

# Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Monday, January 1

Partly cloudy. At funeral of M.B. Jones at U. B. Church a.m. Attended burial of Ira Duke's child. No funeral and at home p.m. At home in eve. W.F. Bruner and family left for home this morning. Very heavy rain during night and early morning. The most rain we have had for several months. Roads very muddy. Cold in eve. By God's help I will try and still live closer to him, but feel my weakness so keenly.

Tuesday, January 2

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Working on assessors sheets. The commissioners declared a 2 mill rate, a lowering of 1/2 mill, Helped to audit the S.S. accounts. Have a balance of \$97.48 on hand. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of C. Bachman Herr. Interred at Woodward Hill, Lancaster. A most beautiful day. Not cold.

Wednesday, January 3

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with assessors books. At home in eve. Damp all day. Light rain and snow in eve.

Thursday, January 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with assessment books and sheets. Raw cold air. About 1-1/2 inches of snow fell last night.

Friday, January 5

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day with assessors sheets. Blanche along in. Bought a canary bird for her mother. At home in eve. Very damp. Snowing some a.m. Not cold.

Saturday, January 6

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 12 noon.

Cleaned poultry house, shelled corn, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Damp raw air all day.

Sunday, January 7

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Cold, damp, raw air all day. Looks very much for snow.

Monday, January 8

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Roads very slippery. Ice all over roads, etc. Cold in morning. Warmer during day.

Tuesday, January 9

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. The piano for our Sunday school arrived today. Was brought out from freight station, Lancaster by John Otto Drayman. Blanche and Walter went to Central Manor this morning at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Shue, Blanche Shuman's mother died. Very damp. Light rain partly all day and eve.

Wednesday, January 10

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Mrs. Amos G. Shenk passed away about 3:30 a.m. Blanche and Walter called. Was sorry to hear it. Her husband and several children had pneumonia and afterwards she took same with fatal result. A cold blustery day. Snow flurries partly all day. Much colder in eve. with high wind.

Thursday, January 11

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Fairly busy all day. A beautiful day. Very spring like. Much colder in eve.

Friday, January 12

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Had sale of rugs, linoleum, doors, etc., of old court rooms, etc. I bought Brussels rug, plush drapery, doors, etc. \$16.55. H.H. Aston brought them out by truck. Fetched Mr.

Baker from trolley this eve. Blanche called to Daniel Williams. Mary Eckman died. Cold raw air partly all day. Colder and stormy in eve.

Saturday, January 13

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Working about home, etc. At IORM in eve. and at AOK of MC supper afterwards. Paid dues in latter to April 1, 1923. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Amos G. Shenk, a.m. and called to Neffsville home to take charge of Mrs. John Brenner, M.E. Brenner's mother and brought body here to morgue. Cold high wind partly all day.

Sunday, January 14

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At preaching service p.m. Over at Walter's, wife and I in eve. Used our new piano in Sunday school for the first time. Very much pleased. Blanche played. Cold and damp. Light sleet and rain p.m. and eve. Damp.

Monday, January 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Quarter Sessions Court opened this morning. The first that women were jurors. Mrs. Irene Witmer, Safe Harbor was the first woman drawn and rejected on a murder case. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary Eckman at M. E. Church. Roads very icy this morning. Damp raw air. Not cold during day.

Tuesday, January 16

Partly clear. At home all day. Working about barn, poultry house, shelling corn, etc., a.m. M.E. Brenner's mother's funeral was held from here and at River Corner Church this p.m. Cold high wind all day. Snow blizzard in eve. Not much snow but very much colder.

Wednesday, January 17

Partly cloudy. Ther: 10. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche and Mr. Baker along

in. He left for home. At home in eve. Bought 2 white cockerels of Maurice Hershey. Paid \$2.50 for same. Very cold all day. Coldest all day of season.

Thursday, January 18

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. Dr. Good here to see wife. Heavy cold and some fever. Cold raw wind in a.m. Not nearly so cold p.m. and eve.

Friday, January 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Cold raw wind in the morning. A beautiful day. Not cold.

Saturday, January 20

Cloudy. At home all day. Cleaned poultry house, trimmed apple and peach trees. Helped cut down large apple tree back of the Kreider barn, etc. At IORM in eve. Wife getting better. Raw snow air. Not cold. Moderated. Light rain in eve. Saw a robin redbreast this morning setting on topmost branch of large poplar tree opposite our home warbling and chirping as though spring had come. A little early I fear.

Sunday, January 21

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. R.A. Alexander and wife spent the evening with us. Light rain in morning. Beautiful day. Spring like. Rain in eve. Not cold at all.

Monday, January 22

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Blanche along in. She bought a service auto of F.F. Groff 2nd hand. \$350. Bought 10 white rock hens of Mrs. Elmer Thomas, New Danville. Paid \$20.00. Light snow fell last night. Not very cold. Spring like.

Tuesday, January 23

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy.

Appeal days commenced today. Went along with Walter this eve. to bring out body of Edith McCardle from 458 S. Ann St., daughter of Mrs. John B. Waller. Sent check to J.W. Herr for \$25.00 for house (Aston) bought at Safe Harbor for H.H. Aston to be taken away. A pleasant day. Not cold. Seems more like spring than winter. Colder in eve. Feels like snow.

Wednesday, January 24

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with assessors appeal day. Helped Walter take body of Edith McCardle to her mother's home this eve. Snowed early morning and a.m. Turning to rain. Very damp and bad roads.

Thursday, January 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy with appeals. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Wm Christ, Lancaster. Interned at River View cemetery. Roads very icy. Cold in morning. Very much warmer in p.m.

Friday, January 26

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Appeals today. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Edith McCardle at Green Hill. Damp all day. Not cold.

Saturday, January 27

Cloudy. Working about home. Cleaned poultry house, shelled corn and various jobs around barn, etc. At IORM in eve. Damp all day. Commenced snowing in eve.

Sunday, January 28

Cloudy. At Sunday school. Small attendance on account of snow last night, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. About 2 inches of snow fell last night. The heaviest of this winter. Not cold at all. Snowed a short time this p.m.

Monday, January 29

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Quiet in office. No appeals today. Edw Fenstermacher died at General Hospital last night. Brought body to his home this morning. Roads quite sloppy. Not cold.

Tuesday, January 30

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with assessors. Raymond, son of Harry Sensenig near Washington Boro died this morning. Blanche called. Cold in morning but beautiful day. Colder in eve.

Wednesday, January 31

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with appeals. Witmer B. Hess here. Paid rent for February and March. \$30.00. Roads very icy. Damp all day. Rain in evening.

Thursday, February 1

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Columbia 9 wards appeals. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Edw Fenstermaker at New Danville. Called last night. David S. Hess at east end of village died. Roads very icy. Sent check to Arthur Barley for \$7.50 rent for February. Damp all day and quite foggy. Not cold.

Friday, February 2

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. A busy day with assessors. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Raymond Sensenig, Masonville. Damp all day. Groundhog did not see his shadow. Will not be much cold weather, so they say.

Saturday, February 3

Cloudy. At Lancaster till 2 p.m. Finished the county appeals. We have city for next week. Working at home p.m. At IORM in eve. W.C. Smith, one of the members, gave a lunch this

eve. in honor of his birthday. Quite heavy fog this a.m. Not cold, but much colder in eve.

Sunday, February 4

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche called to Lewis Breighiser near Bender's mill, Manor Twp. He passed away very unexpectedly and while out, call from John A. Stoner (Stone Hill). His mother died. She and Walter were out all night. David B. Hess funeral this a.m. at River Corner and Amos Fralich passed away about 11 a.m. They were there this p.m. Was very sorry to hear of the death of my true friend, Hon. John H. Landis. Very much colder all day. Great change.

Monday, February 5

Partly cloudy. Ther: 12. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet all day. Working on mortgages. Was very sorry to hear of the death of my true friend, John H. Landis, Millersville. I can truthfully say "A friend in need is a friend indeed", and he surely was that to me and hope I shall ever remember him as such. Cold all day. One of the coldest days of the winter.

Tuesday, February 6

Cloudy. Ther: 10. At Lancaster till 2:45 and came home on account of snow storm starting at about 12:45 and continued all p.m. and still snowing at 8:30. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Lewis Breighiser, Masonville. Called to take charge of John Eberly at Letort and to Wm Parker's at Colemanville, his wife died and this eve. to Christ Good's at east end of village. Daniel M. Shenk died. Very cold and damp all day.

Wednesday, February 7

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Should have went to funeral of John H. Landis but not feeling very well. Thought better not. Blanche and Walter attended

funeral of Mrs. Stoner at U. E. Church. Interred Mt. Zion. More snow fell yesterday than all snow this winter till now. About 8 inches. Cold all day.

Thursday, February 8

Partly clear. At funeral of Amos Fralich a.m. At Lancaster. Busy in office p.m. At home in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amos Fralich. Cold morning and damp. Beautiful p.m.

Friday, February 9

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day with assessors sheets. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Wm Parker, Colemanville, a.m. and Daniel H. Shenk at River Corner p.m. I brought out body of stillborn babe of John Rineer's from General Hospital. Will bury tomorrow. Much warmer. Damp. Sloppy all day.

Saturday, February 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Came home and took stillborn child of Mrs. John Rineer to Highville U. B. cemetery and buried and cleaned out hen house p.m. At IORM and the AOK of MC. They gave a clam soup supper. Blanche called to Geo J. Fehl's. He passed away early this morning and from there to John Eberley's funeral at Letort. Buried at Highville. This eve. they had a call to Elliot's Corner on Beaver Valley Pike, John Rineer's child. Cold, damp a.m. Beautiful p.m. Roads very sloppy.

Sunday, February 11

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. At church Missionary services. The Graded school favored us with a song service and assisted in the regular services. A.S. Benedict, teacher. Walter buried a stillborn babe of Lemuel Houck, Little Pittsburg, this p.m. at Highville. Snowing early this morning and cold. A beautiful p.m. Colder in eve.

Monday, February 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Cold in a.m. Warmer p.m. Very damp. Cold south east wind in eve.

Tuesday, February 13

Partly clear. Not at Lancaster today. Fetched Blanche from the Rinier funeral and took her over to the Geo J. Fehl funeral and remained for the services and fetched her home again. Cold in morning but beautiful day and very sloppy.

Wednesday, February 14

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Beautiful day but very much colder and very stormy in eve. Thunder gust last night about 12:30.

Thursday, February 15

Partly clear. Ther: 5. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. The house on the Valentine Warfel Farm was destroyed by fire last night about 12:30. Owned by Harry Gantz. They lost everything except the clothes they wore. Parents and 4 children. The people are asked to contribute. We helped. Blanche had a call this eve., Jacob Schwendt, New Danville. Coldest day of the season. High wind and very cold all day.

Friday, February 16

Partly clear. Ther: 3. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche called to Amos Kendig's, Millersville. Their son, Albert died about 2 a.m. Blanche and Walter out partly all night. Coldest morning and all day of season. Real winter weather.

