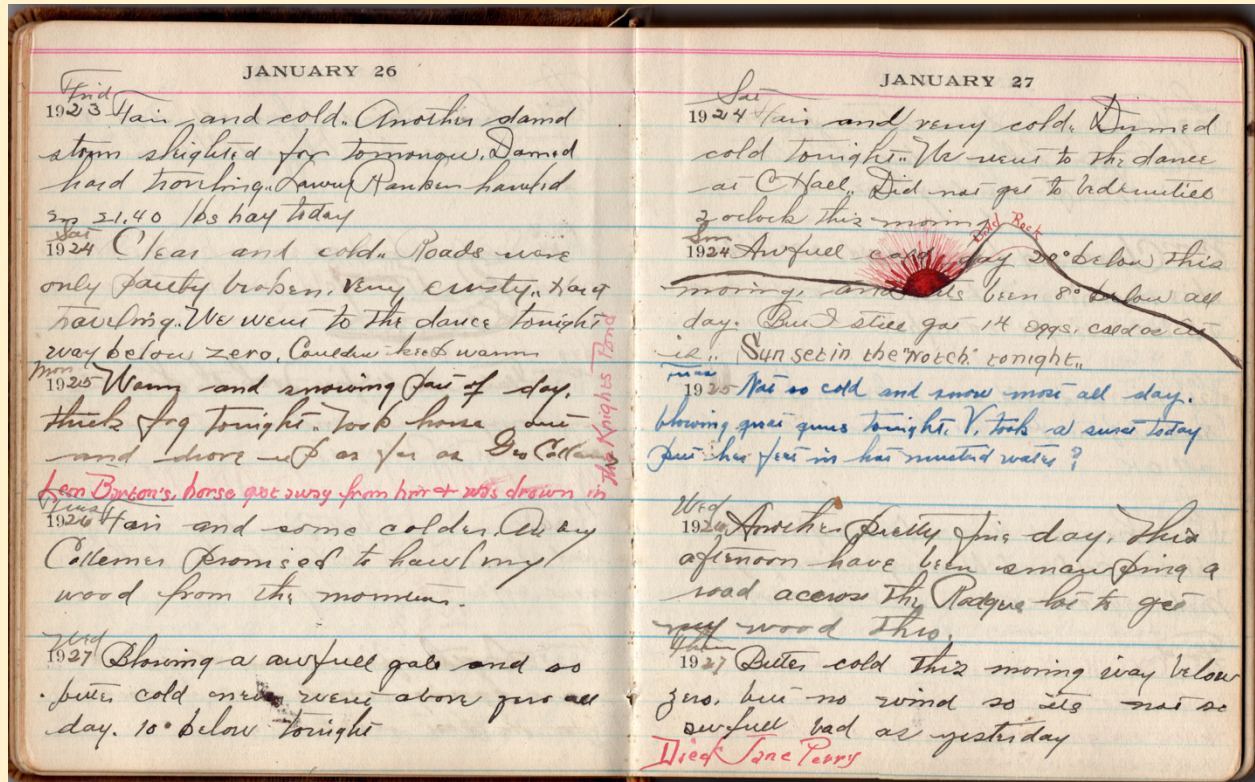


RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Thursday, Jan. 1 Fair clear & cold. Got my car out of garage. Carried Guss out to Slab City to look over his wood lot. Lost my check book.

Friday, Jan. 2 Fair and cold as the dickens. Went up on the mountain looking for my lost check book not found.

Saturday, Jan. 3 Storm snow and rain all day warm and slushy.

Sunday, Jan. 4 Fair and not very cold. Fine day. Went up on mountain with Bill Young to show him where to chop.

Monday, Jan. 5 Butifull day fair and warm. V & I went to Belfast this afternoon 1-8-5.

Tuesday, Jan. 6 Warm overcast. Went up chopping this afternoon. Came home and drew out a ax. Bill and Orris Young started chopping cord wood for me today.

Wednesday, Jan. 7 Overcast, snowing tonight & colder. Went and spread what plaster we had on our new cloth press.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Thursday, Jan. 8 Fair and warm fine day. Went up on the mountain chopping this afternoon. Got a good bit of timber cut.

Friday, Jan. 9 Butifull morning. Jenness Keller hauling timber today from my mountain lot. Guss helping him.

