

ELWYN DAVIS DIARY 1970

January 1, Thursday — 3/7:30 a.m. 8/11 p.m. Thin high overcast a.m. but brilliant sunny p.m. – stars dim tonight. Still – yesterdays fresh 3 inch snow clinging to trees. Sub zero over most of the state and the Christmas week snows and blizzards a record for the time of year. Was tired & got around late this a.m. from New Years Longyear family party at Ledgerock all returned to N.Y. today. Bob & Mariam, Gaye Vorkink and Victor & Jeannie Chavez & Bob & Jean Smith. Air stinging cold – just did chore routine & carried in wood. Suppertime Katherine & Geo Carr & sister Janice Farno called & brat 2- 6 packs & bottle cherry wine. We had supper & then Ray Kelder came for an hour. After I had hour exercise walk & then wrote Vernon Beatty. Frank Koenig Dem inaugurated Kingston mayor to serve 2 term.

January 2, Friday — 4/7 a.m. 11/11 p.m. — 6 noted 6 a.m. in Brodhead by Harlowe McLean. Brilliant cloudless still – winter reigns supreme. Stinging atmosphere, sun dipped at 3:32 back of South Hollow. Stars shone evng but rather dim.

Weekend mountain ski conditions are ideal. I didn't get a round till 1 p.m. - Writing in bed & reading Freeman. Rec'd a New Year card from Norman Studer, brings our yuletide total to 150. Albany had minus 22 record cold and still distressed with snow bound streets. Bad conditions continue in Kingston. Harlowe McLean called p.m. Did daily chore routine. Ollie feels pooped. Mart

Eckerts 96 birthday. We sent him a gift but did not pay a visit as usual. After supper Ollie went to bed. I had hour exercise indoor walk, then wrote Norman Struder & Catskill Mountain News. 38 years ago tonight at 11:20 my adored Little Honey Girl Lillian Ellen Davis died following acute appendix operation in Kingston Hospital.

January 3, Saturday — 18/11 p.m. Started snowing 7 a.m. and continued till mid p.m. Part time sun broke thru. 2 ½ in fluffy flakes fell – there were light flurries thru evng. Still & damp icy air. Did usual chores & that was it. Larry Kelder called mid p.m. to let us know his aunt Florence Eckert Warren Phelan 89 last August died last night in Albany Ave nursing home. A family prayer service held tonite at Lasher's Parlors in Woodstock. Interment later in Newark N.J. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour exercise walk. Getting out return letter to Reg & Elsie Davis. Last Night – The 70 - 71 Olive Town Board held an organizational meeting tonite consisting of Frank C. Carle councilmen Herbert Wells, Everett Cook – Clerk Oliver Crawford, Atty John Lynch, Clifford Barringer Justice - Dem, Maggie Kunkle Collector. Lena Barringer Welfare officer, a group of Constables, Vera Sickler will be Historian, Alice Cruthers who served 2 years as Historian now being designated Clerk to the Board. 1st regular meeting Jan 6th.

January 4, Sunday — 8/7 a.m. 10/11 p.m. Thick freezing fog blanket this a.m. but faired away quite

bright & sunny still day. Stars dim tonite.

Tippy (Lorenzo) Rotella came around 11 o'clock and did a clean job butchering Junette 18 mo old fat Angus heifer. It dressed about 342 lbs. They quartered the meat & carried it down cellar & my help wasn't needed. Later Ollie & I cut the meat from the head. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed I had a hour walk & went to bed. I entertained a visit by Ray Kelder.

January 5, Monday — 6/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. Bright sunny rather windy this p.m. some snow flying. It's winter everywhere — clear evng. Not so cold as last night. Mr & Mrs Irving Krom and Mr & Mrs George Schwab (she is Nancy one of Pratt Boice's girls) I sold all of the meat but 14 lbs of front quarter ribs @ .55 lb. Hind quarters weighed 93 lb each — front quarters, 82 lbs each net sale 334 pounds cash rec'd. Otherwise did daily routine. We had delicious fried onions & liver and mashed potato supper. Ollie went to bed & I had hour exercise walk & wrote Freeman copy and letter to Jean & Bob Smith. 38 years ago this p.m. Little Honey Girl Lillian was laid at rest in Tongore Cemetery & weather similar but near so much snow.

January 6, Tuesday — 18/7 a.m. 22/12 p.m. Sunny generally fair — still became overcast evng, not so cold. We went to Kingston business shopping with Harlowe Mclean & home before 4 p.m. Went both ways on route 28. My old gimp back tired. Another heavy snow storm predicted. I never saw the road sides and Kingston piled up with snow as now. We went to various banks &

Saving & Loan Assoc. Shopped at Herzog's & shopping center and A&P market. I cancelled savings acct at First Federal S&L 133.01 Invested \$1,000 in 6 month 5 1/4 % certificate put bal in Kingston Savings bank. Going to Kingston stopped at Shokan National Bank & made deposits.

Did chores & had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Ruth Rosengren Grayce Ellis & Mrs Currier. The Town Board 70 - 71 held their first regular meeting tonight in town offices.

January 7, Wednesday — 24/7 a.m. 6/11 p.m. Gloomy gray sky but the forecast heavy snow did not develop, veered out to sea & over new England coast. Sun broke thru early p.m. & went down 3:30 behind south hollow in a dim blur – cleared evng & stars shone dim & faded out – noticeably colder.

Did usual routine – got in wood. Ollie tired out & didn't do much work. We had good supper, roast beef ribs & mashed potatoes, gravy & stewed corn. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Ellen Herrington Mrs Currier and Julia Rhoades, replied to Julia tonight.

January 8, Thursday — 6/7 a.m. 6/11 p.m. Set in snow flurrying a.m. with sun shining thru continued till after 4 p.m. a fluffy 1 1/2 inch plenty for slippery travel, cleared evng & stars shone.

Did chores and otherwise house bound. Harlowe McLean called late a.m. Wrote Herbie & Elsie Rexer of snow conditions and their unplowed driveway. Rec'd new Sharp's wallpaper catalog supplement and wrote

reply card to Mrs Currier. Real stingy tonite. We had delicious tender beef liver, boiled onions & tater supper. Ollie went to bed & I had hour exercise & wrote Vernon Beatty. Freezing weather in every state.

January 9, Friday — 4/7 a.m. 4/11 p.m. Serene calm mid winter. Bright sunshine – nearly cloudless day and evng. Tiny new moon hung over South Hollow early evng. Record low temperature over the country in some areas. Savannah Georgia 11 degrees with sabotaged power failure due to strikers. Kingston had 1 below. Erie County paralyzed with more snow & blowing that continued today. Just did usual routine. This p.m. we walked down to Lena Brewsters & back & had a very enjoyable old “timey visit” We had good hamburg & potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour exercise walk & then 2 hour nap before rousing up & building kitchen fire.

January 10, Saturday — 20/7 a.m. 20/10 p.m. brilliant sunny & Ideal winter weather. Scattered high clouds. Top snow blowing paths pretty well drifted shut. Golden growing new moon settled early behind South Hollow. I got out complimentary news letter to Woodstock Townsman. I rec'd letter from Supervisor Frank C. Carle that the town board named Vera Sickler HISTORIAN & Alice Cruthers, past 2 years historian & now re-designated as “ Clerk of the Board”
64 years ago tonight a wedding reception upon their return from a Niagara Falls honeymoon, married Jan.3rd held for Mr & Mrs Fred Bishop at the home of his

parents, Uncle Watson & Aunt Cornelia Bishop, at corner cottage in pre-reservoir West Shokan.

I did usual routine – Ollie cleaned floors. We had usual good supper. She went to bed. I had hour exercise walk. This p.m. ex-supervisor – 7 terms, Lester S. Davis came for a historical re-view of his life for publication in The Sunday Catskill Mountain Star. After 42 years past on Thursday, received 1st issue of Sunday Edition of Catskill Mountain Star – date Jan 11th.

January 11, Sunday — 18/7 a.m. 16/12 p.m. Pleasant partly high overcast sunny winter weather — little wind. Cloudless evng with growing brilliant crescent moon over the southerly crest of South Mountain.

All mountain resorts are a winter sports paradise. Harlowe McLean called late a.m. Our paths are hard walking & pretty well filled with yesterdays blown snow. Had p.m. call by Addie & Ray Kelder and Mrs Mary Palen. We had excellent supper roast turkey leg and gravy, mashed potatoes, baked squash and baked apples. Ollie baked a pan of 15 this p.m. I had an hour exercise walk.

January 12, Monday — 18/7 a.m. 14/11 p.m. Snowing and continued into the afternoon – temperature remained in the teens & the fall was light about 2 inches – continued overcast evng.

Just another house bound day. Did chore routine, carried in wood and otherwise remained status quo. We had usual good variety supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour exercise indoor walk. This a.m. I completed an

autobiography of my non accomplished life for expected publication in Catskill Mtn Star – same requested. After my exercise I had a stiffened up nap in soft chair by coal stove, also wrote to Reggie & Elsie Davis. Roy Van DeMark 79, of town of Ulster, a lifelong friend. Formerly of West Shokan died in his sleep. He suffered with arthritis & for years in poor health. His wife Addie North - distant cousin were married by either the Shokan or Reformed pastor in November 1913.

January 13, Tuesday — 14/7 a.m. 20/11 p.m. Morning snow flurries bright periods of sunshine & cloudiness. Snow blowing a.m. moderate winter weather. Snow flurrying evng & moon shining hazily. A day of chore routine & stay indoors. This p.m. Fred Marquart of Mohonk NY a member of Mohonk Masonic Lodge # 272 — representing the Catskill Mtn Sunday Star came p.m. for my picture and autobiography. My Footprints in the Sands of Time also that which I wrote of retired supervisor Lester Skin Davis. Bro Marquart had stopped at Skins store for his picture. George Taft 79 of Shokan, Dubois Rd died this a.m. in Kingston Nursing Home. We were friends since Brown Station reservoir building days, an expert machinist and steam roller runner – welder etc– cancer of liver. Wife in Nursing Home & broken hip.

January 14, 14/7 a.m. 8/11 p.m. A blustering snow blowing night. The reservoir ice is broom swept – Brilliant cloudless – still and majestic ½ moon tonight. Sat in bed & wrote a.m. & Ollie made 4 trips to mail box

& did chores till p.m. when I took over. Had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had hour exercise walk. Rec'd letter from Mariam & I answered tonite. She said Mexico City 1/3 have flu & many dead from pneumonia. She is getting ready to plant flowers & garden. Found the house ok getting back. Rec'd letter Lottie Stacknowitz that her 60 year old brother Clarence in Neb. had operation 29th Dec — — has cancer.

January 15, Thursday — 10/7 a.m. 4/11 p.m. Another serene quiet brilliant cloudless day and evng with high over half moon.

Had coffee and breakfast in bed & busy writing – finished letter to Mariam & card to Lottie Stacknowitz & Rexers. Ollie did morning chores & I the afternoon. Had around noon call by Harlowe McLean. Senior Citizen meeting for 1 p.m. postponed till Feb 5th. Tonight I wrote the colored friends in Bklyn - Mr & Mrs William E. Wilkins & sending pkg of calenders & almanacs. We had a good supper & Ollie went to bed. I had hour indoor walk also wrote Julia Rhoades.

January 16, Friday — 4/7 a.m. 28/11 p.m. After the early smog evaporated the serene calm day was practically cloudless though not so brilliant as yesterday. Considerable cloudiness this evng. High moon – milder temperature more moderate.

Just another routine day. Harlowe McLean came noon time & brought 10 doz pullet eggs from Henry Merrihew's .30 doz - paid. We had good variety supper. Ollie went to bed & I had hour exercise walk. Radio &

television featured the Jan 3 marriage and honeymoon of the Cinderella 20 year old Ashokan girl Rene Alice DuBois to multi-millionaire heir of the Jelke oleo-margerine, 21 year old Michael James Brody Jr. The newly weds are making headlines around the world. They are making their home in Scarsdale.

January 17, Saturday — 34/7 a.m. 34/ 12 p.m. Cloudy gradually broke away & sun shone hazily then murked over with a drizzly mist evng.

Same routine. First temp a.m. raised above freezing in many weeks. Herbie & Elsie Rexer are up & called p.m. we had a good visit first in 5 weeks. Ollie & I had usual good supper. She went to bed. Ray Kelder made 2 hour visit. I started writing reply to Gaye Vorkinks letter. Herbie & Elsie Rexer arrived at noon to camp Hideaway. Their first visit in five weeks. He returned from his fathers funeral in Fortheim, Germany Jan 6th.

January 18, Sunday — 24/7 a.m. 14/11 p.m. The drizzly freezy rain left roads a glare of ice. Dismal cloudy & mountains fog shrouded a.m. Sun shone thru the broken clouds p.m. & high moon hazy behind thin cloud blanket tonight. Bitey damp raw air – later brilliant clear. Snow crusted an avalance of heavy snow slid off south side of barn in night, the full length 58 ft roof. Just a do nothing day but chores. Harlowe Mclean called noon time We took a walk over thru the snow to Rexer's. When leaving they stopped for a bag of vegetables. early p.m.

January 19, Monday — Zero 7 a.m. Zero 12 p.m. Mid winter, a calm day with variable cloudiness. Brilliant moonlight - still cloudless evng.

Finished and mailed letter to grand daughter Gaye Vorkink, Cambridge Mass & card to Garrett Mot. This p.m. Harlowe Ollie & I went to Gormley's in Phoenicia to pay respects to my Masonic brother also IOOF Past Grand 71 year old Alex Adami A&F world war I veteran, enlisted April 4th 1917. He was never wounded thru the war. We signed the register & then made purchases at the former Mc Grath store now Kirks. Roads bare but sides piled high with frozen snow. Masonic services by Kingston Lodge # 10 held evng. It is reported Bro Adami did not wish IOOF service. We had good cooked kraut with meat balls & mashed potato supper. As usual Ollie went to bed. I had hour exercise walk. Bro Adami in Kingston Hosp about 12 days, not in good health a long time – died of heart attack. Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty - he's Jan court officer.

January 20, Tuesday — 4/7 a.m. 14/11 p.m. Stinging mid winter sub zero reading general — 12 at Kingston Point – 7 in Kingston, Brodhead – 10. Sunset reading 4:55 20 degrees. Variable high overcast wind light from reservoir – Set in snowy at dark & stopped before 11 had about 3/4 inch.

Had a call by Ed Neuser & Johny Bielli this a.m. & brat me a fine dark blue over coat & blouses for Ollie. Wrote card to Vernon Haskins. Harlowe McLean called early p.m. Did usual chore routine. Rec'd letter Grayce Ellis.

Had usual good supper & Ollie went to bed. I wrote reply to Vernon Beatty. Forecast much colder & windy Wed. The stately mid town landmark, the former Kingston P.O. bldg dated back to 1908 is being demolished to be replaced by an auto service station among many structures affected by the urban improvement program.

January 21, Wednesday — 10/7 a.m. 4/11 p.m. Stingy mid winter – sunny with scattered high gray clouds along mtns. Icy blustery snow blowing northerly wind. Glowing high almost full light as day moon reflection on the crusted snow – scattered high clouds. Did chore routine & stacked up kitchen with wood carried in bu baskets from shed. Harlowe McLean called late a.m. Kingston Savings Bank announced as of now they will pay 6% on 2 year certificates in \$1000 multiples. Wrote card to Jesse Burgher & Ada Bell. Sent Jan 20, Margaret Kunkle Coll Rate \$106.50 per M Jacky Brook Farm Val \$1200. – 127.82/ 1969 142.15. Tennant Farm Ann Eckert –Val - 450 — 47.93 1969 — 53.31 total 175.75. 1969 total 195.46. Ollie Burgher val 500 \$53.26 — 1969 – 59.23.

January 22, Thursday ---- 4/7 a.m. Zero 11 p.m. Heavenly perfect winter weather – diminishing northerly wind. Full moon rose about 5:15 directly over Ohayo mountain & reflected a golden pathway across the ice bound , wind swept reservoir – cloudless still snappy cold evng. Had coffee and breakfast in bed – wrote cards to Reg & Elsie Davis & Vernon Haskins. Did usual chore routine

& basketed in firewood. Ollie did her part of the chores & house routine. We had cooked kraut with meatballs & baked potato supper. Ollie went to bed & I had hour walking exercise. Wrote news copy for Catskill Mtn Sunday Star. WKNY broadcast at 12:30 President Nixons State of the Union message & highly commended

January 23, Friday — Zero 7 a.m. 18/10 p.m. Mostly overcast – light snow p.m. The sun went down in a blur. Last nights full moon shone thru partly cloudy skies – certainly a raw damp snowy air.

We did usual routine, chores & getting in wood. Ollie cleaned the floors p.m. Spencer Quick 14 years with Accord Farmers Co-op delivered 500 crunch dairy feed early p.m. 4.95 a cwt plus \$1.80 delivery – less 2% cash discount +.90 credit for 5 bags net \$25.00 paid. We had usual good supper Ollie went to bed. I had 1 1/4 hour exercise indoor walk.

January 24, Saturday — 6/7 a.m. 8/11 p.m. Brilliant cloudless – clouding over latter p.m. broke away & declining full moon shone bright & again clouded over – icy air. Watertown had 30 below this a.m. Albany reports having 33 days below zero this winter. To date Jan said to be coldest on record. The wind calm – nice in the sun p.m. stingy cold when sun sets.

I got out Freeman copy this a.m. & cards to Mrs Currier & Julia Rhoades. Tonite after hour exercise I wrote Grayce Ellis. Had good roast chicken supper. Ollie went to bed – another day of routine chores & carrying in

wood. Sent letter to Jean Smith & rec'd one from her. They had made trip up to Ledgerrock & found their pump froze but thawed out ok. Took bath & changed underwear p.m.

January 25, Sunday — 24/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. Dismal weather – sky looks like rain – sun broke thru briefly toward noon. Set in snowing 4 o'clock but soon stopped – raw damp dark still evng.

I staid in bed till 1 o'clock writing letters Grayce Ellis & reply to Bob Wenzel. He sent pictures he snapped late last fall in color, of Ollie & I on kitchen door stone & of me alone sitting & old flint lock gun across my legs. Just did usual chores & lugged in wood etc. We had good roast beef & mashed potato & boiled onions supper. Ollie as usual went to bed.

January 26, Monday — 20/7 a.m. 27/11 p.m.

Everything a glare of ice this a.m. very dismal clouds dark this a.m. Later sun broke thru at times & temp got up to 42 at 3 p.m. mildest of winter. Icy crust softened – cloudy evng – froze up.

Did daily routine. This p.m. I dug the scalding kettle out from the frozen snow and ice by barn corner. I never saw such a frozen mass. Shoveled off snow where I will set up kettle to heat. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I spent evng doing up Catskill Mtn Sunday Star packages & wrote letters or notes inside to send Bob Longyear, Chas Wood, Jean Smith & Vernon Beatty. This issue contains pictures & life history I wrote of Lester S. Skin Davis and myself. I had usual hour exercise walk after

supper & my bum back & legs ache tonite.

January 27, Tuesday — 16/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m.

Cloudless serene till the p.m. gradually became overcast – cloudy evng. Not so mild as yesterday – the temp p.m. only reaches 36. Damp raw air p.m. Water dripped from porch eaves.

Harlowe McLean called a.m. & took my wrapped papers down to P.O. (.40) paid. Had coffee & breakfast in bed. Ollie did morning chores. I did p.m. milked, cleaned stables & fed pigger & geese. We had good pancake & brown gravy supper. Ollie went to bed & I had hour exercise walk. Harlowe had planned to take Ollie & I to Phoenicia evng for installation as requested by Dist Deputy Jim Platt but he didn't up to the trip. A group went from Olive Bridge & Shokan.

January 28, Wednesday — 26/7 a.m. 42/10:30 p.m.

Sunny a.m. gradually clouded over p.m. South wind developed strong & gusty tonite & thawing. Water running but a distinct damp chill in air.

Ollie & I went to Kingston toward noon by way of route 28. Stopped at the Shokan Natl Bank and deposited Mariam & Bob's \$100. Christmas check & Ann Eckert's (taxes) \$47.92. Total \$147.92. We went on out to wards & Miron Liquor store – 4 gal port wine 11.42, qt gin 3.98 plus .62 tax – total 16.08 paid. At Wards propane torch tank 1.34. Paid Howard C St John Inc 40.00 on car ins. Car license 24. A & P store 13.45 came home via Hurley Mtn Rd. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 1/4 hour exercise walk. First Federal Savings &

Loan transferred 5 1/4 % 6 month certificate to 2 1/2 year
6 % \$126.71 increase accrued interest at Saving & Loan
Assn 5000. 5 1/4 on 6 mo certificate to 2 years.

January 29, Thursday — 46/7 a.m. 44/11 p.m. Blustery
gusty south wind thru night & windy today moderate
shifting westerly – cloudy warmest since last fall. Snow
sure took a licking - settled half & slushy beneath. Brief
rain p.m. – dark cloudy evng.

This p.m. re-shoveled paths along the old slippery high
ones. This a.m. I got down stepped off path by barn, pail
in each hand, calf milk in left, ashes in right. I wrote
letter to Dist Deputy Jim Platt & late found he had been
here & left a note that somehow got on kitchen floor.
Harlowe McLean called early p.m. & re-shoveled to barn
door. Ray Kelder called supper time & after he went we
ate supper. Ollie went to bed & I had 1/2 hour walk legs
so stiff & sore. I then wrote card to Platt & one air mail
to Mariam.

January 30, Friday — 24/7 a.m. 18/10 p.m. As the
morning murk cleared the weather was bright & sunny &
wintry again – northerly wind. The under slush froze up.
Clear crispy evng.

Did daily routine Got the big kettle set up for butchering.
Ollie tried out tallow for moulding. No callers today. We
had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour
exercise walk, knees sore & stiff tonight. The new York
Stock market reached the lowest level in 6 years.

January 31, Saturday — 10/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m.

Kingston had minus 5, cloudless brilliant, winds gentle – some cloudiness developed in west latter p.m. but all cleared starlight evng and moderating.

Did usual routine. No callers except Harlowe McLean. Rec'd awaited letter from Julia Rhoades. We had good supper. I had hour exercise walk & then a nap. My left leg sore & lame tonite. This date 1933 I accompanied my adored daughter Mariam 18, last July 28, to NY city to enter training in St Lukes Hosp. We spent the night with old friends Mrs Mary J Hartmann. Late p.m. I took a bath & changed underwear.

February 1, Sunday — 30/7 a.m. 60 mid p.m. 44/11 p.m. Sunnied up this morning, cloudless – some overcast developed mid day & afternoon brilliant – cloudless throughout the evng. Warmest weather of winter – some light wind. Sun set at 4:07 behind the - - - - about Roul Bell's former home sight in its climb along the south ridge of South mountain.

Just filled in the day with normal routine. Harlowe McLean called around noon & latter p.m. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen. We had an excellent hot supper meat pie in casserole, baked butternut squash and baked potatoes. Ollie made a fresh pan of 15 baked apples. Ollie went to bed. I had a 1 1/4 hr exercise walk.

February 2, Monday — No woodchuck shadow today. 40/7 a.m. 52/11 p.m. Was heavily clouded over this a.m. & set in raining mid a.m. A dismal raw foggy storm with developing south wind continuing into the evng. Warmer tonight & snow taking a beating & water

running. Blustery evng – stars showing late.
Finished & sent reply letter to Julia Rhoades also to
Supervisor Frank Carle – other than chore routine house
bound. Buddy Eckert called this p.m. & had a pleasant
visit. 37 years ago this morning Mariam started classes at
St Lukes Hosp. I returned home by train to Kingston and
bus to Cold Brook and walked down.

February 3, Tuesday — 40/7 a.m. 20/11 p.m. The cold
dreary foggy rain continued most of day. A sharp drop in
temperature followed. The evening was icy & blustery.
The pre-cip was over 2 inches.

Another house bound day, other than chore routine and
carrying in firewood. Harlowe McLean called in the
downpour after mail time. The town sanding crews were
operating this evening. I finished getting out a Freeman
news copy a.m. & during the p.m. and evng also wrote
copy for Saugerties Sunday Star. We had a good cooked
kraut & mashed potato supper. Ollie as usual went to
bed. I had a full hour exercise walk. The snow continued
melting and fields partly bare. Streams are running flush.
Roads sanding trucks working into night till 12:30.

February 4, Wednesday — 6/7 a.m. 4/12 p.m. Had
heavy snow squall last night. Bare ground in fields again
snow spotted – cloudless blustery, one of winters coldest
days.

Town sanding crews renewed operating 5:30 a.m. &
continued today & stock piling. Road conditions last nite
& this a.m. hazardous all over county. A number of
county schools closed but not Onteora. Finished &

mailed Saugerties Sunday Star news copy. Sent letter to Mr & Mrs James Platt, Phoenicia also card to Vernon Beatty in reply to letter. Just did chore routine & got in wood supply. Had cod steak supper with mashed spuds & cabbage salad. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 1/4 hour walk. Spent evng reading & working on Ollie's income tax report.

February 5, Thursday – 10/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. Mostly overcast still slowly moderating temperature. Period of sunshine dim and old sol set behind South mountain in a blur. Dark damp chill evng.

Did usual chore routine. This p.m. Ollie & I went with Harlowe McLean to the 1 p.m. Senior Citizen meeting in the West Shokan library attendance 27. Supervisor Frank C. Carle spoke on principally taxes followed by Mrs Stanley Haug. Her subject was phonagraphy a ----- to the nation. Question and answer period followed each speaker. Refreshments served. Mrs Ann Tennant in charge. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk. Then read interesting articles in April 69 Readers Digest. Rec'd new Sears catalog 1593 pages.

February 6, Friday — 24/7 a.m. 24/10 p.m. A whitening flurry in night. Still raw air and mostly overcast & faired away late p.m.. Stars shone dim evng.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean. Plenty plowed up dirty snow along streets & parking grounds yet and road sides. We went back via Hurley Mountain Route. We did considerable variety shopping up town & A & P market where bill was near &45.00. We got home

before 4 p.m. Did daily chore routine. We had good soup supper. I had an hour exercise walk.

February 7, Saturday — 20/7 a.m. 28/11 p.m. Cloudless serene mild – snow banks thawing. Dim starlight evng. A grand day for butchering and used to full advantage. A family group Tip (Lorenzo Rotella, Robert and Tom Van Leuvan & Morton Rotella came and did a clean neat job of butchering & cutting up Pigger & taking out backbone and carried the meat down cellar. It dressed about 198 lbs before gutting 223. Tippy shot pig with 22 Hi standard 22 automatic pistol (22 long rifle. I did not have to do more than heat the boiling kettle, using firewood & old tires \$8.00 paid. Ollie & I had good mashed spuds, kraut & meat balls supper. She went to bed. I had hour walk. Rec'd and read in Feb American H.eritage

February 8, Sunday — 34/7 a.m. 34/11 p.m. Mild but raw damp air – mostly cloudy still. Feeble sunshine – dark dismal evng.

Did daily toutine. This p.m. made out guest list for my prospective birthday party Sat p.m. Feb. 21 at Olivebridge Fire House.

We had delicious boiled fresh pork trimmings, carrots & mashed potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I had usual hour walk indoors. Then laid down & didn't get around till 10:45. Rec'd & answered letter Vernon Beatty.

February 9, Monday — 33/7 a.m. 34/11 p.m. Dismal damp still gloomy weather somewhat foggy day and evng. It tried to snow lightly p.m. but failed. Dark damp

evng.

Wrote another Catskill Mtn Sunday news copy. Rec'd 3 bundles of the Feb 1st & 8th Edition. No callers today. Just did chore routine. I finished cutting up the meat ready for processing. Ollie made several fone calls extending - - - - to my birthday party. We had delicious fried onions, mashed potatoes, pork & liver supper. Ollie went to bed after supper. I had hour exercise walk. My old injured back pains tonite.

February 10, Tuesday — 34/7 a.m. 40/10:30 p.m. Over 2 inches rain. Started snowing in night ground white , wet snow mixture – continued till after 9 then gradually turned to cold dripping all day and evng rain. About an inch fell. Ground slushiest and water running of the winter.

A bagged down other than chore routine a stay indoors day + we did a 2 hour job cutting up sausage meat for grinding. Had a good supper boiled pork trimmings, mashed potatoes, carrots and peas. Ollie went to bed. I had usual hour exercise walk. Then wrote to Past Deputy IOOF Jerome Quick of Walden & this a.m. sent letter & Sunday Saugerties paper to Vernon Beatty.

February 11, Wednesday — 40/7 a.m. 28/11 p.m. Party cloudy mild a.m. Turned colder & blustery p.m. Growing crescent moon shone over Hanover evng. Mountain snow squalls.

Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I to Joe the butcher in Olive Bridge. Had sausage meat ground. Bought 11 lbs hamburger and mixed with 9 ½ lbs fat strips. Then went

to Woodstock & out on 212 to Veteran Pork Co with 66 lbs hams for curing & smoking @ .15 lb. Then continued to Woodstock & visited the Saugerties Sunday Star office 71 Livingston St, coming back to Woodstock shopped at A&P \$13.00. Also called on Jim Mc Vitty & home 4:15. Did chores & had supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour indoor walk. Then did up Jan 25th papers & notes enclosed to Cornelia & Mr & Mrs Wm T Golden.

February 12, Thursday — 24/7 a.m. 22/11 p.m. Bright sunny near cloudless – cutting north wind – ½ moon hazy tonight. Real winter again. Parts of western NY paralyzed by snow & blizzard of yesterday. Ollie packaged the meat & sausage & put part in her freezer this p.m. 1st cars been out in several weeks. Then went down & got gas, back at store & over to garage \$3.50.

February 13, Friday — 20/7 a.m. 10/11 p.m. Had a ground re-whitening – snow squall late in night – cleared this a.m. Stinging cold & north wind. Brilliant sunshine cloudless evng, glowing high over ½ moon. Did usual routine packaged Sunday Star papers & letters for mailing. Ollie busy routine. We had good supper. She went to bed – I had 1 ½ hour walk.

February 14, Saturday — 4/7 a.m. 18/10 p.m. Another stingy cold snowy air day. Cloudless a.m. With partially developing overcast p.m. Still & high moon hazy tonight.
Just did chore routine. Bob Smith, Ray Kelder &

Harlowe Mclean called. Bob called three times due to his pair of sheep getting loose in barn. He came up just for the day alone. I sent 6 packages of Jan 25th Sunday Star. Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty, Julia Rhoades and Ellen Wilfris We had a good supper & Ollie went to bed. I had bath & change of clothes. This date p.m. 1917 Lena C. Smith & Robert Pleasants married at her home by Rev. Edward W Mimms local 1st Baptist pastor to the Re-built Olive Shokan Baptist Church.

February 15, Sunday — 24/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. The day came in snowing and continued steadily till noon then became intermittent, west wind, light freezy drizzle. Moderated somewhat p.m. tonite the noon was a hazy blur behind the clouds..
Just a stay indoors weather other than doing the round of chores. No callers today. Ollie prepared a delicious roast chicken supper with dressing, baked potatoes and cabbage cold slaw. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk. Jean Smith called up. Wrote news for Freeman & Saugerties Sunday Star. The snow storm kept road scraping and sanding trucks operating.

February 16, Monday — 24/7 a.m. 10/11 p.m. Brilliant sunny day few clouds & little wind. Perfect winter weather. Brilliant moonlight riding high tonight – stinging atmosphere.
Wrote letters & cards & news. We had p.m. social call by Mrs Kelsey & 3 year old boy of Upper Samsomville Road. We met the lady Dec 2nd at Sr Citizens and again at the Christmas party at Mr & Mrs - - - - - of Cold

Brook Road. We had excellent supper, baked potatoes, squash & sausage. Ollie made pan 14 baked apples. She as usual went to bed. I wrote and read papers.

February 17, Tuesday ---- 8/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. Brilliant cloudless serenely temperatures – winter weather. High moon in a large circle tonight.

Noontime Harlowe took us to Olive Bridge to check on the readiness of the fire hall for my Saturday birthday party also went to Henry Merrihew's for eggs – 8 doz pullet @ .30 \$2.40 paid. Otherwise did usual routine. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote thank you letter to Jeannie & Victor Chasez for \$20.00 check to pay for fire hall. Also tonite wrote invitation to NY Masonic Grand Master & wife of Suffern to attend.

February 18, Wednesday — 20/7 a.m. 42/10 p.m.

Variable cloudiness and bright sunshine & feels like maple sap weather – snow melting & water running.

Gusty southerly wind evng. Soft high riding moon & scattered thin clouds – mildest of winter.

Did daily routine. Had - - - - of p.m. callers District Deputy Jim & Margaret Platt, Jim Burgraff, Addie Winchell & Belle Wood. The 2 Jims installed new 3 way hall switch, light conked all winter. Ollie & I had good supper. She went to bed. I wrote Grayce Ellis. 9 o'clock Mrs Pratt Boice called up that due to death of 81 year old sister-in-law she & Myron Boice & daughter Nancy & husband of Kerhonkson would be unable to attend the party. Today rec'd card & \$5.00 gift from Mrs Boice.

February 19, Thursday — 44/7 a.m. 14/11:30 p.m.
Thawed all night, turning crispy colder p.m. with northerly wind. After morning clearing it was a brilliant sunny day and beaming near (early rising) full moon, high riding in a cloudless sky & winter again. Other than routine – Buddy Eckert with his pick up truck took Ollie & I to the Accord Farmers Co-op annual meeting at the store where I bought 500 Crunchy feed @ 5.00 & bag crack corn @ 4.60 less 2% each also a galvanized 8 qt pail @1.12 pkg Buchini squash .25 & 36" bow saw blade 1.35 – hunting knife 5.95 above items less 1% total purchase 37.23. We then had free pancake & sausage dinner Patroon Grange Hall on 209. Coming back we visited Jim Burgraff & he showed us his museum exhibits. Rec'd several birthday cards & letter Julia Rhoades – Norah Herrington called up late p.m. from Utica in regard to a birthday gift she will send me. Rec'd more cards & letter Julia Rhoades. Tonite I wrote both Norah & Julia.

February 20, Friday — 14/7 a.m. 22/10 p.m. partly cloudy mountain squally raw northerly wind. Cleared evng majestic glowing almost full moon riding high. Ollie making deviled eggs for the party. I got the pork strips in brine. Did chore routine. Turned water back on in bathroom. We had good supper as usual. Ollie tired & went to bed. I made several calls & wrote Mrs Currier. Rec'd another batch of cards.

February 21, Saturday ---- 4/7 a.m. 20/12 p.m. Brilliant crisp sunny day & glowing moonlight – northerly wind –

full moon.

Rec'd registered letter from Mariam with birthday gift of \$25.00. The glowing event of the day was my semi public birthday party held this p.m. beginning 1:00 o'clock at the Olive Bridge Fire Hall. There was about 75 persons present. I rec'd a pleasing variety of gifts, cards totaling over 90 etc including a total of \$65.00 in checks & money. The eldest friends present were Mart Eckert 96, Fred Adsit 95. Many pictures were taken. There was an abundance of food served buffet style, coffee & punch. Many present signed the guest register. Katherine Carr came this a.m. and assisted Ollie. Harlowe McLean provided transportation. We were back home soon after 4:30. Bro Herbie Rexer gave me his beautiful Masonic ring set with a diamond & the golden square & compass set in onyx. I wore Mother's gold watch and necklace in her memory. Jean & Bob Smith provided a 13 lb decorated 5 layer birthday cake. My charming grand daughters Gaye & Jeannie and husbands Peter Vorkink & Victor Chavez paid their personal homage.

This evng the GOP club of Olive (150) served gave ex supervisor Lester S Davis & ex Justice Bradford Kelder a testimonial dinner at the Chord Lounge in Boiceville.

February 21, Saturday ----- My party was climaxed early evng about 7 o'clock. George & Katherine Carr were eating supper when I went down cellar to turn valve in overhead bath room water line at pump tank, water pressure was going down & had to be kept pumped up. In reaching up with wrench & flashlight standing on box,

I lost my balance and fell face first on cellar cement floor. Hitting my face & bumping right forehead, blackening right eye but didn't break glasses. I was knocked dead senseless. Ollie & Katherine thought I was gone with heart attack. Katherine called the store for help. John Dally & his wife Margaret who were there responded immediately and helped getting me upstairs in kitchen. She held ice on my badly bumped head and as a precautionary measure John and Margaret took Ollie & I to the emergency room at Benedictine Hosp for examination. Which fortunately proved negative. After visiting their upstairs apartment on 58 St James St & ate supper, we had drinks. Margaret was like an angel of mercy in her attention to me. Meanwhile George & Katherine went home to Shandaken. To the above — Gaye & Jeannie, Peter Vorkink & Victor Chavez also Jean & Bob Smith. The four younger were returning & I gave them vegetables & apples.

February 22, Sunday — 26/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. The weather continues crispy & sunny and strong gusting southerly night winds & snow chilling. Full moon clouded & had sprinkle of rain evng.

It was full house open p.m. from 1 – 7. I feel good and normal considering. The birthday party excitement & my could have been fatal fall surely God's guiding hand was upon me. The callers included George & Katherine Carr, Janice Frankle, twin 12 year old sons, Ed & Peg Neuser, John & Dorothy Bielli, Herbie & Elsie Rexer & cousin Gertrude Hynes, Jim McVitty (Long John) and Mrs Benton of Port Ewen, Belle Wood & lastly Larry Kelder.

He is making a gift to Olive Shokan Baptist church in remembrance of my good father & mother whose memory of dad's bass singing & mother's fancy hat playing the organ, made a lasting impression of his Sunday school days. Ollie & I had our supper together & went to bed tired out.

February 23, Monday — 22/11 p.m. Cloudless crispy winter – strong blustery night & windy, northerly today – diminishing. Part overcast tonite – declining full moon shining – open spaces & east side has little snow. Today is my 80th birthday. Had a.m. call by Harlowe McLean, he brat me birthday card with 5 dollar bill. We then went over to Herbie & Elsie Rexer's for around noon call as they were leaving early. He gave me his beautiful diamond Masonic ring with gold emblem in onyx setting to which I had admired since we met 2 years ago. My head hurts from my Saturday evng fall – beautiful black right eye but otherwise feel no affects of note..

Tonite had fone call from Mariam & Bob Longyear who I didn't know are attending the Masonic Grand convention of North America.

February 24, Tuesday — 18/7 a.m. 32/10 p.m. Froze hard last night, almost cloudless serene – becoming mild with light southerly wind 50 degrees at sunset about 4:30. Cloudless still evng & getting colder. Harlowe McLean called twice, he got me 2 gal jugs sweet cider @.95 gal at Ethel Gray's store. I staid in bed till after mail came rec'd 12 cards making over 100 –

also pkg from Mr & Mrs Wm H Wilkins colored friends in Brooklyn. Cards included one with a letter from Cornelia. Ollie is all in today from the birthday excitement & my fall. I just did daily routine. We had usual good supper & Ollie went right to bed. I wrote a letter of appreciation to John & Margaret Daly. Had hour exercise walk after supper.

Newspaper clipping 3/11/70

Elwyn C. Davis Feted On His 80th Birthday

Elwyn C. Davis of Jacky Brook Farm in West Shokan was feted at a buffet luncheon in Olive Bridge firehouse Saturday, Feb. 21, in observance of his 80th birthday.

Friends, neighbors and family members attended. Those bringing special greetings were introduced by Harry Siemsen, vice president of State Historical Society, and included Frederic Snyder, world traveller and lecturer; Jerome Quick, past district deputy of Orange County Odd Fellows of Walden; Fred Adsit 94; Jim Burgraff, Indian archeologist and lecturer; Sheriff William B Martin; James E. Platt, district deputy of Ulster District of Odd Fellows. Mrs Bertha Sickler, Town of Olive Historian; Lawrence Kelder; Albert J. Fox and Vernon Beatty.

Among the guest of honor's attendance were Mrs Minnie Adsit; Mrs Jennie Kerr; Mrs Carrie North Myers; Mrs Swan Brewster; Mrs Bertha Adsit; Harold and Raymond Boice.

Out of town guests included Mr Davis' two granddaughters and their husbands, Mr and Mrs Peter Vorkink

of Cambridge, Mass and Mr and Mrs Victor Chavez of New York who were house guests of Mr and Mrs Robert L Smith at Ledgerrock in Samsonville. Other out of town guests included Rev Merton S. Cady and Mrs Cady of Hensonville; Mr and Mrs William T Golden and their daughter, Miss Pamela Golden of New York.

February 25, Wednesday — 34/7 a.m. 12/11 p.m.
Cloudy this a.m. with light snow flurries – broke away sunny near noon followed by - - - - sunny p.m. and decidedly colder. Starlight tonite & much colder.
Just a routine day doing chores. Ollie feels some better today. We had good supper, she went to bed. I wrote Freeman news copy. I got letters wrote & mailed to Mr & Mrs Wilkins & Cornelia. Had customary walk after supper.

February 26, Thursday — Shandaken reported minus 10 degrees. 4/7 a.m. 6/11 p.m. One of winters coldest stingy days. Cloudless, brilliant, biting wind – light – cloudless evng. Late rising olding moon.
No callers just a routine day. Missed mail & sent later to P.O. Ollie is sick – the party excitement & me getting stunning fall floored her. I ate supper alone pork backbone, mashed taters & gravy – Ollie getting her needed rest. I wrote letter to Lottie Stacknawitz & Grayce Ellis. I rec'd three more cards. Letter from Jack St John with regrets he missed the party Plane three hours late with his daughter from school somewhere. Walked an hour after supper.

February 27, Friday — 14/7 a.m. 32/11 p.m. Mostly overcast a.m. set in fine snowstorm noontime with sun showing hazy – storm thickened and continued thru p.m. into evening.

Town snow equipment busy p.m.. An indoor day other than routine. Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons called a.m. Did daily routine. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed I had 2 hour indoor exercise walk.

February 28, Saturday — 20/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. Crispy air – bright variable cloudiness & sunshine. Raw light wind – up to mid 30's p.m. Clear starlight evng & calm. My nose runs like a fast dripping sap tree & head aches. All symptoms of a grippy cold. Did just needed routine. Noontime Danny Lane brat truck load hard wood slabs \$10.

This p.m. we had call by Mariam & Bob Longyear – Victor & Jean Chavez, Bob Smith & Aunt Jean. Mariam & Bob came to NY for the weekend from Masonic convention in Washington. Ollie & I had clam chowder milk supper. She went to bed & I was dead tired & had long nap – no exercise walk.

March 1, Sunday — 14/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. Crispy air – clear hazily sunny – wind gentle. Thick overcast developed from the west late p.m.. A snow air came from the ice cold reservoir.

Danny Lane brat a second truck load of slab wood a.m. Paid for both \$20.00. Harlowe McLean called a.m. I continue tired & grippy. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour exercise walk. Then wrote reply thank

you letter to Mr & Mrs William T Golden. Harlowe called a.m. & this p.m. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen.

March 2, Monday — 21/7 a.m. 30/10 p.m. A trace of snow fell during the night. The weather day & evng was dismal damp murky. Light raw wind off reservoir ice. Thawing enuf to be muddy from the skim of snow. Stars shone dim tonight.

Did usual routine. I didn't get around till noon – did some writing – Ollie attended to mail & morning chores. She feels much more active today & I also perking better & drippy nose dried up. Harlowe McLean called & visited p.m. We had good supper but I didn't over eat. Bucked up & carried in green slab wood to stretch out the dry under shed. The venerable former Winchell District school house burned last night & not discovered till a.m. by passer by. It was occupied by a Wagner family of NYC. Had been up for the weekend. Fire cause unknown.

March 3, Tuesday — 24/7 a.m. 26/11 p.m. Clear and sunny – seasonable – thawing – starlight evng & ground frozen.

Ollie & I went with Harlowe after mail came – stopped at Ashokan Bank & then on out to Wards for small purchases. Came back to shopping center & bought 3 boxes birthday & all occasion cards @.79. Visited Wall St banks & shopped A&P market & home via Hurley Mtn Road at 4:10. Had call by Mrs Ann Tennant. Did chores & had supper. Ollie went to bed. Had a call by Ray Kelder. Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty — rec'd birthday

cards from Bro Henry J Gebbelive and Robert Pleasants daughter Beth Dreher of South Bend Indiana. Barney McManus 79 Irish born Brodhead 28A resident died during Monday night in Benedictine Hosp. A few years ago he underwent a cancerous rectal operation and altho he kept going had not been a real well man since. Ollie took down the Christmas tree and replaced the hung up Christmas cards with my birthday cards.

March 4, Wednesday — 28/7 a.m. 34/11 p.m. Dismal chilling damp murky weather. A light freezing rain fell all afternoon and evening.

I had coffee and breakfast in bed, and remained till 1 o'clock writing up news copy for the Saugerties Sunday Star. Meanwhile Ollie did the barn chores. This p.m. got the car out and we took the out going mail to the post office & right back home. I wrote Discount cpn of NY in regard to replacing \$75. year end check rec'd in Jan which I burned with discarded letters etc. After supper Ollie went to bed & I had ½ hour walk. Rec'd letter Vernon Haskins. Rec'd reply from Secy Dis cpn NY Mon 3– 9.

March 5, Thursday — 32/7 a.m. 36/11 p.m. The ground and everything is coated with ice this a.m. The weather was damp, gloomy – few breaks of weak sunshine, as temp moderated the ice disappeared & left the ground crust muddy.

Other than routine was the senior citizen meeting 1 p.m. Harlowe took Ollie & I. I was placed in charge of the program and introduced supervisor Frank C. Carle who

installed the officers and these were respectively seated by Harlowe McLean. They are President Arlene Tisch (Olive librarian) Mrs Ann Tennant Vice President, Mrs Ruth Davis Treas, Mrs Oure Corresponding Secy, and Mr John Oure Sgt at Arms, I spoke on area history personal recollections. Musical guitar & cello . Violin numbers by Mrs Marjorie Kesler, cake, coffee, tea served to all present. Ollie & I had supper & I had 1 1/4 hr walk indoors. I wrote Vahan Kizerian & Lottie Bell a card. Rec'd birthday gift can of shoe polish spray from Norah. Rec'd letter and set of nice cards from Grayce Ellis.

March 6, Friday — 32/7 a.m. 30/11 p.m. Dismal damp raw air. Part cloudy p.m. with light wind. Stars dim tonight, brighter later.

Other than chore routine Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I noontime to the Veteran Pork company & got the hams cured & smoked @ .15 lb weighed 63 lbs, he charged \$9.00 paid. Coming back we stopped at Woodstock A&P — \$8.00. & called on Addie Winchell. Home 3:30 rested some & finished chores. We had new ham & mashed spuds & spinach supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk. I'm tired and achy tonight. Charley Woods World War I veteran birthday.

March 7, Saturday — 26/7 a.m. 40/9 p.m. Near total eclipse of the sun early p.m. After early cloudiness broke it was pleasant and hazily sunny all day — wind light with thawing - stars dim tonight. Did usual routine & bucked up slab wood & carried it in kitchen & piled on porch.

A total eclipse of the sun was heavily clouded out in Mexico & northern Florida & an area also in east shore Nantucket. It was serenely viewable here as near total beginning 12:30 till 2 o'clock. The sky background was dark and became near twilight here, temp fell from 60 to 46. The fields being bare there was no fast moving eerie shadows. The phenomenon was not near as spectacular as the last total eclipse with ground snow covered during the morning of January 25th 1925 being the only total sun eclipse in my time. The one previous was in 1878 and the next in 2024. I am dead tired all day. We had good supper Ollie went to bed. I had bath and clothes change.

March 8, Sunday — 28/7 a.m. 16/11 p.m. Ground whitening swirling snow squalls in night about ½ in. Brilliant scattered high clouds – stingy winter weather – biting northerly wind – cloudless tonight. Did routine & bucked up a basket or two of slab wood. Just too cold outdoors for comfort. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called p.m. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Wrote Freeman copy p.m. Talked with Jean Smith over at Ledgerrock.

March 9, Monday — 20/12 p.m. Continue real - - - - winter weather. Brilliant sunny with scattered high clouds, stingy light northerly wind – cloudless evng. I rested late till near mail time, coffee, breakfast in bed. Wrote cards Vernon Haskins & Julia Rhoades. My kinky back bothers – I did usual routine & bucked up some green slab wood. Buddy Eckert called mid p.m. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour exercise

walk. Buddy Eckert called p.m. & showed me a new heavy wire humane beaver trap.

March 10, Tuesday — 18/7 a.m. 26/11 p.m. Cloudless day & evng. Wind light variable as of March. Air stingy a.m. but moderating p.m.. Burnished crescent moon evng poised over the barn.

I had coffee and breakfast in bed – didn't go out till early p.m. I bucked up & chopped green wood & piled on porch & brought in the house. Ollie did some washing along with routine. Harlowe McLean called p.m. Ollie gave him a center slice of ham. We had kraut & boiled spud supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk. I am tired and achy with the cold I've developed. Rec'd letter Lottie Stacknowitz & Grayce Ellis. I wrote Janice Forno in reply to St Patrick's Day card & note rec'd yesterday.

March 11, Wednesday — 20/7 a.m. 26/11 p.m. Pretty crispy this a.m. but the breeze warmed up p.m.

Continued cloudless day & evng. Crescent moon settled around 10 o'clock well north behind Wittenberg's .

I had coffee & breakfast sitting in bed & didn't get out till noontime, p.m. I bucked up more slab wood. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Vernon Beatty. I wrote Norah Herrington & enclosed my last Fri letter returned due to wrong street address. Also sent letter & birthday card to Elsie Rexer. Rec'd letter from Gaye Vorkink and answered tonight. Also got letter from Mrs Currier.

March 12, Thursday — 24/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. (p.m.

temp 40.) Hazily sunny a.m. wind light. Heavily overcast p.m. Sky looked gray and snowy & a snow storm set in early evng & continued.

This is 80th anniversary of the famous blizzard of 1888. Starting Sunday the 11th with big soft flakes. This date 12th the 3 day storm of snow & wind raged violently . I had no ambish & got around late. This p.m. did chore routine & bucked up slab wood, have kitchen well stocked for possible emergency. Harlowe McLean called noontime & brat things from Olive Bridge \$3.29. We had good baked squash and potato supper with hamburger. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk, same as last night. Rec'd letter Elsie Rexer. Wrote reply to Vernon Beatty.

March 13, Friday — 36/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. Temp p.m. 40 degrees. The overnight snow storm continues heavy and clinging. A winter wonderland. The snow stopped around 11 O'clock but the p.m. again was messy. Snow soft settling & dark still tonite.

A stay indoors & do chores weather. This p.m. & evng I worked on my income tax report. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour exercise walk. I don't feel quite so done up today but my bum back hurts. Rec'd bill Dr Roman M Bodnar \$6.00 for emergency service Sat evng Feb 21 – sending check tomorrow. Kingston reports about 4 ½ inches & be necessary to open all streets.

March 14, Saturday — 24/8 a.m. 30/10 p.m. Generally cloudy with some hazy sunshine & p.m. light snow

flurries. Wind light northerly – damp – raw got up in low 40's p.m. Clear crispy evng - bright high ½ moon. Snow slid clean off north side barn pretty much melted south side.

I kept pretty much in bed a.m. – noontime had weekly bath & changed underwear. Harlowe McLean brat 8 doz med eggs @.40 from Henry Merrihew paid. Buddy Eckert also called. He is trapping beaver in the dammed up brook that joins the Bridal Veil stream & caught 2 last night. Got out did chores. We had good supper as usual. Ollie went to bed & I had hours walk.

March 15, Sunday ---- 20/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. The day developed partly cloudy - somewhat breezy - some bright sunshine, cloudless still crispy evng. High glowing over ½ moon.

I had usual coffee and breakfast in bed.& rested till noon. This p.m. did usual routine. Had a call by Larry Shurter. Wrote copy for Saugerties Star. We had good pot pie and vegetable stew supper. Had a call by Dist Deputy James Platt. Ollie went to bed & I wrote to Bro Platt.

March 16, Monday — 16/7 a.m. 26/11 p.m. 34 mid p.m. Cold raw wintry & somewhat windy. Partly overcast not much sunshine mostly clear evng with zenith high bright bulging moon.

I didn't get to barn till p.m. felt I needed rest for my aching bones. Did chore routine. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had an hour walk. My back and legs ache. Harlowe McLean called latter p.m. Eyes heavy I rested reasonably well last night. Wrote Vernon

Beatty.

March 17, Tuesday — 28/7 a.m. 30/10 p.m. A really magnificent mild day for a welcome change. A few thin wispy clouds, clear still evng with glowing high oval moon.

This p.m. it was warm enough that other than doing chores I cut up & brought in a supply of slab wood. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed & I was tired enough to take a long nap till 10:30. Wrote & rec'd letter from Vernon Beatty.

March 18, Wenesday — 28/7 a.m. 34/11 p.m. Cloudy a.m. snowy rain mixed, messy p.m. & evng. Lazy soft flakes falling evng. No accumulation thawing as the mixture fell.

A New York City area postal workers strike first in history bans mail collection & deliveries in and out. Another faged and lazy day on couch day. Did chores p.m. We had good supper & Ollie as usual went to bed. I resumed my hour walking exercise but just didn't have the umph last night.

March 19, Thursday — 34/6 a.m. 32/10/p.m. Cloudy murky this a.m. but gradually sunnied up. The p.m. & evng was brilliant & cloudless. Glowing high bulged moon, still & frosty. Real spring breaking weather. Harlowe, Ollie & I attended the Senior Citizen meeting p.m. 26 present, Jim Burgraff gave an interesting talk on Indian occupancy of this region dating back several thousand years B.C.

We had a good hamburg, salad & boiled potato supper & Ollie as usual went to bed. I had an hour exercise walk. Wrote & mailed air letter to Mariam. I bucked up some slab wood.

March 20, Friday — 34/7 a.m. 36/10 p.m. Clear this a.m. but clouded over and the p.m. & evng was foggy, dismal rainy & snowy mixture. Nasty raw weather. Did chore routine & bucked up & carried in some slab wood & had a nap on couch. I ate light supper. We went with Harlowe McLean to Olive Bridge Hall & from there with Sonny and Alonzo Davis, Joe Werner took Whitey Shamback & Percy Cook & Lester Lawrence to Lasher's in Woodstock where the IOOF group & Harlowe as acting Noble Grand and myself Chaplain. We conducted ritualistic service for Bro Marion Oakley 65 who died in Middletown State Hosp. He was also a World War II veteran never married. We got back home 9:15.

March 20, Saturday – 36/7 a.m. 34/11 p.m. Dismal raw northerly wind quieted evng— thawing muddy – brief breaks of sunshine. Became cloudless late evng. Glowing almost full moon. Should be good maple sap day. I did usual routine & cut up & carried in slab wood. Ollie rested considerably. We had a good chopped liver, fried onions & mashed potato supper. Mr Kizerian called mid p.m. on his first trip from NYC in 3 mo. He is staying overnight & getting his house warmed up. He brat me a belated birthday gift A 5 M of Canadian Club and a round flat Armenian bread. My birthday party 4 weeks today already & that of my stunning fall. I worked some

on my tax report p.m.. We talked with Jean and Bob Smith they are at Ledgerock.

March 22, Sunday — 34/7 a.m. 36/12 p.m. Partly sunny a.m. clouds thickened and set in snowing – wet soggy storm around 4:15 p.m. continued into evng.

I have no pep air heavy with approaching storm. This p.m. Ollie & I went with Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons to Krumville and were among the throng coming and going to pay respects to Bob Volmer surrounded by floral tributes lying in his rose colored casket in front room of his home. Art Chipp the undertaker in charge. His devoted wife Mabel nee Davis receiving visitors and bearing her sorrow bravely. We were home at 3:15. Callers after were Addie Winchell, Mary Palen, Ray Kelder & later Mr Kizurian called. He had attended the 50th wedding anniversary for Mr & Mrs Bert Winnie at their home at Cold Brook We had delicious ham potpie supper & Ollie went to bed. I had an hour exercise walk.

March 23, Monday — 36/7 a.m. 40/10:30 p.m. Dense fog this a.m. sun broke thru at 10:45 by periods but the afternoon and evng was dismal, muddy, light rains. Somewhat windy raw damp air. The fresh snow disappeared today.

I staid in bed till 1 o'clock. Wrote Saugerties Sunday Star news copy. We had calls by off duty trooper John Schetzel & Lawrence Every. I did chore routine p.m. & bucked up & carried some slab wood. We had good supper fried onions, shopped liver and mashed potatoes. Ollie as usual went to bed. I had hour exercise walk.

Worked awhile on tax report. Kingston is of this morning was boycotted against all incoming & outgoing mail service.

March 24, Tuesday — 34/7 a.m. 42/10 p.m.

Considerable warm sunshine forenoon. The p.m. was cloudy raw air northerly mountain squalls – cleared evng later cloudy. Typical early spring weather.

Did usual p.m. routine. We had a congenial & unexpected 2 hour visit by Middletown antique collectors Mr Albert Jones retired postal service and Mr James A. Boyd, veteran employee at Middletown State Hosp. Strangely Lauren Hesley when in Middletown had told Mr Boyd that Ollie had antiques. I showed them my gun collection and other heirlooms. Later I bucked up some wood for exercise. We had a good supper bake squash and scalloped potatoes. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. The Kingston postal workers returned to work & the general national emergency seems easing. I wrote Vernon Beatty.

March 25, Wednesday — 40/7 a.m. 34/11 p.m.

Generally sunny with variable overcast day & evng.

Turned noticeable cooler after 50 degrees sunset, now just over the mid north brow of South Mtn at 5:09.

For some reason 2 helicopters circling around the valley .

One hovered for some minutes over the top of South Mtn

a.m. Mail delivery resumed today. The arm took over

yesterday a.m. to unsnail the mail tie up in NY City.

4 p.m. the Boiceville & West Shokan fire sirens sounded off. This p.m. we went down to garage & got belt for

Roto-tiller \$1.93. I bucked up some wood & piled on porch. Ollie cleaned 2 floors p.m. We had a good super. Ollie went to bed. I had over an hour exercise walk. Rec'd letter & Easter cards from Mrs Currier, Grayce Ellis & Norah Herrington. Ollie saw first flock of robins this a.m.

March 26, Thursday — 38/7 a.m. 44/10 p.m. Cloudy damp air more or less rainy p.m. & evng – first of season thunder showers – bluster evng around south. Katherine Carr and sister Janice & son Wayne came early p.m. first since day after my birthday party. Katherine cut my hair last one Feb 21st. They brat Ollie 2 potted plants & Easter cards. I did p.m. chores & an arm full basket of wood. Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons had supper with us. Meat Loaf, boiled onions & baked potatoes. I also ate a baked apple. Rec'd letter from Ada Bell telling about Lutes bro Clarence 64, death by cancer. His wife is catholic & Clarence became that on his death bed. The Jacky Brook roars tonight from rain & melting snow.