Saturday, February 17

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Working about home p.m. Blanche rec'd word of death of stillborn infant of Steve Wise, Safe Harbor. I went down to the supper given by

the ladies of the General Tobacco Company at their warehouse this eve. Cold raw wind all day. Light snow storm in eve.

Sunday, February 18

Partly clear. Ther: 1 below zero. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche and Walter started out this morning with infant of Stephen Wise to Millersville Mennonite cemetery and casket for Albert W. Kendig. Put body in, ready for funeral tomorrow. From there to New Danville to attend funeral of Jacob Schwendt this p.m. returning home about 4 p.m. A very cold and busy day. Very cold and stormy all day. Thermometer was not above 15 all day. Very

Monday, February 19

Partly cloudy. Ther: 10. At Lancaster all day. Finished judgments. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Albert W. Kendig, Millersville Evangelical Church. Called to take charge of body of Mary Hess, near Eshleman Mill, West Lampeter and to Christ Brook's, West Willow also, stillborn of Jos Rankin daughter. Cold. Light snow early morning. Moderating.

Tuesday, February 20

Cloudy. Took Blanche to Lancaster to Isaac Miller's. A grandchild died, son of Walter Mischnick and brought her home again, a.m. At office p.m. A very busy day. Walter buried the Rankin child. Snowing partly all a.m. Cold but moderating.

Wednesday, February 21

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary Hess, widow of Martin Hess. Interment River Corner and a call to Creswell. Ira Shenk's infant child. Cold raw air all day.

Thursday, February 22

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of the Mischnick child from Lancaster. Buried at Reformed cemetery here. Raw wind and rather damp. Snow storm about 4:30 p.m. and again in eve. about 7 o'clock and high wind.

Friday, February 23

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Ira Shank child at Letort. Cold all day and very much colder in eve.

Saturday, February 24

Partly clear. Ther: 2 below zero. Working about home all day. At AOK of MC in eve. Very cold all day and in eve. High wind and cold.

Sunday, February 25

Clear. Ther: 32. Did not have Sunday school or preaching at our church on account of scarcity of coal. Walter and I went down to Green Hill U. B. Sunday school. Enjoyed it very much. At home p.m. and eve. Walter and family spent evening here. A most beautiful day. Great change from yesterday. 34 degree difference. Snow melted very fast.

Monday, February 26

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche along in. Damp with light rain part of day. Not much change. Some cooler.

Tuesday, February 27

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Took Commissioner Beam and engineer Crawford out to look after bridge lumber in p.m. Very quiet in office. Very damp all day. Light rain a.m. Roads getting soft.

Wednesday, February 28

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster a.m. Went to public sale of Geo Metzgar on the widow

Kendig farm. At home in eve. Geo W. Myers here. I bargained for the purchase of his farm for \$3,500 and article for it on Saturday. Isaac Herr, Lancaster passed away this noon. Very heavy fog in morning. Quite warm during day and roads something fierce. Frost coming out.

Thursday, March 1

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. Came home with Wm Sangrey. Blanche and Walter took my car to make a call on Prangley Ave, city and to Saml Reinhart's at Robinson's store, Martic Twp. Sent check to Arthur Barley for rent. \$7.50. Roads very heavy. Beautiful day. Not cold.

Friday, March 2

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Blanche called to Aaron Shoff's last night. Mrs. Longenderfer passed away at Highville. This forenoon to General Hospital. Walter Forest died. Valentine Hackman sawed wood for us by engine. Pharis Graver helped. Very nice day. Not cold, but roads in terrible shape. Scarcely fit to travel.

Saturday, March 3

Partly clear. At office a.m. Went to H. Frank Eshleman's office and signed article of agreement for the purchase of the Geo W. Myers property, north of village, for \$3,500. Hope for success. Came home and took Blanche to Lancaster and casket for Sourbeer's child and made several business calls, p.m. Walter busy. At IORM in eve. Good attendance. Blanche called to Rev Carmichael's, Creswell (child). Came home by way of Lancaster. (Bad roads). A beautiful day but very heavy roads.

Sunday, March 4

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. Went to Lancaster at noon to send Blanche and Walter home from John

Sourbeer's, whose grandchild was buried at Green Hill cemetery. I took charge of funeral and they went to Fred F. Brenner's. He passed away this a.m. and went along with Walter to Lancaster this eve. to put body of Walter Forest in casket. Am very tired. Been busy all day and terrible muddy roads. Almost impossible to get through. A beautiful spring day. Robins chirping and wild geese flying north.

Monday, March 5

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. Took Blanche's car to Queen Motor Co. 4 new chord tires (silver), etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Longendorf at Highville, a.m. and Walter Forest at Lancaster, p.m. Had the Myers' property buildings insured with J.W. Morrison in Northern Mutual Co. Very much colder than yesterday and yet not cold.

Tuesday, March 6

Cloudy. Ther: 20. Took Blanche to Creswell to funeral of Rev and Mrs. Carmichael infant son, Benj. From there to Lancaster. Walter took body to Marysville, Perry Co. Blanche and I came home by cab. Wm Gran brought us out. John G. Ament's wife died last night. Walter went up this morning. Cold all day. Commenced snowing about 6:45 a.m. and snowed partly all day. About 4 inches deep.

Wednesday, March 7

Partly cloudy. At home all day. Shoveling snow off walks and in shop a.m. Out in hen house, p.m. Fred F. Brenner's funeral today. Blanche called to Run Valley. Wm Dunkle's child passed away. About 5 inches of snow fell yesterday and sleet last night. Cold with very high wind at times.

Thursday, March 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in

office. Cold raw air all day. Snow not melting very fast.

Friday, March 9

Partly clear. Ther: 14. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. John G. Amend, Highville. Cold morning. Beautiful day, only cold air.

Saturday, March 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster a.m. Drew jurors in our office. Wm Sangrey and I went to River Hill school house and posted notices on the Shenk's Ferry Road and road at Safe Harbor with view of having them vacated, p.m. At IORM and at AOK of MC. The latter had a supper in eve. Rather damp and cool all day. Light shower of rain about 4 p.m.

Sunday, March 11

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Took up an offering for the John Wanamaker Memorial Tablet fund. \$3.14. Walter and I went out to the U. E. Church. Rev H.J. Carmichael spoke very inspiringly, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. A beautiful spring day. Roads very muddy.

Monday, March 12

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along in. Transferred a mortgage on David Hill's property of \$350 to her and rec'd her check for same. Very quiet in office. Heavy rain early morning and part of a.m. Damp all day. Very heavy fog in eve. Not cold.

Tuesday, March 13

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Damp and raining all day. Not cold.

Wednesday, March 14

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Beautiful day but much colder in eve.

Thursday, March 15

Partly clear. Ther: 20. At Lancaster all day. Finished judgments a.m. Trimmed grape vine for Mr. Diller at his home p.m. At home in eve. Blanche called to Henry Shenk's near Lancaster this eve. Their child died. Cold raw air all day. Cold east wind in eve.

Friday, March 16

Cloudy. Working about home a.m. Went to Noah Z. Hess sale of personal property. Bought 13 white Wyandotte hens @ \$1.80 each. \$23.40. Roads very heavy. Damp. Commenced raining 11 a.m. (heavy). Rained partly all p.m. and very heavy part of time.

Saturday, March 17

Clear. Ther: 26. At Lancaster till 2 p.m. In office a.m. At John M. Groff's office. Met Geo W. Myers and wife. Took deed to property bought of them. Paid them \$1,000 cash and gave judgment for \$2,500, payable April 1, 1924 without interest, they having the privilege of occupying the house for that period. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day but colder in eve.

Sunday, March 18

Clear. Ther: 26. At Sunday school and Preparatory Services a.m. At home and walked out to Aunt Mollie, Bro Emanuel's widow. Found them fairly well. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Harry Shank's child near Lancaster. Funeral at Millersville Mennonite. A beautiful day. Cool air all day.

Monday, March 19

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along. Very quiet in office. Rain early morning and a.m. Getting colder. Great change in weather. A regular blizzard. Some snowflakes and high wind and very much colder.

Tuesday, March 20

Clear. Ther: 8 in morning. At Lancaster all day.

Very quiet in office. Bought 2 white rock chicks of Groff, the seed man @ 18 cents each. At home in eve. Very cold morning and cold all day.

Wednesday, March 21

Clear. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. Went to Noah Z. Hess by way of West Willow and fetched the chickens I bought there. 13 hens and 1 rooster. Cleaned chick house and put out hen with 19 chicks, etc., p.m. A beautiful day. Great change in temperature. Very much warmer.

Thursday, March 22

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster in office a.m. Took Commissioners to Mt. Joy to sell toll house and small plot of ground on the Mt. Joy and Marietta. They brought \$690 and in office till eve. Very damp and light rain a.m. Quite warm.

Friday, March 23

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Sent Dr. B.F. Good check for medical attendance to date. \$21.00. Very beautiful day. Quite warm with thunder gust about 3:30 p.m. and very heavy rain. Raining in eve.

Saturday, March 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Wife along. Home and went to Amos Shenk's sale of personal property and to River Hill school house, thence of Shenk's Ferry. Posting notices with regard to vacating public road. Then home. At IORM in eve. Cold, raw, high wind all day.

Sunday, March 25

Partly clear. At Sunday school and church service Holy Communion a.m. Wife, Annie Hill and I went to Willow Street to Rev Stauffer's and I attended the joint consistory meeting at the church, p.m. At home in eve.

Fannie Mae Frey spent the day here. A beautiful day. High wind in eve.

Monday, March 26

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Went to Millersville in eve. to IOOF lodge along with Grant H. Gardner. John Walton, Walter and some of the United Telephone men cut the Carolina poplar trees in front of house. 7 of them some 75 to 80 feet high. Damp raw air all day. Light rain part of a.m. Colder in eve.

Tuesday, March 27

Partly clear. Ther: 25. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. The Dry Bill was voted on by the house, Harrisburg. 107 for and 100 against. So this will end the hotel license business. Beautiful day. Cold in morning.

Wednesday, March 28

Partly clear. Ther: 26. At home working about yard, grapes, berries partly all day. Cold all day and very high wind. Real dangerous by times all day and eve.

Thursday, March 29

Clear. Ther: 5 above zero. At home all day trimming raspberries and tying them up. Burning brush, etc., and in garden. Am very tired this eve. Blanche called to Millersville last night about 1 a.m. Rudolph Shultz died. Very cold. Cold raw wind all day but nearly so stormy as yesterday.

Friday, March 30

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Blanche along. Rather quiet in office. Cold damp air all day.

Saturday, March 31

Partly clear. Ther: 10. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Working about home balance of day. At IORM in eve. Was elected C of R of tribe for

ensuing year. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Rudolph Shultz, Millersville. Paid interest to S.S. Hess \$45.00, money in the John Zercher property. Very cold stormy day.

