

Diary of Andrew J. Zercher

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Wednesday, January 1

Partly clear. Ther: 14 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Shelled corn for poultry and over on property short time. Blanche called last night, 10 o'clock, to take charge of body of Martin B. Foutz, west end of village. Brought body here to Home. This book is gift of my wife. A beautiful winter day.

Thursday, January 2

Cloudy. Ther: 18 at 7 a.m. This morning at 10 o'clock at funeral of Mrs. Ida Webb here at Home, after which Walter and Blanche took body to Silver Brook cemetery, Wilmington, Delaware, 55 miles distance and returned at 4:30 p.m. They then took body of Martin B. Foutz to his home at west end of village for funeral tomorrow p.m. Commenced raining 9 a.m. and freezing. Very dangerous autoing and walking. Rained all p.m. and eve. Moderating.

Friday, January 3

Partly clear. Ther: 16 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. At funeral of Martin B. Foutz, etc., p.m. Blanche and Walter attended. Rained partly all last night and early morning. Very much like spring.

Saturday, January 4

Cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Cleaned out poultry house and Will and I went down to Aaron Shank. Bought bail of clover hay for poultry. 105 lbs. About home balance of day. Blanche called to Lancaster. Mrs. Dorothy May Rummel, wife of Lester E. Rummel. Damp all day. Not cold.

Sunday, January 5

Partly clear. Ther: 31 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. The following officers were elected for the year. Sup.: Walter F. Ressel. Asst. Supt.: Clayton Charles. Secy.: Mabel Fulton. Treas.: Jacob W. Morrison. I asked to be relieved at Asst. Supt. and nominated Bro Charles after 50 years teacher, Supt., and Asst., and at preaching service a.m. At home p.m. Jacob B. Sickman and wife spent eve. with us. Beautiful day.

Monday, January 6

Cloudy. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. Put over water and made fire in furnace for washing and over in stable piling stove wood I had sawed for furnace a.m. Commenced snowing 10 a.m. Cleaning off walks, etc., and in house p.m. and eve. About 3 inches of snow. Light raining and freezing. Dangerous walking. Cold. Damp all day.

Tuesday, January 7

Partly clear. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Finished piling up wood and cleaned up stable. Elmer Hoak butchered 336 lb. hog bought of Saml Harnish, River Corner. I sugar cured hams and shoulders this eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Lester Rummel this p.m. at Lancaster. Very icy roads in a.m. Warmer p.m. and very sloppy roads.

Wednesday, January 8

Cloudy. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Helping to get pork of yesterday butchering ready for cold packing, etc., a.m. Helped put new pipe on furnace in wash house, etc., and over on property short time p.m. The Ladies Aid Society met here p.m. for serving. Jessie E. Wagner died at Lancaster last night. Blanche called. Brought body here to Home. Frank S. Groff, Atty Lancaster, died today. Damp all day. Not cold.

Thursday, January 9

Cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Working over in barn on property piling lumber, etc., etc., a.m. In house partly all p.m. except tending to poultry, mail, etc. Ida Zercher paid rent. \$10.00. Very damp. Light snow last night and raining lightly part all day. Quite foggy in eve.

Friday, January 10

Partly cloudy. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Tending to poultry and in shop and about house. Mother and I wrote letters to our son Charles, working at Yonkers, N.Y. Very damp a.m. Beautiful p.m. and warmer.

Saturday, January 11

Cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Went along with Will to Colemanville for body of Beatrice W. Oldham and fetched it here to Home and we then took lowering device, green and rough box to Colemanville Church for burial of Jessie E. Wagner and stayed for service, a.m. At home p.m. Blanche clawed Genl Hospital this eve. for the body of Mrs. Edith Rice of Marticville. Fetched body here to Home. Henry B. Warfel paid rent. \$15.00. Damp with snow p.m.

Sunday, January 12

Partly clear. Ther: 27 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. Home p.m. Young People's meeting in eve. Rather cold all day.

Monday, January 13

Partly cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Put over water and made fire for washing and shelled corn for poultry a.m. Down at Harry C. Rineer and fetched apples along up from arch for home use and gave Rineers 1 bus for good fellowship, p.m. High south wind all day. Colder in eve.

Tuesday, January 14

Partly clear. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. Went along with Will to Bethesda cemetery without case

for burial of Mrs. Oldham. Stopped at Elvira Erb's short time and at J. Wesley Rice on way home on business, a.m. At home p.m. Ladies Aid Society met here this eve. Election of officers. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Oldham here at Home and at Bethesda M. E. Church, p.m. Edith Rice viewing this eve. Large number present. Beautiful day. Cold.

Wednesday, January 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. About house a.m. Will and I took rough box to Millersville Mennonite cemetery for burial of Mrs. Edith Rice and then to Lancaster on business. Bought shoes and bedroom slippers and raincoat for self and home p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Edith Rice here at Home and Mennonite Church, Millersville. Damp a.m. and rain partly all p.m. and eve.

Thursday, January 16

Partly clear. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Not feeling so well. Blanche at Lancaster. Took mother along in home. Bettie in bed all day with La Grip. Blanche called to take charge of body of Wm Schmook mother near Robinson's store this eve. Beautiful winter day. Cold.

Friday, January 17

Partly cloudy. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. High 31. Sweeping snow off porch and walks, etc., in morning. Shelled corn, etc. Bettie still in bed. Cold all day. About 1-1/2 inches snow fell last night.

Saturday, January 18

Cloudy. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. At P.O. in morning for mail and had a hard fall on icy walk but no bad results. Feel sore this eve. but very fortunate. Received dividend check from West Willow Farmers

Association. \$14.00 stock. Very damp. Fog in eve and cold.

Sunday, January 19

Cloudy. Ther: 21 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school a.m. No preaching service. Mr. Paul Scheirer not well. Only 48 present at S.S. At home all p.m. and eve. Commenced snowing during night and all a.m. and snow, sleet, rain and high wind all p.m. At least 6 inches snow by eve.

Monday, January 20

Clear. 8 at 7 a.m. Helping open walks. Cleaning porches of snow. Papers report yesterday's storm most severe since 1888. Report 8-1/2 inches a.m. At funeral of Mrs. Wilhelmina K. Schmook, Byerland Mennonite. Blanche and Walter had charge. This eve. at 7:17 by radio, King George 5th just died, England. "Near My God to Thee", one of favorite hymns was given over the air. Also other music. Beautiful day. Very cold.

Tuesday, January 21

Clear. Ther: 6 at 7 a.m. Papers report as low as 12 below. Put water over and made fire for washing in morning. Ada Zercher washed for us. Bettie down stairs this morning for first since last Thursday. I was in house all day except for mail and poultry. Not feeling so well. Blanche and mother went to PALS meeting this eve. at Allen Huber's. Beautiful day but cold and clouding up in eve.

Wednesday, January 22

Partly clear. Ther: 18 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Mail, poultry, shelled corn and over on property short time. Rev. Scheirer here short time a.m. Ada Zercher did the clothes ironing today. Blanche and I paid her \$2.00 for washing and ironing. She only charged \$1.00. Blanche received word this eve. at 7 of the death of Wm C. Schmook whose wife

died last Thursday. Cold high wind partly all day and eve. Very high wind and commenced snowing 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 23

Partly clear. Ther: 8 below zero at 7 a.m. Others, 17 below in village. Landis Graver, north of village, 20 below. About house a.m. Walked down to the D.B. Foutz property (our old home) to see it inside once again. Looks quite different, out of shape. Very cold all day. High wind. Quite a blizzard last night.

Friday, January 24

Partly clear. Ther: 6 below zero at 7 a.m. 6 above at 6 p.m. About home, mail and poultry and over in Home. Mr. Falk, plumber, pipes burst by freezing. Bought 1 bus wheat for poultry of Sickman. Paid \$1.00. Cold all day.

Saturday, January 25

Clear. Ther: 2 below at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Went along with Will to funeral of Wm C. Schmook this p.m. Took lowering device and greens down. At home in eve. Blanche and Walter had the Wm C. Schmook funeral at Byerland this p.m. Very cold all day.

Sunday, January 26

Partly clear. Ther: 0 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and Young People's meeting in eve. Blanche called to Geo Frey's, Blue Rock Road, Millersville. Child passed away. Beautiful day. Cold. Threatening sky in eve.

Monday, January 27

Partly clear. Ther: 0 at 7 a.m. 2 below at 10 a.m. 0 at noon. Coldest noon day of winter. Put water over and made fire for washing and attended to poultry and mail and at IORM meeting in eve. First time for quite a while. Paid 3 months dues for self, \$1.60 and Bro

B.F. Markley. \$1.60. Light snow last eve. and high wind all night and today. Very cold.

Tuesday, January 28

Clear. Ther: 4 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Poultry, mail, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Richard W., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo H. Frey, Millersville Mennonite cemetery, p.m. and stillborn of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar and Esta Rineer Kline, "Dolores Loraine", Conestoga, at New Danville Mennonite. Cold. Very high wind all day.

Wednesday, January 29

Clear. Ther: 6 at 7 a.m. At Lancaster with Walter. Bought pajamas, \$1.00 and 3 shirts \$3.00 for self. \$4.00. Sales Day bargains, a.m. Went down on Rineer property. Took corn and wheat down to feed birds at Colored cemetery, under pine trees at arch and well, etc., p.m. This is Dorothy Neil's 15th birthday anniversary. Mary Zercher's daughter. Cold all day. Moderating some.

Thursday, January 30

Partly clear. Ther: 6 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Poultry, mail and over to H.H. Aston, who is not feeling very well. He told me he has decided to sell his home next month at public sale. J. Wesley Rice paid Feb rent this eve. \$10.00. Gave \$5.00 to Blanche. Not quite so cold during day. Looks very much like snow in eve.

Friday, January 31

Partly clear. Ther: 4 at 7 a.m. 10 at 6 p.m. About home and over on property. Attended to poultry and P.O. and to see Mr. Aston. Sent donation to Chas Eberly, Mt. Joy. Sorry to note in papers this eve. the death of Chas R. Smith, formerly of this village, now Glenn Lake, N.J., his home. Light snow last night and cold all day.

Saturday, February 1

Partly clear. 0 at 7 a.m. 12 at 6 p.m. Over to P.O. with mail. At barber shop, etc., a.m. To H.H. Aston. Found him alone in his room and feeling some better p.m. Beautiful winter day but cold.

Sunday, February 2

Clear. Ther: 2 above at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. No preaching service since Rev. Paul Scheirer being ill, a.m. At home except spending a short time with Mrs. Annie Hill. Will took Blanche, mother and I down in auto, p.m. Heard a wonderful sermon over radio from York Lutheran Church. Text, Job 23-3. "O that I knew where I might find Him (God)". A most beautiful day. Candlemass, Ground Hog Day. Await results of seeing his shadow.

Monday, February 3

Partly cloudy. Ther: 6 at 7 a.m. Over to see H.H. Aston by request this morning. Wants me to go see Mr. Shertz, his atty. with reference to his financial troubles. Went to see Mr. Shertz this p.m. He agreed to extend the time if he would give him entire control of his affairs and not send the sheriff to sell him out and ask me to take charge of all his property, real and personal, by signing an agreement to that effect. Will send it tomorrow. Geo Lawrence, Lancaster, died. Blanche called. Very damp. Few snowflakes and cold all day.

Tuesday, February 4

Partly cloudy. Ther: 24; at 7 a.m. Warmer during day. In house partly all a.m. except for mail. Over to Mr. Aston's. Told him the arrangements we made with regard to public sale of his property on the 28th of this month. He seemed to be very well pleased with what Mr. Edgar Shertz, Esq., and I did yesterday. Barber paid rent to Blanche. \$5.00. Damp all day. Everything covered with

ice. Very little traffic. Roads are sheet of ice. Boys and girls on skates in middle of road.

Wednesday, February 5

Partly clear. Ther: 16 at 7 a.m. Walter and I down to see Phares Foutz about calling sale of the H.H. Aston sale of real estate and personal property Feb 29th. O.K. Then to Grant H. Gardner, J.P., to take acknowledgement on papers received from Edgar Shertz giving me authority to sell, etc., a.m. At Lancaster to see Mr. Shertz. He had sale bills printed, etc. Lloyd A. Hathaway here. Paid Jan rent. \$10.00. One of Mr. Aston's tenants. Beautiful day. Cold air.

Thursday, February 6

Partly cloudy. Ther: 8 at 7 a.m. Helped put window screens up on attic at Blanche's bungalow. Took hams and shoulders from cellar to garret and patten smoked them. Had went along with Will to Lancaster Cemetery, Lanc. with rough box for burial of George Lawrence and fetched my suit of clothes from Mr. Canter Had them cleaned and pressed. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Geo Lawrence, Lancaster, p.m. Cold and very icy.

Friday, February 7

Cloudy. Ther: 10 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Sweeping snow off porches, etc. At P.O. In morning. Fed chickens. Will fetched mail in eve. and fed chickens. Commenced snowing last night and continued all day to 5 p.m. Not much drifting. Very little wind. 3 inches of snow fell. 8th snow of this year.

Saturday, February 8

Clear. Ther: 2 above at 7 a.m. Reports at Lancaster with 9 below. About home partly all day. Helped clean walks of ice and snow. At AOK of MC in eve. Had supper in lodge room after meeting. Had very pleasant

meeting. Will and Bettie went to their homes this eve. A regular spring day.

Sunday, February 9

Partly clear. Ther: 12 at 7 a.m. Shoveling snow morning at Sunday school and shoveling snow off walks, a.m. About home p.m. At Young People's meeting in eve. Fully 5 inches snow last night and morning. Snow plow opened roads.

Monday, February 10

Partly clear. Ther: 8 above at 7 a.m. 10 above at 6 p.m. Put over water and made fire in furnace for washing. At P.O., etc., a.m. Shelled corn for poultry. Over to see Mr. Aston about sale, etc., and P.O. for mail. Will and I brought vinegar over from property and put in cellar here at home for our use. Donald Crother's rent on Aston property. \$20.00. Cold wind all day.

Tuesday, February 11

Partly clear. Ther: 6 above at 7 a.m. At Lancaster via Marticville, New Danville. Put up sale bill of sale of the H.H. Aston property on the 29th of this month and to Mr. Shertz, atty., on business, a.m. At Mr. Aston's and to see Benj B. Manning, tax Col., with regard to tax on above property. Ada Zercher paid rent. \$10.00. Cold raw wind all day. Snow drifting some.

