

Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Thursday, January 1

Cloudy. Working in tobacco all day. Tired in eve. Wife and Mrs. Fanny Ressel out to see Mrs. Christ G. Smith. Will try with God's help to live still closer to Him. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, January 2

Cloudy. Shoveling snow partly all day. Commenced snowing last night and snowed all day. About 18 inches deep. Town is isolated. No mail. Trucks not able to get back from Lancaster. Cold a.m. Moderated p.m.

Saturday, January 3

Cloudy. Shoveling snow partly all day. Chicken yard and paths. At IORM in eve. Quite warm all day.

Sunday, January 4

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche called to Abrm Shank's this morning. His father, Tobias, died. Paul E. Zercher, our grandson, returned home this p.m. after spending one week with us very pleasantly. A beautiful winter day. Quite a change from several days ago.

Monday, January 5

Clear. Ther: 28. Helping wife to wash a.m. Stripping tobacco p.m. A beautiful day.

Tuesday, January 6

Partly cloudy. Stripping tobacco partly all day. Colder all day.

Wednesday, January 7

Clear. Stripping tobacco partly all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Tobias Shank, River Corner. Mr. Baker came

this eve. Quite cold and hazy in morning. Warmer during day.

Thursday, January 8

Partly clear. Ther: 40 in morning. Finished stripping tobacco that I had in cellar. Sold 13 dozen eggs to Chester Rommel, merchant, at 70 cents per dozen. Beautiful day.

Friday, January 9

Partly clear. Ther: 16. Bailed up tobacco and tied up lath, etc. Mr. Baker left for home. Raw cold air all day.

Saturday, January 10

Cloudy. About home all day. At IORM in eve. Light snow last night and damp all day. Not cold.

Sunday, January 11

Cloudy. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Mrs. C.G. Smith and daughter here. Rec'd a very good picture of my old friend Theo Jones and wife and Barbara Good from Mrs. Christ G. Smith which I appreciate very much. Blanche called to Abrm Shoff's, Millersville. Child died 7 p.m. Cold, damp raw air all day with few flakes of snow occasionally.

Monday, January 12

Cloudy. About home all day. Not doing very much on account of weather. Cold, raw, damp air. Light snow last night and partly all day.

Tuesday, January 13

Partly cloudy. Working about home. Fitting sash in Kreider stable. Cleaned hen house, etc. Blanche called to Colemanville this eve. Joseph Rineer passed away. Went down by horse and sleigh. Cold all day. Colder in eve. and high wind.

Wednesday, January 14

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster. Took Walter, wife and Park along and brought Blanche along home, she being at funeral at Millersville p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of one of Abrm Shoff's children, Millersville and Stehman's U. B. Church. Quite cold all day.

Thursday, January 15

Clear. Ther: 8 above. Helped get caskets and cases ready. Earl Jenkins took bob sleigh and took casket and case to Colemanville for Jos Rinier. Walter along, a.m. Working in Kreider barn, sawing wood, etc., p.m. Blanche called to E.D. Sensenig's 3 a.m. Annie Rankin, his wife's aunt, died (Marticville). Cold all day.

Friday, January 16

Cloudy. Working about buildings all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Jos Rineer, Colemanville. Went in sleigh. Earl Jenkins hauled body in bobsleigh. Snowing morning and rain in p.m. and eve.

Saturday, January 17

Partly cloudy. Shoveling snow off of barn and shed roof for fear of breaking down and took down tobacco and hanging in cellar a.m. To Lancaster. Fetched Blanche home, she having went from funeral by trolley p.m. At IORM in eve. and at AOK of MC supper afterwards. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Miss Annie Rankin at River Corner. Damp all day. Light rain in eve.

Sunday, January 18

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At church and preaching p.m. At home in eve. Went to church p.m. without coat. Snow melting real fast. Quite warm.

Monday, January 19

Partly cloudy. Ther: 10. Helping wife to wash

a.m. In shop, etc., p.m. Cold all day. Great change from yesterday.

Tuesday, January 20

Cloudy. Shoveling snow best part of day and in house. Snowed last night and best part of day. Regular blizzard for a while. About 6 inches. Not cold.

Wednesday, January 21

Clear. Working about home and stripping tobacco. Frank Martin here a while (Colored). Eli S. Richardson was shot (not fatally) on his way home from work at Lancaster about 6:15 p.m. near his home. Frank Martin living a short distance away is accused. Pleasant day. Not cold.

Thursday, January 22

Partly clear. Working about home and stripping tobacco. Frank Martin was arrested for shooting Eli S. Richardson yesterday eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm. High wind and colder in eve.

Friday, January 23

Partly clear. Ther: 6. At Lancaster a.m. Working about home. Put window panes in stripping room for Steve to strip tobacco at the old McGlaughlin house at west end, p.m. Set 2 hens, 12 eggs each. Great change in weather. Cold all day.

Saturday, January 24

Partly clear. 1 below. Not above 20 during day. Shelling corn and making place for setting hens. Making new nests, etc. At IORM in eve. No meeting. Looking at eclipse of the sun in the morning. A wonderful sight. Most beautiful. Very cold morning and cold all day.

Sunday, January 25

Partly clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home and walked down to Steve Wise a short time in p.m. At home in eve. Mr. and

Mrs. Hiram G. Warfel and Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Aston and Mr. and Mrs. Chas H. Kreider, Gladys and Cora spent the eve with us very pleasantly. Not near so cold. Pleasant. Snow melting some.

Monday, January 26

Partly cloudy. Finished stripping tobacco that I had down. Put out 2 pairs rabbits rec'd from the game warden, Samuel Keene and down to see the Martin family to extend sympathies with regard to son Frank's actions. Snow melting. Quite warm. Few drops of rain.

Tuesday, January 27

Cloudy. About house and tending to poultry was the duties of the day. A wonderful winter day. Rain and sleet in early morning. Snowing and blowing all day and eve. Roads closed and closing and wind getting stronger at 7 p.m. This must be the inquisitive snow. Not very cold all day, but colder in eve.

Wednesday, January 28

Clear. Ther: 12 below zero. Shoveling snow from walks, poultry yard, etc. partly all day. Very tired and caught cold. Road badly drifted. A very cold day. Not up to zero at noon and only 8 above any time during day.

Thursday, January 29

Cloudy. About house and shoveled some snow and attended to poultry. Wrote letter to sister Ellie, Glendale, Arizona. Cold raw air. Snowing and sleeting a.m. and sleet and rain p.m. and eve.

Friday, January 30

Clear. Shoveling snow partly all a.m. Went along with Walter to County Home to bring body of Elizabeth Gochenaur here to our place. She was formerly from Kinderhook near Columbia. Roads badly drifted. Could

scarcely get through. Snowed last night. Not near so cold.

Saturday, January 31

Partly clear. Working about home partly all day. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Colder in eve.

Sunday, February 1

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. Harry Rinier and wife came along home with us to spend the day. At church p.m. Walter attended funeral of Elizabeth Gochenaur from our home to Columbia and interment at Kinderhook cemetery this p.m. Pleasant day. Not cold. Snow melting.

Monday, February 2

Cloudy. Helped wife wash the clothing a.m. Cleaning ice and snow off of walks, etc., partly all p.m. Some job. Groundhog Day. Do not think he saw his shadow at noon. Damp partly all day. Rain in eve. and colder. Roads very sloppy.

Tuesday, February 3

Partly clear. Ther: 4 above. Shelled corn for poultry, etc., a.m. About house mostly p.m. having a very heavy cold. Great change. Very cold and cold all day. The roads from here to pike in places are very deep and frozen hard. Several autos had to be dug out.

Wednesday, February 4

Partly clear. Down on farm a.m. About home p.m. and eve. John C. Zercher moved to Slackwater today. Edwin N. Wade who bought the property expects to move in tomorrow. Not nearly so cold.

Thursday, February 5

Partly clear. Ther: 10 above. About home all day. Cold in morning. Warmer during day.

Friday, February 6

Clear. At Lancaster with Walter and Blanche a.m. Bought an I. Putman stove for brooder. \$4.75. Working in shop, etc. Bought White Rock rooster of Abrm Thomas, New Danville, \$2.00. Beautiful day.

Saturday, February 7

Clear. Working in shop. Made chick brooder for an I. Putman stove for 30 or 40 chicks and at hen house partly all day. At IORM in eve. Had clam soup lunch afterwards. Beautiful day. Not cold. Snow melting fast.

Sunday, February 8

Clear. At Sunday school and Missionary services a.m. At home p.m. Wife and I down to Chas Hess in eve. Beautiful day.

Monday, February 9

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Bought 2 White Rock roosters of Abrm Thomas. \$4.00. Damp and very foggy morning and eve.

Tuesday, February 10

Cloudy. Taking down tobacco. Filled cellar and piled down. Walter called to the A.B. Hess farm, Run Valley. His farmer, Frank Hershock committed suicide by shooting in head. Very damp and foggy all day.

Wednesday, February 11

Cloudy. Took down balance of tobacco and stripping balance of day. Jacob W. Ressel helping. Very damp and raining partly all day. Quite warm. Remarkable how the snow is disappearing. Streams high.

Thursday, February 12

Partly cloudy. Working at tobacco all day. Jacob W. Ressel helping. Very great change in weather. Rain last night. Snow this morning and several times during day with very high wind and cold all day.

Friday, February 13

Cloudy. Stripping tobacco all day. Jacob W. Ressel helping. Paid him for 3 days help, in full. \$5.00. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Frank Hershock, Private, at house. Interment at Byerland. Cold all day but no storm like yesterday.

Saturday, February 14

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. At Aunt Molly Zercher's. (Bro Emanuel's widow). Sale of household goods. We took 1/2 dozen old style wood-seat chairs and a mahogany breakfast table out and sold them. The chairs brought \$27.00 and table \$16.00 and one 1/2 doz. of hers better in paint brought \$31.20. Some price. At IORM in eve. Cold damp raw air all day. Shower of rain in eve.