Saturday, Jan. 10 Fair fine day. Went on mt chopping this afternoon. Jenness Keller hauled my lumber home from mill 1275 fit. Paid him \$7.80. 7103 M.

Sunday, Jan. 11 Clear and cold as the devil. Stacked my lumber and piled it pretty today.

Monday, Jan. 12 Fair and a good day. Went up and cut some oven wood tonight have been painting doll faces.

Tuesday, Jan. 13 Snow this morning. Turned to rain fair and colder tonight. We V & I went over to "Warren" tonight to a pre birthday party tonight.

Wednesday, Jan. 14 Fair clear as a bell & cold as the devil. V's 40th birthday. I gave her a \$5 gold pieces in a little velvet lined box. Guss & Alta each a record for her machine. Mrs Warren a butifull bath towel.

Thursday, Jan. 15 Fairly good weather. Mrs W & G & Alta came over spent the evening. We danced by music from Vesta's new "Cheney"

Friday, Jan. 16 Snow most all afternoon. James Dean & Lawry Rankin started hauling ice for us. Snowing tonight.

Saturday, Jan. 17 Fair fine day. Fred Frohock James Dean & Larry Rankin hawling ice for me today. Cold as the devil. We all went to the dance. Small crowd. Went in Snowmobile today.

Sunday, Jan. 18 Clear & cold. Fred Frohock has been hawling ice for us today. He finished the 20 ton we put up. Jenness Keller hawling saw dust. Paid Frohock hawling \$12.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Monday, Jan. 19 Fair and bitter cold. 32 below zero this morning some places in Maine it went down to 60 below.

Tuesday, Jan. 20 Overcast and cold. Snowing hard tonight. Frank Cooper called in to see how the Snowmobile was working.

Wednesday, Jan. 21 Fair and cold. Went in the Snowmobile. Did not get in until 3 o'clock, about 20 inches snow fell.

Thursday, Jan. 22 Fair and warmer. Made better time with the Snowmobile today got back at 1-30. We have lived here 13 years today.

Friday, Jan. 23 Fair, blowing great guns. Roads are drifted full. 10° or more below zero all day did not cover all my route.

Saturday, Jan. 24 Fair but bitter cold. Did not cover all my route. Roads still unbroken. Total eclips of the sun this morning at 9-15. Wonderfull sight.

Sunday, Jan. 25 Fair and fine. Took the Snowmobile and my mail and went out thru Searsmont & Belmont. Married Mildred Lermond & Allen Morton.

Monday, Jan. 26 Warm and snowing part of day. Thick fog tonight. Took horse out and drove up as far as Geo Collemer's. Leon Burton's horse got away from him & was drown in the Knights Pond.

Tuesday, Jan. 27 Not so cold and snow most all day. Blowing great guns tonight. V. took a [?] today. Put her feet in hot mustard water?

Wednesday, Jan. 28 Fair and cold. 24° below in Searsmont. Roads drifted full but light snow, covered it all O.K.

