

# RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

JANUARY 30		JANUARY 31	
<sup>1923</sup> Fair and bitter cold. Regular blowing snow. Gail blowing twice later today.		<sup>1923</sup> Fair and warmer. The first real good day we have had this month. Cross roads dirtied badly.	
<sup>1924</sup> Very warm and overcast. Snow melted fast. Roads getting bare again.		<sup>1924</sup> Fair and pleasant. Roads shaky as the dickens. Got into the ditch once and got tired horse to pull my car out.	
<sup>1925</sup> 25 days stephing.		<sup>1925</sup> Went in my car today.	
<sup>1926</sup> Snow and blow roads were blocked. Got out to E. Leavenworth. Born to Marion & Dan Heel, a daughter.		<sup>1926</sup> Blowing as fast and roads still full of snow only got out to E. Leavenworth.	
<sup>1927</sup> Warmer this morning. Went in my Snowmobile 39th, made my route all O.K.		<sup>1927</sup> Warm & overcast. Saw for split oren wood. Washed the kitchen floor & entertained Ernest Corver.	
<sup>1928</sup> Thick of fog this morning and warm as a spring day. Made traps and set handles today.		<sup>1928</sup> Clear and cold. Went in my wagon first trip for years and can't say I like it. Frank Brown came to visit his mother.	

**Saturday, Jan. 1** Overcast snow part of day. Not very cold Mrs Bush and family returned to Worcester. Worked fitting horse shoes today.

**Sunday, Jan. 2** Fair and cool. Shod two horses today feel about all in tonight. Died Geo Marriner age 72 yrs.

**Monday, Jan. 3** Fair and cool, fine day. The Cooper horse dead lame. Fitted up a set of shoes for my horse.

**Tuesday, Jan. 4** Cold overcast most all day. Warmer and snow & sleet tonight. Am about sick of horses called Cooper to get me a good one. Vesta sent Sarah McKinney check \$300.

**Wednesday, Jan. 5** Overcast, with snow squalls. Rain hard last night. Warm today. Put our bacon to smoke.

**Thursday, Jan. 6** Clear and cool. Put in the afternoon cleaning up around the barn. Sent \$22.50 for registration of car's.

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**Friday, Jan. 7** Fair clear and cool. But its been a wonderfull day. Cold as the dickens tonight. Got 10 lb oats 3 com 2 mx feed Camden Farmer Union \$28.00

**Saturday, Jan. 8** Fair and very cold. Worked in blacksmith shop this afternoon. Sharpening ice chisels and ice tongs.

**Sunday, Jan. 9** Fair and not so cold. Guss & I worked in shop today got our ice tools all ready for work.

**Monday, Jan. 10** Snow all day and tonight but only about 4 inches.

**Tuesday, Jan. 11** Hard traveling but made all right except the Pottle road that damd thing is never broken.

**Wednesday, Jan. 12** Fair and not very cold. Bought a chicken from Nellie Frohock for Vesta's birthday dinner. Guss & I went out to Slab City and cut 3 pine trees.

**Thursday, Jan. 13** Fair and warm. Startid putting up our ice. Guss went up and stowed and I came this afternoon in my car.

**Friday, Jan. 14** Rain hard about all day. Warm. Vesta's birthday 42 years young. And she had a birthday cake with 42 candles on it.

**Saturday, Jan. 15** Raw and cold. Snow rain & sleet. Mrs Warren, Guss & Alta came over and took supper & Veddy sure did put on a spread. Rost chicken, cake pie vegetable.

**Sunday, Jan. 16** Storm and very cold. Clear tonight. We went over to the Warrens and had supper & ice cream.

**Monday, Jan. 17** Fair and colder. Merritt Carver & Guss hawling our ice up to the farm.

**Tuesday, Jan. 18** Fair and warmer. Guss & Merritt Carver finished hawling ice & most of the sawdust. 120 cakes.

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**Wednesday, Jan. 19** Overcast fog and warm. Snow rain last night. Finished putting & packing our ice. Cost for labor & hawling \$21.50 for ice \$9.60 total \$31.10

**Thursday, Jan. 20** Warm fog. Snow going fast in places but still to much to drive a car.

**Friday, Jan. 21** Still warm and foggy. Guss & Alta took my horse to Belfast and got a big bay horse from Levi Rodgers.

**Saturday, Jan. 22** Warm. Drove the new horse went pretty good. Growing cold again tonight.

**Sunday, Jan. 23** Fair and some colder. Put in the day [?] tools got a bunch of them sharpened.

**Monday, Jan. 24** Fair fine day and nice sleighing. Drove the new Cooper horse made good time but don't like him. To long legged.

**Tuesday, Jan. 25** Another fair warm day. We are haveing wonderfull weather for the past week.

**Wednesday, Jan. 26** Blowing a awfull gale and so bitter cold never went above zero all day. 10° below tonight.

**Thursday, Jan. 27** Bitter cold this morning way below zero, but no wind so its not so awfull bad as yesterday. Died Jane Perry

**Friday, Jan. 28** Warm and overcast. Snow getting thin, lots of bare ground. Guss & I went up to Sleepy Hollow and got a sled load of ash for bow's.

**Saturday, Jan. 29** Rain all last night fog and warm afternoon and tonight. Freddie Amborn caught a wild dog

**Sunday, Jan. 30** Thick of fog this morning and warm as a spring day. Made bows and ax handles today.

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**Monday, Jan. 31** Clear and colder. Went in my wagon first trip for years and cant say I like it. Frank Brown came to viset his Mother?

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<i>Thur</i> 1923 Fair char & cold. Today the Chow & law society met with Vesta. Some talking "I'll tell the world I had"		<i>Fri</i> 1923 Fair first day char & cool and very nice skating. Vesta has gone down to Vassie tonight to another band rehearsal.	
<i>Fri</i> 1924 Chay and cold. Dayt have to drive. Cold as the devil just kept the fires on the living side all day.		<i>Sat</i> 1924 Fair fine day but cold as the dickens. Big dance at eth hall tonight, but only a few there.	170
<i>Sun</i> 1925 Fair and warm regular full day. Worked on our building. got the floor trunks all filled.		<i>Mon</i> 1926 Warm and rain all day just like April weather.	
<i>Mon</i> 1926 Another char cold day Traveling is getting poor again. But didn't travel and just took a vacation.		<i>Tues</i> 1926 Fair and cold as the dickens. Bay from over this morning	
<i>Tues</i> 1927 CCII, Fair warmer. Did not have a drive. Worked in the blocksmith shop. Shod a sled for Guss. Ralph Brown came to the Womans. tonight 1344		<i>Wed</i> 1927 CCIII, Snow again today. This makes the 10th day that it has snowed. Covered all my route. 1444.	171

**Tuesday, Feb. 1** Butifull clear day not a cloud in the sky. The School Leigh gave a supper & dance at Community Hall tonight, we V & I too old to go.

**Wednesday, Feb. 2** Snow this morning warm and fog. Cleared away and the sun shone part of the day. Guss gone to Searsport to viset Frank Brown.

**Thursday, Feb. 3** Overcast. Snow this afternoon and tonight. We went over to Warrens this evening, Vesta & I gave Mrs W & Alta thear belated Christmas presents. Stockings & Nightdress.

**Friday, Feb. 4** Bitter cold and blowing a gale. Down around zero all day. Roads drifted pretty badly but covered all my route

**Saturday, Feb. 5** Bitter cold 20° below zero this morning in Searsmont. Clear and cold tonight.

**Sunday, Feb. 6** Snow all day. Not very cold and about 6 inches snow fell.

**Monday, Feb. 7** Butifull day and as big a snow storm all day as we have had this winter.

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**Tuesday, Feb. 8** Miserble day dark and gloomy.

**Wednesday, Feb. 9** Butifull day. Got in early took car & we went to Belfast. Vesta went to Probat Court, finished settling the estate. Alta went with us and stoded up with her Mother.

**Thursday, Feb. 10** Butifull spring like day. Went to town got bag corn \$1.90. Had my valves ground in touring car. Fire down Reeves town Belfast 3 house burned. Died Madoline Russ Allen.

**Friday, Feb. 11** Cold overcast, but pretty good traveling. I have a hell of a bad cold and do feel rotten today.

**Saturday, Feb. 12** Fair butifull day only I don't feel as good as the day. Have taken every thing from physic to poison.

**Sunday, Feb. 13** Another fine day but little [??] still feels punk. Overcast tonight and looks like a snow storm coming.

**Monday, Feb. 14** Snow all day but no wind so covered all my route in record time.

**Tuesday, Feb. 15** Overcast snow all day. About 12 inches has fallen this storm. Got back from trip at 3-30 P.M. Battleship Maine destroyed 29 yrs ago.

**Wednesday, Feb. 16** Mild and overcast, but bum traveling. So much snow & so little travel that its tough going.

**Thursday, Feb. 17** Snow all day a heavy damp snow. Still storming tonight. Lew Drinkwater broke his Dodge car this morning.

**Friday, Feb. 18** Not so very cold and still overcast. Hard traveling. Can get thro but slow going.

**Saturday, Feb. 19** Little better traveling, but very overcast and a cold east wind looks & feels like a big snow storm.

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**Sunday, Feb. 20** Bitter cold wind easterly and snowing. Blowing a gale. Aubry Collemer hawled me a small load of hay.

**Monday, Feb. 21** Snow all day and cold as the devil. Did not make my whole trip. Amborn covered all his route. Pitcher & I did not.