Sunday, February 15

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home and preaching services p.m. At home in eve. My 68th birthday. Can scarcely believe how time speeds by. In my weakness I mean to try to live the life.

Monday, February 16

Partly cloudy. Helped wife to wash and shelled corn, etc., a.m. Went to Engleside to meet Blanche p.m. Quite foggy a.m. Clear and warm p.m. Snow melting fast.

Tuesday, February 17

Partly cloudy. To Farmer's Association for feed and Lancaster for Blanche and Walter a.m. Stripping tobacco p.m. Ordered Old Trusty incubator. 100 to 120 egg size from M.M. Johnson Co., Clay Center. Neb. \$18.00. Damp. Rain (Light) a.m. Cooler p.m. and eve.

Wednesday, February 18

Clear. Stripping tobacco partly all day. Ordered 50 White Rock chicks from Parkview

Hatchery, Dover, Pa. \$9.50. Cold raw air all day.

Thursday, February 19

Partly clear. Sowed tomato and pepper seed in house for early planting. Wife and Blanche at Lancaster a.m. Sorting and tying up tobacco p.m. Cold raw air all day. Heavy frost this morning.

Friday, February 20

Partly clear. Weighing and baling tobacco all day. Stephen Wise helping. Blanche called to General Hospital to bring body of infant of Leon Brooks. No funeral. Heavy frost. Beautiful day but cool.

Saturday, February 21

Partly clear. Working at tobacco. Steve Wise helping a.m. Working about home p.m. At IORM in eve. Not feeling so well today. Beautiful a.m. Damp and cooler p.m. Looks very much for rain.

Sunday, February 22

Clear. At Sunday school and preaching a.m. At home. Charles here for dinner and spent p.m. with us. Were very much pleased to have him with us once again. Left for home at 3:30 p.m. Wife and Mary Bruner spent the evening at Mrs. Benj F. Zercher. A most beautiful day. Was told that Robin red breast made his appearance today.

Monday, February 23

Partly cloudy. Stripping and hanging down tobacco all day. Steve Wise helped a.m. Quite warm and light showers of rain.

Tuesday, February 24

Partly cloudy. Cleaning out chick house, etc., a.m. Stripping tobacco p.m. Sent to Sears, Roebuck and Co. for 6 chick coops. Metal. Quite foggy in morning. Very spring like. Not cold.

Wednesday, February 25

Cloudy. Stripping tobacco partly all day. Raw damp air partly all day.

Thursday, February 26

Partly cloudy. Finished stripping tobacco but have some to sort and bale. Great change in weather. Snow flurries and high wind and very much colder.

Friday, February 27

Partly clear. Ther: 10 above. Getting chick house ready all day. High wind and very cold all day. Remarkable change.

Saturday, February 28

Partly clear. Ther: 8 above. Cleaning up about barn, etc., a.m. Received "Old Trusty Incubator" and put it together. Started it. At IORM in eve. Very cold all day.

Sunday, March 1

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. and preaching service p.m. At home in eve. Blanche called to C.P. Campbell's, Safe Harbor. His wife passed away. Also called to Central Manor. Miss Florence W. Hubley passed away. Raining partly all day. Not nearly so cold.

Monday, March 2

Partly clear. Helped wife to wash clothing a.m. Working in shop, etc., p.m. Blanche called to Wheatland Mills, W. Lampeter Twp. to take charge of Elizabeth Frey. Started Old Trusty Incubator with eggs this morning. Also 1 hen with 15 eggs.

Tuesday, March 3

Clear. Ther: 4 above. Helped Blanche at funerals, Central Manor, Wheatland Mills and Safe Harbor all day. Funeral of Florence W. Hubley at Central Manor Church of God and interred at Creswell. Very cold day.

Wednesday, March 4

Partly cloudy. Took chairs in to Lancaster for Campbell funeral and other business a.m. Received metal chick coops. 1/2 dozen. Put them together. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Rachael, wife of C.P. Campbell, Safe Harbor. Interred in Lancaster cemetery. Great change. Not near so cold.

Thursday, March 5

Cloudy. Took chairs from Lancaster, #112 Pearl St. to Wheatland Mills for the Mrs. Frey funeral a.m. Working about home p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Elizabeth Frey, New Danville Mennonite Church. Rain in morning. Snow best part of day. Not cold. Very unpleasant to be out.

Friday, March 6

Clear. About house partly all day. Heavy cold. Mr. Baker here this a.m. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Saturday, March 7

Clear. Shelling corn for chickens. Cleaned hen house, etc., a.m. Getting coops ready for chicks, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Had oyster soup supper (soup, etc., after meeting). Mr. Baker left for home this morning. Beautiful day.

Sunday, March 8

Partly clear. At Sunday school and Rev Dr. Hoy, returned Missionary from China, gave a wonderful talk on the work done there, a.m. Wife and Blanche spent the evening at John Witmer's. Wild geese flying north this eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, March 9

Partly clear. Finished the tobacco. Baled, ready for sale and cleaning up stripping room, etc. Rec'd check from the Security Life Insurance Co. for \$905.34. Beautiful day. Warm.

Tuesday, March 10

Partly cloudy. Working about home and poultry. Raw damp air all day.

Wednesday, March 11

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster with Blanche. Walter and I went down to Beech Dale Duck Farm, Bird-In-Hand. Took 200 of my eggs (W.R.) down for hatching for self. A wonderful sight. 2,000 old ducks and 3,000 young and 3,000 due today. Bought 15 chicks at Woolworth. 10 cents each. Working about home balance of day. Very foggy morning. Quite warm p.m. and eve. Thundering in west.

Thursday, March 12

Partly clear. Working about home. Rec'd 50 White Rock chicks from Park View egg farm, Dover, Pa. in good condition, a.m. Went to sale of Geo Bruner, Highville. Had good sale. Steve Wise along, p.m. Cold raw air all day.

Friday, March 13

Cloudy. At Lancaster with Blanche a.m. Working about home p.m. Walter met body of Andrew Warfel at Pequea and attended funeral at Colemanville a.m. and funeral of Henry Kauffman, Little Pittsburg, p.m. Damp raw air all day.

Saturday, March 14

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day. Rec'd word of death of Benj F. Kendig, Myra Miller's husband. Blanche and Walter attended. Also in eve. an old man at Chester Groff's found dead. Blanche and Walter attended. (John Herbert). Also Frank Shultz daughter. Meet train at Lancaster tomorrow morning. Warm and high wind and colder in eve.

Sunday, March 15

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Took charge for Walter. He and Blanche called to bring

body of Miss Shultz from Lancaster. At preaching service p.m. At M. E. Church in eve. John A. McSparran spoke. I was in choir by request. Cold and very high wind all day. Calm in eve.

Monday, March 16

Clear. Helping wife to do washing a.m. Working about home p.m. Mrs. Christ K. Harnish, West Willow died. Blanche called. Cold raw air part of day. Warmer p.m.

Tuesday, March 17

Cloudy. Wife, Emma Kreider and I at funeral of Benj F. Kendig. Large funeral. Blanche and Walter attended. Blanche and Walter went to Refton to dress body for tomorrow funeral. Blanche called to come to take charge of body of Lila Neff, Highville at 3 a.m. Raining partly all a.m. and very damp and rain p.m. Not cold.

Wednesday, March 18

Partly cloudy. Went to Kendig's for stools and took them down to Shultz's, Refton and the lowering device to New Providence Mennonite Church and from there to Lancaster and home, a.m. Working about home p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mae N. Shultz, Refton. Very foggy in morning. Rain in eve.

Thursday, March 19

Partly clear. Went to Highville for Blanche at the U. B. Church, Mr. Neff's funeral and took her to Mrs. Christ K. Harnish's funeral a.m. Went to her funeral at River Corner Church. Took Walter's wife, Paul and his mother down and about home p.m. Martin H. Hess called a few minutes on his way to M. E. Church. 20 minutes after he left our home we received word of the death of his wife. Dropped over dead. Very sad. Beautiful day after thunder gust of last night.

Friday, March 20

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Jacob Johnson's child, Helene, died last night. Blanche called. Pleasant all day. Rather high wind part of day.

Saturday, March 21

Clear. At Lancaster. Blanche along a.m. Working about home p.m. At IORM and at AOK of MC in eve. Blanche called to Marticville this eve. Mrs. Kreider near Smithville. Beautiful day.

Sunday, March 22

Partly clear. At Sunday school and at funeral of Mrs. Martin H. Hess. Very large funeral, a.m. At preaching service p.m. and home in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Hess a.m. and Jacob Johnson's child, p.m. Cold raw air all day.

Monday, March 23

Partly clear. David B. Foutz here helping to build brooder house for chicks all day. Chicks peeping in the incubator due today. Beautiful day but raw air.

Tuesday, March 24

Partly clear. Foutz and I working at chick house all day. Put out 28 incubator chicks to hen this eve. White Rocks, our eggs. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Kreider, Byerland. Sent check to B.G. Mellinger for coal. \$135.82. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, March 25

Partly clear. Foutz and I at chick house. Finished a.m. I cleaned up and put out 29 incubator chicks to hens. White rock. Our eggs, etc., p.m. Writing in eve. Paid D.B. Foutz for carpenter work on chick house, \$9.00. Beautiful day.

Thursday, March 26

Clear. Took Blanche to city and bought chick feed and clover seed for farm. Alsike and alfalfa. Also 25 chicks at Woolworth store a.m. Made some garden. Planted peas, lettuce, radish, onion, beets, etc., p.m. Chester Eberly and family and her parents from Ill. called a short while. Blanche called to city early a.m. Mrs. Isaac Urban died. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Friday, March 27

Cloudy. Working about home. Tied up grape vines and trimmed rose bushes and hedge in yard, etc. Light rain last night and part of p.m. and eve (showers).