Wednesday, February 12

Partly cloudy. Ther: 2 above at 7 a.m. About home, etc., a.m. Walter and I went to the funeral of Jacob McCrabb at Reynolds Funeral Parlors, Quarryville. Looked natural but very thin in flesh, p.m. At home in eve. 1 bus wheat from Sickman poultry. \$1.00. Paid. Cold all day. Threatening sky.

Thursday, February 13

Cloudy. Ther: 12 at 7 a.m. At home. At P.O. and tending to poultry. Shoveled path to

poultry house. Cleaned porches of snow several times during day, etc. Henry B. Warfel paid Feb rent this eve. \$15.00. Snowing partly all day. About 4 inches of snow. At least not so cold. Light rain in eve.

Friday, February 14

Cloudy. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. Shoveling snow, ice and sleet partly all day on porches and walks. Feel real tired this eve. Was over to see Mr. Aston this p.m. He complained very much about his living without and funds to buy eats. By Mr. Shertz' request I paid him \$5.00 out of rent money. Quite a change. Much warmer. Snow and rain last night and damp a.m.

Saturday, February 15

Partly clear. Ther: 31 at 7 a.m. Helped clean ice from walks. Helped Will clean poultry house, etc. Blanche and mother went to Farm Women's meeting at Mrs. Achey's, Lancaster. Another milestone of my life. Reached the 79th through mercies of God. Paid Aaron Shenk for 2 bales hay. 1 to get. Received a number of birthday greeting cards from friends. Robert King paid Jan rent for Aston house. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Snow melted. Roads very slushy.

Sunday, February 16

Partly cloudy. Ther: 16 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. Clayton Charles, Asst. Supt, had charge. His first time. Preaching service and missionary program a.m. At home p.m. and in eve. wife and I went along with Will and Bettie to Lancaster. We spent the eve. with the Bruner family and Will and Bettie with some friends. Rather damp all day and cold and ice in morning.

Monday, February 17

Partly cloudy. Ther: 28 at 7 a.m. About home and over on property. Shelled corn for poultry. Opened water course at

garage over on probably, etc. Infant son, Roy, of Mr. and Mrs. Theophilus Armstrong. Blanche called. Buried in Reformed cemetery this p.m. Light rain and very damp a.m. Warmer p.m.

Tuesday, February 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. 16 at noon. 0 at 10 p.m. About home all day. At Chas H. Kreider's in eve. PALS meeting. Spent a very pleasant time. Good attendance. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mary W. Dengler, Creswell. Brought here to Home. Received of Charles Z. \$10.94 on account. Regular blizzard in early morning. Sleet, snow and high wind all day.

Wednesday, February 19

Partly clear. Ther: 1 below zero at 7 a.m. Busy about home helping get ready for Farm Women's Society #9 meeting this p.m. here, a.m. Attendance rather small. Went along with Will to Lancaster on business. He took rough box to St. Mary's cemetery for burial of Mary Dengler tomorrow. Beautiful day but very cold. Roads icy.

Thursday, February 20

Partly cloudy. Ther: 0 at 7 a.m. High 26. About home, mail, poultry. Will and Bettie went to public sale near Will's home. Left 8:30 a.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary Dengler at St. Mary Catholic Church, Lancaster. Cold all day.

Friday, February 21

Partly clear. Ther: 4 at 7 a.m. Went for mail. Fed poultry, etc., a.m. Went to see Phares Frey, one of Mr. Aston's tenants, about rent due on 15th. Promised to pay on the 27th. Cold all day. Not out of 20s.

Saturday, February 22

Clear. Ther: 7 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Over to see H.H. Aston. Paid him \$5.00 toward

living as per orders of Mr. Shertz. At Lancaster with Will, wife and I. A beautiful winter day but cold.

Sunday, February 23

Partly clear. Ther: 10 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. No preaching service. Rev. David Scheirer, our pastor, not well, a.m. At home p.m. and Young People's meeting in eve. Blanche received word of the death of John Witmer of this village at the Genl Hospital, Lancaster. Brought body here to Home. Warmer in p.m. Freezing in eve.

Monday, February 24

Partly clear. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. High 40. Put water over and made fire for washing, etc., a.m. About house and helped Will to remove snow out front to make place for parking for funeral Wednesday. Mother and I wrote letter to Charles. Quite warm p.m. Snow melting nicely.

Tuesday, February 25

Clear. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. High 50. Shoveling snow in poultry yard and cleaning ice off of front walks, etc., a.m. At barbers. Had haircut and shave. Will and I down in arch on Rineer property. Fetched apples up for home use. They are not keeping very good. Wrote letter to Alderman Doebler for H.H. Aston with regard to a bill he owes. Beautiful day. Snow melting.

Wednesday, February 26

Partly clear. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. High 49. About home a.m. Funeral of John Witmer. All services here in parlor. Good attendance. Rev. Nolt, Reformed Mennonite, had services. Buried in Reformed cemetery here in village, p.m. Blanche and Walter had charge. Beautiful day. Cooler and damp in eve.

Thursday, February 27

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. High 46. About home, mail and poultry a.m. Helped Will to shovel snow bank away front of property. Over at A.S. Benedict's store. Bought 2 pair trousers at one half price. \$1.85 for both. Real good. Closing out the store business and over to Mr. Aston short time, p.m. J. Wesley Rice paid rent for March. \$10.00. Light rain a.m. and quite cool p.m. and eve. Much colder. Freezing. Ice.

Friday, February 28

Partly clear. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. For mail. Shelled corn for poultry, etc., a.m. Down at arch sorting apples and brought some up for home use, p.m. Mrs. Lloyd here and paid Feb rent of H.H. Aston. \$10.00. Paid electric light bill of H.H. Aston, 2 months and overdue. \$33.78. Beautiful day. Not so cold.

Saturday, February 29

Partly clear. Ther: 21 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Held the sale of the H.H. Aston R.E. Phares Foutz, auct.. Property sold to H. Edgar Shertz, Esq., representing mortgagee, for \$3,750. Very cheap. This relieves me as atty. for Mr. Aston. I am very glad. Cool all day.

Sunday, March 1

Partly clear. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of George K. Garrett near Martic Forge. Brought body here to Home. Beautiful day but quite cool.

Monday, March 2

Partly clear. Ther: 11 at 7 a.m. Made fire and put over water for washing. Shelled corn for poultry. H. Edgar Shertz here. Asked me to look after his interests in the Aston property, collect rents, etc. He had deed signed by H.H. Aston to him this morning, a.m. To see Mr.

Aston about letting tenants know about arrangements, etc. Harry E. Rineer here. Settled with him for interest, etc. Balance \$83.00. Paid in cash. Cold damp air all day. Snowing 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3

Partly clear. Ther: 21 at 7 a.m. Will and I down in arch on Rineer property sorting out apples. Quite a few thrown out. Not keeping so good. Shelled corn for poultry, etc. Light snow of last night all gone. Beautiful p.m. Quite warm.

Wednesday, March 4

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Will and I brought all the apples out of the arch down on Rineer property. Gave Rineer's 2 crated. Ada Zercher 1 crate and Henry B. Warfel 1 crate and put balance in arch over on property and down in poultry house and put on doors for ventilation. Shelled corn, etc. Real tired this eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Geo K. Garret and called to Oyster Point in eve. Mrs. George Sweinhart committed suicide by shooting in left breast at heart. Found dead in bed by husband. Very foggy morning. Beautiful p.m. and much warmer.

Thursday, March 5

Cloudy. Ther: 31 at 7 a.m. Shelled corn for poultry, etc., a.m. At Lancaster on business p.m. Blanche called to Genl Hospital for body of Jonas Frey, Colemanville. Brought body here to Home. Damp and light rain p.m.

Friday, March 6

Partly clear. Ther: 21 at 7 a.m. Not out of 30s all day. About home partly all day and over to see Mr. Aston short time p.m. Lloyd Hathaway here this eve. and paid \$6.00 on back rent on Aston account. Blanche called to take charge of body of Barbara Ann Miller, Millersville. Cold wind all day and colder in eve.

Saturday, March 7

Partly cloudy. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Went along with Will to Octorara Presbyterian cemetery. Took greens, lowering device and outside case for burial of Mrs. George Sweigart. Walter attended funeral from Oyster Point, p.m. The Ladies Aid held a spelling bee and package sale at East Centre School this eve. Cold raw air all day.

Sunday, March 8

Partly clear. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At funeral of Jonas Frey here at Home and Colemanville M. E. Church. Will and I took greens, lowering device and outside case down for same, p.m. At home in eve. Blanche and Walter attended the funeral and afterward took body of Barbara Ann Miller to her home, Millersville, for funeral tomorrow. Quite cool all day.

Monday, March 9

Partly clear. Ther: 31 at 7 a.m. Saw first robin red breast this a.m. Delighted to see. Made fire and put over water for washing and shelled corn for poultry a.m. Mellinger, B.G. Son brought truck load of coal for furnace use. I helped in cellar, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Barbara Ann Miller, Millersville, p.m. and called to take charge of body of Mary Huber near Byerland Church this p.m. A beautiful spring day. Warm. 60 degrees.

Tuesday, March 10

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. High 60. Cleaned out part of poultry house, shelled corn, etc., a.m. J.W. Morrison and I went to Quarryville community sale, p.m. Cows sold at low prices. Some were very common. Henry B. Warfel paid March rent. \$15.00. Beautiful a.m. Damp and light rain in eve.

Wednesday, March 11

Cloudy. Ther: 43 at 7 a.m. Mail in morning

and over on the Aston property. Cleaned out garage for room for car for one of the tenants a.m. and saw tenants with regard to rent. About home balance of day. Blanche called to take charge of body of Clinger Rummel, Lancaster. Raining partly all day.

Thursday, March 12

Partly cloudy. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. 30 at 6 p.m. Went along with Will. Took outside case to Byerland cemetery for burial of Mary Huber, a.m. About home and over at Aston property seeing about some repapering p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Huber. Heavy rain last night. Commenced snowing at noon. At 1 p.m. the snowflakes falling were the largest I ever saw. Looked like bunches of cotton falling. Rain afterwards. All gone in eve.

Friday, March 13

Partly clear. Ther: 27 at 7 a.m. Will, Bettie, wife and I went to Safe Harbor to see the high water at the electric plant in River. Water coming through gates in dam with terrific force and about home balance of day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Clinger Rummel at Lancaster, p.m. Cold raw air all day. Ground covered with light snow this morning.

Saturday, March 14

Partly clear. Ther: 28 at 7 a.m. Cleaned out poultry house, Will and I, etc., a.m. Down on Rineer and Aston property. Alderman Doebler, Lancaster, issued attachment on H.H. Aston personal property. He took \$300 law and no goods to take, p.m. At AOK of MC lodge. Paid 1 year's dues, \$5.20 in advance and had lunch afterward in eve. Pleasant day but cool.

Sunday, March 15

Partly clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. High 60 some. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m.

At home. John Slaymaker and family spent part of p.m. The traffic of autos, some wonderful, all day. 48 cars past here this p.m. in 2 minutes. Actual count by myself. Sightseeing and at river. 2 large flocks of wild geese past this morning going north. A most beautiful day.

Monday, March 16

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About house all a.m. Not feeling well. To Lancaster by auto bus on business with H. Edgar Shertz, Esq. in the Aston property affairs. Paid Blanche \$10.00 on the H.H. Aston in settlement. Quite warm all day. Few drops rain during day. Lightning and thunder very faint in west in eve. Heavier at 8 p.m. with rain.

Tuesday, March 17

Cloudy. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. Trimmed shrubbery here at home a.m. and also over on property partly all p.m. Feeling real tired this eve. Paid Harold Herr \$2.38 for correcting electric wires in house over on property. Heavy rain last night. High wind partly all day and rain and very strong wind from south in eve.

Wednesday, March 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. Tying up grape vines here at home and trimmed rose bushes, etc., a.m. About house p.m. Papers give Johnstown and Pittsburgh paralyzed. Scores dead. Thousands homeless. Rescue work rushed at flood city of 1889. Thursday 19th. Radio news of terrible floods from Maine to the Carolinas. Damp a.m. Raining p.m. and cooler.

Thursday, March 19

Cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. At Lancaster all day on business. Took up with H. Edgar Shertz, Esq. on the H.H. Aston property. I am to take charge of property. Collect all rents, pay

necessary repairs and re-rent when necessary. Lloyd Hathaway here. Paid \$7.00 on rent arrears. Blanche called last night. Jacob Kreider near Smithville and Annie Hill here in village and David Trissler, Rawlinsville. Brought Hill and Trissler bodies here to Home. Very damp and rain.

Friday, March 20

Partly clear. Ther: 28 at 7 a.m. Went along with Walter on a business trip. First to look after body of Jacob Kreider near Smithville via Willow Street. Then to New Providence, Dr. Helm for death certificate via Smithville, Truce, then to Millersville. Dr. Mustard death certificate and Washington Boro, Permit, Sand Hill and home via Safe Harbor. Ran through 18 inches water at county bridge, a.m. At home p.m. Walter C. Beam, ex County Commissioner, called to see me. Was glad. He was in office when I was clerk there. Beautiful day. Cool.

Saturday, March 21

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. Over on Aston property and at barbers having hair cut a.m. About home partly all p.m. Bettie and Will went home this eve. I sent a cendarana plant in bloom along for Bettie's mother. High wind partly all day and colder in eve.

Sunday, March 22

Partly clear. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service. Had a very pleasant surprise. Our son, Charles came into the service, took dinner and spent several hours with us. At funeral of Annie Hill at Reformed Church p.m. Home in eve. Had David Trissler viewing here at Home in eve. Large number present. Charles Eberly and wife called in eve. Blanche called last night. Albert S. Brooks died. Blanche and Walter at funeral of Jacob Kreider, a.m. and Annie Hill p.m. Cold high wind all day.

Monday, March 23

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. Helped get ready for washing and shelled corn for poultry, etc., a.m. Will and I at Holtwood to see damage done by high water in river. The retaining wall at plant entirely torn out and water still high on return. Stopped at Rawlinsville M. E. cemetery and brought lowering device and greens along home from funeral of David Trissler. Blanche and Walter attended. Cold damp air all day.

Tuesday, March 24

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. At Lancaster on business. Made out personal tax return to send to Harrisburg, to Mr. Shertz office, etc. Came home on bus 1 p.m. Trimmed grape vines over on the Aston property by request of Mr. Shertz, etc. Warmer and damp all day.

Wednesday, March 25

Partly cloudy. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. Over on property partly all day getting part of lot ready for plowing, burning refuse, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Albert S. Brooks at Byerland Mennonite church. Regular spring day.

Thursday, March 26

Partly cloudy. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. Over on property getting lot ready for plowing a.m. Down on Rineer property trimming raspberries p.m. Very tired this eve. Very spring like all day. Cooler in eve.

