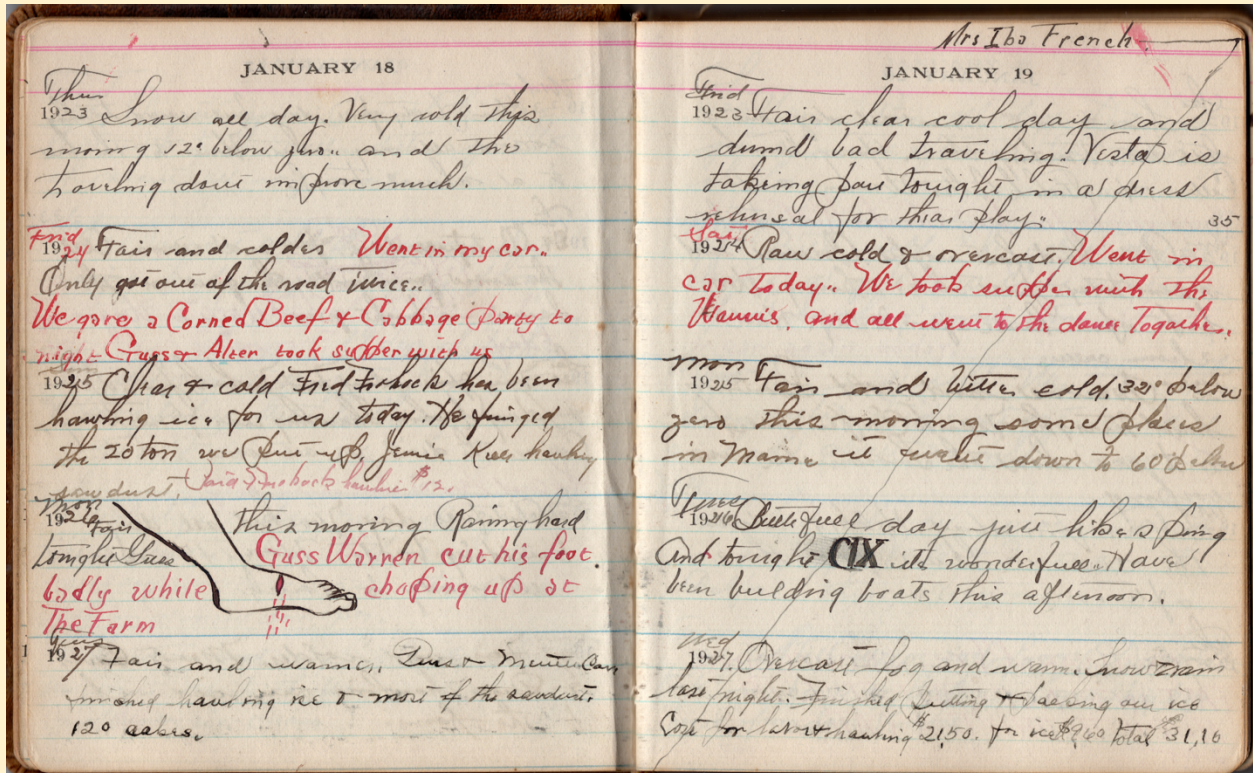


RALPH RICHARDS - 1923



Monday, Jan. 1 Good morning. Wish you all a very Happy New Year. Fine warm day with a powerfull heavy rain storm. Built a couple of sleds for the "Kid's".

Tuesday, Jan. 2 Fair and rotten traveling. About half my route bare ground. Took the shoes off the Cooper horse and sharpened them tonight by lantern light. We see a honest to goodness robin today.

Wednesday, Jan. 3 Overcast and colder and very rotten traveling. Did not get back from my trip untill dark.

Thursday, Jan. 4 Snow and blow an awfull storm only covered part of my route. Got back at dark. "Vesta's" Blue boy (cat) went away today.

Friday, Jan. 5 Fair and not cold, just pleasant winter weather. Roads are partly broken but managed to get thro and covered all the route.

Saturday, Jan. 6 Overcast and very cold. We went to the dance at Community Hall tonight, nice little time.

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Sunday, Jan. 7 Fair and bitter cold. P.O.M. Wellman Esq. called up on us today. I put a shoe on my sleigh. Killed in a drunken brawl at Camden John D. Knowlton age 45 yrs.

Monday, Jan. 8 Snow hard all day and still coming down thick tonight. Too late, and too blamed tired to do any work. Georgie Wiley divorced from Natt Wiley. See Jan 12

Tuesday, Jan. 9 Fair and cold. 216 miles of cussid traveling. About a foot of heavy snow fell. Got into the office at 5 o'clock. Died Geo Brown.

Wednesday, Jan. 10 Overcast and cold. Awful hard traveling. Looks tonight like more snow. "Hindy" my cat vanished out of the stable last night

Thursday, Jan. 11 Fairly decent day. Overcast, but it has not stormed. "Hindy" my cat came prowling back home at midnight. Angie Drinkwater brought Blue Boy home to die. Awful sick cat.

Friday, Jan. 12 Awful snow storm. Snow & blow all day. Roads blocked "Barton" did not get back from Camden tonight. Married Georgie Furgison & a Sly Bird Robert Berry.

Saturday, Jan. 13 Awful snow storm one of the worst in year's and terrible cold. Down around zero all day. Did not make my whole route.

Sunday, Jan. 14 Fair & warmer. Put in the day digging our self out of the snow drifts. Every thing buried out of sight.

Monday, Jan. 15 Snow all day snowing tonight. Got out to Albert Marriners [?] roads blocked, awful traveling fed my horse and got back to office at 5-30 in a blinding snow storm. 31 day's

Tuesday, Jan. 16 Overcast snow part of the day. Went up to the Miller district got [??] of about all my mail.

Wednesday, Jan. 17 Fair pretty fine day but cussid traveling covered all my route. Went to the hall to a rehearsal tonight.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Thursday, Jan. 18 Snow all day. Very cold this morning 12° below zero and the traveling dont improve much.

Friday, Jan. 19 Fair clear cool day and dumd bad traveling. Vesta is takeing part tonight in a dress rehursal for thear play.

Saturday, Jan. 20 Snow & rain most all day but a little better traveling. Winnie Young, Frank Collemer, Harry Frohock Alter [*Alta*] Warren and "Vesta" gave her farce play "Two of a Kind" tonight.

Sunday, Jan. 21 Warmer. Rain all day. Did not get up untill afterwards. Then shoding sleighs. Droped dead Joe Wiley age 68 yrs.

Monday, Jan. 22 Warm, snowing a soft, damp, melty, wet snow. Roads are terriable a horse buried all out of sight in the drifts.

Tuesday, Jan. 23 A little colder, roads froze a bit, but damd hard traveling. Butifull clear cloudless day storm comeing sure.

Wednesday, Jan. 24 Snow all day. Very cold last night 14° below this morning. Little better traveling. Raining & snowing hard tonight.

Thursday, Jan. 25 Snow and blow all day & tonight regular blizzard. Helluva storm.

Friday, Jan. 26 Fair and cold. Another damd storm sleighted for tomorrow. Damd hard traveling. Lawry Rankin hawled us 2140 lbs hay today

Saturday, Jan. 27 Fair and very cold. Dumed cold tonight. We went to the dance at C Hall. Did not get to bed untill 2 oclock this morning.

Sunday, Jan. 28 Fair and continued cold. Slept for half a day tho Pitt came up and finished it.

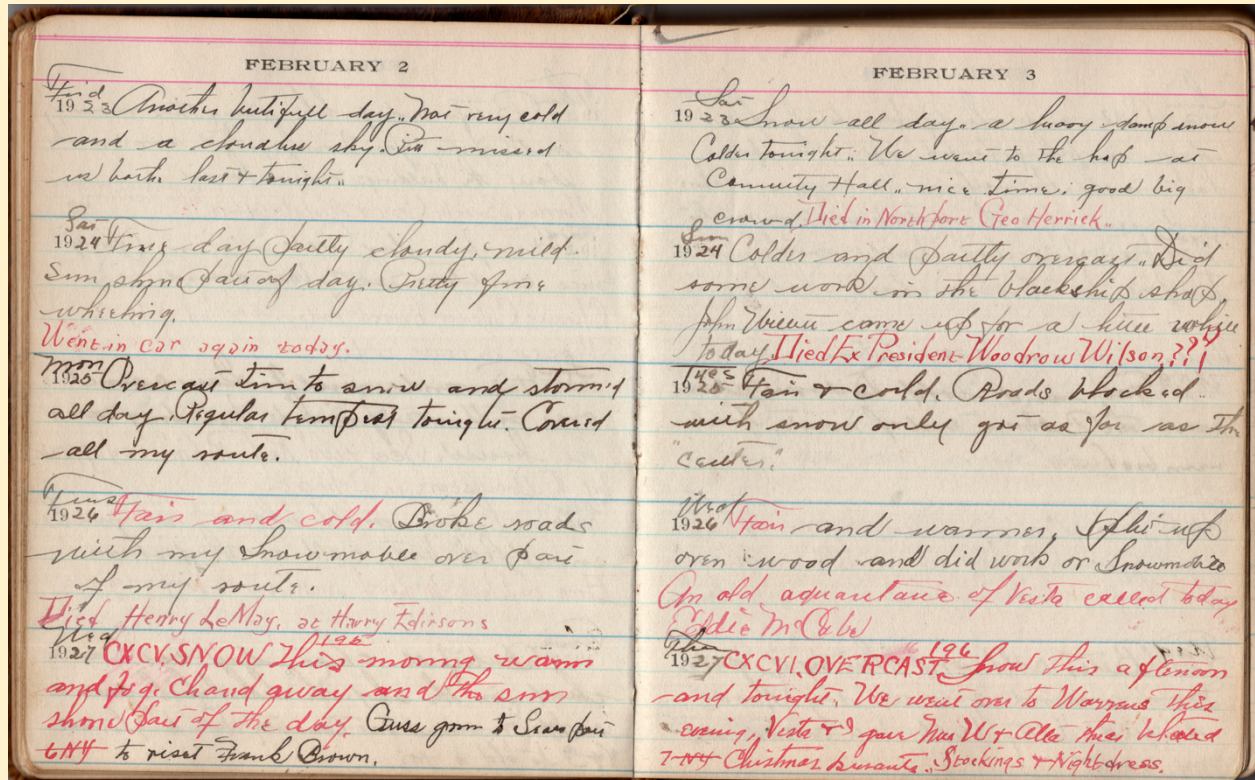
Monday, Jan. 29 Fair and cold. My patrons in the "Pottle" neighborhood, decided to open the road, so I got thro that way today.

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Tuesday, Jan. 30 Fair and bitter cold. Regular howling moist gail blowing. Little better traveling.

Wednesday, Jan. 31 Fair and warmer. The first real good day we have had this month. Cuss roads drifted badly.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923



Thursday, Feb. 1 Butifull day, like spring this morning and pretty fair traveling. Did some work about the buildings & hen house. Married Stanley Gray & Mabel Roberts a widow woman with 7 children.

Friday, Feb. 2 Another butifull day. Not very cold and a cloudless sky. Pitt missed us both last night & tonight.

Saturday, Feb. 3 Snow all day, a heavy damp snow. Colder tonight. We went to the hop at Community Hall. Nice time. Good big crowd. Died in Northport Geo Herrick.

Sunday, Feb. 4 Cold and cloudy bum bitch of a day. Am feeling pooched after the spree last night. Helluva time. Took my snowshoes and went up on the mountain to see our new wood lot.