Saturday, March 28

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. Attended funeral of Isaac Urban widow, Highville. Walter not able to. From there to Lancaster and brought Blanche and Mr. Baker along out. At IORM in eve. Election of officers. Light rain with light snow in morning. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, March 29

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and practicing for Easter a.m. Preaching (Preparatory service) p.m. At home in eve. Not feeling very well all day. Ground covered with snow this morning. Snowing best part of day but all gone in eve.

Monday, March 30

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at washing a.m. Cleaned hen house and chick coops, etc., p.m. Few flakes of snow in morning. Cool all day.

Tuesday, March 31

Partly cloudy. Shelling corn for poultry and sprouting potatoes down on farm. Steve not very well. Paid Geo W. Myers interest to April 1, 1926 in advance.

Wednesday, April 1

Cloudy. Took wire fence away from our garden and Annie Herr Eshleman lot, etc., a.m. Plowed garden and front of Kreider lot, etc., p.m. Had Steve Wise's horse. Ed Wade here this eve. Paid by check \$300.00 on property sold him. Cold, raw, damp air all day.

Thursday, April 2

Cloudy. Had Edw N. Wade put up brooder house a.m. Went to Bird-in-Hand Duck Farm and fetched chicks. 95 from 200 eggs and took 200 more down for hatching. Wife along to Lancaster. Light snow last night and very damp all day.

Friday, April 3

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Blanche along on business a.m. Put out in brooder house 130 white rock chicks and set 9 hens, 13 eggs each, p.m. Beautiful day. Very heavy frost in morning.

Saturday, April 4

Clear. Working in garden partly all day. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day.

Sunday, April 5

Clear. At Sunday school and communion service a.m. Walter, Mr. Yentzer, Harry Rinier and I went to joint consistory meeting at Willow Street Church p.m. Rev Scheirer, Harry Jenkins family took dinner with us. Wife and Blanche spent the eve. with Mrs. H.H. Aston.

Monday, April 6

Clear. Ther: 22. Working in garden partly all day. Practicing Easter service in eve. Cold. Ground frozen. Cool all day.

Tuesday, April 7

Clear. Working in Lot. White washed peach and apricot trees. Planted 1/2 dozen peach.

1 Stump, 1 Smock, 2 Iron Mountain, 1 Mt. Rose and 1 J.H. Hale in lower end of Lot. Had John Witmer sow clover seed down on farm. Paid him \$1.75 for same. Beautiful day. Frost this morning.

Wednesday, April 8

Clear. Down on farm. Trimming raspberries partly all day. Sent check to Farmer's Electric Co. and Reformed Publishing Board. Etta Warfel died. Blanche called. Beautiful day. Rather high wind.

Thursday, April 9

Clear. Down on farm. Trimming raspberries partly all day. Very heavy frost and ice. Cool all day.

Friday, April 10

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Bought wire netting. 150 feet 1 inch and 150 feet 2 inch mesh for chick yard. Also chick feed, etc. Amos Graver along, a.m. Walter and I went to Smoketown to stock sale. Bought 2 shoats each @ \$9.50 each. Planted early potatoes (six week variety) in garden. Very damp with light showers partly all day.

Saturday, April 11

Partly clear. Working about home all day. At IORM in eve. Pleasant but quite cool in eve.

Sunday, April 12

Clear. At Sunday school. Had charge and went to funeral of Etta Warfel at U. E. Church a.m. At home p.m. Charles Smedley and wife of near Fulton House spent several hours with us. At Easter service at our church in eve. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Monday, April 13

Clear. At Lancaster a.m. Working in garden. Planted peas, etc. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Tuesday, April 14

Partly cloudy. Working about home. Web Everhart and Chas Campbell papered and painted several rooms. Paid \$13.00. Made chick fence around Kreider front p.m. Blanche went to Lancaster this eve. for the night. Cool all day. Much warmer in eve. Heavy thunder gust in eve and very heavy hail storm. Ground white with good sized hail.

Wednesday, April 15

Partly cloudy. Working about home and at Lancaster a.m. and finished chick fence p.m. Bishop Abrm B. Herr funeral this a.m. Very changeable. 3 thunder gusts and light showers of rain. Sun very warm in morning. Cooler in eve.

Thursday, April 16

Partly clear. Working in garden and had lot plowed by Steve Wise. Sold young chicks, 50 cents per pound and old hens, 23 cents per pound. \$9.84. Pleasant. Cool in eve.

Friday, April 17

Partly cloudy. Put out 62 peeps to hens, etc., a.m. Planted sweet corn and beet seed in lot, etc., p.m. Damp and light rain p.m. and eve.

Saturday, April 18

Partly clear. Cleaning poultry house and chick coops, etc., a.m. Planted peas and beans in garden and set Incubator with 100 eggs and 2 hens 30. At IORM in eve.

Sunday, April 19

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and the funeral of Etta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benj Peters at our home and then Highville U. B. Church. Rev Martin Groff had charge. Large attendance, a.m. At home p.m. and at Church in eve. Cool. Thunder gust. Heavy shower p.m. Clear and warmer in eve.

Monday, April 20

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Blanche along a.m. Working about home p.m. Sent check to D.M. Witmer for lime, \$59.54. Cold raw wind all day. Quite cold in eve.

Tuesday, April 21

Partly clear. Ther: 20. Mowing lawn, etc., a.m. Finished trimming raspberries down on farm p.m. John Hiller, formerly of this place, died at Harrisburg. Funeral Thursday at Lancaster. Heavy frost and cold. Ground frozen. Ice 1/2 inch thick (reported). Quite cool in eve.

Wednesday, April 22

Clear. Ther: 30. Trimming apple trees down on farm partly all day. Mary E. Bruner came here this eve. Heard Pee-wee bird for the first today. Cool all day.

Thursday, April 23

Partly clear. Ther: 84 p.m. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster at funeral of John Hiller. Franklin Warfel along. Very great change in weather. Very warm.

Friday, April 24

Clear. Ther: 84. Walter and I went down on former wood lot and got stump dust for hot bed a.m. Getting hot bed ready to lay up sweet potatoes for sprouts and working in garden, etc. Planted small dogwood tree that I brought up from wood lot p.m. Very warm all day.

Saturday, April 25

Partly cloudy. Went to Bird-in-Hand after chicks. 86 out of 200 eggs. Wife along to see ducks. 18,000 young ones, a.m. Busy putting out chicks, etc. 108 to hens. At Marticville M. E. Church supper and then at IORM. Quite warm with gust in eve. and rain.

Sunday, April 26

Partly clear. Ther: 79. At Sunday school. Took dinner, self and family, at Chas H. Kreider and family. Albert Greenawalts were there also. Spent the p.m. there. At church in eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, April 27

Partly clear. Helped wife to wash a.m. Cleaning up and burning brush, etc., and down on farm p.m. Put out 64 chicks to hens. High wind partly all day. Warm.

Tuesday, April 28

Cloudy. About home all day. Cleaning wash house, etc. Cool. Damp, a.m. Raining p.m. and eve.

Wednesday, April 29

Partly cloudy. Working about home. Cool raw air all day.

Thursday, April 30

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Blanche along. Brought chick feed along out a.m. About home p.m. Raining partly all day. Cool.

Friday, May 1

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day. Mrs. Isaac Aston of Lancaster, formerly from here, buried at M. E. cemetery. Changeable. Cool. Sunshine. Showers. High wind.

Saturday, May 2

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day. At IORM in eve. Cool.

Sunday, May 3

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At Sunday school convention of 17th District at Colemanville M. E. Church. Enjoyed the service very much, especially the singing by the Jonas H. Witmer family. Cool all day.

Monday, May 4

Partly cloudy. Helped wife to wash and working about home. Filled out paper recommending Ruth Elizabeth Bennett to the M. E. Hospital, Philadelphia, at nurse training school. Warmer. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, May 5

Partly cloudy. Working about home in garden, etc. Sold chicks to Martin Burkhart. 50 cents per pound. Blanche called to Letort. Miss Barbara Witmer passed away. Cool light shower and damp high wind part of day. Quite cold in eve.

Wednesday, May 6

Partly cloudy. Ther: 32. Working in garden. Planted cantaloupes, beans, etc. Sold tobacco. This at home: 10 + 2. On farm, 5-1/2 + 2. This lot was damaged, to Frank S. Harnish. Rather cool all day. Frost this morning and light rain p.m.

Thursday, May 7

Partly clear. Ther: 36. Working in garden, etc. Sent check to N.Y. Life. \$89.58. Cold raw air all day. Quite cold in eve.

Friday, May 8

Partly clear. Delivered tobacco to Frank S. Harnish. Kreider lot, 1,200 lbs. wrappers @ 10 cents. \$120.00; Fillers, 201 lbs. @ 2 cents. \$4.01. total \$124.01. Farm lot, Steve Wise. 1,336 lbs. @ 5-1/2 cents. \$72.93; 510 lbs. fillers @ 2 cents, \$10.20. total \$83.13. Brought chick feed along out. Working about home p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mattie Witmer, Masonville. Called out last night. Mrs. Oberdorf, Millersville. Cool all day. Light frost.

Saturday, May 9

Partly clear. Took Blanche to Lancaster a.m.

Trimmed the grass out front and about home p.m. At IORM in eve. Cool air all day but pleasant.

Sunday, May 10

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school and took Blanche to attend funeral of Mrs. Oberdorf, a.m. At home p.m. and church (Mother's Day) in eve. Blanche and Walter went to Lancaster after church services. One of Harry Sourbeer's children died. Damp and showers morning and eve. Warmer.

Monday, May 11

Cloudy. About home all day. Not busy. Weather too damp. Rheumatism worse. Paid Dr. Good \$3.50 to date. Damp. Heavy shower about 1 p.m. and rain all day.

Tuesday, May 12

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Warmer.