Friday, March 27

Cloudy. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. Shelled corn for poultry and about house a.m. At Alfred H Graver's store for groceries, etc., p.m. Henry Aston here in eve. Paid him \$3.77 for papering stairway over in Mr. Shertz' house here. Rain early morning and partly all a.m. Damp and light rain part of p.m.

Saturday, March 28

Clear. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. Had Robert Graver remove coal ashes from back of building to driveway and garage and manual on lot over on property. Paid him 75 cents for same, a.m. Down to Mr. Frost public sale of farm stock and implements. Large attendance, p.m. Mr. Baker here this eve. Beautiful day.

Sunday, March 29

Clear. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. In eve. wife and I took walk to Graded School and returned. Auto traffic heavy through village. Beautiful spring day. Cool.

Monday, March 30

Clear. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. High 73. Working down in raspberry patch partly all day. At IORM in eve. Paid 6 mo. dues for self in advance. Paid dues for B.F. Markley and S.B. Good. Paid John Walton for repairing spouting and cementing roof on Aston property. \$3.30. J. Wesley Rice paid rent. \$10.00. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Tuesday, March 31

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. 38 in eve. About home on lawn, etc., a.m. Down in raspberry patch. Finished trimming but plenty more work there, p.m. Bruno Richard Hauptman, who was to be electrocuted at 8:30 p.m., received a 48 hour reprieve a few minutes before the time of execution. Wrote letter to Charles. Cool, high wind all day.

Wednesday, April 1

Cloudy. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Over on property repairing grape arbors and trimming up vines, a.m. Burning corn stalks, etc., p.m. At church practicing for Easter service in eve. Cold damp east wind all day. Rain in eve.

Thursday, April 2

Cloudy. Ther: 28 at 7 a.m. About home all

day. Shelled corn for poultry a.m. In house p.m. Blanche and Bettie at Lancaster. Paid Warren Sickman for 1 bus wheat, \$1.05 and 1 bus oats, 55 cents, for sowing. \$1.60. Very damp and light rain and sleet in morning. Thunder gust in eve.

Friday, April 3

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Ice and getting colder. High wind. High 36. 30 at 6 p.m. About home partly all day. Shelled corn, etc. Bruno Richard Hauptman executed this eve. at Trenton, N.J. at 8:45 p.m. Cold all day. Few flakes of snow.

Saturday, April 4

Partly clear. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Not feeling so well. Mrs. Earl Jenkins and daughter spent the eve. with us. Beautiful day but cold. Moderating p.m.

Sunday, April 5

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and Preparatory service a.m. At home p.m. and at Young People's meeting at church in eve. Blanche called this morning to take charge of body of Mrs. Amanda Dombach, wife of Calvin. Fetched body here to Home this p.m. I gave 4 doz. eggs for Bethany Orphanage to Rev. Scheirer. Threatening weather with rain in eve.

Monday, April 6

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Put over water and made fire for washing. Shelled corn and down on lower property short time. Sent check to B.F. Good for prof services to date. Quite warm all day. High wind and heavy rain partly all night.

Tuesday, April 7

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Finished shelling the ear corn I had stored in the end for poultry. Wife at

Lancaster with Blanche. Lizzie Musser Smith came along out. Viewing of Mrs. Calvin Dombach here at Home this eve. Damp all day. Light rain p.m.

Wednesday, April 8

Partly clear. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. Plenty of ice. Cleaning out poultry house a.m. At funeral of Mrs. Calvin Dombach here at Home and buried up at Habecker's Church cemetery. I went along up with Walter, p.m. Cold all day.

Thursday, April 9

Cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. High 38. About home all day. Not feeling well. Blanche called to Martic Forge this eve. Harry Trissler's mother-in-law died. Brought body here to Home. Ada Zercher paid April rent. \$10.00. Raining partly all day and cold.

Friday, April 10

Partly cloudy. No record of temp. In bed all day by orders of Dr. B.F. Good, our family physician, with run down system over exertion. He said no visitors and absolutely no talking. Do not have any pain. Just weak. Light rain and warmer.

Saturday, April 11

Cloudy. No record of temp. In bed all day. No pain. Weak. Dr. Good here. Strict quiet. Will and Bettie spent Easter at their home tomorrow. Showers.

Sunday, April 12

Partly cloudy. No record of temp. In bed. No pain. Dr. Good here. Same orders. None of family at Holy Communion. Partook same here at home. Blanche had funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Gemmil here at Home and buried at Bethel cemetery, Shenk's Ferry, York Co. Walter had charge. Blanche very sick, p.m. Over exertion. Easter service at church this eve. Very damp and rain p.m. and eve.

Monday, April 13

Partly cloudy. No recorded temp. In bed till 10 a.m. Dr. Good here and gave me permission to get up. Took light dinner with family. Took short walk in yard. Glad to get out. Feel weak. Hope for best. Blanche had Maris Ressel here. Made concrete steps at back of kitchen and several repairs. Sent check for 1 years dues, \$8.60, to IOOF. Warm. Few drops of rain.

Tuesday, April 14

Partly clear. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. At post office in morning. Walked out several times during day. At barber. Haircut and shave and mail in eve. Ladies Aid of our church met here this eve. and spent it very pleasantly. Henry B. Warfel paid rent for April. \$15.00. Sent check to New Era for 1 year subscription in advance. \$7.00. Beautiful day. Cooler in eve with few drops of rain.

Wednesday, April 15

Partly clear. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. About home. Over on property. Had Samuel Rankin plow part of lot that been in corn last year and sow oats and timothy and clover in it. Paid him \$1.50 for the labor, a.m. About house p.m. Not feeling so well. Blanche and mother at Nettie Herr, Farm Women's meeting and Blanche and Bettie at PALS meeting at Kreider's this eve. Ira E. Mellinger here. Paid him \$1.00 for membership in Game Association, 1936. Promised 15 pheasant eggs. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Thursday, April 16

Partly cloudy. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Saml Webster Everhart to paper two rooms over in house on property. Received 1/2 ton fertilizer from Farmers Association, West Willow, for corn and potatoes down on Rineer property. Paid for same. \$11.39. 2-9-5 grade. Wrote letter to son Charles. Thunder gust, light

rain last night. High wind all day and much colder in eve.

Friday, April 17

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Frank Campbell brought 1 ton 2-9-5 fertilizer this eve. 1/2 for Blanche. I paid my 1/2 ton. \$11.40 to Blanche. She will send her check for both. Blanche called to County Hospital for body of Mrs. Eva Reed, formerly at Long Lane. Brought body here to Home. Cold high wind all day. Few flakes of snow.

Saturday, April 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 33 at 7 a.m. Ice. At Lancaster to see Mr. Shertz, atty., and settled up the Aston property affairs to date and attended to other business. Went in with Walter and Blanche, a.m. Took J.B. Sigman, son and wife over to see the Aston property with view of purchasing. Seemed pleased. Went through house by permission of tenants. Jonas Huber died this eve. Blanche took charge at Lyndon. Quite cool all day.

Sunday, April 19

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. Told my class I would like to be relieved of my duties as teacher on account of my health. They granted it and asked me to remain in the class, which I promised I would and preaching service a.m. Will and Bettie took wife and I for auto ride this p.m. At Young People's meeting in eve, wife and I. Cold, raw, damp air all day.

Monday, April 20

Partly clear. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. Rather busy all day. Had Samuel Rankin plow and get ready for planting part of lot over on pro. \$2.25 paid and had Will to put lime and fertilizer on same. 50 cents, paid. Blanche had funeral of Eva Reed here at Home. Walter took body to Chestnut Level Presbyterian cemetery for

burial a.m. Sent check to I.M. Beaver for church paper. Record, \$3.50. Beautiful day.

Tuesday, April 21

Partly cloudy. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Sowed clover and timothy seed on bare places in grass patch, etc., a.m. Went along with Will to Byerland Mennonite Church to funeral of Jonas Huber. Blanche and Walter had the Jonas Huber funeral this p.m. High wind partly all day. Colder in eve with light rain.

Wednesday, April 22

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Down on property. Tied up grape vines, etc., a.m. and about home p.m. Went along with Blanche and Walter to funeral director's meeting at Brunswick Hotel, Lancaster. Very interesting demonstrations given in various preparations of bodies for burial. Beautiful day. Cool.

Thursday, April 23

Clear. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Had Web Everhart and Son paper 2 bedrooms over on property. One for Mrs. Henry B. Warfel and one for Ada Zercher. Paid him \$6.80 for same. I furnished paper and paste. I was down on Rineer property of a.m. and trimmed shrubbery here at home, p.m. Sent check to N.Y. Life for \$87.28. Year 1936. Abrm R. Newcomer, Wash Boro, died. Blanche called. Beautiful day. Cool.

Friday, April 24

Partly clear. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Down on Rineer property. Burned old fodder, etc., and cleaned up around arch entrance and in berry patch trimming, etc. Blanche and mother went over to Bertram Kreider's. They are having a birthday party for his wife. Paid life insurance to agt. \$5.45. Cool and rather high wind all day.

Saturday, April 25

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Plenty of ice. Down at berry patch on Rineer property. Rineer got 1/2 ton fertilizer here for potato planting and corn. Planted some potatoes on shares this p.m. At public sale of Witmer Warehouse. Martin Smith bought it. \$2,401. Aldus Charles, son of Jacob and Emma Charles, found dead in bed this morning. Plowed all day yesterday. Blanche called. Brought body here to Home. Beautiful day. Cool.

Sunday, April 26

Partly cloudy. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. Had charge of my class. Feeling some better and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Abram R. Newcomer. House service only on account of wife's illness. Cool and rather high wind partly all day.

Monday, April 27

Partly cloudy. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. Went along with Will to Washington Boro for chairs used at funeral of Abram R. Newcomer yesterday. Down in raspberry patch trimming, etc., p.m. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. David H. Mellinger, Creswell, this morning. Rather cool and thundering. Rain all day.

Tuesday, April 28

Partly cloudy. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. About house partly all day with heavy cold. At P.O. morning and eve and at primary election. Voted straight Republican ticket as usual. J. Roland Kinzer, Rep. in Congress and William E. Norah, Ada Co., Idaho. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Aldus Charles at River Corner. J. Wesley Rice paid May rent. \$10.00. Light rain and high wind.

Wednesday, April 29

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. About home all day except P.O., etc. Called Dr. Good this

morning. Have very heavy cold. He gave me medicine for same. Blanche and Walter took casket up for Mrs. Mellinger. Put body in, ready for funeral tomorrow, a.m. Quite warm all day. Rather high wind.

Thursday, April 30

Partly clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. Weeding flower bed here at home a.m. In house partly all p.m. Went along with Walter on business trip to Millersville, Washington Boro in eve. Enjoyed it very much. Abram S. Kendig died. Blanche called. Lloyd Hathaway paid May rent on Aston property. \$10.00. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. David Mellinger, Creswell, a.m. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Few drops of rain in eve.

Friday, May 1

Partly clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. Working on lawn partly all day. Dressing around shrubbery, etc. Walter buried Eugene Spangler's stillborn child at Millersville this a.m. for Blanche and they put body of Abram S. Kendig in casket. Ready for funeral tomorrow, p.m. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Saturday, May 2

Clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. High in 80s. Went along with Will to Millersville Mennonite Church with L.D. Green and chestnut outside case and attended the funeral of Abram S. Kendig, Millersville. Largely attended, a.m. About home p.m. Walter brought 4 rabbits for breeding of Ira E. Mellinger, Lanc. Co. Fish & Game Protect. Association, Lancaster. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Sunday, May 3

Partly clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. High 84. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. Abram D. Eberly and family here short time and John J. Eberly and family here and took supper with us. Rev. Paul Scheirer took dinner with us. Gave 2 of the rabbits to

C.H. Kreider and kept 2 down on Rineer property for breeding purposes. Quite warm. Fine rain and heavy thunder p.m.

Monday, May 4

Partly cloudy. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. 50 at 6 p.m. At Lancaster on business with H. Edgar Shertz, Esq. Settled with him on the Aston property to date in full, rents, etc. and the property sold today to Lester Sigman, son of Jacob B., New Danville, for \$3,900. At home in house all p.m. with heavy cold. Had the Herr boys and Paul Ressel here with their musical instruments. Their mothers and Annie Zercher spent a very pleasant eve. I furnished ice cream and cakes. Cold damp air partly all day.

Tuesday, May 5

Partly clear. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. Over on property trimming rose stalk and shrubbery. Planted 2 mahogany trees (small) etc. Very tired this eve. Beautiful day. Rather cool.

Wednesday, May 6

Partly clear. Ther: 44 at 7 a.m. Down Rineer property partly all a.m. In raspberry patch, etc. Edw White here this eve. Got 2-1/2 bus cobbler potatoes for planting on lower place. Wife and I over at the Geo Herr's. Had a surprise for the them. They expect to leave for Tennessee on Monday, Mr. Herr working there. They expect to stay till fall. Rather cool all day.

Thursday, May 7

Partly clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. In house partly all day with heavy cold. Blanche called early this morning to take charge of body of Annie W. Ginter, Ridgway, Manor Twp. Beautiful day. Cool and rather windy.

Friday, May 8

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. 80 at 6:30 p.m.

High 94 at 3 p.m. About the house partly all day. My cold is not improving very much. Dr. Good here. Gave me more medicine. Phares Frey paid May rent on Aston property near Sigman. \$10.00. Henry B. Warfel paid May rent this eve. \$15.00. Very warm all day.

Saturday, May 9

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at 7 a.m. 90 high. Down on Rineer property in morning. Trimmed raspberry and young locust and look after corn ground that Rankin plowed. Rineer's are planting potatoes for me same as last year, a.m. About house partly all p.m. and eve. P.A.L.S. Society are giving an entertainment at East Centre School House. Very warm all day and eve.

Sunday, May 10

Partly clear. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. 60 at 7 p.m. At Sunday school. Bro Clayton Charles, a member of the class, took my place as teacher on account of my very heavy cold that I have had for over two weeks and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. except wife and I went over to the Geo Herr family across the street who are leaving early in the morning for Tennessee where Mr. Herr works. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Annie W. Ginter at Millersville Mennonite, p.m. Beautiful day. Cool.

Monday, May 11

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Cold about the same. John Slaymaker and wife here in eve. Horace Graver was arrested Saturday night for drunken driving. Auto mashed near Levan's Mill, New Danville Pike. Very heavy fog in the morning. Warmer during day.

