinds. Went to Virginia's. She had nice dinner for us. Left there at 3:45. Got home at 5:00. Jo and Ron to Dr. Kempers for supper. We kept boys.

Friday, February 13, 1970. Mostly fair. I washed in morning. We done some of cleaning. I went with Mrs. Kraybill to Loma Linda Hospital to see Chris who had stomach surgery week ago. We went to shopping center when Jo got home. Ron and Jo to school faculty party at 8:00. We kept boys. Ron with Jim Waltner in p.m. to see Chris Kraybill.

Saturday, February 14, 1970. Fair, beautiful day. Washed some rugs, sofa cover, etc. Ron to meeting. Jo to town awhile. Rons to wedding at church at 2:00. I baked 2 pie crusts, scrubbed kitchen and bathroom floors. Jo waxed them when she got home. I washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. We went to *Sizzers* (sp?) for supper.

Sunday, February 15, 1970. Dutiful day. We all went to church. Howard Habegger preached. Home for dinner. Friends of Jo's mother here in p.m. a while. Ron to Messiah practice. We all went to U.S. House [?] at 4:30. Got ready for company. Ron's Sunday school class here for discussion. Dr. Eitzen teaches it, were 14 here. Marty had some earache.

Monday, February 16, 1970. Fine day, warm. Jo and boys to school. We went to Montclair shopping center. I got Jersey dress. Done washing and ironing. Got supper. Made chili. Ron took Marty to Dr. to see about his ear. Gave him some medicine. Home in evening. Jon sick in night, vomited.

Tuesday, February 17, 1970. Cloudy in morning, cleared off. I had beds, etc. to wash. Ron to school awhile in morning. John home. Pete and I to sale a while. Got tennis shoes for boys and some nuts and vegetables. I ironed. Got things ready for supper. Buller sisters asked us to come over to spend the evening. We played Aggravation.

Wednesday, February 18, 1970. Fair, beautiful day. Jo and boys to school. Ron to meeting at 11:30. Pete had muffler on car fixed. I baked coffeecake braid. Shrunk some material for Jo. Got things ready for supper. Ron to class in evening. Knitted some.

Thursday, February 19, 1970. Fair, very windy. Pete and I with Ron to Bill to get his dissertation. He took it to his committee in p.m. Sure hope it will be okay. Pete and I got groceries. I made butterscotch pie and chocolate bars. Washed boys' beds. Ron put new muffler on our car. I basted up hem on new dress. We went for ride to foothills to see lights in Valley. Quite a sight.

Friday, February 20, 1970. Fair, nice day. Washed and done cleaning. Hemmed my dress. Ironed, washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. Pete raked yard. We packed suitcases in evening.

Saturday, February 21, 1970. Fair, nice day. We all left at 6:30 for San Diego and Ensenada Mexico. Got to Ensenada about 11:00. Got motel. Went to beach. Had our lunch along. Ocean

was beautiful. Picked up shells. Went shopping. Things quite cheap. Much poverty. Went to Chinese restaurant in evening. Took drive up in hills to see lights. Pete sick in night, diarrhea and vomiting.

Sunday, February 22, 1970. Fair, warm. Pete not feeling good. We left Ensenada at 8:00. Got to San Diego at 10:30. Stopped to eat breakfast. Pete sick, vomited blood. We got motel near Bay. Took Pete to ER at Mercy Hospital. Saw Dr., gave him medicine for diarrhea and vomiting, also shot. Rons to zoo in p.m. I stayed at motel with Pete. Wrote some letters. Ron and boys got hamburgers. Jo and I to Anthony's. Had delicious seafood.

Monday, February 23, 1970. Nice day, warm. Pete feeling some better but had to tarry stools. We left San Diego at 11:00, got home at 1:30. Sorry we didn't get to do more. Ron took us to Dr. Rude at 4:15. He thinks Pete might have bleeding from duodenum. Put them in hospital at Pomona, room 681. Is on Maalox and sippy diet. Sure hope he'll soon be better. Jo sick.

Tuesday, February 24, 1970. Fair, nice day. Ron to hospital in morning. I went in p.m. Pete feeling better. Took x-rays and EKG. Jo ill in bed most of day. Marty to LA Zoo with his class. Jo vomited and diarrhea. I done ironing after supper. Ron worked on sermon for Sunday.

Wednesday, February 25, 1970. Fine day, warm. Washed some but had machine trouble. Ron worked on it. He made 2 trips to Ontario. Jo to school, feels better. I wrote letters in morning. Baked cookies in p.m. Pete seems to be feeling better. Still on Maalox and milk. Ron and I to hospital in evening. He went to counsel. I stayed with Pete.

Thursday, February 26, 1970. Nice day. Ron fixed washer. I washed 3 loads. Baked rolls. We all went to hospital when Jo got home from school. Pete seems about same, rather drowsy and tired. He had an egg to eat. Still some dark stools. Rons to faculty dinner at Claremont. I kept boys.

Friday, February 27, 1970. Partly cloudy, cooler. Pete called, he's feeling pretty good. Ron to Ontario and got his dissertation back from one prof. and it's okay, no changes. I washed and done all cleaning. I went to hospital in p.m. Pete walking in halls now. We went to Upland when got home. I got black dress for \$5. Jo got 2 dresses. We went to pizza place for supper.

Saturday, February 28, 1970. Rained most of day. Got up late. I went to hospital in p.m. Pete feeling better. Stools about normal. Ron and boys to hospital after their naps. Jo and I to groceries when I got back from hospital. Ron to Pacemakers (Peacemakers?) meeting in evening. I kept boys.

Sunday, March 1, 1970. Rained most of day. We went to church. Ron preached. He and I to hospital after dinner. Jo and boys came later. Ron to Messiah practice. I came back with Jo. Pete had first big meal at noon. Says he feels good. Rons to supper at church. Bethel [College] representative here with youth group. Girls and Pauls called in evening to see how Pete is getting along. I kept boys in evening. Ed Sharp was killed.

Monday, March 2, 1970. Rained some early morning, cloudy, chilly. I washed. Ron wrote letters, etc. I ironed and got supper. Jo home at 5:15. Ron, Marty and I to hospital after supper. Pete seems to feel good.

Tuesday, March 3, 1970. Mostly cloudy, rather chilly. Ron and I to market a while, got vegetables and berries. Ron to Claremont. I washed some, made Jell-O salad. Went to hospital with Marie and Sara Buller and Minnie Schmidt. They took him some flowers. Emil and Sadie to see Pete. He's feeling pretty good. Glenda Shoultz here for supper. She's getting married in June.

Wednesday, March 4, 1970. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening. I baked coffeecake braid. Washed some. Ron studying. Jo and boys to school. Pete about same, feels good. Dr. says small amount of blood in stool yet. I went to hospital in p.m. Wrote some letters. Ron to hospital in evening to counsel. I mended some.

Thursday, March 5, 1970. Fair, snow on mountains real pretty, chilly. Pete called, still can't come home. I straightened up boys room, washed for loads, baked 2 pie crusts. Went to hospital in p.m. Got some groceries when got back. Ron, boys and I to hospital awhile in evening. Pete okay. Billy Klooz passed away in Alabama while on way to Florida. Massive stroke.

Friday, March 6, 1970. Fair, nice day. Ron and I to hospital at 9:00. Pete came home. Sure good to have him home. Feels pretty good. I done all cleaning and washed some. Jo and I to grocery store in evening. Emil called in evening to tell us about Billy. Karl flew to Alabama. Called girls in evening to tell them about Billy. Allens moved to another place 3 miles north.

Saturday, March 7, 1970. Fair, lovely day. Rons and boys to mountains with youth group. I washed several loads. We wrote some letters and mailed them. Went to store, got milk and ice cream. Pete is on restricted diet. I baked cookies and made tapioca. We went to Buller girls awhile in p.m. Jo done some washing and she got home. I washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. Emil left for Illinois.

Sunday, March 8, 1970. Fair, some smog. We went to church, home for dinner. Pete feels pretty good. Ron to Messiah practice in p.m. Allen called in morning to see how dad is getting along. They are moved in their new home. We went to smorgasbord in evening at church. Took Pete's supper. VSrs [Voluntary Service] showed pictures of their work.

Monday, March 9, 1970. Cloudy, sprinkled little. Washed and ironed. Pete seems to be doing okay. Willis and Donna called at 4:30. Said they would be here all night. I made salad and we filled pie crusts. Had oyster stew. Was good to see them.

Tuesday, March 10, 1970. Partly cloudy, windy in p.m., chilly. Willis left at 9:30. Pete, Ron and I to market. I washed beds. Made 2 pie crusts. Pete and I went with Art Rickerts to Harvey House for supper, then to their house. Buller sisters here awhile in p.m. Billy Klooz's funeral was at 10:30 at Becks [Funeral Home].

Wednesday, March 11, 1970. Fair. We went to Dr. Rude in morning. Pete seems to be doing okay. Ron took us then to seminary. We stopped at grocery store. We bought ham. I washed 4 loads. Cleaned up house. Ron worked on car.

Thursday, March 12, 1970. Fair, nice day. Ron, boys, Pete and I to Pomona at 7:40 a.m. Met Marvin and Frances. Came on El Capitan. Good to see them. Pete and I and Marvins to Montclair Shopping Center in p.m. Ron studied in p.m.

Friday, March 13, 1970. Fair, nice day, warm. Ron to seminary in morning. We went to Botanical Gardens and stopped at seminary. Ate lunch in Claremont. Then went to Padua Hills. Watched glassblower. Went to Mount Baldy. Drove to ski left. Lot of snow up there. Came back, went to Jo school. Ron home with boys. Marvin took us all to Henrys for supper.

Saturday, March 14, 1970. Beautiful day, in 80s. Ron took Marvi's and us to Graber's Olive Place in morning. We washed. Marvins left at 1:00 for Palmdale. They took our car. We done cleaning and waxed kitchen floor. Jo baked cake and we made ice cream dessert. Washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. Pete and I with Dr. Eitzens to Pomona Glee Club.

Sunday, March 15, 1970. Fine day, warm. We all went to church. Howard Habegger preached. Got things ready for dinner. Tom Delmars and Irene Woizeski here for dinner. Had nice visit. Ron to Billy Graham show with youth group at 4:00. Folks left about 6:00. Jo and boys to Waltners, youth group there for supper. Fred Jantzens here in evening. Had nice visit with them. I served ice cream and cookies.

Monday, March 16, 1970. Fair, warm. Washed and ironed. Baked rolls. Jo and boys to school. Ron going over his dissertation. Marvins came back from Palmdale at 5:00. Marvins, Pete and I to Albert Schmidt to spend evening. Had dessert. Looked at their pictures.

Tuesday, March 17, 1970. Fair, nice day. Marvin's, Pete and I to market. Got some vegetables. Done some washing and ironed a little. Wrote to Merle and girls. Emil and Sadie came at 5:00. Took us all out to eat at Olive Tree. Frances not feeling good in evening.

Wednesday, March 18, 1970. Fair, rather windy, cooler in evening. Jo and boys to school. We went with Ron to take his dissertation to have it typed. Ron took us to LA Oliveira Street and Chinatown. Got baskets for girls and Elaine. Got tea set for Jo. We drove through Hollywood. Home in evening.

Thursday, March 19, 1970. Beautiful day. Marvins, Pete and I left at 9:30 for Disneyland. I drove over. Marvin drove back. Had a nice day, enjoyed it. Got back at 6:15. Some lady hit our car about 10:45. Took chrome off side and dented back fender.

Friday, March 20, 1970. Beautiful day. We went to garage to get estimate on car. At 11:15, Marvins, dad and I went to Pasadena. Got Erma Birkey. Took her out to eat at Perry Bros.

Smorgasbord. Went to Huntington library. Jo to style show at school. Dad and I to Buller sisters awhile.

Saturday, March 21, 1970. Fine day, warm. Done some cleaning and washing. We took our lunch to Park. Had picnic. Went to shopping center at Montclair. Jo made some peach pies. Ron to meeting in evening. I washed my hair. Jo pinned it up.

Sunday, March 22, 1970. Fine day, quite warm. We went to church. Took some pictures. Marvins took us all to dinner at Griswold's. Went to Adobe home in Pomona. We packed suitcases in evening. Chris & Viola Kraybill (Krebiel?) here awhile in evening. Ron to youth meeting.

Monday, March 23, 1970. Fine day, warm. We and Marvins left at 7:45 for our trip home. Hated to leave them. We drove to Palm springs. Had breakfast with Virginia Ijams at her friend's home. Drove to Indio, got dates and grapefruit. Drove to Las Vegas by way of Blythe and Needles. Hot, in 90s. Drove 400 miles. Marvin helped me some with driving. Went down "Strip" to see lights.

Tuesday, March 24, 1970. Fair, nice day. We had radiator cleaned out. Ready to leave and found we had lost shock absorber so had to have set of new ones put on. Was 1:00 when we left Las Vegas. Drove through Zion Canyon, a beautiful site with many rock formations of the mountains. Drove on to Hatch, Utah, small-town but nice Western Motel. 7000 feet elevation. Some snow on mountains. Quite cool.

Wednesday, March 25, 1970. Fair, 17° at Hatch. We drove to Bryce Canyon. Quite interesting place, some roads were closed. Drove through Red Canyon. Were in several different canyons and rock formations driving through Utah. Drove to Grand Junction. 7:30 when we got here. Had Western Motel. Could see snow covered mountains most of day.

Thursday, March 26, 1970. Partly cloudy, chilly. Left Grand Junction at 8:30. Drove through mountains all morning. Took US 50 to Pueblo, then 96 to Scott City, Kansas. 400 miles. Crossed Monmouth Pass, 11,340 feet elevation. Road to Denver icy an- snow packed in places. Mountains covered with snow. Beautiful scenery.

Friday, March 27, 1970. Snowing when we got up. Left Scott City at 9:00. Very bad driving, snowing and blowing, cars in ditches. Took 283 north to I-70. Roads bad to Salina, then wet. Had dry pavement from Topeka on. We called Orvies from there. We got to Harrisonville at 7:00. Very grateful for safe trip. Marvins and we at Orvies for supper. We stayed all night. Called Allens. Snowed some at night.

Saturday, March 28, 1970. Cleared off, nice day. We left Orvies at 9:45. Got to Allens at 2:00. Stopped at Lamoni for lunch. Good to see Allens. They have nice big house. Allen busy selling insurance. We all went to Nick's for supper. Allen made call in evening. Talked to Mabel and Marie in evening. Washed my hair. Shirley pinned it.

Sunday, March 29, 1970. Nice Easter day but chilly. We all went to church at Le Roy. Were at Allens for dinner. Visited and looked at pictures in evening. Good to be with Allens. Deb and Steve rode their horses. We played the Yahtze awhile.

Monday, March 30, 1970. Fair, nice day. We left Allens at 9:00. I drove all the way. Always hard to leave them. Shirley to work at 7:00. Children had no school. We got home at 3:15. Stopped in Peoria, got groceries. Good to be home and very grateful for a safe trip. We unpacked. Stopped to see Gram. Went to girls for supper. Talked to Rons in evening.

Tuesday, March 31, 1970. Partly cloudy. I washed and put things away. Ed Miller, Paul Bates and Cy [Colter] here in morning. We went to town in p.m. Went to see Merle awhile. Her apartment is very nice. Met girls up town. Got shower gift for Hazel Heiser. Ironed in evening. Pete to meeting at Town Hall. Snowed in night.

Wednesday, April 1, 1970. Cloudy, rained all day. Thundered and lightning. Windy, colder in evening. I baked coffeecake braid, cookies and bars. We went to town in p.m. Stopped at hospital. Took Elaine [Reynolda] basket for her birthday. Pete to Dr. McGinnis. Has to have x-rays and gastric analysis. We were home in evening. Stirred up rolls.

Thursday, April 2, 1970. Partly cloudy, chilly. Baked pecan rolls. Went to town at 11:30. Got permanent. Pete to Earl Thomas. Had car greased. We stopped to see Gram and Julia at Shamel Manor. I went to shower for Hazel Heiser Paul Millers. Cleaned up bedrooms.

Friday, April 3, 1970. Mostly cloudy, real chilly. Done cleaning. Made salad. Went to auxiliary at church. Ida along. Went uptown a little. Pete home. Marie came from McHenry. We all and girls went to Holiday Inn for supper. Marie here all night.

Saturday, April 4, 1970. Fair, nice day. Pete carried mail. I went in at 9:00 to drive for him. Ora took some east route. Marie to Grams in forenoon. They and girls here for supper. Had chicken and biscuits. Looked at our pictures in evening. Those from Bryce and Zion good. Marie here all night.

Sunday, April 5, 1970. Fair, nice day, rather chilly. Marie left for Godfrey at 9:00. We went to church. Nice to be there again. Merle took us and Esther to Streid's for dinner. Took Esther to Becks [Funeral Home]. Her aunt Elizabeth Shontz passed away. Took Merle home. We came home. Took Pete to hospital for x-rays and tests. I was at girls all night.

Monday, April 6, 1970. Mostly cloudy, windy, cold. I came home at 7:30. Washed. Blowed fuse at light pole. IPL [Illinois Power & Light] came out, fixed it. Done ironing. Went to town at 4:00, stopped at hospital. To girls for supper and back to hospital. Pete had BA enema, IUP, EKG, chest x-ray. He's on self-care. I was at girls all night.

Tuesday, April 7, 1970. Fair, nice day, warmer. I went to work at 7:00. Worked with Elaine to get acquainted with rooms, etc. Pete had barium meal. Says he feels okay. Dr. says he has no

ulcer but hiatal hernia and duodenalitis. I came home after work. Back to girls. We went to good will circle.

Wednesday, April 8, 1970. Fair, warmer, showered in evening. I went to hospital at 9:00. Pete had gastric analysis and sigmoidoscopy. Dr. things he should have surgery for hernia. Pete discharged after dinner. Went to Gailey's. Dr. *Hanek* (sp?) changed his one lense. We got home at 5:00. Ron got here at 6:43. Bill Dunn met him at airport. Has hospital car to use. Good to see him.

Thursday, April 9, 1970. Fair, nice day. Ron to hospital, had meetings all day. I went to Gailey Clinic at 9:00. They showed us equipment and some procedures. Went to Home Bureau afterward. Stopped to see Merle. She has cold. Got some groceries for her. Ron here for supper. Went to see Gram and then to CRs. Gordons and Rays there too. Pete feels pretty good. Central District Conference at Lake Bloomington.

Friday, April 10, 1970. Fair, nice day. I went to work. Pete home, uncovered roses. Ron to hospital all day. Had breakfast with administration. Met with doctors at noon. Girls and Ron and we ate at Hudson, then on to Conference at Lake Bloomington. Ron got to see a lot of people he hadn't seen for awhile.

Saturday, April 11, 1970. Fair in morning, showered some in evening. Pete and Ron to men's breakfast at hospital. I washed sheets from west bed and Ron's things. We left at 11:00 for airport. Edgars there to see Ron. He left for home at 11:45. So good to have him, miss him. Went to girls for lunch then to conference at Lake Bloomington. We stayed for evening. Women's dinner and meeting in evening. Rev. Gering home with us.

Sunday, April 12, 1970. Partly cloudy, warmer, rather windy. Had thunder showers in evening. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Grandma there too. We went to Eds awhile in p.m. Took Gram home. We went to Merles awhile on way home. Had thunderstorm in evening. Allen called to see how Pete is. Good to talk to him.

Monday, April 13, 1970. Rained and showered most of day, chilly. I washed and ironed. Pete and I on Cancer Drive toward evening. Had good response from everyone except one family. Was 7:00 when got home. I knitted some in evening.

Tuesday, April 14, 1970. Partly cloudy in p.m. I cleaned the west bedroom, closets in our room and cabinet in bathroom. Baked apples and bread pudding for dinner. Pete took Cancer Drive money to Singleys. We went to Town meeting in evening. Ed Millers along. Voted for new Town Hall. Had big crowd.

Wednesday, April 15, 1970. Mostly fair, warmer. I cleaned upstairs. Gil Webb and Bill Miller here in morning to go over ballots. Pete and I to Garfield visiting day. Ate at Howard Johnson's

then on tour of new WJBC radio station. We went to bank and to Eastland. Got new curtains for west bedroom. We went to choir practice. Stopped to see Gram.

Thursday, April 16, 1970. Nice day, warm, 70°. I cleaned our bedroom. Washed bedding, rugs, etc. Dried nice. We worked in garden late afternoon. Cleaned off Iris. Pete went over garden with Roto-tiller. We planted peas and radishes. Little wet.

Friday, April 17, 1970. Mostly fair, rather chilly. I cleaned Hall, aired bedding and Cedar closet. Made salad for Home Bureau. We worked in garden. Planted lettuce, spinach, beats, carrots and green beans. Cleaned off chrysanthemums. I went to Baptist Church at 5:30. Helped Home Bureau served mother-daughter banquet (195). Had work out. Pete at girls for supper.

Saturday, April 18, 1970. Cloudy, started to rain at 3:00, rained hard all evening and most of night, windy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete carried mail. Mary with him. Got done at 1:00 as Ora took east end [of route]. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom in evening.

Sunday, April 19, 1970. Cloudy, showered some, had over 2 inches rain since Saturday p.m. I went to work at 7:00. A very busy day, ER busy, also admissions. Pete to church and had dinner with gram. We went to Merle's a while after work. We went to Homebuilders [Sunday School class] at Paul Millers. Had panel on Mennonite history. Had rain and wind at 7:00 p.m.

Monday, April 20, 1970. Cloudy, showered some. I washed and ironed. We went to town at 3:30. Pete got his glasses at Gailey's. They help some. We got paint for the kitchen. Went to the girls for supper. I went to nursing clinic at Wesley Methodist Church. Dr. Birch she talked on Central *Venus* (sp?) pressure.

Tuesday, April 21, 1970. Fair, windy. Pete helped Ora carry mail in morning. We painted the kitchen. Got ceiling and wall done. Girls and we to Heritage group meeting at Gerald Galloway's. Was interesting. (Painted kitchen green.)

Wednesday, April 22, 1970. Fair, very windy. Pete painted the back stairway. We painted the woodwork. I went to town, got more paint. Went to choir practice. Had sandwich in town. Lawrence Mishlers here a while in p.m.

Thursday, April 23, 1970. Partly cloudy, nice day, showered some in evening. Pete painted back door. I painted inside cupboards. Cleaned bathroom in p.m. Ironed curtains, put them up. Girls here for supper. Had dried beef casserole and scalloped potatoes. Baked apple torte.

Friday, April 24, 1970. Nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Izzy day in ER. Pete worked outside some. I put dishes in kitchen cupboards when got home. Washed my hair and set it. Cleaned up living room. Were home in evening.

Saturday, April 25, 1970. Nice day, warm. Pete to men's breakfast at hospital. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Went to alumni homecoming at 10:30 at nurses home. Laura W and Irene

Robbins there too. Stopped to see Gram on way home at 4:00. We put out onions sets. I went to banquet at Illinois House. Frances M there too. Nice evening. Pete to girls for supper.

Sunday, April 26, 1970. Fair, nice day. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Went to see Minnie but she wasn't home. Drove to Cemetery. We went to John Gundys in evening. Spiritual Council had visitation night. Was a nice evening. Girls to Gerald Galloways.

Monday, April 27, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Had shower in morning, fair in p.m. Pete and Ed Miller to new Town Hall site. I washed and cleaned fruit room in morning. Ironed and we put screens in and cleaned windows on outside. Went to Shamel Manor at 5:30. Had supper with Gram. They had meeting. Rates will be higher. Gram quite upset.

Tuesday, April 28, 1970. Fair, hot, 86°. We went to Shamel Manor at 9:30 to see what can be worked out for gram. Cleaned living and dining room. Went to head nurse and supervisor meeting at 1:30. Pete to bank and got more medicine. I finished living room. Waxed furniture. Pete mowed the yard.

Wednesday, April 29, 1970. Partly cloudy, hot, near 90°. Wrote some letters. Pete carried mail. I went in at 9:00, drove for him. Hot job. Didn't get back to town until 4:00. I baked banana bread. Went to choir practice. Talked to Rons. They are moving here. Ron will be chaplain at Mennonite [Hospital]. Sure happy to have them home. Rained in night, ½ inch.

Thursday, April 30, 1970. Rained most of day. Storm warnings out. Had tornadoes between LeRoy and Farmer City. We carried mail, a bad day for it. Had nearly 2 inches rain. I baked cookies and lemon bars in morning. We went to Merles awhile in evening. Rained in night.

Friday, May 1, 1970. Cloudy, real windy, much colder in p.m., low 50s. Pete carried mail. I met him at noon and helped with rest of route. I went to auxiliary bake sale at hospital café. Took banana bread, cookies and bars. Were sold out at noon. Made \$68 (not clear). I stopped to see Gram on way home. Washed my hair and finished doing cleaning.

Saturday, May 2, 1970. Mostly fair, cooler. Pete carried mail. Mary with him at noon for rest of route. I went to work at 7:00. Busy with admissions. I washed when got home and done ironing.

Sunday, May 3, 1970. A beautiful day. Gram, Pete and I left at 8:30 for Marie's. Got there at 11:00. She took us to dinner at Heritage House in St. Louis. Went for drive in Marquette Park. Lots of Dogwood. Went for little drive in evening. We played Yahtze in evening.

Monday, May 4, 1970. Nice day, warmer. We left Marie at 9:30. Had breakfast at Howard Johnson's. Stopped at Neipagins on way home, got petunias. I washed out some things. We went to Dr. at 3:45. He thinks Pete should have surgery. Sure sorry he has to have it. Girls here a little, got dirt and rhubarb.

Tuesday, May 5, 1970. Fair, much cooler in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine in Chicago. Pete plowed garden. Girls came out after work. We planted petunias and set out delphiniums. Planted green beans and onion sets in truck patch. I went to mother-daughter tea with Jeanette and Mary [Colter]. Gram along. Girls there too.

Wednesday, May 6, 1970. Clear, quite cool, 37° in a.m. Pete mowed lawn in morning. I cleaned recreation room. Wrote to Pauls and Rons. We went to town a little. Got cabbage and tomato plants and set them out. Planted lima beans in truck patch and sweet corn. Put out glad bulbs. Trimmed roses. Went to choir practice.

Thursday, May 7, 1970. Fair, windy, warmer. Pete mowed around fences, etc. I painted bottom cupboards in kitchen and cleaned laundry and furnace room. We painted back stairway and back steps and put screens in upstairs in p.m.

Friday, May 8, 1970. Fair, real windy, 83°. I went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Pete cleaned up brush and some old sheds in Ash Grove. I went uptown, got medicine for Pete, got groceries. Done cleaning when got home. We went to funeral home at Danvers. Mrs. Ada Zook passed away.

Saturday, May 9, 1970. Partly cloudy, rained in p.m. and again in evening, 2/3 inch. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed my hair. Washed out uniform, etc. Planted Dalia and Begonia bulbs in morning. We planted mush melons and watermelons in afternoon. We went to Morton with Marie for supper. Gram and girls along. Rained hard all way home. Marie here all night.

Sunday, May 10, 1970. Fair, cooler, nice day. We went to church. Marie in town with Gram. We all went to CRs for dinner. We left early. We went to Dr. Stutzmans. Took salad and sandwiches. Discussion group met. Dunns, Clemens, Galloways, Florence Miller and Robert Patton there. Had interesting evening. Marie here all night. She and gram at CRS for supper.

Monday, May 11, 1970. Rained nearly all morning. Looked stormy, storm warnings out during day. I washed and done ironing. We went to Merles at 5:30. Got hamburgers, ate with her. Had nice visit. Had nearly 3 inches rain since Saturday.

Tuesday, May 12, 1970. Partly cloudy, warm and humid. We took Chevy to town to have fender fixed. I made salad, baked pies and lemon bars. Planted petunias girls gave me. We went after car at 3:00. Got supper. Anna Y[oder?] came from West Liberty at 4:30. She and girls here for supper. Tornado warnings out in night. Had some hail and wind. Blew limbs down in yard. Had 2 inches rain.

Wednesday, May 13, 1970. Partly cloudy, cooler. Had thunderstorm in night. Pete carried mail. I drove for him. Went to hospital in morning to talk to Elaine about hours. Went to bank after carrying mail and stopped at Grams. We went to choir practice in evening.

Thursday, May 14, 1970. Showered some, mostly cloudy. I went to Home Bureau with Mabel. We were on committee. We fixed meat dish (dried beef casserole). Gram went with us. Pete worked on limb, cutting it up. We went to girls for supper. Anna Y there. We played Yahtze.

Friday, May 15, 1970. Cloudy, showered some. Went to work at 7:00. Busy with admissions. Short of male beds. Pete finished cleaning up limb. I got things ready for supper. Emerson and Ruth Miller here. Had nice visit.

Saturday, May 16, 1970. Fair to partly cloudy, cooler. Pete carried mail. He ate lunch at girls. Mary with him on rest of route. I went to work at 7:00. Short of help. Went uptown, got meds for Pete. I done cleaning. Washed my hair. Pete mowed yard when he got home. We raked up grass.

Sunday, May 17, 1970. Fair, beautiful day. I went to work at 7:00. Quite busy in ER. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. Gram there too. We went to Merle's at 4:30. She took us and Rev. Gerings to Streid's for dinner. Went to her apartment. Had nice evening.

Monday, May 18, 1970. Fair, fine day, warm, rather windy. I washed and ironed. We went to town before noon. Got tomato plants, peppers and cauliflower and sweet potato [plants] and rose bush. Set out plants after dinner. We sowed flower seeds and cucumbers in p.m. Girls, Gram and Anna here in p.m. Mary helped us. We all went to Congerville for supper, then on to Eureka to see Eds.

Tuesday, May 19, 1970. Fine day, in 80s. We worked most of day. I cleaned paths and hoed some. I washed porch in p.m. Fed roses. We went to Heritage group meeting at Rev. Goerings.

Wednesday, May 20, 1970. Fair, in 80s. I cleaned silverware. Baked date brownie bars. Went to club meeting at Nina Fowlers. Took Mabel, Gram and Fern [Miller]. Went to Stutzmans. Got box of clothes for Allens. We planted sweetcorn. Pete plowed truck patch. Sprayed roses. Talked to Allen in morning.

Thursday, May 21, 1970. Fair, 83°. Pete carried mail. I took part of route. Met Pete in town, drove rest of way for him. I packed suitcases. Ida, Mary, Mrs. Yeakel, Pete and I left at to: 15 for Allens. Ate supper at Chariton. Got to Allens at 8:15. I drove most of way. Good to see them. Allen planting corn.

Friday, May 22, 1970. Fair, 90°. Looked rainy in evening. Allen finished planting corn. Pete disc for him. Neighbor helped awhile. Shirley, Mary and I papered Pamela's room. Ida made curtain for front door and helped us awhile in p.m. Cleaned [Pam's] room and moved furniture in.

Saturday, May 23, 1970. Partly cloudy. Had shower in evening. Allen helped landlord. Boys mowed yard. We ladies to Osceola in morning. Shirley got material for curtains in Pam's room. Ida made [curtains]. I got material for dress (pink). Mary baked cake. I baked coffeecake (quick). We went to Leon after supper to Allen's office. Got ice cream. Washed my hair.

Sunday, May 24, 1970. Hotly cloudy, 80°. We went to church with Allens. Left after church for home. Was good to be with Allens, always hate to leave. We got into thunderstorm west of Roseville. Had to stop awhile on account of rain. We got home at 4:30. Got ready, went to church supper, farewell for Emerson Millers and Jim *Huxnow* (sp?). Stopped to see Gram on way home.

Monday, May 25, 1970. Showered some in morning, fair in p.m., cooler. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine on vacation. Pete mowed yard and barnyard. I washed and ironed after got home.

Tuesday, May 26, 1970. Beautiful day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town in morning. Girls and we to Danvers after work. Ordered beef for freezer. Drove to Mackinaw [River] to see Helen Ebeling's home and flowers. Ate supper at Carlock. I baked brownies and wrote Rons when got home.

Wednesday, May 27, 1970. Fair, cool in morning, quite warm in p.m. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Pete plowed and hoed truck patch. We planted row of peas and some sweet corn and a few pole beans. I made meatloaf. We went to choir picnic at Don Augsburg's. Had homemade ice cream.

Thursday, May 28, 1970. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00, busy. Frank Birch (Karen M's husband) came in DOA.. Feel so sorry for Karen. Pete cleaned up in Ash Grove. I stopped at girls, tried on pink checked dress Ida is making. Got trimmings for neck.

Friday, May 29, 1970. Mostly cloudy, had some thundershowers. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to Danvers, got our meat for freezer. Went to town. Mary Brackman brought us 3 goslings. Done cleaning when got home. We took flowers to Cemetery. Gram with us. CRs left for Atlanta, GA.

Saturday, May 30, 1970. Hotly cloudy. Had several showers in evening. I washed my hair. Got things ready for dinner. Gram, Ida, Mary, Pearl and Minnie here for dinner and had lunch in evening. Had chicken. Girls brought strawberry shortcake.

Sunday, May 31, 1970. Partly cloudy, had shower East of us in p.m. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Went to Eds. Took cake, ice cream and strawberries for Ed's birthday. We went to Merles awhile in evening. Had ½ inch rain in night.

Monday, June 1, 1970. Cloudy, rained off and on. I washed and done ironing. Pulled some weeds in flowers. Millers put in new pressure pump for cistern. I went to town at 3:00. Got strawberries at Leischner's, 2 boxes for us and 3 for girls. Ida and Mary and I uptown, got towel set for Brenda Miller. Got some things for Gram. Stopped there on way home.

Tuesday, June 2, 1970. Cloudy, rained off and on, much cooler in evening. I baked coffeecake braid, cookies and cake (apricot) for Good Will Wednesday, We went to town while in p.m. Stopped at Glenn R[ader]'s. Took coffee cake and cookies. He isn't good. Got Ron billfold. Pete to Town meeting. I went to Good Will with Jeanette. Girls and I on committee.

Wednesday, June 3, 1970. Cloudy, cold, windy. I baked pecan rolls, defrosted icebox, ironed dress for Gram. I went to Ruth Miller's in evening to shower for Brenda Miller. Took Ida and Mary. We gave Brenda towel set. I stopped at Grams on way to town. Pete home.

Thursday, June 4, 1970. Mostly cloudy, had shower in evening, chilly. We went to town in morning. Ida along. I got material for dress (Aqua). Pete mowed yard in p.m. I worked in garden weeding. Virginia Ijams called. She's in town.

Friday, June 5, 1970. Rained most of morning, fair in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, short of help and beds. OR busy. Done all cleaning, washed my hair. Got lettuce, onions and radishes in getting things ready for company. CRs home from Georgia.

Saturday, June 6, 1970. Fair, fine day. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00. Busy, OR busy. Virginia Ijams home with me. Marie, Gram, Mary, Ida, Pearl, Minnie and CRs here for supper. Everyone brought something. Virginia here all night. Marie at CRs.

Sunday, June 7, 1970. Fine day, warmer. We had 8:00 [AM] breakfast with Virginia at Coachman. Virginia and Mrs. H left at 9:00 for Texas. We went to church. Had services first, then Sunday School. Good crowd. We were in discussion group. Home in PM. Marie to Chicago to meeting.

Monday, June 8, 1970. Fine day, warm, 82°. I washed and ironed, had extras. Hoed in garden some. Pete plowed garden and truck patch. We went to girls for supper. Rev. Gerings and Merle there too. We took Merle.

Tuesday, June 9, 1970. Fair, rather windy, warm. I baked coffeecake braid, finished telling garden. Pete hoed truck patch. I trimmed grass along north yard fence. We met train at 7:20. Marie home from Chicago. We stopped at Grams. Marie here all night.

Wednesday, June 10, 1970. Fair, warm, 83°. I cleaned oven, scrubbed and waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Pete to Yuton to get feed. We went to town in p.m. I went to Ida's. She cut out my dress (Aqua). Pete had car greased. Were home in evening. Fed and sprayed roses.

Thursday, June 11, 1970. Mostly fair, windy, warm. Pete carried mail. I helped him in morning. Went to Home Bureau picnic at Fairview Park. Met Pete at home at 2:00. Helped him finish [mail] route. We went to Merles in evening. Took her out to eat, Masters Place. Glenn (sp?) and Irene Davis went along.

Friday, June 12, 1970. Mostly cloudy, showered little at noon, warm, windy. Pete carried mail. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. OR real busy. Got my hair done. Done cleaning. Picked peas, put pint in freezer, had some for supper. Went to Chester Millers, got eggs.

Saturday, June 13, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Had little shower. Pete carried mail. Mary went with him in p.m. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Marie came home in morning. She, Gram, Ida,

Mary and we went to Golden West Restaurant for supper. Went to Eastland [Shopping Center]. Got PJs for Pete. Marie here all night.

Sunday, June 14, 1970. Cloudy, rained in p.m., looked stormy. Storm warnings out. We went to church and to Woizeski family reunion at Nob Hill. Small crowd. CRs and Gordons had picnic. Marie left in p.m. for Godfrey. We stopped at girls, Luella [Mishler] there. Allen called in evening. He and Steve plan to come Thursday.

Monday, June 15, 1970. Partly cloudy, showered little in p.m., very humid, cooler in p.m., looked stormy. Pete mowed yard and around garden. I washed and ironed. Clothes dried slow. Dug grass out along walks. Trimmed some grass along fence. CRs here awhile in evening.

Tuesday, June 16, 1970. Mostly cloudy, showered, rained hard in town at 6:00. Had tornado at Lexington. We took geese to John Brackmans in morning. Cleaned out garage. Got things ready for dinner. Alvin Beachys here for dinner on their way back to Newton. They left at 2:00. Pete to hospital at 4:30. Sorry he has to go. He's on S[elf] Care. I went to girls. We went to Heritage group meeting at Gerings.

Wednesday, June 17, 1970. Partly cloudy, fair in p.m., high 80s and humid. Went to work at 7:00. Pete had EKG and lab work done. I had busy day, short of beds. Got 4 boxes berries at Leischners. Put 4 quarts & 1 pint in freezer. Girls and I to Vera *Honighouse* (sp?) for supper. Had nice evening. Stopped to see Pete. Took him the mail.

Thursday, June 18, 1970. Fair, fine day, cooler. Went to work at 7:00. Another busy day. Rather long day for Pete. Edgars and Ruth Miller to see him. I went to bank. Washed my hair. Girls here, we plowed and hoed garden. They were here for supper. Allen and Steve got here at 11:15. Good to have them.

Friday, June 19, 1970. We went to hospital at 6:30. Pete to surgery at 8:00. Had hiatal hernia repaired, gastrectomy, 70% of stomach removed, also removed appendix and vagotomy [surgical division of fibers of the vagus nerve, to decrease secretion of stomach acid and control duodenal ulcer]. He came through surgery well. Dr. Causey gave anesthetic. Had to give him blood in evening, BP dropped. Feel so sorry for him. We came home at 10:30. So glad to have Allen and Steve. Pete had uncomfortable night.

Saturday, June 20, 1970. Cloudy, rained in evening. Pete very uncomfortable but doing as well as can be expected. Had 1 pint blood again in evening. We went to hospital in morning. Allen to see Gram and Mrs. Yeakel. Home for lunch. Steve plowed truck patch. Mary came. We hoed, planted sweetcorn and endive. Went to hospital and to girls for supper. Gram there. Pete rested fairly well in night.

Sunday, June 21, 1970. Partly cloudy, cool. Pete feeling little better. Got him up in chair. He looks better. We went to hospital at 8:30. Allen, Steve and I to church, then back to hospital.

Allen left for home at 11:20. Miss him but thankful he could be here. Steve stayed. We went to girls for dinner. They helped at graduation. Steve to Mrs. Yeakel. I stayed at hospital. We ate lunch at girls. Home at 9:00.

Monday, June 22, 1970. Fair, nice day. Pete feeling better. They took (unclear) out. Had another pint of blood. I washed and ironed some in morning. We went to town after dinner. Steve to Ida's. I went to hospital. Girls and I uptown. Got cream and sugar for Hazel Heiser. Ate at Hubbards. Went to alumni board meeting at nurses home. We were at girls all night.

Tuesday, June 23, 1970. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete better, up in chair and walked some. Moved him from ICU to [Room] 368. Steve with Ida to gift shop. We were at girls for supper. Came home. Jeanette and Mary stopped, also Paul Bates. Steve plowed garden and mowed some yard. Talked to Rons.

Wednesday, June 24, 1970. Fair, little cooler in evening. Defrosted icebox. Steve plowed garden. I hoed roses. Steve mowed yard. We went to town in p.m. Pete had his first food, 5 times a day, clear broth, Jell-O, cream of wheat and tea. Steve and I at CRs for supper. Gram, Gordon, Diana and Darren there. David to hospital. Pete walking more.

Thursday, June 25, 1970. Partly cloudy, warm and humid. Steve plowed some in truck patch. I baked lemon bars for girls in ICU. Picked beans, canned 3 quarts. Had [beans] for dinner and gave girls some. I went to hospital in p.m. Steve at Ida's. Pete walking halls. Girls, Steve and I at Dorothy's for supper. Val [Kampmeier]s and Harriet there. Stopped to see Pete on way home. At girls all night. David [Ropp] had hernia operation.