**Tuesday, Feb. 22** Fair weather. Did not have to drive. Worked in the blacksmith shop. Shod a sled for Guss. Ralph Brown came to the Warren's tonight.

**Wednesday, Feb. 23** Snow again today. This makes the 10<sup>th</sup> day that it has snowed. Covered all my route.

**Thursday, Feb. 24** Overcast first part of day fog tonight. And much warmer. Snow settled quite a bit today.

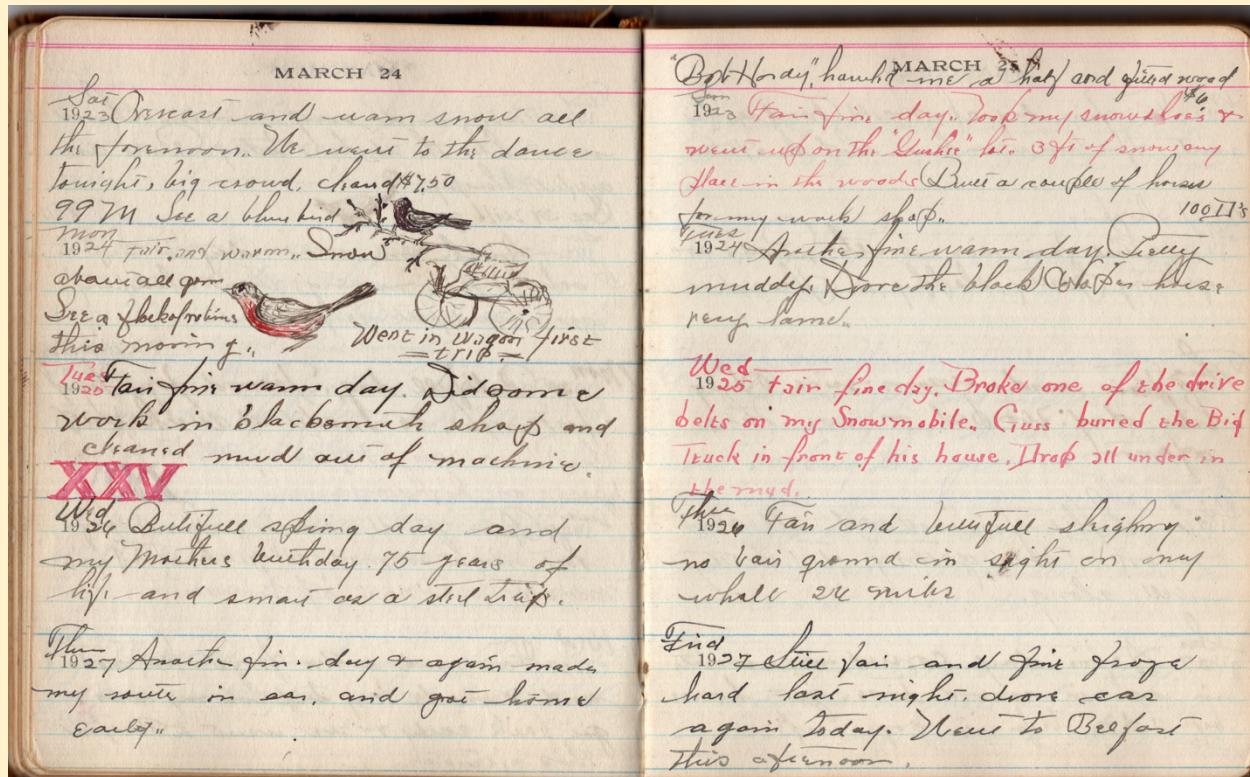
**Friday, Feb. 25** Warm and overcast. Snow did settle today to beat the band. Still fog and warm tonight.

**Saturday, Feb. 26** Snow an awfull storm worst of the winter. Covered all my route. "Amborn" couldent get back from the Ctr. Pitcher snowbound at his Fathers and Drinkwater stoped in Belfast. Old Man Richards made it.

**Sunday, Feb. 27** Snow most all day just a little light stuff. Have shoveled tons of the damd stuff. And am about dead tonight. Thank God I soon shall be.

**Monday, Feb. 28** Fair and warm. Covered all my route but did not get in untill 5 oclock. Warren Pitcher got back to the offace at 11 oclock from his trip Saturday.

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**Tuesday, Mar. 1** Fair and a little colder. Covered all my route. Traveling very bad. Vesta & I went over to Warrens tonight. Ralph Brown [present] solo.

**Wednesday, Mar. 2** Fair and not very cold, tho it was 12° below zero this morning. Chas French brought me 4 bags grain from Camden.

**Thursday, Mar. 3** Cold and blowing a awfull gale. Roads drifted full. Covered all my route. Pitcher only got to Beach Hill. Guss & Ralph Brown went to Rockland to viset Frank Brown.

**Friday, Mar. 4** Fair fine day, but awfull traveling roads blocked full of snow from yesterdays gale. Did not cover all my route.

**Saturday, Mar. 5** Fair fine day. Have a lame horse got an awfull lame hind leg. Brown Frank came to viset Guss? today.

**Sunday, Mar. 6** Fair and warm. Went up to our wood lot on snow shoes. Surely 3 1/2 feet of snow on the ground.

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**Monday, Mar. 7** Warm and a fine day tho tis a bit overcast. Waldo Ins Co of Belfast failed today.

**Tuesday, Mar. 8** Rain like the devil. Roads got slumpy before I got back. Warm tonight

**Wednesday, Mar. 9** Fair and not very cold. Blamed hard traveling. Got one lame horse and another tired one.

**Thursday, Mar. 10** Fair fine warm day. The first nearly spring like day we have had. My horse still lame as a bitch. 89 days of sleighing

**Friday, Mar. 11** Fair and warmer. Snow settled quite a bit today. Mrs Heal came down from Belfast to stop at the Warrens.

**Saturday, Mar. 12** Another fine warm day. Quite a few spots of bair ground showing on the roads.

**Sunday, Mar. 13** Butifull day fair and very warm. Worked all day around the place. Took some of the brush from about the house

**Monday, Mar. 14** Butifull day. Snow went fast. Lots of bair ground. Town Meeting. New selectmen this year {Joe Mullen 1<sup>st</sup> Claud Heal 2<sup>nd</sup> Chas Stevens 3<sup>rd</sup>} See Robins this morning the first this spring Aubry Collemer startid hawling my wood from Mt.

**Tuesday, Mar. 15** Another fine day warm and dandy. Went in wagon today first trip this spring. Clarence Gelo sawed his thumb off. See Blue Birds today.

**Wednesday, Mar. 16** Dandy day fair and warm. Roads getting blamed bad. Shoveling out the big drifts all along the roads. Clarence Gelo sawed his thumb off with a saw making.

**Thursday, Mar. 17** Another fine day. Warm like April looks like rain soon traveling getting cussid. See 23 Wild Gees this afternoon.

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**Friday, Mar. 18** Overcast and rain. Heavy thunder shower this afternoon. Roads awfull muddy and the frost comeing out of the ground. See a Chipmunk today.

**Saturday, Mar. 19** Fair and warm. Allso awfull muddy. Very hard traveling CCVII. Made and early return. Got back soon. Ralph Brown came tonight to the Warrens.

**Sunday, Mar. 20** Overcast and a little colder. Have had a bitch of a head ach all day. Feel like a stewed prune.

**Monday, Mar. 21** Snow all day a miserable damp drizzell and very hard traveling. This is my Mothers birthday she was 76 year old today. 1-8-5 Camden tonight

**Tuesday, Mar. 22** Overcast with snow flurry cold. Got a new wagon wheel from "Kirk" \$5.25

**Wednesday, Mar. 23** Fair and colder froze last night and I made my trip in my car. Got back early & we went to Belfast this afternoon.