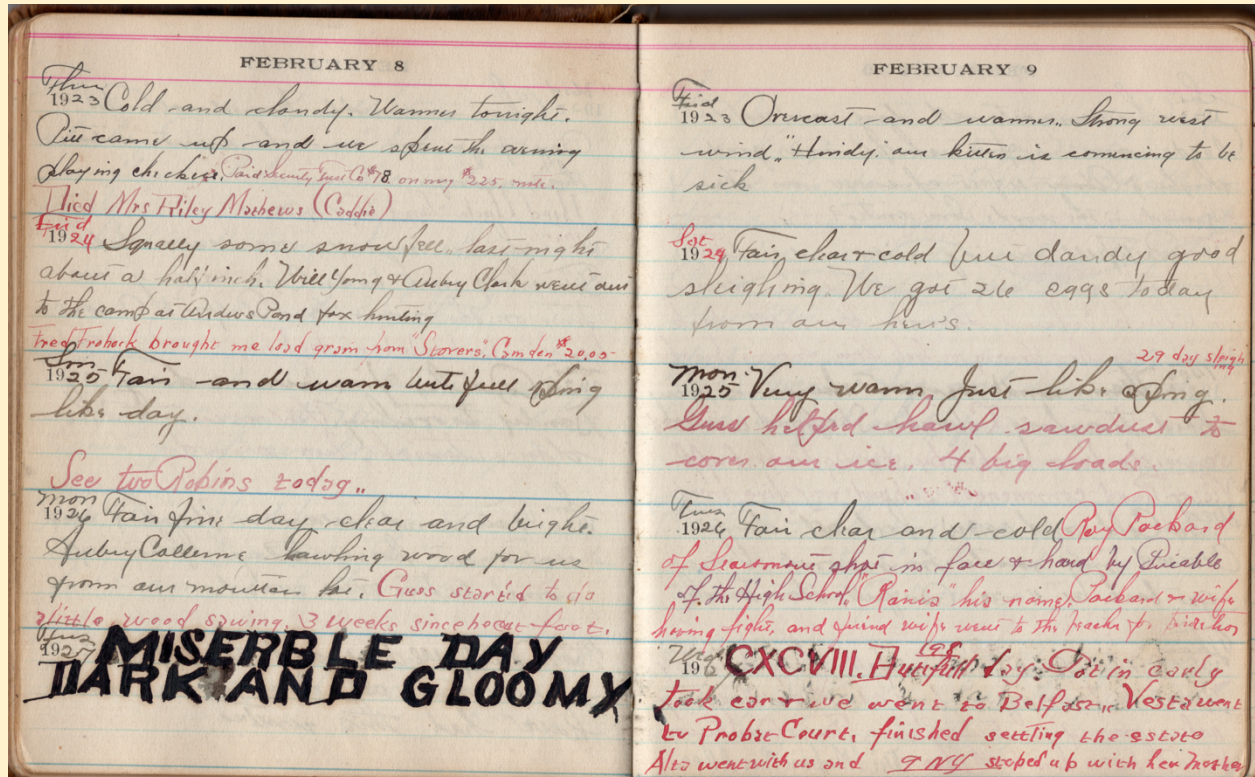
Thursday, Jan. 29 Fair nice day. Covered my route in the Snowmobile in two hours. Then took the touring car & V and went to Belfast to see Dr. Taply.

Friday, Jan. 30 Snow and blow roads are blocked. Got out to E Searsmont. Born to Marian & Don Heal, a daughter.

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Saturday, Jan. 31 Blowing a gail and roads plumb full of snow only got out to E. Searsmont.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Sunday, Feb. 1 Fair and mild. Guss came over and we finished boarding our ice house. See two Red Robins today one by E. Brewster's in Belmont.

Monday, Feb. 2 Overcast turn to snow and storm'd all day. Regular tempest tonight. Covered all my route.

Tuesday, Feb. 3 Fair & cold. Roads blocked with snow only got as far as the "center".

Wednesday, Feb. 4 Fair and cold. Did not cover over the Belmont end of route. Roads unbroken.

Thursday, Feb. 5 Fair and cold. Roads are partly broken got thru but that was about all one could do.

Friday, Feb. 6 Fair and warm butifull day. We went over to Warren's tonight to wait for the world's ending?

Saturday, Feb. 7 Another fine warm day. Dandy traveling. We went to the dance tonight, big crowd.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Sunday, Feb. 8 Fair and warm butifull springlike day.

Monday, Feb. 9 Very warm. Just like spring. Guss helped hawl sawdust to cover our ice. 4 big loads.

Tuesday, Feb. 10 Warm and overcast showers. Very hard traveling. Columbus Shepard comitted sewicide last night by shooting his head off. Victor Reed commenced to hawl my fire wood.

Wednesday, Feb. 11 Overcast fog and rain hard. Roads awfull slumpy. Frank Cooper and a Snowmobile, with sliding transmission, was waiting for me in Searsmont today.

Thursday, Feb. 12 Rain hard all day. Got stuck once and had to shovel for an hour to get thro up by the Town House. See a flock of 9 robins today.

Friday, Feb. 13 Another butifull warm Spring like day. Frank Cooper was in E. Searsmont with a Snowmobile Sliding Transmission for much this morning.

Saturday, Feb. 14 Fair and warm fine day. Big Free dance at Community Hall given by the V.I.S. and a fine time 55 couples.