Sunday, April 1

Clear. Ther: 4. At Sunday school. Presented each of my class with Easter card for friendship, a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. Eli Shuman and wife spent the day with us. Took them to Lancaster this eve. Blanche and Walter and 2 children along for a ride. Very cold morning. Beautiful day but cold.

Monday, April 2

Partly clear. Ther: 28. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in our office. Paid W.G. Mellinger Bro. coal bill. \$108.73. Settled with H.H. Aston, John E. Zercher and David Neil. Beautiful day but cold raw air.

Tuesday, April 3

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Planted a few early peas and sowed head lettuce seed. Great change in weather. Regular spring day. Much warmer.

Wednesday, April 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Blanche along. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Light shower of rain in eve.

Thursday, April 5

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Quite warm. Light shower of rain at noon. Very heavy rain about 3:30 p.m. with thunder and lightning.

Friday, April 6

Clear. Working about home all day. Charles Kreider and Harry Eshleman helped me move poultry house to another place. Some job, a.m. Making fence, cleaning up front yard,

etc., p.m. Very sore and tired. Stormy part of day but not cold.

Saturday, April 7

Clear. At home. Cleaned yard. Trimmed and tied up raspberries. Tied up grape vines. Sprayed apricot and peach trees in side yard and in garden and several in orchard. Busy all day and tired. At IORM in eve. Installation of officers. I was installed as C of R. A beautiful day. Cooler and stormy in eve.

Sunday, April 8

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. Showers of rain at intervals partly all day. Thunder gust east of us about 2:30. In eve. very high wind and very much colder.

Monday, April 9

Partly clear. Ther: 26. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. Commenced on my mortgage work. The greatest number ever returned. So it will mean work. Cool all day.

Tuesday, April 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with mortgages. Working on lot and planted quince tree on side lot this eve. Cold raw air all day.

Wednesday, April 11

Clear. At home till 8:30 a.m. At Lancaster balance of day. Very busy. Walter and I went to Safe Harbor this eve. and brought up the window sash of the house I bought this morning of the Holtwood Power Co. \$60.00 and sent them my check this morning for same. Jonas B. Good of Marticville found dead in bed this morning. Beautiful day but cold air.

Thursday, April 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. Had a hearing with regard to vacating the road from Shenk's Ferry to River Hill school

house in #2 court room. I believe it will be granted. A beautiful day but air cool.

Friday, April 13

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy at mortgages. Paid E.L. Bortzfield \$14.91 for clover seed for Myers' farm and D.M. Witmer \$8.50 for fertilizer. Cool and raining all day.

Saturday, April 14

Cloudy. Ther: 28 in eve. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Home shoveling snow off of walks, porches and away from chick's coops. At IORM in eve and at AOK of MC supper. About 35 or 40 members attended supper. Charles G. Strickler, Clerk of Orphan's Court, died this morning after a lingering illness. Commenced snowing last night and snowed all day to about 4 p.m. About 6 or 7 inches fell but melted some, but ground entirely covered.

Sunday, April 15

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. Blanche called to Chas F. Eshleman's, Central Manor. His wife died very unexpectedly. Light snow last night. Warmer. Snow melted very fast and yet no sun all day.

Monday, April 16

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Blanche along. Had a call to Harry Neff's, East End Ave. One of twins, 1 month old, passed away. Quarter Sessions Court opened this morning. Beautiful day. Great change from last few days. Snow all gone.

Tuesday, April 17

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with mortgages. Chas G. Strickler funeral this p.m. Cool raw air all day.

Wednesday, April 18

Partly clear. Ther: 34. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with mortgages. Blanche and

Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Chas F. Eshleman, Central Manor. Called to John Henry, Letort. Mrs. Henry Gantz died. Cold raw air all day. Few flakes of snow.

Thursday, April 19

Partly clear. Ther: 27. At home all day. D.B. Foutz, carpenter, helped to put windows in old poultry house and repaired same and put window in west side of auto shed for more light. Paid him 45 cents per hour and 2 meals. Very tired this eve. Not used to this kind of work, but enjoy it. Beautiful day but continues cool.

Friday, April 20

Clear. Ther: 86. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Cleaning up in chicken yard in eve. A Jenny wren made its appearance this morning for first. Sent \$1.00 to Farm and Home for 4 years subscription and 6 Concord grape vines as a premium. Great change in weather. Very much warmer.

Saturday, April 21

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Very busy in office. Working at home. Cleaned poultry house, put on window awning, screen door, etc. Set 2 hens with white rock eggs. At IORM in eve. Sold the brick house at Safe Harbor that I bought of the Holtwood Power Co. some time ago to Elias Sneath to be torn down to build a parsonage at Stehman's Memorial Church. \$160. Rec'd check for same. Very beautiful day and warm day.

Sunday, April 22

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Walked down on farm and at home p.m. At church in eve. Beautiful day. Not so warm. Light shower of rain in eve.

Monday, April 23

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy

with mortgages all day. High wind and very much cooler. Light shower of rain a.m.

Tuesday, April 24

Partly clear. Ther: 34. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Cool all day and very high wind in eve.

Wednesday, April 25

Partly clear. Working at home. Digging garden. Planted cobbler potatoes, peas, bunch beans. Planted 2 Dutch nut trees in front of poultry house. Trimming raspberries and tying up. Same down on farm. Sent 240 chicken eggs, white rocks, white Wyandotte's and a few common, over to Merl Diffenbach, Marticville, to have them hatched. Cool and high wind all day.

Thursday, April 26

Working at home. Burning brush, etc., on lower end of Kreider lot, a.m. General cleanup on the upper Myers place. Something that was needed very badly. Burning briars, weeds and brush, etc., and cultivated young apple trees, p.m. At home in eve. Beautiful day. Not stormy and warmer.

Friday, April 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Blanche along. She was called to Highville this eve. John Benedict died. Planted head salads and cabbage this eve. Edw Fickes, a former resident here, met his death by falling 40 feet down an elevator shaft at linoleum plant, Lancaster. Beautiful day. Warm all day.

Saturday, April 28

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Cleaned out chicken pens and painting dining room, p.m. At IORM in eve. Warm. Light shower of rain in morning. Commenced raining about 3

p.m. and about 6 p.m. rained very heavy and continued. Still raining 9:45.

Sunday, April 29

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home and walked down on farm. Blanche and Walter went to funeral of Dr. Girvin at Mt. Nebo as friends of family. At home in eve. No preaching service. Rev Stauffer being unwell. A beautiful spring day. Cool. The country looks beautiful. Blossoms in abundance.

Monday, April 30

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day with mortgages. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John Benedict, Highville. Quite cool all day.

Tuesday, May 1

Partly cloudy. Ther: 37. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with mortgages. Rec'd word this eve of Robert Campbell (formerly of Horse Hollow) death, Lancaster. Blanche and Walter attended. Beautiful day and warmer. Cold in morning. Frost.

Wednesday, May 2

Partly clear. Working at home all day. Cutting down trees along orchard, burning brush, etc., all day. Very tired. Got 2 truckloads of coal for furnace from Benj Mellinger, Bomgardners. Beautiful day. Sun quite warm. Light frost reported.

Thursday, May 3

Clear. Ther: 40. Working at home all day. Burning brush, removing old fence, painting in dining room, etc. Planted cherry tree in barnyard. At home in eve. and very tired. Light frost this morning. A beautiful day. Thermometer registered 106 degrees in the sun at 3 p.m.

Friday, May 4

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of

Robert Campbell, city. Funeral at Marticville church. Quite cool this morning. Beautiful day. Warm.

Saturday, May 5

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1:30 p.m. Home and went down on our wood lot. Met David Dombach there and sold him the lot, 2 acres, for \$150. Cleaned chick coop, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Good attendance. Blanche called to Henry Lefever's last night. His wife's mother passed away. A beautiful day and very much warmer.

Sunday, May 6

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home and walked down farm p.m. At home in eve. Blanche spent p.m. at Henry Redcay's. Much cooler all day but beautiful day.

Monday, May 7

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with mortgages, etc. Blanche along in. A beautiful day. Quite warm but cool in morning.

Tuesday, May 8

At Lancaster all day. Very busy with mortgages. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Susan Wertz near Highville. Sent check to New York Life Insurance Co. for premium. \$93.90. Cool all day with thunder gust in eve. and fine rain.

Wednesday, May 9

Partly cloudy. At home taking off paper in dining room to get ready for paper hangers tomorrow and cleaned poultry house, etc. At home in eve. Rained partly all last night and a.m. Showered p.m. At 6:45 a.m. it snowed for about 15 minutes. Cold raw wind all day. This eve at 5 o'clock the thermometer registered 40 degrees above.

Thursday, May 10

Partly clear. Ther: 33. At home. Earl Jenkins came to plow the Kendig lot. I was digging in

posts and took out gate post at driveway and put it in back of barn. Removed rail pile on Kendig lot. Worked hard all day. Am sore and tired. Quite cool all day. Good weather to plow and work out.

Friday, May 11

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Finished mortgages this noon and commenced the judgments. Busy all day. Light frost this morning. Light rain in eve. Warmer.

Saturday, May 12

Cloudy. Ther: 59. At Lancaster till 12:45 p.m. Working at home. Cleaned up auto shed, chick coop, etc. p.m. At IORM in eve for short time only. J.M. Bruner and wife and Millard and his wife of Philadelphia arrived about 5 p.m. to spend weekend. Damp and showers partly all day. Warmer.

Sunday, May 13

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and Rev Shaffer Missionary to Japan gave a very interesting talk on his work there, a.m. At home and took a short walk. The Bruner family left for home about 2:30 p.m. taking Mrs. Zercher with them for a short stay in the city. She needs a rest. At home in eve. Rain last night and early morning. A beautiful p.m. and eve.

Monday, May 14

Clear. Ther: 41. At Lancaster all day. Busy with judgments, etc. Sent check to Security Life for Blanche's policy. Beautiful day. Light frost this morning.

Tuesday, May 15

Cloudy. At home. Helped John R. Good to put up wire fence between orchard and Kreider lot, a.m. Working in lot, garden, etc., p.m. At home in eve. Tired. Paid John R. Good for

fence. 19 rods at 85 cents per. \$16.15. Damp and very light showers during day.

Wednesday, May 16

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with judgments. Rec'd letter from wife this eve. Getting along nicely. Much warmer. Local showers. Looked very threatening for storm this eve.

Thursday, May 17

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy with judgments. Went to Marticville and brought home 93 chicks. Had Merl Diffenbach hatch by incubator. Poor hatch. 240 eggs. Paid him 6 cents per good chick. Sold 27 lb. young chickens at 45 cents per pound and 8 lb. at 40 cents. Total, \$15.35. 11-1/2 doz. eggs @ 23 cents per dozen. \$2.65. Cool high wind all day.

Friday, May 18

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy with judgments. W.F. Bruner and wife, Mrs. Myers of Philadelphia, fetched my wife to Lancaster and took dinner with us. Ira Duke, Chas H. Kreider and John Witmer sprayed our orchards here at home and down on farm. Beautiful day. Much warmer.