Monday, Feb. 5 Fair and cold. Darned cold just about froze today. Pitt came up and took supper with us. \$75 Due Sarah Knight {Paid Jan 31}

Tuesday, Feb. 6 Fair and very cold. Pretty good sleighing. Pitt came up and took supper we played checkers untill twelve oclock tonight.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Wednesday, Feb. 7 Clear and cold. Darned cold too. Bay froze over a right smart distance this morning. Died Uncle James Tracy age 86 yr's.

Thursday, Feb. 8 Cold and cloudy. Warmer tonight. Pitt came up and we spent the evening playing checkers. Paid Security Trust Co \$78 on my \$225 note. Died Mrs Riley Mathews (Caddie)

Friday, Feb. 9 Overcast and warmer. Strong west wind. "Hindy" our kitten is commencing to be sick.

Saturday, Feb. 10 Snow most all day and cold. Roads are in fine shape now, good sleighing. About 4 feet of snow on the ground in the woods. Some winter?

Sunday, Feb. 11 Overcast with snow squalls. Bum day. Vesta & I went to Mrs Mathews funeral this afternoon. The Rev H.J. Holt of Camden officiated. Born to Mrs & Mr W.J. Munroe a son 8 lbs.

Monday, Feb. 12 Fair and cold. Dandy good sleighing. Did some nessary repairs on our hen house this afternoon. Born to Mrs & Mr Merril Brown a son.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 Snowing hard this morning and its snowed all day, and snowing hard tonight.

Wednesday, Feb. 14 Snow hard all day, and still snowing tonight. About a foot of new snow this time. \$125 Due Security Trust Co. Died infant son of Merrill & Louise Brown.

Thursday, Feb. 15 Howling gale. All roads blocked. Went on snow shoes out as far as "Carvers". Came back home over the mountain.

Friday, Feb. 16 Bitter cold day. Covered all my route. Had my horse down twice all buried up in the snow. "Pendleton" did not start for Belfast at all & Barton only got a mile towards Camden.

Saturday, Feb. 17 Fair and cold 18° below zero this morning. Bay remained frozen all day. No open water in sight tonight.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Sunday, Feb. 18 Still very cold clear bright day. Split fire wood and have been very busy burning it all day.

Monday, Feb. 19 Fair and cold. Traveling very hard. Part of my road still unbroken. Hell. Big fire in Belfast tonight, burned the "Colonial Theatre" "Greens" 5 & 10¢ store Mitchell & Trussells and others.

Tuesday, Feb. 20 Fair with slowly riseing temperature overcast and warmer tonight. Vesta down to Winnie Young to a rehursal.

Wednesday, Feb. 21 Fair fine cold day. Reserve [?] cutter smashed her way up the bay today. From 7 to 15 inches of ice.

Thursday, Feb. 22 Fair clear & cold. Today the Chew & Jaw society met with Vesta. Some holiday "Ill tell the world I had"

Friday, Feb. 23 Fair fine day clear & cool and very nice sleighing. Vesta has gone down to Winnies tonight to another damd rehursal.

Saturday, Feb. 24 Fair today. Cold overcast and snow tonight. Vesta gave another of her little "amusements". As old Clamb Johnson used to say. Cleared a little over \$15.

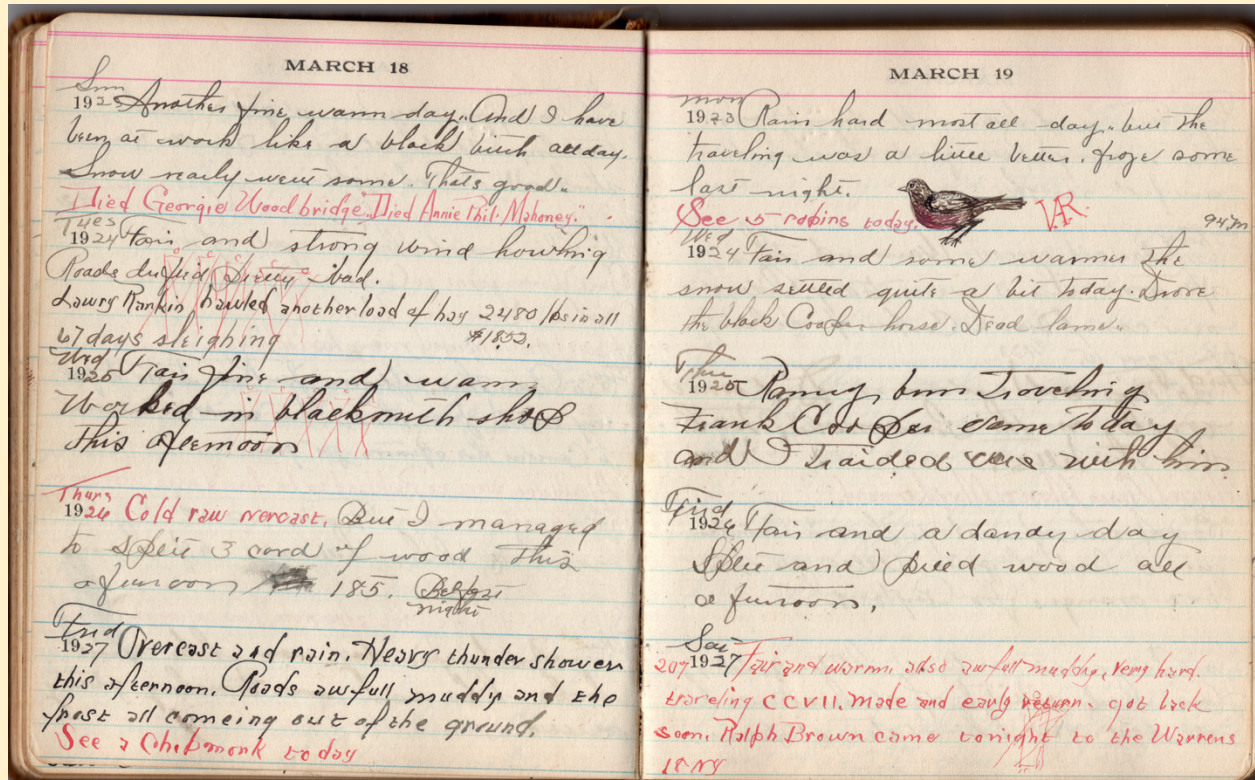
Sunday, Feb. 25 Fair, slightly overcast and warmer. Havent felt much like work today after last nights jamboree.

Monday, Feb. 26 Overcast and warmer. Snowing this afternoon and tonight. The "Kobs" have been hawling my hay today from Harry Frohock's. Gave him \$18 for a ton & a half.

Tuesday, Feb. 27 Overcast and much warmer. "Kobs" finished hawling my hay. Pitt went out to the Ctr rabbit hunting. They are now Gray??? Died in Rockport Bertha Gray.

Wednesday, Feb. 28 Fairly decent day. Warm and snow a little. Finished to wood work on Tommy's sled.

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Thursday, Mar. 1 Overcast and much warmer. Finished the wood work on Dee's sled. \$127 Due the bank on B.O. Norton note.

Friday, Mar. 2 Warmer and overcast. Snow a little warm tonight. Eclips of the moon see it in fine shape tonight.

Saturday, Mar. 3 Fair and warm. Roads are pretty fine now. Got a hell of a bad cold in my head. We went to the dance tonight.

Sunday, Mar. 4 Warm overcast. Soft damp snow and some rain falling tonight. Louie & Pitt came up this afternoon.

Monday, Mar. 5 Fair fine day. Came off cold and froze. Dandy traveling. Finished Mannys [?] sled this afternoon.

Tuesday, Mar. 6 Fair clear and cold and very fine sleighing. Did a little work on Dee's sled this afternoon. Paid the last note on the car to B.O. Norton \$130 81/100.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Wednesday, Mar. 7 Awfull storm. The very worst of the winter. Went up as far as Cliff Pendletons then came back.

Thursday, Mar. 8 Fair, but ye gods how the wind blows, and the snow fly's. We did not start out at all. No stage got thro yesterday. Frank Pendleton stayed in Belfast.

Friday, Mar. 9 Clear & cold. Got out into E. Searsmont "End of road" So had to come back to Lincolnville Ctr. and over to Fathers place that way.

Saturday, Mar. 10 Snow hard, regular blizzard. Got out into E Searsmont. But had to come back, roads unbroken.

Sunday, Mar. 11 Fair, and not so cold. Worked like hell all day getting wood in and doing chores. Died Georgie Woodbridge age 56 yrs. Died Eleanor B Moody age 83 yrs.

Monday, Mar. 12 Snow all day. Town meeting. "Eugley" 1st, Nichols 2nd Russ 3rd selectmen. Fred Hardy collector. Horace Miller treasurer. Went out thro Belmont took dinner at Lige Morse. Then came back.

Tuesday, Mar. 13 Thick fog, warm. Commence snowing this afternoon. Snowing hard tonight. Pitt came up and spent the evening.

Wednesday, Mar. 14 Fair and colder and terriable traveling roads are surely snow bound [?] more than 4 ft in the wood and ten foot drifts in the road's. Married Barbara Heal & William Caine.

Thursday, Mar. 15 Butifull day, cloudless not a cloud in sight all day. It will storm inside of 24 hours. I bet. Cussid hard traveling.

Friday, Mar. 16 Snow this morning turn to rain awfull storm. Only got out as far as Orris Young's. First rain storm since New Year day.

Saturday, Mar. 17 Fair fine day but ye god's such traveling. Roads all but inpassible. Horse slump all out of sight. Pitt Keller operatid on at "Siblys Hospital" Rockland yesterday for nose trouble.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Sunday, Mar. 18 Another fine warm day. And I have been at work like a black bitch all day. Snow nearly went some. That's good. Died Georgie Woodbridge. "Died Annie Phil Mahoney"

Monday, Mar. 19 Rain hard most all day but the traveling was a little better. Froze some last night. See 5 robins today.

Tuesday, Mar. 20 Fair and bitter cold. Down to zero this morning. Pretty good sleighing but awfull rough.

Wednesday, Mar. 21 Fair and warmer. Got quite slumpy this afternoon. My Mothers birthday 72 years old today.

Thursday, Mar. 22 Fair and warmer. Thick fog tonight. Traveling pretty good today. Been pruning apple trees this afternoon. Paid Sarah Knight \$10.40

Friday, Mar. 23 Fair and very warm. Snow went like the dickens today. Roads are awfull slumpy. See 24 wild gees

Saturday, Mar. 24 Overcast and warm snow all the forenoon. We went to the dance tonight, big crowd. Cleared \$7.50 See a blue bird.

Sunday, Mar. 25 "Bob Hardy" hawled me a half cord fitted wood. Fair fine day. Took my snowshoes & went up on the "Gushee" lot. 3 ft of snow any place in the woods. Built a couple of horses for my work shop.

Monday, Mar. 26 Fair fine day, clear & cold. Covered all my route. Have been at work in shop this afternoon.

Tuesday, Mar. 27 Cold, overcast, very raw cold wind. Got a hell of a cold. Feel like a stewed prune.

Wednesday, Mar. 28 Overcast, and awfull cold. Tonight snowing & blowing a howling northeast snow storm.