Friday, June 26, 1970. Partly cloudy, cooler in morning. Steve and I home at 8:00. I done cleaning. Steve trimmed evergreen and shrubbery. I went to town at noon. Steve to Darren's in p.m. I went to hospital. Pete feeling pretty good. We were at girls for supper. I came home at 5:00, washed my hair. Took Steve to Mrs. Yeakels awhile in evening.

Saturday, June 27, 1970. Fair, lovely day. I went to work 7 – 1230. Steve to Jersey Parish with Gordons. I moved Pete to self-care. [He] is getting more food, meat, vegetables and cooked fruit. I went to Hazel Heiser and Ted Lautzenheiser's wedding at 2:00. We helped at reception. Mitchell took book for me. Steve and I at girls for supper. I went to hospital in evening.

Sunday, June 28, 1970. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete doing real well. Had quite a lot of company in p.m., tired in evening. Steve at girls. They went to see Gram and Pete awhile. Girls, Steve and I to Merle's at 4:30. She took us all and Irene Davis to Morton for supper. Took drive to Peoria. Stopped to see Pete. Steve and I home all night.

Monday, June 29, 1970. Fair, windy, hot, 93°. Steve left from Carlock at 9:00 home. Gary with him. They went to Polaski with him by men's. I washed and ironed. Picked green beans and canned 7 quarts and 3 pints. Went to town at 4:00. Pete rather tired. He had a lot of company on

Sunday. Went to girls for supper, back to hospital. Girls to [Laura and May] Mohrs in evening to make dogs and favors. I went awhile. At girls all night.

Tuesday, June 30, 1970. Fair, hot, high 90s. Went home at 8:00. Worked in truck patch. Canned beets, 3 ½ quarts. Made 2 batches lemon bars and chocolate bars. Took OR, self-care, 3A and 3C some bars. Worked little in garden. Went to hospital at 2:45. Went to girls for supper and to Eastland to exchange PJs for Pete. Went to hospital a little. At girls all night.

Wednesday, July 1, 1970. Fair, hot, 101°. I went to hospital in morning, waited for doctor. Brought Pete home at 1:30. So happy to have him home again. Thankful for his good recovery. He got a lot of cards and flowers. I put things away, dusted up stairs. Sprayed roses in evening.

Thursday, July 2, 1970. Fair, hot, 96° – 98°. I went after Ida. We picked green beans. Lawrence and Martha Mishler came. Helped stem beans. They were here for dinner. They left after dinner. We canned 25 quarts beans. Mary came after Ida. They were here for supper. I worked in garden awhile. Pete pretty good.

Friday, July 3, 1970. Had rain and wind at 5:00 a.m. Mostly fair and cooler. Rons got here at 8:30 a.m. Good to see them. Thankful they had safe trip. They were at Harrisonville yesterday p.m. Left there at 11:00 last night. Ron and Jo slept until 4:00. I washed and ironed for Jo. Ron and I to bank and grocery store. Went for ride in evening.

Saturday, July 4, 1970. Mostly fair and cool. Rons unloaded the truck. Bill Dunn, Erwin Goerings and John Gundy helped. Girls came out, picked beans. They got what they wanted. I canned 7 quarts for Jo. Made salad. Jo and I washed our hair. She pinned it up. We all went to CRs for picnic supper. Dad went along but ate at home. Girls there too. Marie home.

Sunday, July 5, 1970. Beautiful day, quite cool. Rons and I to church. Pete to girls. We went to girls for dinner. Left early, looked at some houses. Gram and Marie at girls to. Parke Hastings came just as we got home. Rons and I to supper at church, farewell for Vern Swartley (sp?). Gil Webb to see Pete. Rons to Dunns at 9:00. We kept boys. Paul called.

Monday, July 6, 1970. Fine day, little warmer. Ron, boys and Pete to town. Got geese at Brackman's. Pete got haircut. We washed, had big one. We picked beans. Got 18 quarts. Jo ironed. Rons to church ball game. Ron playing on team. Clayton Aurenheimers (sp?) from Reedley came at 8:00. Here all night. Talked to Shirley to tell them Pauls were coming.

Tuesday, July 7, 1970. Had little shower in morning, fair. Rons and Claytons left at 7:45 for new Salem & Springfield. I washed beds, etc. and ironed. Went to Esther C[ash] at 2:30. Got permanent. Harold and Helen here in evening. Ron and Marty to church ballgame.

Wednesday, July 8, 1970. Fair, nice day, cooler. Ron to hospital at 7:15. Met with Bill Dunn. We picked beans, canned 13 quarts. Baked quick coffeecake and butterscotch pies. Pauls came at

3:30. Good to see them. Ron and Jo to town at 3:00 to look at houses. Boys here. Ron plowed truck patch in evening. Paul and I planted sweetcorn and cucumbers.

Thursday, July 9, 1970. Partly cloudy, cool. I went. Paul plowed it. Helped Jo work. She and Ron to town at 10:30 to look for houses. We kept boys. Marj and I canned 6 quarts pickled beets for her. Marvin and Frances got to girls at 4:50. We all went to girls for supper.

Friday, July 10, 1970. Fair, some warmer. I went to work at 7:00. Ron and Paul mowed yards and went to see Glenn Rader. Rons and Pauls to see Gram awhile in p.m. Howard Habegggers here a short time. Pete to town meeting in evening. Rons and I went to see some houses.

Saturday, July 11, 1970. Fair, quite warm. Pete and boys to men's breakfast. I baked bars and made ice cream dessert. Marj washed some. We picked beans. Canned 7 quarts and 3 pints. Big dish left over. Gerald and Sandy Wingard from Markham [Illinois] here for dinner and supper. They left at 8:00. We looked at pictures. I picked some peas.

Sunday, July 12, 1970. Fair, hot. We all went to church. Pete to girls during Sunday School. Rons and Paul took Pete and I to dinner. Girls along. Went to Student Union. Were home in PM. Pauls went to play tennis awhile. Gram, Ida and Mary here for supper. CRs and Rays here awhile in evening.

Monday, July 13, 1970. Fair, 93°. Rons and Pauls left at 10:00 for Allens. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine on vacation. Gurtners here in morning. They took Pete to Ponderosa Steak House for lunch. I done washing when got home. Girls here, we picked beans. Canned 4 quarts. Girls here for supper. I ironed some.

Tuesday, July 14, 1970. Fair, hot, 96°. I went to work at 7:00. Very busy day. First floor moved to A 2. Short [of] beds, lot of admissions. Stopped to see Gram. She and Mabel to annual Home Bureau meeting. I finished ironing. We went to Leicester Litwillers a little in evening. Had nearly 1 inch rain, glad for it.

Wednesday, July 15, 1970. Fair, cool, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Not quite so busy. Pete home, feeling pretty good. Rons and Paul got here about 5:00. They stopped at Eds on way home. They had nice time at Allens. I got supper. Had chicken, new peas and sweet corn.

Thursday, July 16, 1970. Fair, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Another busy day, short of beds. Pauls left at 10:00 for home. Was good to have had them. Jo washed beds, etc. Pete to Town meeting at Ed Millers. Marvins back from Michigan. They and girls here awhile in evening. Looked at our pictures.

Friday, July 17, 1970. Fair, warm. I washed 3 loads. Baked 2 Apple pies. Done all cleaning. Cooked applesauce and made salad. Jo not feeling well, in bed most of day. Ron to look at houses in p.m. Pete and Marty with Marvins to see Eds. Marvins, Ida and Mary here for supper. Ron to ballgame. Karl Ummels here in p.m. to see Pete.

Saturday, July 18, 1970. Cloudy, had thunder shower in p.m. I went to work at 7:00. Busy. Jo picked some beans. I canned 3 pints and put 2 quarts in freezer. I washed my hair. Rons to Dunns at 4:00. Pete and I to girls for supper. We ladies to Eastland awhile.

Sunday, July 19, 1970. Showered in morning and evening. We went to church. Rons to Bluffton alumni picnic at 3 Bears. We and girls took Marvins to Elms for dinner and went for drive around Lake. Girls, Marvins and I to hospital. They saw Julia. Took them through hospital. We went to Allens awhile. Girls took ice cream and cake.

Monday, July 20, 1970. Partly cloudy, fair in evening, much cooler. I went to work at 7:00. Rons to town in morning to look at houses. Marvins, Gram and girls here for supper. Had ham and sweet corn. Ida brought pies. Rons showed some pictures in evening.

Tuesday, July 21, 1970. Fair, cool, 54°, fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Ron at hospital in morning. Jo washed. Marvin here awhile in p.m. He and Pete to see new Lake. I picked some beans. I canned 3 pints. Worked in garden awhile and ironed after supper. Pete didn't feel very good in evening. Rons at Grieders awhile in evening.

Wednesday, July 22, 1970. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Jo washed some and hoed some in truck patch in morning. Ron mowed barnyard, plowed truck patch. He looked at houses in p.m. We went to girls for supper. Marvins went to *Masonbrinks* (sp?) for dinner.

Thursday, July 23, 1970. Mostly cloudy, cool. I baked cookies. Jo washed some. I washed uniform, etc. Marvins here for dinner. They went to Eds in PM. We canned 5 ½ quarts beets for Jo & made 5 quarts applesauce. Rons, Marvin and we to Farm Bureau and Service Company barbecue. Ron to ballgame afterward.

Friday, July 24, 1970. Fair, warm, rather humid. I went to work at 7:00. Ron made pen for geese. Jo made applesauce to freeze. They went to look for houses at 4:00. I fixed chicken, etc. We all went to Pearls for picnic supper. Marie home. She stayed at Pearls all night. I cleaned bedrooms.

Saturday, July 25, 1970. Fair, 90°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete and Ron to men's breakfast. Rons to look at houses in morning. Jo washed some and done cleaning. Pete helped. I washed my hair and put 2 quarts and 3 1½ pints peaches in freezer that Marie brought. Rons to Stan Clemens for supper. We went to CRs. Gram, Marie, Marguerite and Mildred there.

Sunday, July 26, 1970. Fair, warmer. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and Rons to church. They ate at hospital cafeteria. Took Jo through hospital. We were home in evening.

Monday, July 27, 1970. Fair, hot, 92°. Washed and canned 10 quarts beans. Done ironing. Ron to hospital and to Decatur to see about chaplaincy work. Rons to church ballgame in evening. I pulled weeds in Mellon patch.

Tuesday, July 28, 1970. Fair, hot, 93°. Ron to meeting at hospital in morning. We put 11 jars corn in freezer for Jo. Ron got bushel of apples. We made applesauce for freezer. Pete and I to town at 2:30. He went to dentist. I got towel set for Lucy Catherine [Patton]. Rons took us to dinner in evening. Looked at house. We went to Heritage group at Myrna P[arks].

Wednesday, July 29, 1970. Fair, hot, 90s and humid. Had shower in evening. Rons and we to look at Hruskas house on W. Washington St. Rd. [?] Rons left for Elkhart at 12:00. I baked coffeecake braid and cleaned up downstairs. Scrubbed kitchen and bathroom. Cooked some apples. Had shower in night.

Thursday, July 30, 1970. Mostly fair, little cooler, had shower in town. I picked 2 buckets of beans and defrosted icebox. Went to Shamel Manor at 9:00. Helped move Gram to another room. Cheaper, shares bathroom. I canned 7 quarts beans and [put] 4 quarts in freezer. We went to Merles in evening. She took us to Lynn's for supper.

Friday, July 31, 1970. Fair, hot, 96° and very humid. Had thunderstorm in evening and just a shower. Wish we could get some rain. I baked rolls. Worked in garden and truck patch. Pulled onions and picked tomatoes. Washed towels, rugs and covers from Davenport. We went to town awhile. Watered plants at girls. Pete got haircut and AM – FM transistor radio.

Saturday, August 1, 1970. Fair, cooler, not so humid. I went to work at 7:00. Picked some beans. Put 2 bags in freezer. We went to Streator at 5:45. Met Mary [at the train]. We ate supper there. Took her to town. Allen called in evening. Boys done well at 4-H fair and Deb won in horse show.

Sunday, August 2, 1970. Mostly fair, nice day. We stopped to see Gram on way to church. Harry Yoder preached. Mary home with us for lunch. Fixed things for picnic supper. We went to church picnic at Lake Bloomington at 4:00. Harry spoke about their trip. Had good crowd. We went to church at 8:00. Harry showed pictures.

Monday, August 3, 1970. Had one half inch rain early morning. Cleared off in morning, nice day. I washed and picked bucket of beans. Baked bars. Went to meeting at hospital. Pete to bank. Took beans to Mary, she stemmed them. I helped her can 6 pints and put rest in freezer for Shirley. Pete to Dr., he's doing okay. Town board met here in evening. I done ironing.

Tuesday, August 4, 1970. Cloudy, cool, showered in morning and at noon. I picked some beans. Put 4 bags in freezer. Picked lima beans, put 2 1½ pints and 1 pint in freezer. Picked nearly bushel of tomatoes. Went to Normal. Got Rons mail and took Gerings cabbage and a few tomatoes. I mowed some along fence and him back. Gram and Mary here for supper.

Wednesday, August 5, 1970. Cloudy. We left for Allens at 8:30. Drove in rain off and on all day. Got to Allens at 2:30. Thankful for safe trip. Shirley and Allen working. Good to see them all. We went to rodeo at Osceola. Debbie wrote her horse in queen contest. She did real well.

Thursday, August 6, 1970. Cloudy, looked real rainy at times, showered little here. Debbie washed some. I pulled some weeds. We picked tomatoes and got sweet corn. Took Pam to birthday party at 2:00. Went to groceries at Weldon, then to Humeston to get green peppers for chili sauce. Allens left at 4:00 a.m. for Minnesota and Canada.

Friday, August 7, 1970. Had 1 ¼ inch rain early morning. Mostly cloudy, humid. I made 15 pints chili sauce. Debbie washed. We done ironing. Pete and I to Weldon to get jar rubbers. Boys cut some thistles. Called Orvies in evening. Ask them and Marvins to come up while we are here.

Saturday, August 8, 1970. Had thunderstorm & ½ inch rain early a.m. Cloudy, misted in evening, little cooler. We cleaned up house and back porch. Washed my hair and pinned it up. Steve mowed ditches. They cut some thistles in morning. Had inch of rain at home.

Sunday, August 9, 1970. Cloudy, real foggy. Partly cloudy in evening. We went to church and Sunday School. We took children to dinner at Nicks. Had Smorgasbord. We went to Don Harpers awhile in p.m. Don wasn't home. We went fishing in evening. I caught several. Looked at our pictures in evening.

Monday, August 10, 1970. Mostly fair, rather humid. Pete and I to Leon in morning. Debbie caught 7 fish in morning. We had fish for supper. We washed in p.m. Boys and I picked bucket of tomatoes. I pulled weeds in garden. Debbie made peach crisp for supper. Youngsters rode horses in evening.

Tuesday, August 11, 1970. Fair, pleasant day. I fixed ½ gallon dill pickles. Pulled weeds in garden. Boys cut thistles. I ironed in p.m. Debbie, Pete and I to Weldon to groceries. Debbie rode her horse in evening. Talked to Rons. They got back from Ohio Monday evening. Ron to Springfield [state fair]. Jo put corn in freezer.

Wednesday, August 12, 1970. Fair, warmer. I canned 6 quarts tomato juice and finished pulling weeds in garden. Boys finished cutting thistles. Steve plowed garden. We took boys and Pam swimming at Leon. Debbie didn't want to go. Mended in evening. Ida home from Missouri.

Thursday, August 13, 1970. Fair, nice day, warm. Debbie washed some. I picked lima beans. Put 3 ½ pints in freezer. Debbie baked cake. I baked lemon bars. Made casserole for supper. We all went to pond east of house. Kids fished. I knitted some.

Friday, August 14, 1970. Fair, nice day, good breeze. I baked coffeecake braid. Deb washed sheets, etc. We took saddle back to *Woosleys* (sp?) and [went] to [get] groceries at Garden Grove. I ironed in p.m. Made pudding for supper. Boys mowed yard. We picked tomatoes.

Saturday, August 15, 1970. Mostly fair, looked rainy in evening. I canned 7 quarts tomatoes. We done all of cleaning. I made cherry dessert. Washed my hair. Pete and I to store, got milk. Allens got home at 8:00 PM. Glad to see them. Thankful they had good trip.

Sunday, August 16, 1970. Fair, little cooler. We all went to church. Home in PM. Allens rode horses in evening. We fished awhile. Looked at some pictures in evening.

Monday, August 17, 1970. Looked rainy in morning. We left Allens at 8:20. Sprinkled little, but soon drove out of it. Got home at 2:30. Thankful for safe trip. Shirley and Allen went to work. Ron started his work as chaplain at hospital. We went to church ballgame at Towanda. Joe Hartzler passed away.

Tuesday, August 18, 1970. Mostly fair, warm. Had rain in early morning. We went to see Gram. She isn't feeling good (back). We went to hospital to see Ron and got my check. Ron with us for lunch. We went shopping in p.m. We went to Merles, then to Grady for supper. Jimmy and his wife there. Had good visit with them. Ron at Drs. dinner.

Wednesday, August 19, 1970. Partly cloudy. Looked rainy and stormy in evening. We canned 18 quarts tomato juice. Jo baked cake. Pete and Marty picked 2 ½ bushels tomatoes. Pete and I to town at 4:00 to see Gram. She's little better. Girls and we were going to Flanagan to see Joe Hartzler family but too stormy. Had big rain in town. We had 1 inch in night.

Thursday, August 20, 1970. Mostly cloudy in morning. Fair in p.m., cooler. We made 5 pints peach marmalade and 3 ½ pints peach preserves. We went to town in p.m. Boys at Ida's. I mowed along fences in evening. Got tomatoes ready for chili sauce. Took girls ¾ bushel of tomatoes.

Friday, August 21, 1970. Fair, nice day. We made 11 pints chili sauce. Done all of cleaning. Pete mowed yard. I ironed some. Ron to work. Marie back from vacation. She, Gram and Ida here for supper. Gram better. Mary to Ohio with Nafzigers. Marie here all night. Leslie Hoffman died.

Saturday, August 22, 1970. Cloudy, rained in morning, ½ inch. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and Ron to men's breakfast. Pete to Township chicken dinner at *Lucus* (sp?) forest. Marie and Rons to hospital at noon. I ate lunch with them. Ron saw patient. Showed Marie some of hospital. Gram here for supper to. I washed my hair after supper. Jo pinned it up.

Sunday, August 23, 1970. Fair, cool, beautiful day. Marie left for Godfrey at 9:00. We all went to church. Ron and [Rev.] Gering had panel. Ida here for dinner. She, Pete and boys and I to Eds. Rons to look at house. We went to Carlock funeral home to see Leslie Hoffman family. Took Ida home. Gram feeling better.

Monday, August 24, 1970. Fair, cool, fine day. Had big washing. Canned 21 quarts tomato juice and put 19 pints corn in freezer. Ironed some in evening. Pete and I got chickens at Ed Millers. Ron to work. Had dinner meeting in evening. [He got] Home late.

Tuesday, August 25, 1970. Fair, some warmer. We dressed 15 hens in morning. Put them in freezer. Jo and I to town in p.m. Got bushel of peach culls. I met with Mrs. Freed for evaluation.

Pete took boys to CRs to watch them milk. Finished ironing and we put 8 jars peaches in freezer. Ron had meeting in evening.

Wednesday, August 26, 1970. Fair, warm. Finished working up peaches. Put 8 – 9 jars in freezer. Jo made preserves. She and Ron looked at houses in morning. I went to Gerings in p.m. They loaded their furniture in morning. Harvella [Stutzman] and I helped clean house. Rons to show in evening. We took Merle and Dudleys to Ponderosa Steak House for supper. I baked cookies.

Thursday, August 27, 1970. Fair, nice day, warm. We made 11 pints chili sauce. Jo took Marty to Fairview [School] to register. Ida came out with her. Got things ready for supper. Rev. Gerings here for supper.

Friday, August 28, 1970. Fair, quite warm. Went to work at 7:00. Ron with me. Jo took Marty to school. He came home on bus at noon. Rons to look at house at 713 N. School. They bought it. I worked in garden when got home. Washed my hair and set it. Stopped to see gram. Mary home. Billy with her.

Saturday, August 29, 1970. Fair, real warm and humid. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and Rons to town in morning. I got off at 2:00. OR took book. Got ready for wedding. Went to Brenda Miller and Bob Tomlinson wedding at Funks Grove at 4:00. Reception there. Went to Paul [Miller]s for lunch.

Sunday, August 30, 1970. Fair, hot. I went to work at 7:00. Busy day, admissions, etc. Rons and Pete to church. Had farewell dinner for Rev. Gerings. I couldn't get relief to go. Ron to Old Mennonite conference at Lake Bloomington awhile in p.m. Pete and I to girls for supper. Bill Yoder, Mary Yoder and Libby Nofzinger there.

Monday, August 31, 1970. Fair, cooler, fine day. Washed, trimmed grass along walks. We canned 13 quarts tomato juice in p.m. Picked mush melons and watermelons. I picked lima beans. Put 4 pints in freezer. Ron had dinner and meeting in evening.

Tuesday, September 1, 1970. Fair, nice day. I baked coffeecake braid. We worked in truck patch. Jo and I to town in p.m. Got groceries, stopped at Grams. Jo and I to Good Will [Circle]. Ron and boys to ball game at Hudson. Delmar Woizeskis here from California. Pete took them to see Gram and CRs.

Wednesday, September 2, 1970. Fair, had big rain in town in evening, none here. Delmar Woizeskis came in morning. Pete with them. Made calls in town. They were here for dinner in p.m. Gram here too. We had picnic at Fairview Park in evening. Quite a few of cousins came. Had rain storm. They came here after supper to visit.

Thursday, September 3, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Misted at times. They had rain in town. Del and Pete to town. Marie stayed here. I baked pecan rolls and lemon bars. Delmars here for lunch.

They left for Chicago at 1:30. Jo washed. We put some peaches in freezer. I made 2 pints preserves. Rons to town in evening. Shopped, got new TV.

Friday, September 4, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Rained hard in town at noon. Had 1/3 inch here. I went to work at 7:00 with Ron. Auxiliary had bake sale. I took coffeecake and pecan rolls and lemon bars. Made over \$100. We got groceries on way home. Rons to Howard Palmers for supper. Pete and I to Normal new bank. Ate at Steak & Shake. I washed my hair. Cleaned up living room. Jo washed.

Saturday, September 5, 1970. Partly cloudy. Men to men's breakfast. I cleaned up bathroom and kitchen. Got things ready for dinner. Rons and we to Ropp Reunion at Ash St., Park. Rather small crowd. Roy Kings from Goodfield here awhile. Got some of Ropp history. I picked cucumbers. Jo canned 3 ½ gallons and 2 quarts. Pete and I to Luella M[ishler's] for picnic supper.

Sunday, September 6, 1970. Cloudy, rained in morning and in PM. We all went to church. Rev. Leon Martins first sermon. We all went to CRs for picnic. We had planned to go to Funks Grove but too rainy. Gordons, Gram and Marie there. We were home in evening.

Monday, September 7, 1970. Fair, hot and humid. We washed. Rons and we to town. We bought Irene Cordes' car, 66 Buick LeSabre, cream color with black top. We and Rons to their house on School Street. Ron stopped at hospital. Went back in evening. Mabel and Carol got 3 – 4 bushels tomatoes. We picked lima beans. Girls came out for limas. Here for supper. Rained some in night.

Tuesday, September 8, 1970. Fair, cooler, nice day. Made 11 pints chili sauce and 8 quarts tomato juice. Worked in garden and truck patch in evening. Ed and Oliver stopped. Ed was to Dr. (name unclear). Had skin cancer treated. We took Rons to Ponderosa for supper.

Wednesday, September 9, 1970. Partly cloudy. Had rain storm at 10:00, ½ inch rain. We canned 11 quarts dills. Baked carrot cookies. Pete and I to Gailey's at 1:00. Pete has cataract surgery scheduled for October 22. Rons to auction at Wapella in evening. I went to hospital. Helped address letters for alumni for open house at hospital. Pete kept boys.

Thursday, September 10, 1970. Fair, cool, nice day. I baked coffeecake braid and bars. Jo washed. We cleaned up house. Pete mowed yard. Ron to ballgame in evening. I went to 6th district potluck supper at Nob Hill. Went with Elaine and F. Bell. Marty home with temp.

Friday, September 11, 1970. Fair, in 40s, nice day. Jo and we to their house. Cleaned, washed woodwork and waxed floors. Ate lunch at Ida's. She helped in p.m. Mary came at 5:30 and helped. We got hamburgers. Ate at girls. Went back to house. Finished cleaning. Marty to school at noon. Rons to town at 10:00 to close the deal. Had shower in night.

Saturday, September 12, 1970. Cloudy, showered some in p.m. Had 1¾ inches rain in night. We helped Rons move to 713 North School. CR, Cy [Colter], Stan Clemens helped here. Howard Palmer and John Gundy helped in town. Mabel brought dinner. Ida and Mary helped all day.

Girls and I to Hubbard's covered for supper. Washed my hair. Pete and Ron to Men's Night at ISU. We got '66 Buick, yellow with black top, with less than 14,000 miles. Has air-conditioning.

Sunday, September 13, 1970. Cloudy, misted some, real chilly. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Ida Leischner and her sister, Lucy S. & Florence Kinsinger there. Stopped to see Gram. Ron and boys at church. Jo too tired. We went to Merle's in evening. Looked at pictures. Mary Davis and Marguerite there. We stopped at Rons.

Monday, September 14, 1970. Cloudy. Rained most of day. I did washing. Also Jo ironed. Jo and Jon here in morning. Got load of things. They have the Rambler. We went to town in p.m. Jo along to Thrift Shop. I got green skirt. We had light adjusted at John Brackman's and got insurance on Buick.

Tuesday, September 15, 1970. Mostly fair. Had rain at 4:30. I baked 3 pies in morning. We went to Rons. Helped Jo unpack more boxes. Went back to hospital to see Ed Miller. He's getting along fine. I cleaned part of dining room rug. Earl [Kaufman]s, Phil [Patton]s and we out to eat. Went to Barneys. Phils drove.

Wednesday, September 16, 1970. Cloudy in morning, fair. We picked tomatoes, pickles and lima beans. Washed them. Made 5 quarts dills. Gave girls some [pickles/cucumbers], also lima beans. I cleaned 2 closets in our bedroom. Went to club meeting at Marie Heiser. Took Gram. Pete put tar on house roof. We went to choir practice. Ann Miller directing.

Thursday, September 17, 1970. Mostly cloudy, showered in evening. I canned 9 quarts tomatoes. I went to district (unclear) meeting at Danvers. Jo and I and Mabel went with Roberta. Pete and I to town at 4:30. Got new plates for Buick. Got groceries. Went to girls for supper. Sam Kings and Jon and Lucy Miller there.

Friday, September 18, 1970. Cloudy in morning. Cleared off. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to went to Ed Millers awhile. He mowed yard. Jo here, washed. I washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We and girls to Dr. R[obert] Stutzmans in evening, to Under Shepherd (?) meeting. Girls came out after work, got cucumbers. Packed suitcases.

Saturday, September 19, 1970. Fair, fine day. We left at 8:00 for Ann Arbor. Got to Pauls at 2:45. Good to see them. We took vegetables, also beans and tomato juice. Benjamin is walking some.

Sunday, September 20, 1970. Partly cloudy. We visited. Were outside while. Went for walk. Went to library & Paul's office in p.m. Andy not feeling well in evening. Stomach upset and temp. Benjy starting with cold.

Monday, September 21, 1970. Mostly fair, hot. Paul to school. Boys not feeling too well. I washed some for Marjorie. Judy Kingsley at Pauls for supper. Andy felt better but Benjamin has temp. Had big rain at home. Rained most of night.

Tuesday, September 22, 1970. Cloudy. Left Pauls at 8:45 for home. Drove in intermittent rain until Joliet. Then rained hard rest of way. Had 3 ¾ inches since Monday. Got home at 3:30. Unpacked suitcases. We went to Rons for supper. Stopped to see Gram. Thankful for safe trip.

Wednesday, September 23, 1970. Mostly cloudy, quite warm in p.m. Storm warnings out in evening. Rained in night. Had over 4 inches rain since Monday. I washed. Had sheets and rugs, etc. from upstairs. Cleaned the 2 rooms upstairs and ironed. Big day. We went to Eastland. Got blouse for Pam. Went to choir practice.

Thursday, September 24, 1970. Mostly cloudy, cooler, rather windy. I baked coffeecake braid. Washed bedding and cleaned our bedroom. Jo and Jon here. She did big washing. Pete picked cucumbers and tomatoes. Took them to Paul Millers. We went to open house at hospital. Alumni night.

Friday, September 25, 1970. Fair, nice day. I cleaned West bedroom. Washed bedding. Done my hair. Pete mowed yard. I helped. We went to town at 3:00. Got boys. Ron took Jo to Dr. Her arm and shoulder hurt her. We went to Normal & Farm Bureau. Ordered car license. Ron took us all to Mr. Quick's for supper. We went to visitation for Mrs. Anna Nord.

Saturday, September 26, 1970. Cloudy, much cooler. Had one half inch rain. Cleared off in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Rons here awhile in p.m. I baked bars and put 2 quarts peaches in freezer. We went to Rons for supper. Jon's birthday. Gram and girls there too. I took endive. Gave Jon pair of pants.

Sunday, September 27, 1970. Fair, real cool, 40s. Packed suitcases. We left with Clarence and Mabel at 9:00 for Allens. Got here at 3:30. CRs here a short time, then they went on to Cedar Falls to some friends. Pam having a birthday party in p.m. Good to see Allens again.

Monday, September 28, 1970. Fine day, 42°. Shirley and Allen went to work. Children to school. I done the washing and ironing for Shirley. Allen had meeting in evening.

Tuesday, September 29, 1970. Another fine day. Warmer. I washed our sheets and some blankets. Cooked kettle of apples. Shirley and Allen to work. Allen home at 1:30. He took us to Ottumwa [Iowa]. Met CRs there. Left there at 4:50. Got home at 9:15. Good to be with Allens. Always miss them. Andy has mumps.

Wednesday, September 30, 1970. Fine day, cool. I washed. Washed some rugs, etc. Cleaned hall and Cedar closet. Done ironing. Cleaned rug in living room and dining room and cleaned furniture. Didn't go to choir practice.

Thursday, October 1, 1970. Fair, nice day. Finished cleaning the living and dining room. Washed curtains and woodwork in kitchen and washed floors, also bathroom floor. Jo here, brought Jon out. She went to Neighborhood Club. We and girls to Eastland in evening. Got Allen shirt and Marty trousers for their birthdays.

Friday, October 2, 1970. Fine day, foggy in morning. I went to work at 7:00. Pete done some odd jobs. I baked cookies when got home. Rons took us to NCHS homecoming game. Rons little late. Helped at open house at hospital. We took boys home and put them to bed. Rons stayed for alumni hour.

Saturday, October 3, 1970. Fair, windy and real chilly. Took Pete to men's breakfast. I went to ladies. Washed my hair. Baked quick coffeecake and cooked apples. Pete mowed yard. We and girls to Eds in p.m. Helped get things ready for their sale. Marie home. She, Gram, girls and we to Master's Place to eat. Went to Rons awhile. Marie here all night.

Sunday, October 4, 1970. Fine day, chilly, had Frost. We went to church. Had communion. Marie to Grams in morning. We and Gram, Marie, Jon and Marty to girls for dinner. Rons at dinner at hospital. Marie back to Godfrey. Gram home. We all went to Hospital Dedication at 2:00. We didn't stay for open house. We went back to girls with boys. Ron tour guide. Talked to Shirley.

Monday, October 5, 1970. Nice day, warmer, rather windy. I washed. We put up storm windows. Washed windows. Went to bank. Girls and we to Peoria at 4:00. I got red dress. Ida got green one and Mary got material. I done ironing when got home.

Tuesday, October 6, 1970. Partly cloudy, rather chilly wind. Pete and I to Eureka. Helped Eds move to Maple Lawn Home. We ate dinner there too. Think they will like it. I cleaned bathroom when got home. Jo and boys here awhile. I went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, October 7, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Had shower in morning and in evening. I cleaned broom closet and cupboards in kitchen. We went to town in p.m. Took Gram to Dr. She had flu shot. Pete and Ron to Sale Barn awhile. I went to girls. Jon there. Jo at choir. Pete and I to Edgars for supper.

Thursday, October 8, 1970. Cloudy, rained in morning, gloomy. I went to work at 7:00. Busy. We went to Merle's for supper. Irene Davis there too. Merle not feeling good, lot of pain. Called Dr. McGinnis. He thought she should go to hospital tonight instead of Sunday. We took her in.

Friday, October 9, 1970. Cloudy, windy. Rained in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Had gunshot victim. Died 45 minutes after admission. Got off work late. Done some cleaning. We went to Hubbard's with Rons for Marty's birthday. Girls along. Took Merle our radio. Talked to Shirley.

Saturday, October 10, 1970. Fair, fine day, in 30s in morning. We went to town to bank in morning. Got groceries. Rons here. Jo washed some. Men took Pearl's old buffet to town. Gordon took them. Rons here for dinner. I cleaned recreation room and washed car. Washed my hair. Got things ready for dinner.

Sunday, October 11, 1970. Fair, lovely day, cool. Rons, Gram, girls, Mrs. Yeakel and we left at 8:30 to Nauvoo [Iowa]. Met Allens there. Had picnic and good visit. Boys played football. We drove around and visited the museum. Started home at 3:45. We ate lunch in Pekin. Rons and Mary came on home. A nice day. Good to be with Allens.

Monday, October 12, 1970. Cloudy in morning, like shower early. Sun shone awhile. I washed and cleaned fruit room. Ironed some. Went to town, stopped to see Merle. Pete to Dr. for checkup before eye surgery. Went to yarn shop. Got yarn for Shell. Finished ironing. Went to girls for supper and to Eastland. I got material for dress.

Tuesday, October 13, 1970. Cloudy, foggy, rained in p.m. and evening. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Elaine to meeting. Jo came after Pete, took him to dentist. He came home with me. He visited with Julia and Merle awhile. We ate at Specialty before we came home.

Wednesday, October 14, 1970. Rained some in morning. Had 1 ½ inches since yesterday morning. Cleared off in p.m. I baked pecan rolls and cleaned laundry room. Went to town in p.m. Took Merle home from hospital. Stopped to see Gram. Also girls. Tried on my Navy dress. Jon there while Jo went to choir. Home in evening.

Thursday, October 15, 1970. Fair, colder. I went to Illinois women's meeting at Meadows with Mary, Ida and Jo. Had good meeting. Pete kept Jon. He worked in barn. I cleaned up bedrooms. Pete to Town meeting in evening. I wrote to Mick [Mishler]s.

Friday, October 16, 1970. Fair, fine day, cool. Had frost. I went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete worked some in barn. I finished cleaning and washed my hair. Home in evening.

Saturday, October 17, 1970. Fair, fine day, frosty. Pete and Ron to men's breakfast. I went to girls for breakfast. We left at 8:00 ends sale. Helped carry things out. Pete and Ron there at 9:00. Sale started at 12:15. Dishes sold high. Got sheet and bath set. Ron bought buffet, sheets and tablecloth. Jon, boys, Kay and her friend there awhile in p.m.

Sunday, October 18, 1970. Fair, fine day, real frosty. We went to church. Girls and we to Owen Kanegys. Had potluck dinner. I took 2 chickens. Herman Smuckers from Oregon there. Had nice visit. We went to Home to see Eds. Stopped to see Gram on way home.

Monday, October 19, 1970. Moshe cloudy, rained in evening. I washed and ironed. Pete dug Dahlia bulbs and tuberous begonias and carrots. We went to town awhile before noon. Jo here in p.m. Washed 2 loads. We defrosted freezer., Divided things to Jo. Covered roses with dirt. Herman Smuckers here. We went to girls for supper. Rons too. Herman's here all night.

Tuesday, October 20, 1970. Cloudy, misty, chilly. Herman's left here at 10:50 for Fisher. I baked coffeecake braid and 2 pumpkin pies and lemon bars. Washed guest bed and ironed. Rons here in evening. Men took air-conditioner out. Rons here for supper. Had chicken and biscuits.

Wednesday, October 21, 1970. Foggy, cloudy and chilly. Sun shone some in p.m. We came to town at 10:00. Took Pete to Gailey's. He went to hospital, had lunch. I went to Forest Park, Garfield winner-loser picnic. Took chicken and salad. Was chilly. Went to hospital after dinner. Admitted Pete to [Room] 205 for I surgery. We went out a while to Merle's and ate at Ponderosa. I was at Rons all night.

Thursday, October 22, 1970. Partly cloudy, little warmer. Pete had cataract surgery on his left eye at 10:00 a.m. I went to OR with him. Took an hour. He got along fine. Slept quite a lot. Jo and Jon had lunch with Ron and I at hospital. I went home at 4:30, done chores. Went to girls for supper. Knitted some on Shell. Went to Rons all night.

Friday, October 23, 1970. Rained some early, partly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete up in chair 15 minutes. Doing well. I went home after work. Done chores. Boys with me. Went to girls for supper and to hospital awhile. At Rons all night.

Saturday, October 24, 1970. Fair, nice day, warmer. Went to hospital. Fed and bathed Pete. Went home at noon. Washed out some things. Ron came in p.m. Jo washed. Ron and Stan Clemens cleaned out top floor of barn for party. Back to hospital at 5:00. She, Gram, girls and I to Hubbard's for supper. I babysat with boys. Rons invited out. Marie and I at Rons all night. Laura Mohr passed away at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 25, 1970. Fair in morning. Cloudy in p.m. Went to hospital. Pete up more. Went to church and to girls for dinner and back to hospital. Took Gram to funeral home. We went to CRs. I helped with lunch for family. Rons, Gram and we gave them a ham. Had 25 for lunch. Took Gram home and stopped at hospital. Marie home in morning. Talked to Allens and Pauls in evening.

Monday, October 26, 1970. Partly cloudy, warm, showered little in evening. I went home in morning. Washed and ironed some. Jo here washing. I went to town at 1:00, saw Pete. Ron and I to Laura Mohr's funeral. Back to hospital and to girls for supper. Tried on my dress (rose) and back to hospital. Pete had more company. Is up and walked in hall. Went to Rons all night.

Tuesday, October 27, 1970. Cloudy, rained in evening. I went to hospital, then to Esther Cash, got permanent. Stopped at hospital, then to girls for supper. Girls and I to Heritage meeting at Florence Millers. At Rons all night.

Wednesday, October 28, 1970. Cloudy, rainy and colder, partly cloudy in evening. Went to hospital. Stopped at Ida's. Her [sewing?] machine broke. Got one at church. She and I to Eastland. Got slip for Merle. Came home in PM. Jo here too, getting basement ready for Junior choir party. Roasted wieners in fireplace. Rons and Jon Reimers brought children out. At Rons all night.

Thursday, October 29, 1970. Fair, fine day. I went to hospital a while@uptown. Got groceries and back to hospital. Pete up most of the time. Came home at 4:00, chored and got ready. Went to Employees Banquet at ISU. Ida and Mary along. Rons there too. Large crowd. Phyllis Wilcox employee of year. Dr. Wellmerling honored with pin for 50 years service. Went to Rons all night.

Friday, October 30, 1970. Mostly cloudy, chilly, windy. Went to work at 7:00. Rather busy. Brought Pete home from hospital after work. Good to have him home again. Rons and boys here a little for trick-or-treats. Glenn Rader passed away at noon.

Saturday, October 31, 1970. Fair, quite cool. Pete feeling okay. I baked bars and took them to Margaret Rader. Washed 3 loads. Done all of cleaning. Baked 3 pumpkin pies. Got endive in and ironed. Went to Chet Millers, got eggs. Rons, Bill [Dunn]s, and Stan [Clemens]s here awhile getting ready for 20th Century Class party. Had it in West barn. Boys stayed with us.

Sunday, November 1, 1970. Cold, real frosty, cloudy in p.m. Got things ready for dinner. I went to church. Pete home. Gram, Rons, Ida and Mary here for dinner. Rons to funeral home at 2:00. Stan Clemens here at 3:00 to clean up from last night. Girls and I to funeral home at 3:00. Large crowd. Rons home at 4:00. Gram and girls here for lunch. Paul called in evening.

Monday, November 2, 1970. Mostly cloudy, chilly. I washed and ironed. Ed Miller here in morning. Visited with Pete. I went to Glenn Rader's funeral at 1:30. Went with CRs and Carol. Large crowd. I mowed lawn when got home. Went with girls to Birkelbaus. Got apples for us and Rons.

Tuesday, November 3, 1970. Cloudy, had little shower, had heavy rain Southwest of here. I baked date-nut bread and apple pudding. Worked in yard. Raked leaves. Went to vote in p.m. Took Minnie some candy for her birthday. Rons took Chevy to Jon Brackman's in evening. I went to Good Will with Jeanette. Pete doing okay.

Wednesday, November 4, 1970. Rained in morning, windy, cold. I baked cinnamon rolls and polished silverware. Rev. Martin here awhile in p.m. Cooked squash and put 5 containers in freezer. Rons brought Chevy home. Here for supper. Had waffles and sausage.

Thursday, November 5, 1970. Cleared off in morning, nice day, chilly. I baked coffeecake braid. Put summer clothes away. Went to town in p.m. Took some dresses to Ida to shorten. Pete stayed there. Jon with me. Jo Meeting. Took Ida uptown. Done some shopping. We got groceries and got Christmas cards in Normal.