Saturday, May 19

Clear. At home all day. Busy all day. Cleaned chicken house thoroughly and disinfected lawn, etc. At IORM in eve. Chas Miller got 5 bales straw. \$3.08. Paid for same. A most beautiful day. One of the warmest days of the season.

Sunday, May 20

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home and walked down to Lucy Martin's a short time p.m. At church in eve. Blanche called to Clarence King's near Washington Boro, child passed away. Beautiful day except high wind

toward eve. and light shower of rain about 7 p.m.

Monday, May 21

Working about home all day except went to Rock Hill to bridge lumber. Damp all day. Light showers. Rain last night and much cooler this eve.

Tuesday, May 22

Ther: 48. At home working in barn, etc., a.m. In orchard and garden p.m. At home in eve. Quite cool a.m. Sun warm but cool air p.m. and eve.

Wednesday, May 23

Partly clear. Ther: 45. At home working. Trimmed hedge. Planted potatoes in garden, etc. Went along with Walter to St. Joseph's Hospital and brought out the body of Minnie, daughter of Amos and Minnie Warfel. She died of burns got from burning caterpillars from trees. 11 years old. Word was rec'd by Edw Groff that his brother-in-law died very unexpectedly in Chester county. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Clarence King's child and buried a stillborn for Mr. Landis living on Amos Landis farm. Cool all day.

Thursday, May 24

Clear. Ther: 42. Working in garden part of a.m. Trimmed and tied up grape vines down on farm. Took Mr. Fisher, garage man, to Lancaster. He fetched Blanche's service wagon out. Had it repaired, p.m. Blanche called to General Hospital. Saml Warner of Central Manor of tetanus. Also call from West Chester to fetch body of Maris T. Kendig who met with an accidental death yesterday falling from ladder. Walter went for body. Heavy frost in low places and cool all day.

Friday, May 25

Partly clear. Working about home. Helped get caskets ready. Took body of M.T. Kendig

down to his sister's, Mrs. Edw Groff. Had been busy all day. Tired this eve. Beautiful day. Warm.

Saturday, May 26

Clear. Ther: 86. Working about home. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Minnie Warfel, the girl who burned. Very large funeral. Paid Ira Duke and Chas Kreider for spraying. \$3.00 each. At IORM in eve. The warmest day of season but quite cool in eve.

Sunday, May 27

Clear. Ther: 84. At Sunday school a.m. Went to funeral of M.J. Kendig at home of Edw Groff and home p.m. At church in eve. A beautiful day. Warm.

Monday, May 28

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. A beautiful day. Warm.

Tuesday, May 29

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Finished my judgments and mortgages work of 4-1-23. Glad for that. Blanche along in. Planted sweet potato sprouts this eve. in garden. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Wednesday, May 30

Clear. Ther: 48. Helped mow grass in Reformed cemetery and Walter and I went to Rock Hill and fetched some bridge lumber over by permission of the County Commissioners, a.m. At home p.m. Wife, Mary Bruner and I took auto run to River Corner, Green Hill and Mt. Zion cemetery. Found them in fine trim, but sorry to see no soldiers' graves decorated with the American flag. Will see to it tomorrow. Very warm during day. Cool in morning and eve.

Thursday, May 31

Clear. Ther: 48. At Lancaster all day. Busy part of day. Blanche rec'd word this eve. of the

death of David Good. Beautiful day. Not so warm.

Friday, June 1

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Had Ira Duke, Chas H. Kreider and Hiram G. Warfel spray the orchards the second time. Paid for same. \$12.00. Very warm all day.

Saturday, June 2

Partly clear. Ther: 94. Working down on farm dressing up grape vines. 20 in fair condition but only small and mowing weeds a.m. In garden, planted lima beans, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Had a sad accident this eve. here in the village. Chas H. Kreider's smallest child, Kerven, struck by auto and seriously hurt. Taken to General Hospital. The result of speeding through the village.

Sunday, June 3

Partly clear. Ther: 92. At Sunday school and went out to Pequea church. Abram Z. Hess and Eli Engl preached very able sermon. I enjoyed them very much and can say it was good to be there. At home p.m. and eve. Kerven Kreider died early last night. Very heavy thunder gust about 4 p.m. but no rain. Thunder gust this eve. and looks very much like rain. Very warm but cool in eve.

Monday, June 4

Partly clear. Ther: 92. At Lancaster all day. Finished May mortgages. Held inquest on body of Kerven Kreider. Following were the jurors: A.J. Zercher, H.G. Warfel, Martin H. Hess, Grant H. Gardner, Fred H. Sickman, J.W. Morrison. After hearing several witnesses we adjourned till Saturday eve. to hear the defendants. Very warm day.

Tuesday, June 5

Clear. Ther: 93. Earl Jenkins brought lumber from Rock Hill bridge. Paid him \$3.00 for

same and went to funeral of Kerven Kreider, the child killed by auto, a.m. At home and walked down on farm in eve. Myriam and Pauline spent the eve. with us. Had a very pleasant time. Very warm all day and getting real dry.

Wednesday, June 6

Partly clear. Ther: 92. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Paes not in. Went down on farm this eve. Picked 10 boxes green currents and 4 boxes strawberries. Very warm all day. Not quite as warm.

Thursday, June 7

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Finished judgments to June 1. Had a very good rain last night. Not quite as warm as yesterday.

Friday, June 8

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. Very quiet in office. Very much cooler and high wind.

Saturday, June 9

Partly clear. Sawing wood with engine, Walter and I and cleaned out chick house. Finished up inquest of Kerven Kreider. Verdict was "came to his death by being hit with auto of Miles Bleacher. Unavoidable". At AOK of MC supper and festival and at IORM in eve. Put up speed limit signs. 15 miles per hour. We have decided they must be lived up to. I never saw it so quiet and as sensible running through village before. Very high wind all day but ceased in eve. and cold.

Sunday, June 10

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Blanche down and Henry Redcay for dinner and spent p.m. At church in eve. Beautiful day. Cool.

Monday, June 11

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rather

quiet in office. Went to Dr. Frank G. Hartman and blood pressure taken. He told me it is very low and heart beat irregular and advised me to quit the office and at least take one month off, which the commissioners very kindly granted and I am very thankful for. Warm. Showers a.m. and part of p.m.

Tuesday, June 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. Took urine to Dr. Hartman. Kidneys in very good condition. All I need is a long rest so I stopped by for permission of County Commissioners for 30 days. I certainly do appreciate their kindness. Quite warm all day.

Wednesday, June 13

Cloudy. At home all day. Not doing much of anything on account of my health. The IORM had a parade in Lancaster. The Great Council meets there this year and had the parade today. Cool. Light shower of rain this morning and threatening all day.

Thursday, June 14

Clear. Walter, Chas Kreider and I spent the day at Holtwood fishing for Shad. We brought home 13 fine Shad. Bought 2 roes for \$1.00 each. Very much pleased with outing. Mildred Zercher, daughter of B. Frank and Mary died of pneumonia this morning 6:30. At home in eve. Very much warmer.

Friday, June 15

Partly clear. Took Blanche to Lancaster and my car to Queen Motor Co. for some repairs. Paid \$8.45 for same, a.m. At home and down on farm. Picked 16 boxes strawberries. A very warm day. Thunder gust in eve. and fine shower of rain.

Saturday, June 16

Clear. Working about home. At IORM in eve. Sun very warm. Cool air.

Sunday, June 17

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. Wife and I attended funeral of Mildred Zercher at Reformed Church, p.m. Large funeral. Blanche and Walter had charge. Beautiful day. Warm and dry.

Monday, June 18

Clear. Ther: 90. 108 in sun. About home. Went over to see Wm G. Henry at hotel who is seriously ill. Mary Miller, Mrs. Chas Kreider and Mrs. W.F. Ressel were picking sour cherries this p.m. on shares. Walter was at Holtwood shad fishing and gave us a fine one. Very warm and dry.

Tuesday, June 19

Clear. Ther: 93. About home. Picked a few cherries and sitting around partly all day. Feeling some better. Very warm and dry.

Wednesday, June 20

Partly clear. Ther: 95. About home all day. Thunder gust in east in p.m. and eve. Nothing here. Very warm and dry.

Thursday, June 21

Partly clear. Ther: 98-102 in shade. Down on farm. Fetched up few strawberries a.m. About home p.m. Wife and I walked over to A.S. Benedict's store. He had a special sale on aluminum ware, wife bought several articles. The warmest day of the summer thus far. Light shower of rain in eve. (very light).

Friday, June 22

Clear. Ther: 93. At home all day. Not feeling so good this a.m. Very warm in sun and very much cooler in eve.

Saturday, June 23

Partly cloudy. Ther: 90. At home all day. Wife and Blanche went to Lancaster. Returned 2 p.m. At IORM in eve. No meeting. Very warm all day. A heavy gust in morning. Fine rain.

Most rain we have had for some time. Light shower in eve.

Sunday, June 24

Clear. Ther: 96. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. Went to church in eve. Were dismissed after opening service on account of heavy storm from west. Very high wind and rain. Electric lights out about 8:30 p.m. A very warm day.

Monday, June 25

Clear. Ther: 93. Went down on farm and picked a few strawberries and about home. Rec'd a very kind letter of Congressman W.W. Griest in reference to my illness hoping it may not be serious and that my leave of absence will do me good. Very warm day.

Tuesday, June 26

Working about home. Cleaned hen house, etc., a.m. Not doing much in p.m. Feeling stronger but the heat seems so pressing. Shot a weasel that had one of our little chicks but it got away from it, but did some hollering. Very warm all day. Few drops of rain in p.m.

Wednesday, June 27

Partly clear. Ther: 69 at 6 a.m. 86 at noon. Earl Jenkins here. Got lot ready and planted with sweet corn (evergreen). About 1 acre. Paid him for same. \$7.60. Great change in weather. High wind. Drying off fast.

Thursday, June 28

Partly cloudy. Ther: 84. Working in lot pulling red root weeds part of day. Blanche and Annie Martin bagging grapes. Much cooler and light rain p.m.

Friday, June 29

Partly clear. Ther: 59 in morning. About home. Put carpet in sedan and walked down on farm. Zachariah Witmer passed away last

eve. in his 91st year. A special friend. Blanche and Walter called. Beautiful day. Cool.

Saturday, June 30

Partly clear. Ther: 55 in morning. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. At home balance of day and IORM in eve. Quite cool all day.

Sunday, July 1

Partly clear. At Sunday school and J.W. Morrison and I went to the funeral of Zachariah Witmer at Stehman's Church, a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. A beautiful day. Cool in morning and very dry.

Monday, July 2

Partly clear. At home a.m. Went to Lancaster with Chas H. Kreider to see about getting my glasses changed, p.m. At home in eve. Sun quite warm. Cool air. Beautiful hay day.