**Thursday, Mar. 24** Another fine day & again made my route in car, and got home early.

**Friday, Mar. 25** Still fair and fine froze hard last night. Drove car again today. Went to Belfast this afternoon.

**Saturday, Mar. 26** A fine day. Covered my route in car in record time. Got home by 11 A.M. before it froze up.

**Sunday, Mar. 27** Butifull clear & warm day and I put in most of the day cleaning up around the place.

**Monday, Mar. 28** Fair and a fine warm day. Went with a horse today but its surely tiresome.

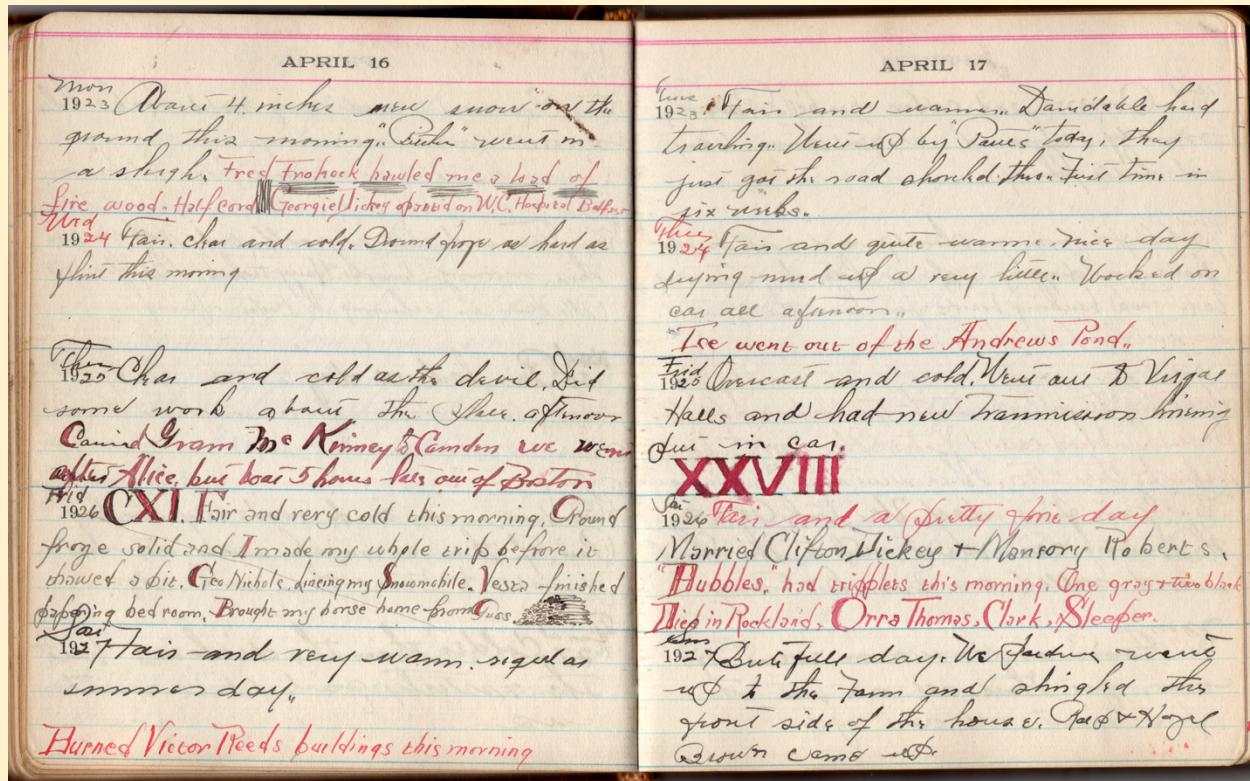
**Tuesday, Mar. 29** Fair, froze a little last night and went in my car. Got back at eleven oclock.

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**Wednesday, Mar. 30** Fair and warm. Went with a horse. Had a hard trip but its over thank God.

**Thursday, Mar. 31** Overcast and rain most all day. And rotten traveling to top it all.

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**Friday, Apr. 1** Fair and warm and damdable traveling. Gee but I wish the mud would dry up.

**Saturday, Apr. 2** Fair froze hard last night. Arthur Clough mooved today from the Stevens Place to Camden.

**Sunday, Apr. 3** Fair fine day. We just kept open house. Alta & her sister Anretta [??] Martin called and spent the afternoon.

**Monday, Apr. 4** Fair fine day but awfull traveling. Died Harminous Frohock. Angie Thomas very sick two convultions this forenoon. Alta Warren went to Camden to consult a doctor. Some deathly day.

**Tuesday, Apr. 5** Fair and warm this morning. Very cold tonight & snowing.

**Wednesday, Apr. 6** Fair and warm. Cussid traveling. This afternoon did a little grafting set scions. Not Heads

**Thursday, Apr. 7** Fair and cold, damd such weather. Nine months of winter and three months of late fall, that's what we are having.

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**Friday, Apr. 8** Fair and cold. Had shower this morning but cleared away and blowing great gun's.

**Saturday, Apr. 9** Fair and still cold & raw. Built part of a well curb this afternoon. Got my garden seed from Gregories.

**Sunday, Apr. 10** Fair and cold as the devil, and blowing a gale. We all pardners went up and did a lot of work at the farm.

**Monday, Apr. 11** Fair fine day but blowing a terrible westerly gale of wind

**Tuesday, Apr. 12** Another fine day with a hell of a west wind blowing. Built a new well curb. Went in my car. Roads awfull rough.

**Wednesday, Apr. 13** Fair and cold, blowing a gale today. Startid washing celling. Went in my car again today. Got in the mud twice and had to dig it out.

**Thursday, Apr. 14** Still fair and cold and still blowing a strong west wind.

**Friday, Apr. 15** Colder than the dickens but the westerly gail still with us.

**Saturday, Apr. 16** Fair and very warm, regular summer day. Burned Victor Reeds buildings this morning.

**Sunday, Apr. 17** Butifull day. We pardners went up to the farm and shingled the front side of the house. Ralph & Hazel Brown came up.

**Monday, Apr. 18** Fair and warm went in car. Got thro all ok but the frost isant all out yet.

**Tuesday, Apr. 19** Fair and warm. Went in car and got stuck once.

**Wednesday, Apr. 20** Very warm a hot west wind. Hot tonight. Got stuck in the mud four times today had to dig the car out.

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**Thursday, Apr. 21** Fair and warm. Got stuck in the mud 3 times. Guss got Frank Pendleton to harrow & furrow our land at the CCVII Farm. I got some Red Astrican scions and grafted 19 NY, a tree at the farm.

**Friday, Apr. 22** Overcast and rain traveling bum but still a little better. \$25 due Camden Nat Bank

**Saturday, Apr. 23** Rain hard all day. Herb Thomas pulled me thro one mud hole. made the rest of the trip O.K.

**Sunday, Apr. 24** Fair fine day. We all went up to the farm and burned the fields and cut bush a general clean up.

**Monday, Apr. 25** Fair and cold as the devil. Snow squall. Went to Camden and had \$5.77 work done on car. Guss plantid all day at the farm.

**Tuesday, Apr. 26** Fair and cool, fine day worked plowing harrowing and putting the dressing on our garden. Mellie Dearborn did the work.

**Wednesday, Apr. 27** Another fine day. Made my trip O.K. in car then went up to the farm and plantid qt early morn peas.

**Thursday, Apr. 28** Fair and cold as the dickens. Roads all dried out with [sections] of one or two mud holes.

**Friday, Apr. 29** Another fine day. Put coliemer [?] on the celen of our dining room for Vesta. Have been over it three times.

**Saturday, Apr. 30** Fair fine day. Went out home tonight carried my horses out. Ralph Brown & Guss came after me in my car.

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MAY 29		MAY 30	
1923 Fair fine day. Got in the afternoon. Planting. Set third rows on the route with me today.	Born to Collier Hills & wife a daughter.	1923 Fair this forenoon. Rain tonight.	Planted the end of our house today.
1924 Rain soon & more. did not get to the dance in Belfast after we ate dinner.		1924 Fair & cold. Got up at 12:45 this morning. Took an "Old" house. Took to Sumner. See a big macock coming back. We took Alta up to Frank's to see Frank down again the day on his bay.	Planted & bushed potatoes. Go to Fair com. & market.
1925 Fair - cold and generally a miserable day. Took a walk outside 9-30 tonight getting ready for fishing tomorrow.		1925 Fair - cold - as the chicken.	Wife by the side of the road for business.
1926 Fair and warmer. Carried deer up to the store and put things in shape to open.	Vesta & I went out to the cemetery on the 25th.	1926 Fair & Fog all day. Being of the Haused by the side of the road, for 1924.	Sold \$12. worth today.
1927 Fair & warm spring like day.	Visited & went due to the cemetery and the grave of Ruth & son on the grass. We went on a ride to Penns. and Paul & the old fort.	1927 Fair one butiful day. We took the day and went to Belfast. Some traps for at Ford 96 miles each way.	

**Sunday, May 1** Butiful day. Went up to the farm and worked all day burning & cleaning up. I plantid a bushal of Gold Coin potatoes. Guss & Alta stoped to finish the burning & Vesta & I went back & got them this evening.

**Monday, May 2** A butiful day. Vesta & I papered our dineing room. Father carried the Cooper horse to Belfast for me. Frank Patten in jale for fishing Alewives unlawfully.

**Tuesday, May 3** Fair fine day. Set two more mapel trees makeing six mapel & one elm I have put out this spring.

**Wednesday, May 4** Fair butiful day. Went out to the center this afternoon CCIX-CCX had springs fixed on car. 21 N.Y. Born to Merritt Carver & wife Gladys a daughter. Alta brought Ruth [Price] up from Camden to visit.

**Thursday, May 5** Rain like hell all day and very cold. Got home and helped paper our dining room. Died Anneta Patten.

**Friday, May 6** Fair fine day. Vesta & I went to Belfast. Got grocerys at M.F. Co 50 lbs sugar. Died Helen Higgins Butler

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**Saturday, May 7** Another fine day. Varnished our dining table and did some work on car.

**Sunday, May 8** Butifull day. We all went up to the fair. I plantid bushal of Gold Coin Potatoes.

**Monday, May 9** Another fine day. Aubry Collemer plowed an acre of land for me. Going to sow it to oats. {150 H.A.D. Paid in full}

**Tuesday, May 10** Fair fine day. Vesta & I went to Belfast to court. A.M. Ross sewing to recover the old place. No goes to the Law Court in Bangor.

**Wednesday, May 11** Fair and fine. Paintid screens and put some on the house.

**Thursday, May 12** Fair fine day. Aubry Collemer finished putting the dressing on my oat land. Raining hard tonight.

**Friday, May 13** Rain about all day. We have surely had a fall of rain this time.

**Saturday, May 14** Slightly overcast. Put screens on the house & plantid Beets Lettuce Sage & Pole Beans.

**Sunday, May 15** Overcast & rain. We all went up to the farm and worked. Put a new window in the Tea House and put a new shutter on.

**Monday, May 16** Another rainy day, making the 4<sup>th</sup> of rain. Guss & I went up to the store & put the lattice work around the bottom of the store.

**Tuesday, May 17** Rain and fog this morning afternoon O.K. Went up to the "Farm" working on the Old House. Vesta & Altas Pig arrived today \$7.00.