Friday, November 6, 1970. Fair, nice day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Very busy day, lots of admissions, also emergency room. Pete home alone. Furnace man here to talk about new furnace. Mr. Peden here in evening to see Chevy. Plans to take it.

Saturday, November 7, 1970. Fair, beautiful day, warmer. Done cleaning and washed my hair. Done some endive. We went to town in p.m. Sold Chevy to Ray Peden. Got rugs for bedroom. Mary and I to knit shop. Pete at Ida's. Had car washed. Stopped at Merles.

Sunday, November 8, 1970. Fair in morning, clouded up. I went to church. Pete to girls. We were there for dinner. Gram and Rons there too. Rons, Mary and I to Nurses Dedication. Ron was speaker. Gave a good talk. We were home in evening. Wrote Allens. Got material from Sunday School for Shirley.

Monday, November 9, 1970. Cloudy, rained, gloomy day. I washed and ironed some. Baked cake. Blew fuse. Baked cake at Mabel's. IPL [Illinois Power & Light] came out. We went to town at 1:30. Pete to Rons. Ida, Mary and I to Bazaar. I took cinnamon rolls and coffecake and date bread. Worked at 2nd [?] and directed traffic in food line. Took Buick to John Brackman.

Tuesday, November 10, 1970. Cloudy, fair in evening. We took Skippie to vet for rabies shot. We went to town at 9:30. Jo, Ida and I to Bazaar. Pete stayed at girls. I left at 1:00. Pete and I to Federal Savings. Got Jo and Ida at 2:00. Buick at Jon Brackman's. Went to Grams awhile. She and we to Edgars for supper. Harriet there too.

Wednesday, November 11, 1970. Cloudy, chilly. Baked lemon bars for girls on Eye Wing. We went to Gailey's at 10:00. Got out at 12:30. Pete doing well. Got training glasses. We ate at hospital cafeteria. Laura Withum bought our lunch. Got play suit for Benjy. Got supper for company. Merle, Clara Schlenker and girls here for supper.

Thursday, November 12, 1970. Mostly cloudy. Went to Home Bureau at Vrooman Hall. Had tour of kitchen. Ate lunch there. Very interesting. Mabel with me. Done some odd jobs when got home. Made salad for Kate Spencer family. Took it to girls.

Friday, November 13, 1970. Cloudy, real chilly. Went to work at 7:00. Rather busy, not many rooms, OR busy. Ed Millers here awhile. Washed my hair and done cleaning when got home. Knitted awhile. Kate Spencer's funeral in p.m.

Saturday, November 14, 1970. Cloudy, rained, windy, much colder. Ida, Mary, Pete and I to Eureka to Lydia Kenagy's funeral at 10:30. Feel so sorry for the family. Saw a lot of relatives. We had dinner at the church. Stopped to see Nettie. Ed went to funeral. We went to Rons in evening. Stayed with boys. Rons to Bluffton alumni banquet at El Paso.

Sunday, November 15, 1970. Clear, cold, in 20s. We went to church. Dad got along okay. Ron preached. Jr. choir sang. We kept boys. Went to girls for dinner and to Rons for supper. Girls to Kiwanis pictures with Luella [Mishler].

Monday, November 16, 1970. Fair, real frosty. Washed and ironed. Put flower seeds away. Cooked pumpkin, 5 quarts. Put in freezer. Went to girls. Made fruitcakes. There for supper. Girls,

Jo and I to Eastland. Got material for jumper for Jo's birthday. Ida going to make it. Pete, Ron and boys at girls. Watched football.

Tuesday, November 17, 1970. Fair, nice day. Cleaned oven, baked ginger cookies and covered roses. We went to Dixons Fish Market at Peoria with Merle and Mrs. Tice. Got some fish and oysters. Got some for Rons. Home in evening. Baked lemon bars for Volunteer Tea.

Wednesday, November 18, 1970. Fair, fine day. Cleaned off flowers in garden. I went to Illinois Mennonite nurses meeting at *Zusslers* (sp?) in Peoria. Went with Beulah [Roth], niece. Pete to Ed Millers in p.m. while Fern went to club meeting. Gram, Edgars and girls here for waffles and sausage.

Thursday, November 19, 1970. Cloudy, chilly, rained in evening. Baked 2 pumpkin pies for chili supper. Went to town at 9:30. Helped make ham salad sandwiches at hospital. Ate at cafeteria. Went uptown. Got snow tires put on. To girls awhile. Back to hospital at 4:30. Helped with chili supper. Large crowd. Pete went with Jo and boys. Ron to meeting at Rockford.

Friday, November 20, 1970. Cloudy, colder, cleared off late PM. I went to work at 7:00, busy, short of beds. Pete to Town meeting with Ed Miller in PM. Done some of cleaning when got home.

Saturday, November 21, 1970. Mostly cloudy, finished the cleaning. Washed my hair, made salad. We went to girls in p.m. Mary helped me with my knitting (shell). We went to Rons at 5:00. Rons to Williams Town House. [We] had supper with boys.

Sunday, November 22, 1970. Partly cloudy, much colder, strong northwest wind, temperature falling steadily. We went to church. Had basket dinner. Rev. Arthur Jackson and family from Chicago speaker. He, Earl Sutter, Dr. John Bertsche and Chuck Hilty had panel discussion in p.m. Stopped to see Gram. Home in evening. Bill Dunn and Dr. Baller hunting here in p.m.

Monday, November 23, 1970. Fair, cold, 8° above and windy, got to 20°. I washed and ironed. Baked cake and apples. Got things ready for supper. Rev. Martin's family, Gram and girls here for supper.

Tuesday, November 24, 1970. Fair, cold, 12° above, not so windy. We went to Dr. *Houck* (sp?) At 10:00. Pete is doing okay. Can read a little. We went uptown and to Eastland. Got material for skirt for Shirley. Ida is going to make it. Got (unclear), mittens and scarf set for Pam. Went to Heritage at Colters.

Wednesday, November 25, 1970. Mostly fair, warmer but a very strong south wind. I baked snickerdoodle cookies and painted the seat in kitchen. We went to girls in p.m. I helped Ida makes skirt for Shirley. Rons left around 3:00 for Ohio.

Thursday, November 26, 1970. Cloudy, showered little in evening. Allens called in morning. They're home. Sure miss them. Marie came. She, Gram, we, Ida, May [Mohr] and Pearl at CRs for dinner. Mary and Gordons came for supper. Rays at her folks. Mary worked. I took endive and potato chips. We have much to be thankful for. Marie here all night.

Friday, November 27, 1970. Cloudy, rained and drizzled most of day. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Julia had surgery again. Marie, Gram and Pete to CRs again for dinner to help eat scraps. I cleaned kitchen and bathroom. We, Marie, Gram and girls to Howard Johnson's. Marie got our suppers. She here all night.

Saturday, November 28, 1970. Cloudy, damp. Marie, Pete and I to Peoria. Saw Irene Hopkins and Helen Niehaus. Took River drive and stopped at Fish Market. We went to girls for supper. Gram, CRs, Pearl, May Mohr and Gurtners there. Marie here all night. Rained in night.

Sunday, November 29, 1970. Cloudy, foggy in morning, partly cloudy in p.m. Marie left for home at 8:40 a.m. We went to church. Merle called, so took her along to church. We ate at Specialty House. Home at 2:00. We addressed Christmas cards. Rons got home from Ohio at 5:30.

Monday, November 30, 1970. Cloudy, very foggy in p.m. and early evening. I washed and ironed. Stirred up walnut cookies. Ed and Owen Kanegy here few minutes. Ed had been to Dr. Awick (sp?). Got things ready for supper. Rons here for supper. Had Chop Suey.

Tuesday, December 1, 1970. Fair, windy, warm, 68°. I baked cookies and banana bread. We went to town at 11:00. Helped Verna Goering deliver Meals on Wheels. We went shopping. Got sweaters for Marty and Jon, shirts for Steve and Jeff and tea kettle for Mary. Home in evening.

Wednesday, December 2, 1970. Fair, fine day, warm. I baked cinnamon rolls and carrot cookies. We dressed 3 geese after dinner. Went to town at 4:00. Mary with us to yarn shop. Got yarn for Jo & Shirley's shells. Got record player for Andy and Benjamin. Home in evening. Knitted.

Thursday, December 3, 1970. Cloudy in morning, warm, 70°, fair and windy in p.m., cooler. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. 2 deaths in morning and admissions. Stopped at Grams. Jon with Pete in p.m. We had new roof put on house. Home in evening. Knitted some.

Friday, December 4, 1970. Fair, chilly. Went to work at 7:00. Another busy day, got off late. Went to bank. Pete at Rons in p.m. Stayed with Jon. Rons took Marty to Dr. John Stutzman and Jo had accident with Rambler about 4:00. Clutch went out. She hit back of another car. Didn't do much damage to his car. I done cleaning and went to Rons for supper.

Saturday, December 5, 1970. Cloudy in morning, clear and windy and much colder, temp dropping. I went to work at 7:00. Floors real busy. Pete home. I washed my hair when got home.

Sunday, December 6, 1970. Fair, nice day, 22°. We went to church and to girls for dinner and to Eds in p.m. Stopped to see Owen Kanegy. We went to Bloomington Mennonite Church, farewell for Sam Kings. Ron there too. They were at John Reimers for dinner.

Monday, December 7, 1970. Mostly fair, warmer. I washed and ironed and baked coffeecake braid. Ed Millers here awhile in morning. Girls and we to Peoria at 4:15. Done some shopping. Got Marvin shoe shining outfit and Frances pin and earrings. Got Elaine scarf.

Tuesday, December 8, 1970. Partly cloudy, nice day. Girls and I to Alta Litwillers at 9:30 for farewell for Nellie King. Nice time. I baked crescents and peanut blossoms. We went to town at 3:00. Done some shopping. Got shirt for Ron and tablecloth for Jo. Went to girls for supper. Mary helped me with my knitting (shells).

Wednesday, December 9, 1970. Fair, fine day. I baked sugar cookies. Went to town at 10:40 to deliver Meals on Wheels. Shopped some. Went to see gram awhile. Went to girls. Got package ready for Marvins. Got Marvin shoe shining and Frances pin set. We went to Eastland and Hickory Farms. Ate at Ponderosa. Iced cookies. Got our tree.

Thursday, December 10, 1970. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and some in evening, chilly. Baked bars for Home Bureau silent auction. Cleaned flowerbeds off. I went to Home Bureau. We went to Rons for supper, babysat. Rons to Dunns, dinner for Department Heads. Finished my shell.

Friday, December 11, 1970. Cloudy, misted and drizzled all day, rather foggy at times. I went to work at 7:00. Surgery had busy day. Talked to Freed after work. Done cleaning when got home. Rons here awhile in evening.

Saturday, December 12, 1970. Cloudy, damp and chilly. We went to men's and women's breakfast at hospital. I washed when got home. Done ironing. Made salad. We went to Merles for supper. Marguerite [Burwitz] there too. I took fruit salad and cookies.

Sunday, December 13, 1970. Cloudy in morning. Cleared off at noon, nice. We went to church, took Merle. We went to girls for dinner. Gram there too. Took Merle and Gram home early p.m. We went to Open House at Rev. Martins in evening. Girls helped serve.

Monday, December 14, 1970. Fair, nice day. *Lantz* (sp?) put in new gas furnace. Had heat by 4:00 p.m. Didn't get too cold. I baked pecan tarts. Made penuchi and fudge. Wrapped some gifts. Went to Rons at 4:30. Took them bucket for their tree. Help them spread gravel they got in back for cars.

Tuesday, December 15, 1970. Fair, nice day. Wrapped some gifts. We went to Gailey's at 10:30. Pete doing okay. Went to Eastland and paid for new roof. Took Gram uptown, got her blue dress for Christmas. We went to vote for new Illinois Constitution. It passed. Got apples for us and Rons. Jo here a while. I scrubbed basement and we put up tree.

Wednesday, December 16, 1970. Rained early a.m. and snowed (unclear) misted. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floor. We went to town at 10:15. Pete to Internal Revenue. I drove for Meals on Wheels. Mary Brackman with me. I went to club meeting at Mabel's. Gram on committee too. Pete to Ed Millers. I made salad and finished wrapping gifts.

Thursday, December 17, 1970. Cloudy, mild. I went to work at 7:00. Bernadine Woizeski passed away at 7:00 a.m., heart attack. Pete home all day. We went to Intensive Care Christmas party at Dr. Robert Eaton's. I took salad. Rons there too. Had a good meal and nice evening. Stopped at Rons on way home.

Friday, December 18, 1970. Fair in p.m. I went to work at 7:00, busy day, ER. Pete to Joe's before noon. Babysat with Jon. Ron and Jo shopping. Pete home with me. Cleaned up bedrooms and living room. We went to Marty's school program at Chiddix Jr. High.

Saturday, December 19, 1970. Fair, nice day, colder. I washed 3 loads. Finished putting up decorations. Chet Roth here awhile to see Pete. Ironed, put up new kitchen curtains. We went to town in p.m. Marie got to town at 11:00. She, gram, girls and we to Hubbard's for supper. Then to girls, watched TV.

Sunday, December 20, 1970. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Gram, Marie and girls here for dinner. Marie got chicken. She and Gram to CRs for supper. Pete and I to Rons. Stayed with boys a little as Jo and Ron to church early. We went to Christmas program at church at 4:30. Marie at program. Pete and I stayed for supper at church. Marie, Mabel, girls and we to see decorations and stopped to see Rons.

Monday, December 21, 1970. Cloudy, slated early morn, rather slick in places. Marie left at 9:00. Went to Grams. Waited for Clarence W[oizeski] & Roger. I washed and ironed. We went to town in p.m. Took Gram and Ron to visitation for Bernadine Woizeski. Jo sick. Were home in evening.

Tuesday, December 22, 1970. Cloudy, damp and chilly. We went to Bernadine Woizeski funeral at 10:30. Pete pall bearer. We went to Merles, took her gift, placemats and cookies. Went to Minnie's. Took her fruit. Stopped at Jo's. We decorated basement. I knitted in evening.

Wednesday, December 23, 1970. Cloudy, very windy, colder in evening. Fixed casserole for supper. Went to town. I went to employees dinner at hospital. Ron Santa Claus. Stopped to see Gram. Pauls here when we got home at 4:00. Good to see them. Rons came after supper. Pauls here all night.

Thursday, December 24, 1970. Fair, nice day, cold. I baked ham. Pauls to town in morning. Allens got here at 12:00. Good to see them. We had lunch. We fixed place cards. We all went to girls for supper. Gram and Marie there too and Rons. So good to all be together. Pauls at Rons all

night. Allens here. We had Kropf gift exchange, also with Gram and Marie. Snowed some in night.

Friday, December 25, 1970. Fair, nice day. Allens and we to Ron's for breakfast. Had our gift exchange. I got things ready for dinner. Had goose and chicken. Jo and girls helped roast them. Allens, Rons, Pauls, Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, CRs, Gordons and Rays here for dinner. Gordons and Rays not here for supper. Pearl and Minnie here. So wonderful to have our family here together.

Saturday, December 26, 1970. Fair, nice day. Allen, Shirley, Steve and Mrs. Yeakel to Effinghamham. I washed 4 loads. Debbie, Jeff and Pam here. I took Deb to Mouser's in p.m. I cleaned up house and ironed. We went to Rons for supper. Marj made Chinese dinner for us, delicious. Marie and girls there too. Gram sick with cold. Allens at Mrs. Yeakels. Steve here all night.

Sunday, December 27, 1970. Nice day, cold, 12°. We went to church. Pauls and Allens there too. Allens at Mrs. Yeakels for dinner. They came to pack up and left for home at 3:00. Rons and Pauls and girls here for dinner. Pete and I took girls home and stopped to see Gram. She's better. Pauls here all night.

Monday, December 28, 1970. Fine day, 6° above. Pauls left at 10:00 home. We miss everyone. I washed. We went to Marie Yoder's in p.m. Got instructions for treasurer of auxiliary. Went to girls for supper. Mary and I to funeral home to see *Elira Carrs* (sp?) grandson. I done ironing in evening.

Tuesday, December 29, 1970. Fair, 12° above, nice day. I washed bedding from upstairs. Cleaned upstairs in guestroom downstairs. Marie took Gram, CRs and us to Master's Place for Gram's birthday. Enjoyed it. I ironed in p.m. Went to town at 5:00. Got Jo and boys. Took them to hospital. Pete with Rons to All-American Band. I took girls to 3C party for Mary at Bungalow. They gave her (unclear).

Wednesday, December 30, 1970. Mostly cloudy. I went to work at 7:00, rather busy. Mrs. Groves in ER, sure helps. Had ER meeting at 1:30. Marie, Gram, CRs and we to Ponderosa Steak House for supper. We went to CRs afterwards. Played Yahtze.

Thursday, December 31, 1970. Little snow on ground, fair in p.m. we and Ida delivered Meals on Wheels. Went to lunch. Had lunch at Ida's. I went to hospital Tea for those retiring, Mary and Mrs. Munster and Mrs. Thomas among those. Marie here awhile in p.m. She and Jo and boys at Pearls awhile in p.m. Girls and we to Merle's at 7:30. She had ladies from apartment and John and Wanda. Rons stopped by a few minutes.

Friday, January 1, 1971. Cloudy, colder in evening. I went to work at 7:00 busy day in ER and on floors. Pete to girls with Marie. Rons there too. Watched parade and ballgames. Marie left for Godfrey. I went to girls after work. Rons and we stayed for lunch. Talked to Allen. They got home okay and got the corn out on Wednesday.

Saturday, January 2, 1971. Fair, nice day. I washed my hair. Done cleaning got things ready for supper. Knitted some. Edgars, Ida, Mary and Gram here for supper. Had ham loaf. Stan Clemens at Rons.

Sunday, January 3, 1971. Snowing and blowing in morning. Rained some in p.m. We were going to Eds but canceled it. Home all day. We took our tree down in p.m. Put decorations away. Rons to church and home.

Monday, January 4, 1971. Cloudy, few snow flurries, much colder. I washed and done ironing. We went to Eds at 10:00. Had dinner with them. Went to see EE Schertz and Fannie. Girls along too. Gram, girls and we to Edgars for supper.

Tuesday, January 5, 1971. Fair, cold, 2° above. We went to town at 10:00, to bank. Went to hospital. Had committee meeting to appoint committees. We took Ida to Dr. Deneen at 2:30 for checkup. She hasn't felt too good. Has some heart failure. We stayed at girls for supper. Girls and I to Good Will Circle. Ed to Methodist Hospital in Peoria.

Wednesday, January 6, 1971. Fair, cold, near zero. I baked coffeecake braid and Pete worked on auxiliary books. I got things ready for company. Chet Roths, Cinda and girls here.

Thursday, January 7, 1971. Fair, cold, zero. Pete, Mary and I left at 6:30 for Peoria Methodist Hospital. Ed had TUR. Dr. Burden done surgery. Operation took an hour. In recovery room 4 ½ hours. Bled some. We got some flowers for him. Got home at 5:45. Nettie not able to go to hospital. Ida not feeling very good.

Friday, January 8, 1971. Fair, not so cold. Rev. Gering took Nettie to Peoria. Went to work at 7:00. Very busy. Pete took auxiliary with Jo. Ida not good. Was to take her to Dr. at 4:00, then had call at 3:00. Ed had coronary and is serious. Ron, Pete and I left at 4:30 for Peoria. Ed in cardiac unit. Jo to take Ida to Dr. at 4:00. Ida passed out twice about 6:15. Jo and Mary took her to hospital, [she] is in ICU on monitor. Ed is on it to. Pete stayed all night. I went to Rons. We called Marvins and Allens.

Saturday, January 9, 1971. Fair, nice day. I went to hospital. Ida about same. I went to Peoria at 11:00. Ron and Mary went to. Ed about same with c/o [?] stomach and throat. Pete, Mary and I came home at 3:00. Ron stayed all night. Jo and Stan Clemens went over in evening. Had supper with Ron. We stayed with boys. I washed my hair in p.m. Oliver Yoder took Nettie to see Ed.

Sunday, January 10, 1971. Fair, warmer, nice day. Pete to church. I went to hospital. Ida little better but has back and stomach problems. We went to dinner at church and stayed for annual

meeting. Voted on preacher, Marv Zehr, but didn't carry. We feel badly about it. Ron came home in morning. Had put levine (unclear) on Ed, stomach. Heart may be little more regular. Talked to Nettie. She was to see Ed.

Monday, January 11, 1971. Cloudy, frosty, warmer. Turned cooler in p.m. Cleared off. I washed and ironed. Went to town, got Mary. We went to Peoria. Ed still has levine & O₂ [Oxygen] & [is] uncomfortable. Heart more stable. Stopped to see Ida on way home. She's some better, can move out of ICU, but no beds. We were at Mary's for supper. Had Kentucky Fried Chicken.

Tuesday, January 12, 1971. Cloudy, 8°. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine to meeting in Chicago. Busy, everything full, had 20 admissions. Moved Ida out of ICU into [Room] 376. She's rather uncomfortable with gas pains. Rons and Mary here for supper. Had fish. Nettie called. Ed about same.

Wednesday, January 13, 1970. Cloudy, icy in morning but melted off in morning. Misted and foggy all day. I done odd jobs. Had early lunch. Went to Peoria at 12:30. Ed hasn't improved. They took levine out last night but had to put it back again. He's rather discouraged. We went to see Ida on way home. She feels little better. Mary worked in coffee shop.

Thursday, January 14, 1971. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., colder. I went to hospital. Ida feeling little better. I went to home Bureau. Had car washed. Stopped at hospital on way home. Mary at hospital. Done Valentine work all day. Ron to Elkhart in p.m. to meeting [with] Bill [Dunn] and Dick Baum. Jo and Irene and children to Dicks for supper.

Friday, January 15, 1971. Fair, 8° above. I went to work at 7:00. Had some beds. Ida had Ba meal. Was tired. Mary, Pete and I to Peoria when I got off work. Ed moved to another room but still in coronary unit. Still has levine and IVs. Seemed real discouraged. Got home at 8:30. Jo's nephew Mike and wife at Rons. They brought dining room furniture for Rons. Ron home at 6:00.

Saturday, January 16, 1971. Cloudy, not so cold. I went to work at 7:00. Busy. Washed my hair, cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Ida not feeling so good. Stomach upset. X-rays showed okay. Marvin called in evening. Rons to Peoria at 5:00. Ed still same, has levine and IVs.

Sunday, January 17, 1971. Cloudy few snow flurries in morning. Went to work. Pete along to Mary's. Went to church with her and there for dinner. They went to hospital in p.m. to see Ida. She's about same, still nauseated. Pete home with me. We stopped at Rons. Mikes left in p.m. Were home in evening. Ed got his livine out and moved him into 2 bed [room].

Monday, January 18, 1971. Fair, colder. I washed and ironed. Went to town at 10:30 to Social Security office and bank. To Gailey's at 12:30. Pete was fitted for his glasses. Went to hospital. Ida about same, still can't eat. Mary and we to Novak's [Flowers]. Got planter for Ida and Ed from Willis and Orvies. I got bath powder and hose for Ida's birthday. We went to YPU chili supper. Jo and boys there. Ron had meeting. We stopped to see Gram.

Tuesday, January 19, 1971. Fair, zero, nice day. I made tapioca pudding. Went to hospital at 10:00. Mary along. She took cake. We took ice cream for Ida's birthday. Gave girls on floor some. Went to Jo's for lunch. We all to Peoria. Jo shopped some. Went to see Ed. He some better. Olivers and Nettie there. We went to see Ida. Jo and boys along. She is to eat 6 times a day. I took tapioca.

Wednesday, January 20, 1971. Mostly fair, warmer, windy. I baked pecan rolls. Put candles away. Went to club meeting at Catherine Mishler's. Took Mabel. Stopped to see Gram on way home. She has cold. Took her some rolls. Pete and I to town, got small vacuum cleaner. Stopped to see Ida. She feels better. Went to Merles. She, Irene and we to Specialty House for supper.

Thursday, January 21, 1971. Cloudy, cleared off in evening. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Ida had Ba enema. [She's] worn out. Marvin and Frances got to Marys at 3:00. We went to Marys for supper. We all went to hospital after supper. Marvins at Marys all night.

Friday, January 22, 1971. Mostly cloudy, few snow flurries. Done cleaning. Made salad. Marvins, Mary and we to Eureka at 10:00. Ate dinner with Nettie and on to Peoria. Ed is better, eating some. Mary & Marvins here for supper. Marvins and I to hospital to see Ida. She's better. Rons here. We had dessert. Ron spoke at Wesley Methodist [Church] at 7:00. Colder.

Saturday, January 23, 1971. Fair, 12° above. Pete to men's breakfast with Chet Miller. I washed my hair. Finished cleaning. We went to hospital at noon. Mary and Marvins and we ate at hospital. Mary, Pete and I to annual auxiliary meeting. Pete installed as treasurer. Marvins visited with Ida. Pete and I to annual hospital meeting at 2:00. Ron gave his report. We went to Marys for supper. Marvins here all night. They and Mary to see Gram in morning.

Sunday, January 24, 1971. Fine day, warm. We went to hospital to see Ida. We ate lunch at 11:30 at drive-in. We all went to Eureka, got Nettie and on to Peoria. Ed didn't feel so well. Took Nettie home. We went to Rons for supper. Pete and Marvins to see Ida. Rons, Mary and I to church to seek Erwin Goering's pictures. Marvins and Mary here all night.

Monday, January 25, 1971. Another fine day, warm, real windy in night. Much colder. Marvins left at 8:45. Mary home. I washed and done most of ironing. We went to town in p.m. to bank and to hospital. Ida is feeling better. We went to Marys for supper. We knitted on sweaters.

Tuesday, January 26, 1971. Fair, real windy and cold, high 16°. I finished ironing. Pete had company. Cy [Colter], Roy Zook, Frank Williamson here. Mary, Pete and I to Peoria in p.m. Ed up in chair. His right leg and foot is swollen. Can't sleep nights. We were home in evening.

Wednesday, January 27, 1971. Fair, cold, 3° below zero. 1 ½ inches snow in night. I made bread pudding and wrote Andy. We went to town in p.m. to bank and hospital. Ida better. We got Jon and got Marty at school. Went to see Gram awhile. Jo to choir practice. We were at Rons for supper. Had fish. Called Pauls in evening. He passed his written exam.

Thursday, January 28, 1971. Fair, 3° below zero, little warmer. I took varnish off of flower stand. Mary, Pete and I to see Ed. He has thrombosis in his right leg. Talked to Dr. Are giving him medication to dissolve the clot. Ed is quite discouraged. Stella and Chas and Pearl there.

Friday, January 29, 1971. Cloudy, warmer, in 40s, windy, colder in evening. I went to work at 7:00, rather busy. Pete sanded the flower stand. Done cleaning and washed my hair.

Saturday, January 30, 1971. Mostly cloudy, much colder during day. Went to work at 7:00. Very busy, accidents from explosion at a church. Finished cleaning when got home. Ida went home from hospital. Pete and I to sausage and pancake supper at Carlock. Stopped at Ed Millers awhile. Ron to ministers meeting at Illinois House.

Sunday, January 31, 1971. Fair, cold, 3° – 4° above zero. I went to work at 7:00. Pete along. He worked at information desk. Ron at meeting again. Men all ate at hospital cafeteria. Pearl ate with Pete and I. Pete home with Jo and boys at 2:00. Their electricity off awhile. They watched moon blastoff. I stopped at girls on way home. *Srogin* (sp?) & Vera there in evening.

Monday, February 1, 1971. Fair, cold, zero, rather windy. I washed and ironed. We went to town, bank and got Mary. Went to Peoria. Ed is better but wasn't feeling so good this p.m. I went to Brokaw [Hospital] to see Marie Rost. She had surgery opened and closed. We were at girls for supper. Ida feeling pretty good.

Tuesday, February 2, 1971. Mostly cloudy, 3° below, warmer but chilly Southeast wind. I made cherry dessert. Went to Brokaw at 8:30. Stayed with Marie Rost who had surgery yesterday. Pete and Gram to Jo's. She had ribs and sauerkraut. Pete home with me.

Wednesday, February 3, 1971. Cloudy, had little snow and missed, warmer during day, foggy in evening. We went to town in morning. I went to Brokaw for a while. Marie feels better. Pete at girls. Mary to coffeeshop. Took Pete to Gailey's, got his glasses. Went to Ida's for lunch. Mary and I to knit shop, got more yarn. Pete stayed with boys. Jo to choir practice. Allen called. Pam is to have tonsillectomy the 11th.

Thursday, February 4, 1971. Cloudy, rather slick in morning rain, had inch of rain, some streets flooded. I went to work at 7:00. Stopped on way home at girls, and at groceries. Pete home all day. Home in evening. Knitted.

Friday, February 5, 1971. Mostly fair, 15°, windy. Did some of cleaning. We went to auxiliary at 10:00. Had lunch at hospital. Ida, Pete and I to Peoria. Ed was feeling better but had bad day Thursday, had oxygen. Nettie and Olivers there. Mary had her hair done. We were at girls for supper. Knitted.

Saturday, February 6, 1971. Fair, fine day, warmer. Pete to men's breakfast with Chester Miller. I defrosted icebox. Washed my hair. Finished cleaning. Got some boxes out of attic for Shirley

(silver pieces). Ron here in p.m. Helped Pete put barn door up which wind blew off. Knitted some.

Sunday, February 7, 1971. Partly cloudy, colder in evening. We went to church. Gram, Ida and Mary & Ron here for dinner. Ron came late, was at hospital. Jo home with boys. Jon has cold. We went to Carlock church in evening. Dr. Kreider showed his pictures and told of their trip to Near East.

Monday, February 8, 1971. Fair, cold, zero. Didn't warm-up much. I washed and ironed. Knitted in p.m. and evening. Finished Shirley's shell. We went to Rons at 4:00. They went to Peoria to see Ed and on to Morton to meeting for [Mennonite Central Committee] Relief Sale. Went to Clarence Yordy awhile. We got home late.

Tuesday, February 9, 1971. Fair, cold, 5° below. I baked bars. We went to town at 10:00 to bank, etc. Went to Merle's. She took us and Marguerite to dinner. Had our income tax taking care of. Mary and we to Peoria. Ed better. We took Ida and Mary to Ponderosa for their birthday. Jo along. Ron with boys. Packed in evening.

Wednesday, February 10, 1971. Fair, nice day. We left at 8:45 for Allens. Got here at to: 30. Had good trip. Good to see Allens. Deb home with cold. Shirley working. Pam starting with cold. Misted some in night.

Thursday, February 11, 1971. Cloudy in morning, Rhodes slick for a while, fair in p.m., warmer. Shirley and Allen to work. Pam was to have her tonsils out but had to cancel on account of cold. She was home from school. Deb went. I washed 3 loads and ironed. Made salad and casserole. Allen, Shirley, Dad and I to Leon. Ate out for Shirley's birthday. Then went to Farm Bureau meeting. Children home.

Friday, February 12, 1971. Partly cloudy, colder, snow flurries. Allen and Shirley to work. Allen home late at night. Pam still has little temp. I washed and ironed. Got things ready for supper. Debbie to Valentine dance at school. Ed went home from hospital.

Saturday, February 13, 1971. Fair, 5° below, warmed up. Had an inch of snow in evening. Shirley to work. Allen and Steve to Farm Bureau. Painted offices. We done cleaning. Pete and I to Humeston in p.m. Got groceries. Washed my hair and pinned it up. Marie home for weekend.

Sunday, February 14, 1971. Cloudy. Jeff and Pam home. Shirley stayed with them during church and went to Sunday School. Pete and I home after church. I made apple crisp for dinner. Were home in evening.

Monday, February 15, 1971. Partly cloudy. Allens and Pam to hospital at 7:00 to have tonsillectomy at 8:00, but had emergency so she went at 12:10. I washed. Pete and I to town at 11:30. Stayed with Allens until 4:00. Pam doing okay. Allen to meeting. Home late at night. I

took Deb to Leroy. She went to basketball game at Osceola. Shirley stayed all night with Pam. Talked to Rons in evening.

Tuesday, February 16, 1971. Cloudy, chilly, foggy in evening. Deb and Steve to school. Jeff home with cough. Pete and I to hospital in morning. Brought Shirley and Pam home. Pam doing pretty good, but vomited in night. Allen left early. Went to Newton Iowa to meeting. Pete and I took varnish off sewing cabinet (was Grandma's). Shirley baked pies. I fixed baked apples.

Wednesday, February 17, 1971. Fair, beautiful day, warm. Lot of snow melted. Shirley and Allen to work. Children to school. Pam doing pretty good. I washed 3 loads and ironed. Cooked large pumpkin and made bars.

Thursday, February 18, 1971. Cloudy, warm, 60s. Lot of snow melted. I washed bedding from upstairs. Ironed some. We took Pam to Dr. in morning. She's doing okay. Got groceries. I baked coffeecake braid. Dusted up house. Got supper, had chicken.

Friday, February 19, 1971. We left Allens at 10:00. Took Pam to Mrs. Stripes. Allen and Shirley to work. Cloudy and wet pavement. Rained hard at Burlington while we ate. Drove in rain and bad storm, hail and wind west of Monmouth. Rained most of way to Peoria. Tornado warnings for most of state. Got home at 4:00. Thankful for safe trip. To Rons for supper.

Saturday, February 20, 1971. Cloudy, colder in p.m. and evening. I went to work at 7:00. Pete along to men's breakfast. He took auxiliary money to bank. Jo brought them home. Luella invited us to Master's Place. Morris and Marie [Heiser], Ida, Mary, May [Mohr] and Ruth and Rev. Martins there. We stopped to see Gram on way home.

Sunday, February 21, 1971. Cloudy, few flurries in morning, slated, snowed & rained some in evening. Icy a while. We went to church in morning, to girls for lunch. Went to Mrs. Kent's 80th birthday Open House at Earl Mishlers. Stopped at Paul Millers. Had lunch with them. To Rons, stayed with boys. Rons to Home Builders at Dunns.

Monday, February 22, 1971. Cloudy, ice melted, snowed $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in evening. Had blizzards out west. I washed. We went to town at 11:00. Went to dress shop, Mary along, Jo there too. We got three-piece knit suits. Ate lunch at girls. Took Ida to Dr. at 3:30. She's doing okay. Took Pete and Ed Miller to Town meeting in evening.

Tuesday, February 23, 1971. Cloudy, snowed, melted. I baked coffeecake braid and cookies. We went to town in p.m. Stopped at Grams and Normal. I got book for Elaine's birthday. Got Merle. Took her to Income Tax. We ate at Grand Café. Pete and I to Heritage meeting at Myrna Parks.

Wednesday, February 24, 1971. Fair, warmer. Done odd jobs. Worked on stand. Washed sweater, etc. Ida, Mary, Pete and I to Eureka. Ed still in nursing section, but is improving. Looks pretty good. Rons, Gram and girls here for waffles and sausage. They took Edna to hospital in Kansas City. [She] isn't good.

Thursday, February 25, 1971. Fair, fine day, rained some in night. We went to town at 10:00 to Service Company meeting. Left after dinner. Went to Meadows Home annual meeting. Went to town in evening. Radiator hose broke on car. Had fixed at Shell Station. Pete to Rons. Ron and I to nurses symposium (cancer). Mrs. Barckley, good speaker.

Friday, February 26, 1971. Cloudy, rained in p.m., warm. I went to work at 7:00. Stopped at Brokaw to see Marie Rost. She isn't good, much weaker. Done some of cleaning in evening. Windy all night.

Saturday, February 27, 1971. Windy, partly cloudy. I went to work at 7:00. Floors real busy. Got groceries on way home. Pete home. Finished cleaning. Gram and CRS to [Godfrey to] see Marie.

Sunday, February 28, 1971. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete along. Stayed at Information Desk. Ron at hospital most of morning. Pete with Rons to Park Zoo at 3:00. I stopped at Brokaw. Marie Rost about [same], sleeping. Stopped at girls and Rons. Pete home with me. Home in evening.

Monday, March 1, 1971. Fair, nice day. I washed and ironed. We went to town in p.m. Girls along. Picked out paper for their living and dining room. Ate supper at girls. I went to Esther Cash at 5:30, had a permanent. Pete at girls. Snowed little in night.

Tuesday, March 2, 1971. Fair, colder, rather windy. I baked pecan rolls and pumpkin bread. We went to town at 3:00. Took Merle to Income Tax office. She took us to Specialty House for supper. Mary and I to Good Will. Ida home. Pete stayed there.

Wednesday, March 3, 1971. Snow flurries most of day, colder. Wrote some letters, etc. We went to girls at 11:30. Had lunch with Ida. Mary at coffeeshop until 1:30. Pete helped paint wood work and living and dining room. Marty and Jon here while Jo went to choir. Mary, Pete and I to Kiwanis pancake supper at Consistory.

Thursday, March 4, 1971. Fair, 12° above, warmed up. I baked coffeecake braid. Done cleaning. Baked cake. Made salad. Jon here in p.m. Jo had club. I went to alumni meeting in evening.

Friday, March 5, 1971. Mostly fair, nice day, cloudy in evening. Pete and I to hospital auxiliary, had bake sale. Done real well, over \$89. We went to bank on way home. Ate lunch at cafeteria. Got things ready for supper. Cy Colters here. Made plans to have Under [?] Shepherd group here March 25th.

Saturday, March 6, 1971. Cloudy, rained in morning, then snowed intermittently all day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete along to men's breakfast. Came home with Chet Miller. I had committee meeting of finance committee after work. Made plans for bake sale April 5 at Eastland. Finished cleaning in evening.

Sunday, March 7, 1971. Snow flurries most of day, windy, cold. We stopped to see Gram on way to church. Merle took Rons and us to Blue Mill at Decatur for dinner. Took our car. Got home at 5:00. We were expecting Allen but he didn't come.

Monday, March 8, 1971. Fair, cold, 16° above. I washed and ironed. Worked in north attic and washed windows and floor in boys room. We went to town at 4:00. Mary along. We went to funeral home to see Marie Rost family. We went to Eastland. Had supper at girls. I took chicken casserole. Talked to Allens. Earl [Kaufman] and Art going out there.

Tuesday, March 9, 1971. Mostly cloudy, little warmer, snowed some in evening. I baked pumpkin bread. Pete sorted books. I cleaned west room upstairs. We went to town at 3:00. Took Ida and Mary to get wallpaper, the paper they had ordered didn't come in. Got home at 5:00. Rons here for supper. Had hamburger casserole. Ron got some books.

Wednesday, March 10, 1971. Cloudy, gloomy, fair in evening. We went to girls at 7:30. Helped move furniture out of living room. Roy Bastings there papering. We helped until after lunch. Mary at coffee shop in a.m. Pete to town meeting at 1:00. I took him. He came home with Ed Miller. We and girls to Edgars for supper and to Lenten services with them. Cleaned broom closet.

Thursday, March 11, 1971. Started to snow at 4:00 a.m. Kept it up until about noon, 4 inches. Roads and streets bad in forenoon. Melted in p.m. I went to work at 7:00. Busy, ER real busy. I went to 6th district meeting at Wesleyan. Bill Dunn and Dr. Birtsche on program. Pete along to girls. Foggy in evening. Willis called. Edna about same.

Friday, March 12, 1971. Foggy in morning, fair, warmer. I went to work at 7:00, busy day. Pete worked some on chairs (glued them), swept rugs. I got groceries. Stopped at Grams. Done some cleaning when got home. Marty and Jon have chicken pox.

Saturday, March 13, 1971. Foggy in morning, mostly fair, in 50s. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Pete and I went with Ron to Mennonite Relief Sale at Peoria. Got there at 9:00, big crowd. We bought some sausage and baked goods. Got some for Merle. I took pumpkin bread. We took Gram to Golden West for supper. Girls along. Went to their house a while. Took Merle's things to her.

Sunday, March 14, 1971. Partly cloudy, windy, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, lot of admissions. Pete at info desk. We stopped at Rons. Ron left at 3:15 with Bill Dunn and Wally Yoder for Mennonite Hospital and Homes Meeting. They drove to Chicago, took 747 from there. Boys better. Allen called in evening. He thought some of coming out.

Monday, March 15, 1971. Cloudy, very windy, few showers and few flurries in evening. Pete with Rev. Fretz from seminary to solicit. I washed and ironed and polished some silver. Went to

town at 2:00. Stopped at Grams. Took Ida to Dr. Says she is doing okay. Boys doing okay. Kinda looked for Allen but guess he decided not to come.

Tuesday, March 16, 1971. Partly cloudy, windy, 28°. I made cheesecake dessert. Went to town at 10:30 to bank, etc. Went to Joe's at 1:30. Pete with boys. Jo and I to Eastland. Allen got here about 1:00. Didn't know he was coming. He went to Hudson and to Ida's and Mary's a while. We and Irvin Goering's to Peoria at 5:00. Allen with us. Met Rev. Regiers and Mr. and Mrs. Kent from the Mennonite Church. Ate at Bishops in evening.

Wednesday, March 17, 1971. Fair, nice day, rather chilly. Gram, Ida, Mary, Jo and boys and Allen here for breakfast. Pete and Allen to Corn Belt Bank. Talked to Jake Meyers. They stopped at Mrs. Yeakels. We had lunch early. Allen left at 12:00 home. Good to have had them. Miss him. Got ready for club meeting. Were 19 here. Girls here. They, Gram and I to Hudson after meeting. Pete babysat, Jo to choir. Ron back from Denver.