Tuesday, July 3

Partly clear. Ther: 83. About home partly all day. Went down for Mrs. Geo Myers. Her son's child died at Lititz and they wanted her to come along up with Blanche to arrange for funeral. They brought the body along down to her home. Funeral Thursday. The farmers finished hay this eve. and a very fine lot of it. Sun very warm but very cool in eve.

Wednesday, July 4

Partly cloudy. About home all day. Sent check for Sunday school supplies and electric lights. A very quiet 4th here in the village. Sun very warm. Heavy thunder gust and a fine shower of rain about 3 p.m. Much cooler in eve.

Thursday, July 5

Partly clear. Ther: 93. Above home partly all day. Wife and I went over to Sal Goods, Run Valley for lard. Bought 50 lb. can. Paid \$7.00 for same. Had sale of the John Graver property where Earl Jenkins lives. Saml

Rankin bought it for \$2,124. A good price. Very warm all day. A very good rain in eve. Thunder gust.

Friday, July 6

Partly cloudy. About home all day. Had a great rain last night and early morning. Sun quite warm and beautiful day after rain.

Saturday, July 7

Partly clear. Went to Lancaster with Walter and Blanche a.m. At home p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Sunday, July 8

Clear. Ther: 58 in morning. At Sunday school a.m. Wm Smith and wife of Lancaster, Charles Smith and wife of N.J. were present. At home p.m. and church in eve. Beautiful day but quite cool morning and eve.

Monday, July 9

Partly clear. Ther: 86. About home all day. Not feeling so well a.m. Better in p.m. Received word this p.m. that Uncle Jacob Zercher fell down cellar steps at his home and was taken to hospital at Lancaster. Beautiful day. Cool in eve.

Tuesday, July 10

Partly cloudy. Ther: 86. About home all day. Feeling better today. I am very glad. Hope it will continue. Sun very warm but cool air. Heavy shower rain in eve. with some thunder.

Wednesday, July 11

Partly cloudy. Ther: 84. About home all day. Wife and Blanche to Lancaster a.m. Very warm and sultry all day. Fine rain (heavy) a.m. and rain in eve. Certainly good rains.

Thursday, July 12

Partly clear. Ther: 92. About home. Cleaned poultry house and coal oiled roosts. Thinned apples on small smokehouse tree and 1

peach tree. Beautiful day. Sun very warm but nice breeze.

Friday, July 13

Partly clear. Ther: 86. About home all day. Very warm. So oppressive. Humidity great.

Saturday, July 14

Partly clear. About home and walked down on farm in p.m. They were cutting the rye. The apples are looking fine. Blanche went up to Fannie Mae Frey's (who is sick) to spend the day. They were called to Millersville this eve. Frank Smith died. He was formerly of this neighborhood. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Sun very warm but nice air.

Sunday, July 15

Partly clear. Ther: 86. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of Chester Erb's child, 8 years old, near Baumgardner, and Charles Herr child (stillborn) Pequea and Eliza Lines at county home. Brought bodies here to prepare for burial. Beautiful day but warm.

Monday, July 16

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Went in on auto bus. Feeling much better. Hope it will continue. Worked on judgments. Thunder gust early morning and warm day. High wind and gust in east.

Tuesday, July 17

Partly clear. Ther: 86. At home a.m. Had funeral of Chester Erb's child from our home this p.m. Took flowers and Arvilla Warfel to Green Hill U. B. Church where further services were held. Rev Reeves, Lancaster and Rev Martin Groff, Safe Harbor spoke. The former a very able sermon on "Is it well with the child". Quite warm all day. Cooler in eve.

Wednesday, July 18

At Lancaster all day. Working on judgments

all day. Eliza Lines buried today at New Danville Mennonite. Rec'd of death of Hallegar child at Lancaster. Walter fetched body here. I received phone message at office of death of Ex Co. Commissioner Frank P.D. Miller, Columbia at 10 a.m. Phoned to S.W. Diller at Tucquan club notifying him of same. Funeral Saturday 3 p.m., St. John's Lutheran Church, Columbia.

Thursday, July 19

Clear. Ther: 86. At Lancaster all day. Working on mortgages. Went to see Mr. Greist with regard of giving up my clerkship January 1, 1924. I have decided to quit there on account of my health. If health permits. He was sorry to hear about my nervous condition and thought to consider my health first. Earl Jenkins harrowed corn in Kreider lot this eve. Paid him \$2.00 for same. Very warm day and dry.

Friday, July 20

Clear. Ther: 124 in sun. 96 in shade. At Lancaster all day. Working on mortgages. A very warm day and dry.

Saturday, July 21

Clear. Ther: 96. At home a.m. John Shirk, Walter Beam and I went to Columbia to funeral of F.P.D. Miller at 3 p.m. About home in eve. A very warm day.

Sunday, July 22

Partly clear. Ther: 95. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and preaching service in eve. Beautiful day. Not quite so warm. Cooler in eve. Very dry.

Monday, July 23

Clear. Ther: 58 in morning. At Lancaster all day. Working on mortgages. Blanche had a call from Lancaster to take charge of body of

Martha Kauffman, widow of Abrm, formerly of Manor Twp. Beautiful day. Much cooler.

Tuesday, July 24

Cloudy. Ther: 68 in eve. At Lancaster all day. Finished my work on J & M. Expect to remain home for several days on account of my health. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Andrew Byerley, Creswell. Cool, damp and light rain partly all a.m. and shower in eve. Quite cool.

Wednesday, July 25

Partly cloudy. At home working in lot short time in morning. Had Benj F. Hill mowing weeds in orchard here at home. Paid him \$1.00 for same. Went to Lancaster at 6 p.m. for Walter, Blanche and Aunt Mary Bruner. They had a mishap in their service car. Blanche and Walter at funeral. Had a great rain last night. The best we have had this summer. Cool all day.

Thursday, July 26

Partly clear. Ther: 58 in morning. Took Blanche to funeral of Martha Kauffman at Lancaster and took flowers from house to church. The finest display of flowers I have seen for a long time, especially a blanket of flowers the full length of casket. Came home by way of Lancaster at 2:30 p.m. At home balance of day and eve. Beautiful day. Sun very warm but cool air.

Friday, July 27

Partly cloudy. Working in lot in morning. About house and walked down on farm. Sun very warm. Cool in morning.

Saturday, July 28

Cloudy. Earl Jenkins here. Scraped corn in Kreider lot in morning. Paid him \$1.50 for same. I thinned corn and sowed turnip seed in part of lot. About house p.m. Had intended

having our S.S. picnic this p.m. and eve, but on account of weather did not have it. At IORM in eve. Wm F. Bruner of Philadelphia, wife's brother, came here this eve. Quite a surprise. Will remain till tomorrow p.m. Warm all day. Very heavy rain about 10:30 a.m. and showers partly all p.m.

Sunday, July 29

Partly clear. Ther: 87. At Sunday school. Decided to hold picnic Thursday eve. Supper from 4 to 6 p.m. At home and went to Lancaster at 4:30. Took Wm F. Bruner in to meet Russel Warfel and go along home to Philadelphia with him. Mary went along in to her home and wife was along for pleasure. At church in eve. Rev Stauffer spoke on text, Job 19 + 25, 26, 27. One of my favorite passages. Quite warm all day. Thunder gust in east.

Monday, July 30

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. Raining in morning and light shower and very damp with light thunder partly all day.

Tuesday, July 31

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Mrs. Maris Hoak passed away this a.m. Damp and cool all day.

Wednesday, August 1

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Working on judgments. Damp and warmer. Cool in eve.

Thursday, August 2

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 2 p.m. Came home to help at our Sunday school picnic. Everything passed off very nicely. Had supper and a large attendance in the eve. Sold out almost entirely. Quite warm, especially p.m. and eve.

Friday, August 3

Partly clear. Ther: 96. Took Mr. Shirk, Beam

and Evan Dombach to Eden Paper mill to sell old bridge lumber, a.m. and to Rock Hill for the same purpose in p.m. Sold cheap. Took them back to Lancaster after Rock Hill Sale. Blanche went to Rawlinsville Camp this p.m. to spend 10 days if possible. She had funeral of Mrs. Maris Hoak a.m. Very warm day. Sun so hot. Thunder gust in eve. Not much rain.

Saturday, August 4

Partly clear. At home all day. Mowing lawn, etc., a.m. About barn, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. No meeting. Another very warm day. Gusts in p.m. A very light shower of rain, p.m.

Sunday, August 5

Partly cloudy. Ther: 81 at 8:15 a.m. 86 at noon. 80 at 7:15 p.m. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Report heavy thunder gust and rain at Rawlinsville camp. Very warm and close. Light shower of rain p.m.

Monday, August 6

Partly clear. Ther: 88. At Lancaster all day. Finished up J & M work for July. Rec'd word at office this morning of death of Thos J. Marsh, County Controller several years ago. Formerly of Gap. Now Philadelphia. A very warm friend of mine and held in high esteem by all. Funeral tomorrow at Gap. Very warm and sultry all day.

Tuesday, August 7

Partly clear. Ther: 94. At Lancaster and went to funeral of Thos J. Marsh at Gap in company with Enos E. Mowrer, Controller, Wm W. Griest, Congressman, A.B. Hassles, Judge, H.C. Kennedy, Ex-Mayor, G.W. Diller, County Commissioner, Jacob R. Groff, Deputy Clerk, Quarter Sessions, Mr. Mowrer, a.m. Took J.R. Shirk, Walter C. Beam, Co. commis, Saml Studemoth, Engineer, down to La Park to see about construction of new bridge there, p.m. At home in eve. A very warm day.

Wednesday, August 8

Partly clear. About home all day. Got 100 lb. bran and 80 lb. scratch feed of D.M. Witmer. \$4.07. Paid for same. Discount 8 cents. Another warm day. A little cooler in eve.

Thursday, August 9

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Bought 4 bus wheat of Earl Rineer and paid for same. 95 cents per bus, \$3.80. This does not seem right. The farmer to get 95 cents for wheat and pay \$42.00 for bran per ton and pay \$1.20 for a bushel of corn at the mill. Beautiful day. Much cooler.

Friday, August 10

Partly clear. Spent the day at the Rawlinsville camp meeting. Found Blanche and Mrs. Ressel enjoying the grove. They were glad to see us and we them. Enjoyed the services, especially the memorial services in honor of our late President Warren G. Harding. At home in eve. Beautiful day but much warmer than yesterday.

Saturday, August 11

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Went along to Green Hill S.S. picnic with Walter's family. Had supper in grove. At IORM in eve. Held our annual chicken corn soup supper with very good attendance. Beautiful day but quite warm.

Sunday, August 12

Partly clear. At Sunday school and Chas H. Kreider, wife and I went down to Harry Eberley's. Spent the balance of day there. Emma Kreider and Cora came back with us. Clara and her husband, Bertram and Gladys Kreider came home in another car. Walter and family had charge of our home in our absence. At home in eve. Spent a very pleasant day. Very warm day. Light shower of

rain in eve. Some thunder. Had a nice rain at Quarryville this p.m.