March 27, Friday — 36/7 a.m. 32/12 p.m. The day was generally sunny to part cloudy. Rather stiff northerly wind. Quieted clear tonite and pleasant but for the wind. Buddy Eckert and Lois called noontime. He asked permission to put installation material in Ollie's barn or pig house. We took roto-tiller down to garage for repairs a.m. I did usual routine & bucked up some wood. Mr & Mrs John Lambert called late p.m. & brat me a 2 qt bottle of birthday wine. We had good supper. Ollie went

to bed & I had long nap. I rec'd 4 share stock dividend of Dart Industries Inc from Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. NY. I mailed them \$3.52 to get %100 share fractional interest to complete price of another share.

March 28, Saturday — 38/7 a.m. 42/10 p.m. Cloudy with rather chilly wind – stars dim tonite. Harlowe McLean called a.m. & at noon Jean & Robert Smith. They took my income tax blanks & figures for compiling on Federal and State forms. Mid p.m. Ollie & I went over to Herbie & Elsie Rexer's. This is their first weekend at their Camp Hideaway since my birthday. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had an hour walk for exercise but was tired and miserable last night. Rec'd letters Grayce Ellis & Vernon Beatty. Ski conditions report good as anytime all winter. Some places had up to 6 inches of fresh snow.

March 29, Sunday — 32/7 a.m. EASTER Set in snowing this a.m. from the east and continued till 6 p.m. Heaviest storm since Christmas 8 inches on chopping block but there are newly reports of a foot and 15 inches in Phoenicia.

A stay indoors day – as Col John B. Davis usta record in one of his 1850 diaries “A snowy day at home” Thruway reported near impassable & Kingston frustrated. Snow plows operating county & town. It's a delight to mtn resort skiers. Jean & Bob Smith must had tough travel going back. I think Rexer's pulled out this p.m. We had good breakfast & supper. My quota 3 eggs this a.m. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Wrote Vernon Beatty.

March 30, Monday — 12/6 a.m. 28/12 p.m. Brilliant sunny snow glowing – belated winter gradually moderating. Some high - - - - - p.m. indicating more storm – still & overcast evng.

The heavy snow blanket settled half & water running.

Just a chore doing day. Charley Reiner, Bishops caretaker plowed the drive a.m. around milk house.

Harlowe McLean called briefly early p.m.. Ollie & I took a walk over to Rexer's later we had a nap. We had good supper, Ollie as usual went to bed. I had an hour exercise walk. The day seems like Sunday. Rec'd letter card from Mariam.

March 31, Tuesday — 28/7 a.m. 26/11 p.m. Dismal cloudy a.m. tried to snow but failed – broke away sunny p.m. & clear still evng.

Another do chores & stay in house day. I staid in bed till 1 p.m. – wrote letter to Vernon Beatty, birthday card note to Edna Merrihew & card to Grayce Ellis. Buddy Eckert & Lois Wilbur called early evng & we didn't get supper till 9 o'clock.

April 1, Wednesday — 20/6 a.m. 36/10 p.m. Hazily sunny this morning but clouded over dismal day & evng. Still raw damp air. Water pail froze in barn. Snow is ploughed up high in Kingston reminding of the mid winter conditions.

We went to Kingston, out to Wards with Harlowe McLean & home 4:20 going both ways via Hurley mtn route. The vast corn filelds are covered with snow. Shopped at Herzog up town & A&P – tiresome trip.

Finished & mailed reply air mail letter to Mariam. I withdrew savings acct from State of NY Natl Bank. This is Lottie Boice Hesley's 87 birthday.

April 2, Thursday — 36/7 a.m. 42/10 p.m. 2 inches of wet snow in night clinging to evergreen trees like Christmas snow balls. Dismal drenching cold all day rain. Sloppiest storm of winter. Sun broke thru at 4:30 briefly & clouds continued coming from south. Fields white & water everywhere. Harlowe McLean measured 3 inches.

I didn't get around till noon. Ollie checked barn chores. I wrote cards Julia Rhoades & Mrs Currier – missed the mail. I did p.m. chores – a storm bound day. Radio says the 1879 city hall roof in Kingston leaked like a sieve. Wrote Vernon Haskins tonight. Streams well flushed. Low lands reported flooded.

April 3, Friday — 36/7 a.m. 40/10 p.m. Cloudy & mtn squally this a.m. windy night – broke away bright sunny with high puffy white clouds - clear evng. Rough windy weather.

I got around late. Mrs Marge Trowbridge of Vly Road called early p.m. & picked up my filled out census questionnaire . I did p.m. chores & bucked up & carried in slab wood. 49 years ago tonight my steam saw mill on 28A burned a total loss. Rainy night.

April 4, Saturday — 36/7 a.m. 36/11 p.m. Wind calmed over night. Mostly cloudy – sunshine filtered – continued raw northerly wind – clearing evng. Wind quieted.

Did daily routine and bucked up more wood p.m. This evng Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I to Olive Bridge. Ollie stayed with John & Helen Marshall. Harlowe & I attended IOOF Lodge. A real interesting meeting & well attended. A delegation of 10 from Walden Lodge # 170 – 4 from Catskill mtn 487. P.O.D. James Platt and son James E from Phoenicia. Initiatory Degree conferred on 4 candidates from Walden – Alfred Post - Chas Reynolds - Douglas West - Donald Schaefer - Refreshments followed. We got home before 11 o'clock.

April 5, Sunday — 32/7 a.m. 30/10 p.m. Variable cloudiness bright sunshine. Pleasant temperature but continued chill brisk northerly wind.

Did daily routine & sawed some wood for exercise p.m. Callers were Harlowe McLean and this p.m. Addie Winchell, her son Ray Kelder & Mrs Mary Palen. We had good supper, Ollie as usual went to bed. I had hour walk & finished copy to Saugerties Sunday Star.

April 6, Monday — The United States declared war on Germany 1917. 24/6 a.m. 36/11 p.m. Sunny clear this morning but gradually became gloomily overcast with the prevailing north wind quieted – pitch dark tonight. Ollie & I made a noon time trip to Kingston with Harlowe McLean. We went via of 28 & back Hurley mtn route. I had \$5000 changed from regular 5% savings acct to a 6% 2 year certificate of this date. Also visited the Ulster County Savings Bank & added \$50 to acct. We shopped at Woolworth & Diskay stores on Wall St & the Hurley Ave A&P.

The major league baseball season opened today. Detroit AL vs Senators in Washington. Montreal NL in Cincinatti score 5 – 1 for Cincinatti. We had good supper. I went thru Freeman & Saugerties Sunday Star. Rec'd letters Jeanne Chavez & Julia Rhoades I compiled and mailed news copy to Saugerties Star & Freeman.

April 7, Tuesday — 32/6:30 a.m. 42/11 p.m. Partly cloudy but generally sunny starlight evng. Early setting new moon over the Wittenbergs – continued northerly wind but mellowed.

Did daily routine & off & on bucking up slab wood. Rec'd letter Grayce Ellis. Wrote reply to Julia Rhoades & letter to Harry Thayer of WGY 112. Yesterday a.m. George Van Kleeck 81 of Samsonville upper road fell over chair in house & taken to Benedictine Hosp by ambulance, but no bones broken & returned home.

April 8, Wednesday — 34/7 a.m. 54/11 p.m. Temp up to mid 70's. First real spring weather. Sunny with some high clouds & developing mellow southerly wind which quieted at evng. New moon showed early then clouded over.

I wrote reply letter to Ed & Eva Gilden in Brooklyn Hgts N.Y.C. & sent birthday card to Marilyn Dudley cook also to Norah Herrington. I did routine & worked at the slab wood mostly cutting up edgings. First day warn enuf to work p.m. in shade of barn. Ollie just did routine. We had excellent supper, fried onions, hamburg & boiled spuds. Ollie went to bed & I had hour walk. Ollie Crawford's remaining sister Mrs Cora Jackman 70 died

last nite in Benedictine Hosp.

This p.m. I put old near 15 lb Papa goose in big plastic bag & buried him in soft ground below the garden rock.

April 9, Thursday — 54/7:30 a.m. 48/11 p.m.

Continued grand warm spring weather – variable cloudiness & sunshine. Light northerly wind p.m. & evng. Glowing growing crescent moon over the Wittenberg's cloudless – had noontime April shower.

I replied & sent letter in to days mail. Rec'd air mail undated letter from Mariam telling that her mother is in grave condition, as informed by Cornelia. Asks advice just in case on funeral parlor & place of burial our side of the family. Tongore cemetery plot is filled – considering on the east side half is filled with the remains of those I helped remove from the old Brodhead cemetery & re-bury spring of 1910. It is my desire to be buried opposite Little Honey Lillian in north east corner where 2 year old Martin Benham who died in 1862. A few bones was placed in 3 — pine box 12 inch square. His mother lived in Michigan – was a sister of Old Pap Crispell. The child died while the parents were on a winter visit.

We took Plymouth down to garage for grease & tune up. Despite a glume back I worked at the slab wood. We had the usual good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had an hour house walk.

April 10, Friday — Ice gone out of reservoir. 38/7 a.m. 34/9 p.m. Mostly cloudy, part clear evng – moon shining. Raw northerly wind & snow flurries. Much colder March weather. The north wind tho cold cut the ice out of the

upper end of the reservoir, to opposite down in front. Did usual routine & kept working at the wood chopping up edgings & sawing slabs . Tired tonight. Harlowe McLean called a.m. We had usual good supper – parsnips & mashed potatoes. Ollie went to bed. I had a refreshing nap. Wrote cards to Grayce Ellis & Barbara Moncure. Sent cheerio card to Raymond Markle.

April 11, Saturday — 28/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. Cold biting northerly wind. Brilliant sunshine & practically cloudless. High crescent moon tonight nearing first quarter.

Robert Smith called at noon. He is up alone at ledgerrock for over night.

Wet went with Harlowe Mclean to the 1 p.m. funeral conducted by interim pastor Rev. Wm R. Peckham for Mrs Cora Crawford Jackman. About 25 magnificent floral pieces spoke of her public esteem. The interment was in Tongore cemetery in charge of Arthur Chipp of Kerhonkson. Interment in Tongore cemetery. On way home we stopped at Harlowe McLeans and saw the blast off of moon bound Apollo 13 from Cape Kennedy. Stopped briefly at Ed & Peg Neusers. She gave me a new red plaid flannel shirt. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk.

April 12, Sunday — 30/6:30 a.m. 36/10:30 p.m. Brilliant almost cloudless day & evng. Growing almost ½ moon tonite. Chill northerly winds continue – calmed evng.

Just did usual routine. Tuned in several radio sermons

a.m. Mid p.m. we had call by Ray Kelder, his mother & Mrs Mary Palen. I didn't get the urge to write the Saugerties Star news. Tired & back hurts. We had good kraut & mashed potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote card to Julia Rhoades. The ice continues to move down toward the dam. Tonite had hour walk & wrote letter Mrs Knorph.

April 13, Monday — 34/6/30 a.m. 36/ 11:30 p.m.
Brilliant sunny real pleasant April weather. Scattered high puffy white clouds. Wind light – cloudless glowing high ½ moon tonite.

A routine day did chores & worked quite steady cutting up slab wood & piling under shed. Had p.m. calls by Harlowe McLean and Buddy Eckert. Gave them parsnips. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had exercise walk. The Apollo 13 crew are well on their way to the moon in what appears a non sensational routine flight. The former glamour is worn off. Rec'd letter from Mariam. They expect to go to Arizona April 26 and spend several days there. Then come to N.Y. for the State Grand Lodge convention May 5th & 6th.

April 14, Tuesday — 32/7 a.m. 42/12 p.m. Soft and sunny a.m. cloudy p.m. & mostly evng – the over ½ moon was dim – wind light.

Other than chores I kept working at the slab wood. No callers today. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I was tired & had a long nap. I wrote reply letter to Mariam a.m. Serious malfunction has developed in the Apollo 13 space craft, plans for moon landing abandoned

– circled moon & started return from the outer space.

April 15, Wednesday — 38/6 a.m. 42/11 p.m. This is Ollie's 60th birthday. Cloudiness pleasant on the cool side soft sunny day & evening high glowing moon – chilly – still.

I didn't do much but chores. This p.m. Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I to Phoenicia and paid respects at Gormley's Parlors to our former Mt Road friend & neighbor Ludwig Scheick, who died Sunday in Florida. Coming back stopped at Joe Caufield's garage and brat the car home. Then George & Katherine with her sister Janice & 18 yr old girl & twin 13 year old sons planning to have a birthday party supper for Ollie, but we explained that Harlowe had reserved dinner for us at the Cozy Corner in Olivebridge – so they will come tomorrow night. We had a delicious supper with all the trimmings & brat home 9:15.

April 16, Thursday — 30/6 a.m. 56/9 p.m. Cloudless pleasant temp, quiet day & evng. Part overcast tonite & moon hazy.

Did daily routine worked some at the slab wood. I p.m. we attended with Harlowe McLean 1 p.m. Senior Citizen meeting at the library. Geo & Katherine Carr, her sister Janice, 17 year old daughter Lorraine & 9 year old twins Dale & Dennis, Mrs Addie Carr (George's mother) & Janice's young son Wayne came for supper, also Harlowe McLean. The Shandaken visitors furnished the food beer & gifts for Ollie's birthday dinner. Harlowe also came for supper. I was tired & both went to bed

early.

April 17, Friday — 46/6 a.m. About 48 degrees 12 p.m. Pleasant warm & cloudless during day & overcast evng with rumbling thunder & lightning flashes. There was a trace of rain.

I did routine , worked by spells bucking wood. We went down to Joe Caufield's garage a.m. & paid for rototiller repairs & greasing up and installing hand brake on car \$24.00 paid. The brake band was given me last summer by Orrie Lyons. 1 p.m. we went over to Harlowe Mc Lean's and saw the safe splash down & recovery of the disabled Apollo 13 & crew of 3, Navy Capt James Lovett Jr, Commander – John Swigert Command module pilot – Fred W - - - -Jr Lun- - - module pilot. Prayers were offered on the deck as the astronauts stood on the deck of the Iwo Jima. Soon after we had a call by Mr & Mrs Willie Hughes of Toms River N.J. After supper Ollie & I were tired and went to bed. Rec'd letters Vernon Beatty & Vernon Haskins.

April 18, Saturday — 44/7 a.m. 44/11 p.m. Chilly wind northerly and mostly cloudy. Part cloudy tonite – cleared later and bright moonlight.

Did daily routine & sawed some wood & re-filled oven & put pile by stove. We went over to Rexer's awhile p.m. 6 p.m. we went with Harlowe McLean to Phoenicia and attended a delicious ham supper served by Tukilwa Rebekah Lodge in ME church hall, and 8 p.m.. the District Grand Committee held in the Phoenicia Lodge Hall. Dist Deputy James E Platt in charge, only 17

present including Ollie Crawford who became a new member. The meeting was listless & not well conducted as the deputy seemed - - - -. He was re-elected 3rd term & myself as District secy for the 40th year.

April 19, Sunday — 34/6 a.m. 40/9 p.m. 195th anniversary Lexington & Concord Battle. Chilly cool practically cloudless - sunny & a bit hazy, clear evng – wind northerly – still cloudless hazy moonlight. Didi chore routine. Early p.m. we went over to Herbie & Elsie Rexer's. He brat us home in his new red Volkswagon. We then at a call by past IOOF Dist Deputy Jerome Quick & wife of Walden. He contacted Dist Deputy Platt & other lodge members to come to Walden tomorrow nite & assist in the conferring of the IOOF Initiatory Degree. We had usual good supper.

April 20, Monday — 48/7 a.m. 42/10 p.m. Dismal foggy rainy but gradually drizzled out mid p.m. A cold rain about ½ inch.

I finished & mailed Saugerties Star news copy & sent certification filled out blanks to Wm Klumpen IOOF Grand secy. Did chores & cut up some wood p.m. We were ready 6 o'clock & watched till 7:30 for transportation to Walden but heard nothing from Dist Deputy Jim Platt. Harlowe too was ready. Ollie & I had 8:30 supper. She went to bed. I had an hour walk first in several nights. I wrote letter in copy of Saugerties Star to send to bro Jerome Quick.

April 21, Tuesday — 40/6:30 p.m. 44/11 p.m. Foggy

heavy - dismal cold rainy drizzily till it petered out p.m.
Dark foggy evng.

I wrote Freeman a.m. copy of the Sat. Night Grand
Comm meeting. Did usual chore routine & re-piled wood
& cleaned up in wood shed also cut up some slab &
carried in & re-filled oven etc. The Womens club met
p.m. at Library & showed pictures on Russia, but we
didn't go. Senior Cirizens - - - - . We had usual good
supper & Ollie went to bed. I was tired & had a long nap.

April 22, Wednesday — 40/7 a.m. 42/11 p.m. Fresh
snow on Wittenbergs. Cloudiness gradually cleared and
the day was sunny and chilly. Wind light northerly –
clear still evng but stars not brilliant. Last nite full moon
rose in south east around 8:45.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean near noon,
shopped at A& P & up town, visited Sears & Wards
store. Went to Wallaces in shopping plaza. I ordered 22
inch rotary. Swarthmore lawn mower power drive with 3
½ HP Briggs & Stratton motor. Then went out on Old
Stage Road to Geo B Brinks bought 27 lb white barrow
pig \$15.00. We got home around 5:30.

April 23, Thursday – 50/7 a.m. 44/11 p.m. Dismal – Set
in rainy around 9 a.m. and continued into p.m.. Damp
gloomy thru evng. The rising sun peeked thru a rift of the
low cloud line & cut a vivid fiery glow across reservoir.
I staid in bed till near noon & wrote Freeman items.
After rain stopped I cut some wood & re-filled oven.
Katherine Carr helped Ollie today, washed clothes &
tidied up in north rooms & cleaned floors \$6.00 paid.

Wallace dept store of Kingston shopping center delivered late p.m. a

3 ½ HP Briggs & Stratton motor self drive 22 inch rotary mower, Sawrthmore, year guarantee 78.88 plus 4% tax check paid \$82.05.

April 24, Friday — 42/7 a.m. 52/11 p.m. Chilly dense morning fog. Rainy - showers - downpours. There was one heavy jarring crack of thunder & accompanying flash of lightening toward noon over Samsonville direction.

Rain let up by mid p.m. Broke away late evng.

I got around late. Wrote Freeman copy a.m. & mailed. It was too wet to cut much wood, did chore routine. This p.m. I got a delayed job cleaned out & burned up newspapers & magazines stuffed under the kitchen flower stand. No callers today. Ollie & I had fried onions, boiled spuds & hamburg supper. Ollie went to bed & my back hurt & I had long evng nap till 11 p.m. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades. The N.Y. Stock market continues to sink.

April 25, Saturday — 53/7 a.m. 52/11 p.m. Northerly wind - warm spring weather. Variably cloudy & generally sunny clear still evng.

Other than chores & between rests with my game back I got in several hours cutting & piling slab wood. We had delicious shad, potato & pea supper. Ollie not feeling good & went right to bed. I put out the light & had a nap. Finished & mailed letter to Julia Rhoades this a.m. I had bath a.m. & changed underwear. Ollie had a big job defrosting & cleaning refrigerator. Harlowe called after

mail came. Vanguard of swallows here this a.m.

April 26, Sunday — 56/8 a.m. 66/11 p.m. Daylight Saving Time. June weather temp near 80 mid p.m. High Point snow banks thinning. Considerable cloudiness developed – wind light southerly.

A Sunday of usual routine. I worked at the wood & rested now & then. No callers but Harlowe McLean toward noon. (Except male below) First real day of front porch weather. Addie Winchell, son Ray Kelder & Mary Palen called latter p.m. We had good supper & Ollie went to bed. I had ½ hour walk. 81 year old “Capin Fox” the Olivebridge fire chief & dairy farmers father, Albert Stanley Fox taken to Kingston Hosp. by ambulance. He attended & enjoyed my birthday party. Wrote reply to Julia Rhoades.

April 27, Monday — 52/7 a.m. 58/11 p.m. Breeze - pleasant summer weather and natures response in rhythm. Sunny with high floating clouds - clear still evng. I raked up trash in the garden and put in some good licks cutting & piling wood. The afternoon seemed long with daylight time again but makes little difference with me. We had a usual good supper. I piled 3 baskets of wood. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap. Wrote card to Lottie Stacknowitz and Grayce Ellis.

April 28, Tuesday — 54/6:30 a.m. 60/10 p.m. Pleasant continued summer. Went above 80 p.m. Sunny with variable cloudiness – dark overcast evng. Didn't bother much with wood. Did routine & got

Rototiller going - dug up flower beds & center part of garden. Tiller worked good. This a.m. I got permit of Skin Davis & burned garden cleanup. Harlowe called mid p.m. & brat 5 lb onion sets from Grays store .35 lb & 6 cents tax. We had good supper boiled salt pork, taters & corn & lima beans. Ollie went to bed. I soaked my tired feet & wrote card Vernon Beatty. This a.m. I wrote Saugerties Star copy. Pop Fox brat home from hospital, can't drive due to dizzy spells.

April 29, Wednesday — 52/6 a.m. 64/10:30 p.m.
Summer weather. Varied overcast but hazy sunny. Stars dim tonite still atmosphere humid at close of day. Other than chore routine I did a big tiresome job tilled both ends of garden and set the tiller deep. Katherine Carr helped Ollie – washed windows and curtains. She and George had supper with us. Rec'd letter from Douglas Carr in Viet Nam, said he has 156 days & he would be home. So interested in his little family, pleased to get birthday card letter from us. After supper Ollie went to bed. I bucked some wood but air so muggy & close, I had a nap. Had pleasing fone call from Edna Merrihew evng.

April 30, Thursday — 52/7 a.m. 56 /10:30 p.m. Not so warm as yesterday by around 10 degrees. The day was sunny but smoky or smoggy. Wind light northerly & inky dark still tonight.
I worked too hard yesterday hands sore & back bothered. Did daily routine and during p.m. with rests between bucked up & piled wood. This p.m. Goldenberg

salesman for aluminum siding co of Latham NY measured the house and gave me price of 3850. For a quality job. Later Buddy Eckert called. We got dressed and waited 3/4 hour to go with Joe Caulfield to Masonic service for bro Curtis Eberhardt a local resident. However noble Joe failed to show up. We had a late supper. My esteemed lifelong friend Albert North had a severe stroke at the Woodstock Bowling Lanes.

May 1, Friday 58/6 a.m. 72/11 p.m. Cloudless some gathering clouds late p.m. continued July weather. Up in mid 80's p.m. Southerly wind rather strong evng - starlight.

Did usual routine. Roto-tilled some in garden & flower beds and worked some at the wood late p.m. Buddy Eckert and Lois Kaufman came 6 p.m. & we visited on front porch. It is Lois' 25th birthday. Accord Farmer delivered 500 lb Crunch feed @5.00 & 100 lbs sold at 2.40 \$1.80 delivered less 5 bags .75 & 25 cash disc net \$27.66 paid.

May 2, Saturday — 64/6:30 a.m. 60/10 p.m. Sunny warm a.m. Gusty south wind - gradually became overcast p.m. Same evng - wind quieted. It's noticeably getting cooler.

I did daily routine. Worked in garden, planted 2 rows peas & cut red potatoes p.m. & planted on west side of garden. Rows 53 ft long also planted adjoining a double row of dwarf peas. I then took a bath & changed underwear. We went over for a visit with Herbie & Elsie Rexer. He brat us home with his new Volkswagon. After

a rest Ollie & I had a good supper, she went to bed.
Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades. Her daughter Mrs Ron ----
_(Carolyn) married 5 years gave birth Monday a.m. in
Catskill Hosp to a 6lb 11 oz son Brian Edwin & came
home yesterday also letter from Garret Mott.

May 3, Sunday — 48/7 a.m. 44/ p.m. We had a needed
refreshing rain during the night. Much cooler - cloudy
a.m. & mostly overcast p.m. & evng.
Did usual chore routine cut up some wood p.m. &
restocked the needs of both stoves. We went over to
Rexers awhile p.m. then Harlowe McLean came. We had
good cooked kraut & potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I
wrote reply to Julia Rhoades , enclosing \$3.00 check for
Carolyn's baby.

May 4, Monday — 42/6:30 a.m. 52/10 p.m. Cloudy cool
calm day & evng. Very little filtered sunshine.
I did usual routine. Did some Roto-tilling in garden to
loosen up the ground. This p.m. I planted near 2 rows of
onion sets - 4 lbs. Addie Winchell called alone p.m.
Tomorrow is 14th anniversary of her and cousin Virgil's
marriage. She took 3 baskets rotted manure to seed grass
on his grave. I worked at the wood sawing before and
after supper fried onions, hamburg, boiled taters. Rec'd
letter from Norah Herrington. Mailed bundle of catnip to
Grayce Ellis & rec'd letter Lottie Stacknowitz. Finished
and mailed news copy to Catskill Mtn Sunday Star. This
issue first published in tabloid form. Answered Norah
Herringtons' letter tonite. Sent Grayce Ellis a bag of
dried catnip.

May 5, Tuesday — 44/6 a.m. 62/9 p.m. Bright warm sunny day. Scattered high clouds. Dark cloud banks gathered north latter p.m. Cloudy north evng. The days principal activity was going to Kingston shopping with Harlowe, out to Caldors & Wards – uptown & A&P shopping and home via Atwood & Krumville to Henry Merrihew's for eggs – 6 doz pullet at .30 paid. Home 5 o'clock. Some corn planting done on Hurley flats. Much of the vast flats are in preparation . For the first time we saw a solid train load of new automobiles south bound at Shop Rite crossing - by the hundred. Rec'd letter Grayce Ellis. Mariam called 9 p.m. from New York. Will be up with Jean & Robert Smith tomorrow for Onteora school vote.

May 6, Wednesday — 42/6:30 a.m. 40/10:30 p.m. Raw cold windy & mostly cloudy – other than a variety of p.m. sunshine . Some rain in night. To cold to work in garden. I did some bucking & piling wood. 2 p.m. Ollie & I went with Harlowe McLean up to the vote on the Onteora school budget – changing term of trustees from 5 to 3 years & sale of the south side West Hurley school house. Soon after getting home we had a call by (school voting) Jean & Robert Smith accompanied by Mariam she and Grand Master of Mexico Bob Longyear are attending the Masonic York Rite Grand Lodge session in N.Y.C.. She brat me souvenir – corning 2 cups & 2 plates from the Grand Master Charles Gasnell. Ollie & I had a good supper, she went to bed. I had a nap. Ernie Personous Lounsberry's birthday.

May 7, Thursday — 34/6 a.m. 48/10 p.m. Practically entirely cloudless. Brisk chill northerly wind quieted at evng. Widespread frost predicted tonite but doubtful. Tiny new moon settled back of the Wittenbergs. I planted the remaining onion sets 3/4 row & ordered another 9lb. We attended senior citizen meeting at library – 29 present not very interesting, the women yak yaking. Refreshments served. After coming home I bucked up some wood & again after supper, piled & brat part in kitchen. We had delicious shad, salad, & potato supper. I worked at the wood ½ hour due to headache. I had Bubbles out in yard pasturing latter p.m. first in 3 days.

May 8, Friday— 44/6 a.m. 54/11 p.m. Continued cool, winds calm to light. Mostly cloudy a.m. Considerable p.m. sunshine - showery off to north. New moon hazy over the Wittenberg's. Didn't have much zip & Ollie the same. Did chore routine. Had Bubbles tethered in yard. Sent & rec'd letters Vernon Beatty also card to Lottie Stacknowitz. I did considerable slab cutting & piling & also latter p.m. re-dug up south end of garden - also worked after supper. We had good usual supper, Ollie went to bed.

May 9, Saturday — 56/6 a.m. 70/11 p.m. Warm humid haze – variable sunshine and overcast. Thunder showers by passed mid p.m. Moon shone amid clouds. Rained hard over lower Olive Bridge, Kuykuit area. My back hurt miserable catchy at times. To warm to cut wood. Did daily routine. This p.m. I set out 13 cabbage

plants & plowed north end of row with a try for early green beans also planted out ends of the 2 potato rows. Cornelia & Dick Herrington called on Bishops latter p.m. she came to porch and talked. Harlowe McLean called early p.m. Tonite he attended Olive Post American Legion dinner at Motel 19 on lower 28.

May 10, Sunday — 54/ 6 a.m. 64/12 p.m. Foggy this morning. The day was exceedingly warm humid, temp about 90. Southerly wind, variable overcast & sunshine. A flashing banging thunder storm crossed over the lower reservoir last 6 p.m. We had a midnight High Point electric shower with wind.

It was just to hot & humid to do more than chore routine. Typically August. Harlowe McLean called a.m. Our 96 year old friend and tenant neighbor Mart Eckert seriously in bed with his huge rupture taken to Benedictine Hosp with ambulance p.m... A second neighbor Charley Wood world war I A.E.F. veteran 81, March 6 of Brodhead Rd also ambulated to Kingston Hosp in an unconcious condition.

May 11, Monday — 60/6 a.m. Considerable morning cloudiness but otherwise sunny – gradually dispersing clouds. Clear near ½ moonlight evng & wind calmed. The days temperature not near so hot & humid as yesterday with northerly wind. Heavenly pleasant spring weather.

A little accomplished day. I got out Freeman copy a.m. This p.m. Buddy Eckert came and spent several hours. He trimmed off the sprouted top of the double ash tree by

the barn kettle corner. He also took his pick up load of trash to take to the town dump. Ed Neuser & Johnny Bi Elli called. They will come Wed. a.m. to chain saw wood. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed.

May 12, Tuesday — 56/7 a.m. 64/11 p.m. Hazy warm more humid – changeable cloudiness, some periods of sunshine. A series of light showers passed both ways p.m. We had mere sprinkles at evng.

I wrote Star copy a.m. Rec'd letters Mrs Currier and Grayce Ellis. I kept going at odd jobs – re-tilled the north end of garden & flower beds. We planted 2 short rows of spinach. The town crews were installing a corrugated 40 ft drain across road diagonally at foot of, we used to say (Mike Dwyer's Hill) My back pains today & I note a tinge of blood in my urine. We had usual good supper with first new rhubarb. Ollie went to bed & then 10 o'clock had a talk with Anne Eckert. Marts condition is critical besides the rupture has a bleeding tumor.

May 13, Wednesday — 54/6:30 a.m. 58/ 12 p.m.

Somewhat hazy – wind light northerly. Warm & humid changeable skies, bright sunshine & overcast. Rained light during evng.

Ed Neuser and John Di Bili came with chain saw & gave a big hand sawing slabs for 3 hours. I threw the wood away from saw & my back sure was tired. Later I band sawed some myself. Buddy Eckert called briefly p.m. to tell us of his father's critical condition. His doctor diagnosis Marts case as a bleeding tumor, more serious than his large rupture. We had good supper & Ollie went

to bed. I had a nap till midnight.

May 14, Thursday — 54/7 a.m. 54/8 p.m. Had nice refreshing rain during latter night & this a.m. Dismal damp chill over ½ moon shone thru clouds late evng.

Other than chore routine I worked cutting & piling mill edgings. We had good supper – Ollie went to bed & I had usual evening nap.

Fri May 15th – Charles Lewis 65 of Ohayo Mt Road committed suicide by drowning along the Glenford Dyke. His rain coat had laid folded along the dyke wall. His body was recovered around 7 p.m. His funeral was held at Lasher's early p.m. Monday May 19th.

May 15, Friday — 54/6 a.m. 54/8 p.m. Dismal damp still chill cloudy day & evng. Occasional sprinkles. I made myself keep at the slab edging cutting and piling. Report from Mart Eckert he is able to sit up in chair & raring to come home. Raymond Boice of Hurley my old school mate and lifelong friend is sharing the same room. He has been flighty, had high blood pressure. He is member of Shokan IOOF Lodge # 491. A member as myself of the class of 13 who joined in March 1925. Ollie & I had a good supper, she went to bed & I had a nap. Rec'd letter from Julia Rhoades.

May 16, Saturday — 50/7 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Dismal damp chilly - occasional light sprinkles day & evng. Did usual routine. Finished cutting up the last of two

loads of slab wood. Rexer's are up and we called on them p.m. Later we had a pleasant front porch call by Charlie Davis & his wife & 4 year old son Charley (Chuckie) Davis. She is expecting in November. He is practice teaching at Onteora. We had a good late supper. A group of 16 Olive Senior citizens went on bus trip to County Seminar at Stone Ridge County College Seminar. Mart's daughters brat him home from the Benedictine Hosp. He was happy to get back good or bad.

May 17, Sunday — 58/7 a.m. Chill - dismal - light rainy all day till evng, mountains fogged out but lifted after sunset & red showed over Bushkill.

Had calls by Harlowe McLean a.m. & Mr & Mrs Willie Hughes p.m. of Toms River N.J. We bargained for the sale to them of my triangular acreage on south side of the old Brodhead now Whispell road at a price of \$5,000. I refused to accept a binder payment. We had good satisfying supper. Ollie went to bed. Gladys Van Demark (acting Post Master) had bad spell or stroke & taken in coma to hosp by ambulance. (She died May 27th after developing pneumonia & never regained her senses.

May 18, Monday — 53/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Chilly damp and cloudy day & evng. Still - gloomy brief break of morning sun.

Did daily chore routine. This p.m. we went with Harlowe McLean to Woodstock, shopped at A&P \$12. Went to Lasher's Parlors and paid respects to neighbor Davis Barringer 40. There was a profusion of flowers. We 3

were the first to sign register. We then called on Jim McVitty & went up to Shady and had pleasant visit with Alf Evers and came home via Cold Brook. Ollie & I had hot potato stew supper, she went to bed.

May 19, Tuesday — 56/6 a.m. 55/12 p.m. The weather was unsettled with attempts to clearing. Briefly sunny this a.m. and brightened during p.m. Rained a bit tonite. Did chore routine & Ollie & I sprouted the potatoes, quite a job. Harvey & Marie Siemsen called p.m. They are proud owners of a new dark green Ford Falcon station wagon. We had delicious spare ribs & mashed potato supper. Ollie went to bed & I had a long nap till near 12:30. My bloody urine condition nagging me on & off for weeks is cleared up today. Thronged funeral 2 p.m. for Davis Barringer at Lasher's. Burial in Tongore cemetery. The Town Highway Dept attended. Charles Wood brat home form hosp.

May 20, Wednesday — 54/7 a.m. 52/12 p.m. Warm & humid a.m. Gradual clearing into a beautiful p.m. with bright sunshine and scenery at its best. Fresh northerly wind, quieted evng. Became cloudless with glowing full moon over High Point at 2:30 a.m. Thurs. I did a big job with a lame back hand cultivated planted upper side of garden this p.m. I roto-tilled the whole unplanted areas. We had delicious variety supper. Harlowe McLean called before noon.

May 21, Thursday — 46/7 a.m. 62/10 p.m. Magnificent cloudless a bit hazy sunny day. Pleasant temperature,

winds light. Temp got up around 80.

For an 80 year old with a game back, I did a big days work besides chore routine. I mowed an 8 ft wide strip of the heavy grass along south side of garden a.m. This p.m. I marked out & planted along north end of garden & fertilized with 5 10 5 and rotted manure 6 rows red potatoes over ½ bu cut pieces.

May 22, Friday — 54/6 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Sunny warm & humid reminded of August. Thunder showery conditions developed later p.m. both ways but we had just a sprinkle of rain - cloudy still evng.

Did usual chore routine. We went with Harlowe McLean to the Senior Citizen 50/50 sponsored dinner at the Pheasant Inn in Shokan at 1 p.m. The generous serving of pot roast was well done tender & delicious. Ollie won the door prize a bottle of Park & Tilford whiskey. By request of Mrs John Oure I picked from a box of numbers the winning ticket, on the way home we called on Claude and Elinor Bell also briefly on Mrs Lewis Carpino who lives on the Buskill side opposite entrance of bell lane. Addie Winchell called late p.m.

May 23, Saturday — 62/6:30 a.m. 60/12 p.m. Dismal chilly drizzly clouds looked lighter evng & didn't rain. A vast change from yesterday.

I did usual routine split some wood & cleaned out the wintered over bedding leaves under the north shed & put in barn. Buddy Eckert called late p.m. & brat 3 20 lb bags of Maine planting potatoes from the A&P \$1.49 each paid. We had good late supper. Ollie went to bed &

I took a long nap. The Olive Shokan Baptist Sunday School had a chilly gloomy drizzly weather for their picnic in the town Recreation Grove.

May 24, Sunday — 58/7 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Gloomy overnight overcast. Gradually sunnied up thru the mid day and clouded over again – continued cool. Harlowe Mclean this a.m. only caller. I did usual routine and odd jobs for exercise. We had a delicious lamb stew supper. Ollie went to bed. Canoe racing trials going on in the Esopus at Phoenicia. I had a nap and got around 9 o'clock.

May 25, Monday — 54/7 a.m. 54/12 p.m. Rainy night and continued drizzling most of day & evng. Dismal chill & foggy.

We three went to Gardiner's Garage in Phoenicia p.m. & had the 1955 Plymouth inspected & got new sticker – speedometer about ----- We also called on Ray Dunn and Jim and Margaret Platt. He spent a week in the hospital & not working. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had a nap. Finished & mailed Saugerties Star news copy & birthday card to Mrs Knorph. This too is Belle Wood's birthday. We sent her a card Saturday. The N.Y. Securities Market fell 21 points today biggest decline since president Kennedy's death 11-22-63 The average at 701+ lowest since Dec.62

May 26, Tuesday — 60/6 a.m. 60/10 p.m. Foggy murky damp -- air is heavy & ground well soaked. Showers p.m. a road washing driving drencher over the Krunville

Acorn Hill section.

I worked as time permitted splitting & piling wood. This p.m. we took the car over to Harlowe's & went with him to the cemetery. Well cleaned up & Legion flags on soldiers graves. We went to Krumville for eggs 6 doz pullet & doz extra large \$2.30. We also called on Helen Marshall & Elsie Davis. We were caught in a downpour. Ollie & I had a good supper. Reports on Gladys's Van Demark condition poor.

May 27, Wednesday — 53/7 a.m. 51/12 p.m. Cleared in night – much cooler – dry atmosphere cool brilliant part cloudy.

This is my wife Daisy's 79th birthday. Did usual routine split and piled wood. This p.m. I did a big job fertilized with rotted manure & acid fertilizer and planted 3 rows small potatoes along east side of garden. Addie Winchell and Mary Palen late p.m. callers also Harlowe McLean p.m. We learned that Gladys VanDemark died last night. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had long nap. The NY Stock Market reversed itself after falling to its lowest ebb since Nov.62 dramatically shot up for sharpest rise in history 32 points in the Dow Jones averages.

May 28, Thursday — 46/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Brilliant practically cloudless – wind light pleasantly cool. Still chilly cloudless evng.

I retilled the unplanted garden ground. This p.m. we went with Harlowe to Gormley's in Phoenicia and paid respects at the bier of Gladys's VanDemark 60. Otherwise

did usual daily routine. We had an unexpected call by Jim Burgraff supper time. He said my old friend Charles Langer of Wallkill is dead some time. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed.

May 29, Friday — 42/6 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Brilliant Heavenly perfect weather & practically cloudless day & evng – still.

Other than routine I did a big job marking out and planted 6 rows taters in hills in south part of garden, fertilized with rotted manure & acid fertilizer. No callers today. Later p.m. I took a bath & changed underwear & we went over to Rexer's for a call. They were loaded with company so we didn't stay long. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed.

May 30, Saturday — 44/6 a.m. 62/9 p.m. Heavenly perfect . Practically cloudless cool temperature, Decoration Day. Cloudless real cool evng.

This a.m. we went with Harlowe to the annual parade & exercises at the Town monument. Auspices of Dudley Palen Post V.F.W. & Olive Memorial Legion Post 1627. In line were War I & II veterans. Boy and Girl Scouts, Units of the Olive Fire Dept, Town Police. 6 war I in line & 10 or 12 war II vets. The speaker at the memorial service was Rev. Philson Reed of Shokan dressed in his Scotch atire. 4 snare drummers took part in the parade & 2 buglers sounded taps also the Town Highway had a float. Refreshments served at the Town Pavilion. Attendance around 400. After coming home I worked mowing grass around the barn. This p.m. we went to

Tongore cemetery. I put my annual flag on Merritt Persounes grave. Then to Robt Adsits on Longyear Road and shared in the Golden Wedding celebration tendered his parents Mr & Mrs Fred Adsit. He is 96.

May 31, Sunday — 60/6 a.m. 70/9:30 p.m. Another heavenly perfect day - breezy, some p.m. cloudiness developed – cloudless still evng.

Did usual routine. This p.m. I planted some border rows of garden potatoes. Ray Kelder called later p.m. After chores we went down to Herbie Rexers for a call. They had been swamped with weekend company. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed.

June 1, Monday — 61/6:30 p.m. 72/10 p.m. Warm summer weather – sunny humid with some overcast. Warm hazy starlight evng - breezy.

I had a busy day planting garden in variety – 4 rows bush limas – set 19 bean poles, planted 4 rows sweet corn with bean and squash. A tiresome day. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I sat comfortably on front porch till 9:30. Rec'd letter Garrett Mott & Grayce Ellis.

June 2, Tuesday — 66/6 a.m. 80/8 p.m. Hot and humid hazy & breezy. Variable cloudiness & became showery - rumbled around north during p.m. Warm night.

My game back bothers more than usual today. I did daily routine. Mowed grass a.m. & worked some in garden p.m. Made double rows to set out tomatoes along lower part of garden. We sold as Jean requested Robert Longyear's pair of yearling ewes to Janice Farno of

Shandaken, she paid cash \$30.00 & they took them in station wagon. They will have a good home, be butchered next fall. Harlowe McLean also called. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Eddie Gillis of Bklyn & invitation on July 4th at New Windsor for Mr & Mrs Jerome Quick of Walden.

June 3, Wednesday ---- 72/6 a.m. 68/9 p.m. Hot humid and breezy. Developing thunder showers went north & south p.m. We had just a trace of rain. Noticeably cooler evng.

I did daily routine and did some work in garden. Mid p.m. we had a front porch visit by chief warrant officer Elbert "Bunky" Harrison now on a 30 day leave from Viet Nam. His wife Jennie accompanied him. He will upon return to duty be assigned to Baltimore. Ollie & I had usual good supper. Mart Eckert returned Tues to Benedictine Hospital for building up blood transfusions and further tests.

June 4, Thursday — 59/6 a.m. 64/10 p.m. Part to mostly cloudy & cool, wind light.

This p.m. we attended the senior citizens meeting with Harlowe McLean. Later he got my new rotary self drive mower in operation. I mowed the front left lawn. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades. I am not feeling very good, worried over bloody urine. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed.

I finished and mailed Saugerties Star News copy and also I set out & fertilized 41 Burpees Hi Bred tomato plants across lower side of garden above row of bean poles.

June 5, Friday — 56/ 6 a.m. 64/9 p.m. Cloudy - cool - still just a trace of rain. We had a brief 9:20 shower followed by thunder & lightning.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean & shopped up town & A&P. Came home via Stone Ridge and Ollie & I had office call at Dr Tocco's. He said my bloody trace in urine could be serious & may have to go to hospital for xrays & treatments. He gave me pills & when used up to see him again. Drink plenty of liquid. Had drivers license renewed at Motor Vehicle Bureau \$3.00 3 years from June 30th. Wrote a.m. reply to Anne & Willie Hughes letter. Had late p.m. call by Billy Butch Harrison of Sundown.

June 6, Saturday — 58/6:30 a.m. 52/11 p.m. Had inch rain last nite – cloudy cool threatening. Heavy downpours veered just south p.m. We had little more than a sprinkle. Sun broke thru bright latter p.m. All cleared chilly evng.

I kept busy most of the day. Leveled of the big pile of manure by corner of garage & planted squash seed also put chicken house litter in onion rows. Finished the slab splitting and piling. This evng Ollie & I went with Harlowe to Olivebridge hall. Ollie stayed in car. Harlowe & I attended IOOF Lodge. The 2 & 3 degrees conferred on 3 candidates from Walden & one from Phoenicia.

June 7, Sunday — 52/6:30 a.m. 52/1:00 a.m. Pleasant cool weather. Part to mostly cloudy p.m. faired up bright sunny p.m.

I did usual routine. Worked in garden p.m. with roto

tiller for exercise. Harlowe called noontime & Louie Carpino came p.m. I gave him a pick-up load of sheep manure p.m. Addie Winchell & 7 year old granddaughter also called. We had a delicious ham potpie supper. This a.m. I wrote reply letter to Ellen Wilfrie. The 7th annual Phoenicia canoe and Kyack races with over 150 contestants took place yesterday 10 a.m. & today 9 a.m. Water conditions favorably controlled by control of water released from the tunnel portal.

June 8, Monday — 54/6 a.m. 72/9 p.m. Sunny pleasant hazy – considerable afternoon cloudiness - clear evng – growing reddish soon half moon - wind light. I did considerable working in the garden in variety. Had p.m. callers – Harlowe McLean, Bertha & Charley Duloff. We had delicious meat loaf & baked potato supper. I mowed a cut along driveway. Received letter Mariam & Ruth Rosengren. Had only a trace of bloody urine this a.m. Thank the Supreme Architect of the Universe. Wrote reply card to Julia Rhoades & mailed Dist Grand Comm assessment bills to the 6 lodges @ 50 cents per taxable member – 207 present assessable members. Wedding in Boiceville Catholic Parish, announcement in today's Freeman, marriage of Miss Kathaleen Eliz Haver & Francis J. Mushlet both of Shokan.

June 9, Tuesday — 62/6 a.m. 69/9 p.m. Sunny hazy - hot & humid - some part cloudiness. Still - growing crescent moon high over s.mtn. Worked some in garden. Just to hot to work. Sent

birthday cards to Mrs Curier and Burton Dudley. We had a good supper & after I mowed a strip of lawn for exercise. After supper I took a bath & changed BVD's & sat on porch awhile. Preliminary census shows county gain since 1960 population of 118,804 to 136,042 - a gain of 17,238 while Kingston lost 4,148 from 29,260.

June 10, Wednesday – 62.6 a.m. 66/11 p.m. Warm humid more hazy overcast than yesterday - clean still - cooled off evng. Burnished golden crescent moon over south mountain.

I worked in garden planted 2 long rows carrots and one of parsnips, planted in the rows of bush limas also a row of red potatoes in toilet walk path. Harlowe McLean called this a.m. This evening we went to 40th anniversary meeting and downstairs table luncheon. We went with Dot Buley and Mrs Nina Keogan. Ollie staid down stairs till the supper was served.

June 11, Thursday — 62/6 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Hot humid & lowery. Partially sunny, murked over p.m. and a thunder shower worked off to north – sun then came out.

Thunder showers flashed & rumbled evng & we got a taste of rain.

I worked some in the garden & did chore routine. This p.m. really to hot to try & work. However I planted in the path of slow sprouting potatoes in lower side of garden. We had a good supper & both went to bed.

June 12, Friday — 74/7 a.m. 64/11 p.m. Murky with patches of hazy sunshine. Quite warm & humid &

occasional sprinkle showers. Sunned up during p.m. with wind northerly. Became brilliant cloudless cooler evng eith glowing just over ½ moon.

I worked in garden - roto tilled hoed early red potatoes & planted last patch sweet corn - 5 rows upper part garden Bantam Evergreen. Cleaned pig pen this a.m. - 1st time. We had good supper. I sat on porch till flies pestered - then had a nap. Ollie went to bed.

June 13, Saturday — 54/6 a.m. 48/12 p.m. Majestic pleasantly cool breezy sunny day, with high thin overcast. Cloudless chilly noonlite evng.

I did daily routine - worked in garden. This evening we were invited for supper & a visit with Jean and Robert Smith & Jeanne & Victor Chavez at Ledgerrock. A 2 month belated birthday party for Ollie. Jean's gift was a white hand bag. We had 2 way transportation. The mountain chilled under porch atmosphere was too chilly.

June 14, Sunday — 46/6 a.m. Brilliant sunny few clouds. Dry atmosphere. Pleasantly cool – cloudless chilly tonite with glowing moon & southerly wind. Glen Marlatt & Bill VanLeuvan started cutting my hay. We went over to Rexer's awhile 4 p.m. When we returned we had a string of callers Addie Winchell, Harlowe was here this a.m. Glen Marlatt, Ruth Price and friends Mr & Mrs Pat McCann & Michael Whitmore of Woodstock came latter p.m. & had cook out party on front porch.

June 15, Monday — 54/6 a.m. 64/9 p.m. Sunny with increasing p.m. cloudiness – wind southerly and cool. I did usual routine chores etc. I set out 9 early tomato plants in the toilet walk path. Bill VanLeuvan finished cutting the hay below the garden hit & miss style. Had calls from - - - - McLean & latter p.m. Buddy Eckert. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed.

June 16, Tuesday — 62/6 a.m. 64/10 p.m. Dismal chilly damp weather – still.

No hay weather in sight. Did daily routine checked up the car this a.m. Early p.m. we 3 with Plymouth went to Dr Tocco's. He said good that my urine condition quickly cleared up. He gave me pills to take one at night & continue to drink plenty of liquid. Urine test o.k. blood pressure 144 up from 140 test of several years ago. Heart action apparently o.k. Ollie also had check up & shot in arm. We then called on Vernon Beatty & went to Agway for 5 bags Crunchy feed etc – feed @ 3.95 less 2% cash disc. We got home around 5 had delicious ham potpie supper. Went to Henry Merrihew's for eggs 6 doz pullet @ 30 cents. I set out 9 tomato plants on north side old toilet.

June 17, Wednesday – 63/6 a.m. 70/12 p.m. Dense fog couldn't see mtns or reservoir this a.m. quite warm & humid – could just see the sun faintly p.m. unusual type of mid June weather.

I kept pretty much busy set out 3 rows along cellar wall. Hoed 6 rows red potatoes in north side of garden & replanted 3rd time 2 hills Zuke squash & rototilled in

garden. I started taking Doc Tocco's one a day capsules . We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had long nap. No Hay Weather.

June 18, Thursday — 62/7 a.m. 72/10 p.m. Early thunder shower and dense fog which later faded – gusty westerly wind developed with warm humid p.m. sunshine – but murked over with more thunder showery conditions & light rain & windy – quieted evng. I planted 8 more hills in row Kentucky Wonder beans. The hay makers came & raked the upper part of the hay but after a few piles got showered out. Forecast continued showers thru Friday. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. We had mid p.m. call by Tom Giacalone the barn roof painter of a year ago. Harlowe McLean also called a.m. A disastrous thunder & hurricane wind storm hit the Mohawk Valley 4:15 p.m. 2 deaths resulted, 85 mph clocked at Rome air field.

June 19, Friday — 64/6 a.m. 66/9 p.m. Rather warm and humid. Partly cloudy – brisk westerly wind with good hay drying conditions developed p.m. with early evng thunder shower went down over the east side and another rumbled south. Bill Van Leuvan came around noon and rolled over the hay in winrows. He got 2 loads baled and the boys took it up to their Traver Hollow barn. Glen Marlatt in N.Y. today came at evng but didn't accomplish much. Ollie and I with Harlowe attended the senior citizen p.m. picnic in the town pavilion. The weather was picnic excellent, about 30 present. People took box lunches and

later donated articles were auctioned off by John Oure. The sale netted 17.80. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades & sent her card.

June 20, Saturday — 52/6a.m. 48/11 p.m. Brilliant atmosphere – chilly – partly cloudy northerly wind. Low humidity. All cleared still tonite.

The Marlatt and Van Leuvan combine cleaned up my haying each having 3 truck loads of around 125 bales. Super excellent hay curing weather. Don Bishop has a new noisy whining mower with covered cart & blower grass catcher. Another playing for the super millionaire. Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty.

June 21, Sunday — 46/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Gloomy still unseasonably chilly weather. We had a p.m. drizzle. George Carr came for Ollie & I around 11 a.m. and we shared in a generously provided lawn dinner party given in honor of his mother Mrs Addie Carr 75th birthday, at the Carr home in Shandaken. All members of the family were present except the youngest Douglas 21 with the U.S. Army in Viet Nam.

June 22, Monday — 58/7 a.m. 56/10:30 p.m. Rained a little in latter night & early this a.m. - cloudy gloomy cool – sunnied up during p.m. A slow trend of clearing, cloudless tonite calm.

I did usual routine. This p.m. I sythe mowed in and around the south side apple trees. Harlowe McLean called p.m. We had a good supper & then took a walk in front on the cleaned up hay cutting. This a.m. I wrote &

mailed a news copy to Saugerties Sunday Star.

June 23, Tuesday — 56/6 a.m. 64/9 p.m. Partly cloudy ideal weather - calm - all clear evng.

83rd anniversary of my beloved Dad and Mothers wedding. Gone but forever in fond loving remembrance. Other than routine I mowed out down along the pasture wall to corner of wall. Had several callers p.m. Pop Capin Al Fox Sr. Harlowe & Ruth Rice & nephews wife Mrs McCorinalk. The haying combine is busy at Larry Kelder's. Rec'd letter Grayce Ellis.

June 24, Wednesday — 56/6 a.m. 74/8 p.m. Dry atmosphere hazily sunny - breezy – excellent haying weather.

We had call by Bob Wemzel – he brought nice mess perch also, Janice Forno with her twin 9 year old sons & 2 year Wayne, also her mother and aunt visiting from Penn. And latter p.m. Addie Winchell. We had a good boiled potato salad and perch supper. I was decidedly off beat today & just did routine. Rec'd card Lottie Stacknowitz. Wrote cards to Grayce Ellis & Vernon Beatty.

June 25, Thursday — 74/7 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Breezy night wind northerly. Heavenly weather but dry. Sunny with variable high overcast – chilly evng.

Grand haying weather. My second ambitionless day. However this p.m. I mowed along wall down to woods & after resting up my bum back I 3 wheelbarrows of cure hay from under the pasture corner hemlocks. 2 of

Bishops men are digging in front of kitchen porch to install large oil tanks. I note a long new addition to rear end of garage being built. Ollie defrosted out 1951 Sears refrigerator. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I kept busy going over papers.

June 26, Friday — 55/7 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Early thunder shower to south. Dismal chilly wet mostly rainy day – frequent light showers. Dark still evng.
For both mostly a lazy in door day. Ollie was on couch mostly p.m. I did daily routine. Looked over letters, tied up 2 bundles of paper from under flower stand. Then went down cellar & re-sprouted the potatoes. We had delicious ham potpie supper. Ollie went to bed. I had nap then got up & wrote in diary. My back hurts miserable today & tonite. Harlowe called a.m. brat 4 lb hamburg & 2 loaves bread \$2.82.

June 27, Saturday – Cornelia's 52nd birthday. 58/7 a.m. 56/12 p.m. Rained some in night. Dismal damp & chill this a.m. A slow intermittent trend developed with northerly wind.
I did usual routine. We went over to Herbie & Elsie Rexer's early p.m. We expected a visit by Mr & Mrs Norman Studer & party by 4 p.m. but they didn't show up till near 6 & stay was brief. Town of Olive Ye Olde Time Fair held p.m. in Recreation Grove, but expecting Studer we didn't attend. We had good supper. We took a walk down to woods corner. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty. Today 56th anniversary of my having right hand in steam roller gear accident.

June 28, Sunday — 50/6 a.m. 52/11 p.m. Brilliant heavenly perfect weather day & evng. Still, scarcely a cloud to be seen. The trees and mountains stand out individually & seemingly to be reached out & touched. Real chilly tonite.

A useful day, did usual chores. Addie Winchell came and we went with her to the Cold Brook cemetery & paid respects at Virgil's grave. The grounds are in excellent cleaned up condition & we visited last resting places of many friends. Later Ollie & I called on the congenial Herbie & Elsie Rexer. We had good supper. Took a walk down to Charley Dwyers hill coming back Vahan Kizirian picked us up & came in & made a front porch visit & enjoyed the shadows cast by the setting sun.

June 29, Monday — 47/6 a.m. 68/11 p.m. The day & evng was of variable cloudiness & periods of sunshine. The temp was cool mostly. Sprinkle at sunset. I did routine – worked in garden. Replanted the carrots that only came up here and there. It was hard work with my bothersome back. Harlowe McLean called a.m. also Janice Forno p.m. accompanied by her mother and aunt 2 sisters & nephew. We had a good supper. Then took walk down to Dwyers hill. Ollie went to bed. I had a long nap. Ollie short of wind and didn't help in garden. I planted 8 more hills Kentucky pole beans – 7 more poles vacant.

June 30, Tuesday — 67/6 a.m. 70/10 p.m. We had a nice much needed but brief early shower. Muggy lowery August weather. Light showers passed here latter p.m.

The air got better & north wind sprang up.
I was bushed till latter p.m. air heavy & humid. Then I
got better wind & rototilled garden again. – also hoed up
the north end 6 rows spuds. We had a good supper &
called it a day. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe called p.m. I
planted row green snap beans in the old toilet path.

July 1, Wednesday — 72/6 a.m. 66/12p.m. Sunny calm
ideal early summer gradually clouded over latter p.m. –
considerable haze & got humid.

We made a trip to Kingston with Harlowe McLean p.m.
shopped at Herzog's and A&P market. Came back via
Stone Ridge & I had check up at Dr Tocco's in Stone
Ridge. He gave me a green light physically \$5.00 paid. I
also paid Howard R. St John Inc. Bal owed on car
insurance for 1970. We note the growing stages of the
Hurley flats corn fields. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades.
Buddy Eckert and Lois Kaufman called latter p.m. We
had good supper. Ollie went to bed.

July 2, Thursday — 66/7 a.m. 66/11 p.m. A dense pea
soup misty foggy day & evening. Reservoir and
mountains whited out.

Katherine Carr helped Ollie today cleaning up &
mopping the floors \$6.00 paid also got another hair cut.
A good Katherine – George picked her up after work.
We had an exceptionally savory supper meat loaf baked
potatoes hot biscuits & lettuce salad. I planted an extra
row of red potatoes along the outside of the toilet walk
path.. I had dug up room with rototiller. This date 1901
my esteemed grandfather Martin H.Crispell.

July 3, Friday — 65/7 a.m. 68/9 p.m. Foggy but not so dense as yesterday – still humid some hazy sunshine. Murky latter p.m. & evng.

I finished & got mailed Saugerties Star & Freeman copy's this a.m. Did usual routine. Did considerable garden hoeing mostly in potatoes. Latter p.m. we called on Herbie & Elsie Rexer. We had delicious supper. 107th anniversary of the 3rd days battle of Gettysburg. Herbie Rexer had his beautiful Masonic ring with diamond in black setting fitted for my bumpy joint ring finger & gave it to me. A belated birthday gift. Rec'd letter Percy VanDemark & Frank Dumond of Grand Rapids.

July 4, Saturday — 66/6 a.m. 66 /9 p.m. Foggy lowery hot sticky weather with considerable hazy sunshine. We had brief showers in late night. Showery today with a typical driving drenching mid p.m. – 4th of July thunder shower. Faired away cooler & much drier air. Just another day 4th of July in the realm of by gone memory. Only caller today was Harlowe Mclean. After the shower we went over to Rexer's & Herbie brat us home. We had late light supper. Ollie's short of breath in the humid weather. There was quite an explosion of fire crackers & tonight as I sat on the porch there was heavy fire works off back of High Point probably at Peg Leg Bates Palentown Mtn Resort.