Tuesday, May 12

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Went along with Walter and Blanche to Lancaster via

Millersville. Stopped to see Dr. Good with reference to my cold. Gave more medicine and said doing very good. Not out of car at Lancaster. Home by 10:30 a.m. About home all p.m. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Charles Fralich of Maple Grove. Was struck by auto truck and died at St. Joseph Hospital shortly afterward. Brought body here to Home. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Wednesday, May 13

Partly clear. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. About home and over on property. At barber. Had a cut and shave. 40 cents. Rec'd of Son Charles \$20.00 on loan to him. Quite warm. Especially p.m. Had heavy thunderstorm 3 p.m. Lightning struck H.G. Warfel house, our neighbor. Broke meter to pieces and several other minor things. All phones in this part of the town are out of service. A very good rain

Thursday, May 14

Clear. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. 58 at 6 p.m. About home partly all day. Not feeling so well. Blanche took body of Mrs. Charles Fralich to her home for funeral tomorrow. Ada Zercher paid May rent this eve. \$10.00. Quite cool and rather high wind all day.

Friday, May 15

Clear. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. Frost at Baumgardner's Station, Pequea Twp. Ther: 30 and very heavy frost. Down on lower place. Saml Rankin getting corn ground ready, a.m. Went along with J.W. Morrison, H.G. Warfel and M.H. Groff to Ephrata community sale. Large crowd. High prices. Cows sold high as \$125.00 each. Blanche and Walter attended private funeral of Mrs. Chas Fralich at house only, p.m. A beautiful day.

Saturday, May 16

Partly clear. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. About home lying down part of a.m. At public sale of Annie

Hill personal property by her son Charles. Very good prices generally. I bought grind stone and a picture of the original Kendig Hotel with Emanuel (Money) at pump, Mary Ann at barroom door, Annie Foreman at parlor and Wm G. Henry Hostler holding one of Dr. M.H. Kendig's horses. A splendid frame enclosing same. Picture, 15 cents. Grind stone, \$1.55. Cool a.m. Beautiful p.m.

Sunday, May 17

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and church service a.m. At home p.m. and at Young People's Service in eve. Beautiful day. Sun real warm.

Monday, May 18

Partly clear. Ther: 56; at 7 a.m. About home and down lower place. Saml Rankin planted corn. I furnished phosphate for same, a.m. Painted porch flower boxes over on property and helped to move furniture, etc., for to lay linoleum in dining room, etc. Received 13 pheasant eggs from Ira Mellinger for hatching. Gave them to Charles Kreider to hatch. John Eshleman stillborn child, Masonville, this morning. Very warm all day.

Tuesday, May 19

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Walter took mother and I in to Dr. Hamacker, Lancaster, to have our ears treated for deafness caused by our heavy colds. Feel some better. Paid \$2.00 each. Over on property. Painted porch flower box, p.m. and at P.A.L.S. meeting at church in eve. Saml Adams, Pequea, died at Genl Hospital. Blanche had charge. Fetched body here to Home. Beautiful day. Cool. Light rain in morning.

Wednesday, May 20

Partly clear. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. Trimmed vines on front porch a.m. About house part of p.m. and walked to Harry C. Rineer. Told him to mow grass in orchard on lower place when

he sees fit and take it home for his cattle. Beautiful day. Quite cool.

Thursday, May 21

Clear. Ther: 44 at 7 a.m. J.W. Morrison, M.H. Groff, Alfred S. Hess and I left for North East fishing shore at 9 a.m. Arrived there at 10:30. Bought several Shad roe's at 20 cents per lb. Bucks, 18 cents. Came home via Perryville, Port Deposit, etc. Stopped to see Bettie's mother about 2 or 3 minutes. Found her well. Arrived home 2:45 p.m. Mr. Morrison not feeling well. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Saml Adams, Pequea. Buried in Greenwood, Lancaster. Beautiful day. Cool.

Friday, May 22

Partly clear. Ther: 44 at 7 a.m. Over on property fixing up wires, etc., for wisteria vines, etc., a.m. Down in raspberry patch trimming young locust, etc., partly all p.m. John C. Campbell's house damaged by fire this eve. New Danville fire co. served. Beautiful day. Sun very warm. Air cool.

Saturday, May 23

Clear. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. Down in raspberry patch trimming young locust, etc., and came home at noon. Very tired a.m. Laid down partly all p.m. Home in eve. Will and Bettie went to their homes this eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Cool in eve.

Sunday, May 24

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. 98 in sun at 3 p.m. At Sunday school a.m. At home. Our grandson, Paul and lady friend, Mr. ? and his lady friend spent part of p.m. with us and went to Safe Harbor dam from Preservation Park. Chester Eberly, wife and son spent eve with us. Beautiful day. Very warm.

Monday, May 25

Partly clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. 70 at 6 p.m.

Trimming, etc., down in raspberry patch partly all day. Feel real tired this eve. Paid county tax: \$7.20 and road tax: \$12.60. Total, \$19.60. Abatement, 96 cents. total: \$18.24. Blanche called to Landis W. Rice. Daughter Verna died. Beautiful day. Not near so warm. Cool in eve.

Tuesday, May 26

Partly clear. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. Down in raspberry patch a.m. and part of p.m. Blanche called last night to take charge of body of Elizabeth Z. Witman, 714 N. Plum St., Lancaster. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Wednesday, May 27

Partly cloudy. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. About house partly all a.m. on account of rain early morning. Down in raspberry patch p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Verna Rice this p.m. and took body of Elizabeth Z. Witman to home of daughter for funeral tomorrow. Two thunder gust last night. Light rain in early morn. Quite cool in eve.

Thursday, May 28

Partly clear. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. 57 at 7 p.m. Down in raspberry patch a.m. Harry Eckman and I decorated soldiers' graves with flags in all the cemeteries of township this p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Elizabeth Z. Witmer p.m. J. Wesley Rice paid June rent. \$10.00. Gave 1/2 to Blanche. Cool and rather high wind all day.

Friday, May 29

Partly clear. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. Some report 33. Put flags on Colored veteran graves in Colored cemetery here and worked in raspberry patch a.m. Went to Lancaster. Took mother to Hamacker to have her ears treated. Paid \$2.00 for same and about home p.m. Quite cool all day. Light reported frost. Vegetables damaged some.

Saturday, May 30

Partly clear. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. Put out large flag on porch and number of small ones all along the front of yard. About home partly all day observing Decoration Day. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Henry Miller, Highville at the Genl Hospital. Walter and Will brought body here to Home. Very stout. Quite cool all day.

Sunday, May 31.

Partly clear. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and Young People's 4th anniversary Service in eve. Had the Mrs. Henry Miller viewing here at Home this eve, 7 to 9. Beautiful day. Cool.

Monday, June 1

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Down raspberry patch a.m. At funeral of Mrs. Henry Miller here at Home and buried at Highville, p.m. Blanche and Walter had charge of funeral. Beautiful day. Great change in weather. Quite warm all day.

Tuesday, June 2

Clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Down in raspberry patch a.m. At Lancaster on business, Walter and Blanche and took mother along in to Mary and Lila, p.m. Over at church in eve. Practicing Children Day Service. Very warm all day and very dry.

Tuesday, June 3

Partly clear. Ther: 61 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property trimming, etc., a.m. About home and in shop, etc., p.m. Quite warm a.m. Thunder gust, very high wind and nice shower of rain. Light and very heavy at Lancaster and east.

Thursday, June 4

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. About home weeding flower beds, etc. Papers report yesterday hottest day of season. 99 degrees

at Ephrata official station. Light rain last night. Sun quite warm a.m. Cooler p.m.

Friday, June 5

Clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. Painted kitchen chairs, etc., a.m. Over on property and down on lower Property P.m. Beautiful day and quite cool in eve.

Saturday, June 6

Partly clear. Ther: 55 at 7 a.m. Not feeling well. Had Dr. Good call and prescribed for blood pressure, etc., a.m. Walked down on lower property for exercise p.m. At home in eve. Beautiful day. Cool in eve.

Sunday, June 7

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. Bettie took mother and I out for auto ride p.m. Millersville, Abrm Eberly, Columbia Pike, Lancaster and home. Enjoyed it very much. Beautiful day. Cool air all day. Like rain in eve.

*Monday, June 8 and
Tuesday, June 9 missing*

Wednesday, June 10

Partly clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. Over on property part all a.m. About home p.m. After supper took a walk down on lower property. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Frank Graham, Snyder Hollow near Smithville this eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm. Cooler in eve.

Thursday, June 11

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Fixed poultry yard gate, etc. Shelled corn for poultry, etc. Blanche had body of Mrs. Frank Graham brought here to Home. Funeral will not be till Sunday. Ada Zercher paid June rent. \$10.00. Beautiful day. About 5 p.m. had heavy rain and some thunder. A fine and much needed rain.

Friday, June 12

Partly cloudy. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Not feeling so well. Blanche called to come to Scheafferstown early this morning for the body of Ralph A. Sauder who was electrocuted yesterday. Brought body here to Home. Henry B. Warfel paid June rent. \$15.00. Quite warm all day.

Saturday, June 13

Partly cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Went along with Will. Took rough box to Fairview cemetery and chairs to home for funeral of Mrs. Frank Graham near Truce and then took chairs to the Sauder home at Millersville and afterward took body of Ralph A. Sauder to his home at same place, p.m. Blanche called to take charge of body of Benj K. Sangrey, Manor, p.m. Rain last night and this eve and much cooler.

Sunday, June 14

Partly cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche very busy p.m. Attended funeral of Mrs. Frank Graham at Fairview church near New Providence and Ralph A. Sauder, Millersville. Services at home only. Walter attended also. Rather damp and heavy rain about 5:30 p.m. Some thunder nw.

Monday, June 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Shelled corn a.m. Trimmed vines on front porch, etc., p.m. At church in eve. rehearsing Children's Day Service. Quite warm during day. Cooler in eve.

Tuesday, June 16

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. Over on property a.m. Down in raspberry patch p.m. Blanche called this morning to take charge of body of Mrs. Ella S. Newcomer near Washington Boro.

Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Benj K. Sangrey, Manor at River Corner Mennonite. Large attendance. Quite cool all day.

Wednesday, June 17

Partly clear. Ther: 49 at 7 a.m. Went along to the Newcomer home, Washington Boro, with casket and chairs for funeral tomorrow and then to the Benj K. Sangrey home for chairs, etc. used at funeral yesterday. Blanche and Walter went to Harrisburg on business after putting body of Mrs. Newcomer in casket, etc., a.m. Working on lawn in p.m. Signed right-of-way to A.S. Benedict to lay pipe up alley to lower property to convey water from former Harriet Sweeney's to his home here in village, the former Bruner store property. (See memorandum). Beautiful day. Rather high wind.

Thursday, June 18

Partly clear. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Had Saml Rankin mow the grass on front and in orchard, etc., a.m. About house and went down in raspberry patch and picked a few berries, the first of the season, p.m. Quite warm a.m. Cooler and rather stormy p.m. Heavy thunder gust with few hail late in eve.

Friday, June 19

Cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Not feeling well. Blanche at Lancaster p.m. Took mother along to her folks. Invite to Charles for Children's Day practice. Rain partly all day. Light and very damp.

Saturday, June 20

Partly clear. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. About home partly all a.m. Went down in raspberry patch and picked 2 boxes for table, p.m. Wife at F.W. Society at home of Mrs. John Wade. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs.

Wm Rice, Manor, electrocuted by accident. Quite warm all day. Cooler in eve.

Sunday, June 21

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school, etc., a.m. At home p.m. and Children's Day Service in eve. Very large attendance and good service. Mrs. Bertram Kreider had charge of program. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, June 22

Clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home. Helped clean up after washing, etc., a.m. Samuel Rankin hauled in hay over on property. Put some of clover up in barn for poultry and gave the rest to Rankin for labor done at same, p.m. P.A.L.S. meeting at church decided to offer Hackman \$300 for 2 acres land back of Graded School. He asked \$700. Outrageous price. Beautiful day. Cool.

Tuesday, June 23

Cloudy. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. 50 at 6 p.m. About home partly all day. Received fine letter from son Charles. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Wm Rice, Masonville Mennonite Church. Damp. Cool air all day.

Wednesday, June 24

Cloudy. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. Not out of 50s all day. About house partly all day. Helped hull peas for canning and in shop. Rained partly all night and raining partly all day. Real heavy in morning.

Thursday, June 25

Partly clear. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. Down lower property trimming, etc., partly all day. Rather tired this eve. Beautiful day. Not nearly so cool.

Friday, June 26

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property mowing weeds and cutting sprouts

out apple trees a.m. About home p.m. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Saturday, June 27

Partly cloudy. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Blanche, mother and I went the annual P.A.L.S. picnic held at the Reformed Church, Willow Street. There were 51 who partook of a very fine dinner at 3 p.m. and every person seemed to be just right for a good social time. Returned home 8 p.m. J. Wesley Rice paid July rent. \$10.00. Quite warm. Few drops of rain several times.

Sunday, June 28

Partly cloudy. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Wrote letter to Charles. Blanche called 2 a.m. Christ Dombach, Willow Street, died at St. Joseph Hospital. Cause: fell from cherry tree. Thunder gust and heavy shower of rain and few hail 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Another gust with very heavy shower and some hail. Clearing and much cooler in eve.

Monday, June 29

Partly clear. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. Helped string sugar peas and peas and Will and I went to County Hospital for body of Henry H. Bitts, formerly of this place and brought it here to Home, a.m. Helped about home and picked few raspberries for table use. Wm, Jacob and Guy Bitts here this eve. and arranged funeral for father here at Home Friday p.m. Quite warm all day.

Tuesday, June 30

Partly cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About house, etc., a.m. Picked few raspberries, etc., p.m. Home in eve. Rain last night and warm in p.m. Cool in eve.

Wednesday, July 1

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home

a.m. J.W. Morrison, M.H. Groff, Hiram G. Warfel and I went to Parkesburg community sale this p.m. Very large attendance and farm products galore. New Irish potatoes, 75 cents per 1/2 bus. No. 1 grade very fine string beans, 25 cents per 1/2 bus basket, etc. Returned home via Strasburg, 4:30. Feeling real tired. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Christ Dombach, Willow Street, p.m. Warm all day. Cool in eve.

Thursday, July 2

Partly clear. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Walter took mother and I up to cousin Abrm Hess daughter, Mrs. Brubaker funeral at Cross Road Church, Mt. Joy. Very large attendance. About 1,000 persons present, p.m. Blanche had viewing of Henry H. Bitts here at Home this eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Friday, July 3

Partly cloudy. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. At funeral of Henry H. Bitts here at Home, p.m. Delilah and Mary Bruner here this eve. Will spend the weekend with us. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Henry H. Bitts here at Home. All services. Buried in M. E. Cemetery. Heavy rain here this morning. Quite warm.