Monday, August 13

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Mrs. Susan Hess, widow of Jacob S. Hess, died at noon today. Beautiful day. Very much cooler in eve.

Tuesday, August 14

Partly clear. At home working about yard, etc., partly all day. Blanche returned from camp feeling fine. We are glad to have her home. Beautiful day. Rather cool.

Wednesday, August 15

Partly clear. Went along with Walter to camp grounds and brought tenting outfit home, a.m. Working about home p.m. Very warm in sun. Good air, but very warm and getting dry.

Thursday, August 16

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Blanche called to Harry Frey's near Slackwater. Their son, Howard passed away last night. They attended funeral of Mrs. Sue Hess this a.m. Called to Safe Harbor this p.m. Child of Mr. and Mrs. Saml Cunningham was accidentally shot by a cousin, about 10 years old, playing with target rifle. The little girl was only 6 years old. The family certainly have the sympathy of the community. Beautiful day. Much cooler.

Friday, August 17

Cloudy. Took commissioners out. Bridge inspection. Went over all of Little Conestoga and Big Conestoga from Safe Harbor to Graeff's Landing. Found them in fairly good shape with 1 or 2 exceptions. Damp and light rain part of day. Cool.

Saturday, August 18

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day.

Went to U. E. picnic with wife and at IORM. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Howard Frey at Millersville Mennonite. Sun very warm at noon. Quite cool in eve.

Sunday, August 19

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. and church in eve. Rev Stauffer told me this eve that he intends to resign as pastor of the charge. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Cunningham child, Safe Harbor. Beautiful day. Sun very warm. Registered 110 in the sun. Thunder gust north of us in eve. Only a few drops of rain here.

Monday, August 20

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Quite a few primary petitions coming. Our public schools opened this morning. Sun very warm. Cool air.

Tuesday, August 21

Partly clear. Ther: 86. At Lancaster all day. Last day for filing petitions for September primary. An unusual number entered for county, city, boro and township offices. Mr. Baker came here this eve. Rec'd letter from Charles this eve. The first we received since Christmas. Very warm and dry.

Wednesday, August 22

Ther: 59-1/2 at noon. Went down on farm. They are thrashing. Took walk over place. Picking plums, etc. Thrashed oats and rye on Myers farm. Paid Ezra Hackman \$6.00, my share 1/2 cost of same. 100 bus rye and 20 bus oats. Quite cool all day. Great change from yesterday.

Thursday, August 23

Partly clear. Ther: 49-1/2 in morning. Took Commissioners out bridge inspecting. Met them at Willow Street. Commenced at Herrville on Pequea and took in all on that stream to the river, a.m. Took dinner at

Pequea Hotel. Mr. Quade, prof. gave us a very nice dinner. From there to McCalls Ferry. One on Kelley's Run, found it needed painting badly. (IORM bridge). Returned via Rawlinsville, Herrville, Willow Street and home. They took trolley for home. Beautiful day. Sun warm but cool air.

Friday, August 24

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Wife along. Rather a busy day in office. Drawing for places of candidates on tickets for the primary. Cool all day.

Saturday, August 25

Clear. Working about home. Cleaning hen house, etc. Wife and I went to M. E. S.S. picnic in eve. I went to IORM meeting and returned. Blanche buried stillborn for Amos Benedict, Lancaster. Interred at Green Hill, Safe Harbor. Sun quiet warm. Cool air. Quite cool in eve.

Sunday, August 26

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and preaching service in eve. Our pastor, Rev Geo A. Stauffer resigned as pastor of the Willow Street charge to take effect November 3rd. All sorry to have him leave us. Beautiful day. (Cool).

Monday, August 27

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy part of day in office. Sent check to Farmer's Electric Co. for trailer for Sunday school picnic. Warm all day. Light rain in city about 10 a.m. Not any here, but a very heavy rain in eve and storm and hail. The heaviest rain of the year. Our side yard was partly covered with water.

Tuesday, August 28

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Left home 5:30. Took Blanche along. She and Mrs. Blanche Shuman went to Atlantic City. Left on 7:12 train at Lancaster to spend a few days. Busy

in office all day. Getting ready for primary. Warm and showers partly all day. Heavy thunder gust in eve. and heavy rain knocking out the electric lights.

Wednesday, August 29

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office a.m. Delivered registrars books over city p.m. Some job. Warmer. Light rain in morning. Gust in south in eve.

Thursday, August 30

Clear. Took Mr. Shirk, Bean and Saml Studenroth, engineer, over lower end of county inspecting county bridges. Found them in fairly good shape. Roads very bad in several places on account of heavy rains. Took dinner at Wakefield. Had a splendid dinner. Got home at 6 p.m. (very tired). Blanche returned from Atlantic City this eve. Much pleased with trip. Beautiful day but very warm. No breeze.

Friday, August 31

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Mrs. Frank Drattelo, Colemanville, passed away this p.m. Very warm day.

Saturday, September 1

Clear. At Lancaster till 12:30 p.m. Son Charles came to office a.m. from Philadelphia to spend some time with us. We were certainly glad to see him. The first visit home for over a year. Took walk down over farm. At IORM in eve. Very warm during day. Cool in eve.

Sunday, September 2

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. (Harvest services). Fruit, vegetables, etc., given to pastor. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Frank Drattelo, Colemanville and called to take body of Mrs. Harry Graver from General

Hospital to her home at Wabank. Beautiful day.

Monday, September 3

Partly clear. At home. Spent the day with Charles and took him to Lancaster to make the 7:50 train for home. Wife went along to Lancaster. We spent a very pleasant time together. Harry H. Kurtz, a former resident here, died at his home near Gap this morning. Aged 81 years. Was sorry to hear it. Earthquake in Japan. 200,000 casualties today paper said happened Saturday. Very warm day.

Tuesday, September 4

Partly clear. Ther: 80 at 6:30 p.m. At Lancaster all day. Busy with mortgages. Rec'd notice by card from family of death of H.H. Kurtz and funeral and wrote letter of sympathy. Warm all day. A very nice rain early this morning.

Wednesday, September 5

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Finished up the mortgages and working on primary work and ready for registry assessors tomorrow. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Harry Graver at River Corner. Very large funeral. Cooler. Damp and raining p.m.

Thursday, September 6

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Registry assessors making their returns. Quite warm. Cool in eve.

Friday, September 7

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office getting M & J books ready for assessors. Quite warm all day. Cooler in eve.

Saturday, September 8

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster till 1:30 p.m. Busy

in office. Blanche along. At IORM in eve. They made donation of \$10.00 to Japan relief. Sent check to Bro Hookey for \$4.00, sick benefits from IORM. Quite warm. Shower of rain about 3 a.m. Heavy shower at noon and damp balance of day.

Sunday, September 9

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and church in eve. Sermon by Rev Stauffer (Thence is the world getting better or worse). He preached a very good sermon. Mrs. John Herr (widow) died near Columbia at 2 a.m. Brought body down to her son's home, Highville. Jonas F. Herr. Our Sunday school gave \$25.00 for the Japan relief. Sun very warm. Light shower of rain in eve.

Monday, September 10

Clear. Ther: 55 in morning. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Quarter Sessions Court opened this morning with unusual large list of cases. Had meeting of Republicans at J.W. Morrison's this eve. with regard to the primary on the 15th. Those present were J.W. Morrison, John E. Lefever, John Burkhart, A.R. and M.B. Caldwell, Albert Warfel, Chas Miller, Chester Rommel, Amos Shank, W.K. Sangrey, Harry Fulton, A.J. Zercher. Walter went to Allentown to attend meeting of AOK of MC. Beautiful day. Cool all day.

Tuesday, September 11

Clear. Blanche and I attended funeral of Annie, widow of John Herr, Highville. John Zercher ran hearse (auto) for us. Gone all day. An afternoon funeral. 6 years today we had a very heavy frost doing a great deal of damage to tobacco. Beautiful day but cool.

Wednesday, September 12

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office getting ready for primary. Quite warm all day. Thunder gust in west. No rain here.

Thursday, September 13

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day getting ballots ready. Walter returned home from Allentown this p.m. Beautiful day. Warm.

Friday, September 14

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy shipping out ballots this eve for primary Tuesday. Blanche called to Refton to take charge of body of Benj Reinhardt who fell off of wagon on way to field (heart failure). Brought body here. Funeral Sunday p.m. Cool all day. Quite cool in eve.

Saturday, September 15

Partly clear. Ther: 42 in morning. At Lancaster till 1:10 p.m. Very busy in office. Sent last of ballots to county districts. Mowing lawn and front of property. At IORM in eve. Cool all day. Raw air.

Sunday, September 16

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. Funeral of Benj Reinhardt here at home 1 p.m. and 2 at Byerland. At home p.m. At church in eve. Sun very warm, but cool air all day. Light frost this morning in low places. First of the season.

Monday, September 17

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Finished sending out ballots for primary. (Not sorry). Farmers busy cutting tobacco. Cool all day. Light frost.

Tuesday, September 18

Partly clear. Attended the primary election all day. Was never so much disgusted at the actions of some of our people who were Coalitions last fall, now made affidavit that they supported the majority of the Republican candidates last general election. 220 votes polled. Warm all day.

Wednesday, September 19

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. Judges making their returns of primary yesterday. The entire organization candidates were nominated. Splendid rain last night and early morning. Sun very warm. Warm in eve.

Thursday, September 20

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with assessors J & M books. Quite warm. Light rain p.m.

Friday, September 21

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with assessors books. Commissioners commenced computing primary vote 1 p.m. Sent 40 dozen sweet corn to market. Brought 50 cents per dozen. (Stowel's evergreen). Heavy rain last night. Warm all day with light shower in morning.

Saturday, September 22

Cloudy. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Cleaned chick house, etc. Picked some smokehouse apples, p.m. At IORM in eve. Sent 45 dozen sweet corn to market. Warm all day. Light rain in eve.

Sunday, September 23

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and church in the eve. Good attendance. Quite warm all day. Heavy rain last night. Light rain in morning. Heavy rain 3 p.m. Cooler in eve.

Monday, September 24

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Common Pleas Court opened this morning. Bought small property of Scott Stump, formerly Wanner's home on lower road for \$75.00. Sold Chas H. Kreider 25 doz. corn. Rained last night. Very warm day.

Tuesday, September 25

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy with

assessors J & M books, etc. At church in eve. practicing for Rally day. Earl Jenkins 45 doz. corn. \$11.25. Blanche attended funeral of Benj F. Smith, Millersville, a.m. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, September 26

Clear. At Lancaster all day. In office a.m. John R. Shirk and I went to County fair p.m. There are many exhibits, especially stock and fruit. Returned to office 3:30 p.m. and home. Picking sweet corn in eve. Earl Jenkins, 100 doz. corn. \$25.00. Very warm. Nice air in p.m. and cooler in eve.