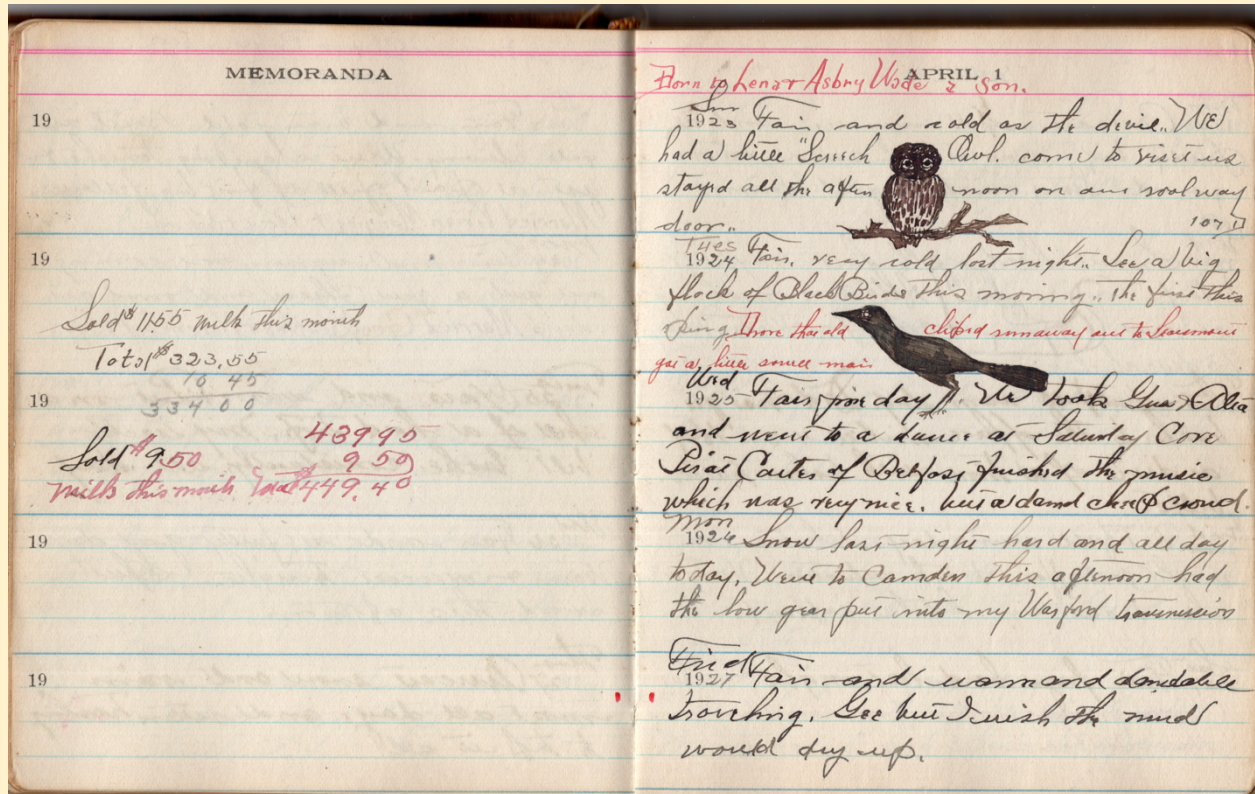
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Thursday, Mar. 29 Bitter cold 20° below zero this morning. Went out to the barn, our cow had a new baby. Went 27 days over her time. This is the calf Ant it pretty.

Friday, Mar. 30 Snow last night, overcast today. Warmer tonight looks like rain. About broke my fool neck today. Sleigh body tipped up with me in it.

Saturday, Mar. 31 Born to Mr & Mrs Clayton Parker a son. Fair and bitter cold. North west gale blowing. Went clambing tonight & got a pail full of fine big fellow's. Married Vivian Manning & Percy Richards.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923



Sunday, Apr. 1 Born to Lena & Asbry Wade a son. Fair and cold as the devil. We had a little "Screech Owl" come to visit us stayed all the afternoon on our roolway door.

Monday, Apr. 2 Overcast and warmer and a pretty big amount of snow on the ground. Strong southerly gail blowing.

Tuesday, Apr. 3 Overcast and warmer. Roads got a little bit slumpy before I got back. "Vesta" is at a director's meeting C.H. Corp. Guss & Alta Warren came home from Belfast.

Wednesday, Apr. 4 Fair and very warm. The snow has melted fast today. Roads very slumpy. See 3 flocks blackbirds. Died Phoede [*Phebe*] Heal age 90 yrs.

Thursday, Apr. 5 Fog and rain miserable bitch of a day. The schooner Charles & Willie of Rockland sailed today. She has been frozen in here all winter.

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Friday, Apr. 6 Overcast. Rain hard last night. Clear and cool tonight. See 3 black duck out at Slab City today.

Saturday, Apr. 7 Fair and warm. Roads getting bair but awfull deep drifts that are slumpy. We went to the dance tonight. Good big crowd.

Sunday, Apr. 8 Overcast. Rain hard this afternoon. Have been trying to clean up our yard but it's a helluva job.

Monday, Apr. 9 Fair and cold as the devil today. Roads are pretty bair. Walked about 17 miles. 115 Days of sleighing. Frank Dickey's wife Georgie was carried to the Hospital Belfast.

Tuesday, Apr. 10 "Charles Thompson" killed him self by shooting. Clear and damned cold. Awfull cold. Went in wagon. The first time since last December. Hell of a hard winter 1 trip in wagon. See a woodchuck today

Wednesday, Apr. 11 Overcast fog and showers dumed miserable bitch of a day bum I call it.

Thursday, Apr. 12 Fair and cold. Awfull cold weather got around pretty well today before it thawed up. Fred Frohock hawled me a load of grain from Camden.

Friday, Apr. 13 Fair and bitter cold. Frost comeing out some, but still miles of road covered with ice and snow. The road up by "Pottles" still blocked with snow & impassable.

Saturday, Apr. 14 Fair and cold as the devil. Roads froze very hard last night. We went to the dance tonight. A very large crowd. Nice time.

Sunday, Apr. 15 Born to Russel Carver & wife Jennie a daughter. Overcast and very cold. Looks like more snow comeing. Cow sick. Get a vetenary from Belfast one "Flagg" by name. Called it acute indigestion "Hell"

Monday, Apr. 16 About 4 inches new snow on the ground this morning. "Pitcher" went in a sleigh. Fred Frohock hawled me a load of fire wood. Half cord. Georgie Dickey operatid on W.C. Hospital Belfast.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Tuesday, Apr. 17 Fair and warmer. Damnable hard traveling. Went up by "Pottles" today, they just got the road shoveled thro. First time in six weeks.

Wednesday, Apr. 18 Overcast and colder than hell. Roads very muddy. Snowed a few times today a little fluffy.

Thursday, Apr. 19 Clear and cool, butifull day. Mud drying up a little but lots of snow ice in the roads. Our cow not so well "going to die?". Another hundred dollars gorn to hell. My luck?

Friday, Apr. 20 Fair clear day. Cow worse going on a long journey soon. Called French the vetanary from Rockland. Hell. \$6.

Saturday, Apr. 21 Fair and very warm, allso very muddy. Hardest traveling we have had yet. Got a hell of a cold. Feel like a pickle.

Sunday, Apr. 22 Warm overcast & shower's. Have a helluva cold. Geo Rube Mathews tried to rape little 5 year old Lavon Frohock today. The damd beast ought to be cut. Then lynched.

Monday, Apr. 23 Overcast raw & cold. Got a hell of a bad cold feel nine tenth pooched. Sheriff Littlefield came down from Belfast and took Geo Mathews to jail. For tying to rape the little Frohock girl.

Tuesday, Apr. 24 Snow and rain all day terriable storm. Am all in tonight. Pitt came up tonight. He goes to Portland tomorrow for the season.

Wednesday, Apr. 25 Clear away cold. Strong west wind. Mud drying up some. Ice went out of the Andrew, Tilden & Levenseller Ponds.

Thursday, Apr. 26 Fair fine day. Mud drying up very fast. Have been building a hen yard this afternoon.

Friday, Apr. 27 Fair fine day. Roads drying out fast. Have been working on our lawn this afternoon.

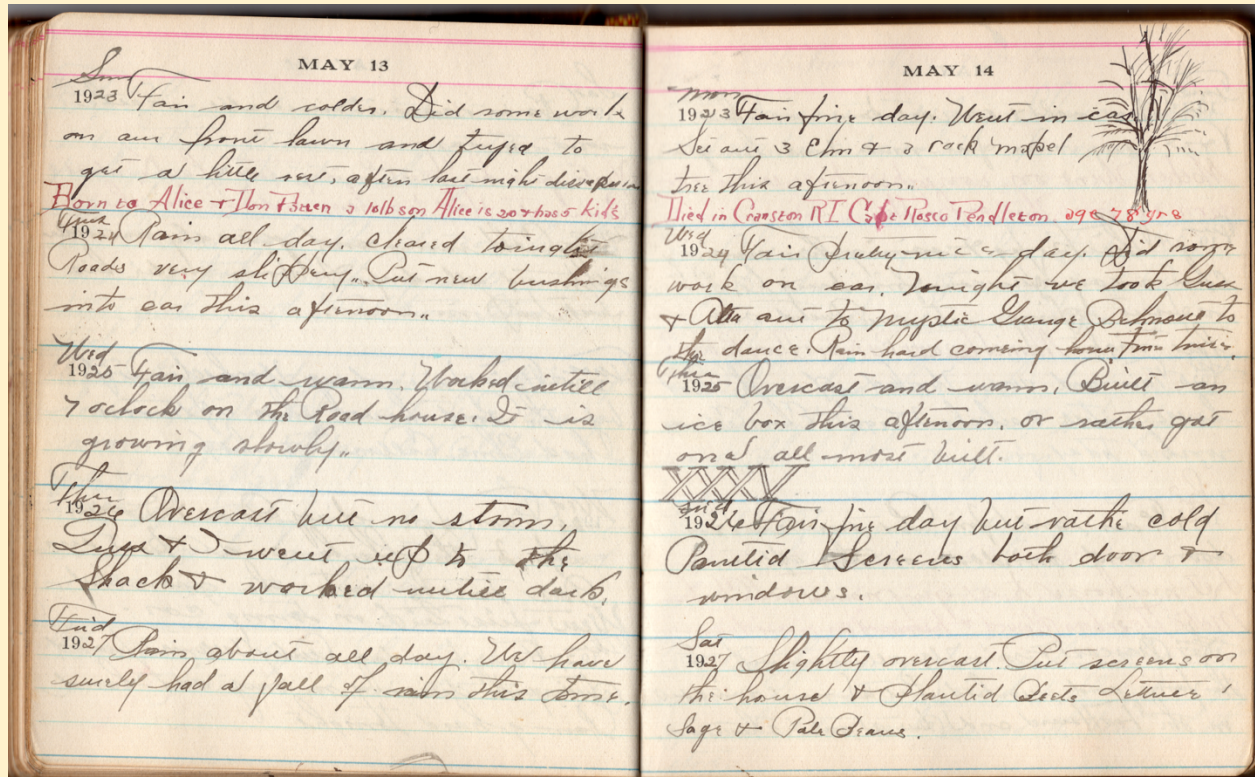
Saturday, Apr. 28 Overcast and then rain tonight it has just poured in torrents. V's got a helluva cold. So have I.

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Sunday, Apr. 29 Rain hard all last and a terriable storm today. Have been working on "Henry Ford" today.

Monday, Apr. 30 Overcast this morning. Rained powerfull hard. Cleared away fair fine this afternoon and tonight. Set out 8 Gravenstein apple trees. Set 4 hen's, 2 on Barred Rocks 2 on RI Reds.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923



Tuesday, May 1 Rain and fog part of the day. Some bad mud places. And some cussid wash outs.

Wednesday, May 2 Another pooty good day. Did some work on our lawn, got the last cedar stump out.

Thursday, May 3 Fair fine cool day. Did a little grafting. Frank Cooper called tonight to look at the horses. "Found" the body of Dave Brown chief game warden of Maine. At Big Bog Dame near Canada boundary Dissapered the 14 of last November

Friday, May 4 Fair tonight. Rain like hell this forenoon. Have been working on our lawn untill after dark tonight.