Saturday, July 4

Partly cloudy. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Picked few raspberries for table use and about home, etc., balance of day. Quite a display of fireworks in village. Will and Bettie left early this morning to spend the week end. Beautiful and warm a.m. Thunder gust 2 p.m. and fine rain.

Sunday, July 5

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service by Rev Paul Scheirer. He notified the congregation by

reading the resignation of his father as our pastor to take effect Aug 8th, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Auto traffic heavy through the village. Especially in the eve. Beautiful day.

Monday, July 6

Partly clear. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. Trimmed vines at front porch a.m. About home and down in raspberry patch. Picked few for table, p.m. and in eve. went along with Walter to Genl Hospital for body of Lloyd Herr's daughter, auto accident. Brought body here to Home. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Tuesday, July 7

Partly clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. Helped hull peas, etc., a.m. At Lancaster on business, etc., and went along down to see Chester Eberly's son who had a leg broken and home via New Providence, Truce, Buck, Rawlinsville, Martic Forge and home, Walter, Blanche and I. Afterwards Walter took mother, Mary Bruner, Delilah and I to Washington Boro to see the Ohmit folks. Had Lancaster folks spend the eve. here. Henry B. Warfel paid July Rent. \$15.00. Beautiful day.

Wednesday, July 8

Clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. 94 at 6 p.m. A very warm report of 104. Down in berry patch part of a.m. About home p.m. In eve. went to Reformed Church, Willow Street, to joint consistory meeting with regard to Rev David Scheirer's resignation as our pastor and Paul Scheirer to succeed him. The matter was differed to July 22. Blanche and Walter took body of Lloyd Herr's daughter to her home this eve. Very warm all day.

Thursday, July 9

Partly clear. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. 98 at 3 p.m. 94 at 6 p.m. High, 102 and 124 in sun. About home all day. Doing very little on account of

heat. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Alma Mae Herr, aged 25 years. Very large attendance at Colemanville M. E. Church. Ada Zercher paid July rent. \$10.00.

Friday, July 10

Clear. Ther: 75 at 7 a.m. 100 at noon. 90 at 6 p.m. About home partly all day. In raspberry patch in eve. All over for this season. Hot weather finished them. Blanche called to Millersville this morning. Susan Miller Shertzer (Jonas) died. Called to Millersville again this eve. Benj F. Hess, former miller at Rock Hill died. Mrs. Bruner and Mary went home this p.m. Another very warm day. Thunder gust in N. east this eve.

Saturday, July 11

Partly clear. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. High 98. About home on lawn and in shop. Fixed window screen, etc. Blanche called to Millersville. Martin M. Breneman died this noon. Quite warm all day. Thunder gust in eve. with light shower of rain. Cooler.

Sunday, July 12

Partly clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. High 94. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Susan, wife of Jonas Shertzer, at Millersville Mennonite p.m. and took body of Benj F. Hess to his home after the Shertzer funeral. Beautiful day. Thunder gust several times at a distance. Slightly cooler in eve.

Monday, July 13

Partly clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. High 96. Went along with Will. Took polished outside case to Reformed Mennonite cemetery, New Danville, for burial of Benj F. Hess this a.m. Weeding flower beds here on lawn and went down on Hackman farm back of Graded School to clean up for S.S. picnic Saturday.

Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Benj F. Hess a.m. and took body of Martin Breneman to his home for funeral tomorrow. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Tuesday, July 14

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at 7 a.m. High 94. Helped clear off picnic ground on Hackman property a.m. About home all p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Martin Breneman, Millersville, and called last night. Mrs. Clayton K. Brenner, Highville, died and this afternoon, Mrs. Francis A. Miller near New Danville. Very warm all day. Thunder gust in eve. with fine shower of rain.

Wednesday, July 15

Partly clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. About home working on lawn, etc., a.m. and part of p.m. and went along with Walter to New Providence for burial permit for Mrs. Miller. Stopped in to John Slaymaker's a few minutes. All well. Was very much surprised to see the damage done by storm and hail yesterday at Elliott's Corner and section. Corn all shredded and tobacco in shreds and beat. Beautiful day. Not so warm. Nice breeze all day.

Thursday, July 16

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. 70 at 7 p.m. About home partly all day. Down on lower property short time in p.m. Trimming young locust. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Clayton K. Brenner, Highville. Beautiful day. Sun quite warm. Cool air.

Friday, July 17

Clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral. Went along with Will to funeral of Mrs. Francis A. Miller at Clearfield M. E. Church. We took lowering device, greens and the flowers from Home to church, a.m. About home and down on lower property. Walter and Will fetched body of

drowned man from river near Manns Run in very bad condition. Might have been in water for several weeks. Nothing to identify by except several gold teeth in upper jaw. Beautiful day. Warm.

Saturday, July 18

Clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. Very much warmer during day. About home. Not feeling very strong, a.m. Mother and I walked down to the Hackman plot back of our cemetery. The Sunday school held their annual picnic. Large attendance and lots of good eats. Every person welcome and had an enjoyable time. The Conestoga band furnished music in eve. Buried the unidentifiable body of man found in river in Reformed cemetery this morning. A beautiful day. Quite warm.

Sunday, July 19

Clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home. Slater Pyle and wife, friends of Bettie and Will, took dinner with us and spent afternoon. At home in eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, July 20

Partly cloudy. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. 70 at 7 p.m. Put water in pool, etc. and over on property a.m. Down on lower property partly all p.m. Blanche received word from Philadelphia of the death of (no name). Rain in morning. Cool. Great change from yesterday. Much cooler in eve.

Tuesday, July 21

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property cutting out old canes, etc., in raspberry patch, a.m. Trimmed vines at front porch, etc., p.m. Had Phares Graver cut patch oats with grain cradle over on property this p.m. Had intended going to P.A.L.S. meeting at Allen Hoover's this eve. but stayed home. Wife went. Blanche called to take charge of

body of Amos N. Stauffer, Manor this eve. Quite warm.

Wednesday, July 22

Partly clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. High 92 in sun. About home and over on property. Planted several lilac bushes and some repairing in yard. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Henry Shuman at Creswell. Walter and I at joint consistory meeting at Willow Street in reference to resignation of Rev David Scheirer and the application of Rev Paul Scheirer. Was turned down by the Willow Street consistory. Conestoga favored him but in minority. Beautiful day. Warm.

Thursday, July 23

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. Over on property partly all day. Opened water course back of summer house. Bound up oats and Will and I put it in barn for poultry in winter. Tied up wisteria vines at back porch and down in raspberry patch cutting out old canes and young locust after supper. Sun was very warm but nice breeze part of day.

Friday, July 24

Partly cloudy. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. 70 at 7 p.m. About home and down in berry patch trimming, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amos N. Stauffer at Masonville p.m. Fine rain. 2 gusts during night and morning and quite warm p.m.

Saturday, July 25

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Down in berry patch a.m. Went down to M. E. Sunday school picnic in Kneisley's orchard. Took supper with them and spent a very p.m. there. Met quite a few friends. Beautiful day.

Sunday, July 26

Clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. 78 at 4:30 p.m. 100 in sun. At Sunday school and preaching

service. Rev. David Scheirer. His last service as our pastor, he having resigned as of August 2nd. Sorry to have him leave us. At home p.m. and eve. Beautiful day, but very warm. Especially p.m. and eve.

Monday, July 27

Partly cloudy. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. Rather busy day here. Working about home a.m. Will and I went to County Home for body of Francis Rineer Cramer and busy about home balance of day. Blanche had 4 calls. First, Mary Herren, Neffsville Home. Brought body here to Home. 2nd, Adaline Stauffer, Lancaster. 3rd, Fannie Mae Earhart, Washington Boro. 4th, Angeline R. Cramer, Conestoga. Body here to Home. Light rain in morning. Quite warm during day. Light rain in eve.

Tuesday, July 28

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. 84 at 5 p.m. Went along with Walter on business trip to Lancaster for burial permits, to Washington Boro for same and home, a.m. About home and down on property for apples, etc. in eve. Bettie took mother and I and her little niece over to Walter Eshleman to spend the eve. with Mr. and Mrs. very pleasantly. Blanche and Walter and Will took body of Mary Herren to her son John's home at Lancaster for funeral tomorrow. Very warm all day.

Wednesday, July 29

Partly clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. 86 at 5 p.m. Helping about, etc., a.m. Along with Will. Took casket, etc., in for body of Adaline Stauffer, #49 Farnum St., Lancaster. Caught in very heavy rain storm. Rain and few hail. Stopped at New Danville hotel under shelter short time. Blanche called to Oregon this morning. Mrs. Elizabeth Kunkle died. Afterward attended funeral of Mary Herren, Lancaster and buried in Conestoga Reformed cemetery, p.m. Quite warm. Heavy storm p.m.

Thursday, July 30

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. Went up to funeral of Fannie Mae Ehrhart at Bennie Herr's Church. Will drove. I took charge from church to cemetery. Walter had to go to funeral of Adaline Stauffer, Lancaster. We took greens and lowering device to Greenwood cemetery for Stauffer funeral this p.m. and afterward fetched chairs from house and greens from cemetery. Blanche went to look after the Kunkle body this eve. and I had charge of the Cramer viewing. A very busy day for all. J. Wesley Rice paid rent. \$10.00. Beautiful day. Warm.

Friday, July 31

Partly cloudy. Ther: 53 at 7 a.m. At funeral of Adaline R. Cramer here at Home and buried in M.E. cemetery, a.m. Down on lower place trimming and picked few black berries for pie. Mr. Baker came here this eve. Beautiful day. Quite cool in eve.

Saturday, August 1

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. High 89. About home. Cleaning in berry patch back of garden. Not doing much p.m. Not feeling so well. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Elizabeth B. Kunkle near Oregon and Millersville Mennonite, p.m. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Sunday, August 2

Partly clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. 100 in sun at 4 p.m. At Sunday school and preaching service. Rev Paul Scheirer preached his last sermon as associate pastor. The consistory met afterward and decided to have Rev. Alfred L. Creager preach his trial sermon on Sunday morning after August 9th here at Conestoga, a.m. Paul, our grandson of Philadelphia and Wm F. Bruner and daughter Olive of Philadelphia spent short time. Bettie's sister here for dinner and took daughter, Jane home. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, August 3

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. 90 at 3 p.m. Down in berry patch cutting out old canes, etc., a.m. About home p.m. Mr. Baker went home this morning. Another very warm day.

Tuesday, August 4

Partly clear. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. Down in berry patch a.m. About home. Had a very agreeable surprise this p.m. Miss Cecelia Morton called and spent short time. Had her nephew from Illinois with his son of John Warfel, formerly of Safe Harbor. Will and Bettie took mother and I down to John Slaymaker's to spend some time. Returned home 10 p.m. Beautiful day but very warm.

Wednesday, August 5

Partly cloudy. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Down in berry patch partly all day. Very tired this eve. Blanche called to Kreadyville. Child of Aaron M. Hostetter died. Sent check to Commonwealth of Pa. for personal property tax. \$3.70. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Thursday, August 6

Cloudy. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. At home and in the house partly all day. Rev. David Scheirer and wife and family took dinner and spent p.m. with us. Very damp a.m. and several fine showers of rain p.m.

Friday, August 7

Partly clear. Ther: 57 at 7 a.m. Working in shop. Put new wire screens on outside door at rear entrance to house, etc., a.m. About home and down in berry patch p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Aaron M. Hostetter's child at Millersville Mennonite. Beautiful day. Cool in eve.

Saturday, August 8

Partly clear. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. Shelled corn for poultry. Trimmed surplus grape vines,

a.m. Went to Greenhill S.S. picnic. Had very pleasant time. Met many kind friends. Took supper there p.m. Beautiful day. Warm.

Sunday, August 9

Clear. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. 60 at 7 p.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Monday, August 10

Clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. 70 at 7 p.m. Shelled corn for poultry. Had Samuel Rankin mow second crop grass over on property and down on lower property (partly) p.m. Blanche, mother and Bettie at Lancaster p.m. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Tuesday, August 11

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Down on lower a.m. At home p.m. Ladies Aid Society met here this eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of Hiram R. Benedict who was killed by his motor cycle running into a tree near his home in New Danville. Jacob son. Brought body here to Home this morning. Light rain last night and quite warm all day.

Wednesday, August 12

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Mowed weeds, etc., a.m. Down on property. Mowed weeds under apple trees, etc., p.m. Helped Blanche at the viewing of Hiram R. Benedict. Body here at Home. Fully 150 people present and the floral tributes were remarkable, eve. Henry B. Warfel paid Aug rent. \$15.00.

Thursday, August 13

Partly clear. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. About home all day. The funeral house service for Hiram R. Benedict 1:30 p.m. and at Green Hill Church. Rev Martin Groff spoke. Blanche and

Walter had charge. Ada Zercher paid Aug rent. \$10.00. A very warm day.

Friday, August 14

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. High in 90s. Working down on property a.m. Weeding on lawn, etc. Brought apples and pears over from property. Blanche called to take charge of body of Clarence King this eve. Brought body here to Home. Very warm all day. Nice breeze in eve.

Saturday, August 15

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Went along with Blanche and Walter to Oreville Mennonite Home for body of Fanny Myers who died there this morning. The first guest of the home. Brought body here to Home. Spoke a few words to Barbara Good, a former resident of Conestoga, Pa. Will and Bettie left for their home at noon. Very warm day. Light shower of rain in eve.

Sunday, August 16

Partly clear. Ther: 66; at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. No church service a.m. At home all p.m. Had viewing of body of Clarence King. Very sad. Blanche called to St. Joseph Hospital for body of Abrm Shoff, Maple Spring this eve. Walter and I brought it here to Home. Heavy thunder gust 4 a.m. Fine shower of rain. Thundering partly all p.m. and eve. No rain. Very warm.

Monday, August 17

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. At funeral of Clarence King. All services here at Home. Very sad funeral. Buried in Reformed cemetery here, a.m. Down on lower property. Cutting out young locust out of orchard and at home p.m. Paid Samuel Rankin \$2.50 for mowing grass and weeds down on lower property. Beautiful day. Much cooler in eve.

Tuesday, August 18

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property. Cutting out young locust partly all day. In eve. went to Rev Scheirer's. The P.A.L.S. Society held their monthly meeting there and they decided to offer Valentine Hackman \$450.00 for the land back of Graded School ground. About 2-1/2 acres, or high mark, \$500.00 (a high price) but about the only land available satisfactory for purposes. Blanche and Walter had funeral of Fanny Myers at Oreville Home, p.m. Beautiful day. Warmer.