Thursday, March 18, 1971. Cloudy, snowed some in morning. Rained, windy. I baked lemon bars and peanut butter cookies and chocolate bars. Girls and we to Eds at 10:30. Ate dinner with them. Ed seems pretty good. We went to girls for supper. Luella [Mishler] and May [Mohr] there too.

Friday, March 19, 1971. Cloudy, snowed and disagreeable. Colder in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Pete swept rugs and worked on dining room chairs. I done some cleaning when got home. Got groceries. Edna about same.

Saturday, March 20, 1971. Fair, 27°, nice day, snow melted. Pete to men's breakfast with Chester Miller. I washed my hair. Cleaned cupboards and waxed dining [room] chairs. Cleaned kitchen in p.m. Baked mince pie. Rons came out for supper.

Sunday, March 21, 1971. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Youth group had service, done well. We and Gram to girls for dinner. I took them out for dinner. Ron and Jo to Meadows church. Ron talked. Mary with boys. Pete and I to Jon Reimers, Homebuilders [S.S. class]. Paul Miller told of his trip to Russia and showed pictures.

Monday, March 22, 1971. Cloudy, some snow flurries, windy, colder in evening, fair. I washed and ironed. Pete worked on kitchen chairs. Girls and we to Peoria in PM. They each got dress. I got pink material.

Tuesday, March 23, 1971. Mostly fair, 17°, rather windy, cold. Pete fixed another chair. I cleaned 3 closets in bedrooms in morning. Dusted up house, cleaned bathroom cupboard. Got things ready for Heritage group. Were 12 here. Pete gave history of Ropp early settlers. Serve popcorn, apples and pop.

Wednesday, March 24, 1971. Partly cloudy, 22°. I cleaned recreation room in morning. We went to town in p.m. Took Merle to lawyer. We went to Lynn's Restaurant for supper. Stopped at girls and Grams. Paul called in evening. He got Ford grant to go to Japan this summer to study.

Thursday, March 25, 1971. Fair, nice day, chilly. I baked pumpkin bread and cleaned some windows on outside. Finished cleaning silverware. Got ready for company. Had Under Shepherd group here, 21 here. Jeanette and I served cheese ball and crackers, bars and cookies, punch and coffee.

Friday, March 26, 1971. Fair, lovely day, 27°. I went to work at 7:00. Rather busy.. Pete started taking yard fence out. I washed my hair and cleaned up kitchen.

Saturday, March 27, 1971. Fair, little warmer, rather windy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete taking yard fence down. Ron and boys came out at 4:00. He put up yard light. I washed and ironed some when got home. Took Pete to men's dinner at hospital. Ron had devotions. I went to Jo's, waited for Pete.

Sunday, March 28, 1971. Partly cloudy, nice day. We went to work at 7:00. Pete at info desk. Stopped to see Gram on way home. Pete to Ed Millers awhile. I packed suitcases. Washed out some things.

Monday, March 29, 1971. Fair, lovely day, kinda windy. We and Ida and Mary left at 8:30 for Missouri. Got to Marvins at 3:50. Went by way of St. Louis. Good trip. Ida and Mary with Orvies to nursing home. Edna is fair, very nervous. We were at Marvins for supper. Pete and I to see Edna in evening. Girls at Orvies all night. We were at Marvins.

Tuesday, March 30, 1971. Beautiful day, warm, 75°. Ida and I to see Edna in morning, about same. We had lunch at Marvins. They went to work at noon. We and girls to see Carrie. Stopped at Cemetery. Drove past home place. Drove by Louise Gilkerson but she wasn't home. Stopped by to see Edna. Marvins took Orvies and us out to eat. At Marvin's all night. Edna very nervous and upset.

Wednesday, March 31, 1971. Fair, windy, warm, 74°. We went to see Edna in morning. I helped Frances. Made salad and baked cake. Karl Klooz came to Marvin's at 10:30. We and girls took Marvins, Karl and Orvies out to eat. Karl and Orvies to see Edna awhile. We and girls to see Edna toward evening. We all went uptown and drove around awhile. Arthurs came for supper. Orvies home to eat on account of Edna. We sent things home with him.

Thursday, April 1, 1971. Cloudy, windy, much colder, 36°. We left at Marvins at 8:15 for home. Feel so sorry for Orvie. We got to town at 3:30. Stopped, got groceries. Jo and boys came out. I unpacked suitcases and washed out some things. Made salad for Bluffton [College] Choir supper.

Friday, April 2, 1971. Fair, 27° – 29°, rather windy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete along to girls, then to auxiliary with Jo. Pete uptown in p.m., bank, etc. Stopped to see Gram on way home. We

went to church in evening. Bluffton choir gave concert. Bill Hausing and Jon Suter here all night. Enjoyed to choir.

Saturday, April 3, 1971. Fair, nice day, cool. Took boys to church at 10:00. I baked coffeecake braid. Washed my hair. Made blueberry dessert. Washed 3 loads and ironed. Rons here in p.m. Planted potatoes, peas, onions, radishes, lettuce and spinach. We went to Paul Millers in evening, potluck supper for Emerson [Miller]s. Took dessert and scalloped corn. Had nice evening.

Sunday, April 4, 1971. Fair, little warmer. We went to church. Bethel [College] male quartet there. Very good. Gram, girls and Rons here for dinner. Gram to Gordons in evening. We went to Eds at 5:30. They were pretty good.

Monday, April 5, 1971. Cloudy, windy, cold. I washed and ironed. Baked pecan rolls. Went to town at 12:30. Took Merle to banks. We done some errands. Ate at Grand Café. Went to see "Love Story" at Irving [Theater] at 5:45. Rons to next show. We kept boys. Took Merle home.

Tuesday, April 6, 1971. Fair, windy. We went to vote at 8:00, then to auxiliary bake sale at Eastland. I took coffee cakes and rolls and pumpkin bread. We done really well, \$218.34. We closed at 5:00. Had few things left. Took to coffee shop. A long day. Marie came. She, Gram, girls and we went to Hubbard's Cupboard for supper. Marie, Pete and I to Rons awhile. Marie here all night.

Wednesday, April 7, 1971. Fine, warmer, in 60s. Marie left at 8:34 McHenry. I baked coffeecake braid and sugar cookies and iced them. Made dessert for Home Bureau. Cleaned off Iris beds. Pete and Ron took lambs to sale barn at noon. Pete bought 10 lambs. Jo and boys here awhile in morning. Ron has sore throat.

Thursday, April 8, 1971. Fair, warm and windy. I've raked yard in morning. Went to Home Bureau at new Town Hall. Was hostess. Had tuna casserole, tossed salad and orange dessert. Stopped up town, got [Easter] lily for Gram and took it to her. Pete taking out fence. Jo and boys here awhile. Ron home sick with sore throat. Went to Dr. We went to communion in evening, took Merle. Pete uncovered roses.

Friday, April 9, 1971. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Busy, ER busy. Washed my hair and finished cleaning. We went to Rons for supper. Marie back from McHenry. She and Gram at Rons too. Marie here all night.

Saturday, April 10, 1971. Fair, fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town with Marie. Had lunch with her and Gram. He stayed with boys in p.m. Rons to Passion Play. Carlton Emericks at Rons in evening and all night. Gram, Marie and Ida and Mary here for supper.

Sunday, April 11, 1971. Fair, windy and warm. I went to work at 7:00. Pete at info desk until noon. Rons, Pete, Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary and May [Mohr] and CR's family at CRs for dinner. I

went after work. I took chips and dip. Minnie there in evening. Roberta to her folks. Carltons left in morning. Marie here all night.

Monday, April 12, 1971. Fair, windy, warm, 83°. I went to work at 7:00, very busy day. A Mr. Robbins died when we got him to room. Lot of admissions. Marie left at 8:30. Pete to town with her. He was at hospital. Took auxiliary money to bank. Had car greased. Went to (lawyer's name, unclear). Changed will. Ron is to be administrator. We planted some sweet corn.

Tuesday, April 13, 1971. Rained and Hale some early morning. Clearing late p.m. I did washing and ironing. Packed some getting things ready to go to Pauls. Pete to Town meeting with Bill Miller. Ron and I to Ida and Marys for supper.

Wednesday, April 14, 1971. Fair, fine day, chilly, in 30s in morning. Pete and I left at 7:30 a.m. for Ann Arbor. Got to Pauls at 2:10. Pauls are fine. Boys have grown. Marjorie to meeting in evening.

Thursday, April 15, 1971. Fair, nice day, rather chilly. Marjorie and I uptown a while. I got a uniform, ½ price. Paul to classes. Marj & Paul had shots in p.m. We kept boys. Pauls took us to "Lord Fox." Had seafood plate, very good. Washed my hair, Marj set it. Rons to conference in evening. Then on to Bluffton.

Friday, April 16, 1971. Fair, warm. Marj & we went to get Andy at nursery school. Had lunch at Paul's. Paul to lecture in morning. We left Pauls at 1:40. Got to Berne about 5:00. Mrs. Liechty took us to restaurant for supper. Went to conference session in evening. Stayed at Mrs. Liechty's all night.

Saturday, April 17, 1971. Partly cloudy, little cooler in evening. We went to bookstore and conference session until noon. We went on tour to Swiss Villa and to sessions in p.m. Mrs. Liechty didn't go. She and I to women's meeting and dinner. Pete to men's meeting. They ate at high school.

Sunday, April 18, 1971. Fair, nice day. We went to Sunday School and church. Church filled. Howard Habegger preached. Rons came from Bluffton for the service. They ate dinner at Howard Habeggars. We ate at Mrs. Liechty's. Left there at 1:15 our time. Got home around 6:30. Rons home about same time.

Monday, April 19, 1971. Fair, warm. I washed, washed bedding in our room. Ironed. Wrote to Pauls, Allens and Mrs. Liechty. We went to town at 2:30. Went with Ida to Dr. he says she is doing okay. We went to girls for supper. Ida cut out my pink dress. We went to funeral home at Danvers. Mildred Yoder passed away.

Tuesday, April 20, 1971. Fair, warm, 80s. I cleaned our bedroom. We went to Gailey's at 12:30. Pete doing okay. He met with Rev. Martin about Mennonite Aid. I saw Reynolds about

[work]days. Rons here in evening. We sowed carrots, beets, lettuce, some beans. Set out 2 ½ dozen cabbage and set Dahlia bulbs.

Wednesday, April 21, 1971. Partly cloudy, much colder, in 40s, rather windy. I cleaned west bedroom in morning. Went to Garfield tour, country school Huddleson and Rock Museum at ISU. I took Mabel and Gram. Ate dinner at Ponderosa. I cleaned bathroom in p.m. I went to shower for Dorothy DeVore, baby, with Lois Baker. Pete at girls.

Thursday, April 22, 1971. Fair, chilly. I went to work at 7:00. Rather busy. Pete worked outside some. We went on Cancer Drive when I got home. Ate supper at truck stop. Took money to Dorothy Singley. Have cold. Feel kinda tough.

Friday, April 23, 1971. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Done cleaning when got home. Pete worked outside some. We went to May Mohr's for supper. CRs & Japanese boy there. We both have colds.

Saturday, April 24, 1971. Fair, lovely day. Washed my hair. Made vegetable soup. I went to alumni homecoming at 11:00. Took tour of nurses home and hospital. Ate in cafeteria. Had style show. Came home at 4:00. Took Pete to Rons. He babysat. Rons and I to banquet at Williams Town Hall. Ron master of ceremonies. He, John Stutzman and Carol Hilty sang.

Sunday, April 25, 1971. Fine day. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Went to church at 4:00. Seminary choir gave concert. Service committee served lunch for them. Stopped at Grams on way home. Rons to St. Louis and Marie's. Ron had meeting at Clayton Missouri at 4:00.

Monday, April 26, 1971. Fair, nice day. I went to Chicago to Great Lakes Health Conference with Rachel Mitchell, Lucille Aaras, Harriett Y[oder], Audrey B., Mrs. Sanders. Left at 7:00. Interesting meeting. Got home around 8:30. Didn't feel good coming home. Pete home all day.

Tuesday, April 27, 1971. Rained in morning. Had good shower. Partly cloudy, windy. Had storms in southern Illinois. I went to work at 7:00. Elaine in Chicago. Pete to Joes in morning. He stayed with Jon. Jo to club. I spaded rest of flowerbeds and set out geraniums. Took Pete and Ed Miller to Town Hall meeting. I went to Heritage at Florence Millers.

Wednesday, April 28, 1971. Cloudy, windy, cold. I washed and ironed in morning. Went to town in p.m. to bank and to Grams. Paid her rent. I cleaned hallway. Washed woodwork and cleaned living room furniture after got home. Home in evening. I don't feel good, head and sinus.

Thursday, April 29, 1971. Fair to partly cloudy, chilly, 37°. I cleaned living and dining room. Girls came, helped. Left after dinner. I baked rhubarb pie and apples. Jo and boys came after school. We planted beans, more peas and sweet corn. Set out cauliflower and dozen tomatoes. Ron to Chicago today, closed TV circuit.

Friday, April 30, 1971. Fair, little warmer. I went to work at 7:00. Pete worked in ash Grove. I cleaned bedrooms when got home. We went to Erwin Goerings for supper. Jake Reesers there too. Had nice evening.

Saturday, May 1, 1971. Partly cloudy, chilly in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete along to men's breakfast. Came home with Chet Miller. He mowed yard. I washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Went to Rons for supper. Had fish. Ron and boys fishing in Harold Mohr's Pond.

Sunday, May 2, 1971. Mostly cloudy, cold, windy. I went to work at 7:00. Pete along, stayed at info desk. We stopped to see Gram on way. Went to church in evening. The Journeymen's Quartet gave program. Girls along.

Monday, May 3, 1971. Fair, cold, 33°. I washed and cleaned the fruit room. Done ironing. Jon here. Jo at coffee shop. We took Jon home at 3:00. Went to bank and to Dr. McGinnis. I had physical. All okay, grateful for it. Went to girls for supper and to Kmart. Got roses. Mary gave me one. Ida gave me geranium.

Tuesday, May 4, 1971. Fair in morning, cloudy, looked rainy but no rain. I cleaned linen closet and aired bedding. We planted glad bulbs and more spinach and beets. I went to Illinois Mennonite Nurses Meeting at hospital at 1:00. Mrs. Freed spoke and had skit. Ron had devotions. I went to Good Will mother – daughter [Tea] at church. Went with Jeanette.

Wednesday, May 5, 1971. Mostly cloudy, looked rainy. I baked lemon bars and sponge cake. Cleaned furnace and laundry room in morning. Laura Witham here in p.m. Had nice visit. I served tea and strawberry shortcake. Paul Millers here in evening, put out some garden. Rained, hailed and blew at 11:30.

Thursday, May 6, 1971. Cloudy, rained in morning, also showered some in evening, storm in places. I baked cookies and defrosted icebox. We and girls to Eds at 10:00. Had dinner with them. Came home at 2:00. I went to blood bank at Wesleyan, 3 to 5:00. Pete along to town. Stopped at Grams. Took her dresses I washed. Home in evening.

Friday, May 7, 1971. Cloudy, rained most of day. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete along. He went to Gailey's to have glasses adjusted. Went to auxiliary meeting. We got groceries. Done some cleaning and washed my hair. Marie stopped on way to CRs.

Saturday, May 8, 1971. Fair, beautiful day. I went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete mowed yard and went to eat with Gram and Marie. They drove to Funks Grove. Pete came home with Ron and boys. They worked in barn awhile. Pete and I planted 4 rosebushes. I finished cleaning. Edna isn't good. Her mind getting worse. Had shower in evening.

Sunday, May 9, 1971. Fair, beautiful day, warm. Got things ready for company. Rons, Gram, Marie, girls, CRs, Gordons and May Mohr here for dinner. Marie and May were here for supper.

Rays had company. Ron grilled steaks. Very good. Everyone brought something. Rons gave me a rose bush. Allens money.

Monday, May 10, 1971. Fair, nice day. I washed, dried clothes outside, ironed some. We put screens in, washed windows, planted rosebush, fixed porch box & put in begonia bulbs. We went to town at 4:00. Girls and we to Owen's Nursery. Got Petunia plants. At girls for supper. I quilted some. Rained $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in night.

Tuesday, May 11, 1971. Cloudy, warm. I baked pecan rolls and finished ironing. Wrote Allens. Washed off porch in PM. We trimmed roses and dug up dead ones. Pete worked some in barn.

Wednesday, May 12, 1971. Fair, cool, 37°, chilly all day. I baked 2 rhubarb pies, cooked chicken. We went to town at 12:30. Had car wheel alignment at Carls. I went uptown awhile. Got white purse. Got supper. Edgars, Rons, Gram and girls here. Had chicken and biscuits.

Thursday, May 13, 1971. Clear, chilly in morning, 37°, nice day. I went to Home Bureau with Mabel. Got home at 2:30. Girls and Jo and boys came out. Mary and I planted flower seeds. We set out petunias. We planted sweetcorn and mush melons, watermelons, cucumbers and set out eggplant.

Friday, May 14, 1971. Fine day, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Pete planted spinach and pumpkin and sunflower seeds. I did some of cleaning. We went to girls in evening. I helped quilt. Mary to shower for Candy Stauffer.

Saturday, May 15, 1971. Fair, warm, 80°, rather windy. Pete to men's breakfast with Chet Miller. I cleaned paths in garden. Washed and ironed and baked quick coffeecake. Washed my hair. Finished cleaning. Pete mowed yard. Ron and boys here in p.m. Worked in barn. We went to Merles awhile in evening.

Sunday, May 16, 1971. Beautiful day, 80s. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Gram there too. We went to funeral home in p.m. Carrie *Friche* (sp?) passed away Friday morning. Went for drive. Home in evening.

Monday, May 17, 1971. Fair, in 80s, real windy. I went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Pete along to Rons. Stayed with Jon. Jo working at coffee shop. She took Pete to bank. He walked to hospital, came home with me. We worked in garden and truck patch. Went to church. Cornelius Krahn showed films on Russia. Talked to Paul.

Tuesday, May 18, 1971. Partly cloudy, looked rainy, had storm warnings out in evening but no rain. I baked coffeecake braid. We planted gourds, yellow beans and more limas. Jo and Jon here in morning. I baked chocolate bars. We went to ISU in evening to hear Stewart Udall. Jo along. Ron home with boys.

Wednesday, May 19, 1971. Cleared off in morning. Windy and cooler. Gram called early, not feeling well. Pete and I to see her. Gram's back bothering her. Not able to be up much. I took urine specimen to Dr.'s office. We got groceries. I went to club at Elsie Millers. Mabel along. Gram some better in evening. We set out 2 dozen tomato plants.

Thursday, May 20, 1971. Fair, cool, 54°. I baked cake and pumpkin bread. Cleaned China cabinet. Got things ready for supper. Irma Birkey, Irene Zook, Rons and girls here for supper. Ron left early for PTA. Erma and Irene to Alpha Baughmans. Gram better today.

Friday, May 21, 1971. Fair, cool. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete mowed yard and worked some in barn. I done cleaning when got home. We went to Eastland after supper. Got ice cream at Walgreens. Got some for Jo. Stopped there awhile on way home.

Saturday, May 22, 1971. Cloudy, fair in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Floors very busy. Pete worked in barn. Ron here awhile in p.m. Boys too. I got sweet potato plants. We set them out and planted sweetcorn. I washed and washed my hair.

Sunday, May 23, 1971. Cloudy, rained in morning, p.m. and evening. I went to work at 7:00. Floor busy. Pete to church, went to hospital. We had dinner together. He stayed at info desk awhile. We went to Home Builders [S.S. class] with Rons to Dick Baums at Clinton. Mr. Wilson spoke on Paris Peace Conference. Large crowd an interesting evening. $\frac{3}{4}$ inch rain.

Monday, May 24, 1971. Mostly cloudy. Rained in morning. Had tornado warnings out in PM. One touchdown east of Hudson. No damage reported. Pete worked some on barn. I went to work at 7:00, busy. Washed out uniform, skirt, etc. and done ironing.

Tuesday, May 25, 1971. Cloudy, windy, real chilly. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Baked cookies. We went to town in p.m., [to] bank and done some shopping. Got groceries and steaks at IGA. Went to girls. We went to Ponderosa for supper. Big crowd.

Wednesday, May 26, 1971. Mostly fair, chilly. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete worked in barn and mowed barn yard. We worked some on trimming walks when I got home. Stopped to see Gram on way home. Marie called in evening. Wanted us to come down.

Thursday, May 27, 1971. Fair, nice day, 38° in morning. Went to work at 7:00, another busy day. Pete finished trimming walks. Plowed some in garden. We hoed in truck patch in garden when got home. Jo and boys here. Jo helped hoe. Ron came for supper. Brought hamburgers. Pete and I put out more glad bulbs and some chrysanthemums.

Friday, May 28, 1971. Fair, nice day, 39°. Warmed up some. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked in truck patch most of day. I dusted, etc. when got home. We and Merle to Morton to eat. I drove. We went on to Glenn Augspurgers. Had nice visit. Late when got home.

Saturday, May 29, 1971. Beautiful day, warmer. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed. Merle stopped at 11:00 on her way to Cemetery. She didn't feel good so I went with her. Helped at Cemetery. Glens and Dorothy there too. I ironed some. We, Mabel, Gram and Jo to cemeteries. Washed my hair and finished ironing. Ron and boys here in morning. Girls here in evening. Got lettuce and spinach. Paul called.

Sunday, May 30, 1971. Lovely day, warm, 80s. We went to church and to Shamel Manor picnic. CRS thereto. Was nice. Came home at 3:00. Girls and we to Eds at 5:30. They are about as usual. Olivers & EE Schertz there awhile.

Monday, May 31, 1971. Fair, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Rather quiet day. Pete mowed yard and hoed some. Rons, Ida, Mary and we to Lake Bloomington at 5:00. Had picnic. Drove to Evergreen Lake. Nice evening to be outside. Rons stopped here awhile.

Tuesday, June 1, 1971. Cloudy, had over ½ inch rain at 3 AM. Had trace in town. We went to town in morning, bank and First Federal. Got things ready for supper. We ate lunch with Jo. Pauls arrived from Berne at 4:30. Rons here after supper. Talked to Shirley in evening.

Wednesday, June 2, 1971. Fair, nice day, warmer. Pete and I set out 5 dozen tomato plants. Marjorie not feeling good in p.m. (stomach). Paul, boys, Pete and I to girls for supper. Rons and Gram there too. Sorry Marjorie couldn't be with us.

Thursday, June 3, 1971. Fair, hot, 90°. I washed out some things. Cleaned paths in garden. Marjorie still not feeling too good. Gram, Paul, Andy, Pete and I to Springfield. Had dinner with Marie, then to Gordon's house on Fairgrounds. Jo kept Benjy. Marj better in PM. We all went to CRs for supper. Gordons, Rays and Rons there.

Friday, June 4, 1971. Fair, hot, 90s. Pete, Paul and I to town in morning. Pete gave treasurer's report to auxiliary. Took Paul to Dr. *Holwick* (sp?), has poison ivy on arms. Packed suitcases. Pauls, Pete and I left at 12:45 for Allens. Got here little after 6:00. Had good trip but warm. Good to see Allens.

Saturday, June 5, 1971. Had thunder shower early morning, fair, hot, 90s and humid. We picked over 6 boxes strawberries. Shirley washed some. I cleaned silverware. We fished awhile. I ironed some. Washed my hair. Shirley pinned it up. We grilled steaks [& had] homemade ice cream and strawberries for supper.

Sunday, June 6, 1971. Fair, not quite so hot and humid. Allens, Marjorie and Andy to Sunday school. I got things ready for dinner. We left Allens at 1:30 for home. Pamela came with us. We got home at 7:00. Thankful for safe trip. Was good to be with Allens.

Monday, June 7, 1971. Fair, hot, 91°, cooler in evening. I washed, had big one. Had new peas for dinner. Pete, Pauls and Andy in town in p.m. I kept Benjy. Done ironing. Pauls and Pamela to Rons for supper. We worked in garden and truck patch.

Tuesday, June 8, 1971. Fair, much cooler. I got things ready for dinner. Gerald Wingards here for dinner and supper. Cindy here for dinner. Pete and Pauls to Eds awhile in evening. I kept children.

Wednesday, June 9, 1971. Fair, cool, 48°, warmer during day. Pauls, Pete and I to town at 10:30. Paul to hospital awhile. Had car greased. Got gifts for Debbie Barclay. Pete and Paul to bank. Got things ready for supper. I picked peas and hoed some in garden. Ms. Etter here a while. Rons, girls and Gram here for supper. Had steaks.

Thursday, June 10, 1971. Fair, little warmer. I washed. Pauls finished packing. We left for Chicago at 12:15. Got to O'Hare at to: 15. They left at 4:00 for Omaha [actually, Seattle], then on to Tokyo. Hope they have good trip. We miss them. Got home at 8:30. Ate at Pontiac and stopped at Towanda, ballgame, our team won. Traffic heavy leaving Chicago.

Friday, June 11, 1971. Fair, hot and humid. Had dust storm at 4:00, 1/3 inch rain. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, 3 over 200 patients, short of beds. I got 3 boxes berries from Leischners. Washed sheets, etc. Went to Dorothy Singley's. Had shower for Debbie Barclay. Mabel and Fern Miller along. Elaine [Reynolds] had tumor removed from thigh.

Saturday, June 12, 1971. Fair, hot, humid, 92°. I washed. Done cleaning, ironed in p.m. Pete mowed lawn. He went to men's breakfast. Marie home at noon. She, CRs, Gram, Clarence and Roger Woizeski, girls and we to Ranch House. Marie here all night.

Sunday, June 13, 1971. Partly cloudy, 90s. Went to church and Sunday School. Pete taught 20th century class. We went to Woizeski reunion. Very small crowd. Gram, Marie, girls, Jo and boys here for lunch. Ron to Waldo Church in evening.

Monday, June 14, 1971. Partly cloudy, 94°, but less humid. Marie left at 6:30. I worked in garden a while and cleaned upstairs. Went to Esther cash at 9:30, got permanent. Washed when got home. Pam to Dunns at 4:30, then to Bible School with them in evening. Stayed all night. We picked peas. Put 6 boxes in freezer. Went to visitation for Mae Hudleston. Jo along. Got boys at Bible School.

Tuesday, June 15, 1971. Mostly fair, warm, showers in places, but none here. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Mae Hudleston funeral. Ron had services. I ironed when got home. Went to Marilyn Marquis to shower for Anne Eaton. Pam at Dunns. She went to Bible School with them. Jo took her to Towanda to ball game. I brought her home.

Wednesday, June 16, 1971. Fair, warm. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day with accidents. Pete took Pam to Stutzmans in morning. I got her on way home. Clarence Woizeski here in p.m. and for supper. Gram here too. Pam to Bible School with Marilyn Litwiller and Dunns. Paul Millers here in evening.

Thursday, June 17, 1971. Fair, hot, 90s. Went to work at 7:00. Pete trimmed some shrubbery and worked some on barn. I cleaned up bedrooms. We went to girls for supper. Went to Eastland. Got Pam a slip. Pam and Marty and Jon at girls for dinner. Pam at Rons all night.

Friday, June 18, 1971. Fair, hot and humid, 94°. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete went sailing at Lake Bloomington with Paul Miller. Pam home with me. I washed uniforms and Pam's clothes. Ironed, done cleaning, picked peas and put 2 boxes in freezer. Pam to Bible School.

Saturday, June 19, 1971. Fair, hot, high 90s. Looked rainy in evening. Rons, Ida, Mary, Mrs. Yeakel, Pete and I to Nauvoo. Took Pam. Met Allens there, had picnic, nice but hot. Allens and Rons camping all night. We got home before 7:00. Stopped at Pekin, had refreshments. We miss Pamela.

Sunday, June 20, 1971. Fair, hot, 96°. Went to work at 7:00. Busy with admissions. Pete to church. Mary came after him. He ate dinner at girls. I got off at to: 15. We went to Debbie Barclay's wedding at Normal Methodist Church. Stopped to see Gram. Rons here awhile in evening. [They] brought Pete fishing rod.

Monday, June 21, 1971. Fair, cooler, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day, full house. Pete worked some on barn. I washed when got home. Clothes dried good outside. Girls brought crate of berries here. We got half, 8 boxes. They stemmed them. I put 5 quarts in freezer. Made over 2 pints preserves. Kept some to eat. Done ironing.

Tuesday, June 22, 1971. Fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Another busy day, short of beds. [Floor] 3C moved to 2B. Pete to town in p.m. Paid taxes, etc. We got groceries. We worked in garden after supper. I sprayed roses.

Wednesday, June 23, 1971. Mostly fair. Had little shower in town, warmer, 84°. Went to work at 7:00. Another very busy day. Elaine getting along okay. I dusted up house when got home. Pete worked some on barn. Jo here, got lettuce. Alvin and Vera Beachy got here at 9:00 p.m. Stayed all night.

Thursday, June 24, 1971. Partly cloudy, in 90s, humid. Alvins left here at 8:30 for Rockford, then to Indiana. Got things ready for dinner. Girls and we to Meadows Home picnic. Stopped to see Frank Mitchells. I washed when got home and ironed. We went to church ballgame. We got beaten.

Friday, June 25, 1971. Had thunderstorm at 1:00 a.m. and 2:00. Lightning struck our church. Most of damage confined to attic. We went into church at 8:00. I baked coffeecake braid. We transplanted flowers in p.m. 95° & humid. Sprinkled little in p.m. Rons here for supper. Jo and I picked green beans and peas for her.

Saturday, June 26, 1971. Fair, hot, 97°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast. He, Ron and boys went fishing at Harold Mohr's. Ron and boys here for lunch. They worked on barn

awhile in p.m. I stopped at Jo's on way home. She pinned up my hair. Done cleaning and we worked in garden after supper.

Sunday, June 27, 1971. Fair, hot, 98°. Went to church. Girls, gram and we to McLean for dinner. Drove to Funks Grove. Went to girls awhile. Went to Anne Eaton and Darrell *Schapnieres* (sp?) wedding at Baptist Church in Normal and to reception. Very hot. Rons at wedding too. Boys at girls. Were home in evening.

Monday, June 28, 1971. Fair, hot, 98°. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete worked on barn. I washed and ironed when got home. Girls and Rons here in evening. They got lettuce, beans and peas. Ron brought truck out that Dick Baum wants to sell us.

Tuesday, June 29, 1971. Fair, hot, 94°. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, [Floor] 1A moved to 3C. Jo and boys here in morning. She and Pete hoed truck patch. Pete plowed it p.m. I cleaned up house when got home. We picked some beans, canned 3 pints.

Wednesday, June 30, 1971. Partly cloudy, hot and humid. Had 1/3 inch rain in p.m. We sowed endive in morning. Herman Smuckers & Orië Kropfs from Oregon got here from Chicago at 10:30. We, Jo and boys to girls for dinner. Hermans had Hertz car. Turned it in. Pete and I took them to Eureka. Made calls. Ories and their daughter Mrs. Gingrich to Hostetlers. Hermans and we at Owen [Kenagy]s for supper. Hermans there all night.

Thursday, July 1, 1971. Beautiful day, much cooler. Pete took me to work. He went to town. Paid Gram's bill at Shamel Manor to bank, etc. We went to Merl's in evening. Went to Daniels to eat. Stopped at Band Concert awhile.

Friday, July 2, 1971. Fair, nice day. I made salad. We went to auxiliary in morning. I took my drivers license test at noon. Got along fine. Didn't have to take driving test. Jo and boys here in p.m. We picked beans. Canned 11 quarts. Pete and I and girls to picnic at Luella [Mishler]s. Pattons there, Mrs. Mailer, Robert and family. Had nice visit. Planted sweetcorn.

Saturday, July 3, 1971. Fair, warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Floors busy, everyone short of help, ICU real busy. I washed my hair. Done cleaning. Hoed and sprayed roses. Pete and Ron worked on barn in p.m. Marie home. She's staying at Pearls.

Sunday, July 4, 1971. Partly cloudy, looked rainy, had showers in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Had surgery on Flynn boy, lacerated liver. Pete to church and to CR. Marie, Gram, Rons, girls, Pearl, Minnie, May and Gordons there. I went when got off work. Had some fireworks. I took cheese plate and olives.

Monday, July 5, 1971. Fair, in 80s. Went to work at 7:00. More help. Quite a lot of admissions. Pearl and Marie at Rons for breakfast. Rons here after they left. Picked beans. Jo canned 7 quarts. I washed when got home. We and Ida to Merles for supper. I took watermelon and brownies. Rons here for dinner. Mary to Ohio.

Tuesday, July 6, 1971. Fair, warmer and more humid. Went to work at 7:00. Lot of admissions. Went uptown a little. Got things to pack Paul's books. Done ironing. Picked some cucumbers. Jo and boys left at noon for Ohio.

Wednesday, July 7, 1971. Mostly fair, warmer, 88°. We picked 1 ½ buckets cucumbers. Made 12 quarts dills and put some in brine for sweet pickles. Canned 5 ½ quarts beet pickles. Packed books for Paul. Went to town in p.m. Ida along. Pete got pair of trousers. We stopped at Rons. Chet Roths here in evening awhile.

Thursday, July 8, 1971. Fair, hot, 98°, humid, little cooler in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on barn. Hoed some in garden and picked beans. I canned 5 quarts in evening. Picked cucumbers, 2 quarts dills and some for sweet pickles. I hoed some. Washed car in evening.

Friday, July 9, 1971. Rained most of morning. Washed my hair. Packed suitcases. We and Gram left at 10:15 for Marie's. Drove in rain to Lincoln. Ate lunch there. Got to Marie's at 3:30. Went out for supper. Marie, Pete and I to Opera, "Applause." Went by bus from Alton. Got home about 1:00. Rained after we got back.

Saturday, July 10, 1971. Cloudy, rained in morning and showered off and on. We left Maries at 10:15 for Bill Shoals, Arkansas. Got to Mick [Mishler]'s at 4:30. Traffic very heavy, pavement wet lot of the way. Good to see Martha and Mick. Dr. Barbers and Bruce and Judy here in evening.

Sunday, July 11, 1971. Partly cloudy, showered some. We went to church and Sunday School with Micks at Methodist Church. They took us out to eat, nice restaurant overlooking Lake. We went to Bull Shoals Tower and to the Village and Caverns. Martha home to rest awhile. Mick took us to see some of new developed areas. Jo and Mary got home from Ohio at 5:30.

Monday, July 12, 1971. Fair, nice day. We left at Micks at 7:30. Got to Marie's at 2:00. Got Gram and left there at 2:35. Got to town at 5:10. Drove 450 miles. Thankful for safe trip and nice visit with Micks. Jo and boys here when got home. Mary here in morning, got cucumbers.

Tuesday, July 13, 1971. Had thunderstorm and over 2 inches rain early morning hours. Cleared off in morning. Cooler in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, short of beds. Pete helped Mary pick beans in p.m. I stopped on way home from work. Run the cooker for her. Rons and Helen Merau here awhile in evening.

Wednesday, July 14, 1971. Fair, nice day, in 80s. I washed and baked pecan rolls. Did ironing and worked in garden. We sowed more endive and radishes in evening. Set out a few more snapdragons. Hoed, fed and sprayed roses. Dr. C.A. Conklin passed away.

Thursday, July 15, 1971. Fine day, cooler in p.m. and evening. I baked cookies. Defrosted icebox. Worked in garden. Girls came out at 11:00. Mary helped me in garden. They were here for lunch. Jo and boys came in PM. Jo hoed in truck patch. Picked 2 ½ buckets cucumbers. Girls and Jo

took some. Rons and we to Farm Bureau and Service Company barbecue. We stayed for the program. Rons to ball game.

Friday, July 16, 1971. Fair, fine day. I baked coffeecake and pudding. Fixed 6 quarts dill pickles. Washed my hair. Done cleaning. Pete mowed yard. Went to bank in p.m. Elaine and I called at funeral home (Dr. Conklin). Went to Rons. Helped Jo fix 11 quarts dill pickles. Girls and we and Edgars to State Farm Park. Had good supper.

Saturday, July 17, 1971. Nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Busy day, short of beds. Pete worked on barn. Ran big splinter in his hand. I stopped to see Gram. Mabel had accident with mower. Dislocated shoulder, [she's] in Brokaw [Hospital]. Rons brought hamburgers out. We all went fishing at Harold Mohr's. Good catch. Morris Troyers and Merle here awhile.

Sunday, July 18, 1971. Nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete along. Gave him tetanus toxoid [shot]. He went to church and to girls. Ron, girls and we to see Eds when got off work. Ed has pain in his left side last 3 days. Girls and we to Rons for fish fry. Were real good.

Monday, July 19, 1971. Mostly cloudy, quite cool, showered some at noon, fair in evening. Washed and ironed. Made syrup for sweet pickles. Cooked applesauce. Put 2 ½ quarts in freezer. Boys here most of day. Jo at coffee shop. Picked 5 gallon and 3 gallon bucket of cucumbers. Merle took us and Rons to Haegger's [Restaurant]. Ron drove our car. Nice evening.

Tuesday, July 20, 1971. Fine day, little warmer. I baked 3 apple pies, fixed bread-and-butter pickles, made 6 pints. We went to town at noon. Stopped at Margaret Rader dairy sale awhile. Stopped to see Mabel. She is having lot of pain. Ordered planter for her and some flowers for club. Made 4 glasses blackberry jelly and cooked apples, 2 ½ quarts.

Wednesday, July 21, 1971. Nice day. Canned 5 ½ quarts sweet pickles. Went to CRs, got some apricots. Canned 6 pints. Picked 1 ½ buckets pickles. Made 6 quarts dills. Went to town at 1:30. Went to Brokaw. Mabel had surgery on her shoulder. Removed piece of bone. She got back to her room at 2:30. CR there until 3:00. I stayed until 5:30. Worked in garden in evening.

Thursday, July 22, 1971. Fair, nice day. Made apricot pie and made 3 pints jam. Cooked apples. Got dinner. Gram, Ida and Mary here. Ida altered some dresses for Gram. Jo and boys here in morning. Got vegetables and hoed some. Boys to swimming lessons. Came back in p.m. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts for Jo. She got apricots at CRs. Talked to Allen in evening.

Friday, July 23, 1971. Cloudy, rained in p.m., also had a shower in morning. Went to work at 7:00. Stopped to see Mabel on way home. She is uncomfortable. Pete picked over a bushel of cucumbers for Carol. Done most of cleaning after got home and washed my hair. Pete mowed some yard and worked some on barn.

Saturday, July 24, 1971. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. Pete to men's breakfast. He was on program. Rons here. Jo and I fixed 20 pints corn for freezer. Divided it. Ron worked on barn. Jo

and boys home after lunch. I cleaned up kitchen. Lawrence Ropps from Hillsdale here in p.m. We, Rons, girls, Marie and Gram, CR, Rays, Minnie and Pearl at Gordons. All took something. Marie here all night.

Sunday, July 25, 1971. Fair, humid. Went to church. Gram, Marie, Rons, girls and May Mohr and we to Golden West for dinner. Marie left at 1:30 for Godfrey. Pete and I to Gibson City to Cornelius Ropp's. Had a family gathering for Judy Ropp who is being married soon. Stopped at Grams on way home.

Monday, July 26, 1971. Fair, cool, beautiful day. Washed [clothes] and picked beans. Jo and boys came in p.m. Canned 7 quarts and 6 pints beans. Done corn. Fixed some on cob for Jo. I did ironing. We went to town in evening. Took Gram's dresses to her and went to see Mabel. She's better, but still uncomfortable.

Tuesday, July 27, 1971. Fair, fine day, cool, low 50s. We picked cucumbers and planted green beans. Packed. Ida, Mary, Pete and I left at 12:40 for Allens. Got there at 6:10. Had good trip. Allen, boys and Debbie at 4-H fair until late. Ida talked to Orvie in morning. Edna real bad, not responding.

Wednesday, July 28, 1971. Fair, fine day, cool. Mary and I canned 30 quarts dill pickles for Shirley. Allen, boys and Deb to fair. Shirley to work. Girls, Pam and we to fair in p.m. Came home early. Got supper. Ida and Pam stayed home in evening. Rest of us went to fair. Boys sold their hogs. Mabel home from hospital.

Thursday, July 29, 1971. Mostly cloudy, chilly. We picked beans, canned 7 quarts. Baked cookies and quick coffeecake. Went to Garden Grove and to Don's. Got over 2 bushels transparent apples. We made apple dumplings for supper, fish and corn. Debbie washed. Mary ironed. Shirley at work. Allen too. Boys walked beans for landlord. Were all home in evening. Talked to Orvie, Edna little better.

Friday, July 30, 1971. Fair, fine day. We left Allens at 8:45. Got home at 3:00. Thankful for safe trip. Jeff and Pam came with us. We went to Rons for supper. Had homemade ice cream. Gram, Ida and Mary there too. Allens to Alton. Debbie took her horse, 4H contest. Had rain here while we were gone.