July 5, —Sunday – 58/6 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Cloudy & quite warm and humid a.m. cooler trend developed p.m. winds gentle. Just a routine day. Callers were Harlowe McLean a.m.

briefly p.m. Addie Winchell and 10 year old charming Cindy Lou Brueckner. We had a good supper & a walk down to Spook Rock. I got some needed exercise p.m. mowing yard. Ollie as usual went to bed.

July 6, Monday— 56/6 a.m. 64/9:30 p.m. Perfect weather variable overcast, calm, cloudless chilly tonight. Glowing crescent moon & stars above settled early over south end of Hanover.

John BiEllit & Ed Neuser came latter p.m. & chained sawed a fallen beech & whitewood just across road below mail box. Fallen last winter by electric crew after storm. Before and after we sat on front porch & viewed the scenery. I sowed turnip seed in potatoes & dug over the toilet and cellar door patches. Also planted row of beets & 7 hills Kentucky Wonder beans. Harlowe McLean had supper with us & we sat on porch awhile. Excellent hay weather. Wrote letter to Mariam a.m. & card to Julia Rhoades. My Dear Mothers Birthday – 1868 –3/5/1962.

July 7, Tuesday — 50/6 a.m. 66/9 p.m. Magnificent drying sunny weather. Just a few scattered clouds– wind light.

This a.m. Ollie & I hauled to woodshed 3 trunk loads of wood sawed yesterday. This p.m. I rototilled the garden & finished hoeing up & spraying the potatoes. A big job for my sore back. No callers today. We had a good supper. Ollie not feeling good this p.m.. I finished & mailed reply letter to Frank Dumond of Grand Rapids.

July 8, Wednesday — 62/6 a.m. 72/10:30 p.m. Hot and sunny rather humid. Sky hazed over p.m. – still. We went to Kingston and out to Wards and Caldors with Harlowe McLean. I got 100 cabbage plants at Leroy Boice's \$2.00 It was a tiresome trip so much running around in Kingston. Shopped at A&P \$23.60. Went both ways via Hurley mtn route. The vast corn fields are growing considering the chilly nights. After coming back we went over to Rexer's awhile. Rec'd letter of Grayce Ellis. Gaye Vorkink 29 today sent card yesterday.

July 9, Thursday — 62/6 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Mostly overcast a.m. hazy. Sunned up somewhat p.m. Gloomy still evng - showers are forecast & crescent moon over south mtn a blur.

I rested good last nite. Something has clipped the tops of my potatoes and beans in toilet walk patch. I sprayed with arsenic of lead also beans in garden. This p.m. Harlowe came & replaced 3 legs in Ollie's old grindstone & after I made rows & set out 65 cabbage plants across north part of garden. We had good supper. Then had an unexpected call by an old friend Howard Anderson of Accord. I haven't met him in almost 20 years.

July 10, Friday — 66/6 a.m. 70/10:30 p.m. A day of showers and thunder showers. We had a mid p.m. drenching driven thunder shower from south. Dark still evng.

I set out 22 more cabbage plants a.m. in south side of garden also some extras. I went over old letters etc also

packed bundle of papers under kitchen flower stand. Did chore routine. Later p.m. we took a walk over to Rexer's We had light sandwich supper.. This date 1913 I bought my first car at James Millard, Kingston Agency thru Samsomville dealer Alonzo Haver, a model T Ford touring – \$600.00 cash. 15th anniversary of roaring Bushkill freschet.

July 11, Saturday — 66/6 a.m. 66/ 10 p.m. Hazy some sunshine. Showery around. We had only a latter p.m. stone wetting sprinkle. Lowery August weather. Cooler air tonite.

I kept pretty much busy with odd jobs in variety. Fertilized the set out cabbage plants. Planted the vacant part of the cellar door patch with kale & swiss chard. Re-sprayed the toilet walk patch& set tomato stakes. No callers today. Old Hurley 22 nd annual stone house tour day.

July 12, Sunday – 64/6 a.m. 68/ 10:30 p.m. Mid 80's weather. Sunny breezy quite hot with some broken high clouds – cloudless evng with glowing ½ moon of last night.

A real July harvesting weather. We had a shower in night. A lazy day - just one of chore routine other than writing a next issue news copy for the Saugerties Sunday Star. Afternoon callers were Harlowe McLean, Roy Palen and Mr & Mrs Paul Weber and daughter of Grahamsville also Addie Winchell and Mary Palen. Ollie & I had a good cooked kraut & freezered pork supper with boiled potatoes. As usual she went to bed after.

July 13, Monday — 54/6 a.m. 61/11 p.m. Clear this a.m. Cool but became quite hazy overcast. Wind light - moon a blur over High Point.

I kept rather busy with routine & cultivated in garden & small yard patches. Had a call p.m. by Katherine Carr & mother in law also Janice Forno & son Wayne. I ate supper but Ollie didn't till later. We went with Marsh Maier to Republican Club meeting in Ashokan Legion Hall only about 30 present. Patriotic talk by Major E.T. Timmerman, a Navy Americanism - - - - but only got up to world war I & it conked out. We got back before 10 o'clock. Letter from Vernon Beatty.

July 14, Tuesday — 62/7 a.m. 68/12 p.m. Overcast & became rainy this morning and continued light to moderate till in early p.m. Enuf to re-fresh the garden plants - continued overcast - moderately cool. Rec'd letter & clipping from Mr & Mrs Jerome Quick of Walden in regard to their 50th wedding anniversary on 4th of July held in New Windsor. Did daily routine this p.m. split and piled wood. We had an unexpected call by Masonic # 10 brother Mr & Mrs William Jackson & family of Orchard Park south of Buffalo. Harlowe Mclean called his 77 birthday anniversary. We gave him a card & 2 dollars. We had good kraut and mashed spud supper. I kept tuned on WKNY & WGY to the 41st all star game tonite played at the new Cincinatti Riverside Park at 8 p.m. attendance 51838. 8th straight game won in 12th inning by the national league who came from behind after 10th inning . Sent Vernon Beatty bale papers.

July 15, Wednesday — 70/11:30 p.m. Cloudy gloomy lowery. Quite breezy awhile p.m. Mountains pretty well hazed. We had a light rain mid day. Thunder shower evng just north & rain light. Triple quick thunder clap & died out.

I did chore routine. The garden ground is moist and everything growing. This p.m. finished splitting & piling wood chunks. We made a short call over to Rexer's No visitors today. We had first green beans for supper & delicious with sausage & fried spuds.

July 16, Thursday — 66/6 a.m. 64/9:30 p.m. Warm humid hazy. A day of showers - some sunshine. Had brief drencher latter p.m. - chilly & part cloudy tonite. I tied up the 59 tomatoes to stakes I set. 5 p.m. Ollie furnished a big basket of lunch & we went with Harlowe & Orrie Lyons down to the senior citizens picnic in the pavilion. But only a few families came due to the rain. Harvey & Marie Siemsen had lunch at our table. It is his birthday. They came home early with us & all sat on front porch & visited. Harry entertained. Addie Winchell also came.

July 17, Friday — 63/6 a.m. 62/10 p.m. A magnificent sunny pleasant temperature day after the murk and showers.

Did daily routine & this p.m. we went to Joe Caulfield's for electric pump fan belt \$2.50 up to Boiceville store. On way back we called on old friend cousin Claude Bell 75. We had good supper & after I mowed the lawn. Regretfully Claude is nearly blind. Can't tell a person

across the room.

July 18, Saturday — 60/6:30 a.m. 70/10 p.m. Hazily sunny this a.m. followed by periods of sunshine and showery looking overcast. Quite warm & humid – cloudy evng.

A day of chores & odd jobs. p.m. got a start at mowing along woods corner. We had a call by Elsie Rexer & Mrs Mina. We had a good supper & a walk out along road. Ollie went to bed I took a bath & sat out on porch till dark. Rec'd a letter from Mariam dated July 11th. 1st anniversary of the drowning death of Mary Jo Kopechne. Her death resulted in a national scandal concerning Congressman Edward Kennedy

Newspaper clipping

Mrs Kopechne sobbed quietly as she looked down at the grave. Mary Jo, 28 year old blonde secretary, was one of Robert Kennedy's campaign workers in the 1968 presidential campaign. One year ago she went to Chappaquiddick Island with a group of friends to watch Kennedy sail in a regatta and later attended a barbeque.

She died about midnight on July 18, 1969 when the black sedan Kennedy was driving plunged off a narrow wooden bridge and overturned in a tidal pool.

July 19, Sunday — 56/6 a.m. 70/10 p.m. Sunny hazy on the cool side light south wind – cloudiness gradually thickened – overcast still evng.

Just did daily routine. We took a mid p.m. walk over to Rexer's but they were away. Also had a call by Mike

Whitmore of Woodstock, who loaned me his - - - -
illustrated in colors with printed text book of guns. This
a.m. Ollie spilled milk on diary causing crumpled pages.

July 20, Monday — 66/6:30 a.m. 71/12 p.m. Warm
lowery with intermittent dark overcast. Early evng
thunder shower rumbled around south & gave us a light
rain into the night.

I did usual routine and finished mowing out on upper
side of the woods. The appearance is much improved.
We then walked over to Rexer's for a visit. We had good
supper & being rainy went to bed early. This a.m. I wrote
up a news copy for Saugerties Star. 32 years ago this
a.m. I lost little left finger in barn hay mow pulley and
practically crippled the next two. Our old Vly Road
friend Mrs Emma Ackert 71 died after 2 weeks in
Benedictine Hosp. Year ago today man first walked on
the moon by Neil Armstrong & Edwin (Buzz) Aldrin.
(This might be Aldrich)

July 21, Tuesday — 64/6 a.m. 56/2:30 p.m. Breezy
partly cloudy and cool. Near cloudless still chilly evng.
Other than chore routine I finished mowing out along
woods south side down to wall. Picked off and pulled
the double row of sugar peas & dug up and planted part
row each of green & wax beans. Hoed the toilet walk
garden patch after hand cultivating that & the cellar door
patch. We had good supper, Ollie as usual went to bed.
Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty & card from Lottie
Stackowitz & note from Mr & Mrs Wm McCallion.
Finished & mailed air letter to Mariam – wrote Jean

Smith.

July 22, Wednesday — 55/6 a.m. 61/11 p.m. Variable high streaky mackeral clouds - bright sunshine - hay drying air.

Did usual routine. This p.m. we went to Woodstock with Harlowe McLean, paid reverent respects to Mrs Emma (Teddy) Ackert 72 at Boyd's parlors. Met and talked with members of the Perry Davis families. Their mother Mrs Sadie (Perry) Davis 75 died of stroke 4 weeks ago at her home in Atwood. Shopped at A&P market. & on way back stopped at Joe the butchers in Olive Bridge also called on Masonic bro Burton Dudley just home from hernia operation at his home in Olive Bridge. We had good supper. Took a walk & called it a day. Mariam & Bob Longyears marriage 32 years this p.m. in Central Congregational Church in Brooklyn. I attended. (Correction July 24th) 1937 not 22nd.

July 23, Thursday — 54/6 a.m. 64/10 p.m. Hazily sunny with the p.m. warm & humid - calm. East side scenery reflected in the placid reservoir.

Did chore routine & mowed out under the electric fence wire around garden. Mr & Mrs Otto Gueneher & Elsie Rexer came a.m. Ollie & I went with them to look at building site bordering Ed Neuser's. During p.m. we had a call by Mrs Ruth Rice & friend Mrs Almeda Lasele of Woodstock. Later Harlowe called. We had good supper & took a walk across field. Ollie went to bed.

July 24, Friday — 58/6 a.m. Hot dry sunny with

considerable overcast developing during p.m. Still serene - part overcast evng - stars shine in west.

A day of routine & this p.m. I mowed a wide strip around garden electric wire, also front yard & north side of house. Rec'd letter of Fred Ronk of Walden. He plans to come later for a Sunday picnic visit. We walked over to Rexer's 4:30 p.m. & he brat us home. We had a good supper & a walk. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Bro Fred Ronk of Walden. They with Mr & Mrs Gerome Quick coming for picnic.

July 25. Saturday — 68/7 a.m. 70/10 p.m. Humid hazy & more overcast than yesterday. Thunder shower developed from west early p.m. We had a needed easy hours rain about 1:00. Cooled off later & no more rain. Just a chore doing day. Had nap during rain. Herbie and Elsie Rexer returned home after 3 weeks vacation. They live in Middle Village, L.I. Democratic club picnic in recreation grove had late start — near 100 attended. On his way home Harlowe brat in a dozen cooked clams. Addie Wimchell also called. We had 8 o'clock supper — a walk to the road. Ollie went to bed. Our phone went dead p.m.

July 26, Sunday — 64/6 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Quite hot & humid but no showers. Little breeze — variable high clouds & sunny. Hazy & gloomy east view evng. A do nothing day but chores & set out some extra cabbage and tomato plants. We walked over & had a nice p.m. visit with Mrs Emil Steegmanis. Except for Harlowe this a.m. — no callers. We had usual good

supper & a walk across the field to road. Ollie went to bed. I wrote a Saugerties Star news copy. I'm reminded my Dear old Dad was born this date 1859 - died 1/23/34.

July 27, Monday — 64/6:30 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Cool early but developed hot sunny and hazy. Olive Bridge had an afternoon shower. Clear evng & cooled off. I did chore routine but just to hot to work. Had Bubbles out on grass but changed her when to hot. I finished and mailed Saugerties Star news copy a.m. Tom Giacalone started doing some window painting at Bishops. Twice had calls by Harlowe McLean. A salesman from Woodcraft Co of Latham called p.m. in regard to aluminum siding on the house. He became sarcastic & didn't stay long. I answered Fred Ronk's letter a.m. We had a good usual supper. I read considerable in gun book loaned me by Mike Whitmore. Harvey & Rose Trowbridge's 60th wedding anniversary. They were married at Olive City M.E. Parsonage. He is both a life IOOF & Mason, 84 July 9th.

July 28, Tuesday — 66/6 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Hot humid lowery hazy. Some morning sunshine but all afternoon was thunder showery around north. We had a touch of several rains. Just to hot for work, just did chore routine and read chapters in my loaned History of Guns book We had p.m. call by trooper John Schetzel who reported a window broken & entry made into Bruce Burgher's camp on Schoolhouse Hill. Some articles missing. We had first new red potatoes & wax beans with sausage for

supper. My adored daughter Mariam was born during a rainy evening this date 1914 at the home of her grand parents Mr & Mrs Wm Simpson in Kerhonkson opposite Pine Bush cemetery. The late Dr Fuller was in attendance. Edna Bishop brat Don home from Hosp. a.m. Reported to have been in Albany.

July 29, Wednesday — 66/ 5:30 a.m. 70/11 p.m. Hot humid lowery sticky weather. Thunder showers all around during p.m. & evng. We only got a sprinkle. Temp got above 90.

Just did chore routine. Too hot & humid to work. I spent a good part of the day & finished reading & absorbing text of book “Treasury of The Gun” We had good supper green beans, boiled spuds, scrambled eggs & lettuce salad. Bishop has 3 working & they had a sweltering day.

July 30, Thursday — 66/6 a.m. 70/11 p.m. Continued smoggy - hazy - hot - murky weather. Banging thunder shower went around over upper end of reservoir & east side p.m. It - - - - - a southerly gusty breeze that quieted.

Sun rose in a fiery red ball. But little accomplished pulled some weeds in garden. Wrote Freeman copy p.m. I note the Smith Parish Co of Kingston re-roofed the Bishop garage built in 1916. Sent pkg of papers & letter to Vernon Beatty & reply card to Grayce Ellis. We had good supper, green beans, boiled spuds & spare ribs. A library meeting held tonite at the Bishop mansion, presumed concerning the new modern library project. Rec'd letters Vernon Beatty, Mrs Currier. Tonite usual

letter & birthday card to Lottie Stacknowitz for August.

July 31, Friday -- 72/6 a.m. 72/10 p.m. Murky foggy rained in showers misty much steady thru the day & evng Temp remained in low 70's.

I wrote Freeman news copy a.m. p.m. & evng part finished news for the Aug 9 issue. Katherine Carr cleaned up for Ollie today \$6.00 paid. We had good supper boiled spuds hamburg & first cooking of zucchini squash. Took a walk over along road. I kept writing till after 10. Wrote Mrs Currier reply card.

August 1, Saturday — 72/6 a.m. 70/11 p.m. Some rain in night. Continued warm humid - murky - typical dog days weather. Some hazy sunshine. A mid summer thunder storm worked around south latter p.m. rumbling & booming. Few stars tonight.

Other than routine a lazy do little day. Harry & Marie Siemsen paid a front porch call p.m. after attending the Tongore Women's club poorly attended flower show at Onteora school. So many area church activities fair & supper at Ashokan M.E. church & chicken barbeque at Olive Bridge. Also had call by Harlowe McLean. Rec'd letter & 4 pictures 2 years ago, from Gaye -- also rec'd letter Julia Rhoades & answered tonite. A complete sell out at the Olive Bridge church chicken barbeque, netted \$350.00 (but a lot of work)

August 2, Sunday — 66/6 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Sunny for a change & a grand mid summer day. Cloudless early otherwise part cloudy & atmosphere cleared of the

persistent hazy smog. Temp about 90 & was humid p.m. clear, cooler evng. A blinking star over crest of South mtn.

I did some garden carrot rows weeding for exercise. Wrote additional Star news items for Mon mail. Harlowe McLean called p.m. We had good supper & took a walk across field to road. I also wrote long reply to Julia Rhoades. Sat on porch writing till darkness fell. It was still & lonesome. The victim of the Cesna that crashed below the rocky ledge crest of Overlook mtn during the weekend resulted in the death of the lone passenger pilot Frank Eaton 52 of Bridgeport Conn.

August 3, Monday — 58/7 a.m. 64/10:30 p.m. Coolest morning in 10 days but gradually warmed up over 90 & humid. Became overcast p.m. with thundershower from South mtn that worked around south. We got a nice squirt. Sun came out hot but no more showers developed. Mostly cloudy evng.

I worked some in garden weeding. Harlowe McLean brat 6 doz pullet eggs from Henry Merrihew's \$3.60 paid. Also had P.M. visit by trooper John Schetzel – a.m. call by Mrs Ruth Rice and another lady. We had good supper & walk out along road. Ollie picked & processed for freezer 7lb plastic bags green beans. Tonite I finished writing reply letter to Gaye Vorkink & sending Sunday Saugerties Star. Also had morning call by Elmer Carney. He carefully measured up the house & gave wholesale price for complete aluminum siding \$3450. Rec'd July Social Security \$40.70.

August 4, Tuesday — 64/6 a.m. 60/9 p.m. First tinge of autumn in the air. The general trend of the weather was partly cloudy. Northerly wind – still evng.

I did some garden weeding & chore routine. P.M. call by Florence Juliano & her father Mart Eckert. First he has been here since last Aug. He is thin & voice weak. Florence as always is charming. Latter p.m. I did a big job completely re-mowing the yard it surely looks snaggy. We had good supper. Later Addie Winchell & son Ray Kelder called.

August 5, Wednesday — 54/6 a.m. 62/10 p.m. Mostly cloudy occasional breaks of sunshine with a partial clearing trend developing latter p.m. Calm an autumn chill is in the air.

I feel sore and lame from lawn mowing yesterday. To limber up this p.m. I moved wood from the porch & a pile by celler door with wheelbarrow under shed & ranked it up. We had delicious supper meat loaf boiled spuds & green beans. Ollie made a pie from the huckleberries we picked. Buddy Eckert called evng. He had a blacksmiths hand made long double spring bear trap he bought Sunday up in Delaware county for \$50.00.

August 6, Thursday ---- 56/6 a.m. 62/10 p.m. Mostly cloudy still cool. Some p.m. sunshine a few stars showing tonite.

Other than routine we went with Harlowe to the senior citizens meeting p.m. at the library. We had a good supper cabbage salad, fried perch & boiled spuds. After we walked across the field to road. Ollie went to bed. I

had a nap. The bloody trace in my urine appeared again today after 2 weeks clean. 25 years today the United States dropped first atomic bomb called Little Boy on Hiroshima follows 3 days later by the 2nd dubbed Fat Man on Nagasaki. Six days later the war was ended by Japan.

August 7, Friday — 58/6:30 a.m. 62/ 10:30 p.m.
Pleasant seasonal weather. Typical August doldrums.
Part clearing & sunny cloudless still evng – cool nearing
½ moon over South mtn.

Other than routine we made a general shopping trip to Kingston with Harlowe McLean via Hurley mtn route & the vast sweet corn country both ways. Shopped mostly A&P. Ollie had eyes examined by Dr Herbert Gade \$15.00 paid. She had broken blood vessels behind each eye & massive one on the left. A prescription for the United Cut Rate Drug Co will be sent by mail. We got home before 5 p.m. We had good supper & a short walk after. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letters Grayce Ellis & Willie & Ann Hughes & Herbie & Elsie Rexer. Tonite wrote Ann & Willie Hughes.

August 8, Saturday — 56/6 a.m. 66/9 p.m. There was some high clouds but the weather was generally sunny & ideal temperature a light breeze was - - - - from the reservoir. Cloudless evng with a golden near ½ moon over South mountain.

It was just a routine chore day. A pleasant diversion was an afternoon picnic under the hickories enjoyed by Robert & Jean Smith, Jeannie & Victor Chavez,

Harlowe Mclean, Ollie & I. 1st picnic of the season. We didn't eat supper, had a walk down to Spook Rock. Ollie went to bed.

August 9, Sunday — 56/6 a.m. 68/9 p.m. A truly delightful day. Sunny few clouds & a bit hazy. Very pleasant temperature. Part cloudy cool evng with a golden almost ½ moon.

We staid put at home. John Lambert called a.m. and Harlowe Mclean p.m. He brought several ears of sweet corn and a beautiful bouquet of varied gladiolus. We took a pre-supper walk down to top of Phil Dwyer's Hill. We had good variety supper. Ollie went to bed. Pretty well wrote up a Saugerties Star news copy. I observe that out Kentucky Wonder pole beans are being affected by wilt like last year – more so the late planting. The various types of bush beans are vigorous & not affected.

August 10, Monday — 58/6 a.m. 66/9 p.m. Hazily sunny became warm & humid, murked over p.m. with sprinkles of rain & again evening. Faired away with a red ½ moon over High Point. Tom Giacalone started painting the - - - - roof with aluminum asbestos paint. The agreed contract price is \$300. Otherwise a lazy day for me other than chore routine. We had a usually good variety supper cabbage salad, boiled new red potatoes, & cold meat loaf. I finished & mailed Saugerties Star news copy.

August 11, Tuesday — 57/6:30 a.m. 62/11 p.m. Cool damp breeze from reservoir. Variable cloudiness– had

light sprinkle shower latter p.m. Cloudless chilly evng.
Golden plump ½ moon over High Point.

A lazy day for me just chore routine. Tom Giacalone worked painting on roof also painted kitchen porch roof. This evening as we were setting down to supper – I ate hurriedly - Ollie didn't eat - Mr & Mrs John Lambert came with Jennie Kerr & took us for a ride over around Palentown & back. We saw about a dozen deer feeding. Trooper John Schetzel stopped p.m. for some garden manure. Rec'd card Lottie Stacknowitz.

August 12, Wednesday — 62/6 a.m. 70/9 p.m.

Generally sunny warm & bone dry atmosphere - some clouds. Over half moon rose hazily in south. Near cloudless still.

Tom Giacalone had Mike help him on roof. He isn't quite finished but I paid him in full \$300.00 Rec'd letter & Ellenville paper from Vernon Beatty & sent him Aug 9th Star & letter. Harlowe called p.m. We had good boiled supper cabbage, meat, boiled old spuds. We went for a walk out along road. Ollie went to bed. Our High Point neighbor (Hesley Farm) fell this a.m. walking in garden & broke hip – Mary Margaret McBride 67.

August 13, Thursday — 60/6 a.m. Partly cloudy very warm and humid. It was a thunder showery p.m.. We had just a squirt, was heavier over the Olive Bridge sector. Had full ½ inch rain.

A lazy day for me just did chore routine. Tom Giacalone finishing up roof painting & showed him my guns again also his visiting brother James of Long Island. Both are

keenly interested. I contracted with Tommy to do a complete re-painting of the house for \$700.00 We had usual good supper & I took a walk out along road. I called up Bro Harvey Trowbridge early evng & offered our condolences & service with his wife Rose nee Altisier 82 death yesterday in Albany Avenue Nursing home. They were married 60 years July 28th.

August 14, Friday 62/6 a.m. 68/9 p.m. Hot humid hazy lowery typical mid August weather. Fair evng red 3/4 moon rose in deep south. A blood red sun rose in the - - - - - haze this a.m.

Tom Giacalone came this a.m. & patched barn gutter. Other than chore routine it was just a lazy uneventful day for me. We took late p.m. walk down to top of Dwyer's Hill. We had good supper including first mess of delicious Kentucky Wonder beans. They have a special nutty flavor all their own. I laid out on porch cot evening, annoyed by flies. I wrote letter with Ulster Co. Historical folders in reply for information requested by Mrs (blank) of Youngstown, Ohio.

Judith Ann Barringer daughter of Mr & Mrs Lorin Barringer married to Joe Lenard Emerick in Samsonville church by Rev. Arthur (Kaittman ?) Of Esopus & Rifton M.E. Churches.

August 15, Saturday — 64/6 a.m. 72/10:30 p.m. Hot humid still hazy. Thunder showers passed north & south p.m. but we didn't get a sprinkle. The almost full moon rose slowly from the deep south. Hazy evng into a cloudless hazy sky.

Other than chores I pulled myself together and re-painted the red milk house – last time 1962. Katherine Carr cleaned up for Ollie today \$6.00 paid. I had hair cut too. Late p.m. we called on Herbie & Elsie Rexer. Then had a nap & late supper. Ollie went to bed. I sat out on porch and had a nap. The Ulster Co. free fair at New Paltz & the Little World's fair in Grahmville held yesterday and today.

August 16, Sunday — 64/6:30 a.m. 82/9 p.m. Hot humid typical lowery August weather day & evng. Full moon tonite poor visibility but no forecast of showers developed. Sunshine filtered thru the haze. Mr & Mrs Fred Ronk and Mr & Mrs Harold Post of Walden came as expected also Harlowe McLean came around noon and we all engaged in a delightful picnic dinner under the chicken yard hickories. They left around 4 o'clock to return by way of Peekamoose Trail & Napanoch for return trip. Warmest nite of the summer. Late p.m. Ollie & I called on Herbie & Elsie Rexer.

August 17, Monday — 74/6 a.m. 64/11 p.m. Windy in night rained a few drops. Mostly cloudy a.m. & mostly sunny p.m. with scattered clouds. Noticeably lower humidity – a cooler trend is evident. Clear skies & magnificent (last nite) full moon. This a.m. I wrote & sent Saugerties Sunday Star news copy. Otherwise it was just daily routine. Tom Giacalone started scraping the house for re-painting north and west sides. Ollie invited Harlowe McLean for supper from the over supply of yesterday's picnic. I paid 1/7 payment on

painting.

August 18, Tuesday — 58/6:30 a.m. 60/10:30 p.m.
Pleasantly cool & cleared atmosphere. Bright sunny with some high variable overcast. Breezy this a.m.
Tom Giacalone worked on the east side & house gable scraping & painting. His 7 year old son Johnnie in Benedictine Hosp since Sunday nite with a foot infection, brat home by his mother today. We gave him a gift of \$2.00. I wrote Freeman news copy a.m. before getting around. For me a lazy day & did little but ½ hour lawn mowing late p.m. We had good supper, took a walk. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap till 10 o'clock. 35 years tonight about 11:30 my dearly beloved Aunt Cornelia (Eckert Crispell) Bishop died at her home. She was in bed 10 days due to a long standing heart condition. Rec'd letter Grayce Ellis. We had 2 sets p.m. callers Joe & Clare Massimo & Addie Winchell & Mary Palen.

August 19, Wednesday — 48/6 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Cool sunny a.m. gradually becoming overcast p.m. — becoming much warmer & humid with southerly wind. Last nites glowing moon was heavenly, wind strong gusty evng.

This a.m. I did a big job cleaning out the kitchen porch stuffed full with everything woodbox. I loaded up Tom Giacalone's truck to take to dump. He worked on east side painting. This p.m. took car over to Harlowe's we went with him to Stone Ridge & each had a check up at Dr Tocco's. My pressure 130 & heart ok, gave me pills

for my urine trouble. After coming back to Harlowe's we called on Ruth Rosengren first in a year. We had cold supper & a surprise call by Jim Burgraff.

August 20, Thursday — The Ira Nichols barn burned p.m. 72/6 a.m. 76/10 p.m. Murky unsettled – cooler than yesterday. Drizzle of rain noontime. Sun later broke thru but murred over.

For some unknown cause the old Peter P. Barringer barn with a quite recent dairy stable addition The Maude & Albert Nichols farm on Nichols Road burned early p.m. with it's contents including a calf also the farm tractor standing outside. When first discovered the barn was all a blaze. The West Shokan and Boiceville fire trucks responded but nothing could be done, a heap of rubble & burning hay. We 3 attended senior citizen meeting then called on Claude Bell & from there went to the burning remains. The cause is considered due to the baled hay . The local fire truck again responded at 8:45. Rec'd letter from Mariam.

August 21, Friday — 65/7 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Considerable general thunder shower activity in later nite with a mere wetting of greatly needed rain. Otherwise the day was sunny, fresh northerly bracing air, low humidity. Cloudless still chilly evng.

Tom Giacalone painted in west gable of house. Other than routine part painting garage door. It was a lazy day for me with my aching left hip. Accord Co-op delivered 6 bags Crunchy cow feed p.m. @ 5.15 plus \$2.00 delivery credit 12 bags @ .15 - \$1.80 – 2% each net

\$30.28 paid. We had usual good supper. Took a walk out along road. Harlowe McLean called p.m. with gift \$2 tickets for Sunday p.m. Catholic Church chicken barbeque in town grove. Picked ½ bu peaches.

August 22, Saturday — 50/6 a.m. 71/9 p.m. Cool pleasant sunny breezy day. Developed mostly cloudy later p.m. – quieted & moon back to half this a.m. Tom Giacalone painted on south gable of house. His wife Bonnie & children Johnnie and Leesa called early p.m. I re-painted the white garage door. Later Ollie & I made a call over to Rexer's. We had usual good supper. Took a walk out along woods. My back hurts as usual today. Rec'd a letter of Garrett Mott. He & Lillian are not good & discouraged. This p.m. I picked several first reddened tomatoes.

August 23, Sunday — 62/7 a.m. 58/9 p.m. An unexpected drought - - - - ram started falling sometime after midnight and continued till near noon. The p.m. was humid and threatening, finally a peep of sunshine broke thru. Much cooler – still evening & stars showing. The rain fell over most of the state. The withered garden rejoices. The Catholic mens club barbequed chicken dinner serving at recreation grove, postponed a week. This p.m. went awhile over to Rexer's. Mr & Mrs Gerome Quick of Walden were unexpected callers, also Harlowe McLean. We had usual good supper & went to bed early.

August 24, Monday — 52/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Brilliant

cool day. High part cloudiness developed. Cloudless chilly still evng. Stars seem dim.

Tom Giacalone painted on west side of house. I dug up around and planted in garden 2 late rows of spinach . I also did some painting on south end of garage. We had good supper and walk out along road. I wrote Star news copy. I paid Tom Giacalone a second \$100. On house painting job.

August 25, Tuesday — 52/6 a.m. 62/10:30 p.m. Warmer than yesterday, pleasant late summer – considerable mid day cloudiness developed. Otherwise sunny. Light winds cloudless evng – pleasantly cool.

I did daily routine & finishing painting south end of garage. Tom Giacalone ran short on paint & worked on windows. Harlowe McLean got us 5 doz medium eggs at Henry Merrihew's @.40 a doz & \$1.00 for gasoline. We had good supper & walked out along woods.

August 26, Wednesday — 54/6:30 a.m. 70/8:30 p.m. Cooler than yesterday with a refreshing southerly breeze. Pleasant sunny with normal high scattered clouds – cloudless calm evng.

Tom Giacalone painted on west & north sides of house. I kept fairly bust painting south side of barn. Back of course hurts. Buddy Eckert came p.m. for eggs that Harlowe supplied yesterday from Henry Merrihew's. Rec'd a letter from Mrs Ester Kelsey of Samsonville also from Julia Rhoades. Harlowe called p.m.

August 27, Thursday — 62/6 a.m. 62/10 p.m. Sunny

somewhat hazy - pleasant light breeze - some high overcast. Stars hazy tonite.

I painted on south side of barn & Tom Giacalone on west side of house & celler doors. Addie Winchell and daughter Florence Winkler 58, looks 20 years younger called p.m. My poor old back bothers plenty today.

August 28, Friday — 64/7 a.m. 72/10 p.m. Hazily sunny became murky & very warm & humid p.m. An early evng thunder shower flashed, banged and rumbled over the east side – we got a shower.

Tom Giacalone worked on south side of house. I scraped & painted on the low end of barn. It was too hot & sunny to work p.m. No callers but mail lady who brat me a 3/4 inch screw plug for celler water pump .15 paid. We had excellent variety supper. I wrote card to Vernon Betty.

August 29, Saturday — 64/6:30 a.m. 66/9 p.m.
Brilliant sunny a.m. lower humidity northerly wind.
Became overcast p.m. – cool evng wind calm.

We had call by Harlowe McLean and noon time an unexpected front porch visit by Billy “The Butcher” & wife Carolyn from Sundown. He brat a pack of Ultra Club beer & a nice steak. Billy is a professional meat cutter employed in Victory Stores in Sullivan Co. Harlowe Mc Lean also called. I did some more low painting on west & north sides of barn. We had a good variety supper & had a walk out along road. Belle Wood also called p.m.

August 30, Sunday — 55/6:30 a.m. 68/10 p.m.

Overcast developed and set in raining around 1 o'clock & continued dripping 3 hours. Temperature damp & cool – thunder showery around south evng.

We were guests of Harlowe McLean at the town pavilion – table filled – Catholic parish chicken barbeque held in the town grove. Bill of fare chicken, potato chips, coffee, sweet corn, rolls & beer. It was a friendly community gathering for everyone. The swimming pool was available but none patronized. Ollie & I had just a snack supper. Vernon Beatty paid a brief late p.m. visit.

August 31, Monday — 66/7 a.m. 60/9 p.m. The atmosphere is distinctly autumn tinged following the incessant flashing and rumbling thunder showers continued on past midnight. Brilliant atmosphere, crispy northerly wind quieting evng and cloudless. We got ½ in rain with yesterday p.m.

The raccoons are raiding my sweet corn in the - - - - stage. This a.m. I picked 5 gal pail of corn beans dry & in shell stage. Tom Giacalone worked on south side of house. This p.m. I painted trim & red on north side of barn & pig house. I paid Tom Giacalone another \$100. Check - owe \$400. We had delicious variety supper, took walk out along woods.

This date 1892 my Grandmother Mrs Sarah A. Crispell died (39?) She was crippled with rheumatism & eyesight poor. “But I remember her”

September 1, Tuesday — 50/6:30 a.m. 56/9 p.m. Crispy autumns coming on. Scattered high clouds with northerly wind & cloudless brilliant chilly evng & calm.

I wrote and sent news copy a.m. for Saugerties Sunday Star. Tom Giacalone painted on front porch. Late p.m. I painted an hour on north side of barn. This p.m. for 3 hours I had a historical interview with a West Shokan resident & writer Jack Beirhorst. Clearing ground work for the new modern library started south side of former school & library building.

September 2, Wednesday — 44/5:30 a.m. 55/9 p.m.
Distinct chill of autumn. Brilliant gorgeous light wind – during latter p.m. becoming overcast.
Aside from chore routine I gave Tom a hand repairing front kitchen porch steps. He painted ceiling & floor etc of front porch. This p.m. I painted north side of granary & spaces above.

September 3, Thursday — 56/6 a.m. 62/9 p.m. Cloudy chill still. Rain threatened but only sprinkle developed.. Inky dark evng.
Tom Giacalone painted posts & ceiling etc on porch. I had a.m. call by Agway Fire Insurance representatives from Kingston Keith McBurnie & Donald Abbott – a bro mason. Harlowe McLean also called & my p.m. diversion was painting last end of north shed. Ollie & I had good variety supper & she went to bed. I took a bath & BVD change. I paid Tom Giacalone another \$100. On acct. Rec'd August SS \$40.70.

September 4, Friday — 71/7 a.m. 76/ 9 p.m. Showers in night & this a.m. clearing trend partly developed – sunny p.m. warm & humid.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean & out to Wards, shopped at A&P \$27. The electric was off 3 hours p.m. Gave Harlowe \$2.00 for gas. Rec'd certified mail from Mr & Mrs Willie Hughes, Toms River N.J. deed of the Hinkley place. I let them have for reference. We went via Hurley mtn & came home via 28 to Shokan. I drew \$600. from Kingston Savings bank to pay up house painting bids & other coming expense. We had good variety supper, had a walk along woods.

September 5, Saturday — 66/6 a.m. 66/9 p.m. partly cloudy breezy brilliant atmosphere. Breezy day & evng. This a.m. I painted west side of granary. P.m. Jean & Robert Smith came and we had a cook out under the hickories. Later we called on Herbert & Elsie Rexer & guests. We had a light supper & took a walk out along road. Ollie went to bed. This p.m. Mrs Ellen Roser called soliciting donations for the new Olive Library. Ollie & I each donated five dollars.

September 6, Sunday — 62/7 a.m. part overcast sunny - brilliant northerly wind crispy atmosphere. This p.m. we had both ways transportation for Mr & Mrs Carl Fitchner Jr wedding party held at the Parish Hall in Phoenicia. The buffet - dinner luncheon was in abundance , including beer. Ollie furnished 50 deviled eggs. We gave a gift of five dollars. Later after getting home we had a call by Addie Winchell and Mary Palen.

Newspaper clipping Sept.3,1970
Couple Married

Phoenicia, Sept. 3 — Mrs Janice Frano and Karl Fichtner Jr. Both of Shandaken, were united in marriage Aug. 14th by Town Justice George Kirk at his home in Mt Tremper. Attendants were Mr and Mrs Arnold Russell of Saugerties, brother-in-law and sister of the bridegroom. They will reside in Shandaken.

September 7, Monday — 50/7 a.m. 54/9 p.m. Fallish brilliant partly cloudy - northerly wind cloudless evng & glowing near half moon over High Point

We with Harlowe McLean attended the 60th annual Labor Day Picnic at the town recreation grove. Musical entertainment by Harry Siemsen. Refreshments in charge of Ashokan Boy Scouts. The attendance was larger than last year. At 3 p.m. a plaque was dedicated honoring Lester S. Davis. Introductory remarks by Supervisor Frank C. Carle as the Lester S. Davis town grove. Dedication speaker Edgar Timmerman.

September 8, Tuesday — 58/7 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Still chilly dismal overcast scarcely a glimmer of sunshine. A day of no accomplishment. Buddy Eckert came & spent most of p.m. He gave me a check of \$91. for their school tax. Tom Giacalone came and finished painting the porch & I paid him \$320.00 to complete payment of house painting contract in full including his painting this p.m. of kitchen porch floor. Harlowe McLean also called p.m. We had usual good supper.

September 9, Wednesday — 60/7 a.m. 65/10 p.m. Dismal foggy- chill -still. Rained in late nite and this

a.m. messy again evng

Amasa Peck the Phoenicia logger called a.m. He wants my whitewood trees. A do nothing day. We had a good supper. Had 20 minute fone call from Mrs Gerome Quick of Walden. She told us Grayce Ellis is in St Lukes Hosp, Newburgh. Has something like a stroke but yesterday talked better & sat up & opened her mail. My bloody urine bout has returned after being clear for a week.

September 10, Thursday — 66/6 a.m. 68/11 p.m.

Cloudy - murky - foggy quite warm and humid. Still day & evng. Just a trace of rain.

Just did daily routine. This p.m. we went with Harlowe McLean to senior citizens meeting held at Ashokan Legion Hall due to construction work on new library. Coming home we called on Reggie & Elsie Davis also on Tom & Bonnie Lee on 28A The occasion that we didn't know was her 27th birthday. We were cordially received. We had good supper.

September 11, Friday — 58/6:30 a.m. 49/10 p.m.

Scattered morning high drifting clouds but brilliant cloudless calm p.m. & evng. A serene late summer day.

There is a morning & evng autumn tinge in the air. A glowing rounding moon shines in the south.

I did a disagreeable job replacing worn pig feeding trough, This p.m. I did some corn bean picking & we had a first mess of sweet corn for supper that the pestiferous coons didn't get first also potatoes & creamed cod fish after a walk along the road Ollie & I went to bed. Her

serious eye trouble continues. Rec'd letter Vernon Beatty also announcement of Vernon Haskins day September 28th. No callers today.

September 12, Saturday — 46/ 6:30 a.m. 60/10 p.m.
Magnificent calm Sept weather. Scattered clouds & becoming brilliantly cloudless. Glowing nearing full moon in low south. The evening tinge is autumn. Did usual routine & pulled & spread to dry 3 bu of super excellent onions. This p.m. Harlowe McLean took us to Kingston, both ways via Hurley mtn route. Due to a worsening right eye condition Ollie had a special engagement mid p.m. with Dr Herbert Gade. His diagnosis was not re-assuring if she can read again. Fee \$10. Paid. We had a good variety supper & took a walk out along woods & Ollie went to bed.

September 13, Sunday — 50/6:30 a.m. 64/11 p.m.
Sunny serene a.m. became mostly overcast p.m. & faired away evng & moon nearing full shone a bit hazy - very light breeze.
Did daily routine. Ollie can't see to read. I picked some dried beans & a mess of tender wax beans that we had for chicken supper. Vera Sickler paid me a historical front porch interview – with a neighbor lady. I loaned her my grandfather Crispell's 1880 Sylvester's History of Ulster Co. For re-search. After this Addie Winchell & son Ray Kelder called. It was dark after supper so no walk. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap till 11:30 then got up run up the celler pump & wrote diary

September 14, Monday — 54/8 a.m. 54/10 p.m. Dismal chill foggy rainy day started at day break. Continued on all day and drizzily tonite.

A horrible tragedy took place at Watson Hollow Inn disclosed this a.m. by deaf old maid sister Ann 81. Paul Kearney had shot his wife Claire in the head & then turned 32 cal pistol on himself.

I wrote Saugerties Star news copy & card to Jean & Bob Smith & this p.m. went down to P.O. for mailing. Had good supper. Ollie's eyes are bad can't read. Tonite I finished long letter to Mariam & Bob.

September 15, Tuesday — 54/7 a.m. 56/10 p.m.

Continued dark dismal - foggy - rainy weather.

Downpour around day break. Didn't rain p.m. - evng drizzle.

Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I to Henry Merihew's for eggs 6 doz medium for Martin Eckert 2.00 paid. Buddy came for them p.m. Ed Neuser and Johnny Bi Ellie also called. Gave them all tomatoes. We have so many getting ripe. I had Bubbles out on grass. We had as usual good supper with sweet corn. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Herbie & Elsie Rexer. Everyone talking about the Inn double tragedy. Ann Eckert expects the sister Anne Graffe will continue the business.

September 16, Wednesday — 56/7 a.m. 60/10:30 p.m.

Dense fog this a.m. Later sun came thru warm & humid.

Looked dark & showery early p.m. Just a sprinkle – gradually sunned up wind shifting north nearly cloudless - cooler evng. Last nite clouded out – full moon rose

brilliant over east.

Not much accomplished pulled another bu grand onions making 4. I had a nagging headache p.m. We took a walk to top of Dwyer's hill. Then had good variety supper. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe McLean went to Middlebury VT. for week end with nephew. I wrote to Mrs Currier. Rec'd card Barbara Moncure from Cape Cod.

September 17, Thursday — 48/6 a.m. 56/9 p.m. Very pleasant sunny scattered high clouds – calm. Mostly clear evng. Typical mid September.

I did daily routine & p.m. I painted east end barn & windows & trim on south side. My back hurts & I am tired tonite. We took a good walk down the road & we had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote letter to Barbara Moncure.

September 18, Friday — 62/7 a.m. 64/10 p.m. Started raining late nite. Started raining in night and was messy dismal all day & evng reservoir fogged out.

Mail missed & we took it down to P.O. We went up to Herbie Wells & picked up Katherine Carr & she spent the p.m. with us, swept floor & trimmed my hair. George Carr came after her 5:30. Bubbles had a Hereford heifer calf during night. Lazy day & old back hurts. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter from Mariam, mailed in Kansas City.

September 19, Saturday — 61/7 a.m. 54/10 p.m. Pleasantly cool typical mid September. Bright sunny scattered high clouds – clear – still cool evng. Moon

shone bright in night.

I painted a strip of south side barn siding over stable door. Early p.m. we took a walk over to Rexer's. This evng Vera Crawford came for us & we attended the 50th year member chicken barbeque dinner tendered by Shokan Lodge #491 for Ezra Silkworth & Geo Burgher & held in the lodge hall auditorium . At which time District Deputy James Platt presented 5 year pins. Present was P.D.D. Gerome Quick of Walden. A lodge session & brief remarks followed. Mr & Mrs Platt brought us home.

September 20, Sunday — 48/7 a.m. 60/9:20 Pleasant weather warm & sunny with developing p.m. overcast – calm.

A routine Sunday day. This p.m. we called on Herbie & Elsie Rexer. Later we had a front porch call by Mr & Mrs Lewis Carpino, Watson Hollow Road residents. He is retired 1st U.S. Army sgt. with 20 years service. – is employed in the Kingston P.O. We had a good variety supper. Ollie went to bed.

Town of Olive G.O.P. club had annual picnic in the town park.

September 21, Monday — 58/7 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Still warm humid lowery – August weather.

Well driller Jim Stoutenburgh is putting a deep jet pump in the Bishop - Davis 50/50 well. Our shallow well hook-up to the celler pump is not affected at this p.m. with a plentiful flow of water in the well. If Bishop's draw heavily for their use and the trailer park we could be cut

short. The well on Bishop's side was drilled in 1910 by then steam outfit owned by Harrison - Williams. The well has been used by both families steady since Nov. 1934 This p.m. we had a stream of callers Harlowe McLean who came back from his Vermont trip yesterday noon. Belle Wood & her 79 year old visiting brother Merrill Every, then Addie Winchell & Mary Palen. I painted the wide facing white board & south side barn. We had a walk down the hill then a good boiled supper. Ollie went to bed. I rec'd letter & Ellenville paper from Vernon Beatty.

September 22, Tuesday — 68/7 a.m. 82/10 p.m. Warm night - hot humid August weather. Sunny with partial overcast. Light breeze starlight very warm & breezy evng. Continued distant lightening off north. I was bushed the first day of autumn. Latter p.m. I painted south side strip under the barn eaves Harlowe McLean only caller today. Ollie's vision very hazy today. After painting we took exercise walk down top Dwyer's hill We had good variety supper, sat out on porch in the July like weather.

September 23, Wednesday — 70/7 a.m. 72/9 p.m. Unusually warm – night more cloudiness not so hot& humid as yesterday - cooler than last nite. I painted the west side garage windows and finished south side of barn over open shed. My old back aches miserably. Harlowe & Addie Winchell called p.m. The Boiceville P.O. was broken in last nite, the safe was blown & contents taken. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades. Mrs

Bob (Rosie) Burgher's father Edward M. Bryant 71, of Boise Idaho (was a (world war I veteran) here on car trip visit with his wife. He was subject to heart trouble was found dead early p.m. lying on couch by Mrs Bryant. He was taken by ambulance to hosp for exam. Rosie Burgher works at Boiceville school & Bob is a civil engineer with State Dept.

September 24, Thursday — 68/ 7 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Foggy murky this a.m. but sunnied away. Not so hot & humid, light breeze. Became oppressive again later p.m. with quieted breeze. Gloomy overcast evng but cooler. Early p.m. we went up Bushkill at Pat Molloy's for Katherine Carr. She canned 14 qts tomatoes for Ollie. George came after work & they had supper, a good one wax beans boiled spuds sliced tomatoes etc. Otherwise it was just a doing odd chores for me & no painting done. My back and legs pained & I had no pep. Such warm sticky weather. We had a short walk after supper & I had a bath & sat on porch. Tom Giacalone called & gave him tomatoes. I finished & mailed Star news copy.

September 25, Friday — 68/7:30 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Another mid summer night. Continued no let up in the sweltering stagnated heat wave. Hazy partly cloudy, sunshine and shadows. A showery trace p.m. brief downpour on east side. I just did routine and picked tomatoes, dried beans etc. Noontime we picked up Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells. She canned 7 qts more tomatoes & cleaned floors & we gave her near bu tomatoes \$6.00 paid for the 2 half days.

We took a walk down by Charlie Dwyer's before rather late supper. Ollie went to bed. I sat out on porch chaise awhile. I wrote Vernon Beatty.

September 26, Saturday — 66/7 a.m. 72/9 p.m. Dense fog soon burned off - hazy partly cloudy stagnated weather warm & humid. Light breeze from reservoir. Thunder shower north p.m. – murky still evng. Just a day of routine. Bob & Jean Smith came early p.m. & we had a cook out under the hickories. Later Ollie & I went over to Rexer's who are up for the weekend. After the picnic we wanted no supper.

September 27, Sunday — 70/7 a.m. 50/9 p.m. Overcast this morning, a cold rain settled in from the east and continued a good part of the day. The setting sun broke thru on the east side of the reservoir. A sharp drop in temp developed & was down to 50 by 9 p.m. Indeed a dreary wet day but the heat & humidity for a week gives way to autumn. Just a routine chore day. Harlowe called p.m. During p.m. I had a bath & underwear change, then we walked over to Rexer's. He brat us home in the rain. Late p.m. Tom Giacalone called with the 2 children Johnny & Lisa to see the new calf & pigger. We had a good late supper.

September 28. Monday — 44/7 a.m. 51/11 p.m. Chilly damp – mostly and variable cloudiness. Southerly wind shifted northerly & calmed . Stars dim evng. Light p.m. showers. I kept pretty well busy with odd jobs in variety. Picked

bush lima beans & cut some grass. Temp hung low 60's. Addie Winchell and Mary Palen called p.m. & Harlowe a.m. We had walk down by Charlie Dwyer's before supper. A good one in variety.

Rate highest in Onteora Dist – \$179.70 per M

Onteora School tax \$215.98

Jacky Brook (val 1200) \$179.72

Hinkley farm val 450 \$ 80.99

Ollie Burgher val 500 \$ 89.99

September 29, Tuesday — 50/6:30 p.m. 44/10 p.m.

Chilly autumn - variable cloudiness & fall clouds.

Clearing evng - not much wind.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean and out to

Wards & Mirons. Ollie had 11:15 office appt with Dr

Herbert Gade \$10.00 paid & medications continued.

Next call Nov. 10 at 10:45. I paid \$ down on a 54 inch white enameled kitchen sink at Montgomery Wards.

Price \$85. Without faucets. Shopped at Sears & uptown

& went to drug store and on way back the A&P. Went both ways via Hurley mtn. We were both dead tired. Had

a good super and to bed early. Rec'd letter Ellen Wilfris.

I drew \$400. from Kingston Savings Bank plus \$600.

Sept 8th. Easy to draw but hard to replace.

September 30, Wednesday — 44/7 a.m. 48/10 p.m.

Dull overcast - some sunshine squeezed thru. Had light

p.m. rains. Chilly damp autumn weather. Dark overcast

evng.

I wrote Freeman copy a.m. Shelled pail of bush lima

beans. I managed to shuck the 4 stouts of sweet corn

amid high red root weeds. We had usual good variety supper, Ollie is all in & rested on couch p.m.. I wrote Vernon Beatty tonite.

October 1, Thursday — 48/7 a.m. 48/10 p.m.

Moderating - considerable dark cloudiness – clearing latter p.m. Starlight evng.

I picked & piled squash & pie pumpkin vines in heaps along garden wire and pulled the vines. A big job a.m. & latter p.m.

This p.m. we went with Harlowe to the 21 attending senior citizens meeting at Ashokan Legion Hall. There was a report on the full 41 bus trip to New York last Friday the 25th. Plans completed for a pot luck 6 p.m. supper Oct 22nd & a tentative date of Dec 18th set for Christmas party. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed.

October 2, Friday — 42/7 a.m. 60/10 p.m. Cloudy damp mild wind southerly - quieted some.

This a.m. I finished & mailed the Saugerties Star news copy. Did daily routine. Early p.m. we picked up Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells & she gave us a big hand gathering pumpkins & squash in car trunk & putting in barn. I also cleaned up the vines for fodder. George picked her up after work. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I shelled out some dry corn beans.

October 3, Saturday — 58/6 a.m. 56/9 p.m. Overcast early but sun came out bright & warm till early p.m.

Murked over with a thunder shower. Rained in late night.

Today's percip ½ inch. Mostly cloudy evng. North wind sprang up after thunder shower & quieted.

Not much accomplished but routine. A.m. call by Mike Whitmore now living in Maltby Hollow with Glenn Marlott. He was rabbit hunting & no game. Before the shower p.m. had front porch visit by Ed Neuser and John BiEllie. After the rain we called on Herbie & Elsie Rexer. Today their 19th wedding anniversary. We had good late supper & Ollie as usual went to bed. I staid up awhile. Wrote cards to Mrs Knorph & Julia Rhoades. Rec'd card from granddaughter Jeanne Chavez from Heidelbey Germany. I had trouble reading her style of writing.

October 4, Sunday — 50/7 a.m. 50/11;30 p.m. Rather windy night. Variable clouiness, periods of bright sunshine & rain squalls mostly a.m. Typical autumn. Starlight tonite.

Did chore routine – picked pail of green pod bush limas. Harlowe called p.m. & after went & made a call on Herbie & Elsie Rexer. They are entertaining a stay by Mr & Mrs Otto Grunther. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. The chill damp weather gives my sore lower left tookus a going over.

October 5, Monday — 44/7 a.m. 42/10 p.m. Quite crispy but no frost. Brilliant warmer sunny day. Scattered high clouds – starlight evng. Growing new moon settled early behind High Point.

Repaired pig yard fence a.m. Painted white trim south side garage p.m. We took a walk over to Rexer's late to

see Otto. We had good creamed cod fish supper. I finished letter to Mariam tonite.

October 6, Tuesday — 42/7 a.m. 54/10 p.m. A day of overcast skies with periods of warm sunshine. Golden newing $\frac{1}{2}$ moon over High Point – little or no wind. Ollie & I went to Kingston with Mr & Mrs Otto Guenthner (spelled different) . Went to atty Vincent Connelly's office in regard to making out a deed for Ollie to sell a strip of woods adjoining Ed Neuser's on Schoolhouse Hill. Nothing was done due to indefinite boundary information. We got home 3:15. After a rest I mowed the mass of chick weed & red root growth in garden. We had a good supper Ollie went to bed. I wrote Vernon Beatty.

October 7, Wednesday — 56/7 a.m. 68/10 p.m. Gradually sunned up real warm - still & pleasant sunny p.m. Clear evng. Big golden half moon set behind South Hollow before 10 p.m. We had a pleasant call from Mrs David (Barbara) Lenefsky with 2 yr old daughter Genevieve neighbors own & live on the former (McRoberts) Tuckaway Farm. She gave me price \$3.50 of IOOF supper ticket. I showed her around the barn, pigger & sat front porch. A pleasant friendly person. This p.m. I pushed my self to get going & painted over $\frac{1}{2}$ back side of garage. Ollie sat & watched me - afraid I'd fall. We had rather light supper & Ollie had pain in tummy & me sore mouth. She went to bed & I wrote another letter with 2 supper tickets tonite.

October 8, Thursday — 56/7:30 a.m. 58/9 p.m. Hazily sunny still real warm, clear evng. Big just over half moon over High Point.

Harold Bush of Stone Ridge delivered 4300 stove coal late a.m. @32.50 + 4% tax 2.80 paid 72.69. Mrs Bush (Iena) accompanied & we sat serenely on front porch. Had calls from trooper John Schetzel & John lang for some manure, also latter p.m. by Lewis Carpino & he got a load of manure. I made myself finish painting p.m. the west side of garage. Ollie & I had usual good supper, she went to bed.

October 9, Friday —54/7 a.m. 58/10 p.m. Heavy dew mild yet damp chilling air. Murky & sunshine hazy – moon blacked out tonight – still.

Lew Carpino took Ollie & I to Stone Ridge nurseries & picked 2 ½ bu Rome Beauty apples @ 3.00 paid 7.50. Then went to Accord farmers Co-op & got 5 bags Crunchy cow feed @ 5.25. Hand wood rake @ 5.49 & 4 gal Super red barn paint@5.50 Total check less 2%cash plus 4% tax. We got eggs on way home at Henry Merrihews. 2 o'clock we picked up Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells & we cleaned up bush limas & green tomatoes. Had good supper, but left lower jaw is sore. We went to bed early.

October 10, Saturday — 56/7:30 a.m. Heavy dew foggy early - mostly cloudy August weather. Warm periods of sunshine - overcast evng – still.

A day of chore routine. This p.m. beginning 1 o'clock we heard the thrilling first game of the world's series played

in Cincinnati new Riverside Park between the national league champions and the American league Baltimore Orioles. Attendance 51,530 capacity. Late p.m. we went with Harlowe McLean to the IOOF full house annual roast beef supper @3.50. Ollie & I sold 25 tickets & paid in the money.

October 11, Sunday — 60/7 a.m. 58/9 p.m. Overcast still hazy few breaks of sunshine. The over ½ moon shone thru evng. Quite warm & humid. Just another day of doing little but chores. Was tuned in on WGY broadcast of 2nd world series game p.m. in Cincinnati won by Baltimore Orioles after coming from behind with final score of 6 - 5. Attendance 51,530 . We went over to Rexer's awhile p.m. We had good supper & Ollie went to bed. I did later, have annoying lower left (only1) sore tooth.

October 12, Monday — 58/7 a.m. 66/9 p.m. Foggy and heavy dew. Lowery, humid & not much filtered sunshine. August like weather. Wind light off reservoir. Moon shining evng among thru overcast. Other than chore routine I dug out potatoes & let lay to dry off. My old lonely lower left tooth continues annoying. Buddy Eckert called p.m. & fixed a broken wire in toaster. We had delicious mashed potato & turnip supper with cut up chicken & gravy. Harlowe also called p.m. Buddy brat \$29 check for fire insurance.

October 13, Tuesday — 58/7 a.m. 66/9 p.m. Foggy murky – warm & humid not much filtered sunshine.