Thursday, September 27

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Alone p.m. The others went to fair. Picked some Paradise apples in eve. Walter picked 17 bus. of smokehouse in p.m. Warm all day.

Friday, September's 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche rec'd word this morning of death of Roy E. Duke's son Melvin C. at General Hospital. Brought body to father's home on Stone Hill. Funeral Monday morning. Warm all day.

Saturday, September 29

Clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Home by way of Marticville. Mrs. Abrm Herr died. Took Blanche along from Lancaster to arrange funeral. Tuesday p.m. Worked about home rest of day and at IORM in eve. Gave contribution to Charles M. Howell Lodge, F & A.M. Memorial at E-town. Quite a warm day. Cooler in eve.

Sunday, September 30

Clear. At Sunday school and took Blanche over to Duke's and put body of Melvin in

casket a.m. Took Blanche over to Marticville to look after body of Mrs. Herr and at Sunday school convention at U. E. Church here p.m. and also in eve. Had a very good service. Great change in weather. Very much cooler.

Monday, October 1

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Alone in office. Commissioners went to convention at Washington, Washington Co., Pa. for several days. Busy all day. Blanche and Walter at funeral of Melvin Duke at M. E. Church here.

Tuesday, October 2

Clear. Ther: 46 in morning. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. At church in eve. practicing for Rally Services. 40 doz. corn @ 25 cents = \$10.00. Beautiful day but cool.

Wednesday, October 3

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office all day. Blanche called to Safe Harbor to Charles Ault's child. Also to General Hospital. Amos C. Huber's wife, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harnish, New Danville. Took body to her home at Smoketown, E. Lampeter Twp. Beautiful day. Cool.

Thursday, October 4

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy all day. Finished my J & M books for the assessors. Blanche called to Oreville Mennonite home to take charge of body of Margaret Buckwalter, formerly of Conestoga Twp. Cool all day.

Friday, October 5

Clear. Ther: 38. At Lancaster all day. A very busy day. The commissioners returned from convention this noon. Blanche and Walter brought body of Miss Buckwalter from Orville home after a short service there. Coldest day of the season all day and eve.

Saturday, October 6

Clear. At Lancaster till 1:15 p.m. Working

about home. Gathered English walnuts, Kieffer pears, etc. At IORM in eve. Blanche had two funerals today. The Ault a.m. and the Buckwalter p.m. and took casket to the Huber home and placed body at Smoketown. Rec'd \$2.75 of Earl Jenkins for corn. Cold all day. Should have more fire in house for comfort. Some report ice.

Sunday, October 7

Clear. Ther: 36. At Sunday school a.m. At home. Rev Stauffer and wife here and joint consistory meeting at church to take joint action on the resignation of Rev Stauffer which was accepted. Sister Lizzie and family were at Chas Kreider's and here a few minutes. At church in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Amos C. Huber at Brick Church, Willow Street. Very largely attended. Very heavy frost. Roof white like snow. Some ice. Cold, but a beautiful day.

Monday, October 8

Clear. Ther: 37. At Lancaster all day. Busy with judgments. Rec'd \$15.30 for corn of Chas H. Kreider. Heavy frost and cold all day.

Tuesday, October 9

Clear. Ther: 38. At home all day. Moving strawberry bed and looking for borers at peach trees and picking apples balance of day. At church practicing music for Rally day. Beautiful day but cool.

Wednesday, October 10

Partly clear. At home. Sorting apples. Took out last of potatoes and sweets, cleaned raspberry patch in garden and down on farm. Rinier cutting corn. Beautiful day. Not so cool. Few drops of rain in eve.

Thursday, October 11

Partly clear. Picking apples and pears a.m. Went to Jacob M. Henry personal property

sale. One of the poorest sales I have ever attended. I bought an Airedale dog (young), collar and chain for 10 cents. A shame. Presented him to Blanche. Beautiful day. Quite warm p.m.

Friday, October 12

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Picking apples, etc. at home and down on farm. Caught a black snake down in road in front of old house. 4 feet 4; inches long. Fetched it home alive. Walter along. We put it in a 2 gallon jar and filled the can with embalming fluid. Intended to keep it. Quite warm all day.

Saturday, October 13

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Rec'd word this morning by phone of death of Fred R. Good, a member of our tribe of IORM here of Mrs. Good asking us to furnish Paul bearers for the funeral on Tuesday at Columbia which we decided to do. At IORM in eve. Warm all day.

Sunday, October 14

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Went with Walter to Stehman's Memorial Church (Rally day) services which I enjoyed very much, p.m. At our Rally day services in the eve. Miss Myers and Mylin of Willow Street recited and Miss Mylin sang a solo. Quite warm all day.

Monday, October 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Sent check to Mrs. Fred R. Good, Columbia for \$78.39 for death benefits and overpaid dues for death of husband. Light rain last night. Quite warm all day.

Tuesday, October 16

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche along in. Jacob M. Martin,

Treas. of Union Trust Co. died last night. Beautiful day but much cooler.

Wednesday, October 17

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. Bought 1 bus potatoes on market. \$1.40. Had Mr. Shirk fill out my auto papers and application for 1924 license. \$12.00. Beautiful day but cool.

Thursday, October 18

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office filing petitions for registration, etc. Rec'd bids for printing ballots for November election. The Commercial Printing Co. of Lancaster was the successful bidder. \$22.00 per 1,000. Beautiful day (cool).

Friday, October 19

Cloudy. At Lancaster till 2:45 p.m. Came home. Took 3 pairs of ring neck pheasants down Myer's farm for stocking which I received from Saml A. Keene, game warden, Christiana. Was very glad to get them. Hope our people here will protect them. Very good rain and damp all day. Cool.

Saturday, October 20

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. Went to sale of Geo Wagner. At AOK of MC hall p.m. At IORM in eve. Rec'd \$11.30 of Earl Rinier for apples sold on farm. Beautiful day. Cool. Much cooler in eve.

Sunday, October 21

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. Fannie Frey, her mother and niece spent part of p.m. here. At church in eve. Preparatory services. Blanche rec'd word this eve. of the death of Abram Hess child at St. Joseph Hospital. Will bring body out in morning and take it to home at Marticville. Beautiful day but quite cool.

Monday, October 22

Clear. Ther: 34. At Lancaster all day. Very

quiet in office. Jacob U. Miller, Millersville died today. Coldest day of the season.

Tuesday, October 23

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Cold raw air and raining all p.m. and eve.

Wednesday, October 24

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Quiet in office. Wm G. Henry died at Lancaster last night. Walter brought body out this early morning. Heavy rain partly all night and light rain and damp cool all day.

Thursday, October 25

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rather busy all day. Blanche called to Christ B. Gerlach near Creswell. Cool and damp.

Friday, October 26

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office working on election papers. Cool all day.

Saturday, October 27

Clear. Working about home and at funeral of Wm G. Henry at M. E. Church a.m. Working about home p.m. Beautiful day but cool.

Sunday, October 28

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At Communion Services in p.m. which closed the pastorate of Geo A. Stauffer of the Willow Street charge. They took supper and spent the evening with us. Rather cool all day and few drops of rain at noon.

Monday, October 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Went to John E. Lefever's near Rock Hill to meeting of leading Republicans with regard to running independent candidates for School Director but we decided not to. Cool all day. Change. A lot rain in morning.

Clear and beautiful at noon and cloudy and cool in eve.

Tuesday, October 30

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche along. Warmer. Thunder gust and rain in eve.

Wednesday, October 31

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy on election supplies. The Coalitionists held a select meeting at M.H. Groff's this eve. Very much cooler. (Cold all day).

Thursday, November 1

Partly clear. Ther: 28. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Rabbit season opened today. Many gunners. Benj F. Hill was accidentally shot while husking corn for Mr. J.R. Yentzer. Two shot in forehead. Not serious. Too far off. Cold all day. Coldest of season.

Friday, November 2

Clear. Ther: 26. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day. Labeling and tying up ballots. (Tired). Walter Ressel and our folks boiled 18 crocks apple butter today. Sold \$14.40 of apples to a Reading party. 80 cents per bushel. Very heavy frost like snow and cold all day.

Saturday, November 3

Clear. Ther: 25. At Lancaster till 2:30 p.m. Working about home and Walter and I took election ballots to West Willow for Pequea Twp. and from there to Lancaster to the Republican Rally. Large crowd. Sold 30 bus. apples to Reading party @ 80 = \$24.00. Beautiful day. Cold.

Sunday, November 4

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. About home p.m. At church in eve. Rev W.L. Reifsnyder preached for us. Wife and I took

him to trolley at Graeff's Landing after Services. Cool all day and rather damp in eve.

Monday, November 5

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy all day (the busiest day). Glad it is over. Damp. Raining partly all day. Warmer.

Tuesday, November 6

Cold. At the polls all day. 331 voters out. Quite a few women. The Republican County ticket received 149. Dem, 10. Coalition 165. Pro., 2. Quite a change from 1 year ago. The Coalition here had a majority of 62. Milton Lehr, Millersville died early this morning. Blanche called. Damp. Drizzling rain partly all day.

Wednesday, November 7

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very busy. The judges of election, city and county, made their returns. Another Republican victory for the county offices but the city went Coalition and Democrat. Edna Stauffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis, died this a.m. of being scalded. Blanche called. Damp and raining all day.

Thursday, November 8

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Judge Landis, J.R. Groff, Enos E. Mowrer and Wm F. Paes commenced to compute the election returns of Tuesday at 12 o'clock noon. Very much cooler. Some say a few snowflakes fell.

Friday, November 9

Partly clear. Ther: 26. At Lancaster all day. Alone in office and very busy. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Milton Lehr, Millersville Mennonite. Cold all day.

Saturday, November 10

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Working

about home. Down to Earl Rineer's. Bought 4 bus. wheat, \$1.10. \$4.40. Paid for same. At IORM in eve and AOK of MC afterwards at a supper. A very pleasant time. Blanche called to Highville, John Neff died. Cool all day. Moderating.

Sunday, November 11

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching. Rev Riefsnyder a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche Shuman came to spend some time with us. She is convalescing of typhoid Fever. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Willis Stauffer's daughter. Beautiful a.m. Much colder and high wind p.m. and eve.

Monday, November 12

Partly cloudy. At home all day. Picking out apples and storing some for winter. Armistice Day yesterday but office closed today. Rain last night and a.m. Damp p.m. Clear in eve.

Tuesday, November 13

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Finished mortgages for the month. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John W. Neff, Highville. Beautiful day, very heavy frost.

Wednesday, November 14

Partly clear. picking up apples, Walter, Jacob Ressel and I for cider and finished picking winter apples a.m. Hauling, etc., p.m. Very tired. Cold a.m. Beautiful p.m. and eve.

Thursday, November 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Walter made cider today for us. Cold, raw, damp air all day. Feels very much like snow.

Friday, November 16

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Rather busy. Blanche along in. Rec'd insurance for Wm G. Henry from Prudential Co. Paid

Blanche for burial and leaves a balance of which I will pay to his sister, Mrs. Amos Fralich. (\$11.50). Warmer all day.