**Wednesday, May 18** Rain most all day. Had to shift a tire. Also built a pen for the Co Pig.

**Thursday, May 19** Rain like the dickens all day and the roads are nothing but mud holes.

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**Friday, May 20** Rain this morning fair this afternoon. We all went up to the Farm Vesta & Alta dug green's while we Guss & I shingled.

**Saturday, May 21** Pretty good day, but still it had to rain a heavy shower. Guss & I went up to the store and shingled on the Old House. Dexter Wentworth found in his home on Moody Mt murdered.

**Sunday, May 22** Rain. We all went up to the store but it rained so hard we couldent do much. Couldent start my car, got so wet had to come home & get our sedan.

**Monday, May 23** A fair day at last. Carried Guss & Alta up to the store this morning. Vesta & I went this afternoon. Have the front side & roof of the Old House all finished.

**Tuesday, May 24** Fair a fine day. We all went up to the Farm and while Vesta & Alta were painting the store Guss & I cut hewed and put in the studds on the back side of the old house.

**Wednesday, May 25** Rain fog and more rain all day, just a miserable spell of weather. Died Frank Rackliff.

**Thursday, May 26** Still rain and fog three week today since this storm startid. Two fellows L. Wellman & Perlie Jones arrested for the murder of Dex Wentworth Jones confessed.

**Friday, May 27** More rain and more fog. Ant it a lovely spell of weather. We think it is not.

**Saturday, May 28** And the rain is still doing buisness allso the fog. I guess its come for the summer.

**Sunday, May 29** Butifull warm spring like day. Vesta & I went out to the Cemetery cut the grass & put flowers on the graves. We went on a ride to Pemaquid Point & the old Fort.

**Monday, May 30** Fair one butifull day. We took the day and went to Bar Harbor. Some trip for a Ford 96 miles each way.

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**Tuesday, May 31** Not so good a day. Fog & overcast. Went up & Worked on the Old House. Tonight we put our Ice Cream Cabinet in store.

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JUNE 19	JUNE 20
<p>1923 Fair and hot, am about blistered with the heat, got in early and spent the afternoon trying to keep cool.</p> <p>1924 Fair and warm, sultry. Tonight, we, Gust Alta &amp; I went to Hobbs to a dance. Very small crowd.</p> <p>1925 Fair fine day, small crowd but every body comes to Miller Dearborn's bulb sales my garden</p> <p>1926 Fair fine day. CXXIV-CXXV. Vesta &amp; I went to Delfest this afternoon - did my Saturday boarding </p> <p>1927 Butifull day, sowed all up and played taking it easy. Had a good day took \$34.</p>	<p>Had 1923 Fair and still very warm. Now was drawing our windows in red today.</p> <p>Born to Walter Clark &amp; wife a daughter.</p> <p>1924 Hot as the devil this morning. Varnished our kitchen floor with "Valspar," the varnish that won't turn white.</p> <p>1925 Fair fine day. Heavy shower tonight. Had a pretty good day at the Shack 1398.</p> <p>1926 Fair but very cold. Had hardly any work until late afternoon then did quite well took a bill over \$30. for the day.</p> <p>1927 Fair foggy day. Vesta &amp; Alta the shop this afternoon. While Alta was home &amp; me (Bush) went to Delfest \$9.37, with Ralph Brown</p>

**Wednesday, Jun. 1** Butifull day fair and cool. Went up to the farm and worked late on the Old House. Plantid qt Early Morn Peas.

**Thursday, Jun. 2** Butifull clear cool day. Took Vesta & Alta up to the store. They worked all afternoon cleaning up. While I worked on the Old House. 22 N.Y.

**Friday, Jun. 3** Fair and a fine day. I went up to the farm and worked but no one else.

**Saturday, Jun. 4** Fair and a fine day but rain this afternoon. We went up to the Store & Worked all day.

**Sunday, Jun. 5** Fairly good day. Went up to the Farm and worked on the Old House. Rain tonight.

**Monday, Jun. 6** Fair only a little shower tonight. Went up to the Farm and shingled on the Old House.

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**Tuesday, Jun. 7** Fair and warm. We got Frank Pendleton to haul gravel for our drive this afternoon (127 due City Nat Bank Waldoboro note)

**Wednesday, Jun. 8** Fair fine day. Went up to the Store. Frank Pendleton finished hawling gravel.

**Thursday, Jun. 9** Butifull day fair & warm. We went up to the Little Store and while the girls worked, I went out to [Pitchers] Mill with Warren mesured the water in [flume?]

**Friday, Jun. 10** Fair and warm. Carried Vesta & Alta to Belfast to buy shear trade goods. Vesta went to the dentist this afternoon had heavy gold fillings put in. 23 N.Y.

**Saturday, Jun. 11** Another nice day. Worked at the Farm and went to Camden Vesta got her health certificate. We all went to Belfast tonight to the pictures.

**Sunday, Jun. 12** Another fine day. We all went up to the farm and put in the day working getting every thing dolled up.

**Monday, Jun. 13** Fair fine kind of a day. Saulsbury & his helper set the pump. Sylvester put in 750 gal gas \$230.00 100 gals oil.

**Tuesday, Jun. 14** Fair fine day. We went early and worked late getting all dolled up cleaned up [??] and out. Ye Old Fire Place. 24 T.Y.

**Wednesday, Jun. 15** Fair fine day. Rain this afternoon. Opened The House by the Side of the Road. Took an even \$14. Road gang tarring the road by the Shack today.

**Thursday, Jun. 16** Fair fine day, but showers this afternoon. (200 Camden N.B.) Died Tom B. Wiggen. C.W. Vet

**Friday, Jun. 17** Fair fine day. Had Frank Pendleton hawl gravel this afternoon. Put 16 loads on the front lawn. \$10.08

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**Saturday, Jun. 18** Fair fine day. We all worked like the dickens dolling the place up for tomorrow. \$11.17 Born to Bessie Heal Drinkwater a son.

**Sunday, Jun. 19** Butifull day. Dolled all up and played takeing it easy. Had a good day took \$24.

**Monday, Jun. 20** Fair fine day. Vesta & I ran the shop this afternoon. While Alta Mrs Warren & Mrs Bush went to Belfast with Ralph Brown. \$9.37

**Tuesday, Jun. 21** Fair fine day. Plantid corn beets & lettuce. Shingled on the Old House. Took \$9.60 Total for first week \$83.05. Benton Heal & fambly came from Phila today.

**Wednesday, Jun. 22** Butifull day fair & warm. Mellie Dearborn cultivated our garden at the Farm. \$12.33

**Thursday, Jun. 23** Another fine day. Built a [??] in the Old House for the [??] private use. Have a camping party from Pa. tonight. \$5.47

**Friday, Jun. 24** Fair fine day. Vesta & I went to Belfast this afternoon for to see a tooth puller. Wasent at home, ant that hell? \$7.70

**Saturday, Jun. 25** Another pretty nice day. Worked on the Old House and did some work in the garden. \$9.98

**Sunday, Jun. 26** Rain like hell & damdnation all day. Hardly any buisness for a Sunday should have taken \$30 or \$40 but only \$13.14

**Monday, Jun. 27** Butifull day clear & cold. Vesta & I went to the dentist Jenness in Belfast. She had her teeth cleaned I had a front tooth out. \$9.34

**Tuesday, Jun. 28** Fair fine day. Worked at the farm all afternoon. And did some work at the Old House. \$6.75. Took this past week \$64.71

**Wednesday, Jun. 29** Fair fine day. Shingled on the Old House. Buisness not near as good this year as last. \$9.90

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**Thursday, Jun. 30** Fair fine day. The Bushes went away today Joe Stoddard with them. Baked beans in the ground. O.K. \$15.00

# RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

JULY 26		JULY 27	
1923	rain sultry day. Raked up part of my hay.	1923	Cloudy looks like rain but my hay is baled and finished "my buying". Merritt Dralon hunted it in Dred Dardaw a fine setting dory
1924	Another fine day. Came to Waukesha's book. Sat & read to the yard this afternoon.	1924	Butifull day Alta & I took a ride went up to the "Thistle" Ha[ve] 6 dishes of ice cream
1925	Unusually hutch of a day, fog and sun and still took in over \$20. in spite of the weather	1925	Stir of fog and rain. Some thing finer than us after. However a bale of my hay out yet.
1926	Had a dandy day. Went up to the Spuds [ ] and did work this $\frac{1}{4}$ of an hour.	1926	CXLV Fair and warm. Went up to Belfast this afternoon got a load of goods and left my work $\frac{1}{2}$ to have repaired
1927	Fair warmer $\frac{1}{4}$ my 997. Bore most of a double bill $\frac{1}{4}$ this afternoon. The gues took to car half Grams Rock Tonic. Total \$99.93	1927	Wednesday Dercart and vicinity the P. C. Cobbs were home today. Dervin $\frac{1}{2}$ to Belfast this afternoon for goods Paid $\frac{1}{2}$ on account. Paid as his of time $\frac{1}{2}$ on the Old House

**Friday, Jul. 1** Fair and warm. Went to Belfast and had a tooth [??] cost me \$16.00 for a front tooth & the bridge work to hold it. 7.85

**Saturday, Jul. 2** Another nice day. All [until] it rained and was foggy part of the time. We all went to Belfast tonight shopping. 10.98

**Sunday, Jul. 3** Fog overcast sultry hot part of the time and a few light showers. \$28.65

**Monday, Jul. 4** Fair fine day. Took my car to Merritt Carver to have transmission relined and he droped a [??] into the gears bustid the engin all to hell. \$28.90