Typical August .Big moon shining amid broken clouds. Did daily routine – picked some potatoes. This p.m. early Reggie & Elsie Davis called taking dog census. Harlowe McLean took us to the Ashokan bank & Dr Irving L. Hunts & had my lower tooth pulled after deadening. \$5.00 paid. We came back to Olive Bridge p.o. & Joe The Butcher. My jaw surely painful tonite. Rec'd letter Mr & Mrs Wm Wilkins of Bklyn & answered tonite. The 3rd game of the world's series played this p.m. at the Baltimore Memorial park. The Orioles slaughtered the Cincinnati Reds 9 - 3 with further humility of the Baltimore 's pitcher making a grand slam home run. Attendance 51,000

October 14, Wednesday — 64/7 a.m. 68/11 p.m. Warm humid lowery mostly overcast with periods of sunshine mostly p.m. Unusual mid October type of weather and no indication of frost. Rained late evng.

My painful jaw let up after retiring, with the aid of aspirin & Bengay I finally got to sleep. The soreness gradually let up today. Other than chores I did a big job digging out the rest of the potatoes & left to dry. I kept in touch WGY of the 4th world series game in Baltimore & surprisingly the Cincinnati Reds won it over the Orioles 6 - 5. We had a good creamed codfish & mashed spuds with sliced tomatoes. Ollie went to bed. Montgomery Ward delivered 54 inch white porcelain sink p.m. Paid balance with 4% - 3.40 tax 78.40 faucets to be extra.

October 15, Thursday — 62/7 a.m. 63/9 p.m. Rained & rumbling thunder in night. Dark gloomy day – warm &

close - set in light rain later p.m. & showers tonite. Black as ink & turning cooler.

I just did chore routine so wet. This p.m. we heard the wind up of world series game at Memorial Park. Baltimore after a 3 - 2 first inning lead by Cincinitti the Orioles blanked them the remaining 8 innings. Score 9 - 3, 4 out of 5 games. Last year the amazing Mets lost the first game to the Orioles. – won the last 4 Today's attendance 53,007. It rained all morning & drizzled in early part of game. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote return reply to Vernon Beatty.

October 16, Friday — 49/7 a.m. 43/10 p.m. 193rd anniversary of Burning of Kingston by British army under Gen. John Vaughn. Variable cloudiness – chilly – northerly wind – quieted evng.

I finished picking up potatoes a.m. & carrying down cellar. Have about 8 bu of sorted spuds besides those eaten since August 1st. The Kathadins run good size & smooth. Reds rather scabby & eaten. Early p.m. we picked up Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells & she gave Ollie a hand & we pulled the ripe & green tomatoes by toilet walk. I cleaned pig pen & did chore routine. Ollie & I had a good hot supper baked squash, meat loaf & mashed potatoes. She went to bed. I had a nap & got around 10 o'clock. Rec'd first in 2 years letter E.H. Munch with news & pictures of himself 93 (Feb 18) & step granddaughter 3yr old Jolene Kay Johnson wearing a dress he wore 90 years ago.

October 17, Saturday — 36/6:30 a.m. 40/10 p.m. Gen

John Burgoynes surrender at Saratoga this date 1777.
Distinctly chilly - windy. Part cloudy clear atmosphere -
sunny – clear.

I did a final cleaning up job in garden - old hands cold.
We went over to Rexer's awhile p.m. Chimney fire at
Watson Hollow Inn p.m. Masonic Brother Burton
Dudley despondent over continued illness shot himself
about 1:30 p.m. put his shotgun in mouth sitting in chair
in garage & blew his head off. Oh Lord my God was
there no one to help the widows son.

We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I did 10:30.
Burtons wife Bea & married daughter & foster daughter
Barbara survive.

Burton Dudley & Mariam attended K.H.S. together. He
& wife married 1951 in Penn. ----wife Ruby living –
divorced.

October 18, Sunday — 42/7 a.m. 56/9 p.m.

Considerable a.m. cloudiness – northerly wind - cleared
away brilliant mild sunny and colorful. Starlight evng
Frost still holds off.

George Carr came for us at noon & brat us home 3 p.m.
for their son Doughlas homecoming after discharge from
2years army service mostly Viet Nam. About 50 present,
half of the young generation. A sumptuous luncheon was
served. Later Ollie & I called n Herbie & Elsie Rexer.
We didn't want supper & went to bed early.

October 19, Monday — 40/7 a.m. 40/8 p.m. The
cloudless morning sunshine reflected the coloring on
South mtn at its seasonal best tho not as brilliant as some

years.

A truly magnificent brilliant cloudless chill autumn day – calm. This p.m. Ollie & I went with Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons and paid respectful tribute at the bier of my Masonic brother Burton Dudley lying in his unopened casket. His wife Bea & daughter Marilyn showed us great respect & devotional affection.

October 20, Tuesday —First frost & ice on barn tub. 28/7 a.m. 52/ 9:30 p.m. Fields whitened & garden foliage blackened & withered. Continued majestic crisp autumn weather. Hazing somewhat latter p.m. Light southerly dry wind. Moderated somewhat tonite.

I dug out ½ bu scabby but edible red potatoes from toilet walk late planting & carried down cellar. My bloody urine trace continues & both sides & back catchy & aching. We had good hot potato stew supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote a lengthy Saugerties Star news copy (correction Wed. Evng) 21st.

Newspaper clipping— Freeman – Monday, October 19, 1970

Carl S. Davis In International Concert Recently

Carl S. Davis, son of Mr and Mrs Lester S. Davis, of West Shokan who is studying in Germany on a Fullbright Scholarship appeared in a international concert in Stuttgart recently.

Appearing on the program with guest stars from Japan and Italy, Davis earned the critical acclaim of German reviewers for his piano artistry.

He is on a years study grant in Germany. He received

his MA degree in piano from the New England Conservatory of Music.

October 21, Wednesday — 50/8a.m. 54/9 p.m. Dismal chill – mountains fogged – set in raining late p.m. & continued.

Just a choring house bound day. I wrote cards to Julia Rhoades & Vernon Haskins also Freeman news copy. This p.m. we made a trip down to Davis store & Post Office. We had a delicious variety supper. As usual Ollie went to bed No visitors today. My urine continues having first starting a bloody tinge, causing me constant anxiety.

This day a colorful sunny day in 1881 my great grandfather Henry M Crispell died of a siege of typhoid that was rampant at that period. He was a robust man nearing 80.

October 22, Thursday — 54/8 a.m. 60/9:30 p.m. Rainy night & continued all day and evng quite steadily and a downpour latter p.m & evng. Streams roaring tonight and the ground a sponge Dismal mountain fogged weather - typical fall storm.

A do nothing day but chores and wrote more Star news copy & we went down to P.O. & mailed it. Ollie & I went with Mr & Mrs Rudoph Fritz to the senior citizens buffet Halloween supper 6 p.m. at the Ashokan Legion hall. It poured rain but 27 were present. The Rev.Reed, Scotch Ashokan Methodist minister, dressed in kilts gave an after dinner talk tinged with humor.

October 23, Friday — 60/7 a.m. 61/10 p.m. Rainy night dismal damp foggy a.m. Warm - sun broke thru at noon. Slow attempt to clearing p.m. Stars shone evng. Just a day of chores & odd jobs routine. No callers today. We had a good supper & Ollie went to bed. I had a 3 hour nap. Rec'd letter & Ellenville Times from Vernon Beatty.

October 24, Saturday — 58/7 a.m. 46/11 p.m. A gorgeous brilliant warm still day with patches of high thin overcast. Temp up in 70's - clear crisp evng. We went with Harlowe McLean to Dr Hunts in Ashokan & he checked on my sore left gum where my last lower tooth was extracted. We then went on to Woodstock A&P shopping & home before 2 o'clock. Otherwise just did daily routine. This evng Marsh & Hazel Maier took Ollie & I to Republican club rally in Olive Bridge fire hall. Good speakers & good crowd. A number of prizes were given lucky ticket holders (not us) The Dem club also had rally in IOOF hall. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades, wrote Vernon Beatty.

October 25, Sunday — Back to standard time. 52/10 p.m. Heavy dew this a.m. Dismal cloudy still long drawn out day with old time. Dark evng & misted. Just a hang around day & did chore routine & shelled out dry corn beans on kitchen table. Harlowe called a.m. Ollie on couch most of time. We had good variety supper. She went to bed. I wrote reply to Julia Rhoades & card to Vernon Beatty.

October 26, Monday — 52/7 a.m. 48/9:30 p.m. Chilly damp gloomy still – light rains – dark evng. I can't recall so much glum foggy etc October weather & usually so much bright sunshine.

This a.m. Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I over to see Dr Hunt about my sore lumpy gum where tooth was pulled. He tho would right it self if given time, no charge. We stopped in Olive Bridge at Joe the Butcher & Boice's store & John & Helen Marshall's. Otherwise just did chores. We had good usual super & Ollie went to be. I wrote air letter to Mariam & Bob Longyear.

October 27, Tuesday — 44/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. A day of clear atmosphere still and variable cloudiness and bright sunshine, more so during p.m. Very chilly starlight evng. Just did daily routine. Had a call p.m. by Mrs Eberhardt of Lang road. I did scrape some shelled paint on siding above garage. We had an excellent supper ham potpie with boiled onions & creamed gravy. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap till 10 o'clock.

October 28, Wednesday — 30/7 a.m. 33/ 10 p.m. Heavy under foot crackling white frost. Thick dark fog blanket early hung over the east basin side and gradually drifted to the west side. However following the day was sunny and chill damp temp – clear still frosty evng. Harlowe McLean called a.m. brat 2 bu more apples. He helped me re-fasten pig trough. I started painting west end gable but stopped soon after sun set back of South mtn. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I was tired and had a nap. Rec'd letter from Mrs Fred Ronk of

Walden thanking us for their enjoyable summer picnic visit. Also card from Mrs Gerome Quick stating Grayce Ellis is out of hosp & slowly improving.

October 29, Thursday — 26/7 a.m. 334/ 11 p.m. Heavy crackling white frost & ice on barn tub. Sunny still with thin overhead streaky haze. Pleasant warm p.m. till sun set. Chill starlight evng. Ice again on barn tub this a.m. Not much accomplished , did routine & cleaned pig pen. I managed to finish painting west peak white trim. Brothers Fred Snyder & Schuyler Weidner called early p.m. for 2 hours. My painting was done for the day. We had savory boiled cabbage with onions & fresh pig hock. Ollie went to bed. I wrote cards to Mrs Gerome Quick and Lottie Stacknowitz a.m. & tonight Julia Rhoades & Vernon Beatty. Bob Adsit brat tank of gas p.m. \$10.92 last tank in June \$10.40.

October 30, Friday — 38/7 a.m. 42/ 9 p.m. No frost this a.m. Chilly calm and mostly cloudy & dark cloudy evng.

This a.m. I wrote a Star news copy & early p.m. we went to P.O. & mailed it. Then picked up Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells and she processed 12 pts & 2 qt jars green tomato pickles for Ollie. Also p.m. with God's help I painted red the barn west end over garage. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed & I had a nap. Finished & mailed card to Julia Rhoades & letter to Vernon Beatty. Rec'd letter from him.

October 31, Saturday — 36/7 a.m. 44/10 p.m. Mostly

cloudy a.m. Dismal overcast p.m. & evng. Still the air & sky indicated snow.

Buddy Eckert & Pete Kranenburgh came a.m. & I went with them to check dimensions of Ollie's lower tract of woods west side of road below nephew Bruce's camp. Among p.m. callers were Herbie & Elsie Rexer & Glen Marlatt & - - - and Addie Winchell who came to supper & spend the night.

November 1, Sunday — 44/7 a.m. 44/8 p.m. Mostly cloudy mild but damp – scattered breaks of sunshine. Starlight evng - still.

Just a routine chore day. Our over night guest Addie Winchell went home to West Hurley mid p.m. We had a surprise 6 p.m. visit by Glen Marlatt & Ruth Rice. We had late supper & Ollie went to bed. I had bath & underwear change p.m.

November 2, Monday — 54/8 p.m. Dismal stagnated spell of weather, occasional streaks of morning sunshine. Heavily clobbered p.m. a bit misty & looked like a snow squall over on Tysteneck. Dark cloudy still evng.

Just another routine choring day & both had a nap p.m. Had customary good supper. Ollie went to bed. I shelled out dried bush lima beans awhile. This a.m. I wrote cards to Jim Platt now out of hosp & Vernon Beatty. President Nixon addressed a Sat taped speech on law and order over 3 national stations.

November 3, Tuesday — 38/7 a.m. 50/9 p.m. Mild still very pleasant election day. Sunny rifled high streaky

clouds – becoming overcast latter p.m.. Rained evng a squirt.

Just a routine day. Noontime Harlowe took us down to vote, my 59th consecutive one & Ollie's 39th. She needed assistance. We then went on up to Phoenicia and called on IOOF District Deputy James E Platt who came home last Thursday after spending over 3 weeks in Kingston Hospital, making a slow heart attack recovery. He is weak but made us welcome. We were back home after 2 o'clock. Ollie & I had a good supper. She went to bed. I had a nap & up soon after 9. Heard election returns over WKNY The voting place being enlarged has now a handy east side door

Nelson D. Rockefeller elected Governor 4th term by about 700,000 way over Dem ex-Supreme Court Justice Arthur Goldberg. The county went mostly G.O.P. The only Olive contest Atty John Lynch elected to fill out term (was appointed JP) over Dem Carl Olson.

November 4, Wednesday — 48/7 a.m. 52/11 p.m. Such a dark still gloomy damp day but didn't rain. Just a glimpse of sunshine noon time.

Just a routine type of day. Wrote card to Vernon Beatty. This p.m. I got bean poles pulled & under porch. Ollie rested considerably & to bed right after supper – says she is so tired.. We had usual good supper. Still have ripe tomatoes. Rec'd letters Gaye Vorkink & Julia Rhoades. Wrote her card tonite after a nap.

November 5, Thursday — 46/7 a.m. 40/9 p.m. Rained in night – mostly cloudy day & evng – raw brisk northerly

wind developed. First real mountain snow squalls on the Wittenberg's & around north.

This p.m. we attended with Harlowe McLean the first November attended by 33 senior citizen meeting at Ashokan Legion hall. President Mrs Arlene Tisch in charge, secy Mrs John Oure. Mrs Ann Tennant gave a report & talk on the county organization proceedings. There was a discussion on the place of the annual Christmas party, but no place decided. Educational color film shown after refreshments & meeting conclusion. We came home by Olive Bridge & Ollie got 4 lb hamburg at Joe The Butcher. We had a good piping hot potato stew supper. Ollie went to bed.

November 6, Friday — 38/7 a.m. 44.10 p.m. Windy night – clearing. Brilliant sunny day - a bit crispy with diminished northerly wind. Glowing ½ moon in south early rising. Evng part cloudy - later clear.

This a.m. I sat in bed – Wrote Saugerties Star news copy. Early p.m. we picked up Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells & she helped me pull the cabbage, carrots & beets. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called latter p.m. We had delicious lamb stew supper. Ollie as usual went to bed. Harlowe McLean did us Kingston shopping errand \$5.90. drugs for Ollie & \$2.89 household mdse. Rec'd letter from Mariam.

November 7, Saturday — 36/7 a.m. Real Injun summer, still with some high overcast - bright sunny. We had an early morning call by Harry Jordan of Roxbury – 71-24th Nov.

Katherine Carr came early 7:30 & did washing, cleaned floors & the p.m. she helped make 90lb of sauerkraut 6.00 paid. Harlowe got eggs at Henry Merrihews – 6 doz pullet for us. Geo came for Katherine after work. Rec'd another letter from Mariam.

November 8, Sunday — 34/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. White frost serene cloudless. Injun summer but not so warm as yesterday. Glowing afternoon rising rounding moon. Chilly frosty tonite.

We went with HarloweMcLean on a scenic trip and had dinner with Julia & Robert Rhoades in Windham. He took us all for a viewing ride about the hilly Windham area. We took them pumpkins, butternut squash & turnips & other vegetables also 2 doz eggs and 2 lb hamburg. Harlowe provided transportation. The round trip about 75 miles. We started at 11:08 home at around 4:30. Did the chores and called it a day.

November 9, Monday — 32/7 a.m. 40/10 p.m. Heavy white frost. Sky murked over, mountains foggy. Sun broke thru hazily toward noon but the air was chill & damp & cloudy - still evng. Temp got up around 54. This a.m. I wrote letters to Mariam & Julia Rhoades & early p.m. we went down to P.O. Just a chore doing day. We had good 6 o'clock supper – 1st mess of fried green tomatoes. Ollie went to bed. I had a good nap. Rec'd letter Garrett Mott.

November 46/8 a.m. 52/10 p.m. A dark foggy misty rainy day & evng. Moon shone early.

Just a chore routine indoors day. Wrote prompt reply letter a.m. to Mrs Knorph & bro Garrett. Also sorted over bush lima beans on table.

Newspaper clipping 11/11/70

MT PLEASANT CEMETERY

Will be
CLOSED
for internments
from Dec.1, 1970
to
April 1, 1971

Evelyn A. Lang, Sec.

November 11, Wednesday — 55/7:30 a.m. 56/10 p.m.
Rained part of the night. Foggy dismal - misting or down pouring most of day. Surely a wet cycle.
We made a necessary trip in the foggy wet weather to Kingston. Did A&P shopping uptown. Stocked up on Christmas cards & household purchases. Ollie filled a 2 p.m. appointment with Dr Herbert E. Gade. He sees slight improvement in her vision. She can see a few letters on his chart fee paid \$10.00. She paid United Drug bill of \$50.52. Gave Harlowe \$2.00 for gas & was home thru pouring rain by 3:30 p.m. Did early chores. Had creamed catfish with mashed potato & turnip supper. Ollie went to bed. Her next visit to Dr Gade in Feb. date tentative.

The edominatable French Pres, 78 General De Gaule in evidently good health died of heart attack watching television.

November 12, Thursday — 54/7 a.m. 52/10 p.m. The atmosphere cleared in night - near full moon shone brightly. But the morning came with the usual foggy gloom, continuing drizzly rain thru much of the day & evng.

This a.m. I wrote & mailed additional news copy to Saugerties Star. Otherwise just a routine indoor & chore doing day. Around 3:45 p.m. as I was giving Bubbles a pail of water I stumbled and fell headlong striking my left cheek heavily on sloping concrete at base of stanchions. I hit center of forehead at hair line causing continued light bleeding and have a bloody discolored blackened eye & swollen cheek. One of several similar cow watering falls. I'm so clumsy. Ollie cleaned me up. I took a bath & put on dry BVD's. We had our preceding good supper. I kept writing till past 11.

November 13, Friday — 46/7 a.m. 46/10 p.m.

Continued foggy mild stagnated, mostly rainy but not evng.

Despite my yesterdays stable fall in front of stanchions, I rested better than usual & staid right in bed and wrote Star news & letter till early p.m.. Ollie checked the chores. Harlowe McLean came & took mail to P.O. for me and brought Katherine Carr from Herbie Wells. She tidied up my cut forehead & gave me a haircut & helped Ollie. Geo came for her after work. I'm gradually feeling

better & cheek lump softening tho getting more purple & spreading down my face. We had good supper, mashed spuds & creamed cod fish. Ollie went to bed & I wrote air letter to Mariam. Today I mailed them bundle of papers & clippings etc including new pen. Wrote Julia Rhoades. Ex president Charles De Gaule of France buried in -----in town yesterday. President Nixon among 80 heads of state present at memorial service at Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.

November 14, Saturday — 44/7 a.m. 44/10 p.m. Cloudy damp chilly – mountains fogged – still – dark misty evng. Temp all day mid 40's.

I wrote and sent air mail to Mariam & Bob. Rec'd letter from Gaye Vorkink also from Willie and Ann Hughes. A just do chores day. No callers. The electric was out from 4 to 7:30 a.m. A dead leaning birch tree fell over the line across field from barn by the road sluice. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote reply to Willie & Ann Hughes.

November 15, Sunday — 44/7 a.m. 46/9 p.m. A drenching foggy nite & this a.m. Light rain again evng. A dismal chill day & inky black tonite.

Just another passive day - did chore routine p.m.. Wrote in bed all morning. Ollie on couch most of time, tooth ache. My miserable discolored face little changed. I continued my long letter to Bill and Anne Hughes. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. It's been a long dark day for her.

November 16, Monday — 40/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. First snow flurries on Wittenberg's and first flurries around on mtns. Glum this a.m. but developed a trend of general clearing, damp, light wind northerly.

Just another chore doing day. The purple in left cheek now down under chin but not so puffy & sore. Harlowe only caller. Ollie has sore aching teeth. I feel pretty well shook up all over. Deer gun season opened today 7 a.m. about dozen reported taken about the area. We didn't see any hunters but the woods are full. We had a good supper. This is Mary Matgaret McBride's birthday. Special program 10 a.m. on WGHQ. Mayor Koenig of Kingston declared her an honorary citizen. She broadcasts three times weekly from her bedside in Benedictine Hosp. Wrote card to Vernon Beatty a.m.

November 17, Tuesday — 30/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. Moon was full the 13th -- shone all night.

3/16 inch ice on barn tub - chilly air. Sunny a.m. became mostly cloudy.

Ollie & I got a car load wet raked up oak leaves down hill at Mrs Shimers. Back 1 o'clock. Just got home when brothers Fred Ronk and Harold Post, also James Connor a recently retired Viet Nam Air Force veteran. They were deer hunting & staying in a tent at Francis Every's. Was late getting leaves unloaded - - - - - north barn door & doing chores. We had clam soup supper. Ollie went to bed. I had a 3 hour nap.

November 18, Wednesday — 30/7 a.m. 40/10 p.m.

Heavy white frost & near 3/4 in ice on barn tub. Dismal

cloudy weather – chill - damp. Dark drizzly evng.
We got another load of leaves at Mrs Shimers & before
could start back for 3rd Vera Sickler & Genevieve
McLean came for a write up I made this a.m. on the
Maltby Hollow charcoal burning industry operated by
Charles B. Maltby in early 1880's.

November 19, Thursday — 42/7 a.m. 44/10 p.m.
Dripping night & foggy – chill. Except for a break in of
warm sunshine that broke mid day – the weather was
heavily overcast and dismal damp – Black as ink evng.
Other than chores we attended with Harlowe McLean the
Senior Citizen meeting at Ashokan Legion Hall. It was
voted to hold the Christmas Smorgasbord dinner party
at 1 p.m. Friday at Pheasant Inn in Shokan. The affair is
on the Senior Citizen organization. We stopped at
Harlowe's coming back. Had usual good supper. Ollie
went to bed.

November 20, Friday — 44/7 a.m. 46/10 p.m. Dense fog
this morning – later sun broke thru. The murk which
again settled down & more rain developed p.m.
This a.m. I wrote another Saugerties Star news copy. 1
p.m. we went up to Herb Well's and picked up Katherine
Carr. She helped us get a 3rd clean up car load wet oak
leaves at Mrs Shimers. She gave Ollie a hand with odds
& ends. George picked her up after work. They have a
new light blue Falcon Ford 4 door car. We had usual
good supper. Ollie went to bed.

November 21, Saturday — 46/6:30 a.m. 44/11 a.m.

Considerable rain in evng & rather a windy night. The morning gloomy murk gradually gave way to sunshine & was brilliant cloudless & rather mild p.m. & evng.

Olding moon has a gold ----- cut of it's face.

I wrote a.m. letter to Vernon Beatty. Did usual routine & this p.m. pulled the small turnip crop. & put in barn. This evng we were guests at a Thanksgiving turkey dinner at Ledgerock. Gay & Peter Vorkink also Jeanne & Victor Chavez came for us and were back home shortly after 11 p.m. Jeanne announced that she is happily pregnant with target date next June 14th Flag Day. Jeanne & Victor are leaving for permanent residence in Mexico City with truck & household goods to the border where a truck will convey them from there to Mexico.

November 22, Sunday — 44/7 a.m. 36/10 p.m. Dark dismal chilly day & evng. There was feeble splashes of sunshine. Easterly wind & blustery evng with rain.

Just a routine Sunday. This p.m. I topped the crop of remaining turnips part in barn & down cellar 3 3/4 bu. Addie Winchell, lonely called during p.m. We had a delicious ham potpie with boiled onions. Ollie went to bed. I wrote reply to Garret Mott & Lillian.

November 23, Monday — 34/7 a.m. 28/9 p.m.

Continued gloomy overcast chilliest day of season. There developed a gradual clearing during p.m. Starlight evng raw windy.

Another routine day. Had Bubbles out on tethered pasture. Harlowe McLean called p.m. We went over to Larry Shurter's mill to check on sawdust supply. He was

sawing logs & said help yourself. Ollie's teeth continue..
Tonite I talked with granddaughter Jeanne Chavez they are at Ledgerrock & have a hired truck from N.Y. - have it loaded with their household belongings & plan to leave early in the a.m. for the 3000 mile trip to Mexico border where they will undergo inspection of the cargo & transfer to truck coming from Mexico City.

November 24, Tuesday — 26/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. First real weather of the on coming winter with first general snow flurries enuf to show on ground.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean did shopping mostly at A&P \$25.00. Ollie had appt with surgeon dentist Dr Kantor on Lucas Ave, 2 teeth removed \$25. please, paid, be paid after New Years. We got home around 4 or after. It was a cold trip. People on street were stepping double time. Ollie got 2 pr slacks at Penny's \$5.00 pair each plus 6% tax. I got thawed out & we had a good supper. She went to bed.

November 25, Wednesday — 26/11 p.m. Not quite so raw as yesterday but froze up hard. The day was mostly cloudy to all overcast – starlight tonite, not much wind. Just a chore doing routine day. Ollie busy for her Thanksgiving supper. No callers today. I had a nap before 6 p.m. supper & as usual a good one. Ollie went to bed & I had another nap. Got up 11 p.m. & re-kindled fires & wrote diary.

November 26, Thursday — 32/7 a.m. 36/9 p.m. A fairly pleasant Thanksgiving day. Little or no wind. It was

sunny a.n. but gloomy cloudy p.m. & evng.

As for me a do little but chore routine. Ollie worked all day preparing a delicious roast chicken supper with all the usual trimmings. Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons were our guests.

November 27, Friday — 38/7 a.m. 36/ p.m. Mild dismal cloudy still - a clearing trend developed latter p.m. – Starlight evng.

Other than chore routine Ollie & I got a car load of leaves p.m. along the quarry road. We had usual good supper. Ray Kelder called first in months. This a.m. I got out another Star news copy.

November 28, Saturday — 44/7:30 a.m. 44/11 p.m. It was drizzly and rainy showers most of day. Dark still damp evng. One brief break of sunshine a.m. I wrote to Gaye and Peter Vorkink a.m.. We were ready to go for load of leaves but rained. Ed Neuser & John Bi Ellie called p.m. Jim Platt & Margaret came early evng. Harlowe & I went to IOOF Lodge with him. Margaret stayed with Ollie. We were back 10:30. Ten brothers were present. The deputy presented Grand Lodge plaques of achievements both for the lodge and Noble Grand, Ollie Crawford. Refreshments served at close. Deputy Platt given a standing vote of thanks for his work as Deputy.

November 29, Sunday — 36/ 7 a.m. 40/9 p.m. A most dismal damp chill – mountain fogged day & evng. Temp didn't get much in the 40's. Set in rainy evng.

A stay at home day, no callers but one NY deer hunter to ask permission. I had coffee and breakfast in bed & stayed late. I wrote letter of health inquiry to Grayce Ellis. We had good supper - mashed spuds & Thanksgiving leavins. Ollie went to bed. I finished letter to Mariam & Bob. I had a lonesome feeling setting by round stove. Tonite I wrote to Mariam & Bob.

November 30, Monday — 43/7 a.m. 36/11 p.m.

Gloomy murky damp chilling air. Part broke away p.m. Overhead stars shone tonight - still atmosphere a.m.

I made no attempt to get around till near noon. Harlowe McLean called. This p.m. we got up enuf zip to get a second load of wet leaves along quarry road & unload partly under back shed.. We had good supper – partly Thanksgiving remains. Ollie went to bed. I am re-reading with keen interest sent me by Bob Longyear in 1964 a book concerning the war with Spain in 1898. by Charles Johnson. Past, a member of N.Y. 71st Regiment – The Little War of Private Past.

The Ulster County Community College in Stone Ridge re-opened - closed since Nov 18th by teachers strike.

December 1, Tuesday —Last day of deer season. 30/7 a.m. 44/9 p.m. White frost - dismal gloomy as usual with partial cloud breaks p.m. Again dark cloudy evng. Mild but raw atmosphere. Dark still evng.

Just a routine day. Harlowe McLean brat 10 doz medium eggs from Henry Merrihew's @.40 plus \$1.– for gas. This p.m. we got up ego & got load of wet leaves along upper back road & unloaded in barn. We had good usual

supper. Ollie of course went to bed.

December 2, Wednesday — 46/7 a.m. 46/11 p.m. Gusty wind late night. The day developed into the warmest, most pleasant day all fall. Some thin high streaky clouds – soft light wind. The p.m. cloudless & glowing growing new moon settled behind South Hollow. N.Y.C. record warm for date.

This p.m. Ollie & I got another big car load leaves along back road above hill & unloaded in barn. I got a good headache from raking and loading, the leaves were wet. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Julia Rhoades & feeling sleepy took a bath & changed BVD's.

December 3, Thursday— 30/7 a.m. Sunny a.m. followed by gradually thickening p.m. - - -and looking snow followed by a pitch dark chilly rainy evng that started early. (Difficult to read his hand writing)

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean & stopped at the Shokan bank where I deposited checks, then on out to Mirons & Wards. I got 4 gal Mirons port wine 13.91. I bought black and green check wool coat at Wards 8.31 with tax 4%. Then en-route home via Hurley mtn Rd. Shopped at A&P 21.75. Got home after 3:30. Artificial Inseminator Gary Still of Pauling bred Bubbles – Hereford \$7.00 paid. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I read awhile.

A new several story parking garage is opening on the site of the former Montgomery Ward at head of Wall St.

December 4, Friday — 54/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. Rainy during night & rain squalls this a.m. Blustery south wind shifted northerly, colder and mountain snow squalls p.m. clearing with glowing moon near ½ setting back of South mountain. The upstate area is covered with a considerable snow depth.

This a.m. I sat in bed & wrote Star news copy. This p.m. we got Katherine Carr at Herbie Wells. She swept up for Ollie & gave me a hair do. I bought 200 .06 Christmas stamps & 10 cards at P.O. — \$12.50. Jim Stoutenburgh came and installed new automatic switch on celler pump (which appears too work) We had delicious ham potpie supper. Ollie went to bed. I finished second reading in 6 years, personal experience in the Spanish American War of 1898 by sketch - writer Chas Johnson Past.

December 5, Saturday — 24/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. Froze up hard - raw cold - still biting day. Hazy sunshine a.m. with thickening white overcast p.m. sun a blob but shone early evng. Snow squalling tonite & ground showing white.

I got out Freeman news copy a.m. & wrote card to Jim Platt. Harlowe McLean called noontime. This p.m. we got car trunk load old firewood from Ollie's back porch & I put on kitchen porch. Got stuck by toilet path. Buddy Eckert tried to pull car out but had to leave it. Ollie re-started the round stove coal fire.

December 6, Sunday — 26/7 a.m. 26/11 p.m. Ground covered in night by first snow of the season about 1 in. Blustery squally a.m. sun broke thru feebly p.m. - cold

raw weather. Half moon (5th) shining over South mtn tonite.

Town road sanding crews busy in night & this a.m. had number of callers, Harlowe McLean, Jean & Robt Smith, Addie Winchell, "Luckie Ray" carrying hutonadge (?) & bad cough – sure looked rough - 2 weeks beard. Also Buddy Eckert with his truck & Trooper John Schetzel with his jeep, they pulled my stuck car loose & put in garage. Lastly Billy Davis called & took Buddy home. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote letter to Mariam. I am sending Mariam gifts with Jean & Robert who are going to Mexico for Christmas the 21st.

December 7, Mon day — Pearl Harbor day 1941. 20/7 a.m. 16/9 p.m. Cloudless raw and wintry – stinging light wind. High glowing plump moon tonite. Too cold to work out doors other than necessary chore routine. During day & tonite I wrote letters Mariam, Catskill mtn IOOF Lodge, Herbie & Elsie Rexer & Vernon Beatty.

December 8. Tuesday — 16/7 a.m. 18/11 p.m. Dismal raw damp weather. Snowed a good part of the day – dark overcast evng. Just did chore routine and wrote Christmas cards. Snow under an inch.. This evng Bob Burgher took Ollie & I to Masonic Temple in Kingston. (He attended a Bowling Club meeting at the YMCA and later brat us home. I attended annual dinner & election & installation at Kingston Lodge #10 F&AM. Joe Caulfield who I raised 5 years ago was impressively obligated & took charge as

Master. The Sr Warden is Lemuel Boice cousin of Pratt Boice my old schoolmate. Ollie had supper with the supper serving O.E.S.

December 9, Wednesday — 28/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m.
Dismal still - overcast and a sap snowy afternoon. An inch of clinging slippery snow - part broke away evng.
Traffic accidents widespread. Writing & getting cards etc.

December 10, Thursday — 44/8 a.m. 30/7 p.m. Glum this a.m. but gradually cleared away. Sunny & cloudless p.m. & evng. Big high moon shining.
No callers today. Other than card writing a do nothing mild sap time day – did chores & cleaned pig pen a neglected job. No callers today. We had usual good supper. Ollie went right to bed, so much dope makes her sleepy. Tonight I wrote prompt reply to Vernon Beatty.

December 11, Friday — 26/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. Dismal snowy chill a.m. Set in snowing noontime & continued into the night a cold slippery storm.
This p.m. we went with Harlowe to Olive Senior Citizens party & dinner at Pheasant Inn in Shokan. About 45 present, excellent food & gifts were exchanged. The dinner cost @\$4.75 & paid by County senior citizens appropriations. The individual cost was \$2.00 each to cover a dollar gift and a dollar for tip and tax. We were home 3:30. Roads are hazardous & sanding crews town and county & state everywhere on round the clock duty. We wanted no supper, just our each 1 ½

bottles of ale. Received registered Christmas card letter & Christmas check \$110. The \$10 for Ollie & I wrote right back acknowledgment tonite.

December 12, Saturday — 28/7 a.m. 30/11 p.m. A pretty much snowy nite and cloudiness along all day and evng. It's a heavy packy storm almost to the verge of rain. The storm covers the entire state and other areas.

Just a chore doing and in house day. Latter p.m. Buddy Eckert came and plowed our driveway, a surprise favor. Herbie & Elsie Rexer were up. He also called and wanted us to come over, which we did. Had a good rather late supper. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap, a dark day for her.

December 13, Sunday — 28/7 a.m. 32/11 p.m. Another gloomy dark day – chilling damp. A light drizzle formed a crust. A light flutty of snow flakes fell latter p.m.

A stay in house day, didn't get out to do chores till dusk after 4 p.m. Had noontime call by Tom Giaclone & son Johnny 7 ½. Then early p.m. Jim Burgraff came, first in a long time. Ollie & I had usual good supper, she went to bed. I had a long nap & got around again 10:30 & wrote diary

December 14, Monday — 26/7 a.m. 24/10 p.m. Bright sunshine generally with some high cloudiness. Big (was full 12th) glowing moon rose 6 o'clock directly over Ohayo Mountain.

No outside work only chores. I wrote cards & sent \$3.00 check to Ellen Wilfris. Buddy Eckert called early p.m.

Harlowe McLean called a.m. We had usually good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap. Wrote air letter to Mariam & Bob.

December 15, Tuesday — 24/7 a.m. 12/11 p.m.

Threatening snow failed to fall this a.m. and gradually later became brilliant cloudless and dead calm. Crispy winter air – coldest night.

Christmas cards & letter from Frank Dumond poured in this a.m.. I wrote till early p.m. before belatedly doing chores. Ollie did a big job defrosting refrigerator. Late p.m. I started writing Saugerties Star news copy. We had baked spuds & frozen cod fish supper with cut up peaches. Ollie went to bed. I continued writing. Harlowe McLean called & brat 4 lbs hamburger 2.00 paid. Sent card & \$3.00 check to Ellen Wilfris.. Ollie defrosted the refrigerator.

December 16, Wednesday – 16/7 a.m. 26/ 9 p.m.

Overcast and getting milder. But a gloomy snow brewing still day. Set in snowing tonight.

A housebound day. Rec'd a deluge of cards. I got out Star news copy & kept busy writing most of the day.

Rec'd letter Ellen Wilfis. Heavy snow is forecast widespread. We had usual good supper delicious ham potpie. Ollie went to bed. I had a long nap.

December 17, Thursday — 34/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. A

heavy over night snow changed to freezing mixture rain this morning. We have near a foot of new snow.

Kingston got over a foot 15 in everything is paralyzed

everywhere. Schools closing widespread. Continued snowing most of day. We got anyway 14 inches. Charley Reiner, Bishops caretaker blowed open the driveway this a.m. Roads open & Katherine Carr came 8:30. We cleaned kitchen stove pipes & burnt out chimney, a big dirty job. She cleaned up for Ollie & gave us a hand at needed jobs - \$6.00 paid. It made me wallow to feed pigger. I kept at the card writing – got another deluge. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed & I wrote till 11 O'clock.

December 18, Friday — 32/7:30 a.m. 28/9 p.m. Bright sunshine – part cloudy breezy – overcast evng. Pleasant early winter.

I spent most of the day writing cards. Did chore routine. Ollie invited Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons for supper and they enjoyed it. Schools re-opened & life generally returned to normal. Kingston emergency lifted at noon.

December 19. Saturday — 24/7 a.m. 42/9 p.m. Blustery High Point wind shifting nor-westerly evng. Part cloudiness with bright intermingled sunshine, overcast p.m. & evng.

A moderate pre-Christmas thaw, snow settled considerably & water ran off porch roof. Other than doing chores I spent most of the day writing cards. Buddy Eckert came 5 o'clock & ploughed out in front of garage. I gave him \$5.00 Harlowe McLean got ploughed out by Leon Faulkner. We got another batch of cards. We had 8:30 supper. Ollie went to bed. I took a bath & underwear change. Water stands on roads tonite.

December 20, Sunday— 30/7 a.m. 30/10 p.m. A bright sunny windy March like day, some high clouds. Water in roads & pools froze up last night. Snow continued settling. Overcast tonite & wind pretty much quieted - chilly damp air.

I spent a good part of the day & evng writing cards & letters. Did usual chores in p.m. Harlowe McLean came twice & last time brat door high cedar tree & it sits in corner in pail wet sand. We had good supper, roast venison mashed spuds, onion gravy, green beans & delicious baked Rome Beauty apples savored with honey.

December 21, Monday — 34/8 a.m. 22/10 p.m. Cloudy still chill dismal. Thickened overcast & more snow forecast - stinging damp cold tonite.

I spent much of the day writing cards & letters. Did chores late p.m. I or rather Harlowe McLean came during a.m. & decorated the Christmas tree. It's so symmetrical & pretty lighted. We had usual good supper, kraut, taters & freezer pork. Ollie went to bed & I continued writing.

December 22, Tuesday — 14/7 a.m. 26/9 p.m. A cold snow storm set in 7:30 a.m. & continued most of day changed briefly to freezing rain 3 ½ inch, a raw damp air. Dark damp evng but didn't storm. Temp only got up to 26.

Another day of continued writing letters & cards. We did chores 4 p.m. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed & I kept writing. Tomorrow forecast rain? We got 13 cards.

December 23, Wednesday — 26/11 p.m. Raw damp dismal weather. Snowed about an inch this p.m. Dark cold still evng.

I spent most of the day as usual writing cards. Got more cards. Harlowe McLean brat a plump 7 ½ lb Christmas turkey. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Vernon Beatty.

December 24, Thursday — 24/7 a.m. 24/tonite. We got another about 3 ½ inches snow late tonite & this a.m.

Turned part cloudy, bright sunshine, blustery & snow drifting – quieted cloudy tonight.

Wrote more cards. This evening Mr & Mrs Carl Fitchner Jr & daughter Va- - Nersa came & ploughed part way to house & shoveled path to porch. We had good supper & finally got to bed around 10:30.

December 25, Friday — 24/7 a.m. 24/8 p.m. Didn't get above 28 all day. A most drab dismal chilly damp day & evng but didn't storm.

Another house bound day. Just out 3:30 and did chores. Geo & Katherine and her mother called latter a.m. & brat pumpkin pie & bottle wine. Ollie kept busy preparing turkey supper for Harlowe. Had all the Christmas fixins. He came around 5 o'clock & we had supper by six. He gave Ollie \$5.00 & me a new Schick razor outfit. We gave him \$2.00 He enjoyed the supper which was delicious. Belle Wood sent a pumpkin pie with him & doze bare footed cruelers. I'm tired tonite doing nothing. I wrote more cards & tonite letter to Julia Rhoades.

December 26, Saturday — 8/7 a.m. 26/8 p.m. Coldest night – mostly cloudy - cold & somewhat blustery & snow blowing. Temp up at 32 p.m.

Another do nothing day but 4 p.m. chores & Ollie helped. It was another mail holiday & scarcely realized it, till mail didn't come & called P.O. Since missed it - after taking a batch out to box. We had usual good supper. Ollie went right to bed. I did some writing. 55 years this a.m. the worst wind I ever saw – several old frame barns blew down, hundreds of trees uprooted, buildings part or nearly unroofed. The full reservoir west basin was a wild raging sea.

December 27, Sunday — 22/7 a.m. 24/10 p.m. About like yesterday variable cloudiness – wind moderate, mostly cloudy tonight.

I spent a considerable part of the day writing. We did chores about 3 p.m. cleaned pig stable, quite a job. We had goulash supper with mashed potatoes & sucatash & pumpkin pie. Ollie went to bed & I had a nap, wrote awhile. I wrote Julia Rhoades, Mrs Knorph. Garret & also air letter to Mariam.

December 28, Monday — 22/7 a.m. 22/9 p.m. Mostly cloudy a bit squally. Became colder & blustery - cloudy tonite.

Another same as usual day. Mail delivery resumed today. I did some writing, got in wood – Ollie helped with p.m. chores. My back is unusually catchy today. We had good supper. Ollie as usual went to bed. I sat in chair trying to ease up my back. Rec'd Christmas card from

Ellen Herrington with a most surprising check of \$10. I wrote card reply & thanked her deeply. I forgot a card for her birthday on Christmas. Tonite I noted the card said from Kay & girls. Wrote Vernon Beatty tonite.

December 29, Tuesday — 20/7 a.m. 22/9 p.m. Blustery night – raw bright sunny day – scattered clouds became overcast evng - wind south.

Another stay in house mostly - do little day. Rec'd 3 more Christmas cards. Mail came early & missed. Harlowe McLean called & took mail to P.O. & got me 5 gal kerosene at garage \$1.25 Paid. Tonite I wrote copy for Saugerties Star. We had good supper – Ollie went to bed. My back is miserable

December 30, Wednesday — 18/7 a.m. 18/10 p.m. The crests of the Wittenberg's are glowing in the morning sun. brilliant clear day & evng. Rim of new moon dipped early back of South Hollow.

Another do little day – did some writing & chores tonite. Return letter to Bertha Merrill. Glowing winter everywhere. Reservoir water deepest blue in sunlight. Passing of the year finds the reservoir country & everywhere deeply snow covered. Week end skiing slopes good to excellent also snow mobiling.

December 31, Thursday — 1st reservoir partly froze over. 12/7 a.m. 20/8 p.m. Brilliant calm wintry new moon dim & became overcast evng. Heavy snow warnings are forecast for tonite after 12 p.m.

Another do little day but usual chores. Rec'd 3 more

cards. Herbie & Elsie Rexer and Otto & Mina Guenther arrived after 4 p.m. & had to shovel out at entrance. I wrote Freeman news copy. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I am visibly reminded that my adorable Little Honey Girl Lillian Ellen Davis 4 years 2 months old became fatally ill with appendicitis 40 years ago last night. The stock market year closes with a recent firm trend today volume 16,400 shares.

The following entries for January 1-4, 1971 are at the end of the 1970 diary:

Jan 1 — 1971

24/8 p.m.

Ollie & I arose from nap & saw the old out & the new 71 in with a christening of blackberry wine from my 80th birthday. A heavy belatedly forecast snow storm set in at day break & continued till early p.m. 5– 6 in. The sun tried to break thru but continued overcast.

Just another routine day - just chores. Caretaker Chas Reinhard blowed out the drive. After chores Ollie & I went over to Rexer's awhile. During our absence some one was here & left a package of fruit cake & bottle of home made grape wine. Phoned around but who is a question. We had usual good supper baked freezer ham, potatoes, & kraut. Ollie went to bed. We learned later this p.m. visitor was Glen Marlatt.

January 2, 1971— 26/ 10 p.m. The reservoir is frozen over with snow & ice – clear sunny a.m. with increasing overcast p.m. Cloudy evng – calm.

Did daily routine. This p.m. we had a call by Mr & Mrs

James Platt, wanted to come & get me tonite to attend IOOF Lodge. We went over to Rexer's awhile later. He was stuck in drive with car. Ed Hearn with Jeep & plow & Joe Caulfield pulled car out. We had late supper. At dark 3 young folks were stuck in snow out along woods, came for shovels. Also Dannie Lane & Ray Kelder came with load odds & ends hard wood & dumped by barn. 39 years tonite our Little Honey Girl Lillian following ruptured appendix operation early p.m. died at Kingston Hosp in children's ward at 11:20.

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January 3rd, Sunday — 30/7 a.m. 24/10 p.m.

Magnificent pleasant temperature - cloudless day & evng. Brilliant ½ moon.

39 years ago today 1 p.m. Cornelia was operated on by Dr Chandler & Dr Bibby for acute appendicitis at Kingston Hosp. Snow settled somewhat. Rexer's went home this a.m. This p.m. I carried in house & on porch a supply of the short odds & ends of yesterday's delivered wood. It makes good heat. Harlowe McLean & Orrie Lyons had a New Years supper with us.

January 4th, Monday — 26/7 a.m. 35/10 p.m. Clouded over during night & set in snowing this a.m. but changed to freezing rain & continued gloomy.

Wrote Julia Rhoades letter & Vernon Beatty card a.m. Worked on income tax p.m. We had good roast chicken supper. Ollie went to bed. I had a nap till 10 p.m. Missed news commentators 9 p.m. interview with Pres

Nixon. Slippery tonite & everything icy.

Newspaper clipping

Anna S. Depuy

Anna S. Depuy, 77, of Kerhonkson, died at the Benedictine Hospital Friday. She was born in Groville on June 1, 1892, daughter of Melvin and Augusta Ruth Hitt. She was married at Accord on June 1, 1931 to the late John Depuy. Surviving are three sons, Harry Bullock of Mithodian, Ill; Richard Bullock of Ellenville and Fred Simpson of Kerhonkson; a daughter, Mrs Jerry (Augusta) Quick of Kerhonkson; five grandsons and four grand-daughters; and four great grand children; a brother Fred Hitt of Bloomville; a sister Mrs Mae Barnes of Oneonta; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at Loucks Funeral Home, 79 North Main St, Ellenville on Monday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Paul Babich officiating. Burial will be in Hurleyville Cemetery, Hurleyville. Friends may call at the funeral home today from 7 to 9 p.m. and Sunday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

THE DIARY OF ELWYN DAVIS 1972

January 1, Saturday --- 24/7 am 32/11 pm The year end weather was cold and mostly cloudy. Moon barely showed tonight – some pm sunshine.

This pm Mariam & Bob Longyear, Gaye Vorkink, Jeannie & Victor Chavez & chick baby 6 ½ mo old Victor 3rd called 2:30 pm. Various pictures were taken of the group & decorated & lighted Christmas tree, hanging

cards etc also outdoor pictures of baby Victor 3rd sitting on his great great grandfather's Chase West Davis hand sled. After they returned to Ledgerrock. Ollie & I went with Harlowe McLean to Mrs Anne Tennant & sister Mrs - - - - adjourning home open house party on Samsonville Mountain Rd. On his way home Harlowe let us off at Ledgerrock where we stayed the evening & had supper. Bob Longyear & Bob Smith brought us home about 10:30. As a salute to the New Year I loaded and fired off my old flint lock rifle on kitchen porch. This day 40 years ago there was a thick 4 in snow as I spread load manure behind barn. Golden & Leah Van Benschoten had dinner with us. Darling Lillian Little Honey continued sick but I failed to realize the fatal illness. We tried to contact Dr Dummond who was sick & Dr John C. Gross of Phoenicia who was away in NYC.

January 2, Sunday — 30/8 am. pm up to 44 degrees 42/9 pm. Snowing heavily typical transition weather about 3 in of soft snow fell till 10 am – stopped turned to rain – south wind developed pm & cleared the murky fog & tonight blustery & clearing & moon shone.

In similar snowy slushy rainy weather 40 years ago this am Daisy & I drove to Phoenicia with our darling Little Honey Girl Lillian after a restless moaning night(while I downstairs ----- events of the past year) to Dr Quinns office. He advised getting her at once to hosp. We returned home briefly then continued the slushy trip to office of child specialist Dr Henry Bibby. He gave her a hasty exam no doubt a ruptured appendix &

accompanied us to Kingston Hospital. We were held up by an ----- West Shore freight. Lillian was rushed to operating room & then placed in childrens ward where she continued to fade away & died in at 11:20 pm. I foned H Lee Breithaupt in Phoenicia. He came with assistant. He held her on his lap coming home, driving behind Daisy & I on route 28A arriving home 3 am. Lillian was laid out on couch in bay window. Mother and Aunt Cornelia were frantic with grief. When poor pa came down & asked where sister Baby & Daisy were I had to hold him up when he saw her. He was so overcome with grief it was the saddest time of my life.

January 3, Monday — 30/7 am 26/10 pm Became pleasantly mild – part cloudy day & evng. Quite sunny pm calm, cleared evng & Dec 31st full moon shining. This date 1932 Cornelia came down stairs doubled up with pain. I sensed the seriousness called Dr Bibby. Daisy & I took her to Kingston Hospital & Dr Chandler removed her appendix noontime. She was placed in the childrens ward & Daisy & I remained the night with her. She continued to gain, appendix inflamed but not ruptured. In 1922 Mariam then 8 had her appendix removed at Benedictine Hosp by Dr Bell & Dr John O’Leary.

This pm I finished splitting the ash wood & piled on porch & filled oven & on top of stove. We had a delicious supper boiled taters & salt pork & boiled vegetable supper. Buddy Eckert called later pm. Ollie & I went to bed. Rec belated card from Duke & Ruth Ecker Rec Dec Social Security \$42.40 – Ollie \$56.40.

January 4, Tuesday — 36/8 am 36/8 pm. Cloudy still threatening all day & evng. Damp air temp stationary. Another do nothing day but chores. Neighbor Wm Davis called pm & later trooper Edgar A. Zeboris of Hurley barracks. Ollie & I had usual good supper. She went to bed. The new Democratic Olive town board held it organizational meeting tonite in West Shokan town hall. Supervisor James H. Glemming Dem, Mrs Nancy Risely Justice Dem, Vincent Barringer Justice Dem (hold over) Everett Cook councilman Rep - re-elected by 170, Herbert Wells councilman Rep hold over, Town Clerk Oliver Crawford Rep re-elected by 348, Margaret Kunkle Collector Dem Re-elected by 575. May Steen Recording Clerk.

January 5, Wednesday — 32/8 am 14/8 pm. Snowing this am. Sun broke thru gradually & cleared pm. Sharply colder – calm stars shone evng. Declining moonlite on the snow.

Many schools closed due to slippery roads including Onteora & Kingston. Road sanders operating. A stay in doors day other than chores. 40 years ago this pm 2 o'clock our Darling Little Honey Girls funeral was held in our parlor room. Rev. C.F. Adrens, local Baptist pastor living in Walden who loved her gave a heart feeling ovation. She was laid to rest most tenderly in the North West corner of our family plot in Tongore Cemetery.

Harlowe McLean called pm. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Abel (Bus) Every 69 died in Kingston Hosp this am – bone cancer.

January 6, Thursday — 3/7 am. 16/10 pm. Reservoir frozen over & whitened with yesterdays snow. Clear & first zeroing night. Still developing mackeral sky pm. Overcast evng with slow moderating 18/7 pm. Just a chore doing day. Snow glistened in the sunlight. Ollie had an uncomfortable night, considerable coughing & sore chest. Yesterday pm she strangled taking aspirin. We had usual good supper. She went to bed. We missed the annual Senior Citizens meeting pm in Ashokan Legion Hall. Harlowe McLean took up hill neighbors Wm & Edith Davis. Harlowe replaced for Pres nom by Edward Gills of Shokan. Mrs Annette Bennett for Vice pres by Wm Volmer. Miss Ann Wagner replaced for Sec by Mrs Edith Boyles & Mrs Ruth Davis replaced by Hope Miller for Treas. Refreshments served & birthdays honored & reel pictures shown.

January 7, Friday — 10/7 am. 36/9 pm. Variably overcast – light snow flurries am. Stars dim tonight & blustery Nor West. Somewhat moderated from yesterday.. Harlowe went to Kingston am & shopped A&P for us \$6.88. Neighbor Wm Davis on the hill called pm & brat Ollie a white frosted layer cake. She rested better last night but chest sore from coughing – quite active today After usual good supper she went to bed. Rec letter Julia Rhoades & wrote her card also a birthday card to Mary Crispell for Jan 9th.

January 8, Saturday — 18/7 am. 14/9 pm. Windy nite & had a snow flurry. The reservoir ice swept clean of snow

& a deep blue in the sunshine. Snow enuf fell in night to cause drifting. The day calmed after a rough night. Brilliant cloudless.

Just a routine chore day. Ollies chest cold hasn't proved serious. Harlowe McLean called briefly pm. & brat Margaretville paper & Grit. This neighbor Wm Davis's 68th bierthday. This pm I fired my antique flint lock rifle in salute. Ollie talked to Jeanne Smith at Ledgerrock. Victor Chavez returned to Mexico Tuesday & Jeanne & baby Victor today from Austin.

27 years this am after doing barn chores Daisy walked out from Mother & I in 8inch snow & all the baggage she could carry. After a good supper Ollie went to bed. I had 45 min exercise house walk. Later wrote letter Clifford Graves. Funeral 2 pm at Lashers for Abel (Bus) Every Jr. Burial in Bushkill Cemetery.

January 9, Sunday — 34/7 am. 44/9 pm. Strong gusty southerly wind & cloudiness developed in late night and continued bringing sharp rise in temperature from 10 degrees 2 am to 34/ 7 am. Blustery warm day & evng & temp slow to rise only up to 42 – gloomy weather.

A do nothing day but routine chores. Harlowe called am. I finished letter to Clifford Graves. We had delicious turkey soup supper. Ollie went to bed. She continues wearing out her chest cold by degrees. Rec. Jan 5th letter from Mariam. Wrote air card tonite.

January 10, Monday — 36/7 am. 38/9 pm. Froze up & snow & drive a slippery glare– after am clearing. Bright serene – cloudless day – wind has calmed. The reservoir

ice is a silvery glare overcast evng.

A do little day, only chores. Mid day Ollie & I took the first walk in weeks up to the corner. Hill slippery.

Harlowe drove in during our brief absence. A joint IOOF installation of the remaining 6 other ----- Lodge held this evening at the William H Raymond #59 lodge in Saugerties. In charge of 4th term District Deputy James Platt & staff of Phoenicia #154.

65 years ago tonite Fred & Lottie Bishops wedding reception & were married Jan 3rd in Prsttsville.

January 11, Tuesday — 40/7 am. 40/9 pm. Foggy & drizzily – later sun tried to peek thru the murk – Otherwise the day was mostly cloudy & mild. Dark misty evng.

Another do nothing but chores day. I noted this pm. that the upper part of the reservoir became open water after last Tuesdays freeze over. Belle Wood called pm. & brought me a dozen barefoot crullers. We had a delicious baked spud supper. Sent letter to Mr & Mrs Clifford Graves & card to Vernon Beatty. Rec'd letter Vernon Haskins. Ollie went to bed & I had hour house walk.

January 12, Wednesday — 36/7 am. 36/9 pm. Flurry of fresh snow in night – Roads icy – mild – spring like - still variable overcast. Cleared evng. The reservoir ice is broken up in floating fields.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean. Did Wall St errands & shopped at A&P \$22.. Went both ways Hurley Mtn route. Home by 3:30. Jim McVilly had called. We had good beans, boiled taters & pork hock

supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour house walk.

January 13, Thursday — 40/7 am. 57/9 pm. Genuine January thaw with some sunshine but generally cloudy. Gusting south westerly wind evng & rain squally and ground bare tonight.

Kate Carr came today cleaned the floors & helped generally. Gave me a hair cut trim. George came for her after work. Just an odd job day for me. Harlowe McLean called pm. We had good variety supper. Ollie feeling better & went to bed. I had 3/4 hour house walk. Rec'd blue check flannel shirt from Gaye. A Christmas exchange to size larger. Rec'd card Lottie Stacknawitz. Neighbor Fred Tisch had severe stroke Thurs taken by ambulance to Hosp.

January 14, Friday – 30/7 am. 20/10 pm. Reservoir cleared of ice. Still raw snowy air. High thin lacy overcast & sunshine clear starlight evng & much colder – roads icy.

Just a routine chore doing day. Snow gone everywhere in exposed areas. Only a trace to be seen across the valley on Tysteneck. Have icy drips & roof slides, snow remains in woods & on High Point. Neighbor Wm Davis called pm. We had good supper – Ollie went to bed. I wrote Mrs Currier. Today sent calander to Lottie Stacknawitz & pkg clippings & letter to Gaye Vorkink also desk calander. I also sent calander & almanac & letter enclosed to Ann & Bill Hughes in Toms River N.J.

January 15, Saturday — 24/7 am. 10/10 pm. Stingy

cold cloudy – sun broke thru finally – snow most of pm.
about 2 inches blowy snow clear wintry tonite.

Temperature didn't get above mid twenties.

Just a chore doing day. Buddy Eckert and Marty Warnes came during pm and had supper with us. He had his new recorder & taped an interview of my stories & recollections. We had a hot boiled vegetable supper with hot dogs. They left 9:30 Ollie was late getting to bed. I checked bathroom fixed fires & to bed at 10:15.

January 16, Sunday — 2/7 am. 4/9 pm. Stinging winter weather - cloudless day & evng. Icy light northerly wind.

We hosted a beef butchering bee by the Carr brothers Douglas, Paul, & Garry. The husky year & 3 months old white faced heifer fat as mud dressed 328 pounds. Also present for dinner was Geo & Kate Carr, his mother Anna, Douglas' wife & children Hope & baby also Mildred Pauls wife. Geo & Kate took a front quarter. Ollie & I had beef liver & mashed potato & beans & cabbage salad. She went to bed I had a 2 hour exercise house walk. Harlowe called this am.

January 17, Monday — 34/7 am. 26/10 pm. Cloudy this morning – clearing bright sunny day – much moderated – wind south east - starlight evng & colder. Just a routine chore day. Irving Krom & son Irving Jr came this am from Cottekill & took 80 pound hind quarter beef @ .58 paid \$ 48.40 Harlowe also called after. We had super delicious tender roast beef brisket for supper with mashed spuds & bean salad. Ollie went to

bed. I wrote belated birthday card letter to Mrs Ron (Sis - ---) Garrey in Maple Crest. I had an hour after supper walk.