Wednesday, May 13

Partly clear. Confined to house all day. Rheumatism has developed in both knees. Scarcely able to walk and terrible pain when moving. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sourbeer's son, Harry at Lancaster. Interred in Cedar Lawn cemetery. Pleasant day.

Thursday, May 14

Partly cloudy. In house all day. Not quite so much pain but very stiff and sore. David B. Foutz planted sweet potato sprouts for me this p.m. Pleasant all. Warmer.

Friday, May 15

Clear. In house all day. Improving slowly. Blanche had call to take charge of body of man floating in river. Unknown. Holding body for identification. Beautiful day.

Saturday, May 16

Partly clear. Walked out a short time. Not going very well. Buried unknown man in Reformed cemetery here at lower end entrance (south). Blanche called to Lancaster in morning to Harry Sourbeer's. Infant child and Benj Habecker, Little Pittsburg. His sister passed away in p.m. Beautiful day but high wind part of day.

Sunday, May 17

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Improving slowly. Pleasant. Warm. Cool and high wind in eve.

Monday, May 18

Partly clear. Helped wife at walking and about chicks. Not going very good but glad it is getting better. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Sourbeer child, Lancaster. Quite cool morning and eve. Beautiful day.

Tuesday, May 19

Partly clear. Working in shop, etc., a.m. Went to Lancaster. Took Blanche in. Fetched feed for chicks, etc., p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Elizabeth Habecker, sister of Benj K., Highville. Beautiful day. Quite warm p.m.

Wednesday, May 20

Clear. Working about home. D.B. Foutz finished planting sweet potato sprouts. About 700. Rheumatism more painful today. Especially in arm. Beautiful day. Warm.

Thursday, May 21

Partly clear. Ther: 82. Working in garden and lot. Sold 3rd lot of chicks @ 45 cents per pound at Lancaster. Fetched chick feed and brought Mary E. Bruner along out. Paid John Z. Wade for delivering tobacco, \$5.00 and cellar rent, \$2.00. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Friday, May 22

Partly clear. Ther: 90. Working about yard.

Mowing lawn, trimming hedge, etc., and cleaning up about buildings. Beautiful day. Warm. Cool morning and eve.

Saturday, May 23

Clear. Ther: 96. Cleaned hen house and chick coops and took Blanche and Mary Bruner to Lancaster about 9:30 a.m. Returned 1:30 p.m. About home. At IORM in eve. Very warm. Therm registered 106 on north side of our house in sun.

Sunday, May 24

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Harry Eberley and sister Lizzie and John and Chester Eberley and families, Charles H. Kreider, wife and Gladys Heora took dinner with us and spent p.m. Rain last night and all of p.m. and very heavy part of time and great change in temperature. Quite cold at noon.

Monday, May 25

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34. About home all day. Cold raw air all day. Few flakes of snow a.m.

Tuesday, May 26

Partly clear. Ther: 32. Helped wife to wash. I bought gasoline engine and washer of Walter Ressel. Paid him \$23.00 for it and we used it for the first time a.m. Went along with Walter and family and Blanche to Akron to see the service car she bought of W.I. Snyder. Very pleasant trip p.m. Heavy frost and quite cool all day.

Wednesday, May 27

Partly clear. Ther: 34. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster and in garden p.m. Light frost. Beautiful day.

Thursday, May 28

Partly clear. Working in lot a.m. About house and garden p.m. Wife and Blanche at Lancaster p.m. Mrs. Milton S. Henry died this morning. Blanche called. Beautiful day. Cool.

Friday, May 29

Partly cloudy. Martin Ressel and I put flags on soldier's graves at River Corner, Colemanville, Mt. Zion and colored cemetery a.m. Working about home p.m. Blanche at Almon Warfel funeral at Lancaster. Light rain a.m. Good shower p.m. Warmer.

Saturday, May 30

Partly clear. Working about home. Son Charles and Paul from Philadelphia arrived here about 10:30. Spent the balance of day with Charles. Were very glad to see them. They left for home about 6 p.m. Sorry to hear of the death of Harry Long, funeral director at Lancaster. Beautiful day.

Sunday, May 31

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Had charge, Walter being at Milt Henry's wife's funeral a.m. At home p.m. Church in eve. Mr. Yentzer sang solo. "Who Will Save the Left". Wonderful for a man of his age. 84 years. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Milt Henry, Green Hill. Charles Smith and wife called a short time (New Jersey). A most beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, June 1

Partly clear. Helped wife to wash and on lawn a.m. Helped Walter to take horse hearse apart. A thing of the past. Made firewood out of body and bought glass of Blanche for \$1.00. Beautiful day. Very hot in sun.

Tuesday, June 2

Partly clear. Ther: 96. Working about home a.m. Blanche and I at Lancaster p.m. Mowing lawn, etc. Blanche buried baby Arnold this morning at Mt. Zion. Very warm day.

Wednesday, June 3

Partly clear. Ther: 100 in shade. Working in garden in morning and barn a.m. and p.m.

Walter Ressel and mother and wife and I went to New Providence to see the peonies in bloom at Enos E. Mowrer's house. A wonderful sight. Hundreds of the finest I have seen. Farmers busy planting tobacco. A very warm day.

Thursday, June 4

Clear. Ther: 96. Worked in lot and walked down on farm. Got as far as colored cemetery and back a.m. Pulled sweet potato sprouts for Steve. Over 600. Should not have taken the walk. Am suffering much pain in right knee as the result. Blanche and Walter and wife went to funeral of Harry H. Long, Lancaster undertaker. Very warm.

Friday, June 5

Clear. Ther: 102. Not doing any work all day. Rheumatism. Walter taking out stalls, mangers in barn to make room for autos, etc. Engaged George Sangrey to concrete same. Another very warm day.

Saturday, June 6

Clear. Ther: 100. Not working. Rheumatism no better. Had Walter, Earl Jenkins and Steve Wise getting stable ready for concreting. Very warm all day.

Sunday, June 7

Partly clear. Ther: 98. At home all day. Wife and Blanche at Sunday school a.m. and preaching in eve. Very warm all day.

Monday, June 8

Partly clear. Ther: 94. At Lancaster partly all day. Took treatment for rheumatism. Very warm. The least cool in eve.

Tuesday, June 9

Partly cloudy. About house, etc., all day. George K. Sangrey here concreting stable and shed. Wife, Blanche and a number of S.S. and

church went to Willow Street to pay our pastor, Rev Scheirer a visit. H.H. Aston took them over by truck (auto). Warm but not nearly like the past week. Thunder storm and light shower p.m.

Wednesday, June 10

Partly clear. Ther: 72 at 8 p.m. About home all day. Concretes finished this eve. Will move tomorrow. Rheumatism some better. Sun very warm but cool air. Quite cool in eve. with fairly high wind.

Thursday, June 11

Clear. Ther: 48 in morning. About home all day. Not doing much. Steve Wise brought up crate of strawberries from farm for me. Great change in the weather. Quite cool all day.

Friday, June 12

Clear. About home all day. Feeling better today. Sold Blanche's Ford truck for her this eve. to Ira Eshleman, Hessdale, for \$35.00. Hiram G. Warfel and Chas Kreider oiled road in front of property for me. Beautiful day but quite cool.

Saturday, June 13

Partly clear. About house all day. Blanche called to Lynden. Henry Barr passed away unexpectedly. Cool all day. Quite cold and windy in eve.

Sunday, June 14

Partly cloudy. Ther: 90. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Wife and Blanche at Church in eve. We cannot be too thankful for the rain. Very warm. A wonderful, good and heavy rain. 2 showers p.m.

Monday, June 15

Partly clear. Ther: 96. About house all day. Blanche called to Safe Harbor last night. John H. Sourbeer died. She attended funeral Henry

Barr at Brick Church, Willow Street, a.m. Sent check to Charles as a present to buy carpenter tools. \$20.85. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, June 16

Partly cloudy. About house partly all day. Improving slowly. Rec'd 25 W.R. chicks from Park View Egg Farm, Dover, Pa. Sun very warm. Cool air. Quite cool in eve.

Wednesday, June 17

Partly clear. Done a little work about barn and garden. Don't go very good. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John H. Sourbeer at Green Hill U. B. Church. Sun warm but cool air.

Thursday, June 18

Partly clear. About house a.m. In garden short time. Sold poultry to Martin Burkhart, New Danville. 58 lbs. old hens @ 25 cents. \$14.50. 71 lbs. young chicks @ 88 cents. \$26.98. 8:45 had a very pleasant surprise. Sister Lizzie and husband John Eberly, wife and their daughter and their hired boy called to see us from Hawksville. Spent several hours very pleasantly. Sun very warm. Rather stormy all day.

Friday, June 19

Partly clear. Working in garden part of a.m. and part of p.m. Very sore in left knee this eve. Beautiful day. Warm.

Saturday, June 20

Partly clear. Ther: 94. About house partly all day. Rheumatism worse. At IORM in eve. No meeting. Blanche called to Geo K. Garrett's. His wife passed away last eve. near Mt. Nebo. Very warm day.

Sunday, June 21

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Beautiful day. Not quite so warm.

Monday, June 22

Partly clear. Working about home. Picked cherries, etc. Warmer. Thunder gust in evening. Rain.

Tuesday, June 23

Partly clear. Working about home part of day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Geo K. Garrett, Colemanville. Beautiful day. Quite cool in eve.

Wednesday, June 24

Partly cloudy. Ther: 52 in morning. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster for Blanche p.m. Cool air all day.

Thursday, June 25

Partly clear. Working about chick house, etc. In garden, etc. Warm all day. Light rain last night.

Friday, June 26

Partly clear. Working in lot part of a.m. Shelled corn, etc., p.m. Jacob C. Witmer died at Lancaster. Formerly Central Manor. Blanche called.

Saturday, June 27

Partly cloudy. About home all day. At IORM in eve. rec'd 3 weeks benefits. \$9.00. Paid Harold Zercher balance of trust money of Mary E. Zercher on her written order. \$50.00 check. Heavy rain in eve. Much needed.