Saturday, May 5 Fair fine day. Roads are damd rough, and some muddy. Went to the dance tonight. Pretty good time.

Sunday, May 6 Fair fine day. After I got up took my little hoe and put in the day working on my lawn. Died Leather Ann Crooker age 66 yrs.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Monday, May 7 Fair fine day. Have worked on "Henry Ford" about all the afternoon trying to get it in condition to run.

Tuesday, May 8 Fair fine day. Went in my car first trip this year. Roads dry enough but awfull rough.\$82 Due City Nat Bank on the B.O. Norton note.
Paid May 8-1923

Wednesday, May 9 Fair nice day drove a horse got hell shook out of my hide yesterday

Thursday, May 10 Another nice day. Went with a horse. Did some work on lawn. Feel about pooched.

Friday, May 11 Clear and cold. Went in car today. This afternoon went trout fishing got 7. First time this year

Saturday, May 12 Rain overcast, miserable weather went in car. Vesta gave her Farce Comidy Two of a Kind at Community Hall to a large audiens tonight.

Sunday, May 13 Fair and colder. Did some work on our front lawn and tried to get a little rest, after last night dissipation. Born to Alice & Don Patten a 10 lb son Alice is 20 & has 5 kid's

Monday, May 14 Fair fine day. Went in car. Set out 3 Elm & a rock maple tree this afternoon. Died in Cranston RI Capt Rosco Pendleton age 78 yrs

Tuesday, May 15 Raw cold & overcast bum weather. V & I dug our first mess danderlion green's. Mother went on tonight's boat to Boston gorn to viset Will & fambly.

Wednesday, May 16 Born to Eddie Prince and wife a little princess "Rose". Overcast and fog. Showers tonight. Shod the little horse this afternoon. A crew of men arrived today to start cutting the wood on the French Mt.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Thursday, May 17 Fog this morning clear away warm. Went out to Belmont trout fishing this afternoon. Only got one trout. Stream full of Alewives.

Friday, May 18 Fair and warm. Went in car and got back early. Commenced to paint our house this afternoon.

Saturday, May 19 Another fine day. Went with horse. Got home and painted until most dark. The little Cooper horse kicked out thro the side of the barn and smashed her ankle up bad.

Sunday, May 20 Fair fine day. Have improved it painting. Rae Rankin & Lena came into today in their car. Had Emma Gelette, Lettie McKinney & Steve Gelette. Painted the front {south} side of our Ell.

Monday, May 21 Fog and rain, miserable bitch of a day. Cant paint and glad of it. Born to Elizabeth & Jenness Keller, the long expected & much talked of Nullhuter [?] baby, a girl.

Tuesday, May 22 Rain like hell most all day & very slippery traveling. Lady's day at Community Hall. Cleaning bee. Took our calf out to Chas Frohock's. Will Young helped me.

Wednesday, May 23 Signed a note for \$150 with Fred Amborn for six months. Fair fine day. Went to Camden carried our calf down to ship. Weighed 125 lbs. Bought the bay horse of Frank Cooper for \$50.

Thursday, May 24 Fair fine day. Built a yard for our chickens. We have 75 now. \$60 Due City Nat Bank. Father came down & took my horse out home.

Friday, May 25 Fair fine day. Annis Upton came down and plowed for Will Young a garden patch in our field.

Saturday, May 26 Fair this morning. Showers with thunder this afternoon & evening. Opening dance at Community Hall tonight.

Sunday, May 27 Fair clear & cool. Amborn took the horses out to the Paul Ranch No. Seasmont. Vesta & I went after him.

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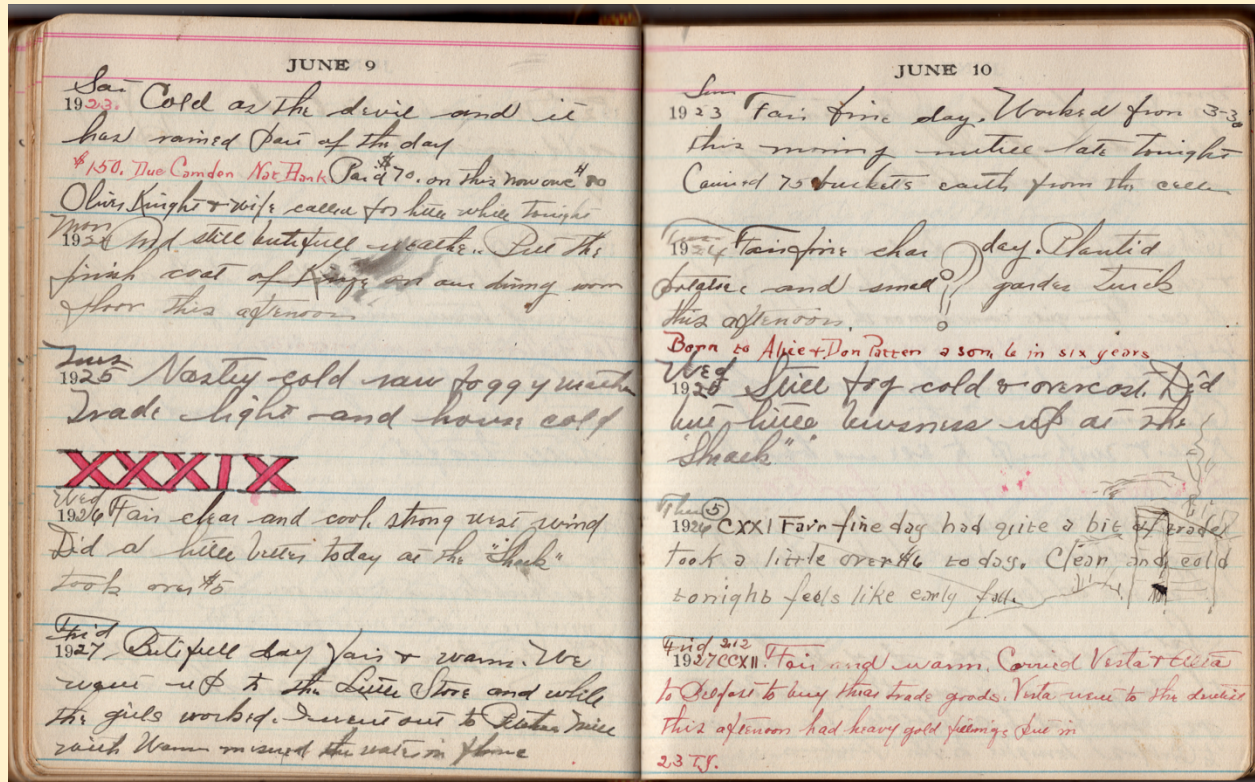
Monday, May 28 Fair fine day. Painted on the front of the house. Got a helluva bad ach.

Tuesday, May 29 Fair fine day. Put in the afternoon painting. Roy Hurd went over the route with me today. Born to Colier Hills & wife a daughter.

Wednesday, May 30 Fair this forenoon. Raining tonight. Painted the end of our house today. Plantid ½ bsh potatoes, qt peas pint corn. Squash & Bean's.

Thursday, May 31 Overcast this morning fair tonight. Went down to Harry Frohocks this evening and up to Frank Collemers both away.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923



Friday, Jun. 1 Another fine day. Went to Belfast this afternoon, got 4 gal of paint for the house.

Saturday, Jun. 2 Fair fine day. Got back early and finished painting the end of our house. Born to Mildred & Guy Carver a son.

Sunday, Jun. 3 Fair and warm. Vesta & I washed the ceiling of the kitchen today. Died Olive Knight age 68 yrs.

Monday, Jun. 4 Fair and warm fine day. Painted all afternoon. Have it all finished but the back side of house.

Tuesday, Jun. 5 Very warm. Showers this afternoon. Planted beets & lettuce.

Wednesday, Jun. 6 Overcast rain like the dickens tonight. Planted 2 qt early morn peas. Guess they will be late peas at that.

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Thursday, Jun. 7 Fairly decent part of the day overcast and rain remainder. Went fishing got nothing. Vesta had the sewing O at the house, big attendance.

Friday, Jun. 8 Miserable bitch of a day. Very cold rain storm. Built a pen for the pig I have not got?

Saturday, Jun. 9 Cold as the devil and it has rained part of the day. \$150 Due Camden Nat Bank. Paid \$70 on this now owe \$80. Oliver Knight & wife called for little while tonight.

Sunday, Jun. 10 Fair fine day. Worked from 3-30 this morning untill late tonight Carried 75 buckets earth from the cellar

Monday, Jun. 11 Fair fine day. Painted on back side of the house got it nearly compleated.

Tuesday, Jun. 12 Thick smoke. So thick Vesta had me up looking for a fire last night. Married Everett Morse, Callie Lermond. Got a pig Harold McKinney \$7.

Wednesday, Jun. 13 Born to Hazel Barton Dyer a daughter. Still smokey and warm. Painted last part of the house. "Oscar Gould" died from inguries received from a log falling accross his abdomen, age 64 yrs.

Thursday, Jun. 14 Butifull day. Painted the windows and puttied them in. Vesta went to the sewing circle at Mrs Parson's.

Friday, Jun. 15 Fair nice day. Carried Vesta Alta & Winnie out to Belmont tonight. They gave thear play, Two of a Kind. Big crowd, cleared \$31.55

Saturday, Jun. 16 Community Hall & Nichol Garage the lights were installed today. Fair fine this morning, but rain this afternoon. Took up the connecting rods in car. Tonight the electric lights were used for the first time in Lincolnvile.

Sunday, Jun. 17 Fair fine day. Built V a bird house. Burned Cap. William Dickey Farm. Died Arad Mahoney age 67.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Monday, Jun. 18 Fair and warm. Have been drawing our windows this afternoon.

Tuesday, Jun. 19 Fair and hot, am about blistered with the heat. Got in early and spent the afternoon trying to keep cool.

Wednesday, Jun. 20 Fair and still very warm. Have been drawing our windows in red today. Born to Walter Clark & wife a daughter.

Thursday, Jun. 21 Another fine day. Painted some and did some work on car.

Friday, Jun. 22 Fair fine day. Have hoed most all our garden and plantid our carrots.

Saturday, Jun. 23 Married Lucy Getchell & Gerald Wardwell. Another fine day, fair and warm. Have been at work on the [???]. Roy Hurd had electric lights put in store.

Sunday, Jun. 24 Fair and very warm. Have worked painting all day. Got it nearly finished.

Monday, Jun. 25 Shower this morning fine remainder of day. Did a little painting. Paid H.H. Stover & Co \$35 grain. Paid Frank Cooper \$30 Horse hire.

Tuesday, Jun. 26 Very warm. Heavy thunder shower tonight. Mowed & hoed a little. Got my first hoeing all finished.

Wednesday, Jun. 27 Fair clear and cool fine day. Wrote to S Barthell regarding the mortgage on C McK homestead. What will I get? Picked qt strawberrys.