January 18, Tuesday — 24/7 am. 40/10 pm. Partly cloudy became mild – starlight evng moderating from 26 – south wind started.

Just a routine day. Harlowe called pm. We had good tender beef & mashed potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I started working on income tax receipts.

January 19, Wednesday — 50/7 am. 28/10 pm. Rained some in night. Another January thaw open snow gone again & reservoir again open water. Gradually sunnied up bright with wind shifted nor- westerly & colder. Cloudless evng with growing crescent moon setting behind crest of South Mountain.

Another routine day, cleaned pig pen. 2 pm we went with Harlowe & Orrie Lyons to Onteora School & voted NO on County 7 ½ million Vocational school project at Bloomington. We had delicious fried pork supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote to Mariam with clippings enclosed. Rec'd letter Lottie Stacknawitz. The school project heavily beaten at all polls in county 14085 — 10,828 against only 3,162 in favor. 78 void – 17 blank yes or no ballots. Onteora District 1542 no – 410 yes.

January 20, Thursday — 26/7 am. 38/9 pm. Clouded up this am at daylight set in an hour snow storm before noon. Later started up again mid pm. & became a young blizzard that petered out early evng & wind calmed

somewhat.

Another house bound day. Due to the bad weather the 1 pm Senior Citizens meeting was called off. We were ready to go & waiting for Harlowe – neighbor up the hill Davis called early & brat Ollie some delicious cake intended for the Jan birthdays. We had delicious roasted down beef and mashed potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote long letter to Vernon Beatty. Rec'd Christmas card from Irma ----- in Tartzheim Germany. Sanding trucks working tonight.

This date 1872 the then Rondout & Oswego R.R. later the Ulster & Delaware R.R. reached Roxbury. That year in August was extended to Grand Gorge.

January 21, Friday — 38/7 am. 18/10 pm. Overcast this am otherwise bright sunny day. Scattered clouds – calm – cloudless evng. No ice in sight on west basin other than Shokan & Van Steenburgh coves.

Kate Carr came and cleaned floors & this pm we did a big job cutting up & packaging the front & hind quarters of beef for freezing. Ollie & I had usual good supper. She went to bed. I had a nap till 10 o'clock. Then talked with Harlowe Mclean. He and Ray Cruthers had been to Humistons Parlors in Kerhonkson attending World War I veteran Frederick Scherenberks Legion service – 6 WW I vets & 2 or 3 others present.

January 22, Saturday – 30/7 am. 36/11 pm. Dismal mountains fog draped – dismal gloomy still damp chilling day & evng dark & drizzly.

Rec'd good letter from Elsie Davis in Zephyrville Fla.

This pm we had our only caller trooper John Schetzel. Later by invitation we went up the hill and called on Wm & Edith Davis. We had delicious nutritious hot soup supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote reply to Reg & Elsie Davis.

January 23, Sunday — 36/7 am. 36/9 pm. Thick fog this am but sunnied up before noon. 50 degrees and spring weather – 1/3 moon shining among fleecy clouds. Harlowe brat papers this am. Just a chore routine day. George and Kate Carr and his mother also Harlowe McLean came for a supper – delicious boiled ham supper with boiled celery, potatoes, bean salad, chocolate pudding with sliced tomatoes and coffee. Ollie worked all day preparing. They left early. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour indoor walk. Finished letter with pkg of clippings to Reg & Elsie. This is my 82nd birthday.

January 24, Monday — 36/6 am. 33/9 pm. We have a 2inch re-coating of snow in the night. Sanding trucks operating. Partially hazily overcast – still – mild but chilling air. High bulging moon shone thru thin haze then clouded up.

This pm we went to Woodstock and paid respects to Millard Bell 66. A native of Bushkill section. Retired head custodian at Onteora School. His father Oscar Crispell who died circa 1931 or 1933 with an accident, laid our sturdy stone cellar steps in fall of 1909. Shortly before he was called to the laborer employ of NYC. We shopped at A&P store \$14.45. On way back we stopped at Dr Irving L. Hunt, Ashokan dentist. He now does only

mechanical work as making dentures & would not pull my loose pesky front tooth. Buddy Eckert called noontime. We had good liver supper. Ollie went to bed. I walked an hour. Rec'd letter Ellen Wilfris thanking for my \$3.00 Christmas check.

January 25, Tuesday — 42/6 am. 24/10 pm. Raining this am later broke away southerly wind shifted nor-westerly. Boisterous like March – turned much colder. Part cloudy pm & evng.

Did chore routine – more comfortable indoors. I worked on income tax pm & evng. Wrote cards to Gaye Vorkink, Vernon Haskins. We had delicious spare ribs & dressing supper. Ollie wen to bed. Pres Richard Nixon addressed the nation at 8:30 pm regarding winding down the Viet Nam war & release of US prisoners. This am between 10:30 & 11 o'clock a sweeping gust of south wind toppled over & smashed a new recently set 60 ft trailer that stood clockwise with High Point road at foot of Schoolhouse Hill. The refrigerator & freezer etc was later removed by truck. Not occupied.

January 26, Wednesday — 14/7 am 18/9 pm. A wild March like night. Sunny cold with gradually quieting nor-westerly wind. Scattered wind driven clouds – calm & clear evng.

I worked on income tax. Harlowe McLean came early pm. & we went with him & called on IOOF bro George & Tillie Burgher also stopped to see the new large yesterday wind damaged on lower side across from Ed Newsers. It was awaiting placement on concrete

foundation. The wind swept reservoir must have broken up the lower ice field & piled it against the dykes. Mr & Mrs Harold Bush of Stone Ridge noontime delivered 2400 chestnut coal @ \$32.50 +5% tax. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 ½ hour walk.

January 27, Thursday — 16/7:30 am. 24/9:30 pm.
Cold snowy wind light & temp only up to mid 20's.
Sunny and few clouds. Getting overcast & near full moon dimmed out at 10 o'clock.

Just another routine day. Kate Carr visited pm. George brat her & came after work. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 ½ hour floor walk. Addie foned evng. Tuesday 25th between or about 7:30 pm – first in history riot started in Kingston jail. At 7:30 curfew to return to cells – inmates set up a bedlum & broke 144 windows throwing cakes of soap & breaking electric light bulbs, set fire to several mattresses. Overcrowding 93 prisoners a major cause. Also supplies of drugs, marajuna etc was cut off in the am. by discovery of a crack under a window. They gave sheriff Bill Martin a long list of demands by spokesman interviewed. The sheriffs staff contained the riot.

January 28, Friday — 22/8 am. 18/9 pm. About 2 inches of snow fell in the night. Cold gloomy – sun broke thru mid am. Partly cloudy still pm & evng. Moon nearing full – windy.

Another routine day. Worked on income tax. We tried out 16 lbs beef tallow pm. We had good ham hash & lima bean supper. Ollie went to bed. The reservoir is

again well frozen over.

January 29, Saturday — 12/7 am. 20/10 pm.

Generally sunny still with variable overcast. Thin mackerel sky tonite & high semi glowing moon near full. Another routine day. Crispy but pleasant in sun. Harlowe brat Grit & the Margaretville News. Late pm. Buddy Eckert came & brat steel scalding barrel for pig buttering. We had delicious beef & vegetable soup supper. Ollie went to bed early. I did up desk calender & almanac with letter to old school mate Rachel Warden Jones.

January 30, Sunday — 18/8 am. 24/9 pm. After night cloudiness – sunnied up – still. Sky and countryside looks warmer (haze of spring) Gorgeous 6 pm. rising full moon over Kingston way. Hazed a bit by fleecy clouds. Could hunt rabbits so bright on snow.

Just a home routine day. Set in bed till noon tuned to sermon on WGHQ & wrote reply to Norah Herrington rec'd yesterday. Enclosing with this issue Saugerties Post & clippings. Also writing Vernon Beatty tonite & sending Margaretville News. We had good liver, fried onions, mashed spud supper. Ollie went to bed.

January 31, Monday — 14/6 am. 12/10 pm. Sunny still & scattered clouds. Gorgeous cloudless evng. The big full moon rose at 6:45 over Kingston way blood red & reflected a broad red gleam across the reservoir ice field. Gradually as it rose higher orbiting south its face was glowing gold. Truly the work of the Master hand

I set in bed & wrote Star News copy till 1 o'clock. Rec'd correspondence check \$10.93. Harlowe came pm & took my missed mail to P.O. Did chore routine. Had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 hr walk & wrote letter Julia Rhoades.

February 1, Tuesday — 10/7 am. 24/11 pm. Sunned up early – sunny day & limited cloudiness but was overcast still evng. Rising moon blacked out. Later just a dim blur.

We made a pleasant trip to Kingston with Harlowe McLean, went out to Miron's near Wards & I stocked up for my birthday case 4 gal tawny port \$14.06 – 2 qts Miron 80% whisky @4.25 =8.50 tax \$1.14 total 24.00 Paid. A&P super market 24.50 We went both ways by Hurley Mtn Route & home 3:10 pm. Did chores & had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour house walk. One of the town pickup trucks brat & put on porch this am load oak firewood from along back road where crew is cleaning up along service line. Thanks to Supt Highways Marsh Maier.

February 2, Wednesday — 24/7 am. 18/11 pm. No Woodchuck Shadow. Gloomy raw chilly air still. Lazy snow flurries all pm & evng.

Town pickup truck brat 2 more loads rock & oak stove wood this pm. Piled along end of barn & heap under wood shed. There is fully 2 cords and is much appreciated. Harlowe brat us 8 doz small eggs 2.00 paid from Henry Merrihew & 5 doz large for Buddy Eckert @.50 doz. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed.

I had hour house walk & sending Saugerties Post & other literature & letter to Gaye Vorkink.

February 3, Thursday — 26/8 am. 32/9 pm. Gloomy messy slippery light snow mixed throughout day – fell heavily tonite till around 8:45 turned rainy.

A routine choring day. We went with retiring Senior Citizen president Harlowe Mclean to Ashokan Hall meeting. Ed Gills installed president , - ---- — vice president Vollmer Treas & Hope Miller Secy, myself Chaplain. Installation in charge of Olive new Supervisor James M. Glemming. Who spoke appropriately on the town welfare program. By request I paid tribute to 2 newly deceased members. Mrs Kate Clemens & Mr La Marca. In tribute I read a poem The Bridge Builder & led in The Lord's Prayer Refreshments & Bingo followed. We were home 2:30. Soon after trucks & town sanders out this am & evng the roads scraped.

February 4, Friday — 36/6 am. 20/9 pm. A wild night and crust froze. Hailed & squalled during day. Not fit to be out doors. Periods of sunshine – a typical March like blizzardly storm. Became much colder latter pm. Supt of Highways Marsh Maier out all night. Town equipment was round the clock night & day. I didn't get around till 1:30 pm. Sat back to pillows in bed writing. No callers today. We had delicious venison and mashed spud supper, compliments of trooper John Schetzel. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Rec'd interesting letter & paper from Zethyn Hills many pictures of recent

parade festival. Rec'd letter Mrs Fred Cronk, wrote card reply also to Elsie Davis.

February 5, Saturday — 16/7 am. 10/10 pm. A howling and continued all day, quieted after morning mountain squalls. The day was bright & sunny with scattered clouds. Real wintry weather. For the first High Point glistened ice clad in the sun light – cloudless brilliant star light evng & wind calmed.

Other than chore routine a stay in house out of the cold & windy day. Harlowe McLean called pm & brat Grit & Margaretville paper. We had delicious filling pea soup supper. Ollie went to bed. I had a 2 hour walk. Sent desk calendar 2 almanacs & letter to Mrs Fred Ronk. A fellowship supper at the church. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades & Mae Steen with 3.50 check for Saugerties Post Star sub.

February 6, Sunday — 24/7 am. 23/9 pm. Old lop sided moon shone thru night. Hazy sunshine light snow showers am. thickened and again pm flurries – a snowy evening – still.

Larry Heyson & uncle Al Kilmer brat over 2 cord pick up load ash wood am. & piled along end of barn paid \$12.00 No other callers. I was tuned on WGHQ service this am. We had excellent supper – pork shoulder roast – wax beans, gravy, mashed taters. I had 1 1/4 hr walk & wrote reply letter to Julia Rhoades.

February 7, Monday — 22/6 am. 14/9 pm. Snow flurries during the night – about an inch. Sunnied up this

morning a day of bright sunshine & scattered clouds. Quite blustery & light snow blowing & drifting – still overcast evng.

Onteora, Kingston & various schools closed due to slippery road conditions. Town, county & state sand trucks operating. Harlowe called am. & brought Sunday N.Y. news. I got in some wood splitting in pm sunshine did usual chore routine. We had good shad supper with baked spuds & wax beans. Ollie went to bed. I had 2 hour exercise walk. Woolly High Point glistened. Rec'd letter Mariam & Elsie Rexer. He had head on crash going to work & wrecked his nearly new Volkswagon.

February 8, Tuesday — 8/7 am. 6/10 pm. Still bright sunny some high clouds. Clear starlight evng. Good mid winter weather.

I staid in bed writing till noontime. Wrote reply to Elsie Rexer & news items. Harlowe McLean called am. also wrote reply to Vernon Beatty. I split some wood p.m. along with chores.

February 9, Wednesday — 8/7 am. 18/10 pm. Possible snow didn't developed. Brilliant sunny – few clouds – calm. Pleasant in pm sunshine – cloudless evng. Not as cold as last nite.

I sat in bed & wrote am. No callers today. This pm I did chores & split & piled oak wood on porch – finished 1st town load. We had a tip top supper – scalloped potatoes with ham chunks & delicious juicy corn beans. I finished letter to Mariam & Vernon Beatty but missed the mail. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Tonite Olive

Rebehak Lodge admitted 5 new members – Mae Steen, Catherine Glemming, Beatrice Turks, Joyce Jones & Nancy Harrison.

February 10, Thursday — 10/6 am. 20/9:30 pm.
Continued serene - still- cloudless brilliant winter weather. Stars became dim tonite.

1 pm. Ollie & I went with Ann Tennant & sister Mrs Kahmke to Executive Senior Citizens meeting at Ashokan Hall .1972 officers present plans discussed for 1972 – 2 hr session. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 ½ hr walk & finished un-mailed letter to Vernon Beatty. Rec'd letter Cliff Graves from West Clarksville.

February 11, Friday — 14/7 am. 12/10 pm. Cloudless still brilliant – quite wintry. Clear starlight evng.
Wrote Freeman copy am & card to Ira Warren, old newspaper editor of Kingston. He was 83 Jan 30th WKNY said this am. He still edits The Kingstionan. We dismantled the cedar Christmas tree this am. It was still green but shedding needles. Split wood by barn briefly pm & we walked down the hill to Charley Dwyer's. Did chore routine. We had delicious venison supper from Trooper Schetzel with thick brown gravy & mashed spuds. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 ½ hr walk. Wrote reply to Clifford Graves tonight.

February 12, Saturday — 12/7 am. 28/8 pm. Variable part overcast and sunshine. Moderating – still. Stars showed evng – pleasant at be outdoors.

Elsie Rexer & Harlowe McLean called pm. First in month Rexers are up. I did a real wood splitting job pm. Cleaned up the oak pile at end of barn. We had good supper. Both went to bed soon after.

February 13, Sunday — 34/8 am. 40/9 pm. Gloomy set in sloppy snow showers & turned to rain – continued all day & evng — at times quite heavy.

The Carr boys Garry, Paul & Douglas came regardless and butchered Red pigger. It is plump & dressed 218 lbs. Carried the meat down cellar after splitting down each side of backbone and after the crowd went home I got it pretty well cut up including the big head. The dinner group included the butchers, George & Kate, Pauls wife Myrtle & young baby Iris. Ollie & I had soup supper. She went to bed & I walked an hour.

February 14, Monday — 40/7:30 am. 36/9 pm. Rained stopped in night..Dismal cloudy this morning sloppy & slippery. Part broke away blustery but mild & had some pm bright sunshine. Calmed evng & stars shone.

Ollie & I took the day to cut up the meat, ham for curing at Veteran Pork Co– pork to salt & sausage meat cut up for grinding & head rines – meat for packaging and freezing – head cut up etc. A tedious back aching job. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk – then wrote to Jean & Bob Smith. Rec'd letter Mariam.

February 15, Tuesday — 26/7 am. 40/10 pm. Clear calm this morning. Became late - part overcast &

blustery. Spring day – water running everywhere – starlight evng.

This am after mail came Harlowe took us to Olivebridge. Had Joe butcher grind our sausage meat all pork about 18 lbs also 11 lbs fat strips & mixed it with 8 lbs hamburger @ .51 total 4.00 paid. After coming home we went to the Veteran Pork Co on 212 left 63 lbs hams & shoulder for curing & smoking @.13 lb. Coming back shopped at Woodstock A & P \$12.40. We then went to Lashers Parlors & paid respects.

February 16, Wednesday — 34/7 am. 24/10 pm.

Crispy wind northerly. Very icy walking – scattered high clouds – cloudless brilliant still evng. Tiny new moon on its back set about 6:30 over crest of South Mtn. Typical maple sap weather of memoried years. Last maple syrup spring of 1959. Probably about 25 gal syrup. Neighbor Wm Davis called pm. My loose upper left tooth annoying – only 4 left. Ollie & I pretty much put in the day processing the meat. Packaged (7) 1 pint bags all pork sausage about 13 ½ lbs. This am I salted the pork in 2 crocks around 20 lbs. Packaged the hocks for freezer & ribs & backbone. Ollie also cooking head cheese meat. Rec'd birthday card letter from Norah Herrington and another from Sr Citizens in Fla. Alice Askins of 209 called early evening that her father Vernon Beatty died this pm in Ellenville Hosp where he was taken Friday nite. He died hard of - - - - -despite oxygen tent. He was 70 in December. One of my few remaining pen pals, we exchanged letters & cards 2 or 3 times a week. Farm Journal renewal 3 years – 3.00. Renewal American

Agriculturist up to 6.00.

February 17, Thursday — 6/7 am. 30/10 pm. Overcast early sunnied up pleasantly but crispy little wind. Became overcast again during pm – snowing tonight. Harlowe Mclean took Mr & Mrs Wm Davis, Ollie & I to Accord Farmers Co-op store, thence to the annual Pancake and sausage dinner served at the Patroon Grange Hall on 209. We stopped to pay respects at the trailer home of Vernon Beatty & his adjoining daughter Mrs Alice Askins but she was not at home. We then came to Ashokan & attended the regular Senior Citizens meeting. After the business session a table luncheon was served & 14 members having birthdays in January & Feb were honored. I officiated at the opening as chaplain. We didn't eat supper. Ollie went to bed. Old Bubbles cow gave birth in night to a well formed heavy Jersey - Angus heifer calf born dead. I took it down the side hill woods on wood sled.

February 18, Friday — 28/7 am. 34/9:30 pm. The day & evng was dismal overcast & still except for a period of sunshine during am. Tried to filter snow ----- pm. but only a skim.

Dr Avery Smith & asst came mid am. & gave Bubbles a check up & glucose shots \$12.00 Paid. Harlowe & Buddy Eckert were pm callers. Kate Carr came & did a general cleaning up & cut my hair. Geo picked her up after work. Ollie & I & had a good sausage , baked potato & stewed tomatoes supper. She went right to bed tired after going out two nights to check on Bubbles. I

had an hour walk. The -----letter enclosed in Tues Saugerties Post in reply to card letter from Sr Citizens in Vero Beach, Florida – Rose & Fred Kirchberger.

February 19, Saturday — 32/7 am. 26/9 pm. Almost a foot of snow. A major snow storm developed during the night, continued snowing heavily till mid day then broke – flurries continued nor - east blowing and drifting. Snow petered out & partly calmed down late pm. There is a widespread state of emergency with roads extremely hazardous & church and other events closed for tonite & tomorrow. This pm Ollie & I packaged 20 lbs beef-pork sausage, Took care of Bubbles and milked her out second day. She is now bright as a button & eats her hay as well as a basin of feed. I split & piled some wood under shed. We had a delicious pork rhine & mash potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Rec'd 4 birthday cards, one from Barbara Moncure.

February 20, Sunday — 11/9:30 pm. Cloudy-- mtns squally – this am was sunny. The remainder of the day cloudless & evng brilliant almost ½ moon. Cold rough blowing and drifting. My Dad would term it an unruly day – stinging winter temp. Church services and closed over a wide area. Road plowing crews state, county – Kingston and towns on round the clock duty. Stay in home weather. Geo & Kate Carr and his 89 year old mother came for my birthday supper party. They brat a fancy birthday cake. Funeral services pm at Humistons in Kerhonkson for my cherished friend and pen pal Vernon Beatty. He was

buried by his wife Iona in Fairview cem, Stone Ridge.

February 21, Monday — 44/7 am. 32/ 10 pm.
Morning cloudiness developed followed by bright sunshine & became heavily overcast latter pm. Thru evng – noticeably moderated. Blustery drifting night & stinging cold day. Moderated this eng.
Pretty much a stay indoors day other than chores. No callers – icy south wind developed but mellowed evng.

February 22, Tuesday — 36/6 am. 10/11 pm. Light snow flurries in late nite – surprisingly mild this am but turned sharply colder. Very blustery & snow blowing this am but quieted somewhat. Mostly bright sunny with scattered high clouds. Clear evng with glowing just over ½ moon
Did usual routine. Thru the kindness of Supt Marsh Maier we got our plugged drive opened up. A much appreciated job. I gave the driver Bobby Brueckner \$2.00. Rec'd a dozen birthday cards – 1st wave since Saturday. I had a pleasant surprise, Ollie invited Buddy Eckert & Mother for supper. We had Dr Avery Smith come & give Bubbles more medication PM \$12 paid. Swan Brewster called.

February 23, Wednesday — Our coldest night. 4/6 am. 16/10 pm. Stinging cold day & evng. Sunny this morning but overcast developed. Still – set in snowing evng.
My 82nd Birthday & in normal good health Thank God. Trooper Edgar De Bois called am. This pm we

entertained a normal house-full . Included were Capt Al Fox Sr - Harlowe McLean - Mrs Viva Winnie - Mr & Mrs Edw Gill - Lester 'Skin' Davis - Mr & Mrs Wm Davis - Larry Kelder - Harry & Marie Siemsen – Mr & Mrs ----- . I rec'd a variety of gifts – Rec'd 26 cards & letters in mail – also Al Fox Jr who came for his father. Had fone call from Ann & Bill Hughes, Toms River, NJ. Ollie & I served refreshments. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk.

February 24, Thursday — 20/7 am. 30/9 pm. 4 inches feathery snow fell in night – very dark overcast this am but broke away & peasant & sunny till mid pm. Then clouded up again – still – pleasantly milder today temp up to 40.

Bubbles milks out good near sap pail full & much brighter. No question she had touch of milk fever, but Doc Smith's 2 trips brat her out of it. Have replacement calf coming from Henry Merrihew. No callers today. I got in some exercise splitting, piling & getting in wood. Ollie is tired from the celebrating & looking after Bubbles.

February 25, Friday — 22/7 am. 24/10 pm. Still hazily sunny pleasant temp pm up to 44. 3/4 moon shone hazy & then got clouded out.

Wrote air letter to Mariam & got pkg almanacs & letter to send Inez Gridley of Grahamsville & Shrine & Masonic magazines & clippings to Bob Longyear. Harlowe called pm. After work Geo Carr came for jug of milk. Bubbles is her old self again & gave a sap pail of

milk. Hard to strip with my stiff parts. Gaye & Aunt Jeanne Smith called early am brat bottle of Calvert & qt Port wine. Jean took my income tax material to compile on Federal & State forms. I had 1 hr walk then wrote to Betty Atkins. Rec'd letter Jeannie Chavez & 3 other cards.

February 26, Saturday — 30/6 am. 30/8 pm. Heavy snow storm started in night continued till mid afternoon – over 5 inches – changed to fine rain & latter back to snow & stopped latter pm. Still – cloudy evng, moderated above 40 degrees – started clearing evng in west – colder – cleared and high moon shone. Another little accomplished day. We are snowed in – many events canceled & travel bad. Buddy Eckert came latter pm & broke track with his covered insulation carrying truck past milk house. I did daily chores. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Gaye returned to Cambridge late pm. Jean called of her safe arrival. We had good supper baked spuds & pork rind & tomatoes. Rec'd 4 cards one from Mariam with \$10.00 check

February 27, Sunday — 14/6 am. 34/9 pm. Real crispy this am. The day was still - pleasant and hazily sunny. Hazy - early rising moon – moderating tonight with light south wind.

The mountain ski areas are densely populated from metropolitan centers and skiing excellent everywhere. Had calls this am. by Harlowe McLean & caretaker Charley Reiner & Trooper Ed Zaboris. He brat qt 90%

Fleischmans Preferred. He was intrigued looking over my gun collection & cartridges . This pm I took care of Bubbles – got full pail of milk – split & carried in wood to limber up my sore catchy left chest from fall on concrete in barn. Harlowe – Buddy asked Charley Reiner been seeing wild turkeys in field in woods corner.

February 28, Monday — 32/6 a.m. 50/4:40 p.m.
Generally sunny tho part cloudy & mild gutters running – calm temp fell with sunset. Full moon clouded out.
A day of general routine. Harlowe called a.m. – Ollie cleaned floors. We had a fattening but delicious supper – pork rinds, dish scalloped potatoes & bean salad. This a.m. Buddy Eckert kindly went to Henry Merrihew's brat me a 90 lb Holstein new born calf – Paid \$25.00 & 5 doz pullet eggs @.30 doz. Surprisingly Bubbles went in ecstasy over it, after hers being born dead 12 days ago. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk. Finished and mailed letter to Gaye Vorkink. Wrote Mariam tonight. Rec'd bereavement thank you card from Alice Alkins & family.
President returned to Washington tonite 9:30 following 5 day Good Will trip with Mrs Nixon to Communist China.

February 29, Tuesday — 36/6 a.m. 32/10 p.m. Cloudy this a.m. but later partly cleared – spring weather.
Gutters running & snow softy – cleared early evng & last nites clouded over full moon rose early over Kingston.
Made out Burpee seed order. I easily learned the new calf I got yesterday to drink warm milk from a pail but be

slow to nurse Bubbles. I got some wood split and piled. Harlowe called pm also Mrs Ann Tennant & Mrs Beatrice Snyder, senior citizens. Mrs Tennant brought a bottle Gallo Tawny Port. We had delicious roast pork, cooked kraut & mashed potatoes supper. Ollie went to bed. I finished writing thank you letter to Mariam & got in hour walk also card to Julia Rhoades.

March 1, Wednesday — 36/7 a.m. 50/9:30 p.m. 62/8 p.m. 63/4 p.m. front porch.

A record balmy 1st of March. No rain in night – cleared away sunny all day. Still then again became overcast somewhat hazy sunny. Water running everywhere. Other than chore routine Harlowe took us to the Veteran Pork Co for the well cured and smoked 63 lbs of hams @.15 lb – paid 9.45. Shopped at Woodstock A&P \$14.00. Was home by 3:40. Buddy Eckert came got tractor going & open up part of Rexer's Road. He made re-useable Ollie's near new 14.00 toaster, that fell off table. We visited awhile which made supper late. The new ham & boiled potatoes & peas delicious. Wrote reply to Mrs Fred Ronk

March 2, Thursday — 46/6:30 a.m. 50/9 p.m. Warm humid unseasonably treacherous March weather – most dismal gloomy this a.m. during the day just fleeting sunshine. Light shower early p.m. & again evng with south wind. The snow taking a beating & numerous bare places.

This a.m. I finished splitting & piling in shed the round chunks brat by town. This p.m. we attended senior

citizens business meeting & luncheon at Ashokan Legion Hall over 60 present & colored slides shown by Mr & Mrs Rudolph Fritz of their 3 month visit to Germany in 1967. Did chore routine. Had delicious venison steak supper with mashed spuds & green canned beans. Ollie went to bed & I had hour walk.

Newspaper Clipping March 2, 1972

N. LeVan Haver Dead at 66, Was Former Distant Attorney

N Le Van Haver, 66, of 290 Pearl St, prominent local attorney and former district attorney of Ulster County, passed away today at Albany Medical Center.

Haver began the study of law in the office of former District Attorney Frederick G. Traver, later Ulster County Judge. After studying law under then District Attorney Traver from 1922 to 1925, Haver entered Albany Law School and was graduated in 1928, Haver became associated with the late John W. Eckert where he began practice of the law. In 1933 he became assistant district attorney, continuing in that position until 1938. In 1939 Haver was elected Ulster County district attorney and when he took the oath of office it was County Judge Frederick G Traver who administered the oath of office. Haver served as district attorney to 1946.

A member and former president of the Ulster County (part missing) as a member of the executive committee of the new State Bar Association for six years. He had been chairman of the Trial Lawyers Section of the State Bar Association and served as special prosecutor at various times in Columbia and Albany counties.

In Columbia County he was special district attorney in a prominent murder case. He was widely known throughout the state as a trial lawyer, appearing in numerous cases which held wide interest. He was a fellow of American College of Trial Lawyers.

Politically, he had been prominent in Republican circles and served several years as Republican city chairman.

Surviving are his widow, the former Jacquelyn E. Monroe; two daughters, Barbara, wife of Robert S. Russell of Saugerties; Cynthia, wife of Frank Rigas of Pound Ridge, N.Y. a brother Burton L. Haver of Kingston; six grandchildren.

Funeral will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Fair Street Reformed Church. There will be no calling hours. Burial will be in Wiltwyck Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the Cancer Fund.

Arrangements by A Carr and Son Funeral Home, 1 Pearl Street.

March 3, Friday — 36/6 a.m. 1st thunder & lightening in night. Rainy night turning much colder – rain continued this a.m. turned to snow briefly at intervals thru day & evng.

Hurley Ave - Rt 18 section electric service disrupted this a.m. by lightening hitting poles. Kingston had snow during day. Various other areas schools closed due to icy conditions. Considerably snow fell in western NY. Road flooding vicinity New Paltz. Hodge Podge weather chilling & damp. Floods upstate and families evacuated. Other than chore routine a stay indoors day. We had

delicious boiled sliced ham, baked squash & potato supper. No callers today. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 1/4 hr walk.

March 4, Saturday 10/6 a.m. 26/9 p.m. Cleared in night and olding moon settled back of South Hollow . Sunny clear a.m. variable overcast p.m. & cloudy evng. Calm stingy raw atmosphere. Snow forecast tomorrow. Neighbor Wm Davis called a.m. also Harlowe McClean. He brat Margaretville News & Grit. Mid day Ollie & I took a cold walk over to Rexer's. Plenty snow there & lonesome Did usual chore routine p.m.. New calf sure drinks milk. We had delicious beef - vegetable soup supper. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 1/2 hr walk. Herbie Rexer's birthday, sent card & letter yesterday. Big Democratic club \$12.50 dinner tonite at Ohleors Mtn Lodge. Rec'd belated birthday card from Mr & Mrs Becker of Shokan & letter from the Wm T Goldens.

March 5, Sunday — 24/7 a.m. 22/8 p.m. Started snowing in night tapered off this a.m. & sun broke thru around 9:30. Variable cloudiness & squalls followed. No callers today. Just did chore routine. Brief periods of sunshine. Mtn areas report fair ski conditions – except Phoenicia closed. I wrote reply letter to Wm T Golden & birthday card to Charles Wood – 6th is 83. My Dear Mother Mrs Mattie C. Davis aged 92 1/2 died early evng 10 years ago March 5th 1962 at Mrs Ann Stevens boarding home on Foxhall Ave in Kingston where she spent her last five years.

March 6, Monday — 14/7 a.m. 14/10/p.m. Partly cloudy more sun & clearing developed p.m. cloudless still evng. The snow covered reservoir ice glowed in the sunshine. Northern lights displayed over N.E. evng. Low rainbow arch type of pale yellow.

Harlowe McLean called a.m. & brat Sunday NY News. I had a touch of tummy virus a.m. with 3 movements. I felt normalness of day.. Buddy Eckert delivered the 50 lb beef hide p.m. to Rider Rendering pick up plant on Sawkill Rd. Cards petered out at last. Buddy plans to tap Ollie's sugar bush. We had good supper mashed spuds & gravy, bread dressing, peas & roast pork. She went to bed. I had hour walk & wrote Herbie Rexer.

March 7, Tuesday — 24/6:30 p.m. 50/8 p.m. Was up near mid fifties. Had snow flurry in night. Sunnied up this a.m. – hazily soft southerly wind. Became much warmer new snow melted & water ran – again murked over latter p.m. & wind roared back of High Point.

Just a chore doing day. Wrote to Joe & Claire Massimo, Bayside L.I. also finished letter to Mrs Currier a.m. This p.m. while carrying a heavy pail of coal ashes off the front porch I lost balance and broke the right side steps guard rail & hurt top of left shoulder. This ----- rail was placed there 24 years ago for Mother's use by John Young of Milton. He was clerk & forman of Oct Grand Jury 1948. We had excellent supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk.

March 8. Wednesday — 50/6 a.m. 24/9 p.m. Rough gusty warm night by spells. Raining lightly this a.m. The

new 3 inch Sat nite snow pretty well gone. Gradually turned colder – northerly wind – gradual clearing - stars dim evng. Typical March sap weather.

I had a sore night with my banged left shoulder, but had good rest considering. I finished writing letter to John Young in part about the broken railing. Harlowe McLean called a.m. & offered help if needed. This p.m. I replaced the broken railing part also put up a second railing lower side in celler way. Did chore routine – shoulder is better. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had 1 ½ hour house walk.

March 9, Thursday — 16/7 a.m. 16/9 p.m. Ray Kelder burned to death in his home year ago tonight. Snug stinging winter weather with northerly wind. Brilliant sunny scattered high clouds – cloudless calmed evng. Did usual routine & p.m. callers were Harlowe – he took missed mail to P.O. came early also Mrs Anna Cole Carpino our Watson Hollow Road neighbors 4 o'clock. She gave me belated birthday kisses & greatly admired our card collection. Ann is in midst of divorce proceedings brat by her husband Louis 42 – retired 1st Sergeant US Army. We had excellent supper. Ollie went to be. I had hour walk. Sent letters John Young, Claire & Joe Massimo, Mrs Cliff Graser & card to Lottie Stacknowitz. A year ago tonight around 9:30 Raymond Kelder 60 World War 2 Army Veteran burned beyond recognition in a flash fire that destroyed his tinder dry shack home, just around left turn at foot of hill.

March 10, Friday — 12/7 a.m. 22/8 p.m. Clear a.m.

partly cloudy p.m. clear starlight evng – continued winter – thawed a little – stingy light northerly wind – calm evng.

Just a chore routine day. Kate Carr came this a.m. & did general cleaning up. George came for her after work. Buddy Eckert & Lois K Wilbur came p.m. he took his tractor up to Ollies getting ready for making maple syrup. We had usual good supper liver & fried onions, mashed spuds & creamed carrots. Ollie went to bed. I had hour house walk.

March 11, Saturday — 10/7 a.m. 32/12 p.m. Sunny this a.m. Icy light south wind developed & clouded over. Biting cold day – rained a bit during evng.

Did usual routine – stocked up the kitchen with wood. Harlowe called brat Margaretville & Grit papers. We took walk over to Rexer's p.m. Elsie & Herbie & cousin Gertrude Heins are up. After a good supper both tired & went to bed. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades.

March 12, Sunday ----- 36/7 a.m. 35/9 p.m. Had a skim of sleet in night. A rash of summer like thunder showers off both ways East & High Point continued till early p.m.. Then had moderate 2 hour rain & became foggy. Be more ----- finger blowing weather.

Just a routine stay in doors day – other than chores I cut up a ham shoulder to wrap & put in freezer. We had delicious boiled supper – vegetables & piece 1967 freezer pork. Ollie went to bed I wrote Julia Rhoades. Bruce Burgher vacated his schoolhouse hill camp property to Woodstock friends. 84th anniversary of first

day of the great blizzard of 1888 it continued for 3 days.

March 13, Monday — 32/6:30 a.m. 36/9 p.m. Thick fog early but sunned up real springy hazy. Thickened over p.m. – still.

Rec'd air letter from Mariam also birthday card letters from Joe Massimo Sr & Lottie Stacknowitz. Now have nearly 70 cards & letters. Just a routine day – chores. Don't seem to have pep & putting on unwanted weight – now plump 150. No callers today. Sat p.m. Ed Nueser & Johnny Biellie called when we were over at Rexer's. No sap weather. Wrote birthday card & letter to Elsie Rexer for Wed 15th.

March 14, Tuesday — 30/6:30 a.m. 30/9 p.m. We got a re-whitening of snow in night. Started again first rain then to snow & continued a miserable nasty day 3 - 4 inches fell & became lighter latter p.m.

Ollie & I went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean - started before 10. We went to office of Dr Donald Abernathy on Wall St below Main. He pulled my remaining 4 upper front teeth. He used coke(not sure of this word) and no pain other than the needles. A corner of one broke off & he had considerable difficulty getting it & had to stitch the gums - \$20.00 paid. After getting home & chores done & quieted down my jaw became fairly comfortable. We each had our can of ale & delicious pea soup supper. Buddy Eckert came & had a bowl. Ollie went to bed. He has Ollie's trees tapped. Many evening postponed events on 5 p.m. WKNY Kingston news.

March 15, Wednesday — 30/7 a.m. 34/9 p.m. More snow fell last nite. Renewed briefly this a.m. There must be 6 inches of the mid March fall, reminder of the petering out of the daddy of em all blizzard of 1888. School closings widespread due to precarious highways. Many road accidents – remained overcast threatening - still & mild.

I passed the night better than hoped for with my completed teeth extractions. Had delicious Hungry Jack cakes & flour gravy for breakfast. Wrote letter Jean Smith & card to Julia Rhoades this a.m. Tonite finished letter to Mariam & card to Lottie Stacknowitz.

March 16, Thursday — 34/6 a.m. 36/9:30 p.m. Overcast this a.m. but the afternoon was sunny & sloppy - still – mellow – clouded over thundered & rumbled off below High Point – another flashing shower evng. Harlowe took Edith & Wm Davis, Ollie & I to the noon time St Patrick's Day covered dish luncheon party & entertainment & business meeting at the Senior Citizens assembly at Ashokan Legion Hall. We were back before 3 p.m. I officiated as Chaplain. Rec'd a letter Mrs Fred Ronk. We had easy eating milk soup supper. Ollie went to bed . I had hour exercise walk. Wrote cards to Fred Worden family, Garrett Mott & Mr & Mrs Ronk. At the tables & all standing I pronounced the following –

Old Irish Blessing

May The Road Rise Up To Meet You
And The Wind Be Always At Your Back
May The Sun Shine Warm Upon Your Face

And The Rain Fall Soft Upon Your Field
And Until We Meet Again
May The Lord Hold You In The Hollow Of His Hand

March 17, Friday — 38/7 a.m. 40/8 p.m. ght cold rain & foggy. Dismal - foggy damp – chill weather, Rainy evng. The fog disappeared late p.m.

We went to Kingston this p.m. with Harlowe did uptown & A&P shopping 14.70. Purpose of the the trip both ways via Hurley Mtn route to have stitches in my gums removed but Dr Abernathy found they had disappeared. A foggy trip – Home before 4. Did chores. We had good easy chewing (gummy) supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Big annual N.Y.C. St Patrick's Parade.

March 18, Saturday — 40/7 a.m. 34/9 p.m. Overcast mostly a.m. - part cloudy with bright sunshine p.m. Some cloudiness evng with bright starlight growing crescent moon headed for the Wittenberg's – generally calm today some wind in night. Damp - chilly a.m. snow squalls up Bushkill.

Just a routine day. Harlowe called a.m. p.m. I cleaned up under woodshed. We had delicious boiled vegetable & ham supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. This a.m. I wrote granddaughter Gaye Vorkink.

March 19, Sunday — 26/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. Froze up last night. Brilliant sunny – few clouds - dark clouded over evng - crisp air & north wind.

First real day of maple sap weather.

“I pawed around” as Mart Eckert usta say & got some

needed exercise. I re-braced the cellar stairs railing both sides. Ollie did a big job defrosting refrigerator & not feeling very good today. But we had an excellent “easy chewin” supper. Hot meat loaf, baked taters and lima beans. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Then wrote letter to Mariam & card to Mrs Currier.

March 20, Monday – 16/6 a.m. 28/9 p.m. Hazy - sunny – still - chill - became part overcast at eve but latter became cloudless. High glowing near ½ moon. Just a routine day doing chores. William Davis & Harlowe Mc Lean called p.m. He brat current issue of Grit. Ollie & I had good supper boiled taters, lima beans & cold meat loaf. She went to bed. I had an hour walk. The east side is bare except some snow on Tysteneck. Reservoir still all ice covered.

March 21, Tuesday — 30/7 a.m. 44/8 p.m. Part clobbered over a.m. with thickened overcast. p.m. – ½ moon shone hazy tonight – still. Temperature mellowed today & pleasant to be out doors. Did daily routine & re-piled ash wood from along barn under shed. Buddy Eckert called p.m.. He said he made 3 gallons maple syrup. Rec’d letter from Vernon Beatty’s old Stone Ridge friend. George H. Weeks born & reared in pre-reservoir Shokan. We had a good supper baked taters, pork rinds & creamed corn. Ollie isn’t feeling good - has cough & chest cold. She went to bed. I had an hour walk. Rec’d card from Lottie Stacknowitz

March 22, Wednesday – 38/7 a.m. 40/9 p.m. Started

raining in night and continued till late p.m. Very dismal foggy at times a downpour. The ground is soaked spongy. Rain continued evng temp dropped. Just a routine chore doing & writing day. Wrote Saugerties Post Star News copy. – Letters to Julia Rhoades & Al Kilmer concerning more ash firewood. Ollie certainly has a miserable coughing cold & barked all night. Sent Shrine magazine and other literature to Bob Longyear. Ollie has a bad coughing chest cold. We had good supper & she vomited it up. I had hour walk.

March 23, Thursday — 40/7 a.m. 36/10 p.m. A few snow flurries this a.m. Dismal cloudy mild – light northerly wind.

A pretty much usual routine day. This p.m. I finished piling ash wood from end of barn under wood shed. We had usual good supper. Finished & mailed letter to Gaye Vorkink & tonight answered letter from Geo H. Weeks in Stone Ridge. Finished & sent letter to Julia Rhoades. Flocks of robins have returned. Ollie felt miserable all day with her cold but hasn't coughed since going to bed after supper. We had usual good supper. Rec'd seed order from Burpee.

March 24, Friday – 30/6:30 a.m. 30/9 p.m. Cloudy raw northerly wind day & evng.

For me a stay indoors day only for p.m. chores. Ollie's cold sticks hard - chest sore, other than routine she kept on couch. I had delicious ham stew supper. She had milk toast & back to bed, does considerable coughing & my nose runs & feel tired – mostly the weather. I had hour

walk tonite. & have been writing letters all day, including Elsie Davis. Buddy Eckert called tonite, said best sap day, got 100 gals. He brat 25lbs potted soil for Easter present from Agway. 7 or 8 deer grazing latter p.m. on Bishop field.

March 25, Saturday — 26/6:30 a.m. 28/10 p.m.
Excellent maple syrup weather. Crisp air northerly wind - sunny – scattered high clouds. Bright early rising moonlight – 3/4 moon.

For me other than p.m. chores a stay indoors day with Ollie due to her heavy coughing cold. I too feel grumpy, cough ache - nose runs. p.m. callers were Harlowe McLean, Ann Tennant, & Wm Davis. We had hot ham stew left over supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hour walk. Olive Post American Legion No 1627 covered dish dinner evng at Ashokan Hall. Rec'd letters Julia Rhoades and Ellen Wilfris & card from Mr & Mrs Fred Worden Sr. Robert Smith called noontime with my Federal & State tax reports.

March 26, Sunday — 28/ 6:30 a.m. 32/8:30 p.m. Cold partly cloudy – blustery west wind. Practically cloudless early evng with high glowing nearly full moon. Sap spiles were froze today. Harlowe called p.m. with New York Sunday news & Grit & Margaretville weekly. Latter p.m. Larry Hughson & cousin Garry Miller brat big pick up load chunk wood – mostly ash \$7.00 paid. Ollie's cold hangs on tight did a lot of coughing in night. I feel plugged up nose runs & achy. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I had hours walk. I wrote Jean Smith

regarding income tax report that are not clear to me.

March 27, Monday — 30/7 a.m. 26/10 p.m. Cold cloudy very faint sunshine – clearing early evng with high scattered clouds & bright near full moon riding high.

Excellent maple sap weather - northerly wind other than more sunshine. Ollie had a coughing night & I shared considerably her discomfort. Pretty much an indoor day other than routine & getting in wood. Today achy no pep. Ollie is losing weight. We had delicious tender chicken A & P supper with baked potatoes. She went to bed so far not coughing like last nite.

March 28, Tuesday — 26/6 a.m. 36/8:30 p.m. Magnificent weather a few scattered high clouds. Rather crispy & wind northerly. Cloudless - still evng with early rising almost full moon – moderated. Excellent maple syrup day. Our colds are very annoying. Mine is in the nose runny, coughing stage. I kept mostly in bed till early p.m. then got in wood & did barn chores – no callers. We had boiled salt pork , baked potato, green bean supper. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk.

March 29, Wednesday — 32/6:30 a.m. 40/8 p.m. A truly delightful sunny mellow sap day with gathering overcast latter p.m. Both feeling housebound & no callers. The bug is what it is, hit us hard not a pleasant night. No callers today. We had light fish chowder supper. 100th anniversary of the

organization of the City of Kingston, combined in the towns of Wilbur - Rondout & Kingston.

March 30, Thursday – 36/7 a.m. 38/9 p.m. A truly miserable foggy - misty & dreary day & evng. I'm feeling tough -Period. Did manage to get out & milk Bubbles & feed Hank. Mariam called 9 p.m. from Dallas. Ollie answered I was unable to get up & talk to her till Ollie helped me. She & Bob were 4 days in Texas & had attended a Shrine Hospital ceremonial . I kept feeling so much worse Ollie ordered me to have ambulance come & take me to Benedictine Hospital. My most vivid re-collection was the bumpy ride – arrived about 3:45. I rec'd a lovely Easter Christ Is Risen card from Norah. I attempted to write reply post card but too jittery.

3/31/72 Friday — Ollie & Kate came with me which I didn't realize

March 31, Friday — 36/6 a.m. Another dismal dreary day. Foggy day & evng. Kate came to hoe out. She and George came with Ollie after work to see me and she went shopping with them. The Dr says I have a touch of Pneumonia & I'm pretty well knocked out. I realize I am getting excellent & thorough care. Ollie says the reservoir fishing grounds swamped with fishermen (opens tomorrow instead) My mind still hazy & hand jittery.

April 1, Saturday — Trout season opened. In contrast to the 2 days of miserable foggy weather today was sunny

& pleasant & no wind.

I am getting excellent professional kindly treatment by everyone. Ollie came p.m. with Lois Kaufman. Hordes of fishermen on a holiday outing packed the streams & reservoir ground. I am taking unlimited medications on rather liquid diet. Have no appetite but eat anyway. I am getting pills – pills – pills & xray exams etc. 2 bed room overlooking Broadway – electric bed & all facilities – bathroom adjoining . My room mate 88 years old Italian.

April 2, Sunday — Kingston a.m. temp 29. Started in night and snowing & melting – home ground white everywhere till near noon. Sun broke thru p.m. murky evng.

Had number of fone calls (fone by my bed) bathroom adjoining. The window view covers Kingston area. Medications continues indimished. George & Kate Carr & Ollie came to see me p.m. after they had dinner at Howard Johnson's. They stayed till I ate full meal supper. Harlowe is milking.

April 3, Monday — 28/ 6 a.m. Part cloudy somewhat sunnied up p.m.

I had xrays for my kidneys and a talk with Dr Gerbarg also Dr Wong regarding my bladder condition. Ollie & Ann Tennant called p.m.. Full course meal now served.

April 4, Tuesday — Backward weather another snow storm and rain – ground white.

I had more xrays a special test on kidneys this a.m. Took about an hour back in room around 10. Just black coffee

for breakfast. I need exercise & the orderly took me around the corridor walk. It was being arranged by Dr Wong that I was to under go a needle prostate removal this week but upon consultation with Dr Gerbarg that I still have remaining pneumonia in my lungs & that I am scheduled to go home Saturday & in another month return instead.

The interior of a bungalow on Bostock Road gutted by fire(stuffing in a soft chair early today) formerly occupied by Chas Edmonson .

April 5, Wednesday — 20/7 a.m. Sunny & wintry squally this a.m. – more overcast than sunny.

After getting cleaned up & breakfast, bed changed & shaved I'm feeling good but no steam – now awaiting the Dr. I had a walk around the corridors with the orderly Harold Humphrey. Rec'd 3 cards – wrote cards. Visited Ward J where I had been February 1958 4 broken ribs & punctured lung.

April 6, Thursday — 26/7 a.m. Mostly cloudy dismal scanty sunshine.

Another routine hospital day. I wrote letter to Julia Rhoades. Dr Gerbarg ordered me down for more chest xrays. I still have lung congestion. p.m. callers included jovial big Jim McVilty, Harlowe & Ollie & bro John Grant in room 266. The Doctor unless conditions change will discharge me Sat. I just don't feel up to waking corridors. Ollie & Harlowe shopped at A&P. Rec'd bill \$60 from Kingston Ambulance Services – Paid. Hospital \$68 for pre Medicare Service Paid. Bro Joe Caufield

called evng. His mother in hosp ----. Ollie said Grace Winchell called. Addie Winchell's 82nd birthday - we sent card. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades & Fred Ronk. Rec's 3 more get well cards.

April 7, Friday — 21/7 a.m. Snowy night - Kingston white 2 inches home. It's still winter everywhere – cold & windy.

This a.m. I had a 2 hour session with horoscope exrays — both sides full length – Feel beat up. Had 11 o'clock breakfast & dinner 1 o'clock. Entirely too much food. Supper again at 6. P.M. callers Harry & Marie Siemsen & trooper Edgar Zaboris – Ollie & Lois Kaufman came 6 o'clock. Buddy Eckerts sap running wild. Rec'd 2 cards.

April 8, Saturday — The ice is breaking up in the reservoir. 22/7 a.m. It's winter everywhere. Good to excellent skiing at Bellaire & Hunter. Bright sunny but cold light wind.

I got shaved & breakfast on moveable bed table. Ollie and Lois Kaufman came for me 10'clock & we came home uneventfully at 11:20. Lois first drove up to Ollies & I saw where Buddy is boiling sap. Harlowe did farm chores & neighbor Will Davis called also Belle Wood & brought bare foot cruellers fresh made.

April 9, Sunday — 26/7 a.m. Became cloudless & chilly – wind calm. Pleasant early spring - northerly wind in night.

I am feeling stronger & Ollie takes excellent care of me. Callers were Harlowe McLean & a surprise by Mr & Mrs

Alfred Post of Walden. Then p.m. Buddy Eckert & Lois K. Wibur. Buddy milked & did chores. Another tip top sap day. The ice is out of the reservoir part way to lower end. Open water as far as I can see from window view, except in Van Steenburg's cove. The entire east side again barren view. Winter reigns on High Point. Continued skiing at Bellaire & Hunter slopes. 9:40 p.m. Victor Chavez & Mariam called from Mexico City, Ollie talked poor connection. I was not up to getting up from my couch & talking personally.

April 10, Monday – 30/7 a.m. The 1972 reservoir ice field disappeared over night & collected in lower end. (April 11th) Part to mostly cloudy - some sunshine - more clearing trend latter p.m. little or no wind. Rec'd 3 more cards & letter Julia Rhoades. Wrote & mailed letter to Mariam. I am feeling somewhat more peppy but no boom up. I kept pretty close to my old reliable couch. Good food & affection by devoted Ollie. But appetite draggy. Harlowe did barn chores. Bob Adsit brat tank gas \$11.55 Paid. I sent 132.80 checks with him to Shokan bank I went to bed right after supper – no urge for a house walk.

April 11, Tuesday — 34/7 a.m. Dismal sloppy April this a.m. but otherwise pleasantly mild & partly sunny. I got my tax reports ready to mail & checks made out. Federal \$280.00 & State \$34.00. We had a pleasant call by Bea Dudley early p.m. & at dark by Vahan Kizirian . Buddy Eckert & Lois came & did chores. Buddy trying to get caught up with sap boiling. We had an excellent

supper boiled venison steak with onions, mashed potatoes & snipped beans. I am feeling stronger & after supper for first talked with Harlowe, Rec'd letter Mrs Fred Ronk.

April 12, Wednesday — Generally hazy sunny & mild. Real April weather more sunny p.m..

Had p.m. call by Mrs Emil Steigmanis & Harlowe did chores. Rec'd lovely card letter from Marilyn Dudley. Withdrew \$400 from Kingston Savings Bank to replenish Shokan Bank check acct.

April 13, Thursday — 34/7 a.m. Had unexpected fone call p.m. by Julia Rhoades. Dismal foggy rainy cold storm. Good for Mother Earth – rained most of day . Rec'd another letter from Good loyal Julia Rhoades & answering it. Rec'd card from Olive Rebekah Lodge signed by 17 members at meeting. Makes a charter member feel he isn't forgotten. Mailed certified Federal Tax report with check \$280 also State report to Albany \$34.00. Buddy & Lois did chores. Had fraternal p.m. call by Alonzo Davis & Julia & Claude Chambach. The news from the town of Olive sponsored by The Singer and Denman Lumber Co was first on the air over WGHQ at 12:25 p.m. 5 minutes broadcast by Annette Tenant. I was noted as ill at my home in West Shokan and pleased to receive cards. We had hamburg, fried onions & mashed tater supper.

The 5th death in Congers, 3 killed – bus- train crash. A 16 year old boy in a coma died today – most serious of 45 injured.

April 14, Friday — Somewhat breezy northerly – mild and hazily sunny.

We had a surprise visit by Mr & Mrs Fred Ronk & Mr & Mrs Al Post of Walden. They brat a full spread menu & had dinner at 11:30. They left early p.m. Ronk & Post also called on Francis Every. Later Harlowe came & did chores. For the first I walked with Ollie out to the barn twice. Two weeks ago this p.m. I was taken to Benedictine Hosp by ambulance. I now feel much stronger. I note the ice gone from Van Steenburgh's Cove. Sent letter to Julia Rhoades. A midnight fire completely destroyed Art Umhey's barn on the old Longyear farm above Mt Pleasant with a horse & about 60 pigs – 5 minutes east from Phoenicia. Mt Tremper fire departments responded. I wrote him a letter tonite. Tonite Alice Krom of Stony Hollow – Ann Eckert's sister who has a kennel came with Ann & took the visiting dog Jett.

April 15, Saturday — Ollie Burghers 63 rd or is it 62nd birthday. 42/8 p.m. Day break showers – little rain. Just dismal foggy - still damp weather.

A day of callers - neighbor Wm Davis, Elsie & Herbie Rexer, Ed Neuser & Johnny Biellic – Mr & Mrs E. Gille. Harlowe did chores & came back for Ollie's delicious birthday supper. Ollie went to bed. I read awhile. I had a bath & underwear change p.m. I'm tired. Ollie got another batch of birthday cards. I gave her \$10.00 - she so well deserves. After a 2 week delay due to a players strike the major league baseball season opened at Shea stadium in N.Y.C. the Mets shut out the Pittsburg

Pirates 4 - 0 Paid attendance 15863.

April 16, Sunday — 36/7 a.m. 44/9 p.m. We had 2 breaks of morning sunshine – then murked over and set in dismal rainy latter p.m.

I am feeling tired so much company yesterday. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called p.m. also Harlowe & Marty Warnes brat 4 nice trout. Buddy Eckert came & did chores. We had good soup supper. Ollie went to bed. Had cheerful fone call from Marilyn Cook. She has been employed in Kingston, Dentist Goldfarb 21 years. I wrote Mariam tonight. I heard the blast off of Apollo 16 moon shot on WKNY from Cape Kennedy at 12:54 p.m. Command pilot veteran space man Navy Capt John W Young Jr – Chas M Duke Jr & Thomas K Mattingly 11 – their 1st flight.

April 17, Monday — 40/7 a.m. Rained in night – gradually broke away this a.m. & became cloudless with brisk northerly wind. Real springlike 60 at 4 p.m. – shady front porch.

Ollie & I had a walk this a.m. out along woods to manure pile. I'm feeling stronger far more exercise but pretty windy this p.m. Harlowe came & did chores. Neighbor Wm Davis also called. White lilac buds coming out on bush along drive. Finished & mailed air letter to Mariam. Ollie got 5 more cards \$5.00 in Anne Eckert's card. I gave her \$10.00.

April 18, Tuesday — 42/7 a.m. 54/8 p.m. Warm mellow practically cloudless - calm - growing crescent

moon evng high over South mtn.

This p.m. Harlowe took Ollie & I to see Dr Tocco in Stone Ridge. My blood pressure 138. He doesn't advice prostate operation now that my bladder functions normal as I see it. We also got eggs at Henry Merrihews 6 doz pullet @.30 & 4 doz large .50 each, gift to Buddy. For 1st I did chores except milking. Buddy took care of that. We had boiled spuds & egg omelet supper. Ollie went to bed – Dr Tocco \$6.00 paid each.

April 19, Wednesday — 60/11 p.m. Warmest to date humid up to 80. Sunny a.m. – cloudy p.m. broke away evng – moon hazy.

Kate Carr helped today & cut my hair. I got considerable exercise. George came after work & we had good supper together. Paid Kate 9.50 – for work 6.00 – box of cards 1.50 – zipper .50 - window cleaner 1.50. Marty Warnes came evng for 2 hour pleasant visit. Buddy came & milked. He is finishing up his sapping – made over 30 gals. Rec'd letter Mariam & Jeannie & Mr & Mrs Fred Ronk. Marty brat home made cup cakes. The Dist Grand Comm met tonight at Phoenicia Lodge, 19 present D.D. Walter Lang of Shokan elected Deputy. He served 2 terms about 15 years ago. First I've missed since 1927.

April 20, Thursday — 36/6 a.m. Arrived raining and continued dreary chill rainy day. Snowing on mtns p.m. Big temp drop from yesterday - cleared evng & tonight ½ moon.

Mr & Mrs Wm Davis, Ollie & I with Harlowe attended the Senior Citizens business meeting & birthdays

honored that included Mr Kizirian & Ollie. Historian Vera Sickler read a prepared and interesting paper on the town of Olive & also showed a collection of colored slides mostly of town of Olive. Reservations made @ 1.00 per member (club pays 3.00) for May 5th roast beef dinner at Pheasant Inn. The Apollo 16 space men landed on moon tonite.

April 21, Friday — 30/6 a.m. 36/9 p.m. White frost & ice – cloudless gorgeous crispy northerly wind - partly quieted evng. Brilliant bulging moon.

I didn't get around till noon - had no pep. Harlowe came early p.m. & milked Bubbles & fed Hank calf. I did the rest of the chores cut kindling & carried in wood. Ollie rec'd birthday card from Rexer's friends the Walter Kyrilas. Sent card Mrs Currier – not having heard from her lately. We had meat loaf and boiled tater supper. I gave Harlowe \$10,00 for obligingly doing chores. Ollie went to bed after supper. Finished & sent letter to Mariam also rec'd one.