Wednesday, August 19

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at 7 a.m. At home. Had some very welcome visitors. Son Charles and his wife. Her first visit here for some years. They spent partly all day. Left for home about 4 p.m. Down on lower property afterwards. The day was spent very pleasantly. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Abrm Shoff at M. E. Church, Marticville, a.m. Rather damp air all day.

Thursday, August 20

Partly clear. Ther: 68 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property a.m. and about home p.m. The Ladies Aid Society of our church held their annual outing here in garage this p.m. Gave a fine supper and spent a very pleasant time together. Sold my ear corn of last year to Warren Sickman at \$1.00 per bus. Beautiful day. Very warm all day and sultry in eve.

Friday, August 21

Partly clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. Down on lower place trimming, etc., a.m. Mowing weeds under apple trees part of p.m. The heat was so great I quit and came home. I minded the heat so much. Received telegram of J. Millard Bruner, Philadelphia, announcing the death of his mother, Mrs. J.M. Bruner. Funeral Tuesday, 25th, 2 p.m. Beautiful day. Very warm and humid.

Saturday, August 22

Clear. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property a.m. About home not doing much. Mrs. Ella Good and Mrs. Sue Keene Eckman spent the evening with us. Another very warm day. More breeze in evening.

Sunday, August 23

Clear. Ther: 72 at 7 a.m. High 94. At Sunday school. Had my friend, Rev Martin Groff, teach the lesson for me and he preached for us afterward. Rev Paul Scheirer had the opening service, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Heat oppressive all day.

Monday, August 24

Clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Walter, Blanche and I to the funeral directors' outing at Media Heights. Spent a very pleasant time and a fine supper and returned home at 8:30 p.m. The P.A.L.S. met this eve. and reported the purchase of the piece of ground back of Graded School of Valentine Hackman. About 2 acres for \$500.00. A big price. Beautiful day. Quite warm all day.

Tuesday, August 25

Clear. Ther: 70 at 7 a.m. About home in morning. Left home at 9 o'clock to attend funeral of Aunt Jennie Bruner. Mary Bruner and mother and I to Philadelphia. House service only and took body to West Laurel Hill cemetery and placed it beside her husband in a vault. Returned to home short time and arrived home 6 p.m. A very large display of flowers Blanche and I sent for family. Beautiful day. Very warm. Thunder gust and light rain in eve.

Wednesday, August 26

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. Over on property cleaning up loft. Had corn stored and working on lawn here at home and down

on lower property short time in eve. Beautiful day. Not nearly so warm.

Thursday, August 27

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Walter and I went to New Holland community sale to buy P.R. pullets but we did not stay for sale. Stock was too inferior. I would not have took some of them at any price. Leghorns were fine, hogs very nice. Not feeling so well. Caught cold. Damp and cool all day. Light rain last night.

Friday, August 28

Cloudy. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. Cleaned poultry and in shop. Filed hand saw for Will. The first saw I filed for a long time, a.m. Weeding on lawn, etc., p.m. Cool and damp air all day. Light rain in eve.

Saturday, August 29

Partly cloudy. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. About home partly all a.m. Walked out to Alfred H Graver's store and spent some time, p.m. Fine rain early this morning. Warm and light rain in eve.

Sunday, August 30

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home all p.m. At Boys' Day Service this eve. Large attendance and very good program. Rev Ehrhart spoke on sowing and reaping. The Simmon's Orchestra furnished the music. Blanche called to take charge of body of Arlene Aston, daughter of Ray, Marticville, illuminating gas victim at Lancaster. Beautiful day. Rather cool and few drops of rain.

Monday, August 31

Partly clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. About home all day. At I.O.R.M. in eve. Paid up dues to January 12, 1937. Cool all day. Light shower of rain p.m.

Tuesday, September 1

Clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. Down on lower place mowing weeds, etc. partly all day. Caught large snake. Looks like house snake. Blanche and Walter attended the Arlene Aston funeral at Marticville M. E. Church, a.m. Bought door mat made of auto tires for Blanche. Present. Paid \$2.00 for same. A most beautiful day. Cool all day and eve.

Wednesday, September 2

Partly cloudy. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. 64 at 6 p.m. Down on lower place mowing weeds, etc., a.m. About home. Rev Clarence Howell, former pastor of M. E. Church and wife, son and youngest daughter spent short time with us. We were delighted to meet them again. Will and Bettie left for Washington, D.C. this morning for 2 days' vacation. Cool day. Rain in eve.

Thursday, September 3

Partly cloudy. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Mother and I had intended taking a day auto trip with J.W. Morrison, but on account of the threatening weather did not go. At home. Repaired hall rack for Blanche, etc., a.m. Down on lower place mowing weeds, etc. Had a hot reception. Got into a yellow jacket's nest. I took to the heels and left them alone, p.m. Received check of Warren Sickman for corn sold him some time ago. \$25.00. Damp a.m. Quite warm p.m.

Friday, September 4

Partly clear. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. Down on lower place partly all day mowing weeds, etc. Good and tired this eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of Ellen Breneman, Millersville. Died at St. Joseph Hospital. Brought body here to home. Beautiful day. Sun warm but cool air.

Saturday, September 5

Partly clear. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Down on lower

place mowing weeds, etc., a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Beautiful day. Cool.

Sunday, September 6

Clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Wrote letter to son, Charles this eve. and mother wrote also. Beautiful day. Quite cool.

Monday, September 7

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. Down on lower place partly all day mowing weeds, etc. Walter and Will picked 2 bus pears for spicing. Sold them, too. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Miss Ellen Breneman, Millersville. Buried at Masonville. Beautiful day. Sun quite warm p.m.

Tuesday, September 8

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. J.W. Morrison, Hettie Good, Mother and I left home by auto at 8:30 a.m. for pleasure trip for the day via Lititz, Brickerville, Schaefferstown, Myerstown, Mt. Aetna, route 243, Bethel, route 83, Summit Station, Cressona, Pottsville. Took dinner at Eagle Hotel. Pine Grove, Grantville, Route 72, Elizabethtown and home 5 p.m. Enjoyed trip very much. I paid all expenses. 4 Dinners, \$2.00. Total \$6.30. Blanche called. Mary S. Hess, Millersville, body here to Home. Quite warm. Heavy shower of rain 2 p.m. at Grantville.

Wednesday, September 9

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Helped get sweetcorn ready for canning. Blanche got 20 dozen of Earl Rineer this a.m. Down on lower property mowing weeds, etc., p.m. Beautiful day. Quite warm all day.

Thursday, September 10

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Have a bad dose of ivy poison developed over night. Hands badly swollen and itchy. Got wash from Dr. Good. Hulled Lima and soup beans,

etc., a.m. Down on lower place mowing weeds, etc., part of p.m. Henry B. Warfel paid September rent. \$15.00. Beautiful day. Sun quite warm.

Friday, September 11

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Watering flowers and shrubbery, etc., a.m. H.H. Aston took J.W. Morrison and I down to Black Barren Springs fair. Good attendance and spent a very pleasant p.m. Blanche called to take charge of body of Mrs. Jonas B. Henry at Highville. Ada Zercher paid September rent. \$10.00. Rather damp a.m. and part of p.m. Cleared and beautiful.

Saturday, September 12

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. High 94. Down on lower place mowing weeds, etc., for the present and a.m. About home. Not doing much, p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mary S. Hess, Millersville Mennonite. Buried at East Petersburg a.m. Another very warm day.

Sunday, September 13

Partly clear. Ther: 66 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev Strine. A fine sermon with a view of becoming our regular pastor. We were rather favorably impressed with his service, etc., a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Very changeable. Quite warm with few drops of rain in morning. Quite cool air in eve.

Monday, September 14

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Will and I took lowering device, greens, etc., to the Evangelical cemetery, Millersville and to Lancaster on business and returned to cemetery greens, etc., a.m. Down on lower property, etc., p.m. and at I.O.R.M. in eve. Bro C.C. Urban treated the members present to watermelon in honor of 78th birthday on

10th. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Jonas B. Henry here at Home and Millersville Evangelical, a.m. Beautiful day but cool.

Tuesday, September 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Down on lower place in part of a.m. Commenced to rain. About home p.m. At P.A.L.S. meeting at Mrs. Mary Smith Warfel's in eve. Good attendance. Rather damp all day.

Wednesday, September 16

Partly clear. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place a.m. J.W. Morrison and I at the community sale at Parkesburg p.m. Bought 1 bus fine, solid cabbage. 75 cents. Celery, 5 cents per stalk. Evergreen com, 10 cents dozen. Very large sale. Saw 71 calves in 1 pen for sale. Farm Women #9 met here today. Miss Annie Martin (colored) spent p.m. here. First visit here for several years. Took dinner with us. Beautiful day. Cool.

Thursday, September 17

Partly cloudy. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. Helped make kraut, etc., a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Rather damp and cool.

Friday, September 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. 54 at noon. 58 at 6:30 p.m. Trimming vines, etc., at front porch, etc., a.m. Down on lower place part of p.m. Harrison Graves of this place was found guilty as zig-zager and sentenced to 6 months in county jail. \$200 fine and court costs. Cold high wind partly all day. Light shower in morning.

Saturday, September 19

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. Down on lower place a.m. About home p.m. and eve. Blanche and I sang my mother's favorite

hymn, by request of Annie Zercher (my niece) this eve. Blanche at piano. A beautiful day.

Sunday, September 20

Cloudy. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. This being Girls' Day, they had charge. Miss Mable Fulton, Supt., a.m. At home. Chas Eberly, wife and child here short time p.m. In eve at Girls' Day Service, Mrs. Emanuel Kreider had charge. A Salvation Army lady was the speaker. A very good speaker. Theme, "Building for Eternity". Cool. Light rain p.m. and very damp in eve.

Monday, September 21

Partly cloudy. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. About house. Not feeling so well, a.m. Down on property (lower) several hours p.m. Blanche called last night. Mrs. Laura E. Bonham, formerly Mrs. Albert Stehman, died. Brought body here to Home. Damp in a.m. Cool in p.m.

Tuesday, September 22

Clear. Ther: 62 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place. Moving briars and trimming trees and cleaning up for corn ground, etc. Am real tired this eve. Beautiful day. Quite warm.

Wednesday, September 23

Partly clear. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place partly all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Laura E. Bonham, Millersville and buried at Old Mennonite cemetery, New Danville, p.m. Paid Benj S. Manning school tax, \$16.80 and personal tax for self and wife, \$4.00. Total \$20.80. Beautiful day but quite warm all day.

Thursday, September 24

Partly cloudy. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place partly all day trimming up. At political meeting (Republican) at Wm Sangrey's. Large crowd. Rev Schweitzer opened with prayer and Strickler made a very

fine address. After the meeting a supper of roastmeats, doggies, buns, coffee and ice cream. A grand success and a credit to Mr. Benedict and the helpers, ladies and men. Beautiful day. Warm and much cooler in eve. Light rain and clear.

Friday, September 25

Clear. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place partly all day. Blanche called to Columbia to take charge of body of Richard F. Schock, 13 year old boy who was gored by bull. Beautiful day. Quite cool all day.

Saturday, September 26

Clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. Heavy frost. Working down on lower getting weeds, etc., ready for burning, a.m. About home p.m. Beautiful cold day. Great change from few days ago.

Sunday, September 27

Partly clear. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school a.m. Home p.m. At church in eve. A Rev. Mr. Strine preached a trial sermon which I and others thought the true Christian spirit. Am pleased with his conduct, etc., as an entire stranger. Wm Folkman died at Co. Hospital. Blanche called to take charge. Brought body here to Home. Bro of Christ. Cold raw air all day.

Monday, September 28

Partly cloudy. Ther: 64 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place a.m. Went along with Will to Schock's cemetery, Manor. Took vault, greens and lowering device for the burial of Richard F. Schock this p.m. Blanche and Walter attended. Met some old friends. Blanche bought 18 Rhode Island Red pullets of Abrm Thomas, Jr. 75 cents each. \$13.50. J. Wesley Rice paid October rent. \$10.00. Cool all day.

Tuesday, September 29

Partly cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. 46; at 6 p.m. Finished burning brush, briars, etc., down on

lower place for the present. Am well pleased with the hard work I did there but more to do. At funeral service for Wm Folkman here at Home. Buried at Marticville M. E. this p.m. Papers report 17 inches of snow in Colorado. Cold raw air all day.

Wednesday, September 30

Cloudy. Ther: 44 at 7 a.m. About house partly all day. At church in eve. Had joint consistory meeting for the purpose of nominating a minister for this charge. Rev Strine was named. A vote will be taken in two weeks from next Sunday. Political meeting at Holtwood this eve. Ex gov. Pinchot spoke. Very damp. Showers and real heavy 9 p.m.

Thursday, October 1

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Cleaned out poultry house and put over on strawberry patch over on property a.m. In house partly all p.m. Blanche, mother and Bettie at Lancaster on business. Heavy rain last night. Rather damp all day. A very good, much needed rain. Farmers will be busy with plowing and seeding.

Friday, October 2

Clear. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower property a.m. J.W. Morrison and I went to the Ephrata community sale. Small attendance of sellers and buyers. Farmers too busy. Went to Millersville fair, Manor Twp. high school building. A grand display of farm, orchard, fancy work, machinery, etc. Far beyond what we expected to see, p.m. A beautiful day.

Saturday, October 3

Partly clear. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place a.m. Went along with Walter Ressel to the public sale of Mrs. David Trissler, Rawlinsville. Real estate and personal property. Large attendance and

remarkable high prices for personal property, p.m. Blanche called last night. Henry Rineer, Little Pittsburg, died. Brought body here to Home. Beautiful day. Quite cool in eve.

Sunday, October 4

Clear. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At I.O.R.M. service at M. E. Church here in the village. Rev. Dahm made the main address. Also Rev. White and several of the G.C. of Pa. Had viewing of body of Henry Rineer here at Home this eve. Large attendance. Beautiful day but cool.

Monday, October 5

Partly clear. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower property burning brush, etc., a.m. About home. The Henry Rineer funeral here and Highville U. B. Church p.m. Blanche called last night. John Hoffmaster's daughter, Esther Mae, died, Blue Rock Road. Paid J.W. Morrison fire insurance tax, N. Mutual, \$3.00. Beautiful day.

Tuesday, October 6

Partly clear. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. Trimming grape vines over on property. Had a party here to look over my lower place with view of purchasing. They seemed very much pleased and will let me know later. Working over on property balance of day. Paid H.G. Warfel Fire Insurance tax, Manor Co. \$3.35. Beautiful day. Warm.