Saturday, July 31, 1971. Fair, cool, in 40s, warmed up some. Went to work at 7:00, busy, no orderly. Rons here, stayed for lunch. Pete and Ron pulled rest of barn down. Pete mowed lawn. Earls, Phils and we to Stagecoach (Hagers) in Peoria. Had nice evening. Jeff and Pam at Rons. They went to Dunns for supper. Rays have adopted baby boy.

Sunday, August 1, 1971. Fair, fine day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to church. He, Jeff, Pam and Rons to girls for dinner. Paul Millers here awhile in evening. We went to see ours. Mabel doing fairly well.

Monday, August 2, 1971. Fair, partly cloudy, had shower in night. I washed. Baked pie. Girls here in p.m. We put up 50 pints corn, 20 for them. We and Mary to 4-H fair in evening. Had lunch in town. Ron Master of Ceremonies for 4-H Queen and King.

Tuesday, August 3, 1971. Cloudy, quite humid. I baked pecan rolls. Ironed. Picked cucumbers, took some to Mabel. I fixed 19 quarts dills for her. Put 9 1½ pints & 19 ears sweet corn for Jo. Rons went to Marie's. Mary helped me awhile. Made 3 ½ pints apricot jam in evening. Took casserole to CRs for their dinner.

Wednesday, August 4, 1971. Mostly cloudy, cool. Worked in garden awhile in morning. Went to 4-H Fair at 10:00. Stopped in town, got Pam a pair of slacks. Rons back from St. Louis. Brought us basket of peaches. I put 4 1½ pints in freezer.

Thursday, August 5, 1971. Fair, cool, nice day. We went to town at 10:00. Took Jeff and Pam to Mrs. Yeakels. We went shopping, \$1 day. Pete got sport coat. I got pair of shoes (light). Dusted up house. Got things ready for supper. Virginia Ijams Poist and husband, Gram, Rons, Pearl and CRs here for supper. Jo brought freezer of [ice] cream. Ron to ballgame. I took Jo, Pearl and Gram home. Jeff and Pam at Rons.

Friday, August 6, 1971. Fair, nice day. I went to work, 7 – 3:30. Rons, Jeff and Pam to Chicago. Ron to meeting in morning. Rest went to Museums. Pete and I to Merles in evening. She took us out for our anniversary, had chop Suey. Rons back at 6:00. We brought children home with us.

Saturday, August 7, 1971. Fair, warmer. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed my hair. Washed, cooked apples. Put 1 ½ pints peaches in freezer. Done cleaning. Jo here in p.m. Helped her clean lot of corn. Marie and gram here a while, also got nurse. Washed Pam's hair. Pete and I to town, got meat. Gram, Marie, girls and Rons here. Had barbecued ribs. Girls brought ice cream and cake.

Sunday, August 8, 1971. Fair, warm, humid. Marie left in morning for McHenry (vacation). We went to church. Girls took us to Elms for dinner, then to Eds. He still isn't feeling good, lot of pain, has Shingles. We were home in evening. Wrote Pauls. Ron preached at Calvary Methodist Church. Jo to baby shower for Carol Roberts.

Monday, August 9, 1971. Mostly fair, hot and humid, 91°. Had shower at 1:30 p.m. Washed, ironed some, baked peach and apple pie. Put 4 quarts peaches in freezer. We went to town awhile in p.m. Jo came for corn. She and boys here for lunch. Pete helped her husk corn. Pam home with her. We brought her home. Went to church ballgame, we won.

Tuesday, August 10, 1971. Fair, rather windy, 90s. Had thunder shower at 7:00 p.m. I baked coffeecake braid. Finished ironing, washed out some things. Pete sprayed evergreens and roses. I hoed and fed them. Took tomatoes and eggplants to Mabel. Darren and David here in p.m. Had one half inch rain.

Wednesday, August 11, 1971. Fair, cooler, fine day. Cleaned oven, baked cookies, bars, quick coffeecake, 2 apple pies. Worked in garden. Pete and Jeff worked on barn in morning. Pete mowed yard in p.m. Sold Paul's Falcon in evening. Rons here, brought boys (unclear) and clothes and one of puppies. Jo to baby shower for Carol. Edgar fell, broke ankle.

Thursday, August 12, 1971. Fair, fine day. I washed and ironed. Done all of cleaning. Girls came in p.m., got corn. Jeff painted picnic table. Jo brought Marty and Jon out. Rons left at 2:30 for Chicago. Went with Clemens. Are flying to California for conference at Fresno. Pete and I to town a little while. Allens got here at 10:00 p.m. Good to see them.

Friday, August 13, 1971. Fair, warmer and more humid. Allens all here for dinner. Had chicken. They went to CRs and Rays in morning. Allen, Shirley and Debbie to Eds awhile in p.m. I washed 3 loads in p.m. We all, Gram and CRs to girls for supper. Allens to Mrs. Yeakels all night, except Jeff.

Saturday, August 14, 1971. Partly cloudy, had shower in morning and again in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Busy day. Allens to see Gram, at Mrs. Yeakels for lunch. They went to Dunns in p.m. Pam stayed here. Deb stayed all night at Dunns. Children and we and girls were going on picnic but rained, so ate at girls. Allen and Shirley to his 20th year high school anniversary at Ranch House. Allen ToastMaster. They were here all night.

Sunday, August 15, 1971. Cloudy, cool. We all went to church. Allens left after preaching. Shirley's family had picnic for them. They left for home in PM. Sure miss them again. So good to have them. We stayed for dinner at church. Rev. Marten's last Sunday. We went to girls awhile. Boys there while we went to see Edgar at hospital. Home in evening. Miss Pam and Jeff.

Monday, August 16, 1971. Fair, fine day. Washed, had quite a lot. Pete dug potatoes. Boys helped, got 3 bags. Picked tomatoes, got over a bushel. Girls here in p.m. Got some tomatoes. We took some to Mabel in evening. Done ironing.

Tuesday, August 17, 1971. Fair, warmer, 83°. Washed again, sheets and spreads from upstairs. Done ironing. Pete worked on barn. We went to town at 3:30. Got boys haircut. Went to grocery [store] and stopped at Rons. Everything okay. Paul Miller and his neighbor here in evening.

Wednesday, August 18, 1971. Fair, warmer. Pete, boys, Mary and I left at 7:30 state fair. President Nixon there. Got to see him. We went to Gordons awhile in p.m., reception for Gov. Ogilvie. Got home at 4:30. Stopped at Grams. Marie got back from her trip. We, Gram and Marie went to Golden West for supper. Marie here all night.

Thursday, August 19, 1971. Fair, hot, humid, 93°. Had shower in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Marie here for lunch. She went to town in p.m. I cleaned up house when got home. Marie, gram, girls, CRs and *Yuona* (sp?) for supper. Marie brought chicken. She [was] here all night. Ron called in evening.

Friday, August 20, 1971. Mostly fair, quite warm and humid, had shower. I went to work at 7:00. Margaret Rader had surgery, got along okay. Marie to town in morning. I washed some and washed my hair when got home. We, Gram and Marie to girls for supper. Mabel to hospital, got cast-off, but had to stay in hospital.

Saturday, August 21, 1971. Partly cloudy, hot, humid. Had shower in morning. We went to town in morning, to bank and to church. Good Will committee got table ready for Alsene and Johnson wedding. Pete to Township chicken dinner at Lucas Forest. I helped serve at reception. Boys with Ida. I washed 3 loads when got home. Done some cleaning and ironed.

Sunday, August 22, 1971. Fair, quite warm in p.m., foggy in morning. We went to church. Gram, girls and we to Hen House at Carlock for dinner. Drove to Evergreen Lake. Took Gram home. Boys at girls. We went to Brokaw [Hospital] to see Edgar and Mabel. They are getting along okay. Betty Gurtner there too. Merle Weidig and Val [Kampmeier]s there too. Ron called. Rained ½ inch in night and blew.

Monday, August 23, 1971. Cloudy, quite humid. Mary, Pete and I and boys left at 5:00 for O'Hare airport. Got there at 7:00. Rons got in from California at 6:00. Glad to see them. We ate breakfast on way home. Got to Ron's at 11:00. I canned 7 ½ quarts tomatoes, made peach cobbler. Rons here for supper. Mabel came home from hospital. I went up to fix her sling.

Tuesday, August 24, 1971. Fair, warm, 90°. I washed and ironed. We went to town in p.m. Got new tire on car. Mary along. I got new dress (beige). We were home in evening. Had thunderstorm in evening and again in night.

Wednesday, August 25, 1971. Fair, in 80s. I went to work at 7:00. Arthurs called at 2:00 from Holiday Inn on way to Michigan. They and Pete to Eds awhile in p.m. Girls and we took them to Ranch House for supper. Pete to Township meeting. We stopped at hospital and at Rons. They had *Goertzens* (sp?) for supper. Went to girls awhile. Arthurs brought me home.

Thursday, August 26, 1971. Mostly fair, quite cool. I made 4 pints peach marmalade and 2 pints preserves. Baked 2 peach pies. Took one to CRs. Jo and boys here in p.m. Jo and I pulled and hoed weeds in truck patch. Girls here, got tomatoes, corn and lima beans. I cleaned upstairs after they left. Pete mowed along truck patch in morning. We sprayed roses. Arts left for Michigan.

Friday, August 27, 1971. Fair, nice day, chilly in morning, 40s. I went to work at 7:00. Busy with admissions. Mailed Paul's typewriter. Had it packed at Paxton's. Done cleaning when got home. Pete worked on barn and mowed barn yard. Jo here a while. She and Pete picked tomatoes and pulled weeds. We went to Chester Millers for supper. Hans Rigiers there too.

Saturday, August 28, 1971. Fine day, little warmer. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, had death in ICU, Mrs. Bagwell. Washed my hair. Put 3 boxes peaches in freezer. Finished cleaning. Parke Hastings here awhile in evening. Betty Gurtner had colostomy. Pete worked on barn.

Sunday, August 29, 1971. Lovely day, pleasant. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He went to church and to girls for dinner. Mary at info desk Sunday morning. Edgar went home from hospital. We stopped at Grams on way home. Went to Edgars awhile. Took them tomatoes and corn. EA using crutches.

Monday, August 30, 1971. Fair, warmer. I washed. Boys here, Jo at coffee shop. Pete picked tomatoes. I ironed and canned 7 quarts tomatoes. We went to Eastland in evening. Girls along. We got material, I got for jumper and wash dress. Pete got overalls and shirts.

Tuesday, August 31, 1971. Fair, 86°, humid, no breeze. I worked in garden and yard in morning. Pete worked on barn. I went to Pire plan meeting at hospital in p.m. We went to bank. Stopped at Grams, paid her rent. Picked some tomatoes and took Mabel some.

Wednesday, September 1, 1971. Fair, warm, humid. Pete mowed yard and sprayed evergreens. I made 2 batches (15 pints) chili sauce and canned 6 quarts tomatoes. Baked chocolate bars. Gathered some flower seeds. Girls, Pete and I went to Ed's in evening. Ate supper at Hen House.

Thursday, September 2, 1971. Fair, warm but good breeze. Pete worked on barn. I cut weeds along fence. Baked coffeecake braid, cooked apples. Main 9 quarts tomato juice. Rons here for supper. Ate outside. Made Rice Krispy – peanut butter cookies.

Friday, September 3, 1971. Partly cloudy, warm, humid. Had rain in town at 3:30. Sprinkled here. Pete took me to work at 7:00. He went to auxiliary meeting. We went to Eastland after work. Got paint for garage. Washed my hair and done some of cleaning. Had 2 deaths at work. Rons left after school for Allens.

Saturday, September 4, 1971. Partly cloudy, windy, humid. I finished cleaning. Got things ready for dinner. Marie came in morning. We, Marie and Gram to Ropp Reunion. Crowd rather small, about 40 there. We stopped at Pearls on way home. We, Marie, Gram, Ida and Mary to Steak & Shake for supper. Marie here all night.

Sunday, September 5, 1971. Partly cloudy, had thunder storm. Had over 2 inches rain in p.m. We went to church. Marie and Gram here for lunch. Got things ready for supper. Was to have weiner roast, so had it in basement. CRs, Gram, Ida, Mary, Pearl, Minnie, May Mohr, Gordons, Cutters and Wayne Kings and Yona (sp?) And Marie here. Had homemade ice cream. Marie here all night. Rays came late in evening.

Monday, September 6, 1971. Had 1 inch rain early a.m., cleared off at noon, warm, 80°. Marie left in morning. Had to have car towed to town. I cleaned up house. Scrubbed kitchen, baked cake. We went to picnic at Park. Merle planned it. Dudleys and Glens, Esther, Ida, Mary and ladies from apartments. Rons got home at 4:30. Here for supper.

Tuesday, September 7, 1971. Fair, hot, 93°, humid. I washed. We went to Thrift Shop at 9:30. Pete met with committee to draw up contract with owner. I helped sort clothes. Hung clothes out when got home at noon. Did ironing in p.m. I went to Good Will with Jeanette and Mary.

Wednesday, September 8, 1971. Fair, hot, 93°. I cleaned closet and West bedroom. Jo here in morning. She and Pete picked over 3 bushels tomatoes. We washed them. Pete and I to Rons in p.m. Helped Jo canned 36 quarts tomato juice. We went to Rachel Mitchell's. Got nearly 3 bushels apples. Ate supper at Rons. Jo to meeting at Dr. Bertsches. Gave them tomatoes.

Thursday, September 9, 1971. Fair, hot, 90°. Made salad. Went to Home Bureau. Ida and Mary along. They joined. Cleaned up bedrooms when got home. Pete and I to Estate Planning at hospital in evening. Stopped at girls. Tried on my green dress. Pete mowed some weeds.

Friday, September 10, 1971. Had 1/3 inch rain at 6:30 a.m. Fair in p.m., cooler in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete hauled some lumber to west barn. Washed my hair and cleaned up living room. We went to Merle's awhile in evening. Roberta and Carol got 2 – 3 bushels tomatoes.

Saturday, September 11, 1971. Had shower early in a.m., cleared off, cooler, nice day. I went to work at 7:00. Had 2 deaths in morning. Had admissions and no RN on 2A. Got groceries and stopped at Grams on way home. Ron and boys here, helped Pete move lumber to west barn. Franzie Loepp helped too. Girls and we to Carlock Home Coming for supper.

Sunday, September 12, 1971. Fair, cool, beautiful day. I went to work at 7:00. Had another death. Pete to church and to hospital for dinner. He visited some in p.m. We were home in evening. Paul Millers here, got tomatoes.

Monday, September 13, 1971. Beautiful day, in 80s. I washed, also bedding from our bedroom. Cleaned 2 closets in our room. Did ironing. Went to town at 3:30. Got wedding gifts for Glenda Shoultz and Harlan Heiser. Were home in evening. Jo not feeling well, diarrhea.

Tuesday, September 14, 1971. Fair, 92° in PM. Got ready for company. Gram, Ida and Mary here. Mick and Martha [Mishler] were to come but thought they were to come Thursday. Mary helped me clean our bedroom in p.m.

Wednesday, September 15, 1971. Mostly cloudy, cool, rained in evening. I went to work at 7:00, got off at 11:45. Duehr took book. I brought Gram home with me. Had lunch, went to club meeting at Dorothy Singley's. Mabel along. Took Gram home. Then took Merle to Peoria. We got fish, ate at Morton. Ron to meeting in Chicago. Jo better.

Thursday, September 16, 1971. Mostly cloudy, cool, showered little in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Jon here in p.m. Jo to meeting. She came after him. We picked gourds and washed them. Had 2 carts full. Were home in evening.

Friday, September 17, 1971. Fair in morning, cloudy, cool. I went to work at 7:00. Pete worked on barn. Washed my hair and done cleaning when got home. We went to Alpha Baughmans for supper. Mrs. Harder there. Good to see her again. I went to church awhile to set up for Harlan Heiser's and Jane Gordon's wedding.

Saturday, September 18, 1971. Cloudy, chilly, showered off and on all day. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked bars and coffecake. Mick [Mishler]s here a little. We went to Gailey's at 10:00. Pete doing okay. Went to girls for dinner. We went to Harlan Heiser's wedding. Ron performed the wedding. We served reception. Mary helped my committee. Went to Rons for supper.

Sunday, September 19, 1971. Cloudy, misted and showered most of day, gloomy. Went to church and Sunday School. Rev. Nachtegal preached. Girls and we to Eds. Ate dinner with them. Stopped to see Gram on way home. Talked to Frances. Edna real bad for several days. We went to Rons in evening. Took our freezer, made ice cream.

Monday, September 20, 1971. Cleared off, cool, 62° during day. I washed, cleaned west bedroom, did ironing. We went to town at 3:00. Took Ida and Mary. They bought electric lawnmower. Pete to Travel Bureau to talk about possible trip to Japan. Home in evening.

Tuesday, September 21, 1971. Fair, beautiful day, cool. I baked pecan rolls and cleaned living and dining rooms. Cleaned rug. Gathered flower seeds. Went to alumni board meeting to help address letters for chili supper. Pete mowed yard and worked on barn.

Wednesday, September 22, 1971. Fair, 37°, warmed up during day. I cleaned hall and Cedar closet. Cleaned kitchen, waxed floor and bathroom floor. Pete picked tomatoes for Dorothy. We went to town at 5:30. Got medicine refills for Gram. Took Rons pecan rolls. Took tomatoes to Edgars.

Thursday, September 23, 1971. Fair, cooler in p.m. I cleaned some cupboards. Pete, Merle and I went to Sheridan Village at 11:30. I drove Merle's car. We ate at Bergners. Merle got 4 dresses and sweater. Got home at 3:00. Merle stayed awhile. We went to town at 6:15. Jo and I to Eastland. Got trousers and shirts for boys, blouse for Pam.

Friday, September 24, 1971. Fair, fine day. I went to work at 7:00. Pete and Ron put tailgate on Rambler when Ron got off work. Pete to Rons for supper. I went to Esther Cash, got permanent after work. Got Pete on way home.

Saturday, September 25, 1971. Cloudy, rained nearly all day. Edna passed away this early a.m. Thankful she can be relieved of her suffering. I went to work at 7:00. Ron got Pete, took him to bank. He went to Rons. Home with me. I washed and ironed when got home. Packed suitcases. Talked to Allens. Willis got to KC in p.m.

Sunday, September 26, 1971. Foggy in morning. Ida, Mary, Pete and I left at 7:30 for Missouri. Got to Marvins at 3:15. Drove in fog and some rain to south of Springfield. Cleared off, hot, in 80s. We went to Orvies for supper. Then all went to funeral home. Visitation, 7 – 9. Girls and we at Marvins all night.

Monday, September 27, 1971. Fair, 90° but good breeze. Went to Orvies in morning and to Sycamore Church at noon. Ladies served dinner. Edna's funeral at 2:00 p.m. Quite large crowd. Karl and Ernest [Klooz] and Loella and her husband from Kansas, Karl Hostetler and Pearl Kropf there. Saw lots of people hadn't seen for years. We all went to Orvies for lunch. Arthurs there too. Were at Marvins all night.

Tuesday, September 28, 1971. Fair, warm. We, girls and Marvin's to Orvies for lunch. Evelyn and Willis there. Marvin to work in p.m. Pete and I left at 1:45 for Allens. Got here at 4:45. Ida and Mary stayed in Missouri. Orvies and Willis taking Evelyn home in PM. Allen to Bloomfield in evening. I got Steve at LeRoy after football practice.

Wednesday, September 29, 1971. Cloudy in morning, looked rainy. Near 90 and fair in p.m. Allen and Shirley left at 10:30 for Omaha. Shirley washed. I finished it and ironed some. Made cookies and cooked squash to put in freezer. Children to school.

Thursday, September 30, 1971. Fair, windy and warm. Children to school. Pete and I to Garden Grove. Got celery. I made 7 pints chili sauce. Baked bars and rhubarb crunch for supper. Made casserole for supper. Got Steve after football practice. Pete and I cleaned up downstairs. Children cleaned upstairs.

Friday, October 1, 1971. Fair, warm, windy. I baked coffeecake braid and 2 pumpkin pies. Done washing and ironed some. Got things ready for Supper. Children in school. Allens got back from Omaha at 4:00. Orvie, Willis and Mary got to Allens at 4:30. They were at Allens all night. Deb and Steve to football game. Ida stayed in Missouri.

Saturday, October 2, 1971. Cloudy in morning, had shower at 5:00 a.m. Orvie and Willis left at 8:30 for KC. Willis leaving for California. Shirley, Debbie and Steve left at 7:00 for Ottumwa, band contest. We and Mary left at 9:40 for home. Got here at 3:30. Thankful for safe trip. Took Mary home. Pete mowed lawn. I washed out some things. We went to Rons for supper. Ron and Marty to Wesleyan football game.

Sunday, October 3, 1971. Cloudy, showered some, cooler. Fair in evening. We went to church. Had communion. Ron had very good service. We ate at hospital cafeteria. Rons, Dunns, Clemens and Loepps there too. Saw Elaine about days to work. We went to Rons at 5:00. Fixed some things for supper at church. We all went. Had song fest, was nice evening.

Monday, October 4, 1971. Fair, cool. Washed. Jo here in morning, got canned beans and chili sauce. I cleaned fruit room and did ironing. We went to town, to bank and Eastland. Exchanged

Pam's blouse (too large). Lyndel Fry and Imogene Miller here in evening. Committee meeting for WMS [Women's Mission Society], nominating committee.

Tuesday, October 5, 1971. Fair, cool. We dressed 15 hens from Ed Millers. Jo helped, she got 10 of them. She and Jon here for lunch. I worked outside in p.m. Gathered flower seeds, hoed and sprayed roses. Marvins and Ida got to girls at 3:30. We were there for supper. I went to Good Will. Came home with Jeanette. Pete to Township meeting.

Wednesday, October 6, 1971. Fair, windy, chilly. I went to work at 7:00. Edgar's here in morning, got tomatoes, squash, endive, sweet potatoes. They took Pete to Truck Stop for lunch. Marvins, girls and we to Hen House for supper. Then went to funeral home. Lois Miller passed away.

Thursday, October 7, 1971. Fair, fine day, 46°. Went to work at 7:00. Got off at 1:00. Pete and I to Lois Miller's funeral at 2:00. Went uptown to bank and to Travel Bureau. Pete got birth certificate. We went to girls for supper. Marvins and Ernest Greers there. Marvins and Ida to Eds for dinner. Marvins here all night.

Friday, October 8, 1971. Cloudy, showered most of day, cool. Frances and I washed out some things and ironed some. Got things ready for dinner. Gram, girls and Marvins here. Mary to town in p.m., got permanent. We all went to Rons for Marty's birthday. Listened to tape from Pauls. Good to hear their voices. Marvins here all night.

Saturday, October 9, 1971. Partly cloudy, cool. Marvins and we left at 8:00 for Smoky Mountains. Went to Rockville Indiana, Festival. Such a crowd, didn't stay. Drove to Brown County state Park. Very pretty, some coloring of leaves. Drove to Lexington Kentucky. Stayed at Ramada Inn East of Lexington.

Sunday, October 10, 1971. Partly cloudy, real cool. We drove to Gatlinburg, Tennessee. A beautiful drive to the Smokies. Many many motels here, towns crowded with tourists. Got motel at Kingwood. Went to town awhile. Saw some at Pioneer Village.

Monday, October 11, 1971. Clear, a beautiful day. We drove over the Smokey Mountains, beautiful scenery. Not too much coloring in leaves yet but very beautiful. Saw Pioneer Farm. Drove to Cherokee Village, Indian reservation in North Carolina. Had dinner there. Saw Clarence Hartzlers from Missouri. We went to Christ's Gardens in evening, depicting life of Christ.

Tuesday, October 12, 1971. Clear, fine day, warmer. Drove to Cade Cove in morning. Pioneer Valley with churches and old cemeteries. Left there after 10:00. Drove to Maryville, Alcoa and Nashville. Saw many small homes in Tennessee. Beautiful scenery. Drove to Bowling Green for the night. Went shopping a little in evening.

Wednesday, October 13, 1971. Fair, nice day. We left Bowling Green at 8:34 home. Arrived in town at 5:00. Drove over 400 miles. I drove all morning and from Decatur home. Some colorful trees along the way. Stopped at girls. We and Marvins took them to Specialty House and back to girls. Ron and boys there. Jo at Junior choir. Marvins here all night. Talked to Gram. Thankful for safe trip.

Thursday, October 14, 1971. Fair, fine day. Marvin's to town at 9:00. I washed. We put up storm windows. Washed windows. Went to girls for dinner. Stopped at Jo's, got Rambler. Ironed. We went to hospital Personnel Dinner at Student Union. Elaine honored, 35 years at Mennonite. Sophia *Csene* (sp?) Employee of the year. Marvin's at girls.

Friday, October 15, 1971. Fair, lovely day, warm, 81°. Went to work at 7:00. (Unclear) low. Pete mowed yard and started painting garage. Got supper. Marie, Gram, Marvins and Ida here. Mary at coffeeshop, came late. Rons to Bluffton after school. Marvi's at girls. Marie here all night. Marvins to Masonbrinks for dinner.

Saturday, October 16, 1971. Very foggy in morning, cleared away by midmorning. I went to work at 7:00. Marvins left for home at 9:00, got there at 4:30. Had some fog. Marie to Grams in morning. Pete painted some on garage. I did some cleaning after work. Gram, Marie and we to CRs for supper. Marie here all night.

Sunday, October 17, 1971. Fair, beautiful day. Went to work at 7:00. Marie took Pete to church. He went to girls for dinner. Marie left for Alton. We and Mary to Home Builders at Immanuel Bible Foundation. Mary helped Luella [Mishler] with refreshments.

Monday, October 18, 1971. Mostly fair, warm, 82°. Washed, had quite a lot. Baked coffeecake braid. Did ironing. Girls here in p.m., got squash, endive and tomatoes. We went to town at 4:00. Had TB skin test and to bank and to knit shop. Stopped to see Julia. Vashta and husband there. Rons got back at 5:00.

Tuesday, October 19, 1971. Partly cloudy, looked rainy in morning, warm, 80°. Cooked squash. Went to Wally Yoder's in morning. Helped Jo and Betty make chili for bazaar. Came home at 2:00. Jo got Jon at noon. He stayed with Pete. I baked pumpkin pie and pumpkin bread. Made 3 pints yellow tomato preserves. Rons here for supper. Had catfish. Listened to rest of Pauls tape.

Wednesday, October 20, 1971. Fair, fine day, 80°. Washed car and got things ready for club. Had brunch for winner – loser at Nina Fowlers. Took Mabel and Gram. Home at 12:00. Pete finished painting garage. I cleaned bathroom and finished cleaning cupboards and drawers in kitchen. Planted tulip, hyacinth and crocus bulbs Allens gave me.

Thursday, October 21, 1971. Rained most of day. Washed some dresses and slip for Gram. Went to Illinois Women's meeting at Congerville with Mary, Ida, Marie Heiser and Jo. Martha Jo elected vice president. Pete got Jon at school at noon. He went to Rons. I went to chest clinic.

Had negative skin test. Home in evening. Phil Patton]s here in evening, brought my purse Lucy had ordered for my birthday.

Friday, October 22, 1971. Cloudy, misted some. Went to work at 7:00. Pete hauled lumber to west barn. I stopped at Grams on way home. Took her dresses. Done some of cleaning when got home. Edgars took us to Grand Hotel for supper. Went to Eastland. I drove, took them. Had nice evening.

Saturday, October 23, 1971. Cloudy, gloomy, little cooler, drizzled some in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Ron and boys here awhile in morning. Helped Pete put lumber in West barn. I got groceries, washed my hair, finished cleaning, made salad.

Sunday, October 24, 1971. Cloudy, cooler. Went to church and had surprise Sunday luncheon. We were guests at Meredith Kings. I took salad. Frenzy Loepps, Luella [Mishler], Ruth Summer, (name unclear) King there. Had enjoyable time. Stopped at grams. Were home in evening.

Monday, October 25, 1971. Cloudy, cleared off in p.m., pleasant. I washed and baked banana bread. Cleaned recreation room. Did ironing in p.m. Crocheted some. I went to Nurses Clinic on Trauma. Elaine with me.

Tuesday, October 26, 1971. Fair, warm, nice day. I baked pecan rolls. We dug Dahlia bulbs. Wrote Allens, went to town at 2:00. Had pictures taken for passport. Had smallpox vaccination and Pete had typhoid shot. Stopped at Gailey's. Got prescription for glasses. Girls and we to Zayre (sp?) To Ponderosa for supper, then to Dr. Bertsches for Heritage meeting.

Wednesday, October 27, 1971. Cloudy in morning, fair, very windy. Baked coffeecake and cleaned laundry room. We went to town in p.m. Went to visitation for Mrs. Kent at Metzler's [funeral Home]. We went to Gerald Galloways for supper to discuss plans for church newsletter.

Thursday, October 28, 1971. Fair, nice day, warm. Baked 2 pumpkin pies for alumna chili supper. Dusted bedrooms. Went to hospital at 1:00. Made sandwiches for supper. Pete to Rons, stayed with boys. Jo to Consistory to set up for Bazaar. Helped at chili supper. Did quite well.

Friday, October 29, 1971. Fine day, warm. We went to consistory at 9:00 for Bazaar. I took pumpkin and banana bread, pecan rolls and coffeecake. Helped Jo in Mexican booth in morning. Worked in kitchen in evening. We served 860 people. A real workout. We and *Frantchis* (sp?) went to their store to count money. Did well.

Saturday, October 30, 1971. Fair, warm, windy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast and to bank. He got me at 3:30. Got groceries. Paul Bates finished shucking our corn. Mary to Chicago to Ice Folly. Marie home. Staying with Pearl. We went to Rays for supper. Gram, Marie, Pearl, Minnie and CRs there.

Sunday, October 31, 1971. Fair, beautiful day, 39°. We went to church. Pete taught Sunday School. Ron sang solo. Herald Zehr preached. We, Gram and Marie to Rons for dinner. Marie left at 2:00 for Godfrey. We and girls to Eds at 3:30. They're just fair. Nettie fell and hardly able to be up. Home in evening.

Monday, November 1, 1971. Partly cloudy, showered late evening. Washed and ironed. Went to town in p.m. Got ticket money at hospital, took to bank. Applied for our passports at circuit court. Went to Merle's, took her to Daniels for dinner. Gave her necklace from Mexico for her birthday.

Tuesday, November 2, 1971. Fair, colder. Pete worked on auxiliary books. I cleaned silverware in morning. We put dirt on roses, Doug geraniums and got tomatoes in. Covered some endive. Jo and I to Good Will. Pete stayed with boys. Ron had meeting.

Wednesday, November 3, 1971. Fair, colder, 32°, frosted, rather windy. Cooked 3 quarts squash and 4 quarts pumpkin, put in freezer for Shirley. Pete got some endive and. I put some flower seeds away. Jo and boys here, got cabbage and tomatoes. We went to town at 4:30. Got money at hospital. Took Minnie *candy* (sp?).

Thursday, November 4, 1971. 28°, warmer. Finished putting flower seeds away. Done some odd jobs. Pete out to get signatures for Earl Webb. We went with Ida and Mary to Peoria at 1:00. Mary got suit, three-piece knit. We ate supper at Cliftwood in Morton. I crocheted in evening. I wrote to Pauls.

Friday, November 5, 1971. Partly cloudy, real windy. Went to work at 7:00. Pete along, took Buick to John Brackman's for tuneup. He went to auxiliary in morning, to dentist at 11:00. He went uptown. I was told I would retire at end of year. Bill [Dunn] talked to me. Washed my hair, done some of cleaning. Marty has earache.

Saturday, November 6, 1971. Fair, windy, cold, 30° most of day. Pete worked on auxiliary books, etc. I baked cookies, 3 pumpkin pies and finished cleaning. We defrosted freezer in p.m. Went to vote on Unit 5 Bond. Were home in evening, crocheted. Marty feeling better.

Sunday, November 7, 1971. Fair, cold, 15°, nice day. We went to church. Gram and we to girls for dinner. Edgar's there too. We took Gram home, stopped at Rons. They were home. Marty better but kept him in. Jo to church in morning. We took girls, May Mohr & Ethel Streid to Meadows. Our church guests for supper. Had song fest, nice evening. Talked to Allens. Ernest Klooz passed away.

Monday, November 8, 1971. Fair in morning, then cloudy, windy, 15°. Washed and ironed in morning. Pete worked outside awhile. We went to town in p.m. Took Ida to Dr. Went to Eastland to knit shop. Got more yarn for Pam's poncho. Home in evening. Snowed in evening. Ground kinda quite.

Tuesday, November 9, 1971. Cloudy, chilly, cleared off in evening. We went to town at 9:00. Pete had executive meeting for auxiliary. We went to Travel Bureau. Home for lunch. To town in p.m. Got my typhoid booster. Then to girls. Made our fruitcakes. Pete to Town Board meeting. I took him.

Wednesday, November 10, 1971. Fair, real frosty, rather windy. Dusted up house. Made pumpkin pie and baked apples. Pete worked on books in morning. We dug carrots in p.m. Merle and Clara S. here awhile in p.m. Got supper. Gerald Galloways here for supper. We wrote up newsletter for the church.

Thursday, November 11, 1971. Fine day, 58°. We took newsletter to Kay Reimer. I went to Home Bureau. Took Mabel, Mrs. Wilson, Ida and Mary. John Brackman serviced Mary's car. Girls, Pete and I to Eds at 3:30. Nettie in nursing wing, has been falling, doesn't look good.

Friday, November 12, 1971. Fair, warm, 62°. Went to work at 7:00. Pete along, took car to Pennys. Had new muffler put on, got snow tires on car. He ate lunch with me at hospital. Done cleaning after got home. We went to girls for supper. Scogin and Vera *Homeriogous* (sp?) there.

Saturday, November 13, 1971. Fair, nice day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to men's breakfast. Came home with Chet Miller. Rons came at 3:30. Helped take air-conditioner out and took storm windows off picture window and cleaned it. We went to Rons in evening. They went to Bluffton alumni banquet at Elms in El Paso.

Sunday, November 14, 1971. Fine day, warm, 75°. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to church and to girls for dinner. Had busy day, lots of admissions. Stopped at Grams on way home. We went to Gil Webbs in Morton. Cliftwood Township Board took Ed and Fern to dinner. Ed going off board. Had nice evening.

Monday, November 15, 1971. Partly cloudy, warm. Washed and ironed. Electricity off nearly 3 hours. We went to town at 2:30. Pete to Dr., had another typhoid shot and revaccinated. Girls and we to Eastland. Got Jo slippers for her birthday. Girls got [her a] slip. Ate supper at girls, then to Gerald Galloways to address newsletter.

Tuesday, November 16, 1971. Mostly fair, warm, 72°. We went to town at 8:30. Pete met with executive committee for auxiliary, then to Thrift Shop to talk about [hospital auxiliary] buying the place. Got home at noon. Got things ready for supper. Baked quick coffeecake and pumpkin pie. Ervin Goering and girls here for supper.

Wednesday, November 17, 1971. Fair, warm. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Pete working on barn. We took Gram to Dr. for checkup and flu shot at 11:45. We ate at Walgreens. I went to club meeting at Marie Hastings. We washed car when got home.

Thursday, November 18, 1971. Cloudy, showered most of day, cooler in p.m. We put storm windows in upstairs and washed windows and dusted. Baked coffeecake braid, cooked big

pumpkin and squash, put in freezer and for pies for Thanksgiving. Went to funeral home to call on Bill Schad family. He passed away Tuesday night. Boys here for supper. Ron at ministerial supper at hospital.

Friday, November 19, 1971. Cleared off in morning, windy, colder. Went to work at 7:00. Busy, census 212. Orvie got to girls at 2:45. We were there for supper. Mary to show, "For Pete Sake," with Luella [Mishler] and May [Mohr]. Good to see Orvie.

Saturday, November 20, 1971. Mostly cloudy, windy, colder. Washed my hair, baked bars. Orvie, Ida and we to Eds in p.m. Nettie about same, still in nursing section. Mary worked. We, Rons and Gram at girls for supper. Gave Jo house slippers.

Sunday, November 21, 1971. Partly cloudy, cold, windy. Went to church, had mission Sunday. Fremont *Regiers* (sp?) spoke. Had dinner at noon, good attendance, had program at 1:00. We were home in evening.

Monday, November 22, 1971. Fair, cold, 23°, about 32° during day. I washed and ironed. We went to town at 11:30. Got money at hospital, took to bank. Went to Travel Bureau. Got house dress for Gram. Got supper. Edgars, Gram, Orvie and girls here. Had waffles and sausage. Orvie here all night.

Tuesday, November 23, 1971. Cloudy, chilly, started to snow about 3:00 p.m. had about an inch. We covered roses. We took Orvie to Peoria to Hilda Z. Mary along. We done some shopping. Stopped at Morton, got Hummels for Pauls for gift. Got Marvin's centerpiece. Got Elaine swan and Merle birds. Made cheese ball and bars. We, Jo and boys to Donkey Basketball game.

Wednesday, November 24, 1975. Cloudy, foggy in morning, some of snow melted. I baked ham and cooked cranberries. Dusted up house. Washed load of clothes. We went to town in p.m. to bank. Went to girls. Rural Missionary Society meeting there. Hilda and husband brought Orvie back to girls. Orvie, Pete and I to Rons for supper. Had oyster stew. Jo to Junior choir practice.

Thursday, November 25, 1975. Fair, chilly South wind. Allens got here at 10:00 a.m. So good to see them. Rons, Gram, Marie, Orvies, Ida, Mary, CRs, Pearl and Rays here for dinner. Gordons came for supper. Minnie and her niece here awhile in p.m. Had turkey. Jo roasted it. Mary made pumpkin pies. Mabel and Carol salad. A big day and much to be grateful for. Allens here all night. Marie at CRS.

Friday, November 26, 1971. Cloudy, misted most of day. I washed 4 loads. Visited with Allens. They were here for lunch. Went to Mrs. Yeakels at 2:00. Pam has cold and cough. I washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We went to Earl Mishlers in evening. Lawrence and Martha there. Visited with them. Chas Hoffmans there too. Allens at Mrs. Yeakels all night.

Saturday, November 27, 1971. Mostly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00, busy. Pete along to men's breakfast. Came home with Chester Miller. Orvie here in p.m. Allens & Rons & R. Stutzmans to

4 Seasons in p.m. and to Stutzmans for supper. Allens at Rons all night. Gram, Marie, Orvie and we at girls for supper. Marie at CRs all night.

Sunday, November 28, 1971. Cloudy, snowed some in morning, had 1¾ inch late evening. We went to Rons for breakfast. Allens left at 10:20 for home. Always miss them. We went to church. Orvie, girls and we to Hen House for dinner, then to see Edss and Chas Greasers. Nettie some better. Orvie and girls here for supper. We babysat boys. Ron to Hopedale, Jo to Home Builders. Marie home in morning.

Monday, November 29, 1971. Gloomy, misted and snowed some most of day. Washed and ironed. We went to town in p.m., auxiliary money to bank. Stopped at girls and Rons. Orvie left at 7:45 for home. He got home okay. Had some wet pavement. Was nice to have him.

Tuesday, November 30, 1971. You flurries in morning, chilly, sun shone in p.m. I washed bedding from upstairs and ironed. Dusted upstairs. Baked ginger, black walnut and snickerdoodle cookies. We addressed Christmas cards in evening.

Wednesday, December 1, 1971. Fair, fine day, 15° in morning. I baked carrot cookies, Crescent and fruit cookies. We took Skippie to vet in p.m. for her shot. Went to Merles awhile in evening.

Thursday, December 2, 1971. Fair, nice day, colder in evening. Stirred up sugar cookies. Went to town at 10:00. Pete to Dr. Aarick (sp?), [He] has some skin problems. We went shopping. Got games for boys and shirt for Jeff's birthday. Baked cookies and iced them when got home. We went to see Gram in evening. She had fall in morning, hurt her knee, can hardly get around.

Friday, December 3, 1971. Mostly fair, colder in evening. Went to work at 7:00. Pete along, had auxiliary meeting. Gift shop had sail. We got groceries, stopped to see Gram. She seems little better. Did cleaning when got home. Miss Etter [former Garfield School teacher] here 1 ½ hours. [She] brought books of Garfield school.

Saturday, December 4, 1971. Cloudy, when to work at 7:00. Rons took Gram to hospital, had [her] knee x-rayed, no fractures. Dr. saw her. Had busy day at hospital, death and autopsy (Mrs. Miller), OR busy. Did my hair and baked apple cake after work. Set table. Pete worked on pump.

Sunday, December 5, 1971. Cloudy, rather foggy, misted, rained in evening. Went to church. Ron sang, very nice. Had surprise luncheon. Stan Clemens here. Other for didn't come. Went to town in evening. Stopped at girls, then to Rons to babysit. They went to Symphony. Rons had Meredith Kings and Chester Miller. Girls to Regiers.

Monday, December 6, 1971. Cloudy, gloomy. Did washing and ironing in morning. We took Merle to Wayside Furniture at Clinton. She got our supper at Steak & Shake. Wrote Christmas notes when got home.

Tuesday, December 7, 1971. Cloudy, misted. Baked peanut blossom and press cookies. Went to town at 10:50. Delivered meals on wheels. Done little shopping for Gram and helped her address some Christmas cards. We went to Church Fellowship Christmas party at Masters Place. 70 present. Paul Miller gave program. Nice evening.