**Tuesday, Jul. 5** Fair fine day. Clear & cold as the dickens. Shingled on the Old House. \$12.16 Took this past week \$101.28

**Wednesday, Jul. 6** Butifull day clear & cool. Alta kept store this afternoon. Brought Vesta home to doll up. We took a little ride up to Belfast after closeing. \$8.00

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Thursday, Jul. 7** Rain fog bum weather & small traid only \$3.48

**Friday, Jul. 8** Fair fine day. Alta came home for the afternoon and Vesta ran the store and I worked on windows. \$13.04

**Saturday, Jul. 9** Fair and warm. Had a pretty good day. I did some work in the "Old House". We all went to Belfast tonight. 10.55

**Sunday, Jul. 10** Overcast cleared away fine. Served our first beans baked in the ground. Sold all we had about \$3 worth. \$37.80

**Monday, Jul. 11** Fair fine warm day. Yes real hot. I went up to Belfast with Ralph Brown. Did some work in the Old House. 14.67

**Tuesday, Jul. 12** A blamed hot day. Did some work in our garden but too warm for much work in the same. 13.75 Took this week \$103.27

**Wednesday, Jul. 13** Hot a awfull hot day. Did some work in the Old House this afternoon. Startid to wire the store. Mrs Warren (Nora) went to Camden to doctor tonight. 11.97

**Thursday, Jul. 14** Hot, awfull day for heat, and a terrific thunder shower tonight. Did some work about the Old House & partly wired the new. \$10.58

**Friday, Jul. 15** Heavey thunder shower. Worst rain fall for years. I went to Belfast this afternoon. Hair Cut. \$8.49

**Saturday, Jul. 16** Rain like the dickens thunder shower Helluvaone. We all went to Belfast and did our weekend shopping tonight. \$9.79

**Sunday, Jul. 17** Rain like the devil and thick of fog all day. Just worked around the Old House did a little work on the Small Tabel. David & Jennie McCobb came. \$15.41

**Monday, Jul. 18** Overcast & some fog, but did a good buisness. Ralph Brown & friend wiring the store. 17.94

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Tuesday, Jul. 19** Fair. My birthday got a lot of presents, 2 shirts 4 pr stockings 4 ties 3 [??] pair garters. Vesta came home this afternoon & I went back & helped. 12.58 I will be dead and rotten by this time 1927. My birthday. Would be 49 years old if I had lived. May 10-1923. Took \$86.30

**Wednesday, Jul. 20** Overcast and warm. Had quite a good traid but not what it should be \$14.28

**Thursday, Jul. 21** Warm part of the day very hot. Did some shingling on the "Old House". Picked a qt blueberrys. 11.84

**Friday, Jul. 22** Overcast & fog bum weather. Alta came home this afternoon to clean house while thear company was in Thomaston viseting. \$13.56

**Saturday, Jul. 23** Rain & fog all day. Small traid. Alta came down with me tonight & went to the dance. Vesta & I went to Belfast this evening to the pictures. \$9.11

**Sunday, Jul. 24** Still rain & fog. Small traid. Went to Belfast this afternoon with Ralph Brown & Guss & out to Herb Thomas. \$18.54

**Monday, Jul. 25** Overcast & fog this morning clear away fine day, only a very heavy shower this afternoon. Alta took the day and went on a sale to Dark Harbor. \$19.16

**Tuesday, Jul. 26** Fair warm & muggy. Built most of a double [??] this afternoon. The guts took 20 case of Granit Rock tonic. 12.44 Took \$99.93

**Wednesday, Jul. 27** Overcast and sultry. The McCobbs went home today. I went to Belfast this afternoon for goods. Paid P & S 50/00 on account. Put a lot of time on the Old House. \$16.55

**Thursday, Jul. 28** Fair and warm. Had good buisness. Vesta came home this afternoon and went back to the store & worked. Used our new electric light tonight first time. Filled the Ice Box. 19.46

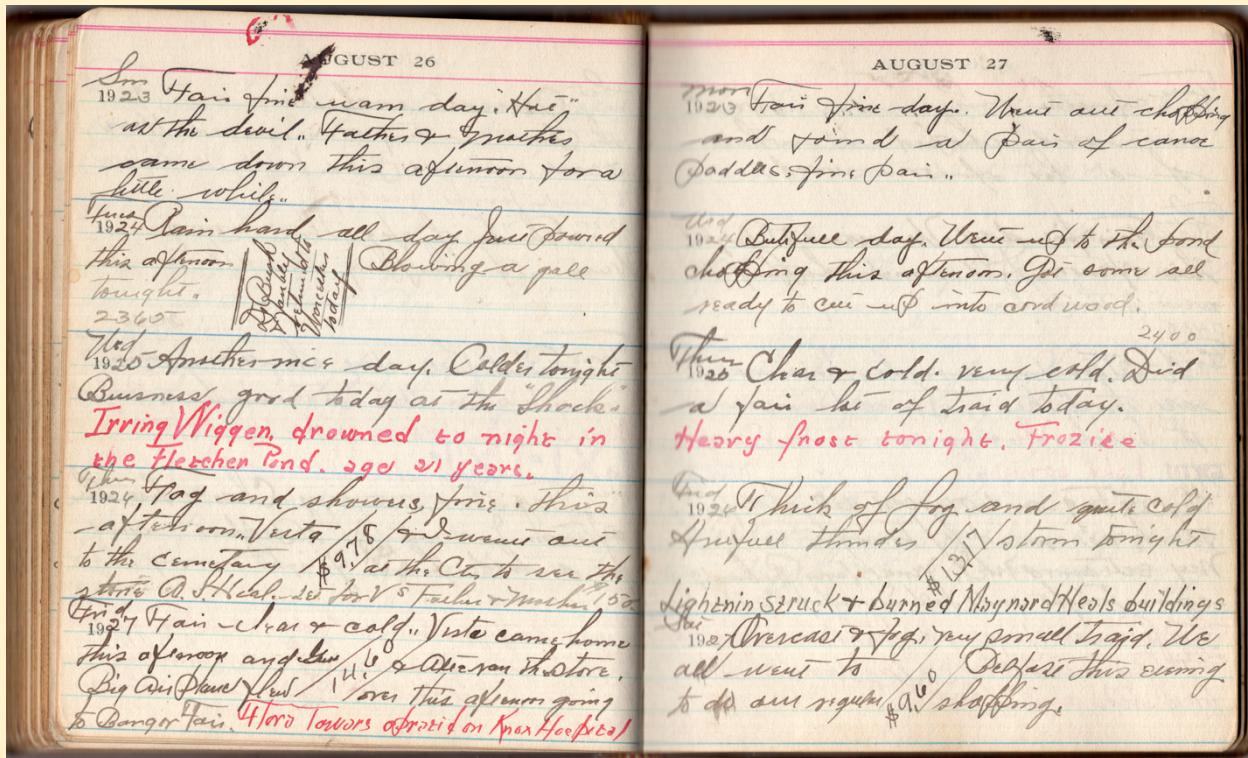
## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Friday, Jul. 29** Warm & sticky. Thunder shower this afternoon. Alta came home at noon & V & I ran the ship. Put beans in the ground to bake tonight. \$16.34

**Saturday, Jul. 30** Butifull day just wonderfull and an awfull big lot of cars but nobody stopping. We all went to Belfast tonight to do our shopping. 6.54

**Sunday, Jul. 31** Overcast and fog turn to rain and has rained hard about all day. Piled up a lot of tonic cases in the Old House this afternoon. \$45.21

# RALPH RICHARDS - 1927



**Monday, Aug. 1** Overcast fog & showers. Not much buisness. Fog & rain again tonight. Shingled some today. Put air line in the tolit. \$7.48

**Tuesday, Aug. 2** Rain & fog, clear away cold & clear tonight. We have 3 camping partys tonight at the Farm. \$12.64 Took \$114.22

**Wednesday, Aug. 3** Butiful day clear & cool. Just a tang of autom in the air. No buisness at all untill 5 oclock then took \$10 or more. \$16.12

**Thursday, Aug. 4** Fair clear & cold, but a butiful day. Got my binochlors from Boston. Vesta came home this afternoon. I went to store built a [??] and filled the Ice Box with tonic. \$14.39

**Friday, Aug. 5** Fair & fog, with a shower thrown in this afternoon for good mesure. Carried Alta home afternoon. Heavy thunder & lightning tonight. \$6.56

**Saturday, Aug. 6** Fair fine day. Sold most all our Beanes baked in the ground and set more to bake. We all went to Belfast tonight. Aubry Collemer & Dave Nickerson cutting my hay. \$10.58

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Sunday, Aug. 7** Fog this morning cleared away a fine day with good traid. Foggy again tonight. Warren Pitcher's Dodge car ran into & almost completely wrecked last night in Rockland. \$36.58

**Monday, Aug. 8** Fog and rain about all day and not a very heavy buisness. A Ford sedan tirded over on Bullock Hill this noon. No body hurt. \$12.45

**Tuesday, Aug. 9** Rain like hell all day. Clear & cold tonight. Hardly any traid today. Came home early. Dug some new peraties [?] and tinkered about in the Old House. Was a long day. \$4.91 \$101.59

**Wednesday, Aug. 10** Fair butifull day. Not much buisness this forenoon but good this afternoon. I cleaned up bush & cut bushes allso shingled some on the Old House. 15.33

**Thursday, Aug. 11** Fair fine day and good buisness. Vesta came home this afternoon and I built a iron harness to put a beanpot in. Put ice in the Ice Box. \$21.65