Wednesday, October 7

Partly cloudy. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. Working about home all day. Trimmed grape vines, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Esther Mae Hoffmaster. Services at house and interred at Millersville Mennonite. Quite warm and rather damp.

Thursday, October 8

Cloudy. Ther: 58 at 7 a.m. Cleaning up over in

barn over on property a.m. About home p.m. Ada Zercher paid October rent. \$10.00. Very damp and raining partly all day.

Friday, October 9

Partly cloudy. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. About home and over on property cleaning up garage, etc., etc. Had intended going to Millersville to F & AM meeting this eve. but rained. Rather damp with rain in eve.

Saturday, October 10

Partly cloudy. Ther: 60 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. At AOK of MC in eve. Held annual supper after business session for members and family. Good attendance. Damp partly all day. Heavy shower of rain with some thunder. Clear in eve.

Sunday, October 11

Partly clear. Ther: 56 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and Preparatory service afterward. Holy Communion next Sunday. Spent p.m. in house. Will took Blanche, mother and Bettie on outing trip to Mountain country, coal region, etc. Had a very pleasant time. Had some rain on way. Blanche's 55th birthday. Is it possible. How time flies. Rather cool all day.

Monday, October 12

Partly clear. Ther: 44 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower property partly all day. Bettie went to her home this eve. for the week. Blanche called to take charge of body of Doris Mae Newcomer who accidentally strangled while at play and found by her mother. Henry B. Warfel paid October rent. \$15.00. Cold high wind partly all day.

Tuesday, October 13

Partly clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower property. Finished burning briars, rubbish, etc., for the present, a.m. About home and planted a few young poplar trees on plot west of arch, p.m. At home in eve.

Mother and Blanche went to Aid Society meeting at Mrs. Chester Kreider's. Cool all day.

Wednesday, October 14

Partly cloudy. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. Sorting potatoes down in arch on lower property a.m. In house and about home p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Doris Mae Newcomer, Central Manor. Warm all day.

Thursday, October 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Down on lower property short time and then went along with Chas Buckwalter, one of our road supervisors, to see the work being done on the Stone Hill road and also the one the state is building past the Landis Graver Farm. Was very much pleased with the work being done and at Lancaster with Walter, a.m. Blanche called last night to Enos C. Harnish, West Willow, #1 son aged 15 and John Homer, Lancaster, St Joseph Hospital. Fetched body here to Home. Fetched 10 lb. potatoes from arch and for home use. Quite warm. Rather damp.

Friday, October 16

Cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Blanche very busy all day and at Lancaster this eve. Damp all day and few drops of rain in eve.

Saturday, October 17

Partly cloudy. Ther: 54 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of John Horner, Lancaster, a.m. and Enos C. Harnish near Baumgardner's, p.m. Republican pole raising and mass meeting at Safe Harbor. Heavy rain last night and part of a.m. and in eve.

Sunday, October 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and church service and Holy Communion after which the members of this

church voted on the application of Rev R.C. Strine to become our pastor and Willow Street. There were 24 ballots cast, a.m. Andrew Jenkins and I went to Willow Street to joint meeting. There 97 for and 39 against in both congregations cast and call signed for him p.m. Quite cool wind all day.

Monday, October 19

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Down on lower place part of p.m. Over to see Annie Martin (Colored) short time. Cool all day.

Tuesday, October 20

Clear. Ther: 44 at 7 a.m. Over on property making room for ear corn, etc., a.m. Down on lower property putting up arbor for grapes, etc., p.m. The Society of P.A.L.S. gave a Hollow Eve party in connection with their regular meeting here in the garage this eve. Served doggie sandwiches, coffee, etc., for supper. A beautiful summer like day.

Wednesday, October 21

Partly clear. Ther: 46 at 7 a.m. Working down on the Peter's property, Will and I, partly all day. Put new plank bed on outside cistern and step at back porch. Feel real tired this eve. Blanche called to Co. hospital. Earl Sechrist's child, Millersville and will bury tomorrow. No funeral. Beautiful day. Cool air.

Thursday, October 22

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. Left home this morning at 9:15, wife and I, with J.W. Morrison and Hettie Good on a pleasure trip viz Columbia. Stopped at I.O.O.F. home to see Mrs. J.B. Urban who is a guest there, Middletown. Took dinner at Harrisburg. Then Rockville, Spenceville. Crossed Clark's Ferry bridge, Amity Hall, Green Valley Springs, New Bloomfield, Duncannon, Poplar Grove, Marysville, West Shore, Bloomfield, York, etc.

Had a wonderful trip and fine weather. Home at 5:45. 154 miles. Excellent dinner, \$4.00. Gas, etc., \$7.50. Brought small pine tree from near Duncannon for to plant.

Friday, October 23

Partly cloudy. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. Working down on lower place. Put grape arbors and tied up vines, etc., for the future. Planted small pine tree I brought from near Duncannon in the angle of house and kitchen here at home. Present to Blanche. Rather damp and cooler in eve.

Saturday, October 24

Partly clear. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. Cleaned out droppings, etc., in poultry and took over on strawberry bed over on property, a.m. At Harry Kautz real estate sale but did not try the property. No bidders and only a few present, p.m. Cold raw wind all day.

Sunday, October 25

Clear. Ther: 33 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. Wife and I took a walk to Graded School for pleasure and returned in eve. Blanche and Walter left home at 5:30 a.m. for the body of Barbara A. Hess at her daughter's home (or Brewer Hospital). Mrs. Raymond Garrett, Woodbury, N.J. She was the widow of Benj Z. Hess. Brought body here to Home. Services Wednesday, 10:30 at Pequea Brethren in Christ Church. Beautiful day. Cool.

Monday, October 26

Cloudy. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. 33 at 8 p.m. About home and over in shop and poultry house. Rain and high wind and very much colder in eve.

Tuesday, October 27

Partly clear. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. Cleaned out poultry house. Put manure, etc., over on lot of property, a.m. and down on lower

property and to Harry Rineer's, etc., p.m. Helped Blanche at viewing in eve. Goodly numbers present. Will Eshleman birthday. He said 46 years. Great change in weather. Plenty of ice this morning and all day.

Wednesday, October 28

Clear. Ther: 16 at 7 a.m. At funeral of Barbara Warfel Hess, widow of Benj Z. Hess, here at Home and Pequea Brethren in Christ church, a.m. About home on lawn, etc., p.m. Blanche called to take charge of body of Helen Irene Myers of 15 S. Dorwart St., Lancaster, who died near Quarryville very suddenly. Brought body here to Home last night. A bride of only 3 months. Beautiful day but cold.

Thursday, October 29

Partly clear. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. About home a.m. Down on lower place. Saml Rankin husking corn he farmed on shares, p.m. Wife went in to her folks, Lancaster, to spend the p.m. Blanche and Walter took body of Mrs. Myers to her home this p.m. Cold raw air all day.

Friday, October 30

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. High 40. About home all day. Samuel Rankin fetched up my share of corn farmed on lower place and put it in barn across way and hauled up wood from lower place for use here at home. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Helen Irene Myers at Lancaster, p.m. Blanche had a call from Washington, D.C. One of David Jenkins' children died. Will go for body tomorrow. Very high wind, stormy all day and cold.

Saturday, October 31

Partly clear. Ther: 28 at 7 a.m. Down lower place partly all a.m. At home on lawn short time and at Alfred H. Graver's p.m. Beautiful day. Cold.

Sunday, November 1

Partly cloudy. Ther: 42 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service. After service the members of the congregation were asked to remain to take action on the call for Raymond C. Strine as our pastor. Will have a Joint Consistory meeting Tuesday eve, the 3rd at Willow Street church. Blanche and Walter left at 4 a.m. for Berwyn, Md., for David Jenkins' child. Returned 4:30 p.m. Quite a trip. Damp raw air all day.

Monday, November 2

Partly cloudy. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. At funeral services here at Home of David Jenkins' child and buried in Machpelah cemetery, Lititz, a.m. At home p.m. Blanche called to Mt. Nebo last night. Mrs. William Stansbury passed out. Damp, warm and few drops of rain.

Tuesday, November 3

Partly cloudy. Ther: 50 at 7 a.m. At home and at election polls all day. There were 635 votes polled. 395 Republican, 226 Democrat, Royal Oak, 8. Thrown out, 6. Congress: J. Roland Kinzer, Rep., 396. H. Clay Burkholder, Dem., 211. State Senator: John G. Homsher, Rep., 398. J. Andrew Frantz, Dem., 217. Legislators: Baker Royer, Rep., 398. Norman Wood, Rep., 396. Harry E. Trent, Rep., 395. Dem., 218, 215, 215. At Willow Street on church business in eve. Quite warm all day.

Wednesday, November 4

Cloudy. Ther: 52 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Blanche and Walter very busy. 2 calls last night. 1st: Roy Gehr's child, Highville. 2nd: Daniel R. Stokes, Bethesda. A very kind friend of mine in his 86th year. Also funeral of Mrs. Wm A. Stansbury, Mt. Nebo. Her husband a former stage driver and mail carrier from Rawlinsville, Colemanville, Marticville, Conestoga, New Danville to

Lancaster, a.m. The Gehr child buried this p.m. Wet and damp all day. Colder.

Thursday, November 5

Partly cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. High 38. About home all day. Last night, 9:30, at Willow Street Reformed Church. A special meeting of Joint Consistory with reference to the application of Raymond C. Strine to become our pastor who was elected several weeks ago and he accepted the call. The officers of classes, Rev. Frantz Pres, Rev. D.C. Glass, Rev. Menninger, Rev. Shepardson and others. After talking the matter over it was agreed to accept the call. Cold raw wind all day.

Friday, November 6

Cloudy. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. About home. Shelled corn for poultry and tied up grape vines, etc. First day gunning. Not allowed to go out before 9 a.m. Will went to his home to gun. Got limit, 4 rabbits. Cold damp air all day.

Saturday, November 7

Partly cloudy. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. At funeral of Joseph Stokes at Byerland Mennonite Church. Blanche and Walter attended, a.m. At home. Rev. Abner Martin and wife, a daughter of uncle Jacob Zercher, spent the p.m. with us. We're certainly glad to see them once again. Pleasant day and warmer.

Sunday, November 8

Cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching service a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Raining lightly partly all p.m. and eve.

Monday, November 9

Partly clear. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Made fire, put overwater, etc., for washing, etc., a.m. On lawn, etc., p.m. At I.O.R.M. in eve. Was surprised to find I was elected Sachem for this term. Beautiful day. Colder in eve.

Tuesday, November 10

Partly clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About home and down on lower property for few apples and out at Grant H. Gardner, J of P. Made affidavit as to knowing Mr. and Mrs. Wm C. Smith who are making application for old age pension. Cold raw wind all day.

Wednesday, November 11

Clear. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. Walter and I went to Joseph Miller, Silver Mine Farm and bought five bushel apples, Stehman Winesap and Rome Beauty. 75 cents per bus. Very nice fruit, etc., a.m. Finished trimming grape vines and fixed arbors and tied up vines, etc., p.m. Cold all day.

Thursday, November 12

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. In garden. Put post in grape arbor, etc., a.m. Cleaning up flower beds and shrubbery on lawn, etc., p.m. Ada Zercher paid Nov. rent. \$10.00. Cold and rather damp all day.

Friday, November 13

Partly clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About home and over on property and at F & A.M. in eve. Had the pleasure of handing in the petition of John C. Campbell for membership in Charles M. Howell Lodge 496. Blanche called to the Oreville Mennonite Home, Miss Sarah Sellers died. Henry B. Warfel paid November rent. \$15.00. Beautiful day. Cold.

Saturday, November 14

Partly cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Very heavy frost. Cleaned poultry yard and burned brush, etc. Blanche called to Genl Hospital early morning for body of Milton Huber. Took same to his home near Marticville. Cold wind all day.

Sunday, November 15

Partly cloudy. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. 30 at 6 p.m.

At Sunday school. Had a surprise to have Rev. David Scheirer, our former pastor with us who consented to teach my class. At preaching service by Paul Scheirer a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Cold high wind all day. Commenced snowing 7 p.m. and colder.

Monday, November 16

Partly cloudy. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. High 33. About home all day. Helped at washing short time, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Miss Sarah Sellers, Oreville Home and burial at Millersville Mennonite and call to Abram Sangrey's (stillborn) near Willow Street. Bury tomorrow. John and Hattie Graver had heir born last night (boy). Cold high wind. Few flakes of snow. Regular gale partly all day.

Tuesday, November 17

Partly clear. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. Over on property, etc., a.m. Down on lower property. Brought up few apples and fixing poultry wire fence p.m. At P.A.L.S. meeting at Allen Huber's in eve. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Milton Huber, Marticville and Byerland, p.m. and called to take charge of body of Amelia, widow of Jacob Finefrock, Smithville, this eve. Cold air. Moderating p.m.

Wednesday, November 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 40 at 7 a.m. 15 at 7:30 p.m. About home all day. Doing very little. Great change. Much colder.

Thursday, November 19

Partly clear. Ther: 11 at 7 a.m. Not out of 30s all day. Fetched hay over from barn for poultry and closed up front of arch with corn fodder down on lower property. Coldest day of season.

Friday, November 20

Clear. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. Cleaned out poultry house. Hauled droppings over on property,

a.m. J.W. Morrison, M.H. Groff, Christ Urban and I went to community sale at Ephrata. Large attendance. Cows and calf sold for \$140 and down. Turkey hens, 27 cents per lb. Toms, 25 cents per lb., p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Amelia Finefrock, Mt. Nebo M. E. Church and called to New Danville. Mrs. David M. Newswanger died this eve. A beautiful day. Cold.

Saturday, November 21

Partly cloudy. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. About home and Will and I brought up potatoes from arch on lower property, a.m. On lawn part of p.m. Blanche called for death of Annie S. Kise, Millersville, last night. Brought body here to Home. Wife's birthday. 77 years and our 56th wedding anniversary. We have great reason to give thanks. Rather cold in eve.

Sunday, November 22

Partly cloudy. Ther: 38 at 7 a.m. Will took Blanche, mother and I to the home of our son, Charles, and family. Left home at 7:45 and in 1-1/2 hours arrived there. Spent a very happy day together. They have a very nice home. 7805 Buist Ave., Philadelphia. Left for home at 4:45 p.m. Home by 7 p.m. Cold all day.

Monday, November 23

Partly cloudy. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. In shop and enlarged poultry yard and put up poultry wire fence, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. David M. Newswanger, New Danville Reformed Mennonite Church. Blanche, Walter and I attended funeral directors annual meeting and feast at Hotel Weber, Lancaster. Had turkey supper and spent a very pleasant eve. Real pleasant p.m. Colder in eve.