Wednesday, December 8, 1971. Cloudy, misted some. I wrapped Christmas gifts in morning. Went to meeting at hospital at noon. Alumni board met with Jacque Kinder about changing school of nursing pin. Went to bank. Got things ready for Home Bureau. We went to Gerald Galloways for supper. Made up church newsletter.

Thursday, December 9, 1971. Cloudy, gloomy, misted some. Got things ready for Home Bureau. Made chipped beef casserole. Took Pete to hospital auxiliary board meeting. He helped deliver Meals on Wheels. Girls with me to Home Bureau. Had 42. Had workshop in morning. We went to Galloways in evening. Addressed newsletter. Rained in night.

Friday, December 10, 1971. Cloudy, rained, very windy in p.m. and evening, storms south and east. I went to work at 7:00. Took catheters to Marie Hastings for Stella [Hastings] on way home. Done some cleaning. We, Vera *Homerighous* (sp?), Ida, and Mary to Dorothy Scogins for supper. Vera drove. Had nice evening. Had over 2 inches rain.

Saturday, December 11, 1971. Clear, fine day. Went to work at 7:00. Pete along to men's breakfast, then to Mennonite Aid meeting at nurses home. Finished cleaning when got home. Washed my hair. Went to Rons at 7:30. Babysat. They went to Readys (Dunns secretary) for supper. Got home at 1:30.

Sunday, December 12, 1971. Hotly cloudy. Went to work at 7:00. Everyone busy, for absentees. Pete to church and to Rons for dinner. Girls with Mary and Luella to Peoria. We went to Gordons for supper. Rons, CRs and Cutters there. Saw Gordons pictures from Japan.

Monday, December 13, 1971. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed. Went to girls for lunch. We went to Eastland. Got robe for Nettie and PJs for Ed. We went to Eds at 2:30. Nettie back at their room. Seems about same. Pete and I to Paul Millers awhile. Took wedding gifts for Sue and Richard.

Tuesday, December 14, 1971. Cloudy, gloomy, rained and misted. We went to town at 9:30. Pete to Dr. Aarick, then to Eastland. Got jeans for Benjy and PJs for Andy. Delivered Meals on Wheels. Merle home with us. We had soup and frozen peaches. She and I painted tree on our picture window. Took Merle home at 5:00. Went to Rons for supper. Stayed with boys. Rons to McLean County Ministerial Dinner at hospital.

Wednesday, December 15, 1971. A stormy day, high winds reached 70 mph at airport. Heavy rain. Trailers turned over at trailer courts and other damage, without electricity awhile. Put up

some decorations. Done odd jobs. Went to club meeting at Pearls. Mabel along. Got supper for Lee Swearingen family and delivered it. We went to Phils in evening.

Thursday, December 16, 1971. Cloudy, chilly. I made fudge and penuchi in morning. Pete worked on books. We went to town in p.m. Shopped some, got juice glasses for Jo, box of candy for Minnie and took Shirley's gift to her. Went to girls at 4:00. Pete put up banister on their basement stairs. We were there for supper. Got groceries on way home.

Friday, December 17, 1971. Cloudy, snowed little in morning. I went to work at 7:00. 2B had little party and gave me Christmas Angels for my last day of work. Gives me a sad feeling knowing I can't go back to work where I have put in many hours. Rons here for supper. Had Wiener roast in basement. Pete to Township meeting. Washed my hair.

Saturday, December 18, 1971. Fair, 12° above in morning. Done cleaning. Made door piece and got things ready for company. Val and Nancy Kampmeiers, Edgars, Gram and girls here. Rons and CRs busy, couldn't come. Val showed pictures of England. Had nice evening.

Sunday, December 19, 1971. Cloudy, rained and snowed little in p.m. We went to church at 9:00. Had coffee and donuts in basement, then sang Christmas carols. Christmas program at 10:00. Junior choir and men's and ladies ensemble sang. Jo's choir very good. Ron sang in ensemble. Stopped at Grams on way home. Home in p.m. and evening.

Monday, December 20, 1971. Foggy, cloudy, mild. Washed. We went to hospital at 10:30. Helped Jo finish favors for patients' trays. Did ironing when got home. Jo and boys came at 4:00. Marty helped Pete put lumber in barn. Ron came too. Here for supper. He worked on both cars. Jo did her ironing.

Tuesday, December 21, 1971. Cloudy, chilly. We went to vote on County nursing home. Got bushel of apples at Burkelbaws for Allens. Delivered Meals on Wheels. Went to bank and to Travel Bureau. Got our visa. Went to Eastland. Got sweat pants and shirt for Ron. Edgar took Ida, Mary and we to Village Inn for supper. Went to Edgars to see their tree.

Wednesday, December 22, 1971. Fair, nice day. Baked pecan rolls. Went to town at 1:00. Pete to girls. Ida and I to hospital Personnel Dinner. Mary worked at coffeeshop and ate at cafeteria. Were at girls for supper. Gram, Rons and Edgars there. Had Kropf gift exchange. Had oyster stew and chilly.

Thursday, December 23, 1971. Fair, nice day. Went to town about noon. Ate lunch at girls. Went to Eds in p.m., to Rons at 4:00. Helped Jo some. She went shopping a little. Marie, Gram, girls and we at Rons for supper. Had gift exchange. Pete got saw. I got purse, slippers and cap. We stopped at Paul Millers. They had open house for children.

Friday, December 24, 1971. Cloudy. We, Ida and Mary left at 8:00 for Allens. Got here at 2:00. Had good trip. Nice Christmas music all the way. Good to see Allens. We had our gift exchange. Money and candle.

Saturday, December 25, 1971. Cloudy, not cold. Got up late. Shirley had stiff neck. Allen and I put turkey on at 7:00. Had turkey and trimmings. Played games. Nice Christmas. Rons to Bluffton in morning. Gram and Marie to CRs. Ron got sick in evening with flu.

Sunday, December 26, 1971. Cloudy, much colder, misted, froze in evening. All of us except Shirley and Ida to church and Sunday School. Men watched ballgame. Played games.

Monday, December 27, 1971. Colder, everything I see. Shirley and Allen to work. Debbie washed. Mary ironed. I baked cookies. We made apple pies, mended socks. Ida made vest for Steve. Got supper. Allen made call in evening.

Tuesday, December 28, 1971. Fair, 6° above zero. Allen and Shirley to work. We made cookies, donuts, coffeecake. Pete, Steve and I took varnish off rocking chair. Looks nice. Got supper. Allen gone after supper. Marie back to Godfrey.

Wednesday, December 29, 1971. Cloudy, not so cold. We left for home at 9:00. Got here at 3:00. Shirley and Allen to work. Always hard to leave them. Pete and I to Band of America concert at Consistory. Had nearly 2 inches rain in night. Rons got home at 5:00. Ron sick with flu. Jo and Jon (unclear).

Thursday, December 30, 1971. Cloudy, windy, colder. I washed and ironed. Went to town at noon. I went to Retirement Luncheon & Tea at hospital. Rather difficult day. Ron still not good. Jon has temp. We got groceries and medicine for them. We took Gram to Howard Johnson's for supper for her birthday. Ida and Mary along.

Friday, December 31, 1971. Fair, nice day, windy. Did cleaning. Washed my hair. Put some of gifts away. Stan Clemens here in p.m. Brought papers, etc. for Sunday School material. Pete [Sunday School] Superintendent. We went to town in evening. Took Rons fruit salad. Jo not feeling good. Ron some better. Went to girls for supper. Watched TV.

Saturday, January 1, 1972. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., rained in evening. We went to Ida and Mary's to watch parade and ballgames. We went to see Julia in p.m. Mary and I took some food to Rons in evening. They are better, except Marty is sick now, has temp. Gram to Gordons. Snowed in night.

Sunday, January 2, 1972. Fair, fine day, rather slick early in morning. Went to church and Sunday School. Pete new [SS] superintendent. Gram, girls and CRs here for dinner. Mabel to town in p.m. to French's. Rons are better.

Monday, January 3, 1972. Cloudy, rained some in evening, froze. Washed and ironed in morning. Pete worked on auxiliary books. We went to town in p.m. Made reservations to go to Japan January 11th. Did some shopping. Pete to church board meeting. I went to girls a while. Windy, snowed some in night. Ron to work.

Tuesday, January 4, 1972. Much colder, windy, snowed. Went to town. Pete to Dr. *Aavik* (sp?). Went to Eastland. Stopped at hospital in Gailey's. Had glasses adjusted. Went to Good Will with Jeanette and Mary. 16 there. We quilted.

Wednesday, January 5, 1972. Clear, cold, 6° below. Packed cookies for Pauls, etc. Went to Grams at 1:30. Pete and CR settled up with her and had note signed. We went to Gerald [Galloway]s and worked on church newsletter. Stopped at Jo's. Marty home. Jon to school. We went to Merles. She took us to Daniel's for supper.

Thursday, January 6, 1972. Fair, 11° above, warming up. We got some things ready to pack. Cleaned up bedrooms. Ida, Mary and we to Eds in p.m. Nettie isn't good. She fell again this week. I took Ed up town to get some items he needed. Home in evening.

Friday, January 7, 1972. Fair, nice day. Done some of cleaning. Went to annual meeting of hospital auxiliary at 10:30 at Normal church. Jo had installation of officers. Pete reelected treasurer. We went to bank and got our tickets for Japan. Went to girls, helped quilt in evening.

Saturday, January 8, 1972. Mostly cloudy, windy. Pete to men's breakfast. He and Ron to sale in morning. I did cleaning. Went to Jo's at 11:00. She did my hair. Had lunch then. We packed some in p.m. Went to girls for supper. Gram, Rons, CRs and Edgars there.

Sunday, January 9, 1972. Fair, nice day, mild. Went to church. Had dinner at noon and annual church meeting. Rons were received into the church. Frank Bertram elected church chairman. Marie came home in morning. She, Gram, girls and we at CRs for supper.

Monday, January 10, 1972. Fair, mild, washed and ironed. To town at noon. Edgars took girls and we to Village Inn for lunch. Stopped at hospital and bank. Took some leftovers to Ron. Finished packing suitcases in p.m. Went to church at 6:30. Carry in supper to meet with James and Lenore Waltner. They stayed at Rons all night.

Tuesday, January 11, 1972. Partly cloudy. Went to Ron's at 6:30. Had breakfast. Rons, Jim Waltner and we left for Chicago at 7:30. Ida with boys. Pete and I boarded Northwest Orient 747 flight 007 for Tokyo Japan at 10:45. Stopped at Seattle for refueling. Left Seattle at 5:50. Saw a beautiful sunset on the ocean. Was smooth ride over the ocean. They keep one busy eating. Slept some.

Wednesday, January 12, 1972. Spent the day eating on plane. Finally arrived at Tokyo at 7:20, too late for our first flight. Went through immigration and customs, no problem. Got last flight at 9:00 for Osaka where Paul and Andy were waiting for us. So glad to see them. We took bus to Kyoto. Arrived at Pauls at 11:00 their time, 27 hours after we left home. Beautiful sites flying over Tokyo and Osaka. Good to see Marj and Benjy too.

Thursday, January 13, 1972. Rained some early morning. Slept late. Feel pretty good. Andy to nursery school. I wrote Allens and Gram letters. We rested most of day. Gave boys their gifts. Marj took boys to playground a while. Had around 3 inches snow at home.

Friday, January 14, 1972. Partly sunny. Marj had English class in morning. Andy to nursery school. Paul, Pete, Benjy and I to bank to exchange our money. Marj washed some. She, Pete and I to market in p.m., very interesting. Many different kinds of vegetables. Rained in night. Near zero all day at home.

Saturday, January 15, 1972. Mostly cloudy, chilly. Showered some. Marjorie, boys and we to Kinkaku-ji Temple in morning, an interesting place, beautiful grounds. Stopped at Hotel to make reservations for Paul's friends. Saw wedding party, ladies with beautiful kimonos. Bride beautiful. Paul studying. Andy's little friend here playing. 16° below at home.

Sunday, January 16, 1972. Mostly cloudy, intermittent showers, chilly. Pauls and we went to Shimogamo Shrine, interesting place. Saw wedding party. Went to town. Had dinner at Crab House restaurant. Very good. Went shopping at arcades. Streets crowded with people. Paul and Benjy home after dinner. Kyoto a very busy city. Many buses and streetcars.

Monday, January 17, 1972. Snow on house tops when got up. Cloudy, real chilly, misted little. Marj, Benjy, Pete and I to Imperial Palace grounds to get pass for Katsura Villa. Paul to library. Andy's friend here in p.m. to play. Marjorie, Pete and I to co-op in p.m. Shopped for groceries and meat. Also has [something] like dime store. Washed my hair in evening. Marjorie set it.

Tuesday, January 18, 1972. Fair, nice day, cool. Babysitter came at 9:00. So Paul, Marj and we to Kokedera and Moss Temple. Many kinds of moss. Building constructed in 1339. Ate lunch at nice restaurant, then took train to Katsura Imperial Villa. A beautiful spot with little lakes. Many teahouses. A Japanese guide who spoke English was very informative. Done lot of walking but a very interesting day.

Wednesday, January 19, 1972. Nice day. Marjorie, Benjy, Pete and I to Arts & Crafts of Kyoto. Beautiful things. Home in PM. Helped Marj get things ready for supper. Marty Singers (Paul's friends from Michigan) were here for supper. They are on their way to Hong Kong to study for a year.

Thursday, January 20, 1972. Had shower early, cloudy and real hazy smog. Marjorie, Benjy and we to Nijo Castle in morning. Built in 1603. Beautiful carvings and paintings. Walked through gardens. High walls of stone around the castle.

Friday, January 21, 1972. Partly cloudy, cool. Rather windy. Marjorie, Benjy and we to Toji Temple (Buddhist Temple) where a huge flea market was held. Everything to sell one could think of. Got some dress material, chopsticks & hot mats. A crowded place. Walked through temple ground and some of buildings. Large images. Tallest pagoda in Japan, 5 stories. Paul studied. They went to Hotel in evening to see Marty Singers.

Saturday, January 22, 1972. Fair, nice day, mountains clear. Marjorie washed. Andy to nursery school. Paul studied. Marj, Pete and I to markets in p.m. Got supper for company. Bob Sommers and their 2 little girls were here for supper. His wife is Japanese. He is working on his dissertation too.

Sunday, January 23, 1972. Nice day, warm, probably in 50s. Pauls and we to Byodo-in. Visited the Phoenix Hall which is 900 years old. The building has a corridor wing on each side of the main hall like a Phoenix spreading its wings. Ate dinner at a real Japanese restaurant. Sat on floor. Had room to ourselves and about 5 course meal. A nice experience.

Monday, January 24, 1972. Cloudy, rained in p.m. Paul to Kyoto library to study. Marj washed. We wrote cards and letters. Marjorie, boys and we to bank in p.m. and went shopping in department store. Got Andy a game for his birthday.

Tuesday, January 25, 1972. Cloudy, showered. Paul and Marjorie took us to Daitoku-ji Zen Monastery. Has 31 temples. Ate dinner at Japanese restaurant, had sushi. Went to another Temple—Kitano Shrine where there was a flea market and antique sale. Many people visited the shrine, throwing coins into a box and offering a prayer and pulling a long rope to call attention to the gods.

Wednesday, January 26, 1972. Fair, colder in p.m. Marjorie washed in morning. We wrote cards and letters and went to Botanical Gardens in p.m. It's near Pauls, a beautiful place. Went to Conservatory, lovely flowers of all kinds. Saw women working on lawn.

Thursday, January 27, 1972. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. Marj, Benjy and we to Ginkaku-ji Temple. It's built at foot of mountains. Beautiful garden. Then went to Heian Shrine (Shinto). Garden filled with cherry trees, pretty lake. Met a Marine who went with us through garden.

Another man wanted his picture taken with Pete. Marj home after lunch. We shopped at Arts and Crafts. 2 girls here in evening to learn English.

Friday, January 28, 1972. Fair, cold. Showered little in p.m. Marj and Benjy and we took a cab to Kiyomizu Temple, up in the side of the mountain. A most beautiful site overlooking Kyoto. Many temples here. Street lined with gift and pottery shops on way up to Temple. We shopped some. Got tea set and tea ceremony bowls. Andy's little friend Miro here in p.m. Then he went to her house.

Saturday, January 29, 1972. Fair, cloudy in p.m. Paul, Pete and I to camera shops and library. Got some books for boys. Marjorie washed and done grocery shopping. Alice Ruth Ramseyer and Mrs. Carl Liechty from Kagoshima & Miyazaki here for supper. Are attending a conference. Marj with them for evening session.

Sunday, January 30, 1972. Fair, cool. Mr. Kimura & Mr Nimura and his wife and 2 girls took us to visit Todai-ji & Horyu-ji temples, 35 miles from Kyoto at Nara. Many deer at the first Temple. Here is the largest wooden building in the world and the largest Buddha in Japan from here and Horyu-ji. Ate lunch and visited the Temple. A lot of traffic coming home. Arrived at 4:20. Boys tired.

Monday, January 31, 1972. Fair, cloudy in p.m., showered. Marjorie washed. I finished and hung up clothes. She and Pete went shopping. Got cake for Andy. Had little party for his birthday. Miro, Bob & *Lesia* (sp?) Sommers here. Tim Wixted and a Japanese girl who will tutor Paul in Japanese were here awhile in p.m.

Tuesday, February 1, 1972. Cloudy, rained, foggy. We went to town. Went shopping. Had dinner downtown. Marjorie and I shopped in p.m. Men came back earlier.

Wednesday, February 2, 1972. Partly cloudy, nice day. Paul, Pete and I left at 10:00 for Osaka. Paul to Consulate to get Benjy's visa but couldn't get it right away. Went to Osaka Castle. Osaka is different from Kyoto, buildings more modern, being rebuilt after bombing in World War II. Train station underground and huge. Department stores in same building. Paul and we to Korean barbecue. Grilled our own meat. Sat on floor. Lynn Struve with us. Saw geisha girl. Shopped some.

Thursday, February 3, 1972. Mostly cloudy. Paul to library. Pete and I to Japan Airlines. Made reservations for hotel & plane home. Then went to Arts & Crafts. Got tie for Ron and silk material. Home by noon. Andy home with cold. Girls came in evening for English lesson.

Friday, February 4, 1972. Cloudy and showered in morning. Marj had English class here in morning (boys). Marjorie went shopping in p.m. Andy to friend's house. We took care of Benjy. Paul had class with Japanese girl. Rained all day.

Saturday, February 5, 1972. Fair in morning, partly cloudy, cold. Marj, Benjy, Pete and I to Ryoan-ji Temple in morning. Beautiful grounds and rock garden. Went to crab restaurant in evening. Friend of Paul's (prof. from U of M) Bill Hauser went with us. [He] came to house awhile. Babysitter with boys.

Sunday, February 6, 1972. Snowed little in morning. Misted, cold. Pauls and we to Nishi Honganji Temple. Buddhists were seen worshipping at the Temple. In evening we went to Yoko Takayama home for a delicious Japanese dinner. Miro her daughter is a good friend of Andy's. We had babysitter for Benjy.

Monday, February 7, 1972. Cloudy, chilly, showered some. We washed and Marjorie went shopping in p.m. Paul at library all day. We packed some in evening, gifts, etc.

Tuesday, February 8, 1972. Mostly cloudy, cold, snowed some. Marj had English class in morning. Babysitter here, Mrs. Hatanaka. She gave us a tea set. Paul, Pete and I walked to Kamigamo Shrine in morning. Saw wedding party. Met Marj at noon. Had dinner, then went to Kyoto Museum. Interesting place. Marj and I went to beauty shop. Had our hair done. Benjy sick in evening. I washed some and packed.

Wednesday, February 9, 1972. Fair, nice day. Paul, Andy, Pete and I left Kyoto at 10:00 for Tokyo. Marjorie stayed as Benjy still not feeling good. We enjoyed the countryside, many rice fields, vegetables. Mountainous country, tangerines and tea plants on mountainside. A good view of Mount Fuji, beautiful. Got to Tokyo at 1:00. Got rooms at International House. Nice place. Ron and Susan Suleski came. We went to Chinese restaurant. Good food. Snowed in night. Marj not feeling good.

Thursday, February 10, 1972. Ground covered with snow and still snowing when we got up and snowed to evening, then rained, windy. Andy sick, vomiting. Pete has cold so stayed in all day. Read some. Ron Suleski came in evening. Had dinner with Paul. We stayed with Andy awhile.

Friday, February 11, 1972. Rained all day. Paul and we took Andy to Rons. He's better. Paul and we to International Christian University. Had dinner with Ron Richs. Ron S[uleski] met Marj and Benjy at train at 1:30. Pauls are staying with them a few days. Paul went with us to airport. We ate there. We boarded JAL 747 at 9:30. Hard to leave Pauls. We crossed dateline, arrived in Honolulu at 9:30 a.m. Got room at Waikiki Circle Hotel on beach. Warm, 79°. I was sick in evening.

Saturday, February 12, 1972. Mostly sunny, rained in mountains. We got up late. Still not feeling good. Hazel Fuji came and took us by bus to State Houses and Old Palace. She was going to take us to Chinatown but I wasn't quite up to it. She left us about 1:30. We rested and went for walk. Sat on beach awhile. Interesting to watch people. One can see any kind of dress imaginable.

Sunday, February 13, 1972. Fair, warm, windy. Went for walk. Got flowers for Hazel. Left hotel at 1:00. Went to airport. Spent afternoon there. Nice gardens. Left on United Airlines 747 at 6:00 p.m. had smooth flight but short night and didn't sleep much.

Monday, February 14, 1972. Fair, nice day, rained in evening. We arrived in Chicago O'Hare at 6:10 AM. Rons there to meet us. So thankful for a safe and wonderful trip. We stopped at Grams. Unpacked and rested some. Didn't feel too good. Went to girls for supper. Pete to church board meeting and I went to go to Lawrence Aaras to shower for Mary Colter.

Tuesday, February 15, 1972. Fair, cold. We went to Ruth Sommers funeral in morning. Washed in p.m. and ironed. Rons here for supper. We feel some better.

Wednesday, February 16, 1972. Fair, warmer. We went to town at 10:00. I went to church to help quilt. Pete uptown. She went to girls in p.m. I went to club meeting at Marie Heisers. We went to Grams awhile, then to girls for supper. I went to combined choir practice for Seven Last Words. Boys at girls.

Thursday, February 17, 1972. Cloudy in p.m., rained some, 35°. We went to Gerald Galloways in morning, did newsletter, took it to Kay [Reimer]. Were home in PM. Rested awhile. Looked at some pictures in evening.

Friday, February 18, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. Done cleaning. We went to Gerald's in p.m. Addressed news letters and mailed them. Were at girls for supper. Dorothy Scogin and Vera *Homeighous* (sp?) there.

Saturday, February 19, 1972. Fair, fine day, cold. I made some granola cereal, baked bars and finished cleaning. Rons here awhile in p.m. Edgar's took us to Ponderosa for supper. Went to their house awhile.

Sunday, February 20, 1972. Fair, nice day, 13°, warmed up some. We went to church. Had dinner at church for Ervin Goerings who are moving to Cleveland. Sorry to see them leave. Girls and we to Eds in p.m. They are about same. Went to Rons, stayed with boys while they went to dinner with *Shurgy* (sp?) (Japanese student). Then we all went to International Student program at U High. Very good.

Monday, February 21, 1972. Fair, 39°, but much colder in evening. I washed and ironed. We went to hospital at 2:30, reception for Ervin Goering. Went to Merles awhile. She wasn't feeling well. Home in evening. Sorted and marked our slides. Merle Weidig passed away yesterday. Allen had accident on Route 2. Man pulled on road and hit him.

Tuesday, February 22, 1972. Fair, nice day. I baked pumpkin bread. Went to Birkelbaws, got apples. Went to Gailey's at 1:30. Pete has eye surgery scheduled for March 24th. Went to Rons and to Grams. We took Gram to Sambo's for supper. Girls along. Washed my hair. Heard Allen had accident but wasn't hurt. Ruined his car. Someone pulled in front of him.

Wednesday, February 23, 1972. Cloudy, sleet and rained early morning. Rather slick. We went to town in morning. Ida and I to church, quilted. Pete uptown, then to girls. We took Merle to dentist at 3:00, then back to church. Went to visitation for Merle Weidig and to girls for supper. Went to choir practice. Harvella, June and I stayed and finished quilt.

Thursday, February 24, 1972. Mostly fair. We went to Merle Weidig's funeral at 11:00, then to Service Company annual meeting. Stopped in Normal and at Grams on way home. We were home in evening. Talked to Allen. He's OK, got another car, Chrysler '68.

Friday, February 25, 1972. Cloudy, started to snow toward evening. Did all of cleaning. Baked coffeecake braid and a cake. Pete worked some on [auxiliary] books. Home in evening.

Saturday, February 26, 1972. Fair, nice day, snowed, melted by noon. I cooked chicken, got things ready for supper. We went to town at noon. Met Marie and Gram, [went] to Howard Johnson's for lunch. They, Rons, girls and CRs here for supper. Had chicken and biscuits. Looked at our pictures from Japan. Marie here all night. Donald Wallace was killed in fire in Mattoon.

Sunday, February 27, 1972. Mostly fair, warmer, rather windy. Pete to Sunday School. Marie took me to church on her way to Godfrey. Ron, Dr. John S[tutzman] and Carol Hilty sang. Paul Millers took us to dinner at Jumers in Peoria. Went to visitation for Donald Wallace. Went to church, film, "The Quiet in the Land," very good, large crowd. Jo and boys with us. Ron talked to Catholic youth group.

Monday, February 28, 1972. Fair, warmer, 60°, fine day. Washed and ironed. We went to town at 3:00. Took Ida to Dr., she's doing okay. We went to Zayres and got some pizza for supper. Pete had educational meeting at church. Wrote Pauls in morning. Had nice letter from Paul today.

Tuesday, February 29, 1972. Fair, warm, 70°, record [high]. I went to blood bank [to work], 11 – 2. Pete to hospital, got money for auxiliary. Went to bank. We stopped at Grams. Washed car in p.m. Went to Rons awhile in evening.

Wednesday, March 1, 1972. Cloudy, 63°, showered some. Turned much colder in evening. Temp dropped 44°. I went to June Jantze, quilted, Ida along. Pete home. We went to choir practice. Sleeted some in evening. Snowed little in night.

Thursday, March 2, 1972. Mostly cloudy, few snow flurries. I baked pecan rolls and peanut butter bars and date bars and made granola for Allens. Pete worked on books. Packed some. We went to Rons in evening. Stayed with boys. Rons to Association Commerce banquet with Dunns. Washed my hair.

Friday, March 3, 1972. Fair, cold, 14°. Went to auxiliary meeting at 9:30. They had style show. We left for Allens at 12:10. Got there at 5:10. Had some snow flurries after left Chariton. Good to see Allens. Debbie to friend's house all night. Pamela has chickenpox.

Saturday, March 4, 1972. Fair, nice day, cold. We got up late. Visited. Shirley made pies. She sewed some in p.m. I ironed. Got things ready for supper. Allen, Shirley, Steve, Pete and I to Leon High School to Farm Bureau, new member guest night. Foreign student from Chile spoke. Jeff home with Pam. Deb to Humeston with friends. Pam broken out more.

Sunday, March 5, 1972. Clear, nice day, warmer in p.m. Allen, boys and Deb to Sunday School. We were home. Played cards and Rook in p.m. Looked at our Japan pictures in evening.

Monday, March 6, 1972. Fair, warmer, 60°, windy. Shirley and Allen to work, boys and Deb to school. Pam better. I washed and ironed, baked cookies and got supper. Allen to Lions Club. Deb to play practice in evening.

Tuesday, March 7, 1972. Fair, windy, colder. Deb and boys to school, Allen and Shirley to work. I washed some. Baked cookies and rhubarb crisp. Dusted up house. Pam better. Shirley and Steve painted desk, antiquing it. Deb to play practice. We played Rook.

Wednesday, March 8, 1972. Fair, 12° above. Allen and Shirley to work, children to school. I went to Humeston at 4:00. Got Deb. She got slacks. I baked cookies, coffeecake braid and apple pudding for supper. Pam real good. We played cards in evening.

Thursday, March 9, 1972. Fair, fine day. Allen took Pam to Audrey Robertsons. We left for home at 9:15. Got to town at 2:30. Got mail and stopped at Jo's. Unpacked and washed and ironed some. Thankful for safe trip, but miss Allens.

Friday, March 10, 1972. Clear, fine day, cool. Cleaned our bedroom. Washed bedding. Went to town at 4:00 to bank. I went to Esther Cash at 4:30, got permanent. Pete to Rons.

Saturday, March 11, 1972. Fair, warm, 78°. Ron, Marty, Mary, Pete and I to [MCC] Relief Sale. Large crowd. Jo and Jon went over at noon. We got meat and baked goods for Merle. We brought boys home with us. Rons stayed for dinner in evening for sale committee. We took Merle's things to her. She has back trouble. I took pumpkin bread to sale. We bought meat. Roberta had breast surgery. Doing okay.

Sunday, March 12, 1972. Cloudy, warm, cooler in evening. We went to church. Gram, Ida and Mary here for dinner. Went for drive to Evergreen Lake. Paul Miller here awhile. Had thunderstorm in evening. Rained most of night. We sorted our pictures of Japan.

Monday, March 13, 1972. Rained and snowed some in p.m., colder. I washed and ironed. Cleaned west bedroom. We went to town at 4:00. Girls along to Eastland. I had to get new curtains for west room. Had supper at girls. Pete to church board meeting. We cut out my silk blouse. Ed called, Nettie not good.

Tuesday, March 14, 1972. Fair, 29°, nice day. I cleaned broom closet in kitchen in morning. Girls and we to see Eds in p.m. They took Nettie to nursing section. Ed at doctors. He isn't

feeling good. Nettie isn't good. Gerald Galloways here for supper. We worked on newsletter. Roberta home from hospital.

Wednesday, March 15, 1972. Cloudy, rained in p.m., had few showers in morning. We went to town at 10:00 to hospital. Talked to Mitchell, she wants me to volunteer in ICU. Took some things to Thrift Shop. We went to club at Elsie Millers. We showed our pictures. Went to choir in evening.

Thursday, March 16, 1972. Cloudy, misted some. I washed woodwork in living and dining room. Pete worked on [auxiliary] books. Girls and I to district HEA meeting at Elms at 11:30. Mabel and Mrs. Wilson along. Pete to Dr. for checkup. Met him at girls. We took drapes and cleaned them. Then to Gerald's. Addressed newsletter.

Friday, March 17, 1972. Foggy in morning, fair, nice day. I cleaned and waxed furniture and cleaned rugs. We went to town at 12:15. Got Rambler. Pete met with Earl Thomas, then to Township meeting. I went to Eastland from 2 to 4, nurses week. Edgars, Gram, Ida and Mary here for supper. Looked at our pictures.

Saturday, March 18, 1972. Fair, rather chilly. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked pumpkin bread and quick coffeecake. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. We put screens on and washed windows. Ron and boys here in p.m. Pete and Ron put some lumber in barn. I went to Jo's at 3:00. We got Chinese and Japanese meal. (Unclear) Franzie Loepps there. Showed our pictures of Japan.

Sunday, March 19, 1972. Fair, nice day. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Went to Normal Methodist Church at 4:00 for rehearsal of "Seven Last Words." Then to our church for supper, then to Methodist Church for concert. Ron had tenor solos, he did real well. John Stutzman sang baritone solos. Girls kept Marty and Jon in PM and at church in evening.

Monday, March 20, 1972. Mostly fair, 65°. Washed and ironed. Cleaned fruit room. We went to Ivory Mishler's funeral at 1:30. Went to town, got China place setting for Mary Colter. Took it over on way home. I cleaned off Iris beds and raked back yard. Pete uncovered Rose Rambler.

Tuesday, March 21, 1972. Cloudy, windy, showered intermittently, colder in evening. I cleaned recreation room and upstairs. Pete put screens in. We went to vote and on to town to bank and signed income tax papers. Stopped to see Gram.

Wednesday, March 22, 1972. Cloudy, colder. Cleaned stairway. Went to town at 11:00. Met Ron at hospital, ate lunch there. Went to Gailey's at 12:30. Pete admitted to hospital at 3:00 to [Room] 256. Gram took Ida, Mary and I to Master's Place for supper. Went to hospital awhile. Stayed at Rons all night.

Thursday, March 23, 1972. Clear, cold, 24°. Went to hospital at 8:30. Pete had cataract surgery at 10:00, back to room at 10:45. Got along fine, drowsy all day. Went home at 4:00, fed animals

and got mail. Ate supper at girls, then to hospital and to alumni meeting at 7:30. Dr. Bertsche and Sharon Irons showed pictures of Haiti. At Rons all night.

Friday, March 24, 1972. Mostly cloudy, 22°. To hospital at 8:00. Pete had good night. Bathed him. He was up in chair 15 minutes. Allen called in morning. They're okay. I talked with Marilyn Marquis about volunteering. To church at 3:00 to see about table, etc. for Mary C[olter] reception. Home awhile and to girls for supper. Then to hospital. At Rons all night.

Saturday, March 25, 1972. Fair, nice day. Went to hospital. Pete doing fine. I came home at 2:00. Washed car, cleaned up kitchen and bathroom, washed Pete's pajamas. Went to Rons at 5:30. Got supper for boys and I. Rons to Mary Colter's wedding rehearsal. Boys to girls awhile. I went to hospital. At Rons [all night].

Sunday, March 26, 1972. Cloudy, rained in p.m. and evening. Went to hospital, then to church. Pete can wear his glasses. Stayed after church. Got things ready for Mary Colter and Joe Jantze [wedding] reception. They were married at 2:30. Ron sang, Jo was hostess and she helped on our committee. Mary and Ida helped. Nice wedding. Ron preached at Presbyterian Church in morning. Went to hospital at 5:00, then kept boys while Ron's went to Hiltys.

Monday, March 27, 1972. Cloudy, windy, real chilly. Stopped at hospital on way home. Pete doing fine. I washed and ironed. Jo took girls and I to Eureka. Nettie about same, still in nursing section. Ed feeling little better. I went to girls for supper and to hospital. Showered some in evening. At Rons all night.

Tuesday, March 28, 1972. Cloudy, chilly, 34°. I went to hospital, worked as volunteer in ICU. Pete doing fine. I brought him home at 2:00. Good to have him home. Got African Violet for Gram for Easter. Jo and boys here awhile. Boys have no school this week.

Wednesday, March 29, 1972. Cloudy, had 5 inches snow, some drifting. Our drive drifted. I cleaned walks. Cleaned up cupboards and drawers in kitchen. Chet Roth here in p.m. Visited with Pete.

Thursday, March 30, 1972. Fair, 23°, warmed up some, quite lot of snow melted. I washed some and baked sugar cookies and iced them. Cleaned cabinet in bathroom. Marie and Gram here awhile. I went to communion services with Phil and Lucy Catherine [Patton]. Ron had charge of service.

Friday, March 31, 1972. Partly cloudy, cloudy in p.m., showered in evening. Beautiful out, snow hanging on trees, etc. I cleaned bathroom and done weekly cleaning. Went to town in p.m. Got groceries and (unclear) for boys for Easter. Colored eggs and washed my hair in evening.

Saturday, April 1, 1972. Looks like fairyland with snow on everything. Snow melted but had flurries most of day. Colder in evening. Got things ready for company. Took papers to recycle at ISU. Gram, Marie, Rons and girls here for supper. Jo helped me. Had Oriental food.

Sunday, April 2, 1972. Snow on ground in morning but soon melted. Mostly cloudy. I went to Sunday School and church. We went to CRs for dinner. Gram, Marie, Rons, Gordons, Rays, Ida, Mary and May. Gordons and Rons not there for supper. Also Gram. Pearl and Minnie there for supper.

Monday, April 3, 1972. Cloudy, rained some, windy and colder in p.m., disagreeable. I washed and ironed. Pete's eye hurting him. Went to Dr. in p.m. He had some hemorrhage in the eye. Glenda Shoultz Middleton with her husband and baby here awhile in p.m. We stopped at Grams on way home from town.

Tuesday, April 4, 1972. Clear, nice day, but chilly. 24°. Pete's eye better. I cleaned furnace and laundry room. Cleaned silverware in p.m. Went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, April 5, 1972. Mostly fair. Went to town at 8:00. Took Pete to Ida's. I worked in ICU and Mary to coffeeshop. Met Ida uptown at 3:00. Looked for dresses, didn't find any. We got materials. I got pink print. Paul Millers here awhile in evening.

Thursday, April 6, 1972. Fair, cloudy in evening, 76°. Had rain and thunderstorms in night. Tornado watches out. I cleaned hall and Cedar closet. Raked yard in p.m. We went to girls in evening. The Thuts and Linders from West liberty there for supper and all night.

Friday, April 7, 1972. Cloudy, rained, snowed and sleeted some. Much colder, 24° most of day. Windy. We went to town at 9:30. Pete to girls. Their company left at 10:00. I went to auxiliary in morning. To girls for lunch. Took Pete to Dr. at 3:00. He's doing okay, eye better.

Saturday, April 8, 1972. Fair, cold, 19°, broke records. I did cleaning. Washed my hair. Wrote Pauls. Baked cake. Went to Rons at 4:00. He put paneling on hall. I helped Jo cleaned up house. Stan Clemens there for supper, also *Shinge* (sp?). Jo sent pizza home for our supper.

Sunday, April 9, 1972. Fair, warmer. I went to church. Gram, Ida and Mary here for dinner. Luella [Mishler] here awhile toward evening. Gordons here in evening to see our pictures. Allen called in evening. They are okay.

Monday, April 10, 1972. Mostly fair, 70°, nice day. I went to town at 9:00. ICU volunteers met with Ron. Came home, had lunch. Ida, Mary and I left at 12:00 for Peoria. Shopped. Ida got new coat (Navy). We stopped to see Eds. He still has some chest pain. Nettie no better.

Tuesday, April 11, 1972. Fair, nice day, cloudy and rained in evening. We went to hospital at 8:30. Was with new volunteers awhile. Saw Dr. McGinnis in OR about my hand. Had it x-rayed, need surgery. Went to Social Security office. I washed in p.m. Merle here awhile. I set out 25 strawberry plants and took cones off roses. Did ironing. Gerald Galloways here in evening. We did newsletter. Baked cookies.

Wednesday, April 12, 1972. Cloudy, hazy and rather foggy. I went to hospital at 8:30. Worked as volunteer in ICU. Mary along, worked in coffee shop. Pete at Ida's. Got some groceries on way home. Home in evening.

Thursday, April 13, 1972. Fair, nice day, rained in night. We swept out garage in morning. Got kink in my back. Went to Home Bureau with Mabel. Ida and Mary along. Got home at 1:30. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floor. We addressed newsletters at Gerald's in evening.

Friday, April 14, 1972. Cloudy, chilly, rained some, storm warnings out again. We went to hospital at 8:00. Worked with volunteer in ICU awhile. Had snow tires taken off. Went to Eastland and Kmart and bookstore. Made salad and cherry dessert. Went to Rons for supper. CR in hospital. Leg and arm numb, in for observation.

Saturday, April 15, 1972. Cloudy, gloomy, chilly. I baked coffeecake braid. Did cleaning and cleaned China closet. Julius Diller here in p.m. We ordered fruit trees.

Sunday, April 16, 1972. Cloudy, showered some, chilly. I went to church. Pete at girls. We, Gram, Jo and boys there for dinner. Ron came at 1:30. He preached at East Bend. We stopped at Brokaw to see Clarence. He's better. Home at 4:00. Paul and Ann Miller here a while. We went to Home Builders at John Reimers. Willis Sommer showed slides of Vietnam and Indonesia. [Rev.] Waltners at Rons.

Monday, April 17, 1972 fair, warmer, nice day, 76°. Washed. Washed and ironed. Went to town at 12:00 to bank and Dr. *Houck* (sp?). Pete doing okay. Got lenses for his eye. Went to Rons, stayed with boys while Rons went to conference at school. They went with Waltne's to see houses. They want to buy. Wrote letters in evening. Allens and Pauls. Mrs. Roy Diveley passed away.

Tuesday, April 18, 1972. Fair, nice day, in 70s, rather windy. I trimmed roses and planted new ones. Spaded flower beds. Transplanted Easter lilies. Paul Miller came at 3:30. Plowed truck patch for us. I planted lettuce, radishes, carrots, spinach, peas, onions. Set out 2 dozen cabbage and [1] dozen cauliflower plants. Ron came at 7:00 to seed potatoes. So we planted 5 rows potatoes. Jo and Waltners came awhile. Worked late. Washed my hair in evening.

Wednesday, April 19, 1975. Cloudy, rained in p.m. I went to hospital. Worked in ICU until noon. Garfield Club had dinner in private dining room. Had tour of Rehab – Long-Term and ICU. Went to visitation for Mrs. Diveley at 3:30. We went to Shamel Manor at 6:00. Showed our Japan pictures.

Thursday, April 20, 1975. Cloudy, colder. Did the cleaning. We went to Mrs. Roy Diveley's funeral at 2:00. Ron and Jo saying "Holy City." Ron sang Lord's prayer. Saw George Bohrer. We went to town awhile, then to hospital. I was admitted to [Room] 254 for surgery on my left

hand, have (Osteocondrome) had chest x-ray, EKG and blood work. Then Rons and we to Village Inn for supper. Back to hospital at 7:15. Pete staying at Rons.