Sunday, June 28

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Son Charles here from Philadelphia in time to go with me, a.m. At home p.m. Charles left for home 5:30 p.m. At church in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Jacob C Witmer at Central Manor Church of God. Interred at Masonville. Beautiful day.

Monday, June 29

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at washing and brought feed from West Willow Farmer's Association, a.m. Hoeing sweet potatoes, etc., p.m. Warm. Light shower of rain p.m. and heavy rain in eve.

Tuesday, June 30

Partly clear. Working in lot partly all day and helped pick few raspberries. Beautiful day. Cool eve.

Wednesday, July 1

Partly clear. Finished cleaning up sweet potato patch, etc. Today closes mail contract for four years as surety for John E. Herr, deceased. Quite warm all day. Cool in eve.

Thursday, July 2

Finished cleaning sweet corn patch of weeds, etc. Very warm in sun.

Friday, July 3

Partly clear. Working in garden a.m. About poultry, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Warm.

Saturday, July 4

Partly clear. About home all day. Blanche, Walter and family spent the day at Hershey Park, Dauphin Co. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day.

Sunday, July 5

Partly clear. Ther: 88. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Very warm all day.

Monday, July 6

Partly clear. Ther: 95. Helped wife at wash and Blanche and I went to Lancaster and returned a.m. Working about home p.m. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, July 7

Partly clear. Ther: 98. Walked down on farm this morning. The first time for nearly 2 months and am well pleased with the condition of crops. Corn looks fine. Steve busy in harvest. Not doing much p.m. Hattie Graver Eshleman bagging grapes. D.B. Foutz doing carpenter work down on farm. Very warm day. Fine rain in eve.

Wednesday, July 8

Partly clear. Working about shop and barn and in garden. Rec'd word from Gettysburg that wife's brother, Peter Bruner is very seriously ill. Another very warm day.

Thursday, July 9

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Went to General Hospital. Had my arm baked and massaged for rheumatism. Feels some easier. About home p.m. Blanche and Walter went to Akron for the service car. Painted silver gray. (Oldsmobile). Warm and sultry.

Friday, July 10

Partly cloudy. Working about home all day. Very warm.

Saturday, July 11

Clear. Ther: 96. About house. Wife and Blanche at a.m. About lot, etc., p.m. Pharis Graver cradled our wheat at Kreider, his father helped some. At IORM in eve. Daniel Stump's child died. Blanche called. A very warm day.

Sunday, July 12

Clear. Ther: 96. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. At preaching services in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Daniel Stump's adopted child at Green Hill this p.m. Very warm all day.

Monday, July 13

Clear. Helped wife to wash. Had John Witmer

Christ Urban, Pharis and Amos Graver bind wheat on Kreider lot and Urban helped to haul it in. Paid them for same. Warm all day but quite cool in eve.

Tuesday, July 14

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took another treatment for rheumatism at General Hospital a.m. About home. Christ Urban here. Dug hole for gasoline tank. Wife and Blanche over at Walter Ressel's aid Society meeting. Paid Christ Urban \$2.25 for labor today. Beautiful day. Cool in eve.

Wednesday, July 15

Partly cloudy. About home and down on farm short time. Steve finished harvest, a.m. At home. Very heavy rain and thunder p.m. Quite warm all day.

Thursday, July 16

Partly clear. Sold lot of young chicken to Burkhart (121) and working about home. Cleaned poultry house, etc. Very warm all day. Very heavy thunder gust and heavy rain in eve.

Friday, July 17

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took treatment at General Hospital for rheumatism a.m. Working about home p.m. Beautiful day. Cool.

Saturday, July 18

Partly clear. Ther: 50 at 6 a.m. Helped Walter get ready for Sunday school picnic a.m. About home p.m. At picnic supper at 5 p.m. and large crowd in eve. Blanche Shuman here. Beautiful day. Cool in eve.

Sunday, July 19

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Geo McMullin and Chas Fralich of Philadelphia spent the eve with us. Blanche called to Rosmere Sanitarium to take charge

of body of Christ Burk, Mountville. Beautiful day.

Monday, July 20

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at washing and cleaning up festival grounds, etc. Warm. Light rain in p.m. Cooler.

Tuesday, July 21

Cloudy. At Lancaster. Took treatment at General Hospital a.m. About house p.m. Blanche called last night. Mrs. Annie E. Wood, Letort, passed away. They also attended funeral of Christ Burk, Mountville. Very sorry to learn of the sudden death of Milton J. Brecht, ex Co. Supt. of schools at Controller's Office, court house. A friend of mine. Raining partly all day. Heavy by times.

Wednesday, July 22

Partly cloudy. About home all day. Raining last night and part of a.m. Quite warm all day.

Thursday, July 23

Partly clear. Working in garden partly all day. Rev Clarence Howell stopped in a short time on his way to Mrs. Wood's funeral. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Annie E. Wood, Letort. Interred in Woodward Hill cemetery, Lancaster. Beautiful day.

Friday, July 24

Clear. At Lancaster. Took treatment at General Hospital. Some better. Blanche and Amos Graver along in, a.m. Working about home. Planted celery this eve. Sun very warm. Nice air all day.

Saturday, July 25

Partly cloudy. About home all day. At IORM in eve. Very warm day. Thunder gusts partly all day and eve.

Sunday, July 26

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Very warm and heavy thunder gust and rain in p.m.

Monday, July 27

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at wash, etc. a.m. Working at Kreider barn, shelled corn, etc., p.m. Wm Jennings Bryant passed away yesterday while sleeping. Quite warm. Very heavy storm, etc., in some parts of Co.

Tuesday, July 28

Partly clear. At Lancaster General Hospital for last treatment (I hope). Stayed in till 4 p.m. and fetched the Ford machine from Queen Motor Co. (repairs). On market short time. Sweet corn selling 35, 50 and 60 cents per dozen. Very warm day. Light shower in eve.

Wednesday, July 29

Clear. Finished mowing yard and front, etc., a.m. Down in lot pulling weeds, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Warm.

Thursday, July 30

Partly clear. Working in garden and trimming hedge. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Friday, July 31

Cloudy. About house partly all day. Raining partly all day. Two very heavy showers. Some wet day.

Saturday, August 1

Partly clear. Helping put in gasoline tank outside of barn here at home, etc., a.m. About home and Walter, wife, mother and wife and I went to Colemanville Sunday school picnic. Took supper with them and spent a pleasant time. Beautiful day. Quite cool in eve.

Sunday, August 2

Partly clear. At Sunday school. Charles here in time for the school, a.m. At home p.m. He spent the day with us. At church in eve. Paul Hackman's infant child died last night. Buried at M. E. cemetery this p.m. Blanche called to Landis Eshleman. Henry Huber died very suddenly. Beautiful day.

Monday, August 3

Partly clear. Helping wife at washing, etc., a.m. Down on farm. Started thrashing rye and wheat and in garden p.m. Loaned Blanche \$200.00 for short time. Sent check to John R. Good for wire fence on farm. \$47.50. Very warm day.

Tuesday, August 4

Partly clear. Getting apples, peas and elderberries ready for market. Sent them in with Wise's, a.m. Mowing weeds, etc., in orchard p.m. Blanche called to Reeder Lindeman. Infant child buried p.m., Millersville U. E. cemetery. Very warm day. Cooler in eve.

Wednesday, August 5

Cloudy. About home a.m. Down on farm helping at thrashing wheat off of Kreider lot. 22-1/2 bus. About 1 acre. Rye on farm, 118 bus. Wheat on farm, 54 bus. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Henry Huber, Byerland. Warm. Damp all day. Light rain in eve.

Thursday, August 6

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Blanche and Walter's wife along, a.m. Working about home p.m. The grocer's picnic at Wildwood. Walter took the day off. Quite warm. Damp part of day.

Friday, August 7

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Sent eggs, etc., to market with Mrs. Wise.

Eggs, 38 cents per dozen. Paid Tim Hackman for thrashing my wheat. \$1.76. 8 cents per bus. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Saturday, August 8

Partly cloudy. Finished removing dirt in driveway a.m. Went to Green Hill S.S. picnic p.m. At IORM in eve. Good attendance. (Annual supper). Called to General Hospital. Allen Eshleman died. Very warm. Heavy gust in north and east p.m. and heavy rain and thunder here in eve.

Sunday, August 9

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Home and Walter and I went to Rawlinsville Camp to bring Blanche home on account of funeral at church in eve. Dr. Ellis Cramer spoke. (Very interesting). Had to use oil lamps. Electric service out. Last night's storm. Also all telephones. Blanche and Walter went to General Hospital for body of Mrs. Jacob Strickler, Millersville. Formerly Highville.

Monday, August 10

Partly clear. Ther: 92. At Lancaster. Fetched Mr. Baker out and working about home. Sold Abram H. Miller 77-1/2 lbs. poultry. \$24.80. One of Pharis Graver's twin boy babies died last night. Buried it this p.m. at Reformed cemetery. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, August 11

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Allen Eshleman, Millersville. Warm all day.

Wednesday, August 12

Partly cloudy. In garden, etc., a.m. Down on farm seeing after concrete work there. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Jacob W. Strickler, Millersville Evangelical Church. Blanche went to Rawlinsville Camp this p.m. Very warm. Light shower of rain in eve.

Thursday, August 13

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Mrs. Johnson, a lady that we met on our trip to the coast, living at Colton, California, arrived at Lancaster this eve. and Walter and my wife met her and fetched here. She will spend a few days with us. Rain last night and a.m. Very warm day.

Friday, August 14

Clear. Working about home all day. Beautiful day. Not so warm. Cool in eve.

Saturday, August 15

Clear. About home all day. Walter took my wife and Mrs. Johnson to Rawlinsville Camp this morning. Returned 3 p.m. I walked out to U. E. picnic and had supper with them. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Warm.