**Friday, Aug. 12** Fairly good day after the fog burned away. One thunder shower this afternoon. Brought Alta home for her afternoon. Born to Freddie Amborn & wife a new daughter. \$14.68

**Saturday, Aug. 13** Overcast with fog showers. Pretty fair amount of traid. Guss came and helped me fill The Ice Box. We all went to Belfast tonight. \$16.86

**Sunday, Aug. 14** Overcast and fog all day bum weather but they did quite a good buisness at the store. \$30.40

**Monday, Aug. 15** Fair fine day for the afternoon & evening but thick fog this forenoon. Went blueberrying this afternoon and worked some in the Old House. \$16.12

**Tuesday, Aug. 16** Fair fine cold day. Real fall like clear as a bell tonight. \$20.70 Took \$135.74

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Wednesday, Aug. 17** Overcast & showers this forenoon fine tonight. We all closed store early and we went to Belfast this evening to the Fair at the Park. 33.29

**Thursday, Aug. 18** Overcast with showers all time. Vesta came home this afternoon. Took ice from Ice Box for cream. John Wade came to viset today. 13.08

**Friday, Aug. 19** Fair & a good day. I went to Belfast this afternoon. Did a lot of shopping. Got a hair cut. Vddy ran shop. 13.08

**Saturday, Aug. 20** Another nice day. Baked beans again today but not such luck had to recook some of them. 20.66

**Sunday, Aug. 21** Fair fine day and a good day for traid. Had a lot of folks and a lot of work. 45.33

**Monday, Aug. 22** Fair fine day fog thick tonight. Carried my touring car out to Virgil Hall to have repaired. Joe Stoddard drove it out \$1. \$16.72

**Tuesday, Aug. 23** Fog and rain showers about all day. Drove my sedan on the route today. 11.08 Took \$153.24

**Wednesday, Aug. 24** Rain hard all day just one hell of a storm. We closed the shop and came home early. Not much use to keep open. 5.67

**Thursday, Aug. 25** Butifull clear cool day, with a good big traid this afternoon. Village Imp Society held thear annual fair and dance today & tonight. \$18.81

**Friday, Aug. 26** Fair clear & cold. Vesta came home this afternoon and Guss & Alta ran the store. Big airplane flew over this afternoon going to Bangor Fair. Flora Towers opratid on Knox Hospital. 14.60

**Saturday, Aug. 27** Overcast & fog. Very small traid. We all went to Belfast this evening to do our regular shopping. \$9.60

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Sunday, Aug. 28** Overcast fog and light rains all day. The Browns took Mrs Warren & Guss for a ride. \$27.04

**Monday, Aug. 29** Overcast and allmost rain all day. Still they got a little traid. The [??] had 500 gallons of gas put in this morning making 2,000 in all this season. \$8.17

**Tuesday, Aug. 30** Still overcast & fog. Damdest bum weather ever. Heavy traffic and every body driving like hell. Died Charles Covell. \$13.40. Took \$97.29

**Wednesday, Aug. 31** Fair fine day. Went to Belfast this afternoon. Got coffee cigars allso 100 lbs sugar for Mrs Warren. Went out to the center tonight got my touring car. \$13.04

# RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

SEPTEMBER 24		SEPTEMBER 25	
1923	Fair fine day. Went up to the pond this morning. Vesta carried her wash up and did a washing on the shore of the pond.	1923	Another fine day. Vesta & Alta went up to the pond with me, they picked a half bushel cranberries.
1924	Fair first day. A winter storm coming down as 6 o'clock tonight. Vesta made a big fire and a big bull moose in the road below our house. Vesta went to Mrs. Thomas' house this afternoon.	1924	Fair like as a bell. Went out and cut wood again this afternoon. Mrs. Thomas & me Miss Julian returned to Manchester this morning.
1925	Cold as the very dickens. Deer winter has arrived at last. Not much business.	1925	Slept very cold heavy frost last night, and a very small traid today.
1926	Rain like the drizzle all day. Fog tonight. Vesta made a ham dinner for coffee break this afternoon.	1926	Overcast to fog. Fair of day. Vesta shower tonight. Left town to Belfast this afternoon took a walk in the Glens. Visited Gas Station (The Lumberman) & Days Emporium.
1927	Fair fine day, but small 26. We went to Belfast tonight. Had supper there went to picture.	1927	Butifull day fair weather & cool. Not a bit of business much 30 rods down \$33.33 a good bit of traid.

**Thursday, Sep. 1** Overcast fog & rain damable weather any way. Guss & Alta ran the shop this afternoon. Vesta & I at home. \$6.04

**Friday, Sep. 2** Overcast fog rotten weather, very small traid. Vesta & I ran the buisness what little thear was this afternoon. \$8.77

**Saturday, Sep. 3** Overcast fog & showers bummet kind of weather. We all closed early tonight and went to Belfast to picture. Jim Richards killed in Belfast, a building fell on him that he was helping moove. Got my watch tonight from jewelers \$2.75. 22.34

**Sunday, Sep. 4** Butifull day clear and cool, a real summer day at last. Had a good big traid lot of cars and lot of people. 43.53

**Monday, Sep. 5** Another fine clear day. Dug some potatoes this afternoon. Guss dug most of his no crop at all and badly rotted. 28.34

**Tuesday, Sep. 6** Another fine day. Now we are surely having our summer at last. Went to Belfast and got goods this afternoon. \$16.52 Took \$138.58

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Wednesday, Sep. 7** Still a butifull day. Finished shingling the roof of the Old House. Vesta & I went to Belfast tonight to the pictures. 8.62

**Thursday, Sep. 8** Butifull clear cool day but travel falling off fast now. Summer about over and we have none. 18.62

**Friday, Sep. 9** Another fine clear day. This is the sixth fair day we have had [??] 5.93

**Saturday, Sep. 10** Butifull day clear and cool. Vesta & I went to Belfast tonight to the picture. Guss & Alta went to the dance at the Beach. 13.67

**Sunday, Sep. 11** Overcast and rain all day, tonight clear & cold. Small traid today but sold a lot of coffee. \$14.64

**Monday, Sep. 12** Another butifull clear cool day. Tonight we all took a ride out thro the center and over the turnpike. Started building new state road Town House to Center. 8.30

**Tuesday, Sep. 13** Another fine day. Alta sister & Mrs Warren came up and took dinner. Manly Turner & mother called this afternoon. 6.98 Took \$68.76 this week.

**Wednesday, Sep. 14** Another fine day. Vesta came home this afternoon and I went out to the Old Place and picked 2 bbsh of Bartlett Pears. \$7.36

**Thursday, Sep. 15** Fair fine clear & cool day. Overcast and raining tonight. We took Mrs Warren & Alta to Belfast to the pictures. Madam Pompedoar starring Dorothy Gish. \$8.12

**Friday, Sep. 16** A fine clear day just butifull but the traid is about over not much traffic and they don't stop. \$5.33

**Saturday, Sep. 17** Overcast and rain. We all went to Belfast tonight to do shopping and then go to the picture. 11.66

**Sunday, Sep. 18** A fine clear cool day with a big lot of travel. We had a dandy buisness sold out about every thing. \$33.15

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Monday, Sep. 19** Rain like the dickens all day, fog and rain tonight. No buisness. 3.75

**Tuesday, Sep. 20** Fog this morning cleared away fine clear & mild tonight. We close shop early and took a little ride up to Searsport. 8.73 Took \$78.10 this week.

**Wednesday, Sep. 21** Fair fine day. Pretty good traid. Had the shoes we hawled the little building on sawed into 6 x 6 timber. Have cut quite a lot of the frame for blacksmith shop. \$23.96

**Thursday, Sep. 22** Fair fine day. I went to Belfast this afternoon carried up a load of empty bottles. We all went to Belfast tonight to the pictures & to get returns of the Dempsey & Tunney fight. Tunney retains his tital. 8.37

**Friday, Sep. 23** Fair fine day. We took Guss & Alta to Rockland tonight. Went to pictures and then had supper afterwards.

**Saturday, Sep. 24** Fair fine day but small sales. We went to Belfast tonight. Had supper then went to picture. 6.77

**Sunday, Sep. 25** Butifull day fair clear. & cool. Not a bit of buisness untill 3 o'clock then a good bit of traid. \$23.33

**Monday, Sep. 26** Butifull summer fair and warm. I went to Belfast this afternoon. Put on a pair new rear tires. Closed the House by the Side of the Road for good. \$6.71 Took this year [blank]

**Tuesday, Sep. 27** Fair fine day. Worked like hell all afternoon. Mowed the lawn & borrowed three jacks our lift our garage.

**Wednesday, Sep. 28** Another fine warm day. I put 3 jacks under our garage and put it up 8 inches. Got it level & stone underpinning in. Shot Chas Frenchs horse "Danil" tonight.

**Thursday, Sep. 29** Butifull day. We all went to Belfast tonight went to pictures and had supper at [Whitten?]. Alta birthday Vesta & I gave her a bar pin.