Friday, April 21, 1972. Cloudy, rained in p.m. I went to surgery at noon. In recovery room until 3:00. Pete and Jo at hospital. Jo worked in ER OP. I was nauseated all evening and night. Didn't know much that went on. Pete at Rons.

Saturday, April 22, 1972. Mostly cloudy, chilly. I feel some better, able to keep some food down. Pete here. Jo came awhile in p.m. Ron brought Pete in morning. They all went out home in PM. Ron mowed some of the lawn. My hand swollen quite badly in evening. Dr. McGinnis here at midnight. Changed dressing. I slept better.

Sunday, April 23, 1972. Partly cloudy, chilly. Pete and Ron here awhile in morning. They went to church. Pete to girls for dinner. They and Pete here in p.m. Dorothy here awhile. Marie called in morning. Ron and Jo stopped in to get Pete. Swelling gone down some in my hand.

Monday, April 24, 1972. Mostly cloudy, cold. I went to x-ray at 7:00 until 10:00. Had gallbladder and Ba meal. Everything okay for which I'm grateful. Uncomfortable from x-rays, etc. Discharged from hospital at 3:30. Went to girls for supper. Pete to education meeting at church. Came home at 8:30. Good to be home. Jon has temp. Pete stayed with him awhile in p.m. Jo to dentist. Talked to Shirley, they're okay. Gordons home from Japan.

Tuesday, April 25, 1975. Fair, chilly, 28° in morning. I'm feeling better. Taking it easy, doing usual work. We counted auxiliary money in p.m. Mabel here awhile, also May Mohr and Pearl Bohrer. Got correspondent cards from club. Jeanette here in evening. Brought proofs of Mary's wedding. Good pictures.

Wednesday, April 26, 1972. Fine day, warmer. Washed and did ironing. Wrote thank you notes. We transplanted pansies Mabel gave me. We planted 2½ rows sweet corn. Went to town at 1:00 to bank and met Ron at hospital at 1:30 to talk about his getting a truck. Went to see Gram, got groceries and to Dr.'s office. Had stitches taken out of my hand. Went to Merle's. She took us to Daniel's for supper.

Thursday, April 27, 1972. Fair, nice day, cloudy in evening. I made rhubarb crisp in morning. Went to Illinois nurses meeting at Ruth Dicks in Eureka. Irma Stuckey with me. Pete home. Paul and Ann Miller here after school. Made garden. Pete and I set out geraniums and Dahlia bulbs and planted row of beans. Rons left in morning for Central District conference at Camp Windemere near Fortuna Missouri.

Friday, April 28, 1972. Cloudy, showered in p.m. I mowed back yard. We planted 20 little evergreens in garden. Did cleaning. Went to town at 1:30. Got some medicine for Gram. I had hair done at Esther [Cash]s. Pete to Federal Savings. We went to Edgars at 5:00. They took us to Howard Johnson's for supper.

Saturday, April 29, 1972. Cloudy, had little shower in morning. Pete to men's breakfast. I went to Florence Cromley's at 10:00, then to nurses home for alumni homecoming. Had lunch at hospital cafeteria and business meeting. Came home at 4:00. Back to Illinois House for banquet and program for 50th anniversary for first class of grads. Marie Hastings along. Pete and girls to Kiwanis pancake supper. Rons at Marie's.

Sunday, April 30, 1972. Rained some early morning. Partly cloudy, warmer. Went to church and to girls for dinner. Went to see Eds in p.m. They are about same. Gram fell in evening. We went to see her. Hurt her knee and foot. Rons home from conference. We went there awhile.

Monday, May 1, 1972. Cloudy in morning. Rained some. Fair and windy and cooler in p.m. I went to Florence Cromley's, bathed her. Pete to Grams. We took her to hospital to x-ray her leg & foot scans, okay. Home at 2:00. I washed and ironed. Jo and boys here for supper. Set out 1 dozen tomatoes. Ron to Decatur hospital, then to dinner at hospital in evening. He got Datsun pickup [truck].

Tuesday, May 2, 1972. Mostly cloudy, very windy, dust blowing, colder. I went to Florence's at 8:00. Pete to Ida's. He and I to Brokaw at 11:00. Delivered meals on wheels. Went to Eastland. Had lunch. I got material for house dress. Went to Dr. Houck's at 2:30. Pete's eye doing good. Stopped at Grams, she's better. Pete to Rons. Stayed with boys. Jo and I to mother-daughter salad supper and program. Jeanette [Colter] and Ruth Marquis along. Ron to Decatur.

Wednesday, May 3, 1972. Fair in morning, clouded up. I went to hospital. Worked in ICU as volunteer. Busy day. Pete home. We planted green beans and beets. Ron to Decatur, stayed all night. Were home in evening.

Thursday, May 4, 1972. Fair in morning, had some showers in p.m. and evening. I went to Florence's at 8:00 to 10:00. Got some groceries, went to Jo's. Got Jon. He was here in p.m. Jo went to club and was hostess. I baked pecan rolls and pumpkin bread. Jo came for Jon. Ron home from Decatur. We were home in evening.

Friday, May 5, 1972. Fair, nice day, warmer. Went to Florence's at 8:00 to 10:00. Pete to hospital auxiliary. Ida and I went at 10:30. Took rolls and pumpkin bread for bake sale. Came home at 2:00. I mowed yard. Pete and Jo and I to International Show at ISU. Shiuga was with us. An interesting evening, saw tea ceremony.

Saturday, May 6, 1972. Fair, windy, warm, 80°. Did cleaning. Mowed barn yard. Rons here for dinner. We planted sweet corn, cucumbers, squash and pumpkin, sunflower seeds, more beans, peas, lettuce and carrots. Washed my hair in evening.

Sunday, May 7, 1972. Cloudy, rained in evening. We stopped to see Gram on way to church. Were home for lunch. Val Kampmeiers here awhile in p.m. We went to Glen Augsburgers at

3:30. Irene Davis drove. Merle, Arvella Meeker along. Had delicious dinner. We showed our Japan pictures.

Monday, May 8, 1972. Rained nearly all morning, real chilly. Washed and ironed. Put some went to clothes away. We went to town at 4:00. Girls and we to Niepagens. Got some plants. Had supper at girls. Pete to church board meeting. Mary and I to Madrigal singers concert at Metcalf School. Ron to Decatur.

Tuesday, May 9, 1972. Fair, cool, nice day. I made fudge candy for 2B and Eye floor. Went to town at 10:30. Stopped at Grams, then delivered Meals on Wheels. Went to Galloways for lunch. Did news letter. Set out sweet potatoes, cabbage, pepper and eggplants. Pete to Town meeting in evening. I wrote to Marvins.

Wednesday, May 10, 1972. Cool, 34° in morning, beautiful day. I went to hospital, worked in ICU. Pete uptown to bank and to Jo's. Stayed with Marty. He isn't feeling well. I worked until 3:00. We set out ½ dozen tomato plants. I fixed porch box and fed and sprayed roses. Marty and Jon here while Jo went to Junior choir. Ron in Decatur.

Thursday, May 11, 1972. Fair, nice day, warm. I went to Home Bureau. Mabel, Mrs. Wilson and girls along. Went to ISU 26, had lunch at Specialty House. Pete to Gerald Galloways to help get newsletter out. He went to Mary's. Put window in garage. Marie got to Grams at 5:00. We and they to Ponderosa for supper and to Eastland. We set out petunias girls gave me. Marie here all night.

Friday, May 12, 1972. Fair, warm. Marie and we to Oak Park. Left at 8:00, noon when we got there as Marie had bad tire. Had to get new one. She went to meeting at Easter Seals. Pete and I shopped some. Ate supper at Pontiac and drove to Chenoa Cemetery. Got home at 7:30. Ron came, helped plant 2 peach, 2 Apple and cherry and apricot trees, also lilac and rose bush. Letter from Allens and \$5 for Mother's Day.

Saturday, May 13 1972. Had over 1 inch rain early morning, fair and cooler. Pete to men's breakfast. Marie to town at 10:00. I mowed some lawn. We went with Merle to Cemetery awhile. Finished lawn and washed my hair. Did rest of cleaning. Went to girls for supper. Gram and Marie there. Marie here all night.

Sunday, May 14, 1972. Mostly cloudy, rained in p.m. Went to church. We had picnic dinner at May Mohr's. Ate in basement. Rons, Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, CRs, Gordons, Cutters, Yona & Shiugi (sp?) there. Marie, Gram and girls here for lunch. Rons here awhile. They gave me 3 chrysanthemum plants [for Mother's Day]. Allen called in evening. Good to talk to them. Marie here all night.

Monday, May 15, 1972. Partly cloudy. Marie left at 8:15 a.m. I washed and ironed. Went to town in p.m. Pete fixed faucet in girls sink and put a window in May Mohr's basement. Boys broke it

yesterday. We went to Eds in PM. They are about same. I mowed barn yard. Gov. [George] Wallace was shot.

Tuesday, May 16, 1972. Fair, fine day, 82°. We went to town at 10:00. Took Ida uptown. She bought new bedroom suite. We delivered Meals on Wheels. Worked in garden in p.m. Put out glad and flower seeds. Jo and boys came after school. Helped workup ground. Put out more corn, mush melons and watermelons. They were here for supper. Ron in Decatur.

Wednesday, May 17, 1972. Fine day, 80°. I worked in ICU, 8 – 12. Went to club meeting at Fern Miller's with Jo. She took Gram and Mabel. She showed slides of California. Jon with Pete. Jo and boys came in evening. Worked some in truck patch. Pete and I planted lima beans. I set out chrysanthemums. We planted raspberry bushes and apricot and cherry tree. Jon Reimers here awhile.

Thursday, May 18, 1972. Fair, 87°, not much breeze. I defrosted icebox, baked quick coffeecake and rhubarb crisp. Worked in garden. Cleaned out Iris. Planted a rose. Got things ready for supper. Edgars, Gram and girls here. Ron home from Decatur.

Friday, May 19, 1972. Fair, hot, 87°. Did cleaning. I mowed all of the lawn. Pete got Jon at school at noon. Jo teaching at Raymond School. Rons brought Ida's bedroom suite out in evening and helped move ours out. We ate supper outside. Had hamburgers. We spent some time looking over garden. We sprayed roses.

Saturday, May 20, 1972. Fair, hot, 89 – 90°. Put things in dresser drawers. Washed my hair. Finished cleaning. We went to Rons at 1:00. Pete, Ron and boys went fishing at Dawson Lake. Jo and I to Gertie Gerber's sale, but didn't buy anything. Boys home with us. Rons to Diana Bass for supper.

Sunday, May 21, 1972. Fair, quite warm. We went to church. Had dinner at girls. Came home at 3:00. Got things ready for supper. Went to church picnic at Ash St. Park. Jo worship leader. She and Ron and others gave report of Central District Conference.

Monday, May 22, 1972. Fair, hot, 92°. Washed and ironed. Worked some in truck patch. Pete hoed some. Jon here at noon. Jo teaching at Jefferson school. Paul and Ann [Miller] here awhile, worked in garden. Pete to Christian Education meeting at 7:30. I went to Grams, took her for a walk. We stopped at girls.

Tuesday, May 23, 1972. Fair, hot, 90°. Worked in truck patch in morning. Jo here, helped. Went to town at 11:00. Delivered Meals on Wheels. Took some things to Thrift Shop. Pete to Gailey's. He's doing okay. We went to Heritage Group at Myrna Parks. Richard Oyer spoke.

Wednesday, May 24, 1972. Fair, hot, in 80s. Had little shower in p.m. We went to town at 8:00. I worked in ICU. Pete had car alignment and shock absorbers put in & car greased. Came home at

2:00. Got eggs at Edith Miller's. Jo and boys came out after school. We set out some tomatoes (3 dozen), planted corn and more beets and hoed some. Jo and boys here for supper.

Thursday, May 25, 1972. Mostly fair, hot, near 90°. I aired bedding and cleaned linen closet. Sewing machine man here, repaired Shirley's machine. Works good. Washed off porch in PM. We and girls to see Julia in evening. Vashti here. Stopped at Rons. We called Allens to talk about getting Jeff.

Friday, May 26, 1972. Fair, hot, looked rainy in p.m. I cleaned bedrooms and mowed lawn. We washed car. Went to town at 1:30. Pete had dental appointment. We went to Merle's. We went to Peoria at 3:00. Had Chinese food at Chinese restaurant, very good. I drove, lots of traffic. Got home at 6:30.

Saturday, May 27, 1972. Fair, 80s, had good shower in evening, glad for it. Pete to men's breakfast. I did rest of cleaning. Washed my hair. Luella [Mishler] here awhile in p.m. Rons brought Rambler home. I shortened dress.

Sunday, May 28, 1972. Partly cloudy to cloudy. We went to church. We, Ida and Mary left at 12:00 for Nauvoo. Drove in rain quite awhile, but nice at Park. Got there at 2:40. Allens got there at 3:30. Good to see them. We had picnic supper together. We left at 6:00 for home. Pam and Jeff came with us. Got home at 9:00. Thankful for safe trip. Marie home in morning. Ron preached at morning service. They and Reimers had picnic at Lake Bloomington.

Monday, May 29, 1972. Mostly cloudy, cooler, misted some in morning. I washed and ironed some. We went with Marie and Mabel for drive to Lakes in morning. We took flowers to Cemeteries in p.m. Ron met us at Cemetery, went with us to Evergreen Lake. Finished mowing barn yard and set out Marigolds.

Tuesday, May 30, 1972. Cloudy, cold, misted. Finished ironing. We delivered Meals on Wheels. Got Jon at noon. Did some shopping. I baked pies in morning. Marie had accident near Hopedale on way from Peoria to Alton. Pete and I and Mabel to Hopedale Hospital to see Marie. She has laceration on right here & one on her head, chest pain from steering wheel. We stopped at Grams. Jeff and Pam at Jo's. Jo teaching.

Wednesday, May 31, 1972. Clear, real chilly. I went to ICU until noon. Pete and I to Hopedale at 2:00. Got Marie, brought her to Mennonite [Hospital]. She's better. Children with Mary in PM. Jo teaching. Jon with Dorothy Loepp. Alvin Beachys and Debra here all night. Got here late, 11:15.

Thursday, June 1, 1972. Fair, fine day. Alvins left at 10:00 for Rockford and Indiana. I washed. We worked in truck patch and I replanted phlox and snapdragons. Girls here in p.m. Got lettuce and radishes. Jon here in p.m. Jo got him after she got home and she came back in evening. Worked in truck patch. We went to see Marie. She's doing all right, feels better.

Friday, June 2, 1972. Fair, warm, 89°. I ironed. We went to town at 10:00. Jeff and Pam at Rons. Jo teaching. We went to auxiliary meeting. Got children at noon. Ate at Sandy's. Took children to Ida. We went to reception at hospital for Bill and Nancy Kramer who are leaving. Saw Marie, she's better. We mowed yard. I set out petunias. Rons here awhile. Jeff to Darrens in evening. He and Pam to Rons all night.

Saturday, June 3, 1972. Fair, hot. I finished mowing lawn. Washed my hair. Did cleaning. Baked bars. We went to town in p.m. brought Marie home. Gram came with us. Got things ready for supper. Rons, Ida and Mary here. We made ice cream. CRs here awhile in evening to see Marie. Washed 4 loads and ironed.

Sunday, June 4, 1972. Fair, hot. Marie, Pete, Jeff, Pam and I left at 8:00 for Godfrey. We ate breakfast at McLean. Got to Marie's home at 1:30. Helped her get settled. We went to Alton to Heritage Inn for dinner. We played Yahtze and Rook awhile. Marie feeling pretty good.

Monday, June 5, 1972. Mostly fair, hot. We took Marie to her office and then to see about car for her. We left Godfrey for home at 2:00. Got here at 4:30. Thankful for safe trip. Pete to [church] board meeting. Jeff to 4-H with Darren, there all night. I worked some in garden. Had $\frac{3}{4}$ inch rain in night.

Tuesday, June 6, 1972. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., little cooler. I washed and baked pecan rolls. Did ironing. Marty and Jon here all day. Darren and David here in morning. I transplanted some flowers. Went to Good Will with Jeanette.

Wednesday, June 7, 1972. Fair, warm, 87°. I went to hospital, ICU at 8:32 11:30. Pete and children along. Pete got auxiliary money. They went to Grams awhile. She took us to A & W [Root Beer] for lunch. Marty and Jon with us to. Jo teaching. Boys school out at noon. I baked cookies in p.m. Put out some chrysanthemums Ann Miller gave me. Picked peas for supper. We went to girls for supper.

Thursday, June 8, 1972. Started raining early morning. I, Pete, Jeff, Pam, Ida, Marty and Mrs. Yeakel left at 9:10 for Allens. Got there at 3:10. Ate lunch at Burlington. Drove in rain nearly all morning. Nice at Allen's. Marty phishing all evening. Allen and Shirley home at 6:30. Debbie and Steve to band practice.

Friday, June 9, 1972. Fair, hot, high 90s. We picked 16 boxes of strawberries. Allen, Shirley, Steve and Jeff and I to Des Moines at 9:30. Boys had dental appointments. Shirley and I shopped some. Got home at 2:00. Deb and Pam to swimming lessons. Marty fishing. We stemmed strawberries. I fixed 10 boxes. We had fish and frog legs for supper. Showered in evening and much cooler. Shirley did Mrs. Yeakel's and my hair.

Saturday, June 10, 1972. Had 1 inch rain early morning, real cool, in 60s all day. Allen and Shirley to work. We left for home at 9:50. Got here at 3:30. Thankful for good trip. Miss Allens.

I mowed some yard. Rons came. Jo brought chicken. I made shortcake. Ron cut down dead maple north of house and cut top out of another [tree]. We cleaned up brush. Had rain, over an inch, while we were gone.

Sunday, June 11, 1972. Beautiful day, 43°, warmed up some. We went to church and Sunday School and to Woizeski Reunion at Nob Hill. Small crowd again. Rons to Dunns (meeting). We went to Rays in evening. Had little farewell for Yona [exchange student]. Showed our pictures. We took Gram to reunion.

Monday, June 12, 1972. Mostly cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., quite warm. I went to Florence Cromley's in morning. Did washing when got home. We worked in truck patch & garden in p.m. Girls here. Mary helped awhile. They and we to Eds at 5:00. Took Ed to Elms for supper. Enjoyed it. Nettie confused.

Tuesday, June 13, 1972. Had ¼ inch rain early morning, fair, hot, 92°. I went to Florence's at 8:00 to 10:00. She went to hospital at 10:30, so [I] went into hospital, stayed until 3:00. She's getting PT. I did ironing when got home. Worked in garden in evening. Pete to Township meeting. He went to Yuton in morning. Burned some brush.

Wednesday, June 14, 1972. Partly cloudy, windy, near 90°. Had shower at noon and rained in evening. Went to hospital with Florence at 8:00. Got things ready for supper when got home. Gerald Galloways here. We did newsletter.

Thursday, June 15, 1972. Fair, cooler, fine day. I went to work at 7:00. Florence isn't feeling so well, can't eat, taking PT. Pete helped Gerald [Galloway] address newsletter in p.m. I washed sheets etc. and rugs from upstairs. Girls here awhile. Picked peas, gave them and Rons some. Put 1 quart and 1 ½ pints in freezer. I ironed. Ron here awhile in evening while Jo and boys are at Bible school.

Friday, June 16, 1972. Fair, cool. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to town in morning. He and Gram ate out. He got shoes for her at pennies. I hoed some in evening. We mowed some lawn. Washed my hair. Did cleaning, cleaned living room rug.

Saturday, June 17, 1972. Fine day, waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Baked coffeecake braid. Rons here awhile. Plowed and hoed in truck patch. I fed and sprayed roses. Pete mowed barnyard. We went to Holiday Inn, had our pictures taken. Went to Merles. Went to *Bimgos* (sp?) To eat. Took drive and got banana splits. Florence home for weekend.

Sunday, June 18, 1972. Nice day. Went to church. Pete worship leader. Ron along. Rons took us to hospital for dinner. Open house in p.m. Jo, Mary and I tour guides. Pete took boys to Rons. Ron here after tour. Put air conditioner in. We went with them to see Eds. Then on to Morton Mennonite church. Ron preached.

Monday, June 19, 1972. Fair, hot, 91°, thunderstorm in evening, tornado warnings out in evening. I went to work at 7:00. Florence back to hospital. Girls here in p.m. Picked peas. Took most of them. I put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Did washing and ironing in evening. I put strawberries in freezer. Pauls adopted little girl in Taiwan, Amy Su-Lin.

Tuesday, June 20, 1972. Fair in morning. Cloudy in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Pete to Gailey's in p.m., has had some hemorrhage in his eye, so can't get his permanent glasses. I mowed yard when got home. Marvins got to girls at 4:00 PM. We were there for supper. Went to Jo's awhile. She was sick, dizzy. Called Dr. for her, got some medicine.

Wednesday, June 21, 1972. Fair, quite cool. Went to work at 7:00. Jo feeling better. She and boys to Decatur at noon. Had lunch with Ron. Pete, Marvin's and Ida to Eds in p.m. I went to club at Katherine's after work. We took Marvins to Ponderosa. Girls along. Masonbrinks, Cleo Kurty and Methodist minister and his family here. Showed our Japanese pictures. Marvins at girls.

Thursday, June 22, 1972. Clear, beautiful day, quite cool. I went to work at 7:00. Florence about same. Had my hair done with coupon at *Univer* (sp?) Beauty School. Jo and Pete picked peas. We kept enough for supper. Gram, Marvins, Ida and Mary here for supper. Rons stopped after ball game. Marvin's at girls all night.

Friday, June 23, 1972. Clear, real cool, 43°. I went to work at 7:00. Pete to Rons. Kept boys. Took them to swimming lessons. Jo working at hospital until noon. Pete brought Ron's Datsun and boys home. I did cleaning when got home and plowed flower garden. Rons, John Stutzmans and Ted Sommers left for Bluffton at 2:30. Boys here. We went to girls for supper. Marvins here all night.

Saturday, June 24, 1972. Lovely day, little warmer. I baked cake and ham. Pete to men's breakfast. Showed Japan pictures. Bill Dunn got boys and Datsun. Marvins, girls and we to Springfield. Saw Lincoln's Tomb & Home, Statehouse and Museum. Got home at 4:30. Bill brought boys home. We all and girls to State Farm Park with Edgars. I took cake.

Sunday, June 25, 1972. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Didn't stay for Sunday School. Marvins, Ida, Mary and we to Eds. Marvins took we all and Ed to El Paso for dinner. Drove to church and cemetery, back to home. Visited with Nettie. She's about same. We all went to Rons for supper. I took ham and some cake. We ate outside. Edgar to hospital, [with] temp.

Monday, June 26, 1972. Fair, warmer, in 80s. I went to work. Florence slept all day, has temp. I came home at 2:30. Marvins left at 8:30 for Michigan. I washed and did ironing. Helped Pete picked peas. Jo came out. Helped Pete pod them. I kept enough for supper. Pete to Educational meeting. I worked in garden. Talked to Shirley. They're okay & busy.

Tuesday, June 27, 1972. Fair, quite warm, 80s. Went to work at 7:00. Florence better, had PT again. Pete worked in truck patch. Jo here awhile in p.m., helped in truck patch. Plowed. I worked in garden. We planted sweet corn and radishes and carrots. We went to Brokaw to see Edgar. He still has temp, had IUP. Took Dorothy home.

Wednesday, June 28, 1972. Rained in morning, $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, looked stormy. Went to work at 7:00. Florence seems some better. Pete picked some peas. Put pint in freezer. I mowed barn yard and south of yard in evening. Transplanted some flowers. Chet Roths here in evening.

Thursday, June 29, 1972. Partly cloudy, had shower in p.m. Went to work at 7:00. Pete wrote Pauls. Picked some peas, put 3 pints in freezer. I mowed some yard in evening and sprayed roses. Pete picked some beans.

Friday, June 30, 1972. Fair, quite warm, high 80s. Went to work at 7:00. Pete took me. Met him at 3:00. Got groceries. Finished mowing yard. Did some of cleaning. Marvins back from Michigan at 2:30. We went to girls. We all went to Village Inn for supper. Rons camping.

Saturday, July 1, 1972. Fair, hot. We worked in garden and truck patch. Plowed and hoed. Washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Went with Marvins and Ida to Eds. Allens left on vacation to Black Hills. We went to girls for supper. Marvins there all night. Marie at Pearls. Sowed endive.

Sunday, July 2, 1972. Cloudy, had shower in p.m., warm and humid. We went to church. We showed our Japan pictures to Sunday School classes downstairs. Went to CRs for dinner. Marie, Gram and Pearl there. Home in evening. Rev. Waltners arrived in Normal. Rons home from camp in evening. Marvins left for home.

Monday, July 3, 1972. Fair, cool. Washed. We picked beans, canned 3 pints. Gave Jo some. I went to Peoria at 11:30 with Marie. Pearl and Mabel along. Marie took us to Vonachens for dinner. I did ironing when got home. We picked peas and podded them. We went to grocery store. Stopped at Rons.

Tuesday, July 4, 1972. Mostly cloudy, real chilly. Dusted up house. Got things ready for dinner. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary and Pearl here. Had picnic in evening. Rons, CRs, Gordons, Rays, Minnie here. Nice but cold out. Watched fireworks. Ron and boys here in p.m. Ron worked on barn. Tom Bates passed away.

Wednesday, July 5, 1972. Clear, 47°, broke records. Baked cookies. We went to town at 10:00. We ordered tombstone for CRs and we. Shopped some. Pete got 2 shirts. I looked for dress. We went to Thrift Shop, 1 – 4 [PM]. Lawrence and Earl Mishlers here in evening.

Thursday, July 6, 1972. Fair, cool. We picked beans. Canned 7 quarts. Jo and boys here. She picked peas. They stayed for lunch. We went to visitation in p.m. for Tom Bates. Rons here for

supper. Ron moved our bedroom suite to their house. We went to Rons. Helped sort things for garage sale. We and Jo to ballgame late. Our team won.

Friday, July 7, 1972. Had shower in morning, fair. We went to Rons at 9:00. Helped with garage sale. Ron to auxiliary meeting. Back to Ron's at noon. We went to Tom Bates funeral. Then picked 5 ½ boxes raspberries at Mrs. Yeakels. I put them in freezer. Gave Jo a box. We went to visitation for Harvey Otto. Pete to Education committee meeting. I was at girls.

Saturday, July 8, 1972. Partly cloudy, pleasant. Pete to men's breakfast. We picked beans. I canned 12 quarts. Baked lemon bars. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Went to Rons awhile. They sold our bedroom suite and coffee table. I washed my hair. Worked in garden awhile in evening.

Sunday, July 9, 1972. Showered some in morning, fair in p.m. We went to church. Rev. James Waltner was installed as our pastor. Jake Friesen preached sermon. Ron was worship leader. Nice service. Had dinner at the church. Large crowd. Stopped at Grams. Home in PM. Girls here awhile. Paul Millers here later in evening.

Monday, July 10, 1972. Mostly fair, hot and humid. Washed. We picked beans. Jo came at 11:00. We canned 14 quarts and 3 pints. Some left over. We picked 4 ½ boxes raspberries at Mrs. Yeakels. Gave girls a box. Put rest in freezer. Went to girls for supper. Pete to church board meeting. We went uptown. I got orange dress.

Tuesday, July 11, 1972. Fair, hot, 90 – 92°. I plowed some in truck patch. Went to annual Home Extension at Williams Town Hall. Went with Dorothy Singley. Ironed. Jo and boys came for supper. She and I hoed in truck patch. Pete to Township meeting.

Wednesday, July 12, 1972. Fair, warm, 86°. Jo here early. We picked beans. Canned 14 quarts, 3 pints. We went to town at noon. I had alumni board meeting at hospital. Fixed 2 quarts dill pickles. We went to Merle's awhile in evening. Had little shower in night.

Thursday, July 13, 1972. Fair, near 90°. Baked pecan rolls. Picked peas, put 4 pints in freezer. We went to town at 1:30. Pete to girls. I got permanent at Carol's shop. Esther on vacation. Girls and we to Fairgrounds at 4:30 to FS [Farm Supply] and Farm Bureau supper. Rons there too for supper, then to ballgame. We stayed for program.

Friday, July 14, 1972. Fair, hot, humid. Did some of cleaning. Hoed some. Picked beans. Jo and boys here. We canned 14 quarts beans. Went to Birkelbaws. Got apples. I made 2 apple pies. Paul and Emerson Millers here in evening. I made 6 quarts dill pickles.

Saturday, July 15, 1972. Had storm early a.m., good shower, but need much more [rain]. I cut grass away from walks. Finished cleaning. We went to town at 1:00. Went to see picture proofs and ordered pictures. Stopped at Galloways and girls. Made 6 quarts dill pickles. Picked peas. Put 1 ½ pints in freezer. Rons to River with Dr. J. Chrisman.

Sunday, July 16, 1972. Fair, nice day. We went to church, to girls for dinner. Gram there too. We went to Mr. *Cremley's* (sp?) at 1:30. Orientation for host family for foreign students. Girls and we to Eds at 4:30. They are about same. Rons here awhile in evening.

Monday, July 17, 1972. Rained in morning and again in evening. Storm warnings out in evening. Washed. Picked beans. Girls came out. We canned 14 quarts and 3 pints. I kept 6 quarts. We went to Gerald G[alloway]s at 3:00. Did newsletter. Then to girls for supper. Pete to church board meeting. Girls and I to see Esther Detweiler. Had tornadoes in northern part of state. Had over 1 inch rain.

Tuesday, July 18, 1972. Mostly cloudy, little cooler, looked rainy at times. I mowed yard. We went to Gailey's at 1:30. Ordered Pete's permanent glasses. Still has some blood clot in right eye. Rons came out at 5:00. He worked on barn. Jo and I picked beans. Canned 7 quarts for her.

Wednesday, July 19, 1972. Fair, hot, 92°, humid. Dusted up house. Cleaned Windows. Got things ready for supper. Pulled weeds in flower garden. Got ready for Garfield picnic. 24 here. Ate in front yard. Nice evening. Had sweet corn. Stella Hastings passed away.

Thursday, July 20, 1972. Fair, hot, 94°, humid. I pulled up peas and grass. Plowed it. We went to town at 10:15. Pete had dental appointment. I had hair done. I fell in shower, hurt my back. Jo here in p.m. We canned 7 quarts beans and gave her quart of peas we picked. We went to visitation for Stella Hastings and Clarence Nord.

Friday, July 21, 1972. Fair, hot, 94°, humid. I baked 2 apple pies, put in freezer. Cooked applesauce, put pint in freezer. We went to Stella Hastings funeral at 10:30. We put 11 pints corn in freezer in p.m. Did some of cleaning. Pete to educational meeting in evening. Girls and I to Normal. Got Cologne for Lucy C[atherine]. Took girls bucket of pickles.

Saturday, July 22, 1972. Fair, hot, 95°. Pete to men's breakfast. I washed. Rons came at 9:00. He worked on barn. Jo hoed some. We got corn for her. They went home after dinner. Jo put the corn on cob in freezer. I did ironing. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. I worked in garden awhile in evening. Jo got cucumbers.

Sunday, July 23, 1972. Fair, hot. Pete to church. He taught Sunday school class. I went with CRs to Baptist Church. Met Marie there. Ron preached. Very good sermon. Gram, Marie, Rons and we to Ponderosa for dinner. We came home. Gram, Marie came at 5:00. They went to Gordons awhile. We took Gram home. Stopped at girls. Marie here all night.

Monday, July 24, 1972. Cloudy in morning, hot and humid, had little shower, fair in evening, cooler. Marie to town. We hoed in truck patch. Rev. Waltners here. Got 2 buckets cucumbers. Gram, Marie, Ida and Mary here for dinner. We all, Rons, CRs, Carol, Roberta and children, Pearl and Minnie had hamburger fry at Forest Park for Marie's birthday. Gram got the cake. Marie here all night.

Tuesday, July 25, 1972. Fair, pleasant, not so humid. Marie left at 8:20 for meeting at Springfield. I washed. We took Merle to Ludtke at 10:00. She took us to Grand Café for lunch. Finished washing when got home. Did ironing. Canned 5 quarts beets. Fed and watered roses. Hoed some in evening.

Wednesday, July 26, 1972. Cloudy, showered some in p.m., fair in evening. We made 3 ½ gallons sauerkraut. Picked beans. Canned 7 quarts and gave girls enough for 4 pints. Made 2 quarts dills. Went to girls awhile in p.m. Had missionary meeting. Pete got other glasses. Stopped at Jo's and Grams. Mary Runge passed away.

Thursday, July 27, 1972. Cloudy, cool. I baked cookies and quick coffeecake, 2 apple pies. Cooked applesauce. Made 6 pints bread-and-butter pickles in morning. Hoed some in garden. Went to town at 5:00. Mailed letter to Pauls. Went to visitation for Mary Runge. Ate at Toppers. Went to Eastland, sidewalk sale. Pete got pair of bedroom slippers and I got pair of summerettes.

Friday, July 28, 1972. Fair, nice day. Baked coffeecake braid. Did cleaning. Hoed some in truck patch in garden. Mabel here, got cucumbers. Merle took us to Peoria, Hager's Stage Coach. I drove. Marguerite Burwitz along. Nice evening.

Saturday, July 29, 1972. Fair, cool, lovely day. I cleaned oven. Washed my hair. Cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Girls here awhile in p.m. Got corn and tomatoes. Worked in yard a little while. Rons, Raymond Emerick and his fiancée here. Got vegetables. Rons to Springfield with them for the day.

Sunday, July 30, 1972. Fine day, little warmer. We went to church. Ida and Mary took us and Gram to Streid's for my birthday dinner. Went to their house. Rons came after Raymond left. We had homemade ice cream and cake. We went to church at 6:00, building committee had meeting with congregation. Ron preached at Bloomington Mennonite [Church] in morning. To Washington [Mennonite Church] in evening.

Monday, July 31, 1972. Fair, warmer, 86°. Pete to dentist at 9:00. Had car greased. I washed and ironed. Picked cucumbers for Ann Miller (bucket full). Girls and we to Eureka to see Eds. They are about same. Elaine and Ruth Reynolds here awhile. Brought slip for my birthday. Rons here to make plans for weekend.

Tuesday, August 1, 1972. Cloudy, sprinkled little. Went to town in morning. Took Merle to lawyer. Ate at Grand Café. Pete and I to Meadows with Rev. Waltners. Then Pete with James to see Merle. I went to Dr. Knight but had mistake on my appointment. We got groceries. We went to ballgame. We lost.

Wednesday, August 2, 1972. Cloudy, 85°, humid. I went to ICU in morning. Had back x-rayed. Saw Dr. Wright. Have pulled muscles and tendons in back (time and rest). Mary and I uptown. She got shoes. I got white beads. I went to Dr. Knight at 3:45. Had wax in right here, also

hearing test, it's okay. Boys with Pete most of day. Dug potatoes. Rons helped. Earls, Phils and we to Eureka to eat. Looked at our pictures.

Thursday, August 3, 1972. Cloudy, rainy day, cooler. I waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Baked bars. Dusted up stairs and made up beds. Worked on scrapbook of our trip to Japan. Had 2/3 inch rain.

Friday, August 4, 1972. Beautiful day, cool, 50° in morning. I did cleaning and mowed yard. We went to 4-H fair at 4:00. Mary along. Stayed for part of first show. Pete had educational meeting at 7:30. Allens got here about 11:00. So good to see them again, but disappointed Debbie and Steve didn't come.

Saturday, August 5, 1972. Fair, fine day, little warmer. Allen finished mowing barn yard and mowed along fence. We visited. Allens to town at 2:30. I worked outside a while. We went to grocery store and to Rons. Washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. She and we took our floral piece from Gram, Merle and CRs to church. Allens to Shirley's class reunion and to Mrs. Yeakels all night.

Sunday, August 6, 1972. Had 1 1/3 inch rain early a.m. Partly cloudy. We went to church. Rons, Allens took us to Howard Johnson's for dinner. Gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, Ed, Owen Kanegy and CRs joined us. Had guests from 3 to 5 [PM]. Served punch, cake, nuts and mints. 40 here. Children gave us a family pin and tie tack. Very lovely. A wonderful day and much to be thankful for. Miss Pauls, Debbie and Steve. Rons, Gram, Marie, girls and CRs here for lunch. Allens to Yeakel picnic, here all night.

Monday, August 7, 1972. Rained at 6 AM, cloudy, cool. Allens left at 9:30 for home. Pam stayed. We miss them. Marie, CRs and we to Peoria to Jumers for lunch. Had drive along River. Home at 3:00. Got things ready for supper. Rons here for supper. Had Chinese food. Pete to church board meeting.

Tuesday, August 8, 1972. Rained in morning, partly cloudy in p.m. I washed and ironed. Picked some lima beans for supper. Pete scraped some paint off house. Pam and I to ballgame at Towanda. We got beaten. Pam to Rons all night. Pete to Township meeting in evening.

Wednesday, August 9, 1972. Beautiful day, cool, 49°. I went to ICU in morning. Pete scraped paint off house. I helped awhile in p.m. Girls here, got vegetables. I wrote thank you notes in evening. Rons brought Pam home at 8:30.

Thursday, August 10, 1972. Fine day, cool. I washed sheets, etc. from upstairs. Got dinner. Gram, Ida and Mary here. Had chicken and apple pie. Ida fixed pink dress for Pam. Pete scraped paint. Mary helped a little. I ironed. We all went to Birkelbaws, got apples. I plowed some in truck patch and pulled weeds. We dug onions and a few potatoes. I mended some. Sprayed roses.

Friday, August 11, 1972. Partly cloudy, had shower. Did some cleaning. We went to auxiliary board meeting at 9:30. Went to bank and got paint for house. Jo and boys came in p.m. We canned 12 quarts sauerkraut. Ron came at 4:00. Started sanding house. They were here for supper. Washed my hair. Jo pinned it up. Dunns brought Pam home at 7:00.

Saturday, August 12, 1972. Rained in morning. Ida, Mary, Pam and we left for Amana Iowa at 8:00. Drove in some rain to near Peoria. Stopped at West Branch Iowa at Herbert Hoover's birthplace and burial. Got motel at Colony House, I-80 and Amana exit. Nice place. Drove to Amana Colonies. An interesting place. Ate at Zuber's restaurant at Homestead. Called Allens in evening. Ron sanded some.

Sunday, August 13, 1972. Fair, hot. Allens got to our motel at 9:15. We had breakfast together at Colony Restaurant, then drove to Amana Colonies. Some places closed. Most gift stores and general stores open. Stopped at Krass Furniture. Ate dinner at Colony Restaurant. We all started home at 3:30. Got home at 6:30, thankful for safe trip. Miss Pam. Deb on canoe trip.

Monday, August 14, 1972. Fair, hot, 95°, humid. Storms in northern part of state. I washed and ironed. Marty here all morning and for dinner. Jo had auxiliary meeting for bazaar. Jon at Clemens. Pete did some weed spraying, etc. Worked some in garden. Mary came, got vegetables. I mowed barn yard in evening and south of drive.

Tuesday, August 15, 1972. Foggy in morning, 88°, humid. I worked some in garden. Mowed lawn. Helped Pete paint some in p.m. We went to girls for supper. Barb and Gertrude Plank and Phyllis Yoder there.

Wednesday, August 16, 1972. Foggy in morning, hot and humid, 90°. We went to town in morning. I worked in ICU until 10:00. Then Pete and I to Thrift Shop until noon. Got things ready for supper. Girls, Barb, Phyllis and Gertrude here. Marty and Jon here in evening while Rons went to show.

Thursday, August 17, 1972. Fair, hot, 94°, humid. We worked in truck patch awhile in morning. Girls got corn to freeze. We painted in p.m. Marie got here from McHenry at 2:30. She took we and Gram to Terrace for supper. We went to Eastland, got shirt for Ron. Marie here all night.

Friday, August 18, 1972. Fair, hot, 96° in town, humid. Marie to town in morning. I picked lima beans for supper. Pete painting. I went to grocery store. Dusted up house. Got ready for company. Rons, Gram, Marie, Ida and Mary here. Marie brought chicken. I got a cake and made ice cream. Marie here all night.

Saturday, August 19, 1972. Fair, hot and humid. Marie and I left at 9:00 for Springfield. Got to Gordons at 10:20. Rons to [State] Fair too. We watched Jerseys show. Ropps did real well. I came home with CRs, Pearl and Hixsons. Got home at 5:45. Rons home later. Marie to Godfrey in p.m.

Sunday, August 20, 1972. Rained early a.m., partly cloudy, not quite as hot. We went to church and to Specialty House for dinner. Girls, Luella, Ethel, May and Ruth there. Went to girls. Had apple pie. Stopped to see Gram. Home. Wrote letters.

Monday, August 21, 1972. Fair, hot, 90s, more breeze. Ron sanded rest of house. Finished at 8:30 p.m. I washed and ironed some in morning. Finished after supper. Jo and boys came in morning. Jo worked some in truck patch. I helped in p.m. Jo home at noon awhile. Former student from California stopped to see her. Took Betty Gurtner to hospital.

Tuesday, August 22, 1972. Partly cloudy, had $\frac{1}{4}$ inch rain in p.m., cooler. Pete painted awhile in morning. I went to town. Got gift for Raymond Emerick, pillow. Took it to Rons. They and Mary left for Ohio around 4:00 PM. Mary going to West Liberty. I canned 11 quarts tomato juice. Watched Republican Convention.