Tuesday, November 24

Partly cloudy. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. About home and at Alfred H Graver's store short time and

fetches corn and oats over from barn for poultry, etc. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. John Kise, Millersville and Masonville Mennonite. Surprised this morning. White with light cover of snow. Cold damp air all day.

Wednesday, November 25

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. 32 in eve. About home all day. Not feeling so well. Mary Bruner here for Thanksgiving. Will and Bettie went to their homes to spend Thanksgiving. Very heavy fog in a.m. and in eve. and real cold.

Thursday, November 26

Partly clear. Ther: 16 at 7 a.m. Thanksgiving. About home all day. Spent the day very pleasantly. At church in eve. P.A.L.S. gave Thanksgiving Service. Prof. Gaige of M.T.J.C. gave a very good talk. A surprise in p.m. Edith Hardester and family of Baltimore called in p.m. and spent several hours very pleasantly here. Beautiful day but cold.

Friday, November 27

Partly clear. Ther: 10 at 7 a.m. and not out of 20s all day. About home all day tending to poultry, etc. Ordered coal for Annie Zercher. 1,295 lb. nut and I paid for same. \$6.00 less cash discount. Very cold all day.

Saturday, November 28

Partly cloudy. Ther: 18 at 7 a.m. In 20s all day. About home all day. John Slaymaker, wife and son John here. He went to Rheems on business. His wife, Lizzie Eberly, spent the p.m. with us. Harold Zercher's wife at General Hospital. J. Wesley Rice paid December rent. \$10.00. Cold raw wind partly all day.

Sunday, November 29

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school. Had charge of class and preaching

service by Rev. Paul Scheirer, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. A beautiful day. Not so cold.

Monday, November 30

Clear. Ther: 18 at 7 a.m. About home all day. At I.O.R.M. in eve. Beautiful day but real cold.

Tuesday, December 1

Partly clear. Ther: 2 above at 7 a.m. About home, in shop, etc. State men oiling highway through village. Beautiful day but very cold all day.

Wednesday, December 2

Cloudy. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. In house, for mail and feeding poultry. Blanche called last night. Annie T., widow of J.D. Wissler, Slackwater, at home of Harry M. Frey, died. Ground covered lightly with snow. Rain 9:30 a.m. and rained all day and eve. Very welcome.

Thursday, December 3

Partly cloudy. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Fixed up driveway and brought feed over for poultry a.m. At Alfred H. Graver store. Bought cereals etc. for table and went along with Will to see some pigs at Frank Steckervetz. Asks \$9.00 per pair at sow. (Real nice pigs). Cold damp air all day.

Friday, December 4

Partly clear. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. Heavy frost. Wrote letter to Charles. About home and to Millersville. Will took lowering device to Evangelical cemetery. Mother went along with us for pleasure ride, a.m. Fetched corn over from barn for poultry and took scratch straw, etc., out of pen. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. J.D. Wissler. House service only, p.m. Cold raw air all day. Moderating some p.m.

Saturday, December 5

Partly clear. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. High 32. About home, feeding poultry, mail, etc. Blanche

called to take charge of body of Mrs. Susanna E. Freyberger on the Haverstick Farm on Pequea. Brought body here to Home, p.m. Also Martin Wienand stillborn this eve. Received word this eve. that Rev. Raymond Strine, our new pastor, will move Thursday and 1st Service at Willow Street Dec. 13, a.m. Beautiful day but cold.

Sunday, December 6

Cloudy. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and preaching by Rev. Paul Scheirer, a.m. At home p.m. and eve. Rain partly all day. Walks icy in morning.

Monday, December 7

Partly cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Went along with Walter to bury the Martin Wienand child at Mellinger's Mennonite cemetery and from there to New Providence, Dr. Helm, for death certificate for Mrs. Fryberger. On our return near Eshleman's garage, large oil truck went over the embankment, upset and killed the driver, Percy M. Miller. Blanche called and brought the body here to Home, a.m. Will and I took pine case for Mrs. Fryberger to Mt. Airy cemetery near Welsh Mountain U. E. C. Church. Cold all day. Colder in eve.

Tuesday, December 8

Partly clear. Ther: 11 at 7 a.m. At funeral of Mrs. Fryberger here at home. Short services and Walter and Blanche attended at Mt. Airey near Abe Buzzard's old home, Welsh Mountains. I took walk down on lower place short time, p.m. In eve. went along with Walter to Strasburg for burial permit for Percy M. Miller who was killed in the oil truck wreck near Reston. The Ladies Aid Society met. Beautiful day but quite cold.

Wednesday, December 9

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. Spent the day at Lancaster with wife and Blanche along, a.m. Took dinner at Watt & Shand dining room.

Visited quite a few of the leading stores and quite a few gifts for friends, etc. Mother is very tired and also myself. Mother bought me a diary for 1937 which I appreciate very much. Damp with rain about 2 p.m. and continued.

Thursday, December 10

Cloudy. Ther: 32 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Pump at well broke, etc., a.m. In house partly all p.m. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Percy M. Miller, Lancaster. Services in Broad St. M. E. Church. Interred in Millersville Mennonite cemetery. Very damp and rain. Heavy fog in eve.

Friday, December 11

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About home. Will killed large turkey for Christmas dinner on the coming Sunday. I furnished it for same, a.m. Helped take metal vault shipped with body of Clara Hiller McKinley from New York. Blanche and Walter attended funeral at M. E. Church this p.m. 16 lb. turkey @ 25 cents. \$3.68. Ada Zercher paid Dec. rent. \$10.00. Very damp and raining partly all day.

Saturday, December 12

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. Over on property. Fixed pump handle on well pump and in shop a.m. At Henry H. Aston's sale of personal property, etc. Bought ratchet brace and several bits. \$1.60. Damp raw air all day.

Sunday, December 13

Clear. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. At Sunday school and afterwards Walter Ressel, J.W. Morrison, Harry Jenkins and I went to Willow Street Reformed Church preaching service by our new pastor, Rev. Ralph Strine. Had very good service and sermon. Tried to arrange for service at Conestoga Centre. Will act later. Spent p.m. at home after. Have our Xmas dinner here. Mr. Harvey Baker spent the day

here. Mother and I spent the eve. at Walter Ressel's. Beautiful day. Cold.

Monday, December 14

Partly clear. Ther: 23 at 7 a.m. About house helping at house work, a.m. Cleaned poultry house. Fetched over hay for poultry, etc., p.m. Blanche and Mr. Baker spent the day at Lancaster. Blanche on business. He went to his home. Beautiful day.

Tuesday, December 15

Partly clear. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. About home. Brought over scratch feed from barn for poultry, etc., a.m. Down lower property cutting off sprouts, etc., along line fence of Aaron Shenk property, etc., p.m. Attended to PALS annual meeting and feast here in garage. Good attendance and Avery pleasant time. Arranged for several basket donations to poor families. Cold air all day and colder in eve.

Wednesday, December 16

Partly cloudy. Ther: 24 at 7 a.m. About home and over on property and addressing Xmas cards. Blanche and mother over at Hettie Herr's. No. 9 Farm Women Met there, p.m. Damp all day. Rain in eve.

Thursday, December 17

Partly clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. At Lancaster on business and bought hat for self, a gift for Blanche and an umbrella, gift for Charles and at Lancaster Co. Nat. Bank with check of John B. Harnish but not sufficient funds there for same. Left check for collection and wrote a letter to Mr. Harnish about it. At church in eve. rehearsing Xmas service. Blanche called to Charles Brown, Slackwater. Small child. Rather high wind all day.

Friday, December 18

Partly cloudy. Ther: 20 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Addressed Xmas cards to

friends, etc. Walter Ressel, J.W. Morrison and I went to Charles M. Howell Lodge #496, F & AM, Millersville annual meeting. Officers installed and refreshments at Manor High School. Afterwards address by several members. Rev. A. Fred Rentz, Mountville Reformed Church and members of Lodge retiring worshipful master gave a very good talk. Cold all day.

Saturday, December 19

Cloudy. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Poultry and mail about all. Commenced snowing 4:30 a.m. Ground covered. Commenced to rain p.m. and freeze and rain and warming toward eve. and snow disappearing in eve. Bettie and Will to their homes, eve. Blanche called to take charge of body of Cornelia Wissler near Creswell. Brought body here to Home. Received check from West Willow Farmers Association for \$14.00. Dividend on stock.

Sunday, December 20

Partly cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. 30 at 7 p.m. At Sunday school. Mrs. Paul Scheirer had charge of lesson. Her final teaching here (sorry). I gave a Xmas card with scripture verses, etc. 29 present in my class. The entire school were treated to 2 large oranges and 1/2 lb. good candy. 94 present, a.m. Spent p.m. and eve. at home. Cold raw air. Higher wind and colder in eve.

Monday, December 21

Partly clear. Ther: 30 at 7 a.m. About home all day. Brought over corn for poultry, etc. At practice in eve. for Xmas service. Blanche called to Safe Harbor. Victor Groff's child died. Brought body here to Home at noon and took body of Mrs. Wissler to her home for funeral tomorrow, p.m. Cold raw wind partly all day.

Tuesday, December 22

Partly cloudy. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. About home. Helping in house, etc., a.m. Received 3 turkeys of Albert Warfel, River Corner. Weighed 47 lbs. @ 23 cents per lb. \$10.81. One for son, Charles. One for each of my tenants across way, Ada Zercher and Henry B. Warfel for Xmas dinners. Received many thanks. The pleasure was mine. Blanche and Walter attended funeral of Mrs. Wissler, Creswell, this p.m. Cold wind all day.

Wednesday, December 23

Partly clear. Ther: 14 at 7 a.m. Will took small outside case for the Groff child to Green Hill cemetery. Mother and I along for auto ride. Came home by way of Safe Harbor, a.m. At funeral of Groff child here at Home and attending to mail. Took holly wreath to Reformed cemetery and placed on Mr. J.R. Yentzer grave by Blanche. Blanche and Walter had funeral of Victor Groff's child here at Home, p.m. Cold all day.

Thursday, December 24

Clear. Ther: 18 at 7 a.m. At Lancaster on business. Will along, a.m. Charles and Clara here for dinner and spent till 3:35 p.m. with us. We were certainly glad to have them with us. Exchanged presents, etc. I gave them a 16-1/2 lb. turkey along home for their Xmas dinner tomorrow and other edibles, etc. A most beautiful day. Spring like.

Friday, December 25

Partly clear. Ther: 22 at 7 a.m. Gave Blanche Xmas present. \$25.00. The General Reynold's Comet Band serenaded the villagers this morning. Playing mostly Xmas carols. Walter took Blanche, mother and I down to John Slaymaker's to spend the day. Their family, Chester Eberly and family, ours, spent a very pleasant day. Slaymakers brought us home in eve. in time to attend our Xmas service at our

church. Large attendance and children did well. Beautiful day.

Saturday, December 26

Clear. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. About home and over in church. Helped take down platform, etc., for Xmas service last eve, a.m. Walter took me over to Dr. Good's, Millersville, to have operation on my left leg below knee. Cut open lump. Lot of black corruption, etc., taken out. Hope it will be success. Painful. Blanche called to Lancaster. Robert B. Herr child died. Brought body here to Home. Papers state yesterday warmest Xmas for 27 years. A most beautiful day.

Sunday, December 27

Partly clear. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. High 65. At Sunday school. Good attendance. Decided to open the school next Sunday at 8:45 instead of 9:00 and having preaching service at 9:45 during the winter months, a.m. Will took Blanche to York on business and mother and I went along for trip, p.m. Home in eve. Blanche very busy. 3 calls last night. Robert B. Herr's child, Lancaster. Lizzie Fellman Forrest, New Danville Pike, Levan's Mill, and Mrs. Amanda E. Ward, Millersville. Dr. Good dressed my leg. Beautiful day. Like spring.

Monday, December 28

Partly clear. Ther: 48 at 7 a.m. 44 at 6 p.m. About home partly all day. Helped unload caskets. York Casket Co. and the Conestoga Transportation Co. delivered caskets, etc. Brought corn and hay over from barn on property for poultry, etc. At IORM in eve. Blanche buried the Herr child at Creswell this a.m. J. Wesley Rice paid Jan rent. \$10.00. Rather high wind p.m. and cooler.

Tuesday, December 29

Partly cloudy. Ther: 26 at 7 a.m. About home partly all day. Dr. Good seeing after my leg. Getting along nicely. Blanche and Walter

attended funeral of Amanda S. Ward, Millersville, a.m. and Mrs. Lizzie F. Forrest, New Danville Pike, Levan's Mill, p.m. and a call to Lancaster. Mrs. Lizzie Rohrer, 130 S. Queen St., formerly of Masonville. Her son, Gray Rohrer. Body brought here to Home. Quite a change in weather. Damp and much colder.

Wednesday, December 30

Cloudy. Ther: 34 at 7 a.m. High 39. About home all day. Blanche called to Oreville Home. Carrie Achorn Miller passed away. Blanche and Walter busy all day. Ordered coal of B.G. Mellinger and Son. 1,300 lbs. hard. \$5.70. I paid for same. She to pay me later. Light rain last night and very damp all day. Heavy fog in eve.

Thursday, December 31

Cloudy. Ther: 36 at 7 a.m. About home, post office, poultry and over in Home. Blanche and Walter busy. Took body of Gray Rohrer to mother's home for funeral tomorrow and arranged body of Miss Miller at Orville Home for tomorrow. Raining and very damp all day. Not cold.

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Another year about closed and the blessings of the year far beyond what we deserved, for which we are not thankful enough.

MEMORANDA

10 shares Conestoga Traction
35 shares West Willow Farmers Association
2 shares Conestoga Tire and Rubber
6 shares Agricultural Trust

John Harnish, Willow Street, promissory note: \$100.00

Harry C. Rineer judgment on farm : \$3,700.

Due April 1, 1937. Renewed

Stephen Wise, 1927: \$572.76

MEMORANDA

A.s. Benedict started electric pump this eve. to convey spring water from his summer home, formerly the Harriet Sweeney property on lower street. His family and I had a drink of the first flow through the pipes forced up by an electric pump installed by John Walton and Frank Martin (Colored). It works fine. They are using a large cistern at the Benedict home as a reservoir.

MEMORANDA

Am giving a small book title, "The Great Loss and Dying. The away to Heaven", published by Carlton and Phillips, N.Y., 1855 and given to me by my father, John J. Zercher, 1863, to my son, Charles M. Zercher, for Xmas. A very good book.