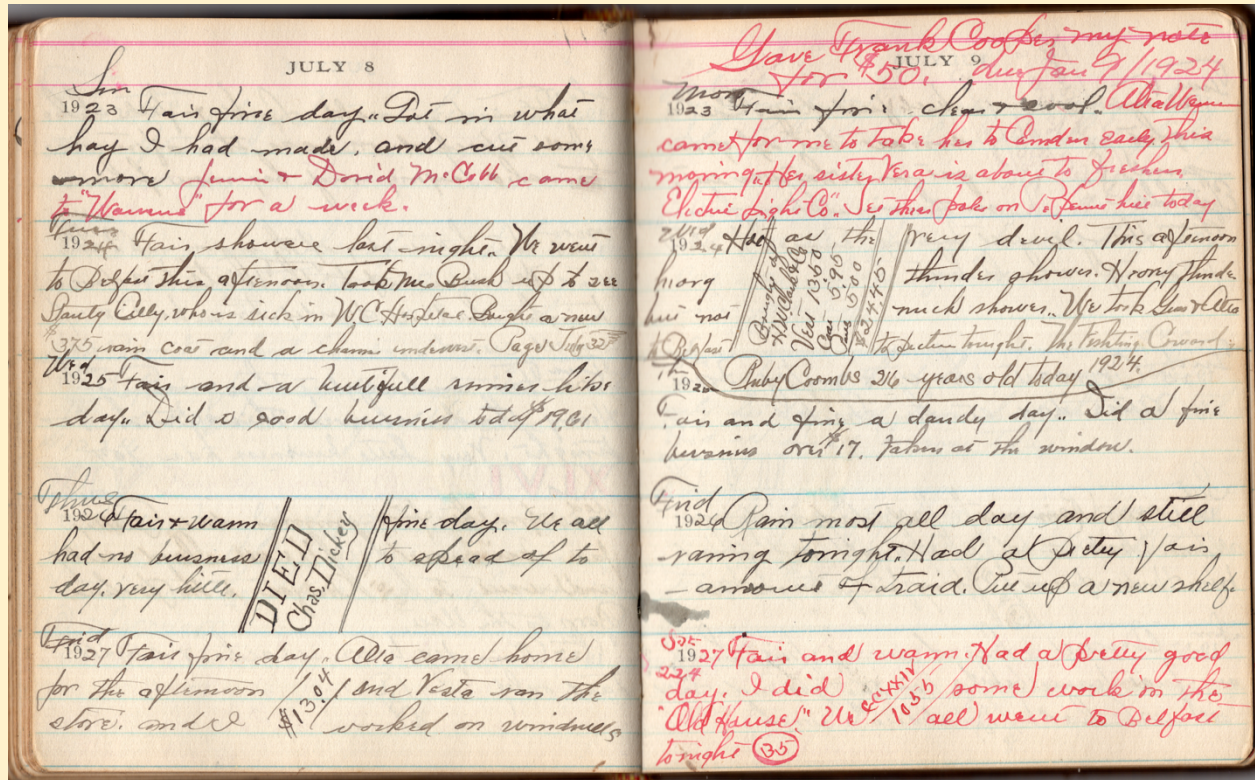
Thursday, Jun. 28 Fair fine day. Went out to V's old home and brought down her writing desk & an old mahogany bureau and some other small stuff.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Friday, Jun. 29 Rain like the devil all day. Went up in the woods, cut & lugged home frame for a chicken house.

Saturday, Jun. 30 Fair fine day. Used up what boards I had on my chicken house. Mowed the lawn. T.E. Gushee of "Bisusious fame", Had a shock, cant speak or moove. Home shock?

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923



Sunday, Jul. 1 Fair fine warm day. Did no work. Dressed up and sit around looking pretty. Gee but I am tired tonight.

Monday, Jul. 2 Slightly overcast, not very good hay weather. Did some work on the car. Took carbon out.

Tuesday, Jul. 3 Another fine day. Cut some grass and finished our chicken coop. Dont have to drive tomorrow.

Wednesday, Jul. 4 Overcast but a nice day. We took Guss & Alta out to Liberty to the lake. Had a picnic. Fixed bacon & frankforts. Dandy time.

Thursday, Jul. 5 Fine day but a heavy shower this afternoon. Fathers birthday 75 years young. We gave him a \$5 check.

Friday, Jul. 6 Overcast showers and all roads axel deep in mud. Got some gas of Leroy Morse, full of water. Broke my carborator connection. "Amborn" came out with a new one. Took dinner at Leroy Morse.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1923

Saturday, Jul. 7 Fair but cold. Looks & feels like fall. Worked on car this afternoon. Finished laying my hay mow floor.

Sunday, Jul. 8 Fair fine day. Got in what hay I had made and cut some more. Jennie & David McCobb came to "Warrens" for a week.

Monday, Jul. 9 Gave Frank Cooper my note for \$50 due Jan 9 1924. Fair fine clear & cool. Alta Warren came for me to take her to Camden early this morning. Her sister Vera is about to freshen. Electric Light Co set their poles on Peppermint hill today

Tuesday, Jul. 10 Fair but full day. Cut a right smart bit of grass and got in what was cut. Electric Light Co ran their wires up to our house. Born yesterday to Vera Andrews Dyer a son 9 months – 1 day?

Wednesday, Jul. 11 Another fine summer day. Got John Kobb to haul in a load of hay. Died Augustus Dean, "Cancer" age 79 yrs.

Thursday, Jul. 12 And still fine and summerish. Got in my hay and mowed some more hay.

Friday, Jul. 13 Another fine day. Cemented up the outside of our granite underpinning. Cut some more hay.

Saturday, Jul. 14 Overcast fog heavy shower tonight. "Stahl", the garage man of Camden coming home from a dance ran into a car at Spring brook. Wrecked both cars.

Sunday, Jul. 15 Thick fog this morning. Got up early. Went to Camden met the two young McKinneys "Dot & Mudgett"

Monday, Jul. 16 Rain most all day. Very muddy had to put the chanes. David Jennie & Alton McCobb, went back to Westboro tonight

Tuesday, Jul. 17 Fair clear away. Did some grass cutting.

Wednesday, Jul. 18 Fair and warm. Smashed hell out of one of our new tires. Such luck.

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Thursday, Jul. 19 Fair very warm. Got John Kobs to get in a load of hay. My birthday 45 years young today.

Friday, Jul. 20 Another fine day. Went fishing got a few [???] Did some mowing this afternoon.

Saturday, Jul. 21 Fair fine day. Hot as hell. Got John Kobs to get in a load of hay. Finished up all I had out.

Sunday, Jul. 22 Another fine day. We took the kids out to Pitcher Pond and took dinner with Guss Alta & Harry Frohock & Ethel. Dandy time.

Monday, Jul. 23 Overcast showers part of the day. Mowed some this afternoon. Vesta went to Chas Wellman for a dress. Harry & Ethel Frohock up tonight.

Tuesday, Jul. 24 Fair pretty good. Cut some more grass but did not get any in?

Wednesday, Jul. 25 Rain hard all day. Still storming tonight. Built a steam board for a boat this afternoon.

Thursday, Jul. 26 Fair butifull day. Raked up part of my hay. Merritt Carver mowed the last of our grass.

Friday, Jul. 27 Cloudy looks & feel like rain got my hay raked and finished my haying. Mellie Dearborn hawled it in. Died "Spot Law" a fine setter dog.

Saturday, Jul. 28 Rain hard all day. Roads are very slippery. Still storming tonight. Dr, Mrs & Helen Bush came tonight.

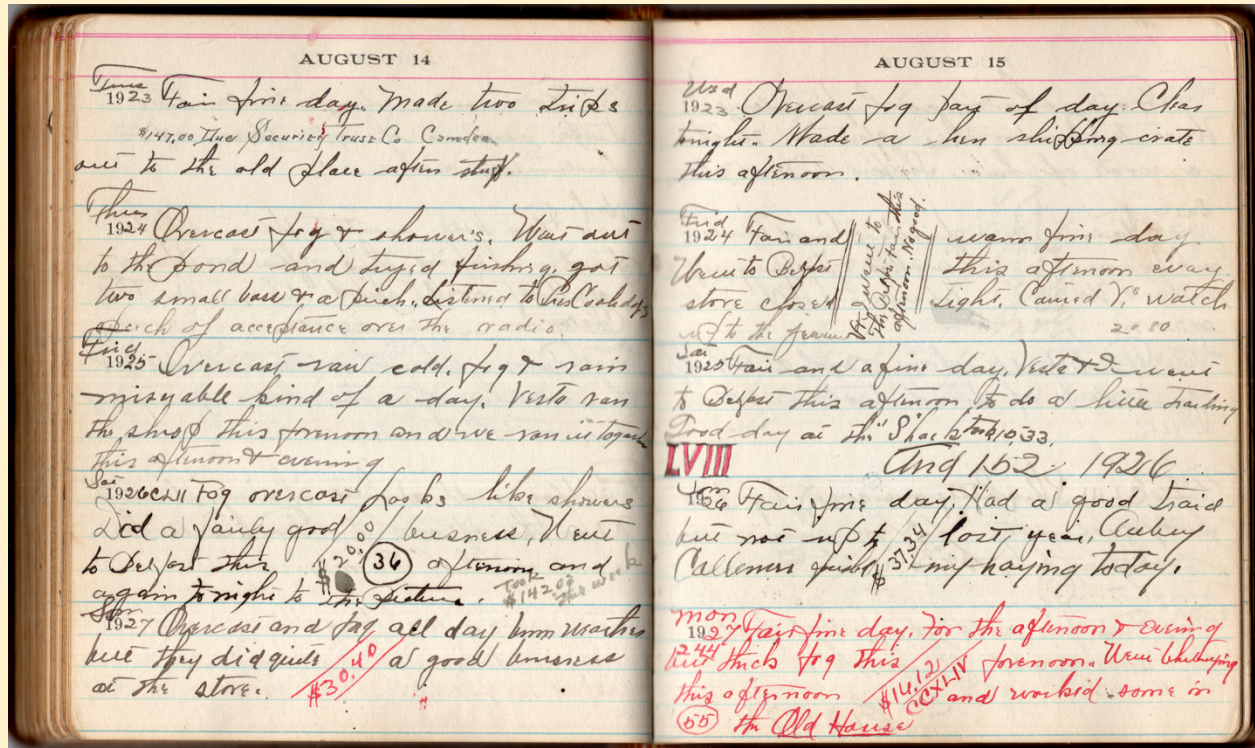
Sunday, Jul. 29 Still raining. Have been doing a little work on the boat I may build some time.

Monday, Jul. 30 Overcast fog and rain. Guss Kobbs carried Mrs Wood to Rangeley Lakes yesterday 138m. A crew of electricians startid in this morning wireing our buildings for lights.

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Tuesday, Jul. 31 Still fog overcast & shower's, bum kind of weather. Mowed bushes this afternoon. Finished my 19th year's of driveing with todays trip. 139308 m.

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Wednesday, Aug. 1 Still rainy and foggy. Bum weather. "Mother" came home by rail from Melrose tonight.

Thursday, Aug. 2 Overcast. President Warren G. Harding died this morning in San Frisco at 7.15 this morning born to Irving & Agnes Eugley a real "Nulhuter" baby

Friday, Aug. 3 Still overcast and fog. Shower this afternoon. Helped Dr Bush set up his big tent. The electricians finished wiring our house today.

Saturday, Aug. 4 Fair and warm. Went out to the old place got a load of furniture. "Edgar Morse" [??] bought a new Dodge car.

Sunday, Aug. 5 Fair and very warm. Have not hurt my self today just took things easy.

Monday, Aug. 6 Fairly decent day. Carried V's mother out to Chester Dean's tonight. She intends going up home to clear house?

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Tuesday, Aug. 7 Fair fine day. Mudget went with me out to the pond. He fished while I chopped.

Wednesday, Aug. 8 Another fine warm day. Went out shopping this afternoon. And Mudgett fished.

Thursday, Aug. 9 Butifull day. Village Improvement Society held thear Fair and dance. I sold dance tickets, cleared up a right smart bunch of money.

Friday, Aug. 10 Another nice day. Felt rather used up after last night's dissipation. Went out and chopped this afternoon. Frank Collemer elected president Community Hall Corp.