Wednesday, August 23, 1972. Cloudy, rained in morning and again in p.m. Had over $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. We went to hospital at 8:00. I worked in ICU. Pete got auxiliary money and took it to bank. We stopped at Grams on way home. She, Edgars and Ida here for supper.

Thursday, August 24, 1972. Fair, nice day. I mowed barnyard in morning. Went to town at 10:30 to Consistory. Worked at Blood Bank, 11 to 2. Then took Ida to Dr. Deneen. Got some peach culls. Mowed more yard when got home. Went to Ida's for supper, then to church [to see] play, "Man Called Peter," very good. Pete painted in p.m.

Friday, August 25, 1972. Partly cloudy, rained in evening. I finished mowing yard in morning. Helped Pete finished painting west side of house. He painted some on south side. I made 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ pints peach marmalade and [put] 6 boxes [peaches] in freezer. We, Ida and Nay Mohr to Nob Hill chicken supper, Sportsman Club.

Saturday, August 26, 1972. Cloudy, cool. I canned 8 quarts tomato juice. Washed my hair. Cooked applesauce. Put (blank) in freezer. Did all of cleaning. We went to town at 4:30. Merle took us to Barney's for Pete's belated birthday dinner. Went to Merle's awhile. Pete sprayed some weeds.

Sunday, August 27, 1972. Fair, cooler. We went to church. Ida along. Had dinner at her house. We went to Alpha Baughmans awhile. Lydia had cyst removed from her head. Stopped at Grams. Home in evening. Rons and Mary got home at 7:00 p.m.

Monday, August 28, 1972. Beautiful day, 80°. Washed, picked lima beans for supper. Went to grocery store. Did ironing. Got things ready for supper. Vera *Homrighous* (sp?) And Dorothy Scogin, Ida and Mary here for supper. Looked at Japan pictures. Pete finished painting first coat of paint on house.

Tuesday, August 29, 1972. Fair, nice day, warmer, 93°. I made 9 pints chili sauce. Pete painting. I helped a while. Mildred Lantz Dickinson here about Ropp history. Lloyd Singley got 2 steel bins.

Wednesday, August 30, 1972. Fair, warmer. We painted on house. Marty and Jon here. Jo to Prayer Circle. I went to Rural Missionary at Bertha *Linnemin's* (sp?). Fern Miller along. Laura and May showed pictures of Holy Land. Minnie Geryets passed away in night. Found her this morning. Quite a shock. We went to town in evening. Pete to girls. Watched Olympics. Girls and we to Eastland. Got material for skirts. Talked to Shirley.

Thursday, August 31, 1972. Fair, warm, more humid. We finished painting house except doors, on porch ceiling and spouting. Ida and Mary here. Ida made my skirt. Mary helped paint awhile in p.m. I mowed most of yard. We went to hospital. Got auxiliary money. Stopped at Pearls but she wasn't home.

Friday, September 1, 1972. Cloudy, had shower in morning, rained in evening. We went to auxiliary meeting at 9:00, then to funeral home at noon. Minnie's funeral at 2:00 at Flinspach [Funeral Home]. Pete, Ron, CR, Ray and Gordon pallbearers. We went with Pearl to Cemetery. We stopped to see Gram. Took her flowers. Were home in evening. Had nearly 2 1/3 inches rain.

Saturday, September 2, 1972. Cloudy, rained most of day, cool. We took Skip to vet in morning. Had shot. Did all of cleaning. Washed my hair. Got things ready for supper. Hans Regiers here, had nice evening. Rons here awhile in p.m. Jo got corn for freezer.

Sunday, September 3, 1972. Fair in morning, cloudy, cool. We went to church. Gram and we to girls. We all went to Eds in p.m. They are about same. Were home in evening. Rons went camping near LaSalle in PM.

Monday, September 4, 1972. Fair, fine day, cool. Pete finished painting doors and spouting and porch. I washed and ironed. Baked coffeecake braid and mowed barn yard. We and girls and Merle had picnic supper at Park. Went to Merle's awhile. Rons home from camping.

Tuesday, September 5, 1972. Fair, nice day, warmer. Pearl, Mabel and we took Minnie's things. Took Merle to hospital at 11:15 to have feet x-rayed. Ate lunch there. We went shopping awhile. Looked for corner cabinets. We took Merle and Clara Schlenker to Stage Coach Inn to see Berta Conway. Merle paid for our dinner. Clara sang and played harp. Got home at 12:30. Delmar Woizeskis got to town at noon.

Wednesday, September 6, 1972. Fair, windy, warmer. Went to hospital, 8 to 10:30. Pete and I met Delmar Woizeski and EAs at Walgreens. Had brunch together. Delmars here awhile in p.m. I baked cake and got things ready for supper. Mowed back yard. Woizeskis had picnic at Elmer [Sieg]'s picnic ground for Delmar Woizeskis. Boys with us. Rons setting up both at mall.

Thursday, September 7, 1972. Cloudy, rained in morning, 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches, and again in evening. We went to Eastland at 9:00. Met Delmars there. Bazaar's opening day. Jo on committee. Mennonite had nice booth. We came home at 11:00. I baked oatmeal chocolate chip cookies and mowed yard. We went back to mall at 4:00. Took \$462 to bank. Ida along. Mary worked, 3 – 6. Pete and I ate at Lum's. Used coupon. I got vegetables ready for chili sauce.

Friday, September 8, 1972. Cloudy, cool. I made 8 pints chili sauce and baked pecan rolls. Did some of cleaning. Went to town. Worked in [hospital] auxiliary booth, 3 – 6. Ate at McDonald's. We went to workshop at Carlock at 7:30.

Saturday, September 9, 1972. Fair, cool, fine day. Got things ready for dinner. Finished cleaning. Went to town at 10:00. Got money at Rons and at booth. Took to bank. Went to Ropp Reunion. Small crowd (26). Went to mall. Worked 3 – 6. Washed my hair. Marie home. We took tomatoes to CRs for her.

Sunday, September 10, 1972. Partly cloudy, cool. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Went to see Julia in p.m. We went to church in evening. Had supper and Congregational meeting for building.

Monday, September 11, 1972. Mostly fair. Had shower in evening. I washed. Pete picked tomatoes. Lenore Waltner got some. We went to bank and to Rons in p.m. Ron sanded some on house. We painted it and scraped paint on porch. Sherrill Rempel at Rons. We were there for supper. Ron to work again in evening.

Tuesday, September 12, 1972. Mostly cloudy, had several showers, warm and humid. I ironed and cleaned upstairs, washed windows and floor. Cleaned our closets and guest closet in p.m. County Road men took our big tree down in front yard. Pete to church board meeting. David Colter along. I went to girls.

Wednesday, September 13, 1972. Fair, humid, rather windy. Had storm in evening. Had electrical storm and nearly 4 inches of rain. Bloomington had nearly 6 inches. I mowed lawn. Helped Ron in p.m. Painted his porch. We went to Merle's in evening. Took Clara Schlenker. Berta Conway from Peoria was to come but was caught in storm at Morton so she went home. We, Merle, Clara and Marguerite to Streid's [for supper].

Thursday, September 14, 1972. Mostly fair, cooler. We had water in basement fruit room. I canned 4 quarts tomato juice. Went to Home Bureau with Mary and Ida. Cleaned fruit room when got home. We went to Gerald Galloways for supper. Did newsletter. Stopped at Rons. He played tape we had from Pauls.

Friday, September 15, 1972. Fair, cool in morning. I cleaned our bedroom, washed bedding. We went to town at 3:00. Got newsletters at Galloways. Went to Cemetery to see where to put the stone. We addressed newsletters in evening.

Saturday, September 16, 1972. Foggy in morning, fair, windy and warmer. Pete to men's breakfast and mailed newsletters. I cleaned west bedroom. Baked coffeecake and apple cake. Did cleaning. Washed my hair. Picked lima beans. Rons and boys came at 12:30. They and Pete to Mrs. Straub's sale at Carlock. They picked sunflowers when they got back. Jo to Lafayette Indiana with Rachel Mitchell. Rev. Frank Mitchell passed away.

Sunday, September 17, 1972. Fair, warm, high 80s. Went to Sunday School and church. We were greeters at door. Our student from Taiwan, Wen-lang Lin, who is going to ISU, here for dinner and supper. Rons, Gram and girls here for dinner. Girls and we to visitation for Rev. Mitchell (Chenoa). Took Wen-lang home.

Monday, September 18, 1972. Fair, hot, 93°, humid. Washed and ironed. Went to Rons in p.m. Painted porch another coat of paint. Helped with storm windows. He sanded some. We painted them. Sherrill Rempel and we there for supper. Ron to work at 8:00.

Tuesday, September 19, 1972. I went to meeting at church at 10:00. Mrs. Rodebaugh speaker. Ida along. Jo there too. Pete to gift shop until 4:00. I baked pumpkin bread when got home. I stayed with boys in evening. Jo and Pete to Sunday School teachers meeting. Ron spoke at group of Methodist ladies. Partly cloudy. Looked stormy at noon.

Wednesday, September 20, 1972. Fair, quite warm and humid. I went to ICU, 8:20 to 10:20. Mowed some lawn. Went to club meeting at Mabel's. Finished mowing when got home. Pete mowed weeds in truck patch in morning. He went to Rons in p.m. Helped him paint storm windows. Rained in night. We dug glads.

Thursday, September 21, 1972. Much cooler, cloudy in morning, fair. I cleaned hallway and Cedar closet. Pete wrote Pauls. He sacked potatoes in p.m. I went to Meadows Home birthday party with June Jantze. Had good group, 22 – 24 of our people. Served 77. Girls and we to Birkelbaws, got apples. Marty and Jon here in evening. Rons to PTA.

Friday, September 22, 1972. Fine day, cool, 47° in morning. Cleaned living and dining room. Pete painted a little where paint has peeled. I baked coffeecake braid. We went to Eastland at 5:00. Helped Dry Grove [Township] Home Bureau with bake sale. I took coffeecake and pumpkin bread. Ida and Mary along. Mary helped too. Rained in night. Rons went camping near Carlock.

Saturday, September 23, 1972. Cloudy, rained in morning, chilly. Did cleaning. We went to town at 11:00. Stopped at Grams. Went to Merle's a while. Dudleys there. Washed my hair and made granola. Home in evening.

Sunday, September 24, 1972. Cloudy in morning, had shower in morning, fair, rather windy. Rons and we left at 9:15 for Geneseo to Karl Ropp's Museum. An interesting place, beautiful horses. Ate dinner at Geneseo. Got home at 4:50. Rons to Home Builders at Lake Bloomington.

Boys stayed here. Ida and Mary to Eds in p.m. Nettie seems some better. Allen called in evening. Asked about us coming out.

Monday, September 25, 1972. Rained early morning and in forenoon. Cloudy. I baked 2 pies and apples. Got basement ready for company. We went to town at 11:00, to bank and Eastland. Got Pam pantsuit. Got things ready for supper. Rev. Walters, Rons and girls here. Had Wiener roast in basement. Had little birthday party for Jon.

Tuesday, September 26, 1972. Cloudy and showered some in morning, fair in p.m. I washed and ironed. Cleaned broom closet and most of cupboards. Went to town at 5:00. Mailed Pam's gift. Rons took us to Shakey's Pizza. Jon Clemens along. We and girls to Heritage meeting at Walter Yoders. 24 there. Pete took out some fence in yard.

Wednesday, September 27, 1972. Cloudy, cool, in 60s all day. I went to hospital in morning. Mowed some lawn when got home. Pete finished in p.m. I cleaned kitchen in PM. Went to Merle's for supper. We went to choir practice in evening. Ray Kinder is going to direct choir.

Thursday, September 28, 1972. Foggy in morning, partly cloudy, 82°, windy. Had thunderstorm at 9:30, over 1 inch rain. Had tornadoes near Chicago. I finished cleaning cupboards and cleaned bathroom. Went to town in p.m. Had hair done. Pete had car greased. Went to hospital to see Harold Patton. [He] is having gallbladder surgery. Went to nurses alumni. We showed our Japan pictures.

Friday, September 29, 1972. Partly cloudy, windy, chilly, showered in evening. I cleaned recreation and laundry rooms. Pete taking out fence along drives. Pete got Gram at 11:00. She was here for dinner and supper. We took her home. Went to Rons awhile.

Saturday, September 30, 1972. Fair, 36°, chilly. I baked coffeecake braid. Did all of cleaning. Washed picture window. Washed out some things. Cleaned silverware. Pete worked on fence and trimmed grass. Had a new gas water heater put in. Other one had burned out unit. We went to Rons in evening. Babysat. Rons to Bluffton [College] meeting.

Sunday, October 1, 1972. Beautiful day, cool. We went to church. Took brownies and apples to Wen-lang Lin. He went with us to girls for dinner. Pete and I to open house at Rev. Waltner's. Girls home with us. We went to church in evening. Dr. Bertsches showed pictures and told of their trip to Russia. Ron to *Grandland* (sp?) Church.

Monday, October 2, 1972. Fair, nice day. I washed and ironed. Made 2 pumpkin pies. Went to town at 1:30. Met Maria Buller at bus station at 3:15. We went to girls for supper. Rons there too. Marie here all night.

Tuesday, October 3, 1972. Partly cloudy. I went to Florence Cromley's at 8:00, gave [her] bath. Maria and I to District 5 auxiliary meeting at Mennonite. Pete to gift shop. Maria to Waltners

after meeting. Jo and I went shopping. I got pants suit, she got slacks. I went to Good Will in evening. Marie came with Lenore. She was here all night. Pete to visitation meeting.

Wednesday, October 4, 1972. Rained early morning. Partly cloudy. I took Maria to May Mohr's. She went to Prayer Circle. I went to hospital. Maria to Ida's, [they] went to Florence's a little. Sherrill Rempel and Maria home with me at 2:30. I got supper. We went to choir at 8:00. Pete had had meeting at 7:00. Maria to girls.

Thursday, October 5, 1972. Foggy in morning, mostly cloudy in p.m. We took Maria Buller to bus at 5:00 a.m. I went to Florence Cromley's in morning. Washed 2 loads. Raked bars. Washed my hair. We mowed the lawn. We went to visitation at LeRoy for Pearl Wey. Large crowd. Girls along.

Friday, October 6, 1972. Cloudy, rained some. Packed suitcases. Did some cleaning. We went to auxiliary meeting at 10:00. Brought Ron's car home and packed it. Back to town at 1:30. Rons and we left at 2:15 for Allens. Got to Humeston at 6:50. We went to homecoming football game and crowning of Queen. Debbie one of attendants. [We] won game, 24 – 19.[

Saturday, October 7, 1972. Clear, beautiful day, real chilly, 30° in morning. Shirley to work. I baked 2 pies and cooked squash and pumpkin for freezer. Men to Osceola awhile in p.m. Took plane ride (Lions Club).

Sunday, October 8, 1972. A beautiful day. We all went to 9 Eagles State Park. Very pretty. Leaves are turning. Had picnic dinner. Boys can knowing. Allen, Ron and Marty went fishing in canoe. Rest of us went for walk in woods. Allens made tape for Pauls. They showed pictures. Had birthday cake for Marty and Allen.

Monday, October 9, 1972. Another fine day. Children to school. Allens to work. Ron and boys fished a while. We left Allens at 10:40. Got home at 4:30 after a fine weekend. Always good to be together. Rons dug peanuts. We went to Rons for supper, had fish. Pete to church board. I went to girls awhile. Helped quilt.

Tuesday, October 10, 1972. Mostly cloudy, cool. I washed and ironed. We went to town at 10:00. Pete to gift shop until 1:00. I went to Florence [Cromley]s until 11:30. Ate lunch at coffee shop. We stopped at Grams on way home. Pete to Township meeting. I went to group meeting at John Gundys.

Wednesday, October 11, 1972. Rained in morning and again in evening. Sun shone some. Warmer, in 70s. I went to hospital in morning. Pete to auxiliary board meeting. Went to Galloways at 1:00, did newsletter. Went to girls at 3:30. Helped them quilt. There for supper. Then to choir practice.

Thursday, October 12, 1972. Cloudy, cool. I went to Florence's at 8:30. Girls and I to Home Bureau. Pete put lumber in barn. We went to Rons at 6:00. Had supper with boys. Ron to hospital employees banquet. I made 3 pints pear marmalade.

Friday, October 13, 1972. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. I did most of cleaning. Went to town at 11:00. Got a permanent. Pete to girls. Helped Mary put up storm windows. He went to Galloways. He and Gerald folded newsletters. Girls and we to Eureka at 5:00. Took Ed out for supper.

Saturday, October 14, 1972. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m. and much cooler. Pete to men's breakfast. I went to Florence's at 9:00. Baked coffeecake braid, 3 pumpkin pies. Finished cleaning. Pete mowed yard. Washed car. Dug sweet potatoes. We took up some flowers. Covered some things.

Sunday, October 15, 1972. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Choir sang. We took Gram to Steak & Shake. Rons there too. We went for drive to old Ropp homestead at Congerville, then to Ropp Cemetery. Girls along. Trees pretty. We went to barbecue for international students at ISU. I took 3 pies. Went to girls. Herman Smuckers there. They were here all night.

Monday, October 16, 1972. Fair, windy, cooler in evening. Hermans left at 10:00 for Elkhart. I washed. Pete put potatoes in basement. We put storm windows on in p.m. Went to Rons at 4:00. Painted porch trim. He and Jon did windows. Ate supper there. Did ironing when got home. Didn't feel very good all day.

Tuesday, October 17, 1972. Fair, chilly. Went to Florence C[romley]s in morning, then to Jo's. We went to Christian Business and Professional Women's luncheon at Wesleyan. Ron sang. Pete to gift shop and to Gailey's in p.m. We went to church in evening. Visitation group, then to Morris Heisers awhile. I didn't feel good. Had temp in night. Snowed in night.

Wednesday, October 18, 1972. Rained and snowed most of morning, cold, 32 – 34° most of day. I didn't feel good. Rested most of day. Some pain in left side. Didn't go to winner – loser dinner. Sent deviled eggs and pumpkin pie with Mabel. I canned 2 quarts pears in PM. Pete to Yuton awhile. Home in evening. Didn't go to choir.

Thursday, October 19, 1972. Fair, cold, 20°, broke records. I feel a little better. We went to town at 9:00. I went to Illinois Mennonite Women's meeting at our church. Jo is president for the coming year. We had coffee at 9:30. I took coffeecake. Pete uptown. I went to Dr. Bertsche's at 3:00. Had some temp and little congestion in lung. Gave me antibiotics. We ate at Specialty House, used coupon.

Friday, October 20, 1972. Fair, cloudy in evening, showered. I did cleaning. Went to meeting at hospital for November 10 dinner at 1:00. Went uptown a little. Pete planted 2 apricot trees, ones died we planted last spring. I have some temp in evening. Ed had heart attack in night.

Saturday, October 21, 1972. Rained most of day. Went to town in morning. Pete to bank. I went to Florence's. We went to Walter Yoder's at 10:30. Met Rons there. We bought their corner cabinet & stereo. Ron moved the cabinet for us. Helped move some furniture. Ron had wedding at Funks Grove at 2:00. Cleaned out some drawers and moved things. I didn't feel too good in p.m., temp again. They moved Ed to nursing section.

Sunday, October 22, 1972. Rained intermittently all day, chilly. I went to girls. Pete to church. Were at girls for dinner. We went to see Ed in p.m. He isn't very good. Getting oxygen at times. Nettie seems stronger. Pete to Congregational meeting in p.m. I stayed with girls. Had little temp in evening.

Monday, October 23, 1972. Cloudy, windy, 46°. Misted in evening. I washed. Canned rest of pears, 3 ½ quarts. Ironed. Talked to Dr. [he] thinks I have some virus. Antibiotics didn't seem to help. Called Olivers in evening. [They] thought Ed was better. I feel better, no temp.

Tuesday, October 24, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. I went to Florence's. Met Jo uptown. We shopped some. I got Navy dress. Washed my hair and put some dishes in corner cabinet. Orvie got to girls at 1:30. We were there for supper, then to Heritage Group at Dunns.

Wednesday, October 25, 1972. Fair, nice day, 30°. I washed some summer dresses. Orvie came in morning. I baked cookies. Orvie and we to Eureka. Ate lunch at restaurant south of Eureka. Ed some better. Still has some pain. Girls and Orvie here for supper. We went to choir. Jeanette and Ruth along. Pete to John Gundy for group discussion. He brought him home. Orvie at girls all night.

Thursday, October 26, 1972. Fair, nice day, warmer. Baked cake for chili supper. Got things ready for dinner. Gram, Orvie and girls here for dinner. Girls and Gram home at 1:30 as Gram had hair appointment. We went to town at 4:00. I helped at alumni chili supper. Had large crowd. Had to buy some pies. Rons left after dinner for Bluffton.

Friday, October 27, 1972. Cloudy, misted and drizzled all day. I went to Florence's in morning. Pete uptown, then visited with Florence awhile. We went to Eastland. Did cleaning in p.m. and defrosted freezer in p.m. We went to Merle's in evening. Gave her a new hymnal for [her] birthday.

Saturday, October 28, 1972. Cloudy, foggy, rained and misted. Pete to men's breakfast. Orvie with him and came along home. I baked rolls and 2 pumpkin pies. Finished cleaning. Took Orvie to girls. We were there for supper. I helped quilt awhile. Pete and Orvie put lumber in barn.

Sunday, October 29, 1972. Cloudy, chilly, damp. We went to church and to girls for dinner. Girls and Orvie to see Ed in p.m. Ed still not good. We took Merle to dedication services of memorial plaques for Rev. E Troyer and Rev. Peter Shantz at Troyer Cemetery. Home in evening. Rons got home at 7:30.

Monday, October 30, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. Washed and ironed. Went to chest clinic, skin test negative. Got things ready for supper. Merle, Clara *Smucker* (sp?), Marguerite B[urwitz], Gram, girls and Orvie here. Had birthday cake for Merle. Clara played her harp. Looked at our pictures. They took Ed to hospital in evening.

Tuesday, October 31, 1972. Cloudy, showered and misted most of day. Went to Florence Cromley's at 8:00. Got home at 5:40. She's down in her back. Pete worked on auxiliary books and piled some lumber in barn. Orvie to Peoria to Edna's cousins. Were home in evening.

Wednesday, November 1, 1972. Cloudy, misted, rained hard in evening. I went to ICU until 9:30, then to committee meeting at Phyllis Kings. Went to Florence's at 11:00 until 2:30. Gave her enemas. Made salad when got home. We went to lumber yards, looked for cabinet for over stove. Went to girls for supper and to choir. Then to group session at John Gundys.

Tuesday, November 2, 1972. Fair, windy, good to see sunshine. We took Buick to John Brackman's. I went to Florence's at 8:00 until noon. Got things ready for supper. Walter Yoders, Orvie, Ida and Mary here. Pete cleaned up leaves in yard, used mower. Floyd Sharp was killed.

Wednesday, November 3, 1972. Cloudy, misted most of day, chilly. I went to Florence's at 9:00 to 3:00. Pete to auxiliary. Went to Merle's, took her ticket for auxiliary dinner. Got groceries. We went to Rons for supper. Gram, Orvie and girls there too.

Thursday, November 4, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. Cleared off late PM. Did cleaning. Washed my hair. Pete worked on auxiliary books. Went to town at noon, to bank. We and Orvie helped Rons at old Klemm house to take out stairway and doors, etc. Had Datsun and Rambler full and unloaded them in our barn. Home in evening.

Friday, November 5, 1972. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Young people had service. Orvie, girls and we to Elms for dinner, then to Eureka. Saw Nettie, then to hospital to see Ed. He is some better but still not good. Orvie, girls and Rons here for lunch. Rons to Hiltys at 7:00. Boys stayed here.

Saturday, November 6, 1972. Fair, showered some in evening. I went to Florence's at 9:00 until 5:00. Ida and Orvie left at 8:00 for Missouri. Pete to Mary's. Scraped paint off house and painted. Marty there too, didn't feel too good. Jon home at noon, sick at stomach. I washed and ironed in evening.

Tuesday, November 7, 1972. Cloudy, windy, colder. Baked Apple cake. Voted. Went to Florence's at 9:00 to 4:00. We went to Specialty House for supper. Pete to Rons. I went to Good Will. Was on committee. Pres. Nixon reelected and Walker for Gov. of Illinois.

Wednesday, November 8, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. I went to Florences at 8:00. Cooked squash. Pete worked in barn. We went to look at carving on tombstone on way to choir. Went to group discussion at John Gundys.

Thursday, November 9, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. I baked coffeecake braid and pumpkin bread. Washed my hair. Mary came about noon. She made pie crusts. I cleaned good silverware. Pete worked outside. Went to bank at 4:30 and to Eastland. Got catalogs at Pennys. Ate at (unclear). Ron and boys there. Went to hospital. Took decorations, lamp, etc.

Friday, November 10, 1972. Rained and misted most of day and evening. Made 2 pumpkin pies. Went to Florence's at 8:30. Got oysters on way in for our lunch. 2 friends ate with us. Pete to hospital. Helped get ready for Pioneer dinner. I went at 4:00. Had large crowd, fed around 900. Got along okay. Helped Jo cleaned out in kitchen, etc.

Saturday, November 11, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. Pete to men's breakfast. I baked cookies and pumpkin pie. Did cleaning. We went to town at 11:00 to bank and to recycling. Got groceries. Took Japan prints to have framed. Did some mending and made granola. We went to International House in evening to China day. Met Wen-lang's aunt and uncle. Rons to Bluffton banquet at Eureka. Mary with boys.

Sunday, November 12, 1972. Cloudy, showered in evening. We went to church. Gram and Mary here for dinner. Mary, Pete and I to Eureka in p.m. Rons came out, stayed with Gram awhile. Ed some better, up in chair, seems depressed. Mary took Gram home. Rons here for lunch. Helped take air-conditioner out.

Monday, November 13, 1972. Rained nearly all day, windy, cold. Washed and ironed. Went to Florence's at 9:00, got home at 5:00. Pete to church board meeting. Mary and I to visitation for Ann Leshner. Snowed in night.

Tuesday, November 14, 1972. Cloudy, windy, cold. Had less than 1 inch snow. I went to Florence's in morning. Home at 2:00. Baked bars and cooked cranberries. Worked on flower seeds. Pete got Marty and Jon at school. Jo at meeting. Rons got them at 5:30. We went to Gerald's, did newsletter. Pete to Town board meeting awhile.

Wednesday, November 15, 1972. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. I went to Florences all day. Pete to town, had car greased. He got our lunch at noon, took it to Florences. He was there in p.m. We went to choir and Pete to Ed[ucation] committee meeting at 6:45. Washed my hair when got home and packed some. We finished putting flower seeds away and morning.

Thursday, November 16, 1972. Cloudy, 30°. Mary and we left at 8:15 for Missouri. Got to Orvie's at 3:30. Had good trip for which we are grateful. Orvie, Ida, Mary and we to Marvins for supper. We were at Marvins all night. Ron to Bluffton in p.m. to College board meeting.

Friday, November 17, 1972. Cloudy, damp and chilly. Helped Frances some in morning. Ida and Mary and we at Marvins for lunch. They went to work at noon. We went to Cemetery and to Garden City. Saw Carrie. Went to Harrisonville. Did some shopping. Girls got supper at Orvies. We were all there for supper. We were at Marvins all night.

Saturday, November 18, 1972. Cloudy, 34°, snowed in night, 3 inches. Marvin and Frances to work. Pete and I raked Marvin's yard. Went to Orvie's for lunch. Girls and we went shopping. Got Frances centerpiece, Marvin carousel for his new projector. Got Orvie pair of pajamas. Marvin took us to see Lila. She's about same. Girls and we took Marvins and Orvie to Irene's for supper for Marvins anniversary.

Sunday, November 19, 1972. Cloudy, everything hanging full of snow. Quite a lot melted. Helped Frances get dinner. Ida, Mary, Orvie and Arthurs here for dinner. Evelyn and Bill didn't come. Was nice to be together. We were at Marvins all night. Snowed at home, about 4 inches.

Monday, November 20, 1972. Cloudy, cleared off in evening. We left Marvins at 8:30 for home. Got here at 4:00. Thankful for safe trip and good roads. I washed and ironed. Walter Gerings at Reimers for reception but we didn't go, too tired.

Tuesday, November 21, 1972. Cloudy, some snow flurries, chilly. I made chili. Went to Florence's at 9:00. Pete to Birkelbaws, got apples. I got groceries. We went to Eastland. Got dress for Pam and sweater for Deb that [I] had ordered. Went to choir practice. Pete to group meeting. I came home. Jeanette and Ruth M[iller] made cheese ball.

Wednesday, November 22, 1972. Snowed some in morning, fair in p.m. Cleaned up house. Washed my hair. Cleaned Windows. Baked some ham and cooked apples. Rons came at 4:30. They helped us put up our Japanese prints we had framed. Changed some pictures around. Allens got here at 10:00 p.m. so good to see them. Glad they had safe trip.

Thursday, November 23, 1972. Fair, good to see sun. Got things ready for company. Allens, Rons, gram, Marie, Ida, Mary, Pearl, CRs, Gordons, Rays, May Mohr, Cheryl Rempel here (29). Rays not here for supper. Jo roasted turkey and made dressing. Mabel and May [brought] salad. Girls pies and rolls. Pearl salad. Roberta meats and olives, Carol cheese tray. Saw Gordon's Russian pictures. Allens to Mrs. Yeakel awhile, here all night. Much to be thankful for.

Friday, November 24, 1972. Fair, nice day. Washed and ironed. Allens left at 8:00 for Bluffton. Deb with them to look over College. Boys and Pam stayed here. We cleaned up house and basement. Pete and I to town at 4:00. I went to Dr. Bertsche. Haven't been feeling up to par (bowels). Didn't find out very much.

Saturday, November 25, 1972. Snowed in morning, melted, foggy in evening and snowed again. Pete to men's breakfast. I cleaned up kitchen and bathroom. Baked ginger cookies. We went to Grams at noon. Marie got chicken. She and Mabel there too. Was nice. I wrapped gifts for Allens. Allens got back at 6:15. Kinda bad driving. They went to Mrs. Yeakels. Boys stayed here. Snowed more in night.

Sunday, November 26, 1972. Cloudy, everything covered with snow, fairyland. Rather windy in PM. Snow blew some. We and Allens to girls for breakfast. Allens left for home at 9:30. Got

home at 3:00. Roads okay. We miss them. We went to church and to girls for dinner, then to see Eds. Ed left hospital on Wednesday and is in nursing section. Is some better, but week. Has fluid in legs. Nettie about same. Marie home in morning.

Monday, November 27, 1972. Cloudy, chilly. Went to Florences. Pete along, had snow tires put on car. Girls and we went shopping after work. Went out to Eastland. Finished ironing when got home. Got blanket and pillow tubing for Rons.

Tuesday, November 28, 1972. Clear, nice day, 22°, cloudy in evening. Went to Florences at 9:00 to 4:30. Pete to Gift Shop. Went to girls after work. Made our fruitcakes. Pete and I to Heritage Group at Florence Millers.

Wednesday, November 29, 1972. Fair, 18°, nice day. I went to Florences all day. Baked brownies. We went to choir practice. Pete had car alignment in morning. He went to Gurtners and to Eastland with them. Jeanette with us to choir. Cleaned upstairs and changed beds.

Thursday, November 30, 1972. Fair, went to Florence's in morning. Had Dr. Parker to see her. Took her to hospital at 11:00. [She's] still having back pain and has numbness on left side. Came home at noon. Girls, Pete and I to Shopping Center at Pekin. Nice place. Ate supper at Hen House. Washed sheets from upstairs.

Friday, December 1, 1972. Fair, nice day. I went to work at 8 to 4:00. Pete to hospital auxiliary. They had bake sale and gift sale. Pete took Ida. He did some shopping. We went to Dorothy Scogins for supper. Vera *Homewood* (sp?), Ida and Mary there too. Betty Gurtner passed away at noon.

Saturday, December 2, 1972. Fair, rather windy. I went to work until noon. Florence seems a little better. We covered roses. I did cleaning, baked bars and cinnamon apples and took them to Edgars in evening. Washed my hair. Stirred up snoocker doodle cookies.

Sunday, December 3, 1972. Cloudy, few flurries, colder and windy. We went to church. All choir and Bloomington Mennonite choir gave program. We girls and Gram to Bob Johnson's for dinner. Saw Edgars and Paul Thietjes. Girls and we to visitation for Edgar's mother. Came home awhile. Made Christmas card list. Went to Rons for supper.

Monday, December 4, 1972. Cloudy, misted, mixed with snow at times. I went to work at 7:30 to 12:00. Pete to town. We went to Mrs. Gurtner's funeral at 1:30. Took Marguerite [Burwitz]. Ron there too. We went to Edgars. Had lunch with them. Visited with Paul Thietjes. I did washing and ironing when got home. Made Christmas card list.

Tuesday, December 5, 1972. Cloudy, Misty, rained in evening, froze, Rhodes icy. I went to work, 7:30 to 3:00. Florence about same. Pete worked in Gift Shop in morning. Edgars, Paul Thietjes and Ida here for lunch. Had waffles and sausage. Mary to 2B Christmas party. Pete to Township meeting. Weather too bad for Gram to come.

Wednesday, December 6, 1972. Cold, 10° above, everything covered with ice. Roads rather slick. Went to work at 7:30 to 3:30. Pete took me in. We went shopping after work. Mary along. Ate supper at girls. Went to choir practice. Took Ruth and Jeanette home.

Thursday, December 7, 1972. Fair, zero. Our road still icy. I went to work, 7:30 – 3:30. Pete home. I baked crescents and carrot cookies when got home. Florence seems some better.

Friday, December 8, 1972. Cloudy, snowed some. I went to work at 7:30. Martha Mishler had thyroidectomy. Had coronary during surgery. Pete and I to Rons at 3:15. Got boys at school. Rons shopping and to nurses dedication. I got supper. Washed my hair and wrote Christmas notes.

Saturday, December 9, 1972. Cloudy, snowed and sleeted some. Went to work until noon. Pete to men's breakfast. We shopped some. Got Stefan Miller towel set. I baked press cookies and a date fudge bars. Did cleaning. We went to International Students Christmas party at Fell Hall. Florence not feeling as well. Stopped at Grams.

Sunday, December 10, 1972. Fair, nice day, cold, zero. We went to church, to girls for dinner, then to Eds. They are about the same. We were home in evening. Wrote Christmas cards and notes.

Monday, December 11, 1972. Fair, 5° below, cloudy in evening. I went to work at 7:30, got off at 2:45. Florence not feeling so good. More back problems. I washed and ironed. Pete addressed cards. He went to church board with David Colter. Mailbox of cookies to Pauls. Rained and froze ice in night.

Tuesday, December 12, 1972. Everything covered with ice and rained most of day and froze. I went to work. Pete to Gift Shop. Helped in Coffee Shop, short of help, travel hazardous. Water and ice on roads. We came home at 3:00. No electricity. Made fire in fireplace. Went to girls at 5:00. Stayed all night. Wires and trees and limbs broken. CRs and families to town all night. Broke our TV aerial down. Trees and limbs in yard broken. Mary and I made candy. Ida cut out my new dress.

Wednesday, December 13, 1972. Fair, 14°. Our electricity came on in early morning (4:00). I went to work at 8:00. Mary along to Coffee Shop. Pete home. Came after me in p.m. Took Mary home. We went to Eastland. Ate supper at Specialty House and went to Gerald's. Did newsletter.

Thursday, December 14, 1972. Fair, 14°. Went to work, got off at 2:00. Got our Christmas tree and mailed Shirley's skirt and Jeff's birthday shirt. Waxed kitchen and bathroom floors. Wrapped Christmas gifts in evening. Our road still very icy.

Friday, December 15, 1972. Snowed in morning. Partly cloudy in p.m., windy, much colder in evening. Went to work. Pete to Gerald's. Addressed newsletters. He went to Grams awhile and to

bank. Stopped at Ida's. Tried on my wool dress. We put up our Christmas tree in evening. Washed my hair.

Saturday, December 16, 1972. Clear, zero, 10° above high. I baked coffeecake braid and Yummy cookies. Defrosted icebox. Put up few more decorations. Washed uniform. Fixed boxes for mail and milk man and Wen-lang Lin. Made barbecue and ham salad. Got things ready for company. Florence home on pass for weekend.

Sunday, December 17, 1972. Fair, zero, warmed up some but strong Southeast wind. We stopped at Grams on way to church. Ron and Lenore [Waltner] sang duet. We had surprise luncheon. Larry Jantze's and Wen Lang Lin here for dinner. Had nice day. At 4:30 went to church for dessert, Carol singing and Christmas program. Wen Lang with us. A very nice day.

Monday, December 18, 1972. Fair, much warmer, melted some. Went to work. Florence back from pass. Pain in left side of her back worse. Pete along to hospital. He sorted mail. Rons came out at 4:00. He set aerial up by side of house. Have TV reception now. Rons here for supper. I fell on basement stairs when got home. Hit my mouth and nose on steps.

Tuesday, December 19, 1972. Cloudy, misted some & foggy in evening. Went to work. Pete along, worked in Gift Shop. Florence had more pain in back. I saw Dr. Bertsche about my mouth and nose. Doesn't think it's broken, awfully sore. Washed and ironed in evening.

Wednesday, December 20, 1972. Cloudy, very foggy all day, 34°, ice melting. Went to work until 12:30. Pete along. He helped judge Christmas card contest. We ate at hospital Christmas dinner. Came home at 1:00. I went to club at Evelyn Schworer. Mabel along. I put feathers in Jo's new pillows. Made Penuchi candy and date nut balls. Allen called in evening.

Thursday, December 21, 1972. Cloudy. Went to work in morning. Stopped at Rons a few minutes after work. Florence about same. Pete home. Marie came in p.m. Gram took us, Ida and Mary to Specialty House for supper. Marie and we to Merle's at 7:00. She had ladies from Apartments. I helped her serve. Marie here all night.

Friday, December 22, 1972. Cloudy, little colder, rather foggy in evening. Went to work until noon. Had hair done at 1:00. Pete and Marie to town. He and I shopped some. Got cap & gloves for Wen Lang. Marie had physical at Dr. Deneen's. She and I were home in evening. Pete to Township meeting with Earl Alwes. He had a cold.

Saturday, December 23, 1972. Cloudy, foggy most of day. I baked pecan rolls and washed and ironed. Marie and we to town at 1:30. Shopped some and went to Grams. We all and Ida and Mary to Grand Café for supper. Drove around to see lights. Took Gram home and went to girls to watch TV. Marie here all night. Florence home on pass.

Sunday, December 24, 1972. Cloudy, little icy in morning. We went to church. Went to girls for dinner. Rons, Gram and Marie, Cheryl Rempel there. Luella [Mishler] came too. We went to

Christmas evening service at 6:00. Ron had meditation. Nice service. We had Kropf gift exchange. Went to CRs after church awhile. Rons there, girls, Mary, Gram and Marie.

Monday, December 25, 1972. Cloudy, misted in evening, froze some, then snowed some. Marie and we to Rons for breakfast. Had our gift exchange. Pete got tape recorder. I got set of 6 piece cooking ware. Took Florence and Virginia cookies and candy. We all went to Gordons for dinner and supper. I took oyster dressing. Rons, Gram, Marie, Cutters and Wayne Kings and Pearl. Kings and Rons left in p.m. Ida, Mary and May [Mohr] came in evening. Talked to Allen in evening.

Tuesday, December 26, 1972. Cloudy, colder, 17°. Were going to Allens but roads not too good. I went to hospital with Florence, 8 – 1:00. Pete and Marie to town. We went to Eastland. I got pair of patent shoes and pair of brown walking shoes. Pete and Marie ate at Steak 'n Shake and stopped at Grams. Marie here for supper. I washed out some things and packed suitcases. Marie to CRs all night.

Wednesday, December 27, 1972. Clear find day. Mary, Pete and I left town at 8:45 for Allens. Got here at 2:40. Ate lunch at Mount Pleasant. Thankful for a good trip. Nice day to travel. Good to see Allens. Children home. Allen and Shirley at work. Brought Rons' gifts for Allens. Watched funeral service on TV for Harry Truman.

Thursday, December 28, 1972. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m., rained in evening. We baked pumpkin pies and some bread. Debbie, Mary and I to Humeston in morning. Got some groceries. Got drain board and drainer for Shirley. Made turkey casserole for supper. Played games in evening.

Friday, December 29, 1972. Cloudy, misted, foggy in p.m. Shirley home. Allen to work in p.m. Allens took their Christmas tree down. Shirley washed. We ironed some. Cleaned up house. Mary and I washed our hair. Shirley pinned it up.

Saturday, December 30, 1972. Cloudy, windy. Shirley to work. Allen with us to school. Got box of grapefruit from Steve's FFA. He went to work and we left at 9:30 for home. Drove in intermittent rain. Got home at 3:30. Thankful for safe trip. I washed and ironed.

Sunday, December 31, 1972. Cloudy, few flurries, windy, colder. We went to church. Gram, Ida, Mary and Wen Lang Lin here for dinner. We went to Earl Mishlers awhile to see Martha. She's doing real well. Went to Merle's awhile. I made fruit salad. Ron to Home Builders party at John Reimers.