Sunday, August 16

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Blanche, Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Baker came from camp this p.m. with Walter. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, August 17

Clear. Ther: 87. Working about home. Mrs. Johnson left for New York this morning. We certainly enjoyed her visit very much. Amaziah Williams died last night at Neffsville. Blanche and Walter fetched body here. A very warm friend of mine. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, August 18

Partly clear. Ther: 98. Shelling corn and mixing chick feed, etc., a.m. Picked plums and in garden p.m. Received word by phone of death of wife's brother, Peter M. Bruner, Gettysburg this morning. Funeral Friday, 2 p.m. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, August 19

Clear. Ther: 92. Went along with Walter to

funeral of Amaziah Williams, Neffsville. An old friend of mine. Formerly of Highville where the body was laid to rest, a.m. About home. Blanche came back from camp, p.m. A very warm day.

Thursday, August 20

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster with Walter a.m. About home and down on farm short time, p.m. Warm all day. Light rain in eve.

Friday, August 21

Partly cloudy. Walter took Mary Bruner, my wife and me to Gettysburg to funeral of Peter Martin Bruner (brother-in-law). J.M., W.F., and Millard of Philadelphia were there. Left for home 5:30 p.m. Arrived home 8 p.m. Heavy rain on way over. Beautiful p.m. Much cooler.

Saturday, August 22

Clear. Ther: 43 in morning. Mowing front of yard and trimming up at fence. Steve mowed the lot (Kreider). Young grass, a.m. Cleaned chick house, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Quite cool morning and eve.

Sunday, August 23

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Cousin Abrm Hess and wife spent short time with us. From Mt. Joy. At church in eve. Blanche called to Highville this morning. Mrs. Abrm G. Frey died. Beautiful day. Cool.

Monday, August 24

Clear. Helped wife at washing and worked on lawn and in garden. Sun very warm.

Tuesday, August 25

Clear. Working about home a.m. Down on farm looking after building of hog house, p.m. Warm all day.

Wednesday, August 26

Clear. About home mowing weeds, etc. in orchard. Cleaned up cider press and made a small amount for drinking. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Abrm Frey, Highville U. B. Church. Very warm all day.

Thursday, August 27

Clear. At Lancaster a.m. Wife, Mrs. Ressel and I at Maple Grove p.m. Had a very pleasant time. Beautiful day. Cool.

Friday, August 28

Clear. Ther: 43 in morning. Mowing lawn, etc., a.m. In garden, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Cool.

Saturday, August 29

Clear. Treated wheat for fly, etc., a.m. Shelled corn for poultry, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day. Cool.

Sunday, August 30

Clear. At Sunday school a.m. Charles Kreider, wife and Gladys and Cora and myself and wife were down at John Slaymaker, New Providence. Attended the Christian services at their place in Big Beaver Creek. At home and church in eve. Beautiful day.

*Missing pages for August 31
and September 1*

Wednesday, September 2

Clear. Took Blanche to Lancaster a.m. Down on farm p.m. At the Tobacco of Assoc. meeting a.m. Heller from Paradise spoke. Very few there. No organization formed. Quite warm all day.

Thursday, September 3

Partly clear. Attended funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Brenneman child, Masonville. Wife went along with Walter Ressel and family to Reading to spend the day at the Carsonia

Park. Supervisors commenced oiling the road through the village. The K.K.K. held a meeting in the town last night at Aston's Garage. Very warm all day.

Friday, September 4

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. Down on farm helping at hog pen p.m. Paid David B. Foutz \$100.00 account of carpenter work on same. Rec'd word by phone that Uncle Jacob Zercher, Mt. Joy, died this morning. Funeral Monday 10 a.m. at Crossroad Meeting house. Another very warm day.

Saturday, September 5

Clear. Helping get ready for chicken corn soup supper all day. Helped at supper in eve. Large attendance. Very warm all day.

Sunday, September 6

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home p.m. Church in eve. Rev Christopher Noss, Missionary to Japan, spoke very interestingly of the work there. He had with him a Japanese Rev, Jo, who spoke in his language and Rev Noss interpreted. Quite warm and a very nice and much needed rain in eve.

Monday, September 7

Partly clear. Went to Mt. Joy to attend funeral of Uncle Jacob Zercher. Aged 84-6-6. Large funeral. Chas H. Kreider and wife along and my wife. Stopped a short time at Longs Park. The Eberly reunion was held. Blanche and Walter attended the funeral of Mrs. George Warfel from Frank Rice home at River Corner. A very warm day.

Tuesday, September 8

Partly clear. Helped wife at washing and filling up driveway. Picking grapes, etc. Quite warm all day.

Wednesday, September 9

Partly clear. Down on farm helping put

concrete barn bridge in a.m. Walter helped clean cistern at the house here. Very warm all day.

Thursday, September 10

Partly clear. Walter and I made poultry fence on Kreider lot this a.m. In garden and helped Walter get out rough boxes to ship back, etc. Our grandson, Paul, came here with his cousin Tshudy and went to York Furnace to spend p.m. Paul and Blanche went down to Elmer Redcay's to spend the evening. Paid D.B. Foutz \$9.50 balance due for work to date on farm. A very warm day.

Friday, September 11

Clear. Ther: 100. Working about home all day. Very warm all day. Humidity great.

Saturday, September 12

Partly clear. Ther: 100. At Lancaster partly all day. Took 5 doz. eggs along. Got 50 cents for 4 doz. and 45 cents for 1. Very warm all day. Thunder gust in the west. No rain here.

Sunday, September 13

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school after which wife, Blanche and I went down to sister Lizzie, Hawksville. Took dinner and spent p.m. there very pleasantly. Returned home 6 p.m. No church service this eve on account of heavy thunder gust. (No lights) John Seifert's barn and tobacco shed burned this eve. (near Rawlinsville). Very warm day. Heavy rain in eve.

Monday, September 14

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at washing and in garden and lot balance of day. Blanche rec'd word of the death of Oliver C. Patton, Mt. Nebo, died at Philadelphia. She went to his home to arrange for funeral. Beautiful day. Not so warm.

Tuesday, September 15

Partly cloudy. At primary election part of day. In garden and down on farm. Ordered 4 pigs for breeders from A.M. Lux, Wilbur's, Mass. Enclosed check for \$20.00. Much cooler. Rain in eve.

Wednesday, September 16

Partly cloudy. J.W. Morrison, Tim Hackman, Albert S. Hess and I spent the day at Reading Fair. Enjoyed it very much. A great fair and pleasant trip. Blanche buried stillborn of Aaron Gochenaur at M. E. Church, Colemanville. Pleasant day. Cool.

Thursday, September 17

Clear. At Lancaster this morning for flowers for Patton funeral. Back by 8:15 a.m. Working in garden balance of day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Olive C. Patton at M. E. Church, Mt. Nebo. Beautiful day. Cool.

Friday, September 18

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster for pump for down on farm. Bought 3 bus corn of Harry Rineer. \$3.00. Paid for same. Beautiful day. Cool.

Saturday, September 19

Clear. At Lancaster with Blanche a.m. About barn, etc., p.m. At IORM and at annual supper of AOK of MC. Rev Carmichael gave a very interesting talk. Beautiful day.

Sunday, September 20

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. and church in eve. Light shower of rain 9 a.m. Cool all day.

Monday, September 21

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at washing and wiring corn crib to keep mice out, etc., all day. Cool all day.

Tuesday, September 22

Partly clear. Ther: 41 in morning. Cleaning and arranging perches in hen house. Wife and Blanche at Lancaster to see the Griest building that was opened to the public today (by invitation), p.m. A wonderful building. Quite cool all day.

Wednesday, September 23

Partly cloudy. In house all day. Light attack of vertigo last night. Dr. Good called. Left medicine. Keep quiet and light diet. Cool, raw air all day. Snow like. Hope not.

Thursday, September 24

Partly clear. About home a.m. Walked down to sale of Union Trust Co. warehouse here in village. No sale for want of bidders, p.m. Beautiful day.

Friday, September 25

Partly clear. About home. Cleaned poultry house, etc. Sold 169 lb. poultry to C.K. Miller and father @ 32 cents per pound. \$54.24. Cool all day. Quite cool in eve.

Saturday, September 26

Ther: 34. Cleaning yard, poultry yard and things in general. At IORM in eve. Supervisors put Augite on road in village. A great relief from dust. Cold all day and eve. Frost this morning.

Sunday, September 27

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. and church in eve. Preparatory services. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Albert Gardner, Lancaster. Buried at Millersville Mennonite.

Monday, September 28

Partly clear. Helped wife at washing and fixing corn crib a.m. Down on farm and picking pears. Stephen Wise, Farmer, brought 48 baskets corn from farm, p.m.

(very nice). Wrote letter to A.M. Lux, 206 Washington Street, Woburn, Mass. Beautiful day. Warmer. Light shower of rain last night.

Tuesday, September 29

Partly clear. Went along with Walter to Lancaster Co. Fair. Large crowd. (Children's day). Good exhibits. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, September 30

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. Walter and I went to Leola. Ordered concrete blocks for outside chimney here at house for furnace. Had large clock repaired. Cost \$3.75. Paid. Quite cool all day.

Thursday, October 1

Cloudy. Picked a few apples and went down on farm a.m. Getting place ready in Kreider barn for corn, etc., p.m. Quite cool all day.

Friday, October 2

Cloudy. Working about barn and put in foundation and broke hole through cellar wall for outside chimney for furnace. Cool. Rain in eve.

Saturday, October 3

Partly cloudy. Getting the Kendig stable in shape for wintering poultry and in garden. At IORM in eve. Instillation of officers. Took supper at the Ladies Aid Society of M. E. Church in Witmer warehouse. Cool and damp all day.

Sunday, October 4

Cloudy. At Sunday school and Holy Communion Services a.m. At home p.m. Walter and family spent evening here. Heavy rain and cool p.m.