Sunday, Feb. 15 Warm and raining tonight hard. Carried Vesta over to see her mother this afternoon. XXIII ROBINS THIS SPRING

Monday, Feb. 16 Softer mushy weather. Warm just like the last of March. Guss helped me shift my Snowmobile over from runners to wheels. Died Elnor Heal Cummings age 88 yrs.

Tuesday, Feb. 17 Overcast fog and showers. Snowmobile went fine today.

Wednesday, Feb. 18 Butifull day just like spring. Guss Warren split 4 cord fire wood today. Startid work on our \$1000 venture. Got the sills and post's cut & fitted.

Thursday, Feb. 19 Another butifull spring day. Did some more work on building. Have the roof frame all cut & marked.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Friday, Feb. 20 Very warm, just like spring. Water in a pail in our garage has not frozen this whole month of February.

Saturday, Feb. 21 Warm very warm. Shower tonight. Big Masked Ball at Community Hall tonight, big crowd.

Sunday, Feb. 22 Fair and warm regular April day. Worked on our building. Got the floor timbers all fitted.

Monday, Feb. 23 Warm and rain all day. Just like April weather. Alta Warren went to the Island to see Vera?

Tuesday, Feb. 24 Fair and very warm. Just like spring. Guss & I went up to Northport to see about gravel.

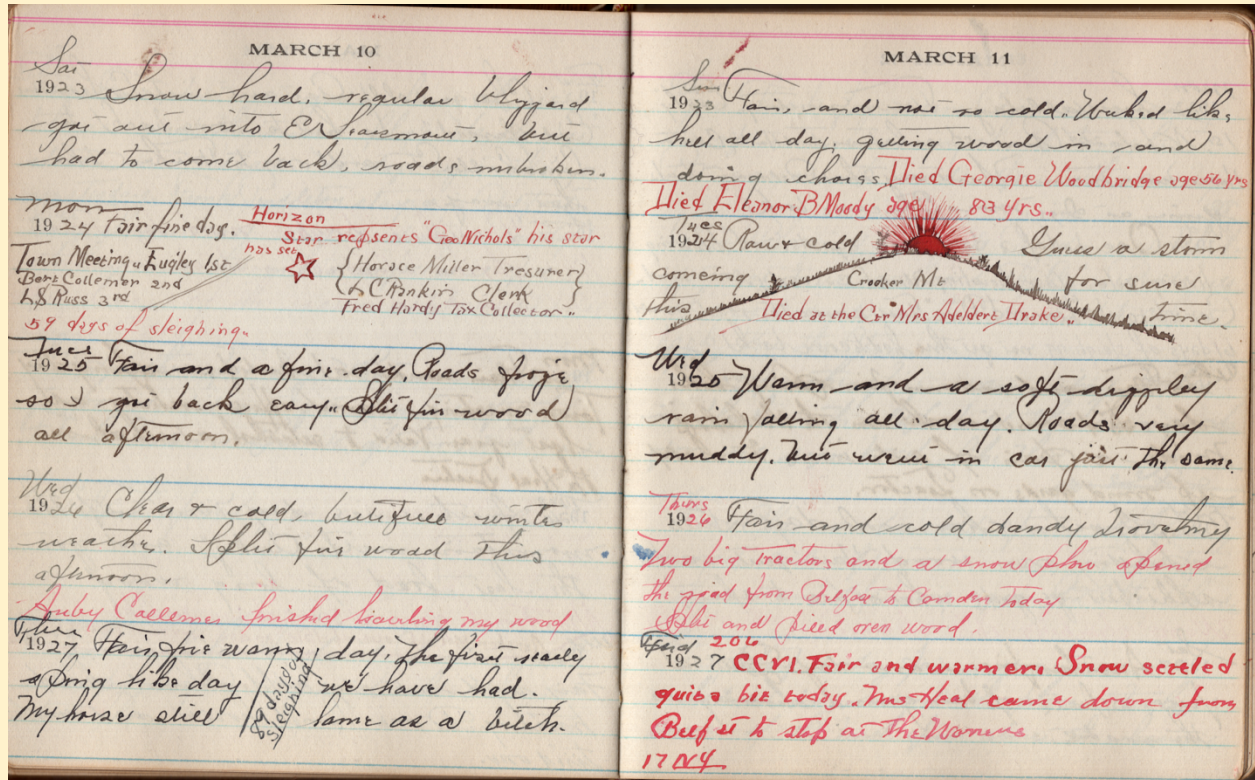
Wednesday, Feb. 25 Another warm springlike day. The wood sawyers came this afternoon, but broke their engine before they got startid on my wood.