Saturday, Aug. 11 Fair fine day. Very warm. Went out to the pond again chopping. Got a big bunch of [Thorware??]. Born to Lloyd Thomas & wife a son.

Sunday, Aug. 12 Fair and very warm. So darned hot I dont feel like mooving at all

Monday, Aug. 13 Fair nice day. Made two trips out to the old place after furniture & dishes.

Tuesday, Aug. 14 Fair fine day. Made two trips out to the old place after stuff. \$147.00 Due Security Trust Co Camden.

Wednesday, Aug. 15 Overcast fog part of day. Clear tonight. Made a hen shipping crate this afternoon.

Thursday, Aug. 16 Fair clear & cool fine day. Went to Camden this afternoon with a crate of hen's. Shipped to "Mead" got \$28.02

Friday, Aug. 17 Butifull day. Went up to our wood lot cutting oven wood.

Saturday, Aug. 18 Fair and warm. Went out to the Pond chopping this afternoon. Went from thear up and got Dot, at Parker Young's. Born to Kosby Pearse & wife a daughter.

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Sunday, Aug. 19 Overcast showers. We took the kid's and went out to Georgie Lake Liberty. Cooked dinner by the lake

Monday, Aug. 20 Butifull day. Went to Camden this afternoon got a load of grain. Albert Kobbs went with me.

Tuesday, Aug. 21 Overcast. Rain tonight. Went out to pond wood cutting this afternoon.

Wednesday, Aug. 22 Fair and cold as the devil. Went out to the pond cutting wood.

Thursday, Aug. 23 Fair fine day. Went out after more fire wood.

Friday, Aug. 24 Overcast fog. Showers tonight. Cut fire wood again this afternoon. Rae Rankin came down this forenoon and got the kids.

Saturday, Aug. 25 Overcast cool. Went out to the pond cutting oven wood. Have 3 cord cut and piled. Vesta's Mother went to Camden tonight. Viseting?

Sunday, Aug. 26 Fair fine warm day. Hot as the devil. Father & Mother came down this afternoon for a little while.

Monday, Aug. 27 Fair fine day. Went out chopping and found a pair of canoe paddles, fine pair.

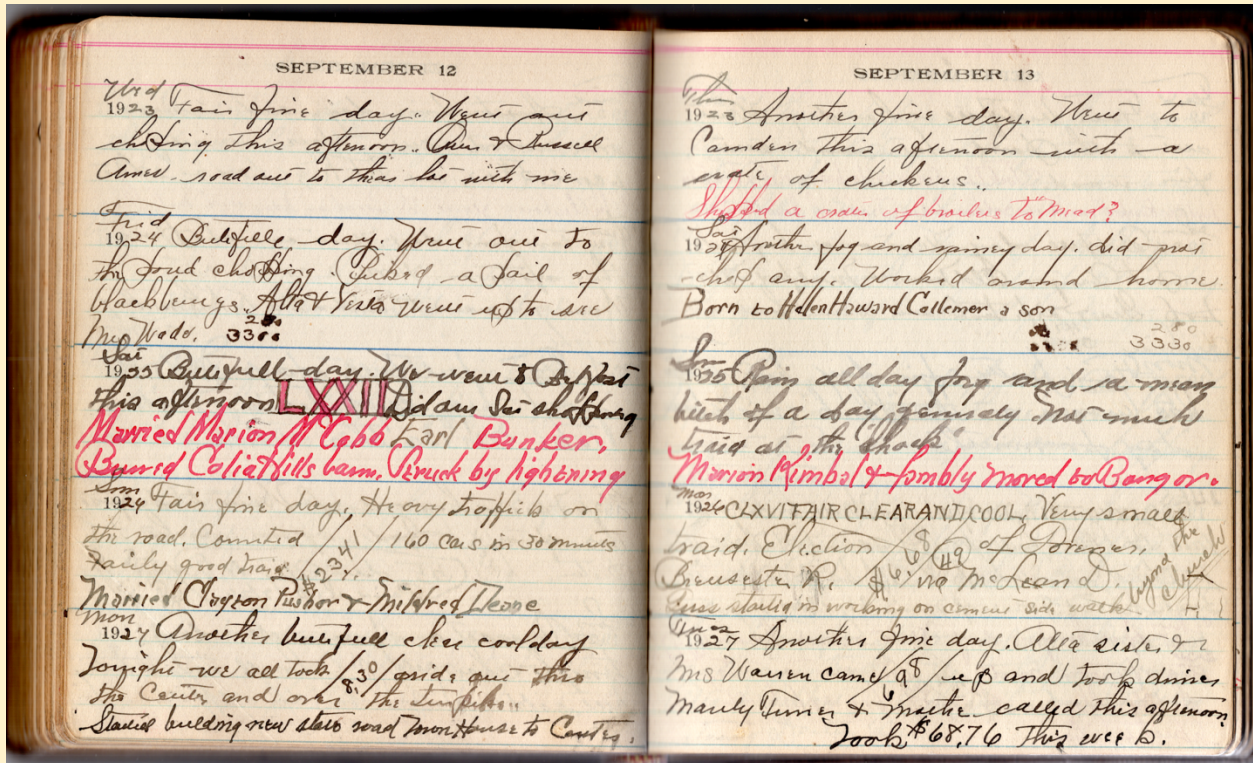
Tuesday, Aug. 28 Another nice day. Went out and chopped a whale of a lot of oven wood.

Wednesday, Aug. 29 Still fair and still I am cutting fire wood. Have about 4 cord cut and piled.

Thursday, Aug. 30 Another fine day. Took the "Kid" out with me cutting oven wood this afternoon.

Friday, Aug. 31 Fair nice day. Went out to the pond lot chopping. Mudgett went out with me.

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Saturday, Sep. 1 Fair nice day rather cool. Vesta and I went to Belfast this afternoon carried the cement bags up to Cooper Co. Vesta paid him for cement \$109.50/100

Sunday, Sep. 2 Overcast fog. Born to Sister Abbie & Herbert Thomas a son. Pitt Keller came over from Portland. We went out to the Andrews Pond got about 10 medium white birch.

Monday, Sep. 3 Fogg, overcast. Heavy shower tonight. Pitt came and got me and we went over to Hope fished the "Hobbs" pond. Got a catch of very large pickrell, one of 3 lb's, several 2 1/4 lbs.

Tuesday, Sep. 4 Fair fine day, clear and cool. Went out chopping, have nearly 5 cord cut now. Died Fannie Ranken, age 76 yrs. Loned Guss Kobbs \$35 Will he pay?

Wednesday, Sep. 5 Another fine day. Went out to the pond this afternoon chopping. Orris Young has bought the Kidder Place & is moving in. Sold his farm to a man "Perry".

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Thursday, Sep. 6 Fair fine day. Went out chopping have my 5 cord cut & piled now. Died Helen Trussell age 72 yrs.

Friday, Sep. 7 Slightly overcast. Did some work on the car and polished it up. We carried the kid's to Camden tonight they went back home on steamer Belfast.

Saturday, Sep. 8 Fair and warm. We V & I went to Belfast this afternoon. She went to the picture. Got a load of grain 2 bags c corn 1 bag meal 1 mx Feed \$8.80 Paid.

Sunday, Sep. 9 Overcast thick fog all day. Frank Duncan came and got me to carry the mourners at Mrs Trussells funeral.

Monday, Sep. 10 Fair fine day went out to the pond lot this afternoon chopping.

Tuesday, Sep. 11 Another fine day and more oven wood cut. Have nearly 6 cord {\$53 due S.F.K.} piled & split. The "Amborn's" went to Providence today with [??] Geo.

Wednesday, Sep. 12 Fair fine day. Went out chopping this afternoon. Orrin & Russell Ames road out to thear lot with me.

Thursday, Sep. 13 Another fine day. Went to Camden this afternoon with a crate of chickens. Shipped a crate of broilers to "Mead"?

Friday, Sep. 14 Fair butifull clear day. Went out to the pond lot, and cut fire wood. Jack Dempsy worlds heavy weight champion pugilist, knocked out in the 2nd round Louis Firpo of Argintine S.A.

Saturday, Sep. 15 Still a fine day clear & cool. Went out chopping this afternoon. Dr Bush came from Worcester today after Helen & Mrs Bush. Maine State Prison burned today.

Sunday, Sep. 16 Cold & overcast. Did some work around home and entertained Helen Bush most of the day. Dr Fowler and fambly returned to Welsey today.

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Monday, Sep. 17 Fair clear and cold. Went up chopping this afternoon. Vesta went over to Mrs Martha Halls to a big spread and fairwell party. The "Bushe's" returned to Worcester today.

Tuesday, Sep. 18 Another fine day. Swung a wicked ax all afternoon at the pond. Died in Camden son of Asbury Wade & wife age 6 month.

Wednesday, Sep. 19 Fair and warm, went up to the pond chopping. Amborn went up with me.

Thursday, Sep. 20 Fair fine day. Dug our potatoes and tonight V & I went out to our lot, got a load of oven wood.

Friday, Sep. 21 Rain most all day fog tonight. Went out to our lot this afternoon, split and piled a cord of wood. Mrs Thomas left the French place for home.

Saturday, Sep. 22 Overcast and foggy. We went to Belfast this afternoon, got a load of grain and went to picture. See Tom Mix in The Lone Star Ranger.

Sunday, Sep. 23 Overcast fog all day. Raining tonight. Frank Collemer gave us a call today.

Monday, Sep. 24 Fair fine day. Went up to the pond chopping. Vesta carried her wash up and did a washing on the shore of the pond.

Tuesday, Sep. 25 Another fine day. Vesta & Alton went up to the pond with me, they picked a half bushell cranberrys.

Wednesday, Sep. 26 Fair fine day. Went up to the pond chopping again this afternoon. Startid my 9th cord of wood.

Thursday, Sep. 27 Went to Belfast. Left my car at "Pauls garage". Geo Collemers little girl 5 years old, fell from a load of wood and the rear wheel went over her body. They carried her to the hospital in Rockland.

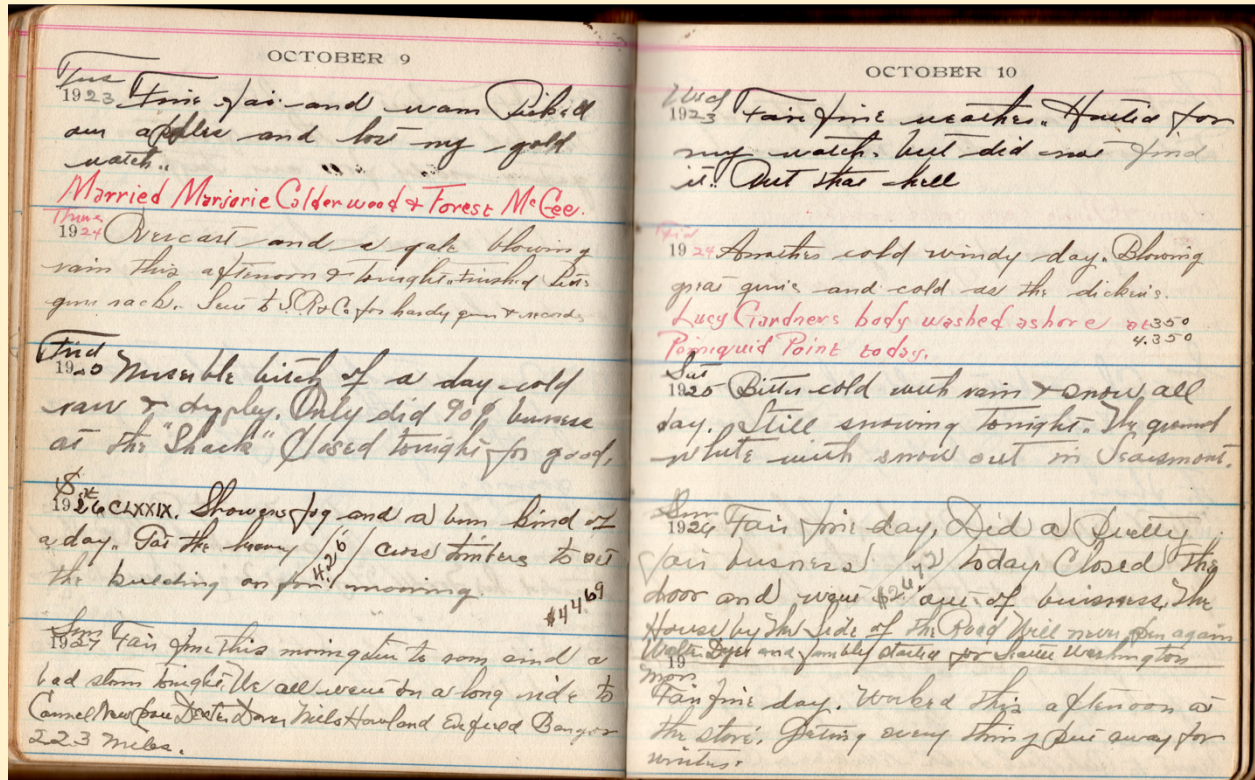
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Friday, Sep. 28 Went to Belfast today and got my car cost me \$30.26. Vesta went to the picture Salome Jane. Fred Frohock & Ai Young hawled me 2 cord of wood. Died Geo Collemers little girl Hazel age 4 yrs.