Monday, October 5

Cloudy. At Lancaster on business. Rec'd 4 pigs via express from A.M. Lux, Woburn, Mass. \$20.00. Express, \$4.05. \$24.05. Look O.K.

Working down on farm and home p.m. Cool all day. Ideal fall weather.

Tuesday, October 6

Cloudy. Helped wife at washing and taking out sweet potatoes and put in concrete for foundation for chimney. Cool and damp.

Wednesday, October 7

Partly clear. At Lancaster with Blanche. Bought timothy seed for farm a.m. Down on farm and working about home p.m. Sent check to Jacob Z. Miller for 16 bus. seed wheat @ \$1.65 per bus. (Forward wheat). Beautiful day. Quite cool.

Thursday, October 8

Partly clear. Boiling apple butter partly all day. Down on farm afterwards. Sent check for electric light bills and one to Reformed Aux Board for S.S. supplies. Quite pleasant after heavy frost this morning.

Friday, October 9

Cloudy. At Lancaster a.m. Not doing much p.m. Raining. Charles Gran, Lancaster, a very good friend while in office at Court House passed away. Raining partly all day. Heavy a.m. Cool.

Saturday, October 10

Partly cloudy. Ther: 25 in morning. Working in Kreider barn, etc., partly all day. Down on farm short time. Chimney of house caught fire. Not much damage. At IORM in eve. Remarkable change of weather. 25 degrees in morning. 34 at noon. 29 at 6 p.m. and getting colder. Very high wind and some snowflakes flying several times during day.

Sunday, October 11

Partly cloudy. Ther: 25. At Sunday school and went to Harry Rineer's, Highville to spend the

day and did very pleasantly and church in eve. Cool all day. Moderating.

Monday, October 12

Cloudy. Helped wife at wash. In garden and down on farm. W.F. Bruner and wife and Mr. and Mrs. Berry of Philadelphia called for a short time on their way home from auto trip to Altoona, etc. Damp partly all day. Cool but moderating.

Tuesday, October 13

Partly clear. Down on farm taking out young locust sprouts where seeding a.m. Taking out sweet potatoes p.m. Beautiful day. Light rain last night.

Wednesday, October 14

Cloudy. Finished taking out sweet potatoes a.m. Cleaning lawn, etc., p.m. Paid A.S. Benedict for road oil and nails bill to date. \$7.30. Charged me 6-1/2 cents per pound for 8 pounds nails. Damp all day. Rain in evening.

Thursday, October 15

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster a.m. Down on farm putting lights, window sash for hog pen and helped haul in load of corn. A very fine crop. Steve brought 10 bus cobblers up from farm for us. One year today that we left home for Arizona, etc. Paid Wm C. Rehm, Atty, \$121.17 and had judgment transferred to one against Albert T. Smith who I bailed. Quite warm all day.

Friday, October 16

Partly cloudy. Getting barn ready for ear corn and sorting out potatoes a.m. Helped at Reformed Church putting shingles on east side and finished sorting potatoes p.m. Warmer. Commenced raining 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 17

Cloudy. Working about home all day. At IORM in eve. Heavy rain 10:30 a.m. and showers. Quite warm. Cooler in eve.

Sunday, October 18

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. At home and walked down on farm p.m. Church in eve. Pleasant day. Cool in eve.

Monday, October 19

Partly cloudy. Leola masons here and put up concrete block chimney on outside of house for furnace, all day. I went to Lancaster on business p.m. Rather stormy and much cooler in eve.

Tuesday, October 20

Partly cloudy. Ther: 27. Working about home all day. Cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, October 21

Cloudy. Ther: 27. Steve Wise and I at stockyards, Lancaster. I bought 3 cows. 1 weighed 870 @ 5. \$43.50 1 weighed 1,070 @ 5. \$53.50. 1 weighed 800 @ 4. \$32.00. 1 heifer, 780 lbs. @ 5-1/2. \$42.90. Of John A. Miller, a.m. Took down scaffold at chimney and had Jacob F. Murry put slate on house, p.m. Cool all day.

Thursday, October 22

Cloudy. Cleaning up yard and putting up furnace pipe in cellar, a.m. Went to Lancaster and fetched cattle I bought yesterday. Steve and his boy, Harold along and worked about home balance of day. Geo Emanuel Kreider and Margarita Warfel married this eve, 4:30 at his home. Cool and very damp and raining p.m. and eve.

Friday, October 23

Clear. Ther: 22. Working about home a.m. Down on farm. Painted metal roof on hog

pen p.m. Coldest morning. Heavy frost. Warmer p.m. Cooler in eve.

Saturday, October 24

Cloudy. Sorting potatoes and putting in cellar a.m. About house partly all p.m. and eve. Blanche called to James Niel's this eve. at Colemanville. Damp and raining all day and eve.

Sunday, October 25

Cloudy. At Sunday school. Only 26 present on account of rain, a.m. At church in p.m. Walter, Blanche, wife and I accompanied by Mr. J.R. Yentzer. Went to the Reformed Church at New Providence to a Missionary meeting where Mr. Yentzer sang by request. Very high wind and very heavy rain and rained partly all day. Clear and colder in eve.

Monday, October 26

Partly cloudy. Helped wife at washing clothes, etc., a.m. Cleaning lawn and wash house, etc., p.m. Blanche rec'd word of the death of Mrs. Saml T. Henry near Central Manor. Pleasant but much cooler in eve.

Tuesday, October 27

Partly clear. Doing some concrete work. Made step at back of house and some repair at shed. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Curtis Neil, Colemanville. Cool all day.

Wednesday, October 28

Partly cloudy. Ther: 26. Making cement step at back door of kitchen and down on farm short time a.m. Repairing roof on the old poultry house, etc., p.m. Warmer during day. Regular blizzard in eve. High wind and rain and much colder.

Thursday, October 29

Partly cloudy. Ther: 21. Went to Creswell U. E. Church to funeral of Mr. Saml T. Henry, he

being an old friend of mine. Amos Graver and Mrs. Grant H. Gardner along, p.m. Heavy frost and plenty of ice. Cold all day.

Missing pages from October 30 and 31

Sunday, November 1

At Sunday school. Had charge a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amanda McLaughlin at Furnace. Interned New Providence Mennonite. Pleasant day. Very much warmer. Snow partly all gone.

Monday, November 2

Cloudy. Cleaning up yard, etc., a.m. Burning rubbish, shelled corn, etc., p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Catherine, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reese, Lancaster, a.m. and of Mrs. Milton E. Gochenaur, Long Lane. Interred both at Millersville Mennonite. Damp all day. Light rain p.m. and eve.

Tuesday, November 3

Partly clear. County and township election today. Large vote polled. 403. Opposition on Twp. Ticket brought the voters out. I was at polls best part of day. Cool raw air all day.

Wednesday, November 4

Partly cloudy. Down on farm husking corn all day. Helping farmer out. Frank C. Musser re-elected mayor over Theo Apple, rep of Lancaster for 4 years. Heavy frost. Raw air all a.m. Warmer p.m.

Thursday, November 5

Partly clear. Finished concrete steps at back of house. Wife and at Lancaster a.m. Put gate at Kreider barn to keep chickens down in lot. Shelled corn. Took wire fence away in side yard. Cool all day.

Friday, November 6

Partly clear. Shelling corn and cleaning poultry houses and down on farm husking corn. Beautiful day. Quite warm p.m.

Saturday, November 7

Cloudy. Cleaning lawn, etc., a.m. Cleaning windows in poultry houses, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Pleasant day. Rain in eve. an3d colder.

Sunday, November 8

Cloudy. At Sunday school and afterwards wife, aunt Mollie and Annie Zercher and I went down to John Slaymaker's near New Providence to spend the day. Spent a very pleasant time. Home at 4:45 p.m. At church in eve. Damp and very heavy rain at noon. Much cooler in eve.

Monday, November 9

Partly cloudy. Ther: 23. Helped wife at washing a.m. Down on fam, etc., p.m. At fire company meeting in eve. Cold raw air all day.

Tuesday, November 10

Partly clear. Ther: 24. Cutting wood, etc., a.m. Painted roof of large poultry house, etc., p.m. Steve finished husking corn and brought my last load up. 17 loads of 45 baskets to load. 385 bus shelled corn. A very good yield of excellent corn. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Wednesday, November 11

Partly clear. Working about home and down on farm. Beautiful day. Heavy frost.

Thursday, November 12

Cloudy. About home all day. Damp and raining p.m. and eve. Heavy storm in eve.

Friday, November 13

Partly clear. Working about barn. Mixing paint and started painting poultry house. Cool and stormy partly all day.

Saturday, November 14

Partly clear. Went along with Walter last night to the General Hospital to bring out the body of our old friend W.W. Bones, Safe Harbor. Then to Letort and brought body of Clayton Herr who died very suddenly at home of Mrs. Rohrer. Returning home 12:15 a.m. Helped Walter take bodies to, homes (load them) and about home. Rec'd word of death of Mrs. Whittlinger, at General Hospital. Went to U. E. Church Sunday school Co. Convention, young folks, p.m. At IORM in eve. Cold, stormy day.

Sunday, November 15

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of James Copeland, Central Manor, p.m. Beautiful day. Spring like. Light rain in eve.

Monday, November 16

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster for Blanche's business a.m. To Rohrer's, Letort, for chairs and took them to the Whittlinger home, Millersville, for funeral tomorrow, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Clayton Herr, Creswell. Cold raw wind all day. Great change from yesterday.

Tuesday, November 17

Partly clear. Working about home a.m. At funeral of my friend Wm W. Bones (87-11-27 age) of Safe Harbor, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. George Whittlinger, Millersville a.m. and Wm W. Bones, Safe Harbor, p.m. Cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, November 18

Partly clear. Down on farm partly all day painting new doors on barn, etc. Blanche and

Walter attended funeral of James Copeland, Central Manor. Interment Mountville Cemetery. Beautiful day. Very heavy frost in morning.