Thursday, Feb. 26 Overcast part of day. Snowing a little and raining more tonight. Had my fire wood. Elma [??] & Marion Drinkwater.

Friday, Feb. 27 Fair and cold, blowing great guns. Wind west.

Saturday, Feb. 28 Fair nice warm day. Went to Camden got load of grain at the Union. Vesta not feeling well so we did not go to the dance.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Sunday, Mar. 1 Fair and very warm. A dandy day. Split fire wood and took life easy.

Monday, Mar. 2 Another fine warm spring day. Went in my touring car today. Alta Warren taken very sick this morning.

Tuesday, Mar. 3 Fair and very warm and fine traveling, roads are frozen and smooth.

Wednesday, Mar. 4 Fair and warm. President Coolidge inaugurated as president, 30 million people listen to the exercises via radio.

Thursday, Mar. 5 Warm & overcast, raining hard tonight. "Alta" better tonight, Vesta just came from thear. Aubry Collemer hawled me a load of hay.

Friday, Mar. 6 Fair fine day and nice traveling. Split fire wood this afternoon. Died Frank Gelo.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Saturday, Mar. 7 Still another fine day. We went to the dance tonight. Very small crowd only 12 couples.

Sunday, Mar. 8 Another fine day. What we see of it as we did not get up until afternoon. Frank Collemer spent the afternoon with us.

Monday, Mar. 9 Fair and a butifull spring day. Town meeting. Same officers electid as last year. Voted to establish a school in the Heal District.

Tuesday, Mar. 10 Fair and a fine day. Roads froze so I got back early. Split fire wood all afternoon.

Wednesday, Mar. 11 Warm and a soft drizzley rain falling all day. Roads very muddy but went in car just the same.

Thursday, Mar. 12 Fair and warm fine spring like day. Did some work in the black shop. Made a pair of side irons to hold up mud gards on Tractor.

Friday, Mar. 13 Another fine warm day. Worked in blacksmith shop build the iron work for a sign board like this [*drawing of ironwork*].

Saturday, Mar. 14 Fair and warm. Vesta came out and helped pile up fire wood while I split. Vesta commenced to build her new blue dress.

Sunday, Mar. 15 Got up this morning and the ground was white. Snowed about 6 inches. Shifted wheels onto my Snowmobile this afternoon.

Monday, Mar. 16 Fair and fine froze hard last night about a foot of snow back in Belmont. Went in Snowmobile.

Tuesday, Mar. 17 Rain this afternoon. Jess Keller tryed to get my wood from the Mt, but couldn't. I went to Camden this afternoon got grain. Alta Warren went to Rockland to be fitted with storm windows.

Wednesday, Mar. 18 Fair fine and warm. Worked in blacksmith shop this afternoon.

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Thursday, Mar. 19 Rainy, bum traveling. Frank Cooper came today and I traided cars with him.

Friday, Mar. 20 Fair and warm. Did some work on the Snowmobile. Took up the belts. Married Amon Morse & Mary Lermond.

Saturday, Mar. 21 Another nice warm day and pretty gummy traveling. Still I got back by noon.

Sunday, Mar. 22 Fair and very warm. Regular warm summer day. Went down to the point to the old Frohock Place.

Monday, Mar. 23 Butifull day. Ground froze hard last night so made a quick trip. Guss Warren went to Belfast and got the truck to use on highways.

Tuesday, Mar. 24 Fair fine warm day. Did some work in blacksmith shop and cleaned mud out of machine. XXV

Wednesday, Mar. 25 Fair fine day. Broke one of the drive belts on my Snowmobile. Guss buried the Big Truck in front of his house. Drop all under the mud.

Thursday, Mar. 26 Fair and warm nice spring like day. Worked on car this afternoon.

Friday, Mar. 27 Overcast fog and showers. Roads are muddy as the devil, but not breaking thro yet. XXVI

Saturday, Mar. 28 Overcast heavy showers and the frost is starting in some spots on the roads. Vesta & I went to the dance tonight. Ice left the Llseller Pond.