April 22, Saturday – 36/7 a.m. 38/7 p.m. A dismal cold steady moderate rain & sleet storm.

There is a possibility of flash floods tonight in several counties including Ulster and Delaware. Seven deer were grazing below garden 3:45 p.m. I felt so tired I didn't get around till 2:30 p.m. Harlowe McLean brat Grit & Margaretville papers, cleaned stables, milked & fed calf. We had hot tater stew supper. Ollie went to bed. Ollie rec'd belated cards from Marie Utley & I a sentimental card letter from Alice Aikins & daughter Natalie. She

greatly misses her devoted father my longest pen pal
Vernon Beatty

April 23, Sunday — Mild mostly cloudy clearing trend
developed latter p.m. wind light – damp.

Harlowe called twice brought an electric wall clock –
ours in use for years gave out. Also brat Sunday News. I
did all the chores but milking which Buddy did. Ollie
was not feeling good, pain in stomach. We had baked
potato and stewed beef meat supper,. Ollie went to bed.

April 24, Monday — 45/6 a.m. 45/8 p.m. Thunder
shower in night. Damp mild but chilly - cloudy only brief
a.m. sunshine - light wind - air feels snowy. Broke away
evng – moonlight.

Harlowe went to Kingston this a.m. & did some small
shopping for us. He came again p.m. & milked – I did
rest of chores, got in wood. We had a good baked spuds
& meat supper. Ollie as usual went to bed. We also had
supper time call by trooper Johnny Schetzel. Rec'd letter
Bertha Merrill also Gaye & answered both. Gaye didn't
hear I'd been sick till Friday or Saturday visiting Jean &
Bob Smith in N.Y. The new Dem Supervisor is reported
having joined the Republican Club and changed
enrollment. The 3 moon walkers John K Young, Thomas
K Mattingly rejoined the command ship in charge of
Chas M Duke this evng after having started leaving the
moon orbit for Thursday splash down.

April 25, Tuesday — 36/6 a.m. 42/8 p.m. Chilly light
tingy northerly wind became brilliant cloudless –

glowing rounding moon.

We had good enjoyable visit by Julia Rhoades & 10 year old son Richard. She raked most of the garden & pulled corn stubble. Later we called on Harlowe McLean & visited Bushkill Cemetery & rode up Watson Hollow. They left for home near 4 o'clock. She brat 6 pack beer & 2 fresh loaves of home made whole wheat bread. John Every & brothers Francis & Grant are building a good size vault near entrance . Wm Davis also called. Harlowe came & milked. Ollie & I had baked spuds & hamburg supper, she had eggs due to her stomach upset & went to bed.

April 26, Wednesday — 32/6 a.m. Brilliant sunny & a cold north wind – occasional drifts of clouds – growing near full moon early rising.

Pretty cold, windy to be out much but I pawed around as Mart Eckert would say – roughed out some rake teeth & got in wood & kindlings – did barn chores. Harlowe came & milked. Orrie Lyons also called. We had delicious supper mashed spuds roast pork – gravy & Julia's whole wheat bread & cake. Ollie just had eggs & potatoes due to her touchy stomach. I wrote to Mariam evng. Ollie went to bed.

April 27, Thursday — 32/6 a.m. Continued cold & raw northerly wind – mostly cloudy a.m. but sunnied up p.m. Glowing almost full moon rose well south.

I got considerable exercise today. Harlowe came & milked. I did other chores & odd jobs. Reggie & Elsie Davis called p.m. The years are counting up on them too.

I got the roto tiller running & adjusted earlier p.m. & dug up the cellar door patch. Had a good supper boiled spuds, gravy, pork roast & parsnips. Ollie went to bed. The returning moon visitors splashed down routinely in South Pacific & picked up by the carrier Saratoga.

April 28, Friday — 32/6 a.m. 52/10 p.m. Considerable morning cloudiness other wise mostly sunny with chilly north winds. The full moon pretty well blacked out tonight with broken clouds.

Today I did all the chores for the first, just 4 weeks after going to Benedictine Hosp by ambulance. I gain strength daily. This p.m. I dug up the toilet walk patch & roto tilled a big upper mid section of garden. Harlowe & neighbor Davis called. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I was tired & had good nap. I wrote condolence letter to Mrs Harry S. Robinson 79 of Grahamsville. He died in Monticello Infirmary & buried today. He was one of the musicians dance fiddlers at Camp Woodland. Rec'd prompt letter from Mariam.

April 29, Saturday — 46/6 a.m. 56/7:30 p.m. Pleasantly warmer but no flies yet to pester. Wind light – bright sunny only a few scattered clouds – Cloudless brilliant evng.

I made quite a day of it – did all barn chores. Did a big job roto tilled lower mid patch of garden – ground caked hard. Also re-opened ditch along upper side. Quite tired tonite. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I rec'd a letter from Mariam. Wrote to Norman Struder & Associated Hospital Service. Harlowe McLean & Dot

Rheinhard called. Kingston Lions Club Expo closed tonight 16500 approx – last years 22581.

April 30, Sunday — 40/7 a.m. 70/7 p.m. Daylight Savings Begins. Practically cloudless – warmest day, soft southerly wind. Last nites full moon had cloud trouble tonight.

I'm feeling draggy today – tired. Did to much yesterday. Just did chore routine. This p.m. had callers Vera Sickler – Genevieve McLean, Mrs Cuff & Mr & Mrs Edw Gills all of Shokan. Vera took pictures of Ollie's 7 flower old Cameson tulip plants on south side of house. We had delicious fried young chicken & scalloped spud supper. Harlowe McLean came & brat Sunday news.

May 1, Monday — 54/6:30 a.m. 57/8:30 p.m. D.S.T. Hazy sunny this a.m. but clouds thickened & got light p.m. rain - a sprinkle cloudy evng.

I am laggy today – must have got 24 hour virus & sure had the runs thru night & this a.m. Stomach more settled this p.m. Did chore routine & re-dug over the toilet walk path. This p.m. Ann Tennant came for us to attend Sr Citizens Club executive meeting at her home & brat us back 4:45. We had good milk potato soup supper. I used discussion – Ollie went to bed after. I rec'd letter Julia Rhoades & answered tonite. The Super Star Bishops returned at 6:20 p.m. from their over winter trailer trip since early part Nov.

May 2, Tuesday — 54/7 a.m. 66/9:20 p.m. Mostly overcast tho light. Light sprinkle rain –calm with light

south wind latter p.m.

My diarrhea continued this a.m.. I thot of Dr D.W. Dumond's old time remedy take the white of an egg, it soothingly coats your intestines. It worked for me flavored with a dash of salt. Harlowe Mc Lean called p.m.. I did the daily chores & latter p.m. re-tilled the dug up section of garden. I went light on baked spud & scramble egg supper. Ollie went to bed. Town Board meeting tonite in Olive bridge Fire Hall.

May 3, Wednesday — 60/7 a.m. 60/7 p.m. Had a brief downpour at day break & rained along all day.

This p.m. we went with Harlowe to the Onteora School voting and other than for direction our vote on budget and driver education was the usual NO. Later I milked and did up the chores. As we drove in Jim McVitty was going out. Lois Wilbur also called.

May 4, Thursday — 54/7 a.m. Wet night – drenching rains till mid p.m. – wound up with a flashing banging thunder shower.

Lois Kaufman Wilbur took us to Kingston and out to Geo B. Brink's where I bought my annual pig a 40lb red Tamswareh price \$20.00 paid. We bought Lois \$4.50 Olds sedan a gas hog 8 miles per gallon. We did some Wall St & A & P shopping \$12.45. Bought pair brown Romeo side elastic slippers \$7.45 at Yallums. Rec'd wedding air mail invitation to the wedding of my grandson Robert L. Longyear 3rd and Miss Carol Marie Unruh, on Saturday June 3rd at Lee Memorial Chapel in Emporia, Kansas. Followed by a reception and dance at

The Attic 22 – 6th Ave, Emporia.

May 5, Friday — 46/6 a.m. 44/9:30 p.m. Mostly cloudy a.m. Sunnied up during p.m. moderately cool – northerly wind – cleared evng – bright stars.

The sodden ground starting to dry out. My diarrhea is gradually tapering off after 3 morning movements. I did chores & got in wood. Mrs Emil Steymanis and Harlowe called p.m. We made no attempt to attend the Senior Citizens luncheon at Pheasant Inn – 102 served – was a number of cancellations.

May 6, Saturday — 46/6 a.m. 62/9 p.m. A day of variable cloudiness. Looked showery north p.m. Clear evng - southerly wind. Pleasant spring weather. My diarrhea continued this a.m.. I took two doses Kaopectate and had no further trouble. Julia Rhoades called up early p.m. that taking continued penicillin caused my trouble. She had similar experience with son Richard. Mrs Ann Carpino called pleasantly p.m. She is being harassed by her estranged husband Louis of Kingston. Harlowe also called. Rexer's are up and we called on them. Later I roto-tilled in north end of garden. We had a good supper. I ate 2 baked spuds & 2 poached eggs & slice of toast. I finished & mailed air letter to Mariam. Funeral services p.m. in Woodstock Catholic Church for Assembleman Clark Bell's mother killed in car crash on lower 28 Wed p.m. Mrs John Peggy Eagan 59.

May 7, Sunday — 54/7 a.m. 58/8 p.m. Hazily sunny

a.m. – overcast p.m. & still - moderately warm & cloudy evng.

We had p.m. callers Harlowe McLean – neighbor Wm Davis, John Collins of Grassy Ridge, Robert Parich of town of Rochester 26 year retired navy veteran in 1956.

Mr Parich is interested in making a 10 ft water wheel & both in my guns. I only had one movement this a.m.

Took another dose of Kaopectate & feel better but legs weak. For the 1st all week I ate a good supper. Delicious baked chicken, mashed taters & hot biscuit. Ollie went to bed.

May 8, Monday — 48/6 a.m. 46/8 p.m. Cold still dismal overcast – set in rainy early p.m. Mountains foggy. Feels like snow – Rain stopped before dark - had 2/10 inch.

Had to get out 2 a.m. & again 7 o'clock, took last 2 doses Kaopectate & not bothered rest of day. Harlowe brat Sunday News & neighbor Wm Davis came down p.m. & brat another plastic bottle of Kaopectate & wouldn't accept pay. Buddy Eckert called p.m. & changed oil and gas in lawn mower & got the running adjusted. I finished and sent letter to Mrs Fred Ronk. Did p.m. chores and got in wood. Ollie also called Dr Tocco about my condition. I will stop taking penicillin temporarily & he allowed more Kaopectate. The town Fire Department burned down the abandoned former Chalet Indien hotel. (The old Addison Snyder place)

May 9, Tuesday — I have lost about 8 lbs now 143. 46/7 a.m. 44/9 p.m. Dreary chilly rained most of day 7/8 inch – mountains fogged in & garden oozing – light

rain evng.

My bowels for a change back to normal today – only one small a.m. movement . Did chores & got in wood -Temp not over 47. We had delicious hot onion putchy stew for supper. Ollie ate lighter food & went to bed. Buddy Eckert got me 6.00 Crunchy Dairy Accord Co-op feed this p.m. \$5.58 bag less 2% cash. I finished air letter to Mariam after supper with re-worded birthday card for Mother's Day card.

May 10, Wednesday — 42/7 a.m. 46/10 p.m. Drippy night & rain this a.m. followed by intermittent chilly showers & sunshine. A brilliant sunny trend developed latter p.m. Cold May weather – clear evng & windy. Kate Carr came today cleaned etc. Paid \$8.00 includes a washing. Geo picked her up after work. He bored holes in calf stanchion under side a.m. to make a tighter neck fit. I did daily chores & got in wood for both stoves, We had good supper I ate baked spuds, hamburg, lima beans. Ollie ate lighter. She went to bed. I wrote Julia Rhoades.

May 11, Thursday — 38/6:30 a.m. 60/8 p.m. A day of variable cloudiness – mild blustery & mountain rain squalls.

I had a working p.m. Roto-tilled in north end of garden & re-activated (repaired) the one strand garden electric fence, besides usual chores. We had a really delicious supper – chicken & vegetable pie & mashed potatoes. Ollie went right to bed. Rec'd letter from Mariam with clippings about the worst flood in 50 years that occurred last Wednesday flooding the south side of Mexico City –

30 people mostly children dead, near 3000 homeless. The golf club facilities nearby were badly damaged. Mariam was doing relief work feeding & helping 200 workmen.

May 12, Friday — 52/7 a.m. 54/10 p.m. Beautiful drying out day. A few scattered high wind driven clouds – cloudless evng – calmed.

I made my mark today. Re-tilled the dug up garden ground & raked space to set out onion sets & did chores. Robert Parrish who was here Sunday came late p.m. & this evng showed a series of colored slides he took in European areas while in the navy in the late 50's. We called up Harlowe and he came over. George Carr had a heart attack this a.m. while at his work at Singer lumber plant. He was taken to Benedictine Hosp by his employer Ed Scanlon & is in intensive care. Kate called Ollie up. Rec'd check 76.20 as Medicare part of Dr David Gerbarg's bill at Benedictine.

May 13, Saturday — 45/6 a.m. 62/7:30 p.m. A truly delightful warm sunny day – some haze developed p.m. soft breezy.

Other than daily routine I did a big garden job set out 6 lbs onion sets 5 over 40 ft rows. Had impromptu p.m. call by Lloyd Le Fevre and secy Mrs M. Clunie. They were thrilled with the reservoir scenery & never before saw ----- oil lamps – we showed them the pair. Suppertime had front yard call by John Lambert on his spirited stallion. We had good supper boiled taters seasoned with celery & left over chicken pie. Ollie went

to bed. I took a bath & clothes change. Rec'd letter from Garrett Mott. Wrote Ray Dunn this a.m.

May 14, Sunday — 56/6 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Cloudy mild – tried to rain p.m. – breezy – calm cloudy evng.

I just rested on my couch till 2 p.m. After had calls by Harlowe McLean, Mr & Mrs Robert Parrish & Ann & Willie Hughes. The Rexer's were up but we didn't get to call on them. Harlowe brat Margaretville News, Grit & Sunday News – also some onion sets to finish out short strip of an unplanted row. We had delicious mashed spuds, spare ribs and kraut supper. I wrote 11 page complimentary news copy for the Woodstock Townsman – Edited by Marion Umhey.

May 15, Monday — 56/6 a.m. 64/8 p.m. Hard rain in night. Humid – cloudy a.m. variable p.m. – still.

I have no go - go today. Hard job Sat setting 6 lb onions. Yesterday various callers. Just did chores. Mr Kizirian called supper time. I showed him Mariams letters & pictures of the flood. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Cliff Graves also Mariam. Wrote card Julia Rhoades. Dem Gov Geo Wallace of Alabama – Election Primary campaigning in Laurel Maryland in Shopping center, shot 3 times in stomach by attempted assassin – who was arrested on the scene. President Nixon offering all possible aid & protection for other Dem candidates – Humprey, McGovern & Ted Kennedy also woman campaigner. Mr & Mrs Ed Gills of Shokan came for garden manure p.m.

May 16, Tuesday — 60/7 a.m. 57/9 p.m. Thunder showers in night but not severe. Foggy this a.m. later became sunny. More thunder showers veered off High Point. We missed the heavier rain.

Ollie & I with Orrie Lyons went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean. Shopped at A&P 16.00. New G.E. kitchen wall at Herzog's \$5.30 also small type Jet Fire Extinguisher \$8.50 – 2 snaps .87. Ollie had lower tooth out (2 left) & xrays \$20.00 at Dr Martin Kantor's — office call at Dr Herbert Gades \$10.00, 1st since Nov. Eyes holding their own. 8 doz pullet eggs Henry Merrihew's \$2.00

May 20th Gov. Geo Wallace continues recovery remarkably but legs paralyzed from bullet in spine. Operation for removal pending, his ability to walk again doubtful. He is bedded in Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Springs, Maryland.

May 17. Wednesday — 48/6 a.m. 56/8 p.m. Warm humid – thunder shower all p.m. mostly by passed but heavy drenchers. Some sandwiched sunshine & crescent moon just a dim blur in the overcast.

This p.m. despite the soaked ground I got the best of the ----- grass & mowed south & front sides of the yard except at end of barn. A two hour job. Neighbor Wm Davis called p.m. We had good supper fried taters heated delicious meat loaf. Ollie made noodles for herself. She went to bed. I wrote reply to Mariam. Rec'd letter Mrs Fred Ronk. Bro IOOF Al Post had sudden heart attack Saturday is in Horton Memorial Hospital.

May 18, Thursday — 54/7:30 a.m. 64/8 p.m. Warm somewhat humid – hazily sunny with latter p.m. overcast – looked showery around north.

I did a big job finished mowing the north & front yards – this a.m. & latter p.m. We went with Harlowe to the first this month Senior Citizens meeting – 60 or more present. May birthdays honored cake, coffee & tea served. Mrs Lillian Crosswell spoke on Social Security, Medicaid & food stamps. We had a good celery potatoes & meat loaf supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Mrs Fred Ronk.

May 19, Friday — 56/7 a.m. 62/9 p.m. My esteemed Grandpa Martin H. Crispell died 67 years gone today - mid a.m. Diabetes & cancer of bladder.

Variable hazy sunny and overcast. Pleasant warm temp. Light S. East wind p.m. & evng.

I did a big p.m. job. Set out basket cabbage plants about a dozen & planted double row of Little Wonder peas & part row Burpee Tender pod 50 day green beans. Also mowed wide strip around garden, mostly with sythe & some with mower. Dick Carr & family on 10 day leave from Great Lakes Naval Sta came latter p.m. & brat wash Kate did. He has 7 years service. He is working temporary in his father's place at Singer & Denman Lumber. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe called p.m.

May 20, Saturday — 55/7 a.m. 60/8 p.m. Starting in late night a drizzly to moderate easy soaking type rain fell steadily thru the day & into the early evng.

A stay in house day other than chores. I cut out & pasted

together 3 sets of clippings from the Saugerties Post Star concerning the construction and completing of the Ashokan Reservoir written in 1913 by Harry B. Inghram. I also sprouted potatoes & cleaned the bin & got in short wood for round stove. Rec'd statement from Surgeon Jahariahan Wong that I owe him 4.60 after Medicare balance. His bill for consultation was \$35.00. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe called p.m. Ollie also talked on fone to Geo Carr in Benedictine Hosp. He is cheerful & talkative. Buddy Eckert also called.

May 21, Sunday — 58/7 a.m. 62/9 p.m. 76 front porch 6 p.m. Early delightful summer. Everything in bloom. Variable overcast & sunshine. Light easterly day wind. The afternoon was soft - sunny & over bulging high bright moon evng.

I kept tuned to religious broadcast on WGHQ till 10:30 This p.m. got the Plymouth running first in months & went on the hill. Took a walk down in the shale quarry also called on Anne & Buddy Eckert. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called latter & we sat on the porch in comfort. We had good scalloped potato & roast chicken supper. Harlowe brat the Sunday News. A car group of young Kingston co-eds drove in to see the view.

May 22, Monday — 62.7 a.m. 54/9 p.m. Sunny with variable high thin overcast – warm and humid but not so hi temp as yesterday. Light wind off reservoir – chilly moonlight evng somewhat overcast.

I started the week with various odd jobs - chores of

course. Ground sythe & 2 axes. Started feeding Bubbles green grass. Repaired my small mattox hoe – put in new handle. Neighbor Wm Davis came p.m. Set out few dahlia's & cannar in celler door patch. Buddy Eckert came & put in door screens & also wheeled 2 wheel barrow loads of the cut grass below garden. We had usual good rather late supper. Ollie went to bed. I rec'd Blue Cross check 28.80 on Dr David Gerbaris bill. Wrote card Mariam evng.

May 23, Tuesday — 51/7 a., 60/9 p.m. A calm magnificent sunny summery day. Real hot in Kingston – cloudless chilly evng with glowing 3/4 full moon. We made a Kingston trip with Harlowe McLean. Ollie had 1 p.m. appt with Dr Martin Kantor who removed stitches in her gums. Return in two weeks for 2 more extractions. We shopped on Wall St & A&P 12.00. We went both ways the Hurley Mtn route. Corn planting and preparations is in progress – some fields you can see the rows. At Boices store I bought 5 potted large Beefsteak tomato plants @.49 plus .08 tax. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I roto-tilled celler door & toilet walk patches & strip on lower side garden – never saw the ground so caked.

May 24, Wednesday — 58/7 a.m. 54/9 p.m. Some overcast but generally bright sunny and quite hot summery. Looked showery to north latter p.m. & overcast evng.

Besides chores I set out & staked the 5 potted tomato plants. Two proved to be Burpee extra early variety

Pixies. Worked in garden p.m. I planted a row of Burpee All American parsnips also dug up hard packed ground between the now thrifty topped 5 rows of onions. This p.m. we had front porch visit by Mrs Lizzie Shader & octogenarian boy friend Mr Markle a long time 1919 member of Charles DeWitt Council #91 J.O.V.A.M. of which I was one of 98 transferred members of Shokan Lodge #491. I joined in a new member class in march 1908 at age of 18.

May 25, Thursday — 52/6:30 a.m. 52/9 p.m. Morning clouds gave way to a cloudless brilliant heavenly perfect day & evng. Light day breeze off reservoir. Cool again tonight. Glowing rounding moon.

With God's luck I did an unusually big days work completely re-mowed the yard & around the garden electric fence. Finished after supper. Harlowe called this a.m.. We had tip top supper – potato stew and headcheese and stewed rhubarb. Ollie went to bed after I finished mowing. I finished & mailed letter started Sunday to Julia Rhoades in pkg containg some seed from Burpees with May 13 issue Saugerties Post.

May 26, Friday — 38/6 a.m. 52/9 p.m. Heavy white frost in Olive Bridge. Brilliant cloudless day and evng. Chilly breeze off reservoir. Cool grand day for garden work. I wore wool jacket all day.

Other than chores my days work was roto-tilling the hard packed & upper part wet of south side potato ground – also tilled unplanted upper side & below. We had good baked spud & warmed headcheese supper & rhubarb.

Ollie had chicken. I felt sticky had bath changed underwear (it was last night) Ollie went to bed. I marked out 3 potato rows along lawn side also cut grass for Bubbles after supper. I wrote Ray Dunn this a.m. Art Haber came this a.m. & inseminated Bubbles with Brown -Swiss \$7.00 paid.

May 27, Saturday — 44/6 a.m. 58.9 p.m. Brilliant cloudless day and evng. Wind gentle – warmer than yesterday - garden working weather. Glowing full moon in deep south.

I set the 5 tomato plants further apart & back more from toilet walk. Also set out 6 Burpee's V.P. home grown plants. Also did a big job planted & fertilized with rotted manure & 5- 10-5 rows Early Red Bliss potatoes along lawn side of garden about 6 ft rows. Before doing chores we walked over to Rexer's. We had good but late supper. American Legion dinner tonite at Ashokan Hall. World War I vets are guests. Mr & Mrs Ed Gille called p.m.. I got 3 boxes cards from her @1.25 – 2 birthdays & get well. War I veterans at dinner Ray Cruthers, Harlowe McLean, Jim Clemens, Charles Duloff. Harlowe elected commander to succeed Bill Frankel – only 4 meeting a year. Otto Guenther who bought Ollie's upper side woods 4 1/10 acre – had well drilled 5 gal flow at 182 ft. They are having a fabricated home shipped from Washington State.

May 28, Sunday – 52/6:30 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Another warm dry atmosphere - cloudless heaven sent day & evng. Light warm southerly wind & calm evng.

A rest up day. Harlowe only caller – brat Sunday news p.m.. Just did chores. We took walk down road mid p.m. to Dwyer's hill. (Phils Hill in yonder days) Lena Smith Brewster came home yesterday from Kingston Hosp. She fell in Pokeepsie shopping plaza couple or 3 weeks ago & broke leg. We had delicious supper – scalloped taters & roast chicken cooked in celery soup. I wrote card & note with \$10.00 check to bride elect Carol Marie Unrich & Robt Longyear 3rd to be sent this Tuesday to Emporia , Kansas. Also letter & \$5.00 check to Ellen Herrington for graduation at Oswego State teachers college. Also wrote partial letter to Mariam. So pleasant to sit on front porch p.m.

May 29, Monday —56/7 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Hot dry air up to 83. Brilliant sunny – considerable high overcast developed p.m. warm southerly wind. Harlowe, Ollie & I attended the highly colorful American Legion & V.F.W. parade and ceremonies at the town memorial. The Onteora Senior and Junior bands participated . Parade stepped off 9 o'clock from Davis store. 3 War I vets rode in car Harlowe McLean, Charles Duloff & Jim Clemens – marching were boy scouts, Olive firemen & fire trucks, a float etc. Rev. Filson Reid was the featured speaker. Dressed in his Scotch Kiltie outfit ajutant in charge Thomas Fickus, at the conclusion a firing squad of 4 fired 3 vollies – then taps were sounded. Refreshments followed free at town grove pavilion. We were home 10:30. After a rest I felt very tired. At 3:30 I roto-tilled deep north end of garden. Planted row Goldenhart carrots.

May 30, Tuesday — 54/6 a.m. 66/9 p.m. partly sunny this a.m. but became thickly overcast with southerly wind. Showers in forecast but we only got a late p.m. shower passing sprinkle.

Nice work day & I kept busy - cut grass - chores - set out 8 more tomato plants & got in row of carrots & green beans also 2 rows beets in cellar door patch. We had usual good supper. Rec'd letter from Mariam – Ellen Herrington \$5.00 for graduation & \$10.00 to Carol Marie Unruh & Robt Longyear 3rd for wedding gift for Saturday. Wrote Mrs Fred Ronk tonite. Ollie as usual went to bed after usual good supper.

May 31, Wednesday — 64/7 a.m. 62/8 p.m. Started raining in late night and continued downpours till early p.m. with thunder showers mostly to south. The ground is soaked and water on garden but gradually sunk in. Streams running full bank.

Kate Carr came & cleaned up & cut Ollie's nails & my hair. Her sister Janice Fitchner picked her up 3:30. Kate is visibly worried over George. He had a bad trombosis. Ollie talked with him on fone. I paid Kay \$8.00 including a washing. Pretty much indoors other than chores. Had latter p.m. call by daughter Cornelia & college graduating Ellen. They & Dick with house trailer stopping at Bishop's. Not a specially cordial call. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote card to Julia Rhoades. Harlowe McLean's rain gauge for May 8 inches.

June 1, Thursday — 62/7 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Had more

rain in night all total 3 1/4 inches. Some lovely sunshine hot – otherwise cloudy cool threatening & a drenching shower passed north Kingston way latter p.m.

Other than chores & odd jobs didn't accomplish much till later p.m. & after supper when I mowed front south lawns. Ollie & I went with Harlowe & up hill Wm Davis to Senior Citizens meeting – 75 attendance at Ashokan Hall. Next time at new library. Harlowe drove down to see the wild water rushing beneath the lower high spillway bridge. We had good plain supper. Jim Burgraff called since fall. My mower blade had sheared off the 2 finger pins & he re-tightened the blade & worked ok. President and Pat his wife – Mr & Mrs Richard Nixon arrived back in Washington about 4 p.m. tonight . He gave a nation wide half hour address about his birth & accomplishments.

June 2, Friday — 48/6:30 a.m. 52/9 p.m. Humid but chilly, variable cloudiness & sunshine – clouded over latter p.m. with a spell of rain – backwash of a thunder showers that worked around south. After the rain the sun broke thru & cleared.

I did quite a days job – cut grass for fodder behind garage, finished the 3rd yard mowing including strip around garden – did daily chores. Planted Buttercup squash along west end chicken house & 2 hills ----- in south lower end garden. We had delicious mashed spud & boiled egg & yellow string beans supper. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades.

June 3, Saturday — 48/6 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Chilly this

a.m. later lovely soft warm day – sunny with some developing overcast. Buggy.

A big social day. Ann Tennant took Harlowe, Ollie & I to the County Senior Citizens Seminar at the Ulster Co Community College in Stone Ridge – 375 present.

Congressman Hamilton Fish was one of the speakers. A luncheon was served & the p.m. session brief. We came back and attended the dedication of new \$250,000 Olive Free Library. After coming home and doing early chores— Harlowe left his car here then we went to Olive Bridge attending Alonzo & Viva Davis 50th wedding anniversary held at the son-in-laws Arthur Sampsen. Wedding Day for Robert Longyear 3rd and Miss Carol Marie Unruh in Emporia, Kansas. Also graduation of Ellen Herrington in Oswego State teachers College.

June 4, Sunday — 66/6 a.m. 64/ 8:30 p.m. 62/ 10 p.m. Warm front porch weather – unsettled. Sunny a.m. with light mid day shower followed by warm sunshine. Then developed thunder showery both ways around. We didn't get much rain – heavier showers also worked around south – cooler air evng & more thunder showers.

I did daily routine – mowed chicken yard a.m. We had front porch dinner visit by Mr & Mrs Fred Ronk and air force 25 years retired warrant officer & Mrs James Connors. She also was in the Air Force all of Walden.

Mr & Mrs Ronk brought the food in abundance. Harlowe also dined with the group. Later Harlowe went home and the visitors also. Ollie & I called on Harlowe & they brat us home. Buddy Eckert also called & fixed porch light &

brat 2 qts & pint cans maple syrup.

June 5, Monday — 62/7 a.m. 64/12 p.m. Unsettled – variable overcast and sunshine – cloudy tonight – still. Did daily routine – mowed out behind barn & wheeled it in for feeding & also cleaned up chicken yard. We had good supper – boiled ham & fried herring, mashed spuds. Buddy Eckert called evng. Yesterday's electrical and wind rain storms bad in Kingston area & down in Orange County.

Our Mtn Road neighbor Victor Bitterman – Evidently had heart attack coming from Kingston on 28A below Torino's & went down high bank. He evidently managed to crawl back up on the road where he was found dead. Ollie Crawford came with his wrecker & pulled the car back on the road & not badly damaged.

June 6, Tuesday — 60/6 a.m. 62/10 p.m. Murky & cool - lowery weather. Had warm hazy sunshine followed by a chore time downpour. We got a drenching thunder shower 9 p.m. & continued into night.

I had a busy p.m. did chores – wheeled in cut grass & helped Ollie set out containers of petunias. Dug rain ditches in the sodden toilet walk planted tomatoes. We had milk toast supper. Harlowe, Ollie & I went with IOOF Noble Grand Claude Chamback in company with Alonzo Davis to Humiston's in Kerhonkson where Harlowe N.G. & me Chaplain conducted ritualistic service at the casket of PNG Edwin Schwab. There were 11 or 12 Odd Fellows present.

A long string of cars packed by Samsonville Church

Hall where town board meeting was being held.

June 7, Wednesday — 54/6 a.m. 62/9 p.m. Cleared in night. Brilliant atmosphere all nature refreshed. Partly cloudy with intermingling bright sunshine. Chilly damp brisk northerly wind – cloudless evng.

Other than routine I had a busy p.m. After supper mowed strip behind chicken house and area under the picnic hickories. We had venison leg supper with gravy & boiled spuds. Jim Burgraff came supper time & got some rotted manure with pick up. Rec'd card Lottie Stacknowitz. Funeral service for Victor Bitterman held 8 p.m. at Lasher's in Woodstock. His wife not in good health & somewhat older survivor. They had no family. Mrs Bitterman is an experienced weaver.

June 8, Thursday — 52/6 a.m. 72/9:30 p.m. The weather was cool - unsettled & largely cloudy. Some p.m. warm sunshine. Cloudy warmer tonite - windy.

We went to Kingston with Harlowe. Shopped A&P \$8.70 uptown 2.00. Ollie went to Dr Herbert Gade's office before 1 0'clock & he pulled her last lower 2 teeth – put in 3 stitches – charge \$35.00 Paid. Ollie got more drugs charged at United Pharmacy and paid a bill of \$23.24. Gave Harlowe \$2.00 for gas. Went to Herzogs & got gal roof cement \$2.21. Took Marilyn Cook pint maple syrup at Dr Goldfarb's office in Plaza. Went via Hurley Mtn Road both ways. The low places in corn fields are flooded. We had good supper. Ollie's mouth sore. She went to bed. Rec'd letter Mrs Fred Ronk.

June 9, Friday – 62/6 a.m. 36/9 p.m. Lowery August weather – overcast warm & humid sunshine alternated. A thunder shower below High Point worked around south late p.m. and another evng – we got a sprinkling. I had a warm job raked up and wheeled in barn the cut hay – cut Wednesday. Planted row of Burpee 50 day green beans in celler door patch also planted 10 ft row Hybrid cucumber in upper side garden also short row of buttercup squash in upper south side. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I tied up big bundle of papers. Rev. Osterhoudt Phillips took his wife to Albany Medical Center for removal of right leg.

June 10, Saturday — 54/7 a.m. 46/9 p.m. Cold part cloudy but brilliant atmosphere. Brisk northerly wind. I think it is 14 years today that Sharon McVityly and Chippy Chase married in Woodstock Episcapal church. It was even colder than today but sunny and windy. After the reception in IOOF Bearsville Hall Ollie and I went to Kingston to see Grammy at Mrs Stevens nursing home. I did a big 4th time yard mowing job all but around garden. Elsie & Herbie Rexer are up & we called on them late p.m. We had delicious soft baked herring supper with boiled taters & yellow beans. She went to bed.

June 11, Sunday — 42/6 a.m. 48/10 p.m. 58/7:20 p.m. front porch. Brilliant near cloudless till later p.m. when high thin overcast developed. Most unseasonably cold week – brisk northerly wind quieted evng – partly cleared. Harlowe McLean called a.m. & brat Grit & Margaretville

paper. Early p.m. I re-tilled in garden packed like clay. Dug out the 3 potato rows so many rotten & disappeared also had a call by Masonic brother & Past Master of Passaic Blue Lodge chapter & Council Degrees. He left here 36 years ago since employed by Columbia Can Co and with his family lives in Chicago. Had an indoor party visit by Ruth Rice, Mr and Mrs Wm ---- and Mike was too cold for out door picnic as planned. We had normal good supper. Ollie went to bed. The former Rose North – widow of Clarence (Putchy) Burgher and daughter of Albert and Jennie Higgins North of Hurley re-married to Alex J Benishaki of Hurley – at Hurley Reformed church by Rev Harold Schadewald. Also attended by Father Alfred Pizzulo of St Joseph’s church in Kingston. Reception for 100 in Hurley Firehouse.

June 12, Monday — 44/6 a.m. Cloudy still warmer somewhat – overcast evng.

I had a big afternoon - power mowed strip around garden. Cut and wheeled in 3 loads green hay. Re-tilled in garden & planted row early green & wax beans. For after supper exercise I planted row corn beans. We had a delicious meat pie supper with boiled spuds. Ollie went to bed. This a.m. I wrote card to Mrs Fred Ronk.

June 13, Tuesday — 56/6 a.m. 68/8 p.m. Variable overcast and sunshine during mid part of day. Cloudy evng - still.

Ollie had severe re-occurring nose bleed – she packed the nostrils with cotton but still bled. She called up Elsie Davis who very obligingly came & took us to the

emergency room at Benedictine Hosp. She was treated & put adhesive around nose. Coming back shopped at A&P \$8.44 – via Mtn Rd. I note the wet places in corn fields is dried up pretty well. Elsie would accept no pay. Soon as we got back Harlowe came to check up. I was tired & the air humid but I replanted the 3 rows with early Bliss spuds. We had usual good supper. Then I set out & planted 11 hills of Kentucky Wonder Agway ----- treated beans along upper side of garden. This a.m. I wrote to Jean Smith.

June 14, Wednesday — 60/7 a.m. 72/9 p.m. Lowery warm - humid. Typical dog days weather – no sunshine. Kate Carr came today & cleaned up etc. George brat her & had dinner. Looks good but weak. Kicked cigarette habit - smokes pipe. Dot Reinhard called p.m. & got on front porch. (Bishops away today) I did a big job always chores cut & wheeled in 2 loads hay. Re-set some tomato plants. Made & planted several hills of Butternut squash(1 with seed from Barbados) south side. Re-tilled the hard packed north and south ends of garden ground. Finished after supper & a good one. Ollie went to bed.

June 15, Thursday — 72/6:30 a.m. 78/9 p.m. Variable cloudy lowery murk and warm humid sunshine. Brisk south westerly wind developed p.m. Thunder rumbled back of High Point early evng.

I put in a steady full day. Besides chore routine marked out both ways and planted in north end of garden 4 rows Maine potatoes & fertilized hills with rotted manure. Also 7 rows golden evergreen corn 6 kernels in a hill & 4

corn beans fertilized with 5-10-5. After a good supper I cut and wheeled in load grass from back of chicken house. Ollie's nose bleed letting up today. P.M. caller Harlowe after Sr Citizen meeting 1st in new library. Ollie not up to going.

June 16, Friday — 72/ 7 a.m. 64/10 p.m. Lowery windy night. Still low mtn fog – occasional showers but not heavy.

Harlowe took Ollie & I to Kingston toward noon. Ollie had her stitches removed at Dr Kantor's office – no charge. Ollie got another supply of pills at United Pharmacy. Shopped at A&P so home via Hurley Mtn route. The sweet corn fields are getting green. Split some wood - did chores. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd Father's day card from Mariam. Wrote to her tonite. Rec'd letter Norman Studer - she fell & broke hip last fall & just nicely getting in circulation. Their 15 yr old grandson Eric developed a serious kidney ailment & will undergo a kidney transplant.

June 17, Saturday — 61/6 a.m. 62/9:30 p.m. Humid cloudy very little sunshine. Light breeze off reservoir p.m. – cool evng.

I'm tired and lazy today. Did chores, cut & wheeled 3 loads fodder hay from behind chicken house. Mailed air letter to Mariam. Harlowe took Ollie & I to the 6p.m. Senior Citizens (about 80 there) Baptist church supper. A program of entertainment followed in auditorium. The new electric organ was used by musician Genevieve Mclean. Two solos were sung by Mrs Smith of

Krumville – followed by 3 reels of colored slides shown by Vera Sickler taken on trip to California & Washington D.C.

June 18, Sunday — 60/7 a.m. 62/9 p.m. Mostly lowery - overcast with period of mid day sunshine. Had brief light shower latter p.m. Thunder rumbled below High Point.

Ollie got taken with a 2 a.m. severe nose bleed and continued with little relief. Not much rest thereafter. She called Marsh Maier & he obligingly accompanied by Hazel took Ollie & I to the Benedictine emergency. Dr A. Kim (Korean lady who attended me March 31) took charge of Ollie but little could be done other than re-pack her nose. She tried to contact Dr Tocco and advised Ollie to remain. She got prescription filled at Franklin pharmacy \$3.82. Came home -the laurel along Temples Pond is gorgeous. I got dinner & supper for Ollie. Not bad “considerin” Harlowe came and milked. Bill Harrison and Bill Davis called p.m.

June 19, Monday — 62/7 a.m. 64/9:30 p.m. Dismal mtns fogged – occasional brief shower - no sunshine in my soul today.

Just a routine chore day. Ollie had a good nites rest - no more nosebleed. The latest pills seem effective & she slept much of the day. I tried my hand as cook & kitchen mechanic & did fairly well. I peeled and sliced up potatoes. Neighbor Edith Davis sent down a hot baked delicious stuffed chicken for supper. We are thankful for kind thoughtful friends.

June 20, Tuesday — 64/7 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Warm humid variable murky overcast and periods of sunshine – soft southerly wind. Had glimpse of the new over ½ moon evng.

Early p.m. Harlowe took Ollie & I to Dr Tocco's office in Stone Ridge \$6.00 Paid. Her pressure is 200 - gave more pills & come again in 2 weeks and rest. Coming back we stopped at the West Shokan Primary Election Polls – only Dems have contest. So Ollie & I had no vote being registered GOP. Later I weeded in garden between onions & row each of weedy parsnips& carrots. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed tired & weak. Rec'd letter Marty Warnes with sample turkey feather trout fly. Rec'd Dad Day cards from Cornelia and Norah.

June 21. Wednesday — Longest day! 68/7 a.m. 68/9 p.m. Started in night all day and evng rain. At times heavier – garden flooded – humid.

Just chores & stay in house by Ollie. She can't read and lonesome. Wrote reply to Marty Warnes letter rec'd yesterday. Rec'd letter Gaye Vorkink. They will move next week to Exeter, NH. Harlowe McLean clocks 1 ½ inches rain. I got another fall in cow stable - caught left foot in gutter & hit previously injured my left hip 3 years ago. Just did chores & this a.m. managed to mow a swarth along drive. Had an hour nap p.m. had good chicken supper & both went to bed. (fell on Thursday)

June 22, Thursday — 66 /6 a.m. 57/12 p.m. Rainy night and continued thru day and into evng humid. Easterly brisk wind driving showers at times heavy.

Garden again flooded. Bushkill high this p.m. A tired lazy day. Had nap p.m. (See Wednesday) Wrote card Mrs Fred Ronk a.m. Flooding widespread along eastern seaboard N.C. to New England & N.Y. The IOOF pinacle club about 12 attended then annual dinner at the Acorn Hill house. Harlowe missed last step & fell heavily on his left shoulder..

June 23, Friday — 56/7 a.m. 56/9 p.m. Continued rainy one shower after another – at times p.m. drenching. Allegheny county reports worst recalled flood with estimated 15 million in damage –Olean with 22000 partially evacuated. Considerable damage in Shandaken – Fox Hollow has bridge out. Just a choring day. George brat Kate Carr - general clean up & made me rhubarb pie \$5.00 Paid Rec'd and wrote letter to Ellen Wilfris. I didn't know Harlowe had fell till I talked with him tonight.

June 24, Saturday — 52.6 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Surprisingly there was considerable spells of welcome sunshine this forenoon. But the afternoon and evng was cloudy & chill.

Trooper John Schetzel called a.m.. They came home last nite from a vacation trip down in the Shenendoah Valley and visited the famed battlefield of Gettysburg. The garden is mushy soft and I found a doe and fawn have been getting under the one electric wire. This p.m. with the kindly help of Herbie Rexer we strung a lower 2nd wire. Did chores and that was it. Elsie Rexer visited with Ollie. We had boiled ham & tater etc supper. Ollie went

to bed. I took a bath. The 4 rows of potatoes planted last Saturday have rotted. Finished and sent air letter to Mariam. Ray Cruthers took Harlowe McLean to Kingston Hosp x-rays showed a fractured and out of joint left shoulder.

June 25, Sunday ---- 56/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Rainy as usual earlier part of day cool but humid – Little rain after & murky evng. Still - chill - & damp.

A do nothing but chore day. Wrote birthday card & letter to Cornelia. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called p.m. Addie brat me a rhubarb pie. Jim Burgraff also called & gave me a flint for my old rifle formerly owned by “Uncle Roul Bell” died Sept 1906 – lived at foot South Mtn. Ray Cruthers brat Harlowe home from Kingston Hosp this a.m. & he called up & talked with Ollie. She invited him to come here if he isn’t able to be alone. He declined saying he was more able to look after himself than Ollie.

June 26, Monday — 53/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Murky showers this a.m. A slow breaking away trend developed latter p.m. & sun shone. Damp & cool – overcast evng. I sent birthday card and letter to Cornelia also reply letter to Gaye & Peter Vorkink. Orrie Lyons brat Harlowe McLean early p.m. They had piece of Addie Winchell’s rhubarb pie. He had his left arm in a sling. He can use arm some. This p.m. I got in a messy job re-set some of the tomato plants higher in the ground, set out a doz or so others here & there where ground not so soaked & hard. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Wrote Mrs

Fred Ronk evng. After supper I dug out drain along south end of garden.

June 27, Tuesday — 50/6 a.m. 64/9 p.m. And sun shining ! Had considerable till mid day then mostly showery looking overcast developed for remainder of day & evng. Humid - somewhat breezy a.m.

I dug around some in north end corn and potato planting. The sprouting skimpy so much soaked ground. I also mowed & wheeled 3 loads grass behind garage. Mr & Mrs Emil Steigmanis (second place up hill right have sold residential property and leaving for Cal – we understand. This p.m. after supper I did a big 5th time mower job – cut the whole south & front sides.

This date 1914 I had my right hand nearly torn off in high speed gear steam roller accident near the east end below McClellan monument. Mother came & spent the first night at my bedside in the Winston camp hospital. Operation by Dr John V. Hibbard camp Doctor.

June 28, Wednesday — 60/7 a.m. 62/10 p.m. Sunny humid this morning followed by mid day general heavy thunder showers that started around north. Harlowe McLean measured near an inch of rain. Later sun broke thru - overcast evng.

Kate Carr came today and cleaned up generally, combed Ollie's hair - cut mine also Ollies and my toe nails.

When Geo came this mid p.m. he took us over to Henry Merrihew's for eggs - 6 doz @.25 \$1.50 and 4 large for Buddy & 2 for Harlowe. After a good supper I finished yard cutting – mowed front and north side. Planted in the

sweet corn 7 rows & put in bean & butternut squash.
Funeral service held at two p.m. in Olive Bridge church
for the lay pastor Howard D. Johnson – buried Tongore
cemetery.

June 29, Thursday — 59/6 a.m. 63/9:30 p.m. Foggy
early – sun broke thru white haze very humid. Overcast
developed p.m. but didn't rain.

So humid I had to push myself to keep going. Replanted
the 4 north end rows of pretty much rotted potatoes - cut
and wheeled 3 loads grass (the last after supper) also
power re-mowed the strip of grass around garden electric
fence late p.m. and re-tilled in garden. Kate & George
called p.m. after her days work at Lena Brewsters. We as
usual had good supper. I wrote reply letters a.m. to
Norman Studer with clippings. Rec'd letter Mrs Fred
Ronk - been very ill in hospital.

June 30, Friday — 62/6 a.m. 64/9 p.m. Rained toward
morning with cold downpours & thunder & lightening
back of High Point. Garden is flooded 6th time. Little rain
p.m. & once sun really showed dim. The atmosphere was
humid.

Wrote and mailed letter to Mrs Fred Ronk. I note the
sophisticated super millionaires Bishops are -----
trailer meet. Just a chore doing day. Harlowe McLean
came with his car this a.m.. Had no trouble driving & no
pain in shoulder “he said” We had good supper. I split
wood awhile & better air during day. Harlowe's pre-cip
report for June 4 inches – May & April 4.

July 1, Saturday —62/6 a.m. 66/10 p.m. Murky this a.m. but sun broke thru – thru the day there was general clouds coming out of the north.

Not much accomplished. The ground is soaked spongy oozing with water. Did chores rested at periods - so humid. I cut and wheeled three barrow loads of hay. Last nite a nosy coon climbed up and raided a nest of swallows under north outside corner of kitchen porch. Did not need chill warming round stove fire as so many days in rain soaked June.

July 2, Sunday — 60/6 a.m. 70/1 p.m. 80/8 p.m. on front porch. Warm welcome sunshine came with dawning - a bit hazy & considerable part cloudiness developed & overcast evng.

70 years ago it was raining Dr Wm Kenble and assisted by Dr J.D. W. Dumond home operated on my beloved Grandpa Martin H Crispell (stones in bladder) nurse Harriet Vradenburgh attending — lying on drop leaf table in up stairs large sleeping room in our pre-reservoir ancestral farm home. The incision was made in the space between his legs. The nurse Ialen (Kemble's 2nd wife) The nurse remained 3 weeks \$20.00 per week. The operating (the 1st removed crushed bladder stones thru the penis in Jan proved temporarily successful and Grandpa got around like his former self but he became chilled in October. Even made a gray squirrel hunt with me then 12 – he with his pet double muzzle loader circa 1850 rifle shot -----. Mother said “It don't seem possible it is your Pa” his condition gradually worsened till his death May 19, 1905 Funeral Sunday 21st in West

Shokan Baptist church in charge of Rev. Geo A. Plain buried in old Brodhead cemetery across Rail Road Bridge.

July 2, Sunday — 60/6 a.m. Weather and events for Sunday July 2. (Elwyn wrote 2 pages for July 2nd.) Sunny all day very warm and humid. Some high overcast developed p.m. breezy.

A resting up day other than chores. Harlowe McLean only caller. New York traffic bumper to bumper type due to sunny weekend in mountain resorts. Many accidents & deaths reported. Visitors urged by authorities to keep away from border tier flood areas as Elmira & Corning. About a dozen trailers are having a meet in the Bishop exclusive park. We had usual good supper & took short walk out along road.

Two drowned below lower high Spillway bridge (separately) Brian Sibus 15 of Woodstock and Thomas McConnell of Massapequa. The weather and events allude to Sunday July 2nd. Somehow I developed confusion in the -----.

July3, Monday — 60/6 a.m. 68/10 p.m. Drenching 7 a.m. general thunder shower and another 2 p.m. Garden flooded both times. Sun came out warm & humid – light shower at evng. Gradually turned cool with north wind. A principally chore doing day.. Cleaned out end of cesspool drain on north side of garden rock. Otto and Mina Guenther called p.m. The Rexer's were up but we didn't know it or didn't hear Bonnie barking. Two young men 16 and 25 drowned separately yesterday in the wide

rushing water between lower spillway high bridge.
That's the third at least I've known of. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe called a.m. Jean Smith wanted to come for a cook out but it fell through. Started letter to Mariam evening.

July 4, Tuesday — 58/6:30 a.m. 62/9:30 p.m. A truly delightful Independence Day. As a whole part cloudy with bright intermingling sunshine – northerly wind – part cloudy evng & getting chilly. Radio Kingston says a generally cool 4th.

I had rather a busy day, only caller Harlowe McLean p.m. Plans to take us to see Dr Tocco tomorrow. I cut behind barn & wheeled two big barrow loads of hay. Somewhat deer tangled & cut hard. Also repaired garden fence post & wire broke along upper side. Presume a deer ran in it also planted 11 belated tomatoes in celler door corner patch by crowding for room. Did usual chore routine. Ollie planned a 4th of July chicken pie supper but didn't feel able. Very few small fire crackers heard to remind of a once grand and glorious 4th. Finished an air letter to Mariam, started last evening. I remember a real cold 4th around 1912. Golden Van Benschoten said “he would sit in the shade if he froze to death”

July 5, Wednesday — 54/6 a.m. 56/10 p.m. Rained lightly all a.m. to mid p.m. chilly damp continued overcast.

Orrie Lyons accompanied by Harlowe McLean took Ollie & I to see Dr Tocco at his office in Stone Ridge early p.m. – Office full. He gave me a check up ok on

urine, heart & blood pressure 138 also a needle in upper right arm for sore lame muscle & shoulder. Ollie's condition favorable pressure not excessive – each \$6.00 paid & Orrie \$2.00 for gas. Geo & Kate Carr came after she worked at Lena Brewster's & brat wash. Doc said I could have 2-- 4th of July hi-balls but no more. Haven't had a drink since March 31st. Before I went to hospital with ambulance..We had good chicken pie biscuit supper. Ollie went to bed. I split wood awhile. Al Fox is harvesting and chopping hay green for silo. This side of Stone Ridge. Earl Osterhoudt is bogged down with his alfalfa.

July 6, Thursday — 54/6:30 a.m. 56/9:30 p.m. Part sunny a.m. mostly cloudy p.m. with early eve sprinkles - cool rather its chilly & overcast.

I cut & wheeled big load green hay for fodder. Harlowe went to Kingston a.m. to see his Doctor. His left upper arm is purple due to fracture. Shoulder not colored with dislocation. Ollie and I attended larger Senior Citizens meeting this p.m. at Ashokan Legion Hall. It was voted to dispense with bus trip to Cooperstown and donate \$100 for flood relief thru Salvation Army. 60 or more present lunch & games followed. We had good supper. I split wood awhile. Ollie went to bed.

July 7, Friday — 56/6 a.m./ 56/9 p.m. Chilly damp this a.m. part cloudy. Fallish acting weather. Sprinkle showers & late p.m. thunder shower passed head of reservoir – quiet.

A busy day for me. I roto-cultivated in garden to air out

the hard wet ground. This p.m. I did a big job completely mowed the yard 7th time and finished around garden electric fence after supper. We had a good one baked shad, boiled taters & stewed tomatoes. Rec'd letter Mrs Fred Ronk. Wrote air card to Mariam the new large type historical tourism pictures. The stamp pictures Old Ironsides & writing space on left and address side. Harlowe called 9 a.m. - changed a \$20.00 bill.

July 8, Saturday — 54/7 a.m. 56/9 p.m. Part sunny a.m. thunder shower all afternoon. Chilly still evng - cleared & we got some rain.

I cut 3 loads of grass a.m. Harlowe called. Buddy brat 600 Crunchy dairy feed p.m. @5.65 less 2% – 24 qt canner sale 4.55 charge 5.49 . credit 16 bags @ .13 – 2.08. We had usual good supper. I split some wood. Had call early evng by Bill & Ann Hughes, her sister & husband & 4 year old grandson.

July 9, Sunday — 53/6 a.m. 70/10 p.m. A delightful soft sunny day - calm - thickening hazy overcast developed during p.m. Shower forecast by morning. Cleaned the hay cut yesterday 2 big loads. Elsie Rexer called noon time. I planted in potatoes 3rd time along lower side of garden. After 4 p.m. (he had foned this a.m.) We had pleasant front porch visit by Mariam & Bob friends – Past NY State 1960 Masonic Grand Master Charles S. Gosnell & his wife and 14 year old daughter Susie of Suffern. They had left another girl at the Epworth League Camp in Stone Ridge. We had Buddy Eckert deer meat supper with gravy, mashed

spuds & peas. Ollie went to bed after I got load grass.
Harlowe called this a.m.

This p.m. Henry Hudler of Mt Tremper came and bought my 6 fork hay tedder – bought of Fred L. Weidner in 1930 for \$62.00. I got \$25.00 cash for it - not used in several years.

July 10, Monday — 64/6:30 a.m. 72/10 p.m. Some sunshine a.m. The p.m. was gloomy - brisk south westerly wind & drenching showers - overcast humid evng.

Other than routine I got in 2 good licks of splitting and piling ash wood. Also set poles and planted 13 hills of Agway Kentucky Wonder white -pink treated beans across from garden rock. A solar eclipse of the sun latter p.m. was briefly visible as sun broke out after first shower. I wrote card to Jean Smith a.m.

July 11, Tuesday — 66/ 6 a.m. 70/p.m. Hazy sunny all day - hot & humid. Some breeze stirred - clear still evng – cooling somewhat.

We walked over to Rexer's early p.m. Had first scotch and sodas with him since before my hospitalization - Ollie hasn't touched anything. Herbie took us for a little ride around Brodhead road & up Whispel Rd. We called on the hippy type people from Woodstock who bought Bruce Burgher's camp on Schoolhouse Hill – are making extensive renovations. Bob Johansen was doing some of the work. Later I roto-cultivated 2 hours in the garden. Then cut and wheeled load of cow fodder from the tangled hay patch south side of garden. Did chores and

had supper. Rec'd card Lottie Stackowitz that her awaited

July 12, Wednesday — Temp hit over 90 65/7 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Variable filtered sunshine – sticky hot humid – some breeze hazy fair evng -still comfortable on front porch sitting.

I kept pretty much on the go despite the sticky heat. Other than routine chores cutting & wheeling tangled hay worked in garden. Planted 3 rows Burpees bush beans - tho late mature about 75 days & a row of corn beans and another Burpee tender-pod 50 days and Burpee wax (1970 seed). Kate & George Carr called after work. We had usual good supper. Ollie went tot bed. I planted row of beans (as above) The North Ireland Orangemen & Catholic vigorously fighting dog and cat the battle of the Boyne 282 years ago. When King William ----- Orangemen crossed the Boyne with Catholic defeat.

July 13, Thursday — 68/6 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Dismal murky this a.m. followed by 2 drenching showers lighter rain broke away during p.m. & sun shone followed the usual overcast - cooler than yesterday - road flooding & detours down river way.

This morning before breakfast I cut a load of the tangled patch below apple tree. Had breakfast - shower came. Otherwise a chore day - cleaned up under wagon shed. Latter p.m. we called on Rexer's & he brat us home. Milked and had supper. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe called p.m.

Senator George Mc Govern of South Dakota

overwhelmingly nominated Democrat candidate for President.

July 14, Friday — 66/7 a.m. 72/10 p.m. Typical muggy lowery dog days weather. Not much sunshine - some p.m. Distant thunder rumbled. We got a mid p.m. sprinkle then early evng a breezy kick back from a High Point thunder shower. Later - still dark & humid. I had pretty well a busy gardening day. After mail came just kept plugging & planted row of beets & another row of corn beans - planting in row snap beans. Before supper I wheeled 2 loads hay. Had boiled steak - peas & mashed spud supper. Ollie went to bed. I was TIRED & had nap. Then foned Harlowe his 79th birthday. He called p.m.

July 15, Saturday – 69/6 a.m. 83/9 p.m. Very hot and humid. Hazily sunny all day. Gusty southerly wind developed latter p.m. – crescent moon showed tonight on it's ---- over crest of South mountain. Ye Old Dutch town of Olive with numerous features including young folk house show - very successful in attendance - re-numeration held in Town Recreation Park. Early p.m. Jean and Robert Smith and weekend guest - Miss Constance Clarke came for a cook out under the hickories. Following we went up to the Bushkill Cemetery & visited the plot containing about 285 unknown dead removed from the reservoir cemeteries. Later Addie Winchell and Mary Palen called. Harlowe came this a.m.. I gave him birthday card and a new \$5.00 bill.

July 16, Sunday — 66/6 a.m. 70/10 p.m. 88 degrees p.m. on front porch. Continued hot & humid. Some periods of sunshine. Gusty Hi Point area thunder showers and around north developed about 4 p.m. We didn't get much rain - latter was drippy into the evng & cooler.

A trying to relax day. Just did routine & wheeled load of part cut hay. Harlowe McLean had his annual birthday supper with us. -2 days belated.

Newspaper clipping 7/16/72 – Gravely Injured

Miss Bachor was riding along 28 in the company of another bicyclist, Jo Ann Avery 18, also of Boiceville in the direction of MT Tremper. About a mile east of Phoenicia, a 1972 sedan operated by Katsuabura Hanawa, 49 of New York city swerved off the payment and hit Miss Bachor's bike, which was on the shoulder.

She was knocked to the ground. The driver then lost control of the car, which crossed to the left side of the highway, went off the road and down a steep embankment where it crashed into a tree at the edge of adjoining woods.

The town of Shandaken ambulance took the Bachor girl to the hospital where she was found to be suffering from head and internal injuries.

Constables Jack Schlegel and James Short investigated and issued summons for failure to keep right to Hanawa. The driver is to appear in Shandaken justice court later.

July 17, Monday — 68/6 a.m. 70/9 p.m. Another just

the same day. Variable cloudiness & some sunshine - calm - ½ moon tonite over South Hollow amid clouds.