Saturday, November 17

Partly clear. Working about home. Cleaning yard, etc., a.m. Went to Carl Warfel's sale of personal property, Millersville p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, November 18

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At preaching service 2 p.m. by Rev Paul Limbest and took walk down on farm p.m. At home in eve. Quite cool. Feels like snow all day. Warmer in eve.

Monday, November 19

Partly clear. Ther: 29. At Lancaster all day. Rather busy in office. Quarter Sessions Court opened this morning. Beautiful day (cold).

Tuesday, November 20

Clear. Ther: 22. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. At River Corner Mennonite Church in eve. with Walter. Cold all day.

Wednesday, November 21

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Wife's 64th birthday and our 43rd wedding anniversary. Beautiful day. Much warmer.

Thursday, November 22

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. At church in eve. 1st meeting arranging for our Christmas services. Blanche Shuman was taken to her home by us this morning after spending some time here. Feeling very much better. Bought two barrels of Mr. Marrow the ice cream man (vanilla extract) for vinegar. Paid \$3.50 each. Light rain a.m. Beautiful p.m. and eve.

Friday, November 23

Cloudy. At Lancaster till 2:30 p.m. Very dull in

office. Warm and raining partly all day. A very good rain.

Saturday, November 24

Cloudy. At home all day. Sorting apples a.m. Sold 5 bus apples, \$1.25 per bus, to Adam Sweigart, Hawntown. He and son Stephen, S.W. Diller, Danl Shuman we're here p.m. At IORM in eve. High wind partly all day and very much colder p.m. and eve.

Sunday, November 25

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. At preaching service. Rev Harry Hartman of Mifflinsburg preached for us (a trial sermon) with the view of becoming our pastor. We were favorably impressed. Gave us a good sermon. I took him to Lancaster this eve. My wife along for a run. Wife and I spent the eve. at R.A. Alexander's. Beautiful day but very high wind last night and a.m.

Monday, November 26

Partly cloudy. At home. Finished up the apple crop. Made 1-1/4 bls cider. Walter helped. Paid him for labor done to date. Put apples in cellar for winter, etc. and cleaning up about barn, etc. before winter sets in. At church in eve. practicing Christmas services. Rev Stauffer and wife here short time in p.m. Cool all day. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, November 27

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very busy in office. Went in with J.W. Morrison. Went with him to see W.W. Griest with regard to getting some appointment or something for political services. I am very much pleased with the result partly by January 1, 1924. Balance later. Beautiful day. Colder in eve.

Wednesday, November 28

Cloudy. At home helping Jacob F. Murry and Harry Eshleman (carpenters) to close up the pumps, etc., at back of house porch.

Something should have been done long ago. Went to Lancaster and fetched Aunt Mary Bruner out to spend Thanksgiving Day with us. Walter Ressel butchered one hog today and in some way fell and hurt himself real badly. Does not know how it happened. Probably vertigo. Damp raw air partly all day. Feels very much like snow.

Thursday, November 29

At home all day helping carpenters and John Z. Wade put tin roof on new part. Spouting and fixed outlet for waste water. Did not go to practice this eve. Am very tired. Blanche went. Geo W. Myers moved off of farm today. Damp raw air all day. Light rain in eve.

Friday, November 30

At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Warmer. Heavy rain partly all a.m. and part of p.m. A very good rain.

Saturday, December 1

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Very busy in office. Assessors making their returns. At home balance of day. Jurors drawn for January court. At IORM in eve. Cool all day.

Sunday, December 2

Partly clear. Called to St. Joseph Hospital to bring body of Chester C. Neff of Masonville to his home, a.m. John Zercher new car. At preaching service in p.m. and to R.A. Alexander's for supper. Rev Corn and wife and my wife were included. Took Rev and wife to trolley in eve. At Walter's short time in eve.

Monday, December 3

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Girls here in eve. practicing Xmas exercises. Cold raw air all day.

Tuesday, December 4

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy with

mortgages. Wife along in. Cold raw air all day. Feels very much like snow.

Wednesday, December 5

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Finished my mortgage work for year. Ready to hand over to my successor. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Chester Neff. Interned at Creswell. Fire destroyed the rotary of the Y. F. trolley line at Stoney Lane. Heavy rain last night and partly all raining.

Thursday, December 6

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Quiet in office. Blanche along in. Hat Mr. Mathers out to look after scarifying of the road here in the village. Is the state supp. of township roads. Damp and raining part of day.

Friday, December 7

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Paid fire tax this evening to J.W. Morrison and M.H. Groff. Checks dated 12-6-23. Did not meet them yesterday. Beautiful day. Just like spring. Warm.

Saturday, December 8

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at noon. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Down on farm and about home p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Remarkable weather for time of year. Therm 54 in eve.

Sunday, December 9

At Sunday school a.m. At home and church preaching by Rev Steinberg p.m. Took him to Lancaster in eve. Damp all day. Light rain in eve. Not cold.

Monday, December 10

Cloudy. At home all day. Cleaned hen house, mended tubes on auto and tire, chopped wood, etc., all day. In the house feeling tired. Blanche called to Amos Hess back of Frantz's

mill, Manor Twp. He passed away 11:30 last night. Damp and rain. Cooler in p.m.

Tuesday, December 11

Partly clear. At home all day. Put winter apples, turnips, etc., in barn cellar and getting ready for winter in general. Bought 3 bus. of russet potatoes of J.R. Yentzer. Paid \$1.50 per bus. Busy all day. Very tired. Cold raw wind partly all day.

Wednesday, December 12

Clear. Went to Lancaster. Had a call this morning at 2 o'clock stating the death of Oretta, daughter of John H. Eshleman (here in the village) at St. Joseph Hospital very unexpectedly. A great shock to our people. Funeral Sunday morning. About home cleaning up yard p.m. At home in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amos Hess at Millersville Mennonite. A beautiful day. Very spring like.

Thursday, December 13

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Busy in office. Blanche along in. She was acting Santa for me. Bought me suit of clothes, shoes, hat, collars and shirt. I certainly appreciate it. I hope I shall ever remember her kindness and God's blessing be hers is my prayer. Not cold. High wind partly all day with rain in eve and cool.

Friday, December 14

Partly cloudy. Ther: 30. At Lancaster all day. Quiet in office. Wrote letter to sister Ellie, 333 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale Arizona. A surprise this morning. Ground covered with snow. First of season. Very much colder.

Saturday, December 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 22. At Lancaster till 1 p.m. Busy in office. Wife along. Working about home balance of day. At IORM in eve. Went to trolley at Morton's to meet Charles. He

came up to attend funeral tomorrow. Was certainly glad to see him. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, December 16

Clear. At Sunday school. Short session on account of the funeral of Oretta Eshleman at 10 o'clock at M. E. Church which many of us attended, a.m. At home and church services in p.m. Rev Frantz's of F. & M. College preached a very inspiring sermon from Hebrew, 1st chap., 1 + 2 verse. Took Charles and Paul to Lancaster to make the 6:18 train to Philadelphia, their home. A most beautiful day. Cool air all day.

Monday, December 17

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Rather busy day. The various county officers elected men before court to have their bonds approved. At practice for Xmas. Beautiful day. Cold all day.

Tuesday, December 18

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Blanche buried stillborn of Ira Rice, Walnut Hill, Manor Twp. this a.m. Beautiful day but cold. Great weather for time of year.

Wednesday, December 19

Clear. At Lancaster till 3 p.m. Home doing chores, etc. Beautiful weather for time of year. Cold.

Thursday, December 20

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Very much warmer and damp. Indications are for rain.

Friday, December 21

Partly cloudy. Ther: 63. At Lancaster all day. Wife along. Very quiet in office. Walter and I at F. & A.M. Millersville in eve. Annual. Had refreshments. Wife spent evening with Mrs. Dr. Good. Quite warm all day. Very spring like.

Saturday, December 22

Cloudy. At Lancaster till 1:15 p.m. Home balance of day. At IORM in eve. Paid J.F. Murry \$17.50 and John Z. Wade \$11.50 for work done on pump house. Damp and raining a.m. and raining in eve.

Sunday, December 23

Cloudy. At Sunday school and practice a.m. At home and at preaching by Rev Brooke p.m. At home in eve. Damp. Not cold. Raining partly all eve. Several heavy showers.

Monday, December 24

Clear. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Very large curb market p.m. from 12 to 9. A sight to see the poultry for sale. At church in eve. practicing Xmas services. Beautiful day but much colder.

Tuesday, December 25

Partly cloudy. A very enjoyable Xmas day. Home with family most part of the day. In evening held our Xmas service. Had a full house. Splendid order and the scholars did well in singing and reciting. Had Rev and Mrs. Stauffer, our former pastor and wife with us in the service. Damp, raw, cold air all day with very light snow fall in eve. and then cleared partly.

Wednesday, December 26

Partly cloudy. At home. Helped to fix up church, etc., from last eve. services and working about home and went down on farm. Found things ok. At home in eve. Blanche called to Central Manor. Mrs. Geo Frey passed away this p.m. On their way up Walter struck Chester Rummel's child, Hellen. Ran across road from behind large truck standing at his store at west end of village. Fortunately not hurt. Cold raw wind partly all day. Snow flurry about 1 p.m.

Thursday, December 27

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Blanche along. Cold damp air all day. Few flakes of snow a.m. Rain and sleet in eve.

Friday, December 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster all day. Rather quiet in office. Rec'd word this p.m. of the sad death of Oliver Kline of Creswell. Blown from the roof of a building at Lancaster while working at carpentering. Took his body from General Hospital to his home. Got hind quarter of beef of Walter Ressel. 117 lbs. Rain last night. Very high wind partly all day. Especially p.m.

Saturday, December 29

Partly clear. At Lancaster till 2 p.m. Blanche came along home after attending funeral of Mrs. Geo W. Frey of Central Manor and ordering flowers for the Kline funeral Monday. At home balance of day. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Very much like spring.

Sunday, December 30

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At church. Rev Pennybeck of Columbia preached for us. We took a vote for Rev Hartman for pastor. 9 favorable, none against him. Willow Street, 47 against and 15 favorable. Went to Lancaster for flowers at Schroyers Flower Shop for funeral tomorrow. Blanche called to Ira Neff's this morning. A daughter, 8 years old, passed away. Damp raw air with light rain p.m. and eve.

Monday, December 31

Cloudy. At Lancaster all day. Very quiet in office. Bought 2 oversized tires for sedan and 2 inner tubes of Roses Bros. Paid \$27.90 for same. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Oliver Kline at Highville. This ends my Clerkship to the County Commissioners after serving 14 years and about 9-1/2 months on

account of health. Was to see W.W. Griest this p.m. and thanked him for past favors and was asked to tell A.S. Benedict to report as my successor next week. Raining partly all day.

Another year has come to a close and thanks be to God for His blessings.