Saturday, Sep. 29 Fair fine day. Went up and chopped. Fred & Ai hawled down 4 cord of wood today. V & I took a ride up to Belfast tonight.

Sunday, Sep. 30 Fair fine day. Did some work on the car. Put in new spindle arm bushings and pins. Pitt came down from Portland. Made us a little viset.

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Monday, Oct. 1 Rain and a good heavy rain at that, first we have had for months. Born to Victor Reed & wife Ella a daughter Nov 22

Tuesday, Oct. 2 Fair and warm. Went out to the pond chopping this afternoon. Got 8 1/2 cords cut now.

Wednesday, Oct. 3 Fair butifull day. Went chopping finished my 9th cord. Lincolnville Town Fair. Died Walter Drinkwater.

Thursday, Oct. 4 Overcast, rain tonight. Worked on car all afternoon. Put in new spindles arm bolts & bushings.

Friday, Oct. 5 Fair clear & cold. Worked on car this afternoon. Knocked a front tooth loos with a wrench. Guss Kobbs Burton [?] Clater & Hattie & Parker Dean startid for Greenville today

Saturday, Oct. 6 Fair fine day. Cut fire wood did chores and managed to keep busy. Damd soar mouth. Married Leon Barton & Doritha Mahoney.

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Sunday, Oct. 7 Butifull day. Built a house over our hog. Put our pullets into winter quarters & went up on the mountain to our wood lot.

Monday, Oct. 8 Fair but a little colder. Worked on car this afternoon getting ready for our trip.

Tuesday, Oct. 9 Fine fair and warm. Picked our apples and lost my gold watch. Married Marjorie Calderwood & Forest McGee.

Wednesday, Oct. 10 Fair fine weather. Hunted for my watch but did not find it. Ant that hell

Thursday, Oct. 11 Fair and warm butifull day. Did some work on the car. Louie & Jennie Keller called tonight.

Friday, Oct. 12 Fine fair day. Fred Frohock hawling wood for us today. Has eight cord out now. Died Fannie Brown age 67 yrs.

Saturday, Oct. 13 Fairly good day. Went to Belfast and got supply's for our hunting trip. Food cost us \$24.67

Sunday, Oct. 14 Fair nice day. Very busey getting every thing packed for an early start. Father & Mother down to say bon voyage. Died John Brown age 72 yrs.

Monday, Oct. 15 Raining great guns this morning. Got away at 2-30 a.m. Car ran rotten got up to the Lake about 9 a.m. Stopped tonight at our old camping ground at the Burbank. Burbank township 3 ½ miles below Seboomook Falls.

Tuesday, Oct. 16 Fair fine morning got an early start and came up here. Pitched our tents, set up the stoves and cut some firewood. North side Elm stream T4 R16.

Wednesday, Oct. 17 Another fine day, very warm we drove up to the wardens cabin and climbed [?] Russell Mt to the look out station. Got a couple of birds today.

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Thursday, Oct. 18 Fair & very warm. Got up early & drove up to the end of the road 19 miles to Cancogomock Lake. See 5 deer by Lost Pond going up. Married Chas Edison & Evelyn Keice [?].

Friday, Oct. 19 Got out early. Went back about two miles & see the biggest buck deer ever. Pitt made a bobble & we lost him. Shot a dandy 8 point buck this morning. Had to shoot 4 times to get him.

Saturday, Oct. 20 Rained hard last night, got out early and the gods of luck was with me again for I shot another fine 8 point buck this morning, twin to the one shot yesterday.

Sunday, Oct. 21 Fair & warmer. Frank Collemer came up and helped us lug our first deer out. Hot work I say it is.

Monday, Oct. 22 Clear & cool fine day. Got out early only see two birds. Shot the heads off all of them. Roy, Clarence, & P Hurd, and Clarence Griffen came in this afternoon. They are stopping at Russell Stream.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 Clear & cold. Huntid all day got a couple of birds. Frank Collemer & Ethel mooved up to our camp today. Tonight Roy Clarence & P.G. Hurd & Clarence Griffen visetid tonight. Died Cap Fred Drinkwater age 68 yrs

Wednesday, Oct. 24 Rained hard all last night and raining today. Sent some letters out this morning. Pitt got a good spike horn buck tonight.

Thursday, Oct. 25 Rain & fog, nasty. Went out for a while, got a couple of birds. We all drove up to Camp Pesky at Russell Stream to viset the Hurds tonight.

Friday, Oct. 26 Rained most all day. Cleared tonight cold as the dickens. Hunted a little but nothing doing.

Saturday, Oct. 27 Raw and cold. Went down to the Depot Camps this morning & telephoned to Seboomook for chance to go out Wed the 3/s. Got some beaver cuttings. Went down to Seboomock tonight. When we got back had a visitor. A fine big skunk was in the girls tent. Vesta called it [???

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Sunday, Oct. 28 Fair fine day. Pitt took his car & carried us all up the hill above "Ben's" Camp & we walked into Little Elm Pond one mile. Died yesterday Cap Fred Drinkwater.

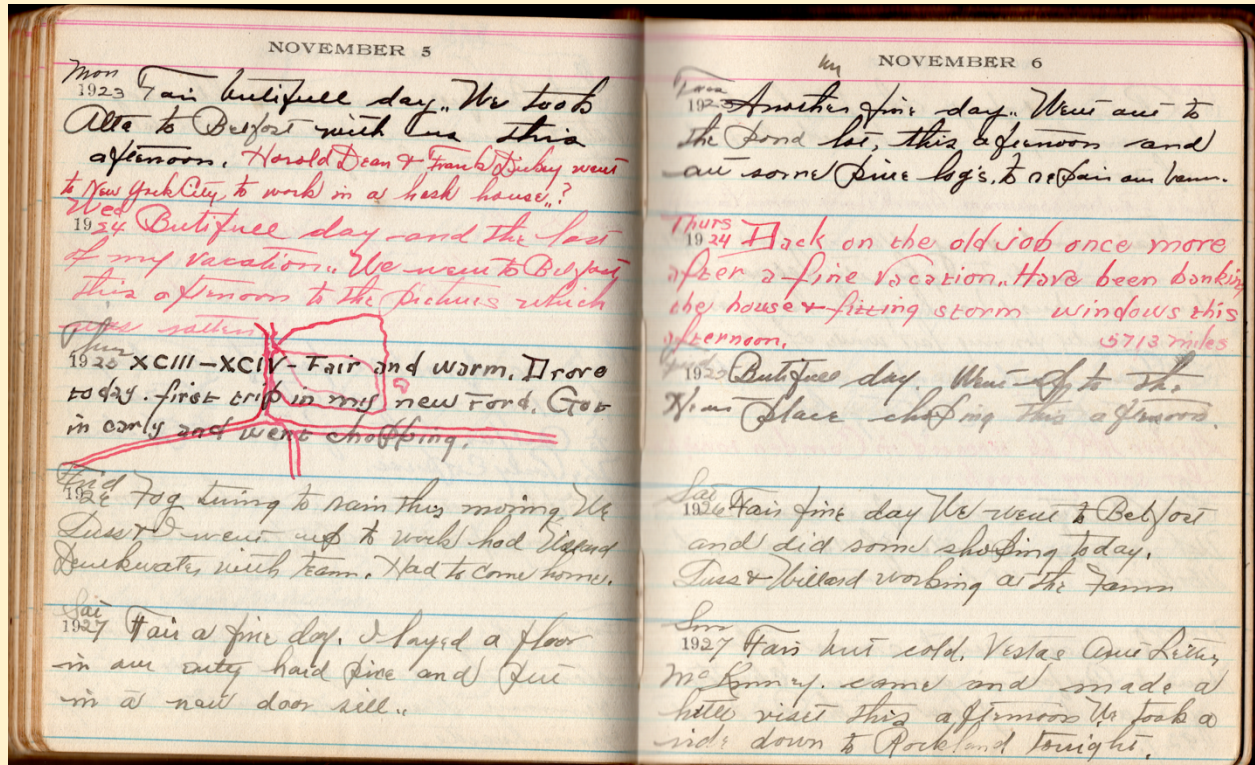
Monday, Oct. 29 Fair and a fine day. We took Pitts car. Went up to Loon Stream. Pitt got a good doe. I a bird, but Frank did not get even a chew of gum.

Tuesday, Oct. 30 Rain hard most all day. Went out for a little while but too much rain. Storming hard tonight.

Wednesday, Oct. 31 Cold overcast snow. Packed our outfits and got startid about 7 oclock, got to Kineo 9-30 & down to Greenville at 2-10. Had dinner and startid for home. Got in at 9-20 tonight. 170 by car & 20 by water 190 miles north. We covered on our trip 444 miles.

Wed October 31-1923 When we got above the stream Katahdin at Rockwood we found a party of hunters bring down one of thear company shot last Saturday thro the right lung and right wrist. Bullet entered his back close up under the sholder blade and came out thro his chest on right side passing thro his right wrist. He was mistaken for a deer by his Father in law. Poor devil not much chance for him. Died at Portland Hospital November 14-1924

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Thursday, Nov. 1 Back on the job again after a dandy vacation, but would like a couple of weeks to rest up in.

Friday, Nov. 2 Fair fine day. Ground froze hard last night. Roads quite rough. Ran out of gas on the road and had to borrow enough to get home.

Saturday, Nov. 3 Fair fine warm day. Roads are getting pretty muddy. V & I went to the dance at Community Hall tonight. Nice little time.

Sunday, Nov. 4 Butifull warm summer like day. Vesta & I went up to our wood lot on the mountain this afternoon.

Monday, Nov. 5 Fair butifull day. We took Alta to Belfast with us this afternoon. Harold Dean & Frank Dickey went to New York City to work in a hash house?

Tuesday, Nov. 6 Another fine day. Went out to the pond this afternoon and cut some pine log's to repair our barn.

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Wednesday, Nov. 7 Rain and fog. Clear tonight have been working on this blamed old Ford of mine. Died in Rutland sanatorium Marg McKinney age 19 yrs Consumption

Thursday, Nov. 8 Overcast and cold. Snowing tonight the first snow of the season. Went to Camden this afternoon to break the bad news to Vs mother.