Thursday, November 19

Partly cloudy. Painting front of poultry house, etc. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Lawrence Cramer near Slackwater. Cool all day.

Friday, November 20

Partly clear. About home all day. Cleaning up in general. Blanche called to Safe Harbor to take charge of body of Mrs. Whitestine (Annie Rinehart). Brought body here to morgue. Beautiful day. Much cooler in eve.

Saturday, November 21

Clear. Down on farm helping to move straw from stack into barn a.m. Shelling corn, etc., p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day.

Sunday, November 22

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. The funeral of Annie Rinehart Whitestine held at our home at 1 p.m. and then at Mennonite Brick Church, New Danville p.m. and at church in eve. Beautiful day. Much cooler and stormy in eve.

Monday, November 23

Partly clear. Working about home. Helped wife at washing, etc. At fire company meeting in eve. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, November 24

Partly clear. Ther: 24. Working about home. Sawing wood, etc. Snow storm in morning and cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, November 25

Cloudy. Ther: 20. Down on farm and sawing wood at home. Called to go to Lancaster General Hospital for body of John Warfel,

Walter's brother-in-law. I went along. 8:10 p.m., Blanche just received call from Letort to take charge of body of Miss Emma Ruhl. Snowing part of day. Cold. Moderating some.

Thursday, November 26

Clear. At home. Delila, Mary and Emma Bruner spent the day with us and I took them to Lancaster this eve. Son Charles came home and spent the p.m. and took him along in. Took a walk down on the farm this p.m. and found a male pheasant some hunter had shot and failed to find him. Most beautiful. Will have him mounted. Jos M. Witmer and wife here in eve. A most beautiful Thanksgiving Day and so many things to be thankful for.

Friday, November 27

Cloudy. About home. Shelled corn for poultry, etc., etc. Raining and very damp all day.

Saturday, November 28

Partly cloudy. About home all day. At IORM in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Emma N. Ruhl, Masonville Mennonite Church, a.m. Cold all day.

Sunday, November 29

Partly cloudy. Ther: 17 in morning. 34 in p.m. At Sunday school. Had charge a.m. At church p.m. Home in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John Warfel, River Corner. Brother-in-law of Walter. Cold raw air all day. Coldest day of the season thus far. Feels very much like snow.

Monday, November 30

Partly clear. Down on farm in morning. Cutting wood and shelled corn partly all day. Cold raw air all day. Moderating.

Tuesday, December 1

Cloudy. About home. Made feed trough for hen house, etc. Cold damp air all day.

Wednesday, December 2

Cloudy. Down on farm. Building chicken house. 12-14. Jacob Ressel helping a.m. About home p.m. on account of rain. Called to Paul Barley. His son Raymond passed away. I went along with Walter. Blanche not feeling able to go. Cold raw wind all day. Rain p.m. and eve.

Thursday, December 3

Cloudy. About home all day. Culling poultry. Blanche called to Millersville to take charge of body Mrs. Jacob Souder (widow). Rec'd feed from F.H. Sickman. Paid for same. \$5.75. Laying mash, my own mixture. 100 corn, 100 shif, 100 bran, 100 oats, 100 meat scraps and dried buttermilk. Raining partly all day. Heavy by times.

Friday, December 4

Cloudy. Down on farm in morning. About home balance of day. Very damp and raining. Raining heavy in eve.

Saturday, December 5

Cloudy. Working about barn and poultry house a.m. At U. E. Church at funeral of Raymond Barley. Aged 5-6-15. Son of Paul Barley, Millersville. Buried at Mt. Zion cemetery, here. At IORM in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Raymond Barley. Very damp and raining greater part of day. Several heavy showers.

Sunday, December 6

Partly cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Cool and pleasant.

Monday, December 7

Partly clear. Helped wife at washing a.m. Down on farm helping build chicken house p.m. At fire company meeting in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Jacob Souder, Millersville Evangelical. Cold raw air all day.

Tuesday, December 8

Cloudy. Down on farm building chicken house all day. Cool in morning. Moderating p.m. Looks like rain.

Wednesday, December 9

Cloudy. Down on farm. Finished chicken house. Painted roof a.m. About home p.m. Hiram G. Warfel and I audited the accounts of Fire Company this eve. and found them correct. A balance of \$54.26 in treasurer's hands. Cold raw air all day. Began snowing 3 p.m.

Thursday, December 10

Partly clear. Down on farm. Helping to shred corn fodder all day. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, December 11

Partly clear. Down on farm. Helped to finish shredding fodder a.m. In house partly all p.m. Wife and Blanche at Lancaster. J.W. Morrison and I went to Millersville to F. & A.M. lodge annual feast. Beautiful a.m. Much colder p.m. and eve.

Saturday, December 12

Partly cloudy. Shelling corn a.m. About home p.m. At IORM in eve. Wife and Blanche at the Colemanville Church Community (Farm women) meeting. Cold raw wind all day.

Sunday, December 13

Partly clear. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. Church in eve. Cold, high wind all day.

Monday, December 14

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Blanche and I went to Dr. Grant, chiropractor treatment a.m. Home p.m. At practice for Christmas service in eve. Cold raw wind all day.

Tuesday, December 15

Partly cloudy. Fixing up Kreider barn stable for pigs and brought them up from farm and closed opening between Millen hen house and barn, etc. Addressed a number of Xmas cards to my friends. Cold all day. Not stormy.

Wednesday, December 16

Partly cloudy. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster short time. Took treatment p.m. At practice for Xmas in eve. Cold all day. Light rain last night. Roads and walks a sheet of ice.

Thursday, December 17

Cloudy. At Lancaster partly all day. Wife and Mrs. Ressel along. Met quite a few of my friends. Went along with Walter to Highville. My friend, Adam F. Brenner passed away rather unexpectedly. Cold all day. Few snowflakes and stormy in eve.

Friday, December 18

Partly clear. Working about home all day. Walked over to see Mrs. Lucy Martin a short time. Cold raw wind all day.

Saturday, December 19

Partly clear. At Lancaster. Took treatment. Notice improvement, a.m. Went to Lancaster on business for Blanche. She having a call at 132 E. James Street. Mr. McGinnis died, p.m. At IORM in eve. Beautiful day but cold in morning.

Sunday, December 20

Cloudy. At Sunday school a.m. Went along to Lancaster with Walter and Blanche to put

body of Thos H. McGinnis in casket. Ready for tomorrow and Walter and I went to Highville and put body of Adam F. Brunner in casket and then home, p.m. At home in eve. Raining and damp all day. Part of p.m. and then very damp and dense fog. Not cold.

Monday, December 21

Cloudy. Helped wife at washing a.m. At Lancaster for treatment and at funeral of Thos H. McGinnis to grave. Lining in to cemetery imitation green grass. First time used. Very damp and some rain all day.

Tuesday, December 22

Partly cloudy. About home. Cleaned hen house, etc. Took flower plant to Lucy Martin (Colored). Gift of Blanche to her. Very thankfully received. Pleasant day. Colder in eve. with high wind.

Wednesday, December 23

Partly clear. Went along with Walter to St. Joseph Hospital to bring out the body of Mrs. George Eckman who died there this morning at 6 o'clock while visiting her sister, Mrs. Henry Fisher who is a patient there. (Very sudden and sad), a.m. About home p.m. Very high wind and very great change in temperature. Colder.

Thursday, December 24

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster. Took treatment a.m. At home p.m. Blanche called to Benj Goss. His wife passed away at Baumgardner's this p.m. Went along with Walter to St. Joseph Hospital and fetched out body of Mrs. Philip Hannon of McCall's Ferry. Embalmed body and will take it to home tomorrow. Not near so cold and not stormy.

Friday, December 25

Partly cloudy. At Lancaster for flowers for the Eckman funeral tomorrow and about home balance of day. Walter and Blanche took body of Mrs. Philip Hannon to her home at McCall's Ferry and busy all day. At Christmas service at our church in eve. Cold raw wind all day. Colder in eve.

Saturday, December 26

Partly cloudy. Ther: morning, 12. Evening, 10. At funeral of Mrs. George B. Eckman at M. E. Church a.m. Went to Lancaster for auto tires and burial permits for Blanche p.m. At IORM in eve. Ground partly covered with snow. Cold all day and high wind part of day.

Sunday, December 27

Partly clear. Ther: zero. At Sunday school. Treated scholars to 1/2 lb. good candy and two oranges, a.m. At preaching service p.m. At home in eve. Blanche and Walter went to McCall's Ferry and put body of Mrs. Harmon in casket a.m. and attended funeral of Mrs. Benj Goss at Byerland p.m. A very cold day with high wind all day.

Monday, December 28

Partly clear. Ther: morning, 8. Evening, 16. Went with Walter to attend funeral of Mrs. Philip Hartman of McCall's Ferry and services at Oakwood M. E. Church, Maryland, 37 miles from here via McCall's Ferry. Rev William F. G. Carruthers officiated. Presbyterian minister, Chestnut Level. John Hopper, formerly of this place, died at Lancaster this a.m. Aged 81 years. Cold high wind all day.

Tuesday, December 29

Partly clear. Ther: 9. At Lancaster. Took treatment, etc. a.m. About home. Shelled corn, etc., p.m. Steve Wise and wife spent the eve. with us. Cold all day. Not so stormy.

Wednesday, December 30

Ther: 2 Went with Walter to Colemanville to take charge of the body of James P. Oldham, a.m. Went along to put body of Albert W. Kauffman in casket for funeral tomorrow, p.m. At home in eve. Very cold all day.

Thursday, December 31

Partly clear. Ther: 7. Working about home a.m. At Lancaster. Blanche and Park Ressel along. Took treatment p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Albert W. Kauffman, Long Lane, at Millersville Evangelical Church, a.m.

Another year has come to a close. Many are the blessings we have enjoyed and yet how prone we are to wander away from Him who has given us there blessings. May God help us to live closer to Him than ever before is my prayer.