Hot & humid. Did daily routine- cut load hay in south side patch. Re-adjusted kitchen porch south end drain pipe. Trying to plug a leak also painted roof p.m. with black asbestos paint. After we went over to Rexer's. Otto Guenther(on 2 weeks vacation) brat us back. We had good rather late supper. Ollie went to bed. Harlowe called a.m.. Planted row early green beans in toilet patch. I note the garden with less rain & hot weather picking up remarkably. Wrote cards to Julia Rhoades & Billy & Ann Hughes for their 30th wedding anniversary, Wed.

July 18, Tuesday — 67/6 a.m. 74/10 p.m. Extremely hot and humid not a breath stirring. Hazy but little filtered sunshine. Had nice shower early evng at dark. Ollie & I went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean via Hurley Mtn route & returned 28A. Mr & Mrs Alfred Post of Walden arrived at 7:30 a.m. & parked their trailer back of milk house. Too hot to work other than chores.

July 19, Wednesday — 70/6 a.m. 72/11 p.m. Continued hot and humid – more haze than sunshine. Scarcely a breath of breeze – p.m. passing thunder showers. We got a similar shower as last evng.

Kate Carr helped hoe out. Manicured Ollie's nails and cut my hair. We went over to Rexer's latter p.m. Rec'd a small pkg & taped recording for Herbie & Elsie & delivered it. We also rec'd card from Irma Zeller of Germany – their home area.

July 20, Thursday — 72/6 a.m. 72/9 p.m. Unrelenting hot humid - lowery. Minor sunshine - gloomy thunder showers all p.m.. We had 2 showers.

This a.m. we had a Long Island letter for Elsie Rexer & took it over. Otto Guenther took me to Boiceville garage for can of brake fluid \$1.30 – he would not take pay. Harlowe came p.m. went after eggs to Henry Merrihew's 6 doz pullet @.25 – 4 large for Buddy. Kate and Geo Carr called after work. We took ride awhile with car to limber it up - standing so long.

This day was rainy. Putting load hay on mow with fork I caught left hand in filled mow hay pulley lost little finger & badly injured the two next. This date 1919 I was baptized in ---- church by the Rev. J.R. Vaughn, Phoenicia & West Shokan pastor. We had good supper. I wrote air reply card to Irman Zeller .95 mailing.

July 21, Friday — 70/6 a.m. 75/10:30 p.m. Continued tropical hot and sticky - murky - light p.m. showers followed by clearing & humid – well over ½ moon in south.

I worked in garden weeding in rows of parsnips & carrots. This p.m. Harlowe, Ollie & I attended the about 50 present Senior Citizens picnic & 5 p.m. luncheon in town grove pavilion . The swimming pool was a young folks and parents attraction. We got home about 7:15. I went to work roto cultivating in garden but dusk fell. Buddy Eckert brat near 4 doz large cabbage plants to set out from Suarez in Olive Bridge. Rec'd letter Garrett Mott. Rec'd \$2.50 for last winter 58 lb beef hide from JA Rider Rendering Works in Madamaris, Penn.

July 22 Saturday — 66/6 a.m. 72/9:30 p.m. Continued hot but not quite so humid or hazy. Generally sunny with partial overcast – clear still warm evng with early rising nearing full moon in the south.

This a.m. I did a big job setting 3 rows cabbage plants across from garden rock. Early p.m. Ollie & I attended the Kingston Lions Club annual picnic for the blind & affected held in Hasbrouck park pavilion scenically overlooking the majestic Hudson river & for a long distance south. Pleasure craft plied up & down & noted a long south bound freight train on the NYC Central transportation ----- by Mike Mazener of Ridge Rd Shokan, an Onteora club member. Abundant serving, musical entertainment provided by 4 piece Woodstock orchestra with accordion + Tom Cotton base ----- , drummer ----- trombone. We were home before 4 p.m. Later I did chores & watered cabbage & cut grass & cultivated.

This date is Bob and Mariam's 25th wedding anniversary on a similar hot sunny day in Brooklyn Congregational Church. I attended and we came home for the night.

July 23, Sunday — 80/6 a.m. 74/10 p.m. Hot and humid - variable overcast northerly day wind but generally sunny. Glowing golden near full moon south early evng. A brief but non cooling 10'clock thunder shower worked around below High Point.

A take it easy Sabbath. Early p.m. we went over to see Ann & Buddy Eckert with car. Buddy worked on faulty grabbing right front brake but failed to find cause. Did daily chores. Harlowe called late p.m. He goes on trip to

Vermont tomorrow. The Glen Marlatt outfit started my hay cutting & got most of it down. After a good supper I exercised garden cultivating till dark.

July 24, Monday — 76/a.m. 70/9 p.m. About the first comfortable work day for the summer. Not so hot & less humidity - north day wind - part cloudy - near full moon hazy in south.

The hay maker finished mowing & baled a truck load & took with them to Traver Hollow estate. I wouldn't want such uncured hay in my barn. This p.m. we had visit by New Paltz summer school Camp at Winchell Falls by supt Ken Reeves – 2 car group of teachers etc. A historical front porch visit. I showed them some guns, fish net & other heirlooms. We had good supper. I put considerable time in garden hoeing & weeding & re-planted row beets & planted 3 rows beans in toilet patch

July 25, Tuesday — 64/6 a.m. 68/10 p.m. Dark cloudy northerly wind, hay curing weather. Became humid p.m. with developing thunder showers not much rain but several sharp cracks – cleared evng - noticeably cooler. Glowing full moon deep south.

I cleaned up the west side mow floors knocked off 3 boards to make a hole to unload hay bales from truck. I also worked in garden planted 6 final rows of beans in south side potato ground also did hoeing of beans & potatoes & sowed turnip seed. The Van Leuvan boys turned the cut hay – but the baler conked out – then rains came. We had good supper after I mowed the front yard till dark. The National League defeated the American

League in 12 inning ----- 43 annual All Star game in Atlanta GA.

July 26, Wednesday — 62/ 6a.m. 68/9 p.m. Part to mostly cloudy. Pleasant cool temperature - northerly wind - faired evng. Good hay drying day was more sunny p.m.

The Van Leuvan hay makers did a big job - got the hay baled & cleaned up all but the rakings. They put 3 big truck loads in my barn. The hay is well cured. We went over to Rexer's latter p.m. Otto Guenther took us over to his building project bought of Ollie & brat us home. We had good supper. I did some garden weeding & after art students from New Paltz summer camp came to ask permission to paint the front view. Kate Carr worked today with washing \$8.00 paid. This date is my hallowed Father's Chase West Davis birthday 1859 – 1934

July 27, Thursday — 63/6 a.m. 62/9:30 p.m. Had sprinkle shower this a.m. - cool. Later part cleared sunny & warmer - cloudless -still - chill in air tonite. Became hay curing day.

I did some garden row weeding a.m. Did chore routine. Had p.m. all by Robert Parish his 83 year old uncle & brother -in -law also 2 lady landscape painters from New Paltz summer school camp came & began painting front vision. Return tomorrow, very plain & nice art teachers. This evng I got a relayed fone call from Dick Herrington to Bishops & thence from caretakers wife Dot Reinhard that Cornelia is in hospital and wants to see me. Why & she didn't call me in hospital but knew it. Rec'd letter

Mrs Fred Ronk & answered by card letter. I have a swollen purple conked right paw from fall on mow floor.

July 28, Friday — 54/6 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Truly ideal mid summer a spotted day clouds & shadows an artists Heaven – cool light wind.

This a.m. I hand raked & cocked up rakins. This p.m. spent mostly with group of landscape artistic visitors. Kate & Geo Carr called after her work. Both their birthdays. Later we went over to Rexer's. This Otto Guentner's 56th birthday. We had a good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote a letter to Mariam also rec'd from her belated Dad's Day \$10.00 check. I also wrote to Cornelia in Rome N.Y. Hospital. Daughter Mariam's 58th birthday. She was born during a rainy evening in Kerhonkson at the home of grandparents Wm & May Decker Simpson. Dr Fricles attended.

July 29, Saturday — 56/6 a.m. 62/10 p.m. variable overcast & sunshine. Delightful weather. Finally the haze cleared that the blue range of the Berkshire Hill was visible. Breeze light - mostly overcast evng – almost chilly.

Kept busy with barn jobs & re-cultivated getting weedy south end of garden where I sowed turnips. Harlowe McLean came home from his weeks trip to Middlebury VT and p.m., took us up to the gala opening of the new Singer & Denman American Hardware & building supply store in Boiceville. We had good supper boiled moose meat steak given us by Jesse Burger – mashed spuds & carrots. It feels lonely over Rexer's way. The

two couples returned home today. Had a call p.m. by a young 21 year old from Scranton PA – William Shulkins asking information about old route 28A vicinity Mt Tremper.

July 30, Sunday — 54/6 a.m. Pleasant & some sun — my unlucky day. This p.m. tired of inactivity I went in barn to repair neck chains for Bubbles - I stepped back from ---- vice & caught left foot on driver mower wheel & fell back heavily on concrete floor smashing my left hip. I was sprawled helpless. Luckily Jim Burgraff came. When Ollie found I was hurt she called Chief Al Fox. He arrived quickly & gave 1st aid – accompanied were Bob Henderson and another fireman Frank Miller. Al called Drs Ambulance & they conveyed me to Benedictine Hospital emergency. Dr Tannin took charge & given room 166 – x-rays taken. Everyone so kind. Ollie came with ambulance & Jim Burgraff came for her. I had some supper & fair restful night.

July 31, Monday — Mostly cloudy on the usual side. Heavy thunder shower tonight - rain needed 1– 1/4 . Garden responded. Ollie retained Dr Tannin & underwent leg operation this a.m. around 11:15. He cut side of leg length of this diary as I latter learned & pinned the crushed left thigh joint. Out of recovery & back in bed around 2:30. Ollie came p.m. or evng. I don't recall now who with. I've heard no further on Cornelia's illness – so don't know the score. My first two day roommate a Woodstock Hippie. Getting visitors and cards – 6 cards today. The nurses have me sitting up in a

chair. I learned Bro Harvey Trowbridge 86 in room 214. This a.m. had visit by Rev. Merton S. Cady who by request offered prayers.

August 1, Tuesday — The usual type days come and go. Cool a.m. & mostly hazy cloudy. I am eating normally and get less possibly nursing care. Set up some daily - writing as of Monday Aug 7th & catching up on events. Get cards etc daily. Ollie gets daily transportation.

August 2, Wednesday — Pleasant weather on cloudy side - not much wind. Daily hosp routine - up in chair. Got a new roommate Herman Piauque 16 of Ellenville - having operation due to fall on right knee wrestling. The room radio keeps blaring to Hermie's satisfaction. The family comes from Ellenville - very cordial & Hermie obliging with radio etc - nice family. My incision not very sore considering but of course have difficulty moving. My nurses are tops. The youngest Betty Robbins 18 lives on Pine St West Hurley. Daily cards and visitors including Ollie.

August 3, Thursday — Usual moderate little changed ---- weather. Daily cards and visitors. Senior Citizen meeting p.m. at new library – Ollie didn't go but got to see me. Harlowe attended - had movies. Food & care continues good. Harlowe does daily chores. Ollie stays alone.

August 4, Friday — Weather type pleasant - mostly overcast gloomy this a.m. but later brightened. Roommate Hernie Pianque had his knee operation this

a.m. by Dr Tannin & back to his end room bed after recovery. His mother & brothers and sisters here. Belle Wood brat Charles this a.m. in room 214. Sad for Belle. Gaye Vorkink arrived at Ledgerock with Volks Wagon that conked. Lucky to get a repairman as it turned out. I'm enjoying major league games on Hermie's rented radio. Marty Warnes stopped to see me after work.

August 5, Saturday — Pleasant mild sunny weather — morning temp chilly around 46. Last nite was given iron medication — my belly squeamish & this a.m. the black bottom blew out — what a miserable black gooey mess the girls had to clean after breakfast. I was bushed. Get daily cards & visitors and too many well intended callers. Jean & Bob Smith stopped to see me this a.m. She got Volks Wagon fixed.

August 6, Sunday — Another pleasant day with mellow sunshine. Temp low 70's. Had usual callers in variety included Masonic Bro Howard Trowbridge. Latter p.m. Ollie came with Kate & George Carr. I gave her check 8.00 for mid week work & wash. They stopped for lunch on way home 4:00 o'clock. Rec'd 9 cards & card letter home from Mrs Fred Ronk. Wrote air reply in response to Mariam's 2 rec'd yesterday.

August 7, Monday — Generally conventional weather — pleasant temp. Hard thunder shower developed tonite — some service disrupted. Nurses had more clean up trouble with my diarrhea .

Ollie came with Mr Kizrian p.m. other callers were Lizzie Shader and retired carpenter friend. I was up in a chair awhile - meals in bed. My good roommate goes home Tuesday. Watched t.v, tonite M.L. between Atlanta & Ciccinnatti Reds who won 9 - 1.

August 8, Tuesday — continued pleasant weather – variable cloudiness. Routine Hospital day. My diarrhea is slackened after nurses cleanup.

Ollie came with Belle Wood dinner time & didn't stay long. Brat a cup of green beans. Had light supper due to special x-rays tomorrow for Dr Tocco exam. Tonight saw ML ball game between St Louis Cardinals & NY Mets at St Louis. Worshipful Master Lenuel J Boice of Kingston Lodge # 10 called early evng. He is Central Hudson Line Forman – 37 years in service.

August 9, Wednesday — 58/6 a.m. home temp. Usual overcast but pleasant weather – more sunny p.m. This a.m. I was taken down to the x-ray Dept & had a miserably uncomfortable high barium x-ray. Back in bed 11 o'clock & had breakfast and professional attention by the nurses. Sat up awhile but pretty much over done. Ollie called several times & loco tray time came with Belle and neighbor ----- . Ollie gave Harlowe \$10.00 for chores & also Bill Van Leuvan for cutting her hay. Elsie called p.m. Had good supper but fattening – only 1 card today.

August 10, Thursday — Partly cloudy – bright - north wind chilly October weather clear night. Routine hospital

day. The nurses had considerable clean up jobs on me. Pretty well tired from yesterday barium enemas & x-rays. Sat up twice for dinner & supper in chairs. Also started thermal leg treatment. All reports I am gaining ok. Ollie came early p.m. with Mr Richberg, Shokan , Mtn Rd. Sr Citizen & went home with Belle Wood. Rec'd several cards & one from Cornelia. Been in the hospital 3 weeks - has light sugar but list over 20 she's on diet. New roommate early 2:45 Victor Joneitz of Highland broken heel. The New Paltz County fair having 2nd day larger than last year.

August 11, Friday — 44/6 a.m. Like early October. The day featured variable cloudiness & sunshine - clear evng - wind northerly.

After morning breakfast & clean up I went down in therapy dept. had walking exercise between bars & with walker, a.m. told I gained as much in 2 visits as some in 2 weeks. Ollie paid hospital \$18.40 for 2 emergency room visits. Drs not paid. She came 1 p.m. with Belle. Mrs Charles Schwabe condition poor. Ollie helped with my dinner. I sat up till 4 p.m. Best day to date. Supper in bed . I answered Cornelia's card letter. Rec'd air letter from Mariam & wrote her a reply.

August 12, Saturday — 60/6 a.m. Cloudy breezy in Kingston area. Sunnied up latter p.m. - (cloudy home all day) milder than yesterday.

I rested just fair considering painful leg. Had breakfast in chair then nurses helped me first visit the handy John. Wrote card to Ray Dunn. Was taken down for an angle

x-ray p.m. My break is mending. Ollie came with Belle p.m. Charles grumpy tells her to get out. His roommate a Mr Hill waiting for surgery, visits me. Rec'd 7 more cards & letters including Mariam & Mrs Ronk. I got a letter out to Mariam & wrote card to Ray Dunn. Geo & Kate Carr visited me this evng. I ate supper in a chair & got back in bed - good supper. The Presidential candidate Gov. George McGovern of South Dakota and aids are spending the weekend in Zena town of Woodstock.

August 13, Sunday — 60/6 a.m. Continued pleasant weather. Little change in 2 weeks. I'm in room 166 Benedictine patient and my continued excellent care & kindness shown is my daily tonic – clear evng in Kingston. Ollie came with Belle Wood early p.m. Charles in more pliable humor today & got shaved. Jim Clemens world war one vet called p.m. also visited comrade Charley. After a.m. clean up I sat in chair also went to the John with help and ate in chair. Ethel Gray and sister Mabel Vollmer were p.m. callers also assessor Jim Clemens. Had supper in bed & then sat up awhile.

August 14, Monday — 62/6 a.m. The day was routine normal seemed mostly cloudy. Had thunder shower at twilight – Ollie said rained some. Had therapy again after breakfast & getting a gain on walking in walker. Ollie came with Belle & Mrs Schwabe 1 0'clock & staid a couple hours. Charles no better looks dubious. After dinner got back in bed & had supper before getting back in chair. Had fone call from Marilyn Dudley & visit by Dr Avery Smith who brat part

coffee cake. Wrote Julia Rhoades evng.

August 15, Tuesday — Another cloudy day - then sunnied up bright and pleasant - breezy on the cool side. After a clean up and breakfast I was taken down to therapy & had walker exercise for my leg. Ollie came with Belle 1 p.m. later she went with Harlowe to see Dr Tocco. She called up 5 o'clock when she got back home. Howard Trowbridge paid a visit after seeing his uncle Harvey. My old neighbor Carrie North Myers is an upstairs patient. Rec'd about 10 ,or more card letters. This p.m. I did some walker exercise. This evng I had a visit by Mrs Grace North and Mrs —?

August 16, Wednesday — Cool sunny generally but mostly cloudy home Ollie says. After breakfast I had more walking therapy. I got back to room and in chair, tried to get to the John too late and nurse Dolly Weber had a mess on her agenda. I had an aching poor restful night. Rec'd several cards including letter from Mariam. Ollie came with Belle 1 0'clock. I exercised walker around the room several times. Trooper John Schetzel also called, brat sporting magazines. Julia Rhoades foned Ollie this a.m. hadn't got my Monday letter. Tonight I wrote cards to Norah Herrington & Mrs Currier

August 17, Thursday — Cloudy chilly -looked rain showery - it had rained here in Kingston evng also home. After breakfast clean up & trip to the John I was taken down stairs for walking therapy finale. Dr Tannin

informs me I am to go home tomorrow but by ambulance. I have a new walker from the hospital - price? This p.m. had call same time by my old friend Victor N. Lasher & retired Shady Wesleyan minister Mr Morris. Had usual supper & talked with Ollie several times. Good room mate Victor Joneitz also goes home tomorrow.

August 18, Friday — 74/8:30 p.m. Pleasant warm breezy soft sunny day & golden moon tonight over High Point. I was discharged from the Benedictine Hospital (room 166) by Dr Tannin and was brat home by Doctors Ambulance Services, arriving at high noon. Ollie came with the ambulance. Elsie Davis brat her to the hospital. The trip quite comfortable 'considerin' This p.m. I kept exercising with hosp walker – walked on both porches with occasional rests. My good roommate Victor Joneitz was still there at noon time but was dressed to go when I left. Harlowe as usual done the chores. I gave him \$10.00. Had late p.m. call by Mr & Mrs Henry Hartwick of Ashokan, Mtn Rd. Good supper and so good to set down & enjoy with Ollie. Chas Wood's hospital condition poor.

August 19, Saturday — 66/9 p.m. Really beautiful weather. Bright sunny breezy with scattered high clouds out of the north - glowing rounding moon over High Point.

Yesterday too much activity & night was long. My first full day at home & feeling much better. Harlowe did chores and Orrie Lyons called late p.m. I am back on my

normal breakfast & supper diet. This a.m. coffee, oat meal & milk – supper roast pork, mashed spuds & boiled cabbage. Ollie went to bed, I was up awhile. Had walking exercise on both porches & in house. This a.m. I wrote my roommate Victor Joneitz a card. Olive GOP Club held sold out 270 ticket clam bake at town pavilion.

August 20, Sunday — 54/6 a.m. Mid p.m. 90 Even more heavenly perfect than yesterday - less clouds. Pleasant porch setting. Glowing rounding moon over High Point. Back & leg hurt & didn't rest too good was up & down bed to chair. Had a good breakfast. A full day of visitors 1st group for front porch lunch Mr & Mrs Fred Ronk & visitor from Conn Mrs King. – Mr & Mrs Al Post also Harlowe who did chores. Next unexpectedly Bob & Julia Rhoades. They brat basket fruit etc & later Bob & Ann Parish front porch visit. He picked me mess of beans & cucs. I only ate pears for supper. It is a modern miracle thru God & Dr Tannin that I can readily go about the house floor level and out on porches with walker & have little discomfort. We had a most welcome fone call from Mariam & Bob Longyear 9 p.m. I am to call callers next Sunday night. Three weeks this p.m. I was ambulated to Benedictine Hosp with broken left hip. Have 1st cucumbers Hybrid type.

August 21, Monday — 52/6 a.m. The sun peeped over the distant Berkshires at approx 6:15. The glowing rounding moon settled behind South Hollow at 12:30 midnight. Another heavenly gorgeous day is dawning. Truly majestic sunny warm low ground drying humidity -

some breeze. Part overcast evng.

I'm not up to pep today, had too much company Sunday. It was a long tiresome night. Harlowe McLean did chores. I gave him another \$10.00 check. Rec'd lovely belated card from Ruth Rice. We had a good supper fresh made cucumber egg salad with potatoes & flavoring. Ollie went to bed. Sent batch of checks to Shokan bank. Tired and sleepy today. The 1972 convention opened in Miami Convention. In 1952 Gen Ike Eisenhower was nominated president and served 2 terms.

August 22, Tuesday — 54/6 a.m. continued dry delightful weather warm sunny weather.

My rest was better than Sunday night. Truly delightful - some high overcast & really dry weather at last. Orrie Lyons came a.m. & cleaned pig pen with Harlowe's help - who also did chores a.m. Had front porch visit by Mr & Mrs Wm T & "Sybil" Golden of Hi Point Road. Rec'd letter Mariam dated Aug 14th. A delegation of members of Shokan Lodge 491 IOOF led by P.D.D. led by Harlowe McLean as N.G. & past Grand Arthur Sampsen as Chaplain conducted service for 61 year member Harvey L. Trowbridge a 35 year member of White Plains Lodge 472. By request Warwarsing Lodge FIAM of Ellenville held services. Several of the IOOF members are Masons & taking part.

Newspaper clipping – Monday 8/28/72

Open House Held At The Kelder Home In Samsonville

An open house was held Sunday, Aug.20 in honor of Mr & Mrs Arthur R. Kelder who was married August 9 in Medina. The lawn celebration was given at home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr & Mrs Bradford V. Kelder of Kelder Highway in Samsonville. Approximately 100 friends and relatives attended.

Mr & Mrs Kelder left the following day for Hamburg N.Y. where they will live at 3114 Lake Heights Circle, Apartment C. He will teach in the Buffalo City Schools and his wife in the nearby Orchard Park Central Schools.

August 23, Wednesday —60/6 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Hazy this a.m. but gradually burned away sunny dry warm - bone dry. I shifted from my bed to the soft pillowed chair & watched the golden near full moon unevenly arch it's higher northerly orbit over High Point & settle back of south mtn.

Harlowe did chores. I finished an air mail letter to Mariam & Bob. Our neighbor & 22 year friend, ex-newspaper man Charles Wood died early today in Benedictine, our ages near equal – mine Feb 23 & his March 9th. A native of N.Y.C. & world war I veteran. Survived by wife Belle Burgher Wood. American Legion Olive Post 1627 Friday 8 p.m. Funeral 2 p.m. Sat Burial Woodstock cemetery. Funeral 1 p.m. at Humistons, in charge of Rev. Mert S. Cady. Burial in Olive Bridge.

August 24, Thursday — 70/7 a.m. The full moon hazily arched its nightly orbit above High Point & set behind South Mtn. Hazy sunny a.m. thickened & humid and half hour welcome refreshing shower followed – drizzle on

into evng.

Kate Carr cleaned today including refrigerator & cut my hair & brat wash. \$8.00 paid. Harlowe did chores as usual. Also had pleasant visit by Noble Reggie Davis. We had excellent supper – Ollie went to bed.

August 25, Friday – 74/ 8:30 p.m. The full moon of yesterday made its hazy orbit in S.W. & settled behind crest of South Mtn 6 a.m. Hazy summer murked over with p.m. thunder showers - mostly east side - we got a sprinkle.

Harlowe did chores. I came by ambulance from Benedictine hosp week ago at noon. My weeks gain is really remarkable. No trouble getting around rooms & porches with walker. Rec'd 2 letters 18th & 21st from Mariam. Harlowe is tiring of chores & milking. This p.m. Ollie called up Ken Reeves, supt of the Winchell Falls New Paltz summer school camp & he readily agreed to come & get her awhile. Charles Wood visiting hours Legion service at Lasher's about 10 Legionaire's present.

Irving Barringer Samsonville's oldest native resident had 89th surprise birthday party. He is confined to his home for 10 years – enjoys visitors & getting mail.

August 26, Saturday — 66/6 a.m. 78/7:30 p.m. The swallows still here. At 6o'clock the hazy past full moon was orbiting lower over South Mtn. Yesterday p.m. torrential thunder storm very severe in the general Kingston area. Warm humid hazy sunny looked dark p.m. but didn't shower.

Harlowe did chores. Herbie Rexer called p.m. we sat on front porch. He is alone with Bonnie dog. Elsie was called to Germany week ago Wednesday nite by plane due to death of her father. I did considerable walker exercise. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. Funeral 2 p.m. at Lasher's for Chas Wood in charge of Rev. Osterhoudt Phillips. Interment Woodstock cemetery. Rec'd several more card letters. The Town Highway Dept re-surfaced the West Shokan High Road this week.

August 27, Sunday — 68/7 a.m. 74/9 p.m. Considerable rain & thunder showery before and after midnight.

'Thank You God' Two more thunder showers forenoon & early p.m. Another flashy 9 p.m. worked around south - didn't rain long.

Jean & Robt Smith made a front porch visit around noon. Harlowe did chores. It's a gloomy damp lonesome day.

Funeral 2:30 p.m. at Lasher's for Fred Reiner 29 (suicide) buried Tongore cemetery. So tragic for his Dear Good Mother. Casket not opened. Rev. Merton S. Cady minister. Undertaker Lasher's. 4 weeks ago this p.m. I was conveyed by emergency trip Doctor's Ambulance to Benedictine Hosp after breaking left hip by fall on concrete floor in barn. We talked collect 9 p.m. 15 minutes with Mariam in Mexico City. We were yelling & thunder shower - she heard the thunder plainly (something to tell the grand children) The long famed 6 day Rhinebeck or Dutchess County Fair closed today 127th edition - total attendance 177, 949 last year 171,317.

August 28, Monday — 68/7 a.m. 74/9 p.m. The showery weather passed on in the night. Today warm hazily sunny with mid day showery looking overcast. A cooler tinge p.m. around north front porch corner.

Harlowe came & milked Bubbles just before Ken Reeves & helper came with van truck and took Bubbles for temporary boarding to the New Paltz summer school camp at Winchells Falls. No trouble getting her loaded. Ollie felt badly and had a good cry. This a.m. had a call by Dave & Ann Bender & his step-son Roger of West Hollywood Fla also his Aunt Belle Wood. They came for Charles funeral. Dave a south pacific war veteran is employed for years in the Post Office. After supper Ann Tennant called early evng & brat basket fruit. We had delicious baked blue fish supper compliments of Herbie Rexer.

August 29, Tuesday — 62/6:30 p.m. 70/8 p.m. Heavy dew. Generally sunny hazy warm - calm. Little temp change in past month.

Harlowe came & took care of pig and calf. He picked some nice peaches from south side tree - Elbertas. Orrie Lyons also called p.m. We had delicious peach short cake supper. Harlowe got me early Christianity Historical book at library and I became ----- reading — The Greatest Faith Ever Known by Fulton Bursler. Used walker about as usual combined with sitting in chair. No cards today. Wrote card Marty Warnes.

August 30, Wednesday — 66/7 a.m. 72/7 p.m. The swallows are evidently gone during the week. Generally

sunny a bit hazy - pleasant dry weather with just a tinge of autumn p.m.

I wrote & sent air letter to Mariam a.m. Rec'd letter Mrs Currier also Mrs Ronk. Harlowe called a.m. & took care of calf & pig. I did considerable reading & setting in various places to be content. Kate & Geo Carr called after work & finished picking tree of peaches about a peck of nice big ones that Ollie gave her. I now note a dry band around reservoir. We had good vegetable stew supper.

August 31, Thursday — 66/7 a.m. 54/9 p.m. A truly delightful sunny mellow last day of August.

I kept up my routine of walker walking with occasional periods of chair re-setting. Harlowe came & did small chores. Also p.m. had short call by state trooper Edgar Zaboris & later by Joe Massimo. ZaBoris brat us a piece of frozen blue fish. I rec'd an answered get well card & letter from Ada Bell. First heard from her in many months. My grandmother Sarah Eckert Crispell died 80 years ago today crippled with rheumatism at age 59. Yes I can remember her as a small woman who helped me climb onto her lap by climbing left side of her low rocker supported by her left arm.

September 1, Friday — 58/6 a.m. 66/7 p.m. A clear still night and the old moon is down to 1/3.

I alternated between my bed and soft chair in passing the night with an aching left leg. 2 weeks today noon I arrived home from Benedictine Hosp by Doctors Ambulance service. Harlowe & neighbor Davis today's

callers. A routine day between walking & sitting. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Bruce Ollie's nephew 43rd birthday.

September 2, Saturday — 6/7 a.m. 72/7 p.m. Still cool overcast no rain - rather humid p.m. - temp in low 70's. A quiet rather lonesome day - no callers but Harlowe. This a.m. I finished reading historical religious book *The Greatest Faith Ever Known*. Story of the men who first spread the religion of Jesus and of the momentous times in which they lived. We had good supper - baked blue fish from trooper Edgar Zaboris. Our long time friend Joe The Butcher Aronofsky is closing his shop in Olive Bridge due to high cost of meat & customer resistance. I wasn't active today feel loggy. Rec'd card Mariam – Rec'd card & note from my last roommate (166) Victor Don Jonietz of Clintondale.

September 3, Sunday — 60/7 a.m. 72/8 p.m. Mostly overcast a.m. with brief periods of sunshine but the p.m. was bright & delightful much more sunny. Forecast for rain at times heavy - clouds coming out of the north. Again clouded over later p.m. A quiet thinking day. Had long night aching sore left leg but not hip. I alternated using walker & shifting chairs today much more comfortable. Harlowe only caller brat NY Sunday news p.m. and reported that Raymond J. Cruthers world I veteran to marry his year deceased wife's widowed sister from N.J. Pleasant call by Otto & Nina Guenther at supper time. We had really delicious hot chicken pie vegetable supper. We sat out on porch

awhile then Ollie went to bed.

September 4, Monday — 56/7 a.m. 58/7 p.m. Brilliant sunny real cool fresh northerly wind – scattered high sirus clouds.

Principal event was the annual Boiceville Labor Day Picnic. Ollie & I attended with transportation both ways furnished. We were treated as King & Queen. I had no trouble with my walker. Shokan boy scouts cleared over \$110.00 with sale of refreshments — entertainment by Barbara Moncure & Harry Siemsen. I helped some with the singing. Speakers included Pres Tom Fickus, Invocation by Rev Merton S. Cady, Historian Vera Sickler, Francis Every, Harlowe McLean & myself. Not as large a crowd as last year. But old friends must meet socially . Collection \$48.29 – expenses Harry Siemsen 5.00. Back home 4 o'clock. Harlowe had supper with us.

September 5, Tuesday — 46/7 a.m. 62/7:30 p.m. 56/9 p.m. Brilliant cool wind northerly – scattered high clouds.

A routine day. First night I didn't have to get up & set in chair to ease up my aching leg. Walked around the house & porches & sat in chairs. Was anxious to get outdoors. No callers but Harlowe. He went to Kingston & brat 16.54 order A&P also Cut Rate Store drugs etc for Ollie & bottle 100 UpJohn Senior vitamins for me 3.59. he also picked mess wax beans. Ollie & I had pick up supper. I wrote Danny Lane about shale he got from Ollie 2 years ago also wrote air letter to Mariam. Rec'd letter Elsie Rexer from West Germany – answered it

tonight.

September 6, Wednesday 48/6:30 a.m. 60/8:30 p.m.

Another on the cool autumny side mid 70 or less day – some breeze. Sunny clear - still - chill evng.

This forenoon for the first I got off & back on porch – mostly unaided & walked out to barn & garage. Hank the calf greeted me as a returned friend. How he has grown in the past 5 ½ weeks. The uneven ground with walker gave me more leg ache. I kept rather quiet remainder of day. Wrote Julia Rhoades. Harlowe called late a.m. & he & Ollie accompanied me to the barn. Kate & George Carr came after work. She picked us each a mess Kentucky Wonder pole beans. We had a delicious veal stew supper with wax beans. Ollie went to bed.

September 7, Thursday — 50/7 a.m. 60/9 p.m. another serene pleasant temperature day – breeze light mostly sunny - dry.

A routine day between house setting & floor walking & with Ollie's help I made my 2nd trip to barn & around milk house. Kept indoors p.m. Harlowe called on way home from Legion Hall Senior Citizens meeting. Bob Adsit brat tank gas 13.03 paid. We had delicious ham pot pie supper. After Mr Kizerian called briefly on return from N.Y.C. I made out check for bills Kingston Orthopedic Assoc – Dr Tannin \$750. – Dr Roman Bodnar emergency room July 30th 7.00 – Doctors Ambulance Service Sun p.m. July 30th emergency – 62.50. Aug 18 – Returned from Hosp 56.25. 7/30 Dr Roman Bodnar emergency 7.00

September 8, Friday — 54/7 a.m. 75/7 p.m. Sunny pleasant sun temperature, overcast developed p.m. This a.m.. I finally got in garden to look around. Be plenty beans frost holding off for 3 weeks. Also got to pig pen, he's stretched out – also to barn & Ollie helped tie up sweet corn stalks. Charley Dwyer —. Harlowe called & checked on pig & Hank. I wrote Mariam week ender this p.m. Rec'd letter Ruth Rosengren from Kokomo Ind. Didn't hear much local news just heard of my accident. Developers buying up pig farms & corn growing areas.

September 9, Saturday — 66/8 a.m. 60/8:30 p.m. Cool mostly cloudy a.m. some sunshine. Sunnied up p.m. wind shifting - brisk northerly - cloudless chilly evng – wind quieted.

A routine day - no callers but Harlowe. He brrit & Margaretville papers. I got in a walk to the barn and along garden. Did some kitchen porch sitting in sun. We had good variety supper. Bluefish salad, boiled spuds, Kentucky Wonder beans, bread & butter. Ollie went to bed. I finished reply letter started this p.m. to Ruth Rosengren. Benefit dance tonight for Mary Bachor at town pavilion - 2 orchestras – large crowd.

September 10, Sunday — 42/6 a.m. 54/7 p.m. Belle Wood reported 38. A truly brilliant heavenly perfect day & evng. Northerly wind quieting – chilly evng. Pat Conway gave Ollie & I a ride both ways to the town of Olive Republican Club family picnic at the town grove. Large attendance - refreshments - covered dish &

hamburgers & drinks. Ollie took 2 qt jar cucumber pickles. Family charge \$3.00 Paid. Geo & Kate Carr called noontime. Later after getting home Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called. Harlowe went with group Olive Bridge IOOF to clambake in Walden. 6 weeks this p.m. I broke my hip.

September 11, Monday — 46/6:30 a.m. 60/9 p.m. Part a.m. overcast - brilliant sunshine p.m.

6weeks this a.m. 11:15 Dr Tannin operated on my broken left hip & put together with pins & screws. I was back in my bed room 166 around 2:30.

A routine day. Had considerable discomfort part of night - knee vicinity. I used walker in moderation & went out by garden with Ollie & she picked mess of Kenrucky Wonder beans. Harlowe only caller told us about trip to Walden clambake. This p.m. I wrote letter Julia Rhoades & tonite Marty Warnes. We had good variety supper boiled spuds sausage & beans etc. Ollie went to bed - I about 9 o'clock . Reports benefit dance for Mary Bachor Sat nite netted \$2500. and \$500. more in pledges. The GOP picnic covered expenses \$300.

September 12, Tuesday — 60/6 a.m. overcast p.m. & evng. 66/9 p.m. Pleasant warmer - sunny a.m. developed overcast p.m. - calm.

I rested all a.m. This p.m. Ollie & I went down in garden & picked big basin Kentucky Wonder beans. I tipped them & Ollie processed & put 4 small bags in freezer & had rest for supper with baked chicken & boiled spuds. Harlowe came p.m. fed Hank & Pigger. Had evng call by

Walter Lang he brat gallon jug Gallo Maderia wine
compliments of Olive Rebekah Lodge # 470.

September 13, Wednesday — 60/6:30 a.m. 72./7 p.m.
Anne Eckert's birthday. Gloomy moderately rainy most
of day. Much needed not downpour – foggy dark night.
A rest up day. Slept fairly well. Just stayed in bed till
early p.m. Did not go out of house. No callers. Rec'd
letter Mrs Ronk - wrote her big card – also wrote to Gaye
Vorkink. We had delicious biscuit gravy beans &
chicken supper. Mary North Hyde of old North
Homestead Maltby Hollow road died of heart attack after
removal to Benedictine Hosp. Older sister Carry Myer
for weeks in hosp - Esophagus trouble.

September 14. Thursday — 64/7 a.m. 64/8 p.m. Murky
& foggy this a.m.. Later occasional patches of sunshine
but as a whole cloudy -dismal. Part cleared evng & near
½ moon bright over Hi Point Mtn - squally p.m.
A rather lonesome day. Rested in bed till noon. Walked
to garden p.m that was all. Old leg weak and achy - not
the hip. Harlowe came p.m. & fed Hank & Pigger. We
had a real delicious hot freezer pork vegetable supper.
Ollie went to bed. I'm writing Mariam.

September 15, Friday — 48/6:30 a.m. 56/8 p.m.
Brilliant sunny with scattered high clouds. Pleasantly
warm in sun. Glowing ½ moon over High Point.
We had congenial p.m. calls by Ruth Rice and Ann
Carpino & 2 year old son Clarke. This a.m. I helped
Ollie pick and process Kentucky Wonder beans. She put

4 pint bags in freezer & had some for supper along with boiled spuds & 2 nice fried trout & a bass compliments of Marty Warnes. Ollie went to bed. Except for going to garden & barn kept pretty well off my weak leg. This p.m. I bundled & tidied up an accumulation of papers. GOP Regional campaign to re-elect president Richard Nixon located near Gov Clinton opened 6:30 p.m. with featured fanfare.

September 16, Saturday – 48/7 a.m. 59/8:30 p.m.
Continued just lovely warm weather. Sunny some breezy with variable overcast. Glowing cloudless just over ½ moon atop of High Point.

Ollie and I picked first soft corn beans & shelled them. I had considerable walking exercise. This p.m. I had good nap in soft chair. Harlowe came & brat Margaretville news & Grit. Finished & sent air letter to Mariam. We had good supper boiled spuds, corn beans & sausage.

September 17, Sunday — 70/6 a.m. 86 front porch p.m.
— Warmer quite brisk south westerly wind. One of the warmest humid days of the summer (not burning hot). Sunny till later p.m. when overcast developed from north quarter. Later thunder shower developed but with small amount of rain locally.

I helped Ollie pick mess of green wax beans. Harlowe came & helped Ollie dig out bushel onions early p.m. and took care of calf & pig. Addie Winchell's niece 10 year old Kathy Brueckner & Mrs Mary Palen called mid p.m. We sat on front porch but very warm. Ollie & I had a good supper, spaghetti & meat sauce & beans. We sat

on front porch awhile & she went to bed tired as usual.

September 18, Monday — 60/6 a.m. 76/7 p.m. 20 degrees cooler over night – a band of thundershowers occupied first part of night, not especially near – cleared before daylight. Became nice & warm and humid as yesterday – clouds drifting out of south. Became less humid.

Ollie dug first mess of potatoes for supper. I got out as daily but very humid, variable hazy sunshine & overcast. I wrote get well – sympathy card to Carrie North Myers in Benedictine Hospital. Also card to Garrett Mott. Harlowe McLean went on Senior Citizens bus trip to Sterling Forest, Tuexedo park. Good supper ham, cabbage, beans & new taters. Month today I came home from Benedictine Hosp and 7 weeks since my broken hip operation.

September 19, Tuesday — 66/7 a.m. 64/7 p.m. We had thunder rumble & sprinkle in night. Cloudy gradually becoming cooler & windy. First day with a definite tinge of autumn.

A routine day and feeling draggy. Didn't rest good last nite - aching leg. Harlowe & neighbor Davis called p.m. Rec'd hospital bill from Benedictine – out of total of \$2,177.70 – Medicare part \$2,013.50 leaving bal owed \$74.20. Items reading of E.K.G. - \$100. – inhalation therapy 5.20 & Medicare deductible \$74.20.

We had delicious supper veal roast with gravy in freezer since 3/1965 (like fresh) boiled potatoes & Kentucky Wonder beans.

September 20, Wednesday — 64/7 a.m. 62/7 p.m.
Cloudy dismal this morning – except for period of bright sunshine. The day was cloudy - chilly. Distinct autumn trend. Snow flurries reported last nite in Dutchess Co. I had a leg aching day but pretty good night. Mrs Bea Snyder head of Olive Blood Bank called a.m. in regard to 2 pts blood furnished hosp for me (gratis) Kate Carr came after days work at Swan Brewsters & later George came for her. She picked mess beans for herself & did some house work, also cut my hair & George's hair, both Ollie's and my toe nails. First I've had since before my accident. Ollie & I picked soft corn beans. Harlowe did A&P shopping for us \$9.00. We had excellent supper succotash, cut up veal in gravy, new spuds. Ollie went to bed tired. Finished & mailed air letter to Mariam. Mrs Snyder brat delicious tomatoes & jar pickles.

September 21, Thursday — 48/7 a.m. 60/10 p.m. Fallish gloomy a.m. Light rain all p.m. into evng – still. Principal daily events. We attended Ashokan Senior Citizens meeting p.m. with kindly Annette Tennant. We came back over newly surfaced Reservoir Rd & down over dykes to lower 28A loop. A vast project is underway along the dykes & west end of dam dyke. The massive original 3ft high hewn stone walls have been removed by dozens of trucks & being replaced by pile deep driven iron posts & heavy top rail about 2 ½ or more ft high. Work completed ½ way up the long Beaverkill dyke – proceeding rapidly. We welcomed the rain also enjoyed delicious variety supper - new taters, Kentucky Wonder beans, tomatoes etc. Rec'd letter Julia

Rhoades her family transfer as I expected waiting for.

September 22, Friday — 56/6 a.m. 56/8 p.m. Grand showers in night - so needed for late gardens. Part cloudy this a.m. gradually cleared beautifully sunny. Glowing full moon evng on the autumny side - northerly wind - still evng and quite nippy.

Bea Snyder called again p.m. in regard to blood transfusion. The town is replacing 5 pts of blood used in me. Harlowe & Ollie dug rest of onions p.m. Have full 2 bu. This p.m. I walker walked 2nd trip to around mail box. Helped pick soft corn beans Assessor Raymond C. Cruthers called p.m. in regard to Ollie's assessment of \$480. Reduced \$20.00. Piano Master Carl Davis just arrived home after a year study in Germany and tonight he & accomplished tenor Roger Owen Childs gave a recital at the new library – Was well attended & commended & a \$200. donation taken for the library fund. I sent air letter to Mariam.

September 23, 43/7 a.m. 52/8 p.m. The autumn tinge is distinct. Brilliant sunny a.m. Considerable overcast developed p.m. Moon way east rose hazy.

Harlowe came a.m. and took care of Hank calf & Pigger. Ollie & I picked a 5 gal pail of mostly soft corn beans & I shelled them – also walked to pig house & barn and out around mail box. Rec'd letter from Mariam. Bob Wenzel also called. He said it's Skin Lester S. Davis' 69th birthday. I sent a card with Bob. The West Shokan Rod & Gun Club held a 2 orchestra square & round dance in the new library. We had good supper Succotash, boiled

new spuds, tomatoes & boiled eggs. A house auction at the home of the late Harvey Trowbridge held today. A fund raising dance for blood ----- held tonite in Olive bridge fire hall.

September 24, Sunday — 52/7 a.m. 60/7:30 p.m. chill temp finally got up to 60. Damp autumn chill. Dismal cloudy breezy.

A do little day & no front porch weather.

8 weeks today my broken hip fall. Can walk in house without walker support. A lump that developed on right hand below 1st finger matured & broke this a.m. opposite on top of hand where about 31 years ago a long mattery infection where finally a cursed sliver of bone worked loose & I pulled out with pliers & never after bothered. Harlowe called & brat NY News & Grit & Margaretville weekly. We learn that Ralph McRoberts died in a hosp after selling their Brodhead Road home & were en-route to Florida several weeks ago. Last we saw him & Ernestine was June 3rd at Alonzo & Viva Davis 50th anniversary. They were married in Olive Bridge at noon June 1931.

September 25, Monday — 56/6:30 a.m. 68/8 p.m.

Hazily sunny a.m.. Brightened warm p.m.

Normal activity. Harlowe called p.m. Ollie & I picked a pail of corn beans & mess Kentucky Wonder for supper. I shelled out the soft corn beans. Ollie did the wonders. I walked out around mail box with walker & Ollie accompanied. Then I sat in sun on kitchen porch till my aching leg let up. I did some reading in library book The

Frontiersman. I sent Benedictine Hosp check for balance over Medicare \$74.20.

September 26, Tuesday — 66/7 a.m. 76/8 p.m. P.m. sunny temp 86. Very warm & humid. Periods of hot sunshine & cloudy murk. Showers forecast – it rained for a time in the latter evening.

Didn't rest well aching leg. Was out in garden with Ollie with walker out around mail box. Harlowe & Orrie Lyons went to Woodstock paid respects to Ralph McRoberts. He also shopped A&P our list \$3.51. Ollie took care of Hank & Pigger. We had delicious variety supper - new taters, tomatoes, corn beans, ham, scrambled eggs, bread & fresh warm applesauce. Finished letter to Mariam. Amos Correll deep voiced negro comedian teamed with 32 year 1929 - 1960 nation wide broadcast with the Amos & Andy team died in Chicago Wesley Hosp 4 days after retiring with heart attack at 82. Andy Cosden aged 67 lives in Beverly Hills CA. ----- lack of deceased Amos.

September 27. Wednesday ---- 64/6 a.m. 63/9 p.m. Gloomy warm & humid with occasional periods of warm sunshine. Typical August dog days weather – 78 front porch p.m. Decidedly cooler evng. Kate Carr came & did a general days work. Geo came for her. Early p.m. we got a surprising 2 hour front porch visit by Vernon & Helen Haskin of East Durham. They were accompanied by 12 year old grandson Andy Hurent. He is interested in guns – I showed him my collection. Harlowe also called. Latter Ollie & I & Kate

picked yellow beans & pail ripe & soft corn beans & shelled them - the soft ones. Ollie & I had usual good variety supper – sausage taters, corn beans & peaches. Paid Kate \$6.00. I mailed school tax checks to Onteora Central school. Funeral 2 p.m, at Lasher’s Parlor’s for Ralph McRoberts – Burial in Tongore Cemetery.

September 28, Thursday — 47/ 6:30 a.m. 54/7 p.m.
Brilliant cloudless with chilling wind off reservoir & distinctly autumn – still evng.

Belle Wood came noontime & picked a mess of wax beans. At this time also had a call by daughter Cornelia. She is on diet & lost much weight – looks real trim. She & Dick were visiting at Bishops & drove out mid p.m. Ollie did chores. We picked a packed 5 gal pail corn beans. I shelled the soft ones, 2nd batch on kitchen porch – 80 in sun. We had delicious peach biscuit supper from the tree of small ones. Still & lonesome evng. Kate & Geo Carr called after work (Kate at Swan Brewster’s) Electric out from around 1 a.m. to 7:05 a.m. due to car snapping off pole on 28 in Glenford. I got a walk out around mail box. Flock of out of sight geese honked south over east side at noon. Belle Wood reports she heard a flock this a.m.

September 29, Friday — 52/6 a.m. 58/7:30 p.m.
Mountains fogged out – dismal still - chilly weather .
Misty wet p.m. - showers p.m. on east side.
Rec’d letter Norman Studer - Mrs Currier – Mrs Fred Ronk.&Julia Rhoades & card Jim & Lil McVinty on western trip. Mr Kizirian & Jim Burgraff called latter

p.m. I didn't get outdoors so not much exercise. I did considerable reading The Frontiersman narrated life of Simon Kenton. Wrote Mrs Fred Ronk tonite.

September 30, Saturday — 58/6 a.m. 50/9 p.m. Rained during night and continued till 2 p.m. Gusty southerly wind developed and when the rain stopped shifted northerly - somewhat colder - cloudy evng quieted. Second day I was house bound. Finished & mailed letter to Mariam. Continued new steady reading of the Frontiersman . Harlowe brat Margaretville paper & Grit a.m. This pm. Jim Burgraff came & brat ½ bu basket big heads cabbage. Harlowe did chores. We had good supper - taters, corn beans meat loaf & fresh made peach pie. Ollie went to bed. I read awhile 1st of now 3 days of registration. I'm reminded that I was an inspector that covered much of the period between 1916 and 1966.

October 1, Sunday — 53/7 a.m. 40/9 p.m. 9 weeks this p.m. my fall. Reports of scattered white frost - crispy early autumn - northerly wind. Brilliant atmosphere practically cloudless till later p.m. Sketchy white frost reported..

Joe Massimo came a.m. & got mess of green ans wax beans. Harlowe came noontime & brat Sunday Times & did chores. This p.m. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called. I got exercise today out in garden & to mail box. I can now walk in the house without walker. Finished reading remarkable historical book the Pioneers a western are part of war of 1812. Great grandfather John G. Eckert a veteran.

October 2, Monday — 37/a.m. 50/7 p.m. General white frost but didn't effect our tender growth in garden. Part cloudy this morning but cleared brilliant - still - real crispy but was warm in sun p.m. - clear still evng. After being house bound 2 days Fri & Sat I got out in garden & made a walker trip out to road. I started re-reading H.A. Harings "Our Catskills Mountains - 1931. Harlowe called & did chores. I wrote Marty Warnes this a.m. and this p.m. I sat on sunny porch and shelled corn beans. We had usual delicious supper. Ollie went to bed. Wrote Julia Rhoades tonite.

October 3, Tuesday — 44/7a.m. Cool part cloudy – hazy sunny - still pleasant seasonable weather. I made two trips out to road & in garden. Orrie Lyons came a.m. cleaned pig pen – paid what he asked 50 cents & fed hank & Pigger. Rec'd letter Mariam. Otto & Mina Guenthner up for a week - called later p.m.. Brat me a bottle of fancy Spanish Maelvina wine. We rec'd our Social Security check increased 20.00 Ollies is \$69.10 up from 56.40 mine \$52.20 up from 42.50 after medicare deduction . We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. I'm re-reading with much interest Our Catskill Mtns. Rec'd letter Mariam.

October 4, Wednesday — 47/7 a.m. 52/9 p.m. Indian summer calm generally sunny - broken overcast. Harlowe took Ollie & I to Kingston & had scheduled office call with Dr Tannin. Had 2 x-rays \$15.00 paid. The call to be charged to Medicare. He gave me a light adjustable black metal cane for indoor use. The walker

support to be continued outside thru the winter. He and the office nurse seemed pleased with my progress. We shopped A&P first since before my accident \$20.45. Also called on Reggie Davis coming home. Went both ways via Hurley Mtn Road.

October 5, Thursday — 48/7 a.m. 52/8 p.m.

Considerable cloudiness and intermingled sunshine - mild October.

This p.m. we went with Harlowe & neighbor Wm Davis to the Senior Citizens by monthly meeting in the Ashokan Legion Hall. We came home before 3 o'clock. I walked out to road for exercise & also we picked mess sweet corn. We had good supper potatoes - roast pork ribs & gravy, pan of dressing & peach pie. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Marty Warnes. This evng I had call from past Grand Master Chase F. Gasnell of Suffern inviting me to go with him tomorrow evng to dinner - 127 anniversary of Prattsville Masonic Lodge.

October 6, Friday — 54/6 a.m. 60/8 p.m. Gloomy overcast a.m. Broken cloudiness p.m. with patches of warm sunshine - clouds heading north. Cloudy dark still evng. Set in rainy.

Leg sore & gimpy. The weather don't help - not a restful night. We picked the last of the sweet corn nubbins. Animals started working indicated skunks. Harlowe came p.m. - gave a hand mowed the thick chick weeds off toilet patch found few red tomatoes. Got in walk out to road. We had real good boiled supper. Ollie went to bed.

October 7, Saturday — 60/7 a.m. 56/9 p.m. The drought is broke. Drenching night and continued most all day, at times moderate to heavy – became windy. Locally about 3 inches fell. The belated equinoctial was wide spread along the eastern coast . The James river caused flooding - evacuations in Va & W.Va 24 ft above normal in Richmond. Trooper John Schetzel called a.m. and this p.m. Elsie Rexer, Otto & Mina Guenthner re-piled some lumber in barn that I may get to the work bench & vice. Ollie did chores. I didn't get out the house. Considerable leg annoyance last night Finished & mailed air letter to Mariam. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades. Oakland Ca American league defeated the Eastern Division ----- Detroit 3-2 eleven innings (Sunday 5 - 0) This p.m. the Pittsburg Pirates defeated the Cincinatti Nat. League Reds in 1st of 5 games play off 5 – 1 for national League Pennant.

October 8, Sunday — 48/7 a.m. 54/10 p.m. Brilliant cloudless a.m. Developing dark overcast p.m. Cleared evng – quite windy p.m. Seasonable October. The house builders for Otto & Nina Guenthner moved to two truck loads lumber from the barn. They called on way home a.m. also Herbie Rexer. Harlowe came brat papers & did part chores. Reggie & Elsie also called p.m. He is town dog enumerator & she a cancer re-check. Ollie & I had usual good supper. She went to bed. I had a nap. Cincinatti National league west division defeated Pittsburg in 2nd game p.m. The town of Olive Fire Company observed their 25th anniversary last nite at Governor Clinton Hotel about 175 present. Not well

commended – Al Fox Jr – continues chief.

October 9, Monday — 42/9 p.m. Mountains all sides shrouded a.m. with snow squalls for the first. Columbus Day national - advanced from Oct 12. General frost forecast tonight. First real fall weather. Rain squally one atop the other during the day. Windy frost forecast - a few stars out evng.

Ollie worked picking pumpkins and squashes & pulling 2 rows corn beans. My activity was only picking the last of the Kentucky Wonder beans & shelled off by the warm dining room fire. 14 qt packed basket - in the rain squalls. Harlowe called & brat Sunday Freeman – no mail on the National holiday. Ollie has 4 large double medium red dahlias in a jar of water on table. Pittsburg defeated the Reds in 3rd game.

October 10, Tuesday — 30/6:30 a.m. 34/9 p.m. General killing frost - 1st skim ice on barn tub. Everything garden wise is blistered. Brilliant sunny with high thin overcast developed p.m. Bright stars shining – still wind got blowed out.

Harlow Mc Lean, Ollie & I attended 2 p.m. funeral service for 68 year old Masonic brother Fred Tisch at Lashers. Eulogy by Rev Merton S Cady. Interment Woodstock cemetery. I note the new iron dyke fence completed but road over dam closed. We then went to Stone Ridge and all saw Dr Tocco. I had plugged left ear cleaned & needle for lame knee also pills. The Oakland western division winners shut 3 games from Detroit American league. Cincinatti defeated Pittsburg. The

series stands even – 2 each.

October 11, Wednesday — 30/7 a.m. 52/9 p.m. Heavy frost again last nite – Brodhead reported 24 & 30. Bishops field and roofs heavily coated in white. Just thin skim on barn tub. Gorgeous sunny day with at times south wind – considerable hi overcast developed p.m. stars dim tonight - moderating.

I managed to pull frozen pumpkin and tomato vines. Didn't get around till toward noon. This p.m. I shelled corn beans in kitchen. Too chilly on porch. Addie Winchell & Mary Palen called also after work Geo & Kate Carr. Ollie & I had good supper fried sweet potatoes, Kentucky Wonder beans, sausage & brown bread. Cincinatti defeated Pittsburg this p.m. breaking 2 & 2 tie 4 - 3 became the National League Champions . Detroit defeated Oakland 4th game making them tied. Rec'd letter Mariam and Debby Robbins of West Hurley my 19 year old Benedictine Hosp nurse.

October 12, Thursday — 54/7 a.m. 58/9 p.m. Light shower this a.m. - cloudy gloomy -damp still - same evng.

A do little day - so wet. Ollie did chores with Harlowe 's help. This p.m. I shelled off some corn beans & tuned on WTIC Hartford to the 5th and deciding game at Detroit attendance 50276. The game a pitchers due won by the Oakland American league 2- 1 only 6 or 7 hits between them. The World Series will begin at 1:30 p.m. in Cincinatti. I wrote Mariam reply letter evng. Trooper John Schetzel brat me 2 bags crunchy feed from Agway

\$11.30 plus .58 tax. Wrote reply letter to nurse Debbie Robbins. Edward Nixon the president's brother visited Kingston G.O.P. headquarters today.

October 13, Friday — 43/7 a.m. 38/9 p.m. Cold and windy broken clouds this morning but gradually cleared brilliant sunny. Biting north wind quieted with sunset. Frosty weekend forecast - possibly some snow. Glowing cloudless ½ moon over High Point set over South Hollow.

Harlowe came this a.m. cut the frozen sweet corn & Ollie helped carry in barn. Also did chores. I was out in garden & to road. Had brotherly call p.m. by Reggie and Alonzo Davis as I was shelling out corn beans in living room. Saw gray squirrel this a.m. crossed yard - very scarce. I finished and mailed air letter to Mariam. Wrote cards to Gaye Vorkink and Mrs Currier p.m. Former Gov of Michigan George Romney visited Kingston GOP today. He is an executive in Nixons group. We had delicious supper, hot biscuits, fried chicken & gravy, corn beans and fried sweet spuds.

October 14, Saturday — 35/7 a.m. 58/9 p.m. Mostly overcast this a.m. - cleared with bright October colorful sunshine & late p.m. cloudiness prevailed. Normal autumn chill wind calm. Rainy late evng.

Ollie & I went with Harlowe Mclean to a luncheon and visitation of the conversion of the Saxon Hill House under new ownership to a boarding home for the elderly. The Olive Senior Citizens and other groups were hosted. Coming back we got 7 ½ dz medium eggs @.40 at Henry

Merrihews 3.00 paid. Also stopped at Olive Bridge General store formerly Boices. I got 4 radio batteries for my 10 yr old Sonya. Was back by 1 o'clock in time to hear on WTIC Hartford opening hotly contested 9 hit game played at ---- Field, Cincinatti. Won by the American league underdogs 3 - 2 attendance 52,291. Harlowe & Ollie did chores. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. Rec'd card Lottie Stacknowitz also sent her card. Mrs Nancy Ann Mancuso of Shokan and Roger M Parmalee of Kingston married 3 p.m. in St Johns Catholic church, Stony Hollow by Rev. Gerard O'Shea. Reception followed at the Holiday Inn in Kingston.