## **RALPH RICHARDS - 1927**

**Friday, Sep. 30** Fair fine day. Shingled on the back of our garage.

# RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

<p><i>Went down to Schoonock tonight. When we got back had a visitor. A fine big S. Job's was in the gulf. Vesta called in Sunday 1923</i></p> <p><i>Raw and cold. Went down to The Schoonock this evening &amp; left about to Schoonock for chance to go out and the 3s. Did some barn cutting.</i></p> <p><i>Mon 1924 Clear and cold. Started at 12-40 tonight got up to Abbot Village before we saw any lights. Got to the dam at 845 and the end of road at Landaline at 9-30.</i></p> <p><i>Tue 1925 Fair fine day. Went up to the 5thock this morning trying to catch our geese took no birds.</i></p> <p><i>Wed 1926 Fair fine day. We were to Schoonock this afternoon went to the 5thock.</i></p> <p><i>Thurs 1927 Another butifull day. Went out to Fathers and took the evening hunting set 4 muskrat traps for him.</i></p>	<p><b>OCTOBER 27</b></p> <p>1923 Fair fine day. Got back his car &amp; carried all up to the top a road. Ben's Camp &amp; we walked in to see Elm. And one more, <i>that yesterday</i> <i>Coffee</i> <i>thinkwater</i></p> <p>1924 Bright and cold. Started before sunrise and drove over to Sandhunk's Stayed &amp; had full view of Katahdin from the bridge.</p> <p>1925 <b>XC-XCI - BUTIFULL DAY.</b> Stanley Gray brought me a foot long wood. I went out hunting one bird. Got my new number for eggs 112944</p> <p>1926 Another fair day. Went up to the farm working? Not too much and yet rather.</p> <p>1927 Rain and for barn weather. The last day of my vacation. It surely had been a dream of a time?</p> <p><i>Guests will be here to night. Back tomorrow by noon</i></p>
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**Saturday, Oct. 1** A butifull warm summer like day. Finished shingling our garage. Tonight went to Belfast did our shopping. Bought pair of shoes \$6.50

**Sunday, Oct. 2** Butifull clear warm summer day. We took a long ride today. Belfast, Waterville, Oakland, Belgrade Lakes, Farmington, Augusta, Rockland home 181 miles. Took our dinner fine time.

**Monday, Oct. 3** Partly overcast, but pretty fine day. Worked on my garage finishing tucking it in for winter.

**Tuesday, Oct. 4** Rain like hellen blazes most all day. Regular cloud burst this forenoon. Fair & clear tonight.

**Wednesday, Oct. 5** Fair fine day. Have been tearing down a hen house to build a blacksmith shop. Today was Lincolnville Town Fair.

**Thursday, Oct. 6** A butifull day fair & warm. Vesta & I went up to the pond after cranberrys. None to get.

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Friday, Oct. 7** Fair but not as nice as yesterday. Carried Vesta & Alta to Rockland they each bought new fall coats.

**Saturday, Oct. 8** Fair fine day. Picked apples and a good fine lot of them.

**Sunday, Oct. 9** Fair fine this morning turn to rain and a bad storm tonight. We all went on a long ride to Carmel, Newport, Dexter, Dover, Milo Howland Enfield Bangor 223 miles.

**Monday, Oct. 10** Fair fine day. Worked this afternoon at the store. Getting every thing put away for winter.

**Tuesday, Oct. 11** A fine day. Got a broken back. Stopped to pick up a carter pin in Hells Garage at the Center and a kink took me in my back. Went to Osterpath doctor Pettapice in Camden

**Wednesday, Oct. 12** Fair fine day Commenced my vacation with a broken back. Guss doing my chores. Went to the Dr again this afternoon for treatment.

**Thursday, Oct. 13** Rain hard and blowing a gale. Its one helluva storm. Hallett boat came ashore in the gale. Guss went to Camden with me this afternoon.

**Friday, Oct. 14** This is a fine day but my back is so lame I cant enjoy it much.

**Saturday, Oct. 15** Fair fine day. I went to Camden this afternoon and took another Osterpath treatment. We went to Belfast tonight.

**Sunday, Oct. 16** Butifull day. We went on a ride this afternoon up to Fort Knox and Prospect. 63 miles

**Monday, Oct. 17** Fair fine day. Went to Belfast this afternoon. Paid Hell Hardware Co 12.79

**Tuesday, Oct. 18** Overcast rain hard tonight one hell of a storm. Blowing great guns. Went out and shot a partridge. Layed Vesta's new lanoham carpet.

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Wednesday, Oct. 19** Overcast and not very cold. Just did a little work and some repairing on car.

**Thursday, Oct. 20** Fair fine day. Have felt that my vacation is a flop this year and no mistake. Gave Vesta a new bar pin for our anniversary. Died Frank Patten.

**Friday, Oct. 21** Some showers and some [??]. We all went to Bangor and put in the day shoping got home at 2 o'clock this morning.

**Saturday, Oct. 22** Overcast and cold bum day and I have been sick as a horse all day.

**Sunday, Oct. 23** Partly overcast and cold. Vesta & I went on a long ride up to Monroe Swanville Brooks Waldo Knox Thorndike & Belfast 88 miles. Died Nina Seeking Manning Ballard.

**Monday, Oct. 24** Clear & cold. Wheeled firewood. Picked apples & went gunning a little while. See one bird back of the Old Rogers place. Went up to store and got a boquet of flowers tonight.

**Tuesday, Oct. 25** Some cold and overcast but fine this afternoon. Vesta & I picked up 3 bags fallen apples.

**Wednesday, Oct. 26** Butifull day fair and warm like summer. Went gunning from early morn untill 1 o'clock then Vesta & I went to pictures in Belfast. The Great Parade John Gilbert

**Thursday, Oct. 27** Another butifull day. Went out to Fathers and Jack & I went hunting set 4 muskrat traps for him.

**Friday, Oct. 28** Rain and fog bum weather. The last day of my vacation. It surely has been a dream of a time? Guss & Alta went to Thomaston tonight. Boston tomorrow by motor.

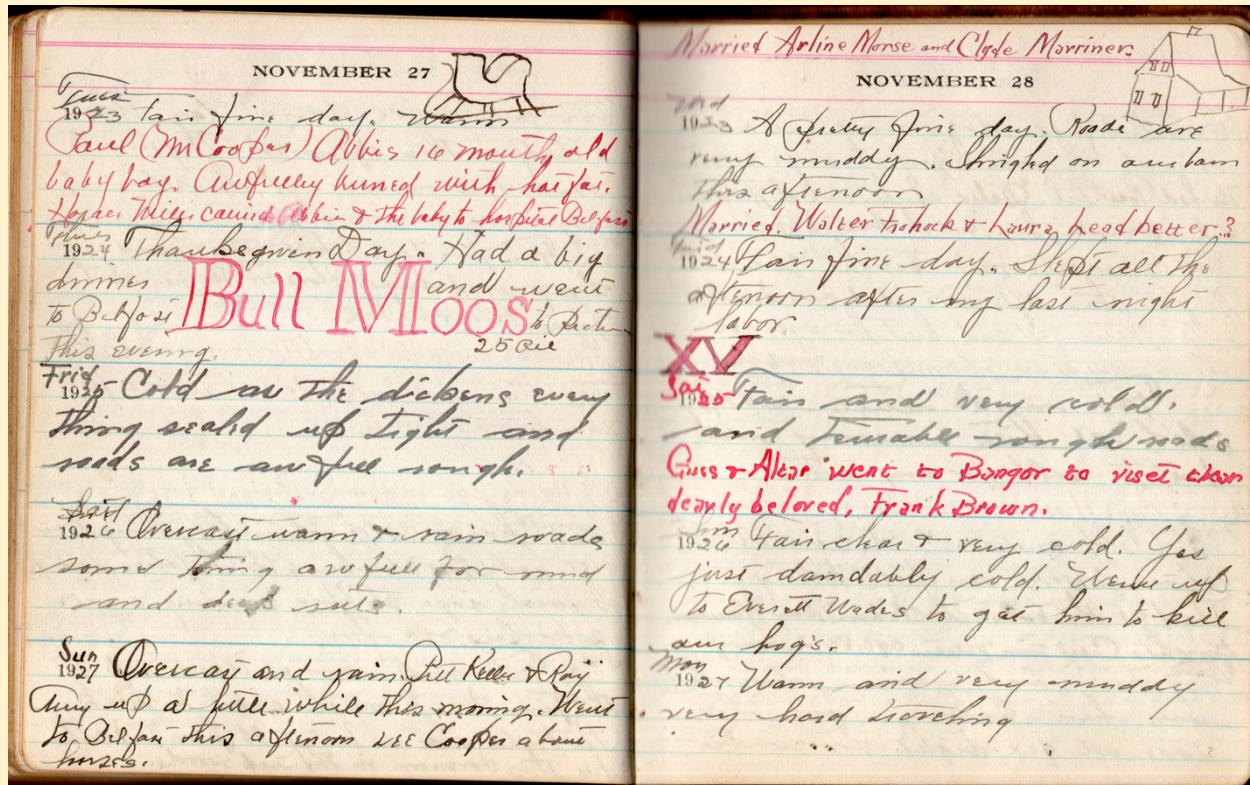
**Saturday, Oct. 29** Butifull day. Drove my first trip vacation over. Have surely had a hell of a time. Broken back and pooched stumock. Got a partridge allso a muskrat in Duck trap.

## **RALPH RICHARDS - 1927**

**Sunday, Oct. 30** Fair clear and cool. We took a long ride Augusta, Lewiston Brunswick Bath and crossed on the Ferry then home 171 miles.

**Monday, Oct. 31** A fine warm day. Vesta & I went up to The Farm. She spent the afternoon at Bullocks & I dug 3 bushel of potatoes.

# RALPH RICHARDS - 1927



**Tuesday, Nov. 1** Fair and warm like summer. Went up to the Farm but Page came with a Christler 6-70 sedan and we traded \$500 & my sedan.