Friday, Nov. 9 Fair and warmer. The Kobs came to saw our oven wood tonight. Sawed about a cord then quit. Robie Ames shot a big 8 point buck deer in the bay this morning.

Saturday, Nov. 10 Fair clear & cold. Guss Kobs with his crew of Bohunks sawed a little more of our fire wood. Have been splitting and wheeling it under cover.

Sunday, Nov. 11 Fair fine day. Have split wood, wheeled wood, and piled wood up in our wood house all day. Married Verna Mahoney & Hugh Pendleton.

Monday, Nov. 12 Another nice warm day. The Kobs finished sawing our wood. Set a few traps this afternoon. Burned The Marchell Cilley buildings.

Tuesday, Nov. 13 Slightly overcast warm. Put a new end into our barn this afternoon. New timber and new boards. Married Dana Fletcher & Elizabeth Timberlake.

Wednesday, Nov. 14 Fair and colder. Put part of a side into our barn this afternoon.

Thursday, Nov. 15 Warm & cloudy. Shingled on barn and split wood untill 8 oclock tonight.

Friday, Nov. 16 Warm & overcast. Shingled untill dark, then split fire wood. Guss Warren carried the state truck back today. Went to Camden got V's mother. She is at Mrs Perrys again at \$7 per.

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Saturday, Nov. 17 Fair and warm. Shingled on the barn this afternoon. Went to the dance at Community Hall tonight. Orris Young tried to start a fight with a Frenchman.

Sunday, Nov. 18 Another fine day. Warm and pleasant. Amborn & I went out to "Gelo's" and got two horses of Frank Cooper.

Monday, Nov. 19 Fair clear and very cold. Ground froze up solid. Got a muskrat and a weasel in my traps allso a rats front foot.

Tuesday, Nov. 20 Fair and cold. Every thing froze up tight as a bung. Some warmer tonight. Shingled & split wood today.

Wednesday, Nov. 21 Fair and warmer. Father came down with my horse and drove the Cooper horse back to be shod new.

Thursday, Nov. 22 Another fine day. Worked on my barn repairing job this afternoon. \$60 due City Nat Bank. Born to Wm Thurlow & wife a son October 1st. Died in Camden Sylvanus Richards age 80 yrs.

Friday, Nov. 23 Fair and warm. Split wheeled and piled fire wood.

Saturday, Nov. 24 Rain most all day and raining tonight. Roads very muddy. Went to the dance tonight, cleared a little over \$12.

Sunday, Nov. 25 Raw cold fog & shower's. Surely tis bum weather.

Monday, Nov. 26 Fair nice warm day. Went to Belfast this afternoon trying to borrow some coin of the [???]. Born to Stanly Hills & wife a daughter.

Tuesday, Nov. 27 Fair fine day, warm. Paul (M Cooper) Abbies 16 month old baby boy awfully burned with hot fat. Horace Miller carried Abbie & the baby to hospital Belfast.

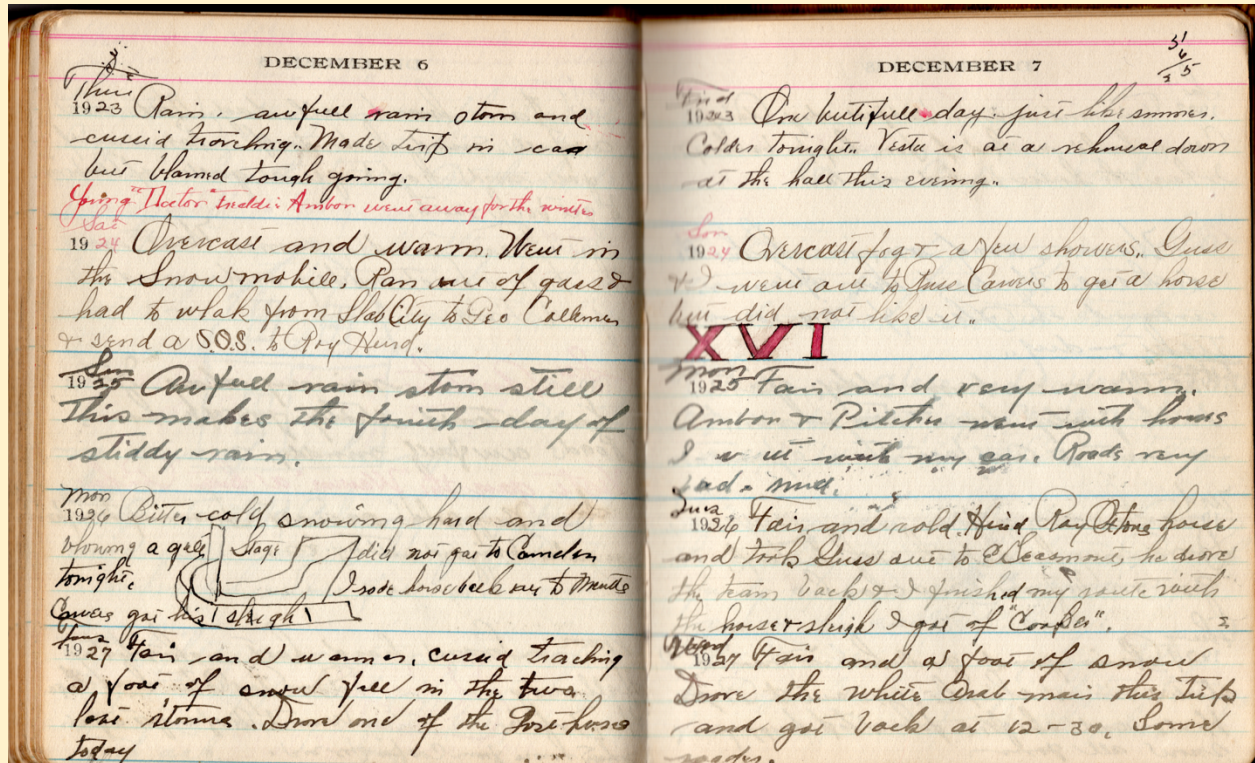
Wednesday, Nov. 28 A pretty fine day. Roads are very muddy. Shingled on our barn this afternoon. Married Walter Frohock & Laura Leadbetter? Married Arline Morse and Clyde Marriner.

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Thursday, Nov. 29 Butifull day, very warm one of the most perfect days ever. We had Roast Pork, Baked chicken with stuffing, Pies, Cake, Coffee & Cranberry Sauce, and the Willetts to top of on. Married Roy Littlefield & [??] Hall.

Friday, Nov. 30 Overcast fog and showers. The Willetts broke camp and left town today for Clarks Island they have a 25 hundred cord pump job thear.

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Saturday, Dec. 1 Rain and warm weather with a lot of wind. "John Willett" his wife "Irean" "Mike" the youngest brother and "Johnson" (Vance McCormic) drove up from Clarks Island 26 miles to the dance tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 2 Overcast and warm. Alta & Guss came over & we joined forces and gave a chicken dinner to the "Willetts" and ("Vance McCormic")

Monday, Dec. 3 Rain fog and wind. Damnable traveling. Broke my tire chanes all up today.

Tuesday, Dec. 4 Fair and warm, allso blamed muddy. Car ran rotten & the worst of it, I dont know whats the trouble. Ant that hellish? Died Joseph Uriah Young age 74 yrs. Geo French of Camden was ran into by a Dago from Portland. French is in Rockland hospital with a broken skull. The German in jail.

Wednesday, Dec. 5 Rain hard all day. Roads are awfull. Mud hub deep. Ran out of gas and had to get a gallon of "Amborn" to get back with.

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Thursday, Dec. 6 Rain, awfull rain storm and cussid traveling. Made trip in car but blamed tough going. Young "Doctor" Freddie Amborn went away for the winter.

Friday, Dec. 7 One butifull day, just like summer. Colder tonight. Vesta is at a rehursal down at the hall this evening.

Saturday, Dec. 8 Fair and warm, butifull day. Aubrey Collemer hawled a load of poor hay for banking & I have the house banked at last.

Sunday, Dec. 9 Overcast warm. We took Guss & Alta and went down to "Clarks Island" visiting the "Willetts" (Pulp Cutters) Had a fine time. \$80 due Camden Nat Bank

Monday, Dec. 10 Butifull day. Just a cool tang to the air. Ground froze last night. Worked on the car this afternoon. Louie Keller up tonight.

Tuesday, Dec. 11 Snowing this morning. About 3 in damp snow fell the first snow of the season. Cleaned out our garage this afternoon.

Wednesday, Dec. 12 Fair fine day. Went up engaged Everett Wade to kill our pig. Went to Camden got a load of grain \$8.45.

Thursday, Dec. 13 Very warm and overcast. Borrowed \$500 City Nat Bank Belfast. Layed new floor behind the horses. Got 3 egg's.

Friday, Dec. 14 Fair and colder. Bitter cold tonight every thing freezing up tight. Went to rehursal at the Hall tonight.

Saturday, Dec. 15 Fair very cold this morning. Roads damdable rough. The Willett boys & some of thear men came to the dance tonight from Clarks Island. Oscar Johnson stoped with us. 4 eggs. Paid tax \$52.86 Ant that hell? Born to Callie Lermond Morse a daughter. Married June 12-1923 6 months and 3 days. Such is the inderscretans of youth.

Sunday, Dec. 16 Cold but not to bad, overcast. Snowing tonight. We carried "Johnson" to Camden. Took Guss & Alta with us.

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Monday, Dec. 17 Fair and not very cold. About 2 inches snow fell in the deepest. 1 inch most every place.

Tuesday, Dec. 18 Fair and cold, with a big cold wind blowing, and I have a helluva cold my self. Feel rotten.

Wednesday, Dec. 19 Fair and quite cold, but not as bad as yesterday. Everett Wade killed our pig today weighed [blank]

Thursday, Dec. 20 Fair and warm. Went to Belfast. We took "Hope Andrews" up to her Gramps & Grannie. Had some very nessary work done on car. Did our Christmas slopping.

Friday, Dec. 21 Another nice day. Went down to Hall tonight and helped work the Christmas mail.

Saturday, Dec. 22 Overcast and warm. Roads are getting very muddy. Got such a hell of a cold we did not go to dance. Mr & Mrs Willett came in to see us tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 23 Overcast and very warm. My cold is still doing business feel like a stewed prune.

Monday, Dec. 24 Fair fine day. Roads very muddy. Heavy mail. Vesta and I went to Belfast this afternoon to do a little more shopping.

Tuesday, Dec. 25 Christmas. This is the first time in 20 yrs that we have not driven the route. Vesta gave me a Book and a Heavy Blue Sweater. I gave her a Wrist Watch, Perfum, Candy and a pair Silk stockings. Packed our pork and put bacon and hams into Secret pickal.

Wednesday, Dec. 26 Fair and mild. Roads are all thawed up again heavy traveling and a big lot of mail

Thursday, Dec. 27 Fair and colder. And ye gods but its awfull rough. Went to Belfast this afternoon.

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Friday, Dec. 28 Overcast, clear & cold tonight. Looks like a bad storm coming. Went down to the "Hall" tonight "rehursal".

Saturday, Dec. 29 Snow hard all day. The first real snow storm we have had. Went in car today. Last trip this year I guess. The Village Imp' Society gave thear play the Captain [???] tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 30 Fair clear & cold. About a foot of snow on the ground. Roads are drifted quite badly.

Monday, Dec. 31 Overcast early. Snow most all day a fine dry storm and very cold. Drove the Cooper horse. He is soft but a good little roader. Sold \$5.20 milk in December.