October 15, Sunday — 40/7 a.m. 40/7 p.m. Partly cloudy brilliant atmosphere. Brisk cold northerly wind — quiet at sun set.

A mostly stay in doors for me. Latter p.m. walked out to road. P.m. callers were Ed Neuser, Johnny Brillis and Harlowe McLean who did chores. From 1 p.m. tuned on WTIC to the second world series game at Ciccinatti - won is a breath taking - - - - - game 2 -1 by the underdogs Oakland American League - Oaklands — record breaking attendance 53,293. Next game at Oakland Cal. Tues evng 8:30 EDT.

October 16, Monday — 36/7 a.m. 52/9 p.m. Mtn snow squalls. Rainy forenoon — occasional peeps of warm sunshine p.m. Chill wind off reservoir - strong gusty tonite.

Mostly stay in house weather. Harlowe came & helped

with chores. I went to pig pen and barn & out to road - Ollie with me. We had good supper - fried sweet potatoes, succotash, & boiled salt pork. I wrote cards to Lottie Stackowitz & Mrs Fred Ronk. I finished and sent letter to Herbie Rexer. 195 anniversary of the wanton burning of defenseless town of Kingston by a British army of 200 in command of General John Vaughn during a bright sunny afternoon.

October 17, Tuesday — 54/7 a.m. 40/9:30 p.m.
Anniversary of Burgoynes surrender at Saratoga 1777. Cloudy this morning with rain squall & windy night southerly gradually shifted westerly & turning colder. The day had variable cloudiness with bright sunshine. We had after long delay a private telephone installed 11 a.m. Replacing the most unsatisfactory party line. The number is unchanged 657-2434. Glowing bulging moon evng. 51 years tonight about 9:30 uncle Watson Bishop died in Kemble's Sanitarium in Kingston. Rec'd letters Mrs Fred Ronk, Bill and Ann Hughes and Mariam also notice of Republican Rally Sat night at Minnervini's The Abbey in Boiceville, on 28 & a big affair at Olive Bridge fire hall. I stumped around with walker and Ollie & I cleaned up the remaining garden beans - Shelled off 14 qt basket corn beans - the frost hit. Heavy rains in Oakland Cal - postponed 3rd game of world series at 8:30 p.m. Rained 9 days. Rec'd newsy letter from Mariam.

October 18, Wednesday — 28/6:30 a.m. 44/11 p.m. 1st snow storm tonight. Cold overcast snowy air -still. Very little warm sunshine - overcast became heavy & at 11

p.m. a heavy wet snow is falling.

Raw stingy air. Ollie & I did a little more cleaning up
p.m. - she did chores. We had good supper - corn beans,
boiled potatoes & sausage. More comfortable indoors
than out. Tonight I shelled off bushel basket of corn
beans, except dry had 4 qt basin shelled. Meanwhile I
was tuned on WTIC to the third game of the world
series, played on a sodden slow field in Oakland Cal..
The Cincy Reds won 1-0 - scoring in 7th - only a few
balls hit to outfield . Attendance 49,410. The fans were
extremely noisy. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades. Started
letter to Mariam.

October 19, Thursday — 34/7 a.m. 36/9:30 p.m. My
earliest recollection of ground white this a.m. The snow
scene disappeared during forenoon. Gradually clearing
p.m. Scenery in sunlight inspiring. Calm a.m. northerly
wind p.m. Became cloudless evng - quiet - glowing high
rounding moon..

We went with AnnTennant to Ashokan Hall Senior
Citizens meeting - attendance 60 or more. In charge of
Pres. Ed Gille. Interesting talks by Ann Tennant, and on
United Nations Unico child welfare world wide by Mrs
Becker. Colored showing of United Nations audible film
by Ed Gille with loaned Onteora school machine.
Harlowe not feeling good so didn't go. We were home
before 4 o'clock. With sun reflected scenery beautiful.
We had good supper beans, potatoes, hot biscuit with
meaty flour gravy. I finished shelling corn beans & kept
tuned on WTIC to the 4th world series played at Oakland
Cal. The thrilling game was won by Oakland in 9th

inning 3 - 2 over Cincinatti. Attendance same as last night 49,410.

October 20, Friday — 25/7 a.m. 30/9:30 p.m.
Brodhead reported 20 degrees. Cloudless moonlight night & real wintry - thick ice on barn tub.. Today brilliant cloudless light finger tingling air from reservoir. More comfortable indoors.

Harlowe came & did calf chores - Ollie did Pigger. Was out but briefly. Cloudless near wintry tonight frosty still & glowing like mid winter near full moon. Had welcome and unexpected call this p.m. by Bea Dudley. Poor Burton gone 2 years 17th. After she left I heard perfect broadcast of 5th world series game at Oakland Cal - won like the other 4 by one run. Most exciting of the series. Won by Cincinatti 4-3 attendance again 49,410.

Tomorrow 1 p.m. the 6th to be staged at River Front Stadium in Cincinatti. Series winners each net 22,000 & losers 1/3 less. Players share first 4 games. We had real savory supper beans, boiled spuds & scrambled eggs.

October 21, Saturday — 23/7 a.m. 44/6 p.m. Heavy frost. Continued unseasonably cold. Brilliant clear early but gradually during day became heavily overcast - still. This a.m. after breakfast had welcome unexpected visit from Cuba N.Y. by Mrs June Burger , Skip Eaton & two younger boys Matthew & Mark and step- mother was Edna Eaton of Jamestown. The boys were interested in my guns. This p.m. we had another call from Bea Dudley looking for hickory nuts, she found some – off year. Ollie gave her some of last year. Also calling were Mrs

Elsie Rexer and Mrs Mina Guenther. I kept tuned on WTIC perfect broadcast 12:45 p.m. of 6th game world series in Cincinnati. The Reds exploded and routed the Oaklanders 8-1 - getting 5 runs in 7th inning. Attendance over 50,000. Weather cool & part sunny. Several pitchers were used on each side. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed.

October 22, Sunday — 42/6:30 a.m. 50/4 p.m. 50/8 p.m. Cloudy chill & dismal till temp slowly moderated. A day of visitors – Mr & Mrs Fred Ronk and Mr & Mrs Alfred Post of Walden came a.m. brought delicious dinner. Ollie asked Harlowe to share. Next came Addie Winchell and Mrs Calvin Brueckners son Jeff Warren followed by Ollie's nephew Bruce Burgher and dist 6 grade Chambers school teacher Tom Giordano of Ulster park. For me a stay in house day. The Walden folks left early. I heard the completed perfect broadcast of the exciting 7th game of the world series in which the Oakland American League champs defeated the favored Cincinnati N.L. 4 games to 3 score 3 - 2. An all time record attendance 56, 040

October 23, Monday — 48/7 a.m. 56/7 p.m. Generally cloudy dismal with occasional periods of pleasant sunshine. Light rain early evng -mildest of late. Not much accomplished. Harlowe came a.m. - did chores & brat NY news - Sunday Freeman & yesterday Margaretville paper & Grit. We got the beams back by porch ready to put under. This p.m. nice and warm. We took little ride down past Geo Burghers & the cross road

and called on Ann Eckert. First car has been out since Sunday before my fall. Ann paid \$29.00 for fire insurance. We had delicious ham pot pie & boiled tater supper. Millionaire Bishops left with their trailer at 7:30. The departure is unusually early.

October 24, Tuesday — 50/7 a.m. 53/9 p.m. Mild northerly wind. Part cloudy - Indian summer - became dismal overcast latter p.m.

A routine day in variety. I cleaned up some dry corn beans. Helped Ollie dig 3/4 bu potatoes. Harlowe came p.m. & took care of Hank calf. Paid Agway Insurance by mailed check \$189.00 Comprehensive House 15,000 \$71.- Barn .6,000 \$89. Hinkley house \$6,000 \$29.00 Paid by Ann Eckert to 9/30/73. Jackie Robinson nationally known figure in the baseball world age 53 died of a heart attack in Stanford Conn. He was the first Negro admitted to big league baseball. Jackie an outstanding star batter played ten years with the old Brooklyn Dodgers from 1947. He with his wife and family had attended the 2nd game of the world series. Had call from my hosp roommate Victor Janeitz of Clintondale.

October 25, Wednesday — 42/6 a.m. 46/7 p.m. Normal late October. Some colorful streaks of a.m. sunshine - otherwise mostly gloomy cloudy. Dark evng wind northerly.

The days event was the entertainment and luncheon provided 200 senior citizens of Olive 84. Shandaken - Woodstock & Glenford beginning 11 o'clock at Onteora

School in Boiceville. The management was overwhelmed at the enthusiastic turnout lunch over at 1:10 p.m. The program given by the uniformed groups of the Musical Department included the 110 member marching band. The program was held in the auditorium and delighted everyone. We went with Harlowe and stopped at store and P.O. coming bak. We had light supper. Finished and sent cards to Mariam & Julia Rhoades. Rec'd letter Gaye C.Vorkink and answered this p.m. by card.

October 26, Thursday — 28/7 a.m. 38/8:30 p.m.

Cloudless - Injun Summer except the chilling snowy wind from the reservoir.

Kate Carr came & did a good general days work - hair cut \$6.00 paid. This p.m. she helped get out the rest of the potatoes - short ½ bu. Harlowe came & took care of Henry. Ollie fed Pigger. My leg ached all day. We had good hearty supper beans, spuds, gravy & hamburger. Radio announced that peace in Viet Nam is prospective imminent. Jacky Robinson buried near Emmetts Field in Brooklyn where he made his baseball career (correction Friday)

October 27, Friday 28/7 a.m. 42/8 p.m. Heavy white frost on Bishop's field. Practically cloudless -still. Chilly this a.m. but Indian Summer warm p.m. Stars dim tonite. Another little doing day. I'm handicapped and must make the best of the situation. Ollie did odd chores & fed pigger. Harlowe came cleaned some manure out the drop. I had walk out to road with walker. Shelled odds

and ends of beans. We had usual substantial supper. Re-hashed goulash, beans & delicious ----- . Ollie went to bed. I read articles in Oct Fun - Fish - Game. Rec'd letter Garrett Mott.

October 28, Saturday — 47/7 a.m. 56/11 p.m. An unusually dark day. Rainy all afternoon & early evening. Ollie did chores & I didn't get out the house. This evng we went to the Republican Club Rally in Olive Bridge fire hall, about 100 attended. Jack Molloy was chairman. Music followed by Tex Larcher & lady partner, plentiful refreshments.

October 29, Sunday — 54/7 a.m. 48/8 p.m. Back to Standard Time! Rained at intervals thru night to mid afternoon. Rained 1 ½ inches needed, streams and reservoir low. Part broke away evng. Another stay put indoor day. Billy Davis & Bill Harrison (cousins) called p.m. Harlowe came and obligingly did chores. Ollie & I had delicious hot pea soup and sandwich supper. I had an exercise walk out to the road chore time. Ollie went to bed. I'm writing to Mariam.

October 30, Monday — 36/6 a.m. 30/8 p.m. Brilliant practically cloudless other than thick streaky overcast p.m. Starlight still evng – crispy light day winds. A no accomplishment day. I didn't get out till mid p.m. – went to barn and chicken house & out to road with Ollie. Harlowe came p.m. & cleaned stable & brat Wakefields 1965 book from library – Coal Boats to Tidewater a history of the Delaware and Hudson canal from it's

opening in 1829 to the official closing in 1899. Ollie did remaining chores. We had good supper - beans, spuds & scrambled eggs. She went to bed. I got started reading the D& H book. Completed air letter to Mariam & pkg of printed matter.

October 31, Tuesday — 30/7 a.m. 44/mid p.m. 36/9 p.m. Raw snowy air. Part sunny becoming overcast p.m. – still.

I am involved with reading Coal Boats to To Tidewater and didn't get out for exercise till mid p.m. Ollie did chores. Wrote card to Julia Rhoades & rec'd letter from Mariam. I completed reading Coal Boats to Tidewater evng. Good supper fried green tomatoes & boiled spuds & corn beans. Ollie went to bed.

November 1, Wednesday – 37/7 a.m. 42/8 p.m. Gloomy damp raw day & evng - still - a snow laden air.

A do little day again. Didn't get out till p.m. - took 2 walks out to road. Harlowe & Ollie did chores between them. We had delicious hot boiled supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote to Mariam care of Ponderosa Motel, Temple Texas. Be there for clinic 4th - 8th. Yallums Dept Store adjoining Woolworths on Wall St, Kingston totally destroyed with contents in a 4 a.m. incendiary fire started by a ----- punk by throwing a lighted smudge lamp thru plate glass front window evidently with intent to steal clothing. The culprit John H. Philips of Brooklyn caught 6:30 a.m. on Chandler Circle Drive - Route 28.

November 2, Thursday — 42/6:30 a.m. 54/8 p.m. Rain

started in night continuing in showers till mid day + raining tonight and pitch dark. This p.m. we went with Harlowe McLean our first trip over re-opened & fence completed road over the dam and dyke. Road made wider by the side stone walls removal along dykes. Attended 1:30 o'clock Senior Citizens meeting at the Ashokan Hall. Plans for holding Christmas party smorgasbord on Dec 14th at The Abby in Boiceville under new ownership formerly The Chord Lounge. Unusually large meeting attendance around 76. We had good supper fried onions, taters, beans & hambug. Tonite I wrote letter & cards to Gaye Vorkink & Mrs Currier. Due to worn out tracks & loose spikes the N.Y.C. west bound freight had wreck on Rock Cut curve below Mt Tremper - 17 cars jumped the track & lean on west side - no injuries. (Later cars moved to Phoenicia yard.

November 3, Friday — 60/7a.m. 50/7 p.m. Another mild day with variable cloudiness and sunshine. Light northerly wind – Starlight evng. Ollie & I went to Kingston with Harlowe McLean back via of Stone Ridge. My 2nd trip since my accident. We viewed the fire devastated rubble of the Yallum store. Shopped on Wall St & Big Scott & A&P & got apples at Davenport's Stand in Stone Ridge. Home before 4 o'clock & my leg sure tested. Excavating machinery & trucks have started to clean out the debris. We had good supper.

November 4, Saturday — 40/7 a.m. 40/8 p.m. Foggy gloomy drizzly day – rained harder evng.

Rec'd letters Mrs Fred Ronk. He is in Newburg Hosp with bronchial pneumonia - been very critical. Also from Julia Rhoades. I wrote and mailed her a card. Ollie did chores. My hurt leg hurt all day and didn't get out the house. Had no callers. Movies in library tonite. Pres. Nixon made a nation wide noon address on WKNY. It's a long day just setting around. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades.

November 5, Sunday — 38/7 a.m. 36/9 p.m. Drizzly gloomy night - overcast except for sunny right around noon - cloudy - chill evng - a few stars in east. A day of callers - Harlowe, Mr & Mrs Avery Smith & 15 month old son scampering Barrett. Bob Parish and lastly Addie Winchell and Mary Palen. Only exercise I got was a late p.m. walk out to road. We had good supper, a sample of 50 lb bag \$2.98 potatoes we bought Friday white & dry. Roast freezer pork & corn beans. Ollie went to bed.

November 6, Monday — 38/7 a.m. 34/9 p.m. Heavy white frost - glistening as it melts from shrubbery. Chill - cloudless - wind light. Clear evng but stars rather dim. Harlowe came & gave hand getting carrots dug - have ½ bu topped. Most leaves have fallen and the scenery drab November. No walk today. We had delicious supper - sweet potatoes, hot biscuit, pork meat and gravy also stewed apples & pumpkin pie brat Sunday by Mrs Avery Smith. Ollie went to bed. I wrote Mrs Fred Ronk & get well card for him. Sent check for fone bill \$13.16.

November 7, Tuesday — 34/7 a.m. 50/8 p.m. 48 on front porch. A generally pleasant General Election Day. Part cloudy to mostly cloudy p.m. Chilly - light southerly wind. Dark cloudy evng - moderate. Harlowe did chores. Ollie & I went with him to the polls noontime. I cast my 61st consecutive vote. Ollie her 41st - I voted straight G.O.P. except for Lawrence Cook for re-election Supreme Court Justice on Dem & Conservative ballot. We had early supper - Billy Ecker came took us up to Gormley's Parlors to pay respects to his father Harry "Duke" Ecker. We rode back with Neighbor Bill De Sanna & trooper J. Schetzel. President Richard Nixon is the winner over Democrat George McGovern for re-election in a landslide personal victory with 521 to 17 electoral votes. McGovern only carried Mass & Dist of Columbia & Nixon won N.Y. state by over a million votes. The South Dakota Senator even lost his home state by 2 - 1 majority. Nixons coattails did not prove strong enough to carry the Senate & House of Representatives with him and remains Democratic. In Ulster County Assemblyman Clark Bell for re-election defeated Dem - Liberal Maurice Hinchey by over 9,000 votes maj. Al Spade Rep for 2nd term County Clerk.

November 8, Wednesday ---- 47/7:30 a.m. 46/8 p.m. Set in raining in night & gradually became a downpour which continued thru the foggy dark day & lighter tonight. Area 3 inches have fallen – later stopped near hurricane wind p.m. in Samsonville area. Certainly for me a stay in house day. Ollie did chores in the pouring rain. Rec'd & answered in outgoing mail

letter from Ellen Wilfris. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. Kate & Geo Carr called after work. Ann Carpino came p.m. brat ½ apple pie. Duke Ecker's funeral held 11 a.m. burial by his parents in Hudler cemetery. New York City deluged & flooded with well over 5 inches rain - November record. Today's Freeman gives complete results of President Nixon's sweep of Ulster Co and an unprecedented majority over McGovern. Al Spada for 2nd term Co. Clerk over Fred Goslin Conservative near 4 - 1 majority. Fred Adsit 98 Olive's oldest voter cast his 77th consecutive vote of Shokan - born in Schenectady came to Olive in 1917 - Retired motor machinist with N.Y.C. Dept Water Supply.

November 9, Thursday — 44/7 a.m. 43/7 p.m. Gloomy chill overcast - wind northerly, clouds rifled p.m. & sun shone on Tysteneck with ghostly dark moving shadows. Harlowe & Ollie did chores - he took care of Hank. Only exercise walk out to road. Had latter p.m. caller by Mr Anderson Sr Citizen of Kelder Rd, Krunville - came after the town walker for his wife with operation on broken hip. I wrote cards to Julia Rhoades & Mariam p.m. We had good supper, ripe stewed tomatoes, french fries & tuna, catsup & bread. I felt tired tonite. Carrie North Myers 77 died this a.m. in Benedictine Hosp.

November 10, Friday — 40/6 a.m. 34/9 p.m. Cloudless beautiful weather day & evng but chilling air from the reservoir. Glowing growing crescent moon set early back of South Hollow.

Another do little day. Ollie did chores. The reservoir is riolly and noticeably rising.. I had a walker walk with Ollie part way up hill p.m. No callers. We had good supper. Ollie went to bed. Had 9 o'clock call from Mariam & Bob in Temple Texas - start back tomorrow. Wrote cards to Lottie Stacknowitz & Mariam & Ann Hughes also rec'd letter from her and Garrett Mott & wrote him tonite. The long staggery N.Y. Stock Market of late gradually improving crossed the 1000 Dow Jones average & topped 1002 before re-acting to profit taking.

November 11, Saturday — 36/7 a.m. 42/8 p.m. In contrast to yesterday this was a day of foggy chill - dismal & a drizzly day & evng.

A stay in house day. It was one of callers Harlowe with Margaretville & Grit papers & Orrie Lyons who cleaned the pig pen \$1.00 paid. Mr & Mrs Otto Guenther, Mrs Elsie Rexer and her German speaking mother, arrived last week from Germany. Ollie did chores. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. Callers also were Mr & Mrs William Golden. We both rec'd Christmas checks from Heritage Savings bank.

November 12, Sunday — 40 a.m. 44/7:30 p.m. A most dismal thickly overcast day & evng. Still damp chill – temp didn't get above mid forties. Kept tuned on WGHQ religious programs a.m. local news at 8/12.

Harlowe came with Sunday news. At dusk Larry Hughson brat pick up load split ash wood & piled on porch about 1 ½ cord or more. It has more heat than my seasoned \$15.00 paid. We had delicious hot pea soup

supper. Ollie went to bed. Yard pretty well rutted by truck.

November 13, Monday – 36/7 a.m. 42/7 p.m. Same gloomy weather as yesterday – still but not foggy..

East side lights reflect in water tonite. Set in for a wet night at 8:30. Just a set around day. Wrote Mariam tonight. This p.m. Ollie went with me - I had exercise walk to top of Mike's hill. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. Can't see to read or write. We were unable to be present for burial of Carrie North Myers 77, in Bushkill cemetery, Rev. Merton S. Cady officiating.

November 14, Tuesday — 34/7 a.m. Rainy and snowy night & snow showers this a.m. otherwise all day pouring cold rain letting up evng. Damp temp in mid 30's. Heavy snow north & west.

An all day stay in house. Harlowe came & did chores for Ollie. I finished & sent letter to Mariam this a.m. also Julia Rhoades. Otherwise spent most of day & evng writing return letter to Marty Warnes. We had delicious chicken vegetable pot pie supper. Ollie went to bed. The New York Stock market hit 1003 an all time high - confidence is returning with investors.

November 15, Wednesday — 30/7 a.m. 28/9 p.m.

Albany had over 17 inches snow. An easterly plastering snow storm developed during the night - about 3 inches fell in total. The reservoir is clogged – cloudy till p.m. when sun broke thru. Bright over ½ moon shining evng. Another staying put day for me. Except Harlowe took us

early p.m. to Dr Tocco in Stone Ridge – Ollie got more pills. I had check up & shot in arm & 2 kinds of pills – pressure 130. Both calls \$6.00 each paid. We had congenial call by Billy The Butch Harrison latter p.m. then Geo & Kate Carr after work. 4 members of the Perrin family near Shultz Corners on route 212, burned to a crisp in a daybreak fire that destroyed their home. The dead are Frank and Charlene Perrin in early 30's. Two older children Mark 11& Scott 10. Rescued are Todd 7 and Sean 5 hospitalized. The family came from Michigan 9 years ago. Mt Perrin worked for IBM.

Newspaper clipping November 15, 1972
Early Winter In County, State

Ulster County residents found a Christmas card world today more than a month too early.

The pre-season preview of things to come dumped up to seven inches of snow in mountain areas, delayed school openings and slowed commuter traffic in the early morning hours.

Elsewhere in the state, traffic was at a standstill in the snow belt. Albany was hardest hit with 17.3 inches of snow. Buffalo under 11 inches of snow closed its airport for five hours as the storm swept in from the Great Lakes.

In Dutchess County, closer to home, an estimated 200 trucks were stacked up today on east bound lanes of Interstate Route 84, in the Stormville Mountain area. According to State police traffic was being diverted onto the Taconic Parkway.

Ulster County was virtually by-passed by the giant

storm which blew in from the Plain States on Tuesday.. Belleayre Ski Center reported a six to seven inch accumulation on the mountain with a 20 degree temperature holding it firm.

Two to two and a half inches of snow accumulated in most other county areas overnight after a day of mixed precipitation which went from drenching rain to snow, sleet and hail. Most roads were passable today although motorists caught un-aware without snow tires had some slippery moments.

In the city, salters were out at 1 a.m. and had all major arteries completed by 2:30 a.m. with no problems reported. No problems were encountered by Central Hudson utility crews either although the snow was of heavy water content. Wet cables disrupted service for a time Tuesday for New York Telephone Company customers in Woodstock, parts of Saugerties, Shokan and Phoenicia.

In Kingston three quarters of an inch of snow was reported on the heels of more than an inch of rain.

State wise, the storm was the second heaviest recorded thus far for the month of November. The first occurred last Thanksgiving day when 21.8 inches accumulated for the only major storm of that winter season,. The previous record for early snow in the state was 10 inches back on November 9, 1900.

Local residents may remember the early snows of November, 1962 when up to 12 inches accumulated in county sections on the 12th.

And if the snow today is a foretaste of things to come, the extended forecast is little consolation. Clearing skies

and freezing temperatures are in store for Thursday and Friday.

November 16, Thursday — 24/7 a.m. Brodhead 18 26/8:30 p.m. Earliest in my recollection the High Point Range (especially noticed) glowed and glistened in frozen wooly mantle beyond description. Nearly cloudless - moon a bit hazy.

Another do nothing day for me. Harlowe took care of calf & Ollie pigger. We 3 went to Senior Citizens meeting at Ashokan Hall – about 60 present – 178 members. Plans completed for Christmas dinner party at The Abby – Boiceville - 12 noon Thursday Dec 14th. (Members pay a dollar) Light refreshments. Went both ways over the dam. Rec'd letter Mrs Fred Ronk & Mrs Currier. Be weekend skiing in mtn resorts. The N.Y. Stock Market again broke over 1003 average. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote cards to Mrs Ronk, Julia Rhoades tonight.

November 17, Friday — 23/7 a.m. 30.9 p.m. Hazily sunny this a.m. with developing increasing and thickening cloudiness. Still snowy air – moon a blur.

Trying to break away - raw damp air.

Had variety a.m. callers. Neighbor Wm Davis, John Lambert and Mr & Mrs Post of Walden. Harlowe came early p.m. & did chores & carried up 2 pails coal. No exercise – didn't get out the house. We had delicious supper - baked taters, creamed chicken on hot biscuit & Kentucky Wonder beans & stewed apples.

November 18, Saturday — 22/6:30 a.m. 30/10 p.m.
Sunny early & High Point glowing - then fog obscured everything but later lifted - our coldest night. Cloudless raw air - still bright high nearing full moon.
Kate Carr helped today \$6.00 paid also groceries & large Bengue 4.74 paid. George came for her. Harlowe & Orrie Lyons came & made coal bin on north end of kitchen porch p.m. Later callers 3 lady teachers from New Paltz school camp & young man employee a painter here last summer, came & showed the view & hospitality , one girl from Michigan so much interested in my guns. A farm girl from western Michigan - Sherry Renton Gulline Mich. Janet Parks Evanston Illinois, Jean Duffiner Penn. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I wrote long letter to Grace Winchell. Record early mountain center skiing week end.

November 19, Sunday — 24/7 a.m. 34/9 p.m. Hazily sunny along till in p.m. then became dismal overcast & moderated slightly. Set in snowy & rainy early evng. This a.m. John Lambert and one of the twins came & pulled the best turnips - topped & put in barrel down cellar. This p.m. Harlowe came & did chores & put up my 3rd new thermometer on panel outside of south east side window. He had sneakers on & fell down steps & hurt his back. We did not ask or expect him to do it. I finished Grace Winchell's letter this p.m. and started one to Julia Rhoades. We took a walker walk down to Spook Rock. We had excellent supper - pot roast beef - baked potatoes - carrots & peas- gravy - apple sauce. I was tired & leg achy & had a nap in soft chair behind stove.

November 20, Monday — 36/6:30 a.m. 34/9 p.m. Rainy messy night open areas getting bare of snow. Foggy this a.m. but lifted & 10 o'clock sun broke thru. The remainder of day was mostly cloudy with north chilly wind. The early rising full moon directly across reservoir - remained pretty well blacked out.

Mail came early & missed going. Deer shooting season for bucks opened 7 a.m. Rec'd card from Lottie Stackowitz that Lute Bell's widow Ada of Casper, Wyoming had fell & broke hip. Is in Casper Memorial Hosp. - Was 83 in May. As soon as mail came I wrote her a card & note. Harlowe came & took mail to P.O. Missed coming early. Ollie and I went in muddy garden & pulled several pails of lovely turnips, which she carried to house. Noted in Sunday Freeman death of Mrs John Cullum Sr (Catherine) daughter of the late Harley & Mabel Roosa. Buried tomorrow in St Mary's cemetery. We had delicious supper. I read articles to Ollie from March 71 Yankee .

November 21, Tuesday — 30/7 a.m. 24/11 p.m. A variable part cloudy day - wind northerly. Clear crispy bright high riding moon tonite full.

No special notes. Harlowe came & took care of beef calf - Ollie fed Pigger. Rec'd letter from Mariam & replied by card & mailed in Kingston. Rec'd from Ray Cruthers an area 1903 picture of Rowl and Aunt Beck Bell, he with fiddle sitting on chair & she standing in the kitchen door. All traces of their once happy south mtn farm home are memories and grown back to nature. This evng Ollie ,myself Harlowe were guests of Woodstock Lions Club

at Temple Emanuel on Albany Ave. Event annual dinner and entertainment for blind also for physically affected – attendance 280. Had 2 way transportation by club President Dick Fredenburgh of Woodstock- home 10:45.

November 22, Wednesday — 28/8:30 a.m. 24/8 p.m. Brodhead reported 14. Coldest night – partly cloudy but generally sunny - still. Cloudless cold evng with early rising brilliant moon passing full by 2 days. I was tired out from the dinner trip last night & sitting so long. During p.m. we took a walk up over the hill. I needed exercise. Ollie not feeling good affects her heart. Harlowe came with a Thanksgiving mince pie & did calf chores. Ollie & I had good supper - hash and stewed tomatoes. She went to bed. I set in stove chair awhile. Then got around & went to bed. I felt cold all day.

November 23, Thursday — 14/7 a.m. 24/9:30 p.m. Cold - wind light – bright sunny with some developed high cloudiness.

A 5 a.m. fire which was fought by various Town of Olive units saved the outbuildings but destroyed Watson Hollow Inn - national known, the original part approximately 130 years by the Scotch ---- Boyhood home of Alden & Golden Van Benschoten their parents Aunt Jane Eckert & Uncle Harvey Van Benschoten . The property in 1915 purchased by & re-modeled into a tea room by the late Mr & Mrs Myron Teller for many years. Later purchased & operated by Mr & Mrs Paul Kearney, deceased - a case of murder - suicide Sept 1970 . Presently for a year the home of the Chas Barnes family,

so called Hippies – made and sold leather goods. The fire apparently result of wood burning stove & defective chimney - drove out the family of 12 - 6 growing children 3 girls 2 boys out in night clothes. They were taken in by Ann & Buddy Eckert, up hill neighbors. Harlowe and Orrie Lyons were guests to a bounteous baked chicken Thanksgiving supper. Jim Burgraff brat 300 lb potatoes \$12.50 paid.

November 24, Friday — 34/7 a.m. 28/9 p.m. Cloudy this morning but cleared up sunny & pleasant light north wind. Later clouded over again. Storm forecast for Sunday – cleared again bright moonshine. Had 4 bags dairy feed delivered by Accord Farmers Co-op with credit for 5 bags @.13 net 25.15 - delivery is 2.00. Also Mr & Mrs Harold Bush delivered 4934 lbs coal & put in porch bin @ 34.00 ton + 5% tax \$87.47 Paid. This p.m. before sunset we took a walk with walker up to Kelder's corner without difficulty. We had good supper baked spuds , hamburg, bean salad & apple pie. Ollie went to bed. I rec'd letter Gaye Vorkink & wrote her tonite. Radio appeals continues for the destitute residents of burned Watson Hollow Inn. My hand got so stiff & jerks is difficult to write.

November 25, Saturday — 26/7 a.m. 36/8 p.m. This date 1970 Thanksgiving and snowbound everywhere. Moonlight night - heavy white frost - part cloudy and hazily sunny gradually clouded over heavy. Looked Indian Summer but had a raw snowy air. I finished & sent letter to Gaye Vorkink. Had pleasant

call by Bea Dudley. I topped off several pails of frozen turnips put in the barn. Ollie & I walked down to Spook Rock. She did chores. Harlowe called early p.m. left Margaretville news & Grit. Ollie did chores. We had good supper. She went to bed. I sat in soft chair behind stove & then read about New England ----- in Jan 71, Yankee.

November 26, Sunday — 44/8 a.m. 44/7 p.m.

Drenching night - water standing in garden & Bishops across the drive field. Dramatically the deluge stopped, fog lifted with south wind, sun broke out & clouds broke started scurrying from north. Mostly sunny wind north p.m.

I spent the whole morning just setting in bed & writing to Mariam. Calmed overcast evng. I wrote Mariam & Rexers . Harlowe McLean reports 1 ½ inches rain. Olive Bridge report by Alonzo Davis 3 inches. The new Kingston City Hall located on Meadow St down in Rondout - Sahara Lane formerly dedicated at 2 p.m.

November 27, Monday – 36/7 a.m. 42/9 p.m. Gloomy moderately mild. Mostly cloudy day & evng. Wind light south westerly. Some breaks of sunshine.

Just a non accomplished day. Harlowe & Orrie Lyons came p.m. & did some chores. Late p.m. deer hunters Marty Warnes & Greg De Sanna called & visited awhile. We had usual good supper. Ollie went to bed. I prepared news clippings etc to send Mariam & Gaye Vorkink tomorrow. Mary Margaret McBride WGHQ 11/12 broadcast was with Anne Graffe last owner of Watson

Hollow Inn was the late Paul W. & Claire Graffe Kearney.

November 28, Tuesday — 39/7 a.m. Cloudy set in rainy dismal 8:30. A dismal chill foggy rainy day. Light wind messy to moderate about 1 ½ in.

Trooper deer hunter John Schetzel called around noon - had no success. Ollie did chores & I didn't go out doors. Did considerable reading in to days Freeman & Yankee magazine. No other callers - oh yes Belle Wood this p.m. brought bare foot cruellers for me. We had delicious hot potato milk soup supper. Ollie went to bed. I did my first indoor exercise walk for a full hour.

November 29, Wednesday — 34/7 a.m. 24/8 p.m. Generally sunny some high clouds - northerly wind - stingy air. Starlight still evng.

Harlowe went to Kingston a.m. & brat us order from A&P 4.39. Paid. He & Ollie did chores. This p.m. we took a walk up to corner called on Mr Davis on way back. Geo & Kate Carr called after work. We had delicious hot roast venison & baked potato supper. Ollie went to bed. I read her about the winter -----, a whaling trip in Yankee magazine . I had 35 min exercise walk indoors.

November 30, Thursday — 36/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. Early developing gloomy cloudiness and gradually a heavy wet snow blanket set in falling after 2 p.m.

I did not get out of house so gloomy and no urge. We had morning call by Mr & Mrs Irving Krom of Cottekill.

Harlowe also called. I had an hour indoor walk latter p.m.. We had delicious hot potato stew supper. Ollie did chores. Many widespread closes - several events canceled etc tonite. Town snow fighting equipment is rolling. Ann and Buddy Eckert, two sisters & brother had a stormy trip home from Gloversville where they attended 2 p.m. funeral of the world war I veteran Bro Patrick McSpirit.

December 1, Friday — 34/7 a.m. 34/10 p.m. A rough trying to break up day after yesterdays 2nd major snow plastering storm - Sun fleeting in and out - dense p.m. Bushkill snow squalls. It's only out – Pa usta say. A mid 30's day.

Another staying in house day – sat in bed reading & writing till 3 o'clock. Harlowe & Ollie did chores. Wrote letter to Mariam. Had good supper ravioli & baked spuds, (meat & macaroni product) Poor day for deer hunters so much squally bluster.

December 2, Saturday — 30/7 a.m. 44/8 p.m. Gradually morning overcast cleared away & became brilliant sunny. With overcast developing & blustery evening & moderating - snow started sliding off roof. Ollie did chores. So icy I didn't get out the house. High point glowed & glistened in the encased snow crust. I finished and mailed air letter to Mariam. We had good supper peas, mashed potatoes, & hamburg. I had second exercise 1 1/4 hour walk before and after supper. I changed BVD's to long underwear. American Legion dinner tonite in Ashokan hall. Carrie Davis 87 funeral 11

a.m. in Olive Bridge church. Hunters dinner served at noon. Sale & dinner in Samsonville.

December 3, Sunday — 34/7 a.m. A fifty degree day. Mildest since early November. Variably sunny a.m. - cloudy p.m. - still.

Snow settling & thawing. Ollie did chores. Mid p.m. we took a walk (me walker) over to corner High Point Rd. I note Dale Kelder is starting a good sized building behind the John Jordan house & barn. We had delicious roast chicken and baked tater supper. Wrote letter & Christmas cards to Mrs Fred Ronk, Joe & Claire Massino. Mrs Currier – Julia Logan and Mrs Michael Melinger both in Benedictine Hosp.

December 4, Monday — 30/7:30 a.m. 32/10 p.m. Set in a cold sunny day. Gloomy heavy weather. The snow stopped by noon - maybe an inch - p.m. & evng some hail & drizzly rain.

I sure was house bound. Ollie did chores. Harlowe brat 11 doz pullet eggs from Henry Merrihew's @.30 ea. paid – \$2.00 for gas. I rec'd card & letter from Jeanne Chavez. I spent the p.m. & evng writing her & Ellen Wilfris with \$3.00 Christmas check & Merwin Heshner each with card. We had good creamed chicken, biscuits with creamed corn & mashed spuds. Ollie of course went to bed. I did an hour floor walk

December 5, Tuesday — 36/8 a.m. 36/10:30 p.m. A miserable foggy ice storm. Travel hazardous. School closings and events canceled wide spread. Town sand

trucks operating early. Temp raised enough to melt the ice & snow softened - travel became sloppy. Another house bound day. Ollie was chore boy. I centered my efforts writing Christmas card letters. We had delicious potato soup supper. I had an hour exercise walk. Ollie went to bed. I had an over nite upset stomach -virus. A miserable day for closing of the deer hunting season.

Mrs Tom Fickus of Longyear Rd, Shokan (couldn't swim) plunged in icy waist deep water shortly after noon at Butternut Brook bridge along 28 and rescued 2 women from Fleischmans - year old baby, south bound car that struck and skidded into the swiftly running stream.

December 6, Wednesday — 34/7 a.m. 40 at 8:30 p.m 55/4 p.m. Dense fog lifted around 9o'clock becoming breezy from south. Ice storm melted. Nasty rain developed into all day downpour, the temp got up in the mid 50's which with the south wind and rising fog the snow covering disappeared like magic. Wind shifted to north evng and temp dropping.

Another house bound day. Harlowe stopped p.m. on way to library & he & Ollie did the chores - she pigger. Bishop caretaker Charley Reiner called p.m. I put in the day sitting & writing Christmas card letters. We had savory hash supper. Ollie went to bed. Countless thousands are dumb founded and amazed that the much anticipated launching of the Appollo 17 at Cape Canaveral - Florida was cancelled at the last minute 9:53. P.S. The take off proceeded 2 hrs & 40 minutes later.

December 7, Thursday — 24/7 a.m. 22/9 p.m. The stormy gloom cleared in the night. Snow gone everywhere other than higher mountains. 31st anniversary of pearl harbor - sneak devastating Japanese attack. American deaths 2116 and vast naval losses. WGHQ presented at 10:30 a half hour of pearl Harbor - memorials followed impressive naturalization ceremony at the Ulster Co Court House – Justice Louis G Bruhn residing - 33 in class. This p.m. we went with Harlowe to Sr Citizens meeting about 60 present. Then went to see Dr Irving Hunt regarding new teeth & time 9o'clock Monday. We had normal good supper - baked spuds, franks & corn – Ollie went to bed. Bright sunny - rain snowy air - still - some thin streaky clouds became overcast early evng.

December 8, Friday — 25/7a.m. 25/9 p.m. A cold increasing snow storm set in the this a.m. during p.m. gradually changed to rain & continued into the night. Travel hazardous schools closed early p.m. & events canceled. Town sand trucks busy. Harlowe called a.m. - cleaned stable. Ollie did all of the chores. I didn't get off the porch 3rd day. We had venison steak supper, mashed taters, pea & carrots. Ollie went to bed. I had hour house walk with cane. Can hardly step when I first get up. Wrote to Mariam p.m. & evng. Rec'd letter Julia Rhoades & wrote her card. Ex President Masonic P.G.M. of Missouri Harry S. Truman's condition remains grave in Kansas City Hosp. House cold & still tonight. Vincent Romanello 16 year State Trooper suspended in act for burglary in Orange Co. announced on Kingston radio. He

is the new owner of Boice's store in Olive Bridge

December 9, Saturday — 35/7 a.m. 38/9 p.m. During this week of 50 degrees – year ago the Pepacton reservoir began to fill. Still -dismal foggy weather day & evng except for partial sun broke at noon. Snow & travel sloppy.

Another house bound for me. Harlowe brat Grit and Margaretville news. He & Ollie did chores. Kate Carr came & did clean up job & took down old Christmas & birthday cards. She and Geo had supper with us. Kate made Penna Dutch potato dumpling supper - she cut my hair. Ollie went to bed. I had house walk. This a.m. I finished & sent Christmas card & letter to mariam with \$10 check.

December 10, Sunday — 36/7 a.m. A 50 degree day 42/ 8:30 p.m. Drizzly in night - foggy a.m. Part cleared mid day & became windy west gusty but later quieted.

Crescent moon showed early but clouded over.

A routine day. Harlowe brat Sunday news p.m. & he & Ollie did chores. We took walk over to corner & the gusts near upset me. We had tip top supper – roast pig ribs with browned potatoes. Ollie went to bed. Coal fire went out. I wrote Julia Rhoades & sent card & new dollar bill for Richard.

December 11, Monday — 30/7 a.m. 21/10 p.m.

Generally sunny with high thin overcast. Moon shone early then clouded over.

We went to Kingston Christmas shopping with Harlowe.

It was a cold trip especially in Kingston & ---- so drafty & on the way we stopped at Dr Irving Hunt's in Ashokan and he took our first impression for dentures. I'm getting upper and lower & Ollie just uppers. I went to several banks for 1973 calendars & Farmers Almanacs at US Savings Bank. Ollie paid drug bill \$4.37. Stopped at Penny's and principally at A&P store on Hurley Ave amt around \$27. Dog food & jelly jar at Gray's in Olive Bridge. Was back around 3:30. Harlowe & Ollie did chores. We had good hot re-hashed potato dumpling supper. Ollie went to bed. O wrote cards & reply letter to Gaye Vorkink.

December 12, Tuesday — 25/7 a.m. A 20 degree day 32/9 p.m. Cold cloudy and set in snowing shortly before 10 p.m. At times heavy cotton like flakes reminds of sap time snow. Remainder of day little precip - gloomy and cold.

I just stayed in bed till mid p.m.. The coal stove went out 3rd time & Ollie had trouble cleaning it & getting room warm. Rec'd 13 cards. I did considerable writing cards. Ollie did chores. Bob Parrish & nephew from Cal called latter p.m. We had good french fries & hamburg supper. I had an hour slow gaited walk & went to bed finally after 10.

December 13, Wednesday — 52/7 a.m. 36/9 p.m. Yesterday about 2 inch snowfall disappeared during night in 50 degree temp — boisterous south wind. Rec'd 16 Christmas cards & I kept writing. Harlowe came early p.m. & took care of calf & Ollie the pigger.

We had an exercise walk down to top of hill & over in woods road. We had good hot potato stew supper & Ollie potato milk soup, she went to bed. I had hour house walk. Wrote to Mrs Ronk tonite, sending desk calander & 2 Farmers Almanacs.

December 14, Thursday — 26/8 a.m. 27/10 p.m. Cold - white frost, sunny with high overcast – bulging moon hazy tonight.

Quite an active day. We went with Harlowe to the Olive Sr Citizens smorgasbord Christmas party at The Abby in Boiceville 125 present. Then we went to Dr Hunts in Ashokan for 2nd impression for teeth. Harlowe & Ollie did chores. This evng AnnTennant took us to the Onteora School magnificent Christmas Entertainment. The auditorium seating 700 was filled & many standing in the rear. We were home at 9:30. Rec'd 17 more cards today. Sent 16.00 order to Montgomery Wards for Ollie – purple dress & 3 braziers. Rec'd with letter & card from Mariam & Bob check \$110. Includes 10.00 for Ollie.

December 15, Friday — 26/7 a.m. 31/10 p.m. Overcast and dense snow storm settles in mid morning & continued several hours & gradually turned to hail & sleet.

Rec'd 21 cards. There is about 4inches of crusted snow tonight. Town snow plow equipment busy p.m. & evng. Events widespread for tonight cancelled. Travel hazardous. Ex- president Harry Truman continues in grave condition in Kansas City Hosp. The moon exploring astronauts are completing their assignment

tonight. We had delicious potato soup supper. Ollie as usual went to bed tired with the wet outdoor work. I kept busy thru the day writing cards & packaging calanders & almanacs.

December 16, Saturday — 30/8 a.m. 14/10 p.m. Had more snow in night atop the light crust – total 5 in or more. It became a rough blizzardly day snow blowing and squalling – drive way blocked.

Another don't go out the house day. Harlowe McLean came & did chores. I spent the day & evng writing cards & letters. Rec'd 7 today. We had good baked potato and hamburg supper.

December 17, Sunday — 12/7 a.m. 14/10 p.m. Coldest night & blustery cold windy - snow blowing day - snowy and shadowy. Wind finally quieted & clear moonlight evng.

Another stay in house day. Writing cards & letters. Marty Warnes came p.m. & helped drain bathroom. I made my first inside trip down celler & upstairs. We had delicious chicken pie supper cooked with vegetables, also boiled spuds. Ollie went to bed. I had an hour walk & ½ hr before supper. The electric was off 1 ½ hours this p.m.

December 18, Monday — 16/7 a.m. 32/12 p.m. Slowly moderated.

Rec'd 7 more cards. Considerable high overcast and scattered sunshine. Part cloudy evng with nearing full moon.

Another house bound day. Harlowe came & did chores.

Had p.m. call by Ed Neuser – was 69 Saturday and Johnnie Bielli. I spent the day and evng writing cards & letters. We had baked potato and last nites chicken pie supper. 58th anniversary of uncle Jake Crispell's 72nd birthday party at Mr & Mrs Mose Palens in Ashokan, attended by Jake Smith, Charley hesley & I & Moses blacksmith helper also present – all long gone but me.

December 19, Tuesday — 30/7 a.m. 42/8 p.m. Mostly cloudy day and evng - still drab chill - slowly moderated - moon shone thru soft clouds.

Rec'd 9 cards - 1 with letter from Cornelia and \$5.00 – letters also from Mariam & Julia Rhoades.

The days dreaded job was going with Harlowe p.m. for Ollie to see Dr Tocco. Her blood pressure is up necessitating going to Stone Ridge Pharmacy for special prescription 7.34 paid also at Stone Ridge PKG store she bought Gal Gallo Cream Sherry 5.00 & qt Mr Boston 84% whiskey 5.07 paid . We had hot potato soup supper. Ollie went to bed. I had ½ hr walk - had to stop leg pained. Wrote cards till 11:00.

John F Egan 67 Woodstock Atty – step father of Assemblyman Clark Bell died in an early a.m. fire that wrecked his home on Juniper Lane. He was alone. His wife 59, killed last June in 2 car crash on 28 on turn above Sunset Drive. He is a member of Saugerties Masonic lodge #183.

The tree Apollo 17 astronauts Eugene A. Cerwan, Harrison W. Schmith & Ronald H. Evans splashed down softly at 2:24 p.m. picked up by carrier U.S.S. Saratoga after 11 day moon trip.

December 20, Wednesday — 36/8 a.m. 30/9 p.m. A foggy dismal - chill - messy rainy day.

Rec'd 11 more cards. I spent the day writing cards.

Wrote Mariam and Julia Rhoades. Harlowe came & did chores. Ollie not feeling good, spent part time on couch & after good french fries and hamburg supper went to bed. This date is my 62nd wedding anniversary.

December 21, Thursday — 32/7 a.m. 36/12 p.m.

Everything is coated – had a drizzly night. Dark chilly drizzly day.

Snow avalanched off front roof tonight. I spent the day & evng writing card letters. Rec'd 11. Had 11 a.m. call by trooper Ed Ze Boriz. He brat gal Gallo Port & earing set for Ollie. Harlowe came twice & did chores. Other than Onteora numerous schools closed or opened late. Ollie not feeling very good. We had soup supper.

December 22, Friday — 35/7 a.m. 28/11 p.m. Trees ice covered - travel slippery. Inch rain in night. Dark - chill - gloomy but didn't rain. Full moon (23rd) shone hazy tonight.

Another indoor day. Harlowe did chores & brought a lovely 7 ft tree. No cards today. Jean & Bob Smith flew to Mexico. Last night 3 college girls en-route home from upstate for Christmas killed when their car ran in partly in road tractor & trailer, driver standing along side directing traffic & helping another truck jack knifed ahead. One girl Nancy Winchell only child of Mr & Mrs Abram Winchell of the town of Ulster – the shocked parents and Granddaughter of Lawrence and Frances

Winchell.

December 23, Saturday — 36/7a.m. 36/8 p.m. Dismal foggy this a.m. but had a period of filtered sunshine. This p.m. faired away with bright warm sunshine, followed by night overcast- calm.

Kate Carr came and hoed out - did a good days work. George came for her & we visited awhile and enjoyed the lighted decorated tree that she set up. I had light supper - Ollie didn't eat. She laid on bed all day. Rec'd 7 more cards. I didn't get out the house today - was boresome & so many that's went thru my head of other Christmas tides. Wrote unanswered cards but more till Tuesday.

The city of Mangua in Nicarigura practically 80 destroyed by an earth quake, that centered beneath last night.

Newspaper Clipping 12/23/72 Ulster Girl Killed in
Thruway Crash
Town of Danube

Three college girls, one of them Nancy R. Winchell, 21, the only child of Mr and Mrs Abram Winchell, of Birch Forest, Town of Ulster, were killed Thursday night when their car slammed into the rear of a tractor trailer pulled off the side of the road on the New York State Thruway in the Town of Danube.

All three girls were students at the State University at Fredonia. They were headed home for the holidays when the tragedy occurred, shortly after 11 p.m. last night.

Also killed were Miss Patricia A. Kubelle, 20, the

driver and Miss Ellen L. Israel, 20, both of Long Island.

State Police from the Herkimer barracks told The Freeman that it was raining with near freezing temperatures when the accident occurred. Troopers said a tractor trailer driven by Stanley S. Vionsur, 43, of Binghamton, was partially pulled off the side of the Thruway in the east bound lane to assist another tractor trailer which had gone off the road and overturned in the center mall. The Kuelle car, traveling in the passing lane slammed into the rear of the Vionsur rig, The Kuelle car according to one witness, was imbedded under the tractor trailer.

Vionsur was charged with parking on the pavement, a violation of Thruway regulations. Neither he or the unidentified driver of the other tractor trailer was injured.

The three victims were taken to Little Falls Hospital where they were pronounced dead on arrival by Herkimer County Coroner Upright.

Miss Winchell, a graduate of Kingston High School, was a music major at Fredonia. She had sung in the First Baptist Church choir in Kingston. Her father is the superintendent of the Town of Ulster Water Department.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Keyser Funeral Home, Albany Ave.

December 24, Sunday — 34/7 a.m. 35/8 p.m. Not foggy - continued dismal - chill weather day & evng & still - no sunshine.

Another stay in house day. Harlowe came & did chores. He said I'd have to make other arrangements after New Years. Ollie feels a little better but spent most of the day

on bed. We had kraut and boiled potato supper.. She went right to bed. I got in 2 ½ hours or more indoor walks.

December 25, Monday — 34/7 a.m. 36/9 p.m. A most dismal dark day and evening. Seems I never recall such weather.

I was house bound & Ollie too. Harlowe came & did chores. Ollie spent good share of day resting & coughing. However she pulled herself together postponed the turkey till New Years & got a good supper regardless. T.V. turkey dinners – Harlowe & Orrie Lyons both supper guests. I wrote to Mariam & Julia Rhoades. Had hour walk after supper.

December 26, Tuesday —34/7 a.m. 34/8 p.m. Ex Pres Harry S. Truman dead. Just as dark & foggy as yesterday. Started snowing soon after dark but didn't accumulate. Another stay in house day. Harlowe came and did chores. This p.m. I got in 2 1/4 hours house walking exercise. My left leg surely aches. Ollie got out with mail & walking Princess. Rec'd 7 more cards - one from Irma Zellmer in West Germany - sorry I've mislaid her address. Funeral service for Nancy Winchell in the saddening gloom at Kaiser's Parlors – casket closed. Rev. Norman Blassat - Baptist pastor of Kingston, officiated. Burial in Mt Marion cemetery. She was a member of the 1st Baptist church. Ollie's chest cold no better spent most of the day on bed, but got usually good milk soup supper. The nations 33 ex President, Harry S. Truman 88, died 8:50 EST in Kansas City Memorial

Hosp. A patient 3 weeks with weakening heart & complications. His wife 87 as almost constantly at his side also daughter Margaret much of the time.

December 27, Wednesday — 34/7 a.m. 32/9:30 p.m.
Crispy – clouds broke this a.m. & had welcome bright sunshine with part overcast. Clouded over again evng & snowing loose flakes.

Harlowe did chores again. This p.m. he took Ollie & I to Stone Ridge & she saw Dr Tocco. He was pleased that her blood pressure went down - gave her a needle & cough medicine \$6.00 paid. She has a miserable cough. We had good supper . Ollie went to bed. I had 2 hour exercise walk before and after supper. Coming back we went over to Dr Hunt's and he gave Ollie & I another impression.

December 28, Thursday — 36/8 a.m. 30/10 p.m. We had ½ inch of new blowing snow. Mostly cloudy -raw & windy quieted latter p.m.

Another house bound day. Harlowe did chores. Orrie Lyons came p.m. & cleaned pig pen 1.00 paid. Ollie's cold hangs on. We had good supper. She went to bed. I wrote by request evng to Mr Pete Unrah – Robert Longyear 3rd grandfather -in-law. A national day of mourning – no mail service. At 3 p.m. we heard on WCBS N.Y. station clear broadcast of Masonic service conducted by Grand Master Hugh McLaughlin of Kansas (State has 109 members) held in Truman Library and buried outside in the Rose Garden. A prayer was offered by a friend retired Baptist minister. Impressively

conducted was the Episcopal funeral service. Harry Truman was a Baptist – 30 of 34 survivors of Captain Harry world war one outfit were present at the service. Dec 28th Brady Alan born to Mr & Mrs Glen H. Chapman town of Olive.

December 29, Friday — 14/7 a.m. 22/11 p.m. Quite clear in night and sunny a.m. - gradually overcast, cold raw snowy air.

Another indoors day for me. Harlowe came & did chores. Ollie coughed a lot in night but gradually lessened today due to Dr Tocco's cough medicine. She got around latter p.m. & got a good supper - hamburg, fried onions, Christmas dressing & boiled spuds. Ollie went back to bed. I had hour house walk and nap in soft chair. Wrote letter tonite to Carol & Robt Longyear 3rd. 93 killed last nite in N.Y. to Miami plane crash in Florida Everglades – 17 miles from destination.

Newspaper Clipping – 12/29/72

Crash Toll Now 100

Miami

Luis Bancroft, 22, of Union City, N.J. died in a hospital here today, raising the death toll in the Dec, 29 crash of a jumbo jetliner in the Everglades to 100.

Bancroft was one of six crash victims who were being treated for gangrene contracted in stagnant swamp water.

A total of 76 persons survived the crash of the Eastern Air Lines TriStar jet on a flight from New York to Miami.

December 30, Saturday — 28/8 a.m. 34/8 p.m. It's oh so gloomy all day - rainy evng - still.

11 o'clock private funeral at W. N. Conners Kingston Parlors for Gloria Personeus of Nyack - sporting goods designer. - aged 44 born Feb 13, 1925 in Kingston. 6 years ill with cancer & several operations, never had pain till 3 days before her death Dec 27th in Nyack Hosp. Service in charge of Rev. Harry D. Robinson, St James St. M.E, church Pastor. Burial beside her mother Mrs Hattie Personeus who also died with cancer June 1971, buried in East slope of Tongore cemetery. All but bro Douglas of Durender Colo. present. Yesterday p.m. I talked on fone with sister Dariel, (Mrs Robert Stubb) of Kingston. This date 1931 our adorable Little Honey Girl, Lillian Ellen Davis - 4 years 2 mo was ill which proved to be fatal - ruptured appendix.

Rec'd letters Garrett Mott & Mrs Ronk. Sent air letter to Mariam & letter to Carol & Robert Longyear Jr, Emporia, Kansas. Herbie & Elsie Rexer called p.m. & brat me a qt bottle of scotch 100 proof. We had usual good supper. Ollie went back to bed - where she has been most of day. I had hour house walk after supper.

December 31, Sunday — 36/8 a.m. 40/8 p.m. Rained throughout the night and continued thru the dismal foggy day & still dripping tonite – about 2 ½ inches rain.

Another stay in house day. Harlowe did chores, I detect being unable to do so. Ollie spent much of day in bed. Snow slushy and water running.

The last day of 1931 weather so similar, Little Honey Girl Lillian Ellen was so sick but we just couldn't

realize. Our old reliable Dr J. D. W. Dumond was sick at his home in Olive Bridge. Harlowe records over 60 inches rain for year includes the snow water contents. I wrote reply letter to Mrs Ronk. I had hour walk after good potato stew supper.

Newspaper clipping – Saugerties Post Star – Tuesday, June,20, 1972
Recollections — by Elwyn Davis

Old timers of the area while traveling along the foot of the Catskills will by force of habit, look up the spots once occupied by the hotel Kaaterskill and Catskill Mountain House. Scars remain where the famous landmarks once brightened the mountainside, bringing to mind memories and stories of the hostelryes.

Probably one of the finest hours of the Mountain House, operated by Charles L. Beach, was the arrival of ex-President Ulysses S. Grant in 1881. After leaving office in 1877, the popular Civil War general had made a triumphant tour of Europe. He had recently taken up residence in New York City when he vacationed in the Catskills.

While the ex-President was at the hotel, the Stoney Clove Railroad was completed to Hunter, and Mr Grant interrupted his stay to attend the opening ceremonies. Some photographs are still in the hands of area families, marking the auspicious occasion. It was an important day in history of the mountains. Grant's activities, along with the ensuing banquets and festivities were long remembered by the assembled guests.

Two or three weeks later President Chester A. Arthur also chose the Mountain House for a respite from duties of office. Accompanied by his daughter, Nellie, he failed to receive the adulation of his predecessor. It was a time when the aging heroes of the War between the States were being lionized on every public occasion, and perhaps because Arthur's record included no distinguished service on the field of battle, he was not afforded the royal treatment

Things were different, however, in 1890 when Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman and his elderly sister arrived at the Mountain House. His arrival had been eagerly anticipated, and by the time he descended from the stage at the west entrance, guests and employees of the hotel had assembled to give him a rousing welcome. It was as if the famed march through Georgia had occurred only yesterday.

Note — The Stony Clove line abandoned & track removed about 1933 – 35.

From this article I first learned that the date for the completion and operation of the Ulster & Delaware R.R. 1869 – 72 as far as Roxbury. Stony Clove narrow gauge to the Hunter Junction from Phoenicia completed during the summer of 1881, was used til replaced in mid 1890 Big Steel Standard Gauge. Pictures of old rolling ----- were shown at Phoenicia Library collection this spring. I re-collect 2 or 3 narrow gauge engines on flat cars on Shokan South at this time of the building.