**Wednesday, Nov. 2** Butifull day warm as summer. Went up to The Farm afternoon dug 3 bushal fine potatoes.

**Thursday, Nov. 3** Fair fine day. Went to Belfast this afternoon and got floor board for our front entry.

**Friday, Nov. 4** Rain and blow an awfull storm. The worst flood ever in Vermont New Hampshire & part of Massachusetts.

**Saturday, Nov. 5** Fair a fine day. I layed a floor in our entry hard pine and put in a new door sill.

**Sunday, Nov. 6** Fair but cold. Vestas Aunt Lether [Lettie?] McKinney came and made a little viset this afternoon. We took a ride down to Rockland tonight.

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Monday, Nov. 7** Overcast, with snow flurries. Went to Belfast in our new Christler got a bag flour at the Red Front 92¢.

**Tuesday, Nov. 8** Fair and warm. Put our storm windows on this afternoon and have been tucking in the loose ends for a long hard winter.

**Wednesday, Nov. 9** Overcast cold. Commenced to snow at noon and snowed all day and still coming down fast tonight. Clarence Hurd shot a dandy buck deer this afternoon.

**Thursday, Nov. 10** Fair and cold about 4 inches snow fell now look out for the deer hunters.

**Friday, Nov. 11** Fair and cold as devil. Ground covered with snow and every body deer hunting.

**Saturday, Nov. 12** Fair and cold. Snow most all gone. Wish it was April.

**Sunday, Nov. 13** Fair nice day. Vesta & I took a little ride down to Waldoboro this afternoon 68 miles.

**Monday, Nov. 14** Fair fine day. Got our house banked and all tucked in for winter.

**Tuesday, Nov. 15** Fair fine day. Varnished our kitchen floor and we are living in our dining room.

**Wednesday, Nov. 16** Fair fine day. Vesta & I went to Camden tonight to see the Dempsey Tunney fight picture. Not much good.

**Thursday, Nov. 17** Fair and warm strong gale of wind S.W. Went to Belfast and got boards to make rollway door. Guss & Alta came home today

**Friday, Nov. 18** Rain hard all day. Roads very muddy. Carried battery down to Nichols to have charged. \$200 due City Nat Bank.

**Saturday, Nov. 19** Fair and cold as the devil. Ralph Brown in tonight. Went out to Slab City this afternoon deer hunting no luck.

## RALPH RICHARDS - 1927

**Sunday, Nov. 20** Fair fine day. Went on a little ride up to Winterport this afternoon. Just Vesta & I.

**Monday, Nov. 21** Fair and quite cold. Open time for 6 days on Bull Moos. Roland Thomas got a 19 prong bull in Montville. Eugene Young got shot by a rifle bullet in his left hand.

**Tuesday, Nov. 22** Rain most all day but the traveling not so bad yet. Still frozen.

**Wednesday, Nov. 23** Overcast fog mud & rain cussid hard traveling. Awfull muddy.

**Thursday, Nov. 24** Thanksgiving Day and overcast. Went out home got Father & Mother allso Dee and had them down for dinner.

**Friday, Nov. 25** Fair but partly overcast. Pitt Keller came over from Portland yesterday shot a nice spike horn buck this morning.

**Saturday, Nov. 26** Fair and warmer. Went up to the Farm but too much snow to work. Pitt Keller shot a butey 10 point buck deer this forenoon in the Trap woods.

**Sunday, Nov. 27** Overcast and rain. Pitt Keller & Roy [?] up a little while this morning. Went to Belfast this afternoon see Cooper about horses.

**Monday, Nov. 28** Warm and very muddy very hard traveling.

**Tuesday, Nov. 29** Fair and warm. Finished our hen house got the door all fix tight for winter.

**Wednesday, Nov. 30** Fair went to Belfast this afternoon Vesta had another spell of torture at the dentist. \$8.

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DECEMBER 30	DECEMBER 31
<p>1923 Sun fair clear &amp; cold. About a foot of snow on the ground. Roads are dirted quite badly.</p> <p>1924 Fair full day fair and warm. Miss Warren what a good helped our timber on the mountain he today</p> <p><b>XXI. REG IN DEC?</b></p> <p>1925 Fair and cold but the King did this morning at 7:30. Drove "the induske from Canada made all arrangements.</p> <p>Tied Vest's Mother, Jessie Ellen age 72 yrs</p> <p>1926 Spoke a few days with the Report ship after Vest &amp; Otto did some shopping and exchanged Christmas presents</p> <p>1927 Fog and rainy. just as fine spring like day. but at plank door back of the houses.</p>	<p>1923 Overcast early. Snow more all day after day storm and very cold. Drove the Cooper house. The road is soft but a good little road. <u>100 miles in December</u></p> <p>1924 Fair and colder. Went on the mountain this afternoon. Went to the dance through County Hall. Danced this year out and the new one.</p> <p><u>Good By 1924 you are free</u> 1893-1924 21-1924  <u>1925 Fair and cold. Went out to the fair new buildings in car. Put our ice up today. Joe in of Mill Monroe. Fred Frohock howled it with his truck, 144, oaks. Miss Young helped snow 86-1925</u></p> <p>1926 CLXXXIX Fair fine and a dandy warm day. Went again with Joe over to County Fair purchased shoes from Belfast today. \$1 for 1926</p> <p>1927 Overcast fog raining hard tonight. We went to Belfast this afternoon got our groceries for a few weeks. And so 86-1927 I finis this record 1923-1927-80-1928-80-1927</p>

**Thursday, Dec. 1** Overcast but warm. Hauled wood all afternoon with my car and put it in the wood house

**Friday, Dec. 2** Overcast snowing hard tonight and rain along with it. Died Prisella Easton 84 yrs.

**Saturday, Dec. 3** Fair clear & cold tonight awfull traveling. Pitcher & Amborn went with horses. I drove a car 4 to 6 in snow with a heavy crust.

**Sunday, Dec. 4** Slightly overcast and colder than the very devil. Just kept the fire burning and babyed a tooth ach. Died Mrs Louisa Greer 98 yrs.

**Monday, Dec. 5** Snow hard last night & today. Helluva day. Drove Roy Oxton horse \$2.50. Harry Frohock went to Belfast got a pair white horses from Cooper for me.

**Tuesday, Dec. 6** Fair and warmer, cussid traveling a foot of snow fell in the two last storms. Drove one of the Gost horses today

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**Wednesday, Dec. 7** Fair and a foot of snow. Drove the white Arab mair this trip and got back at 12-30. Some roads.

**Thursday, Dec. 8** Rain good god how it rained I startid in a sleigh. Got out to Roger Heals and shifted for a top buggy. Snow all gorn.

**Friday, Dec. 9** Fair. Went in my car today and got back early. Shifted batterys from my Ford to the Chrysler.

**Saturday, Dec. 10** Fair and a little warmer. Roads just awfull for roughness all cut up and froze hard. Everett Wade killed Guss 2 pigs & the company pig weigh 181 lbs.

**Sunday, Dec. 11** A fine day fair and mild. Took Vesta & Alta up to the Store gathering red berrys & evergreens. Three cars went into the ditch on Duck Trap hill today all smashed up one man got a leg cut off.

**Monday, Dec. 12** Butifull day fair and warm. Vesta & I went to Belfast and did a lot of Christmas shopping.

**Tuesday, Dec. 13** Snow this morning & forenoon. I took Roger Heals top wagon behind my car towed it home and had work done on my car by Virgel Hall towed my sleigh home. Burned Rich Lermonds buildings.

**Wednesday, Dec. 14** Fair and warm morning tiri to rain and raining hard tonight

**Thursday, Dec. 15** Overcast and colder. Roads about half frozen. Very hard traveling.

**Friday, Dec. 16** Fair and cold. We went to Belfast this afternoon Christmas shopping. Snowed hard before we got home.

**Saturday, Dec. 17** Warmish freezing some. I went in car. The other boys with horses. Awfull hard traveling a foot of heavy snow.

**Sunday, Dec. 18** Fair and cold. Harry Frohock took my horse & sleigh and went to the Center this afternoon.

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**Monday, Dec. 19** Overcast and cold as the dickens. Had a big mail. Today both going & comeing.

**Tuesday, Dec. 20** Fair and warmer. Looks and feels like a thaw. Heavy mail.

**Wednesday, Dec. 21** Fair and warm fine day but hard traveling. Big Christmas mail both collections & delivery. Bought 3 lbs meat Ralph Brown \$3.58

**Thursday, Dec. 22** Fair and not very cold. Heavy Christmas mail, big and lots of it.

**Friday, Dec. 23** Another fine day and the worst is over, mail not so heavy today.

**Saturday, Dec. 24** Fair but looks like storm and its storming tonight. Thank the lord the snow held off untill the heavy mail was over.

**Sunday, Dec. 25** Snow most all day. Vesta & I had a lovely Christmas dinner she gave me new tie belt & fine felt shoes. I gave her Nasho blanket towel set [??] hose & slips.

**Monday, Dec. 26** Fair fine day. Put a pile of wood under cover, gad but I have to saw the same which hurts

**Tuesday, Dec. 27** Fair and warm. Just a dandy day. Herb Thomas gave me a fine set moos horns

**Wednesday, Dec. 28** Warm and rainey tonight fog and warm. Had to [??] to it and saw fire wood.

**Thursday, Dec. 29** Rain and fog warm. Herbert Thomas brought a load of planks and this afternoon have been repairing damage done by the horses.

**Friday, Dec. 30** Fog and raining. Just a fine spring like day. Built a plank door back of the horses.

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**Saturday, Dec. 31** Overcast fog raining hard tonight. We went to Belfast this afternoon got our groceries for a few weeks. And so I finis this record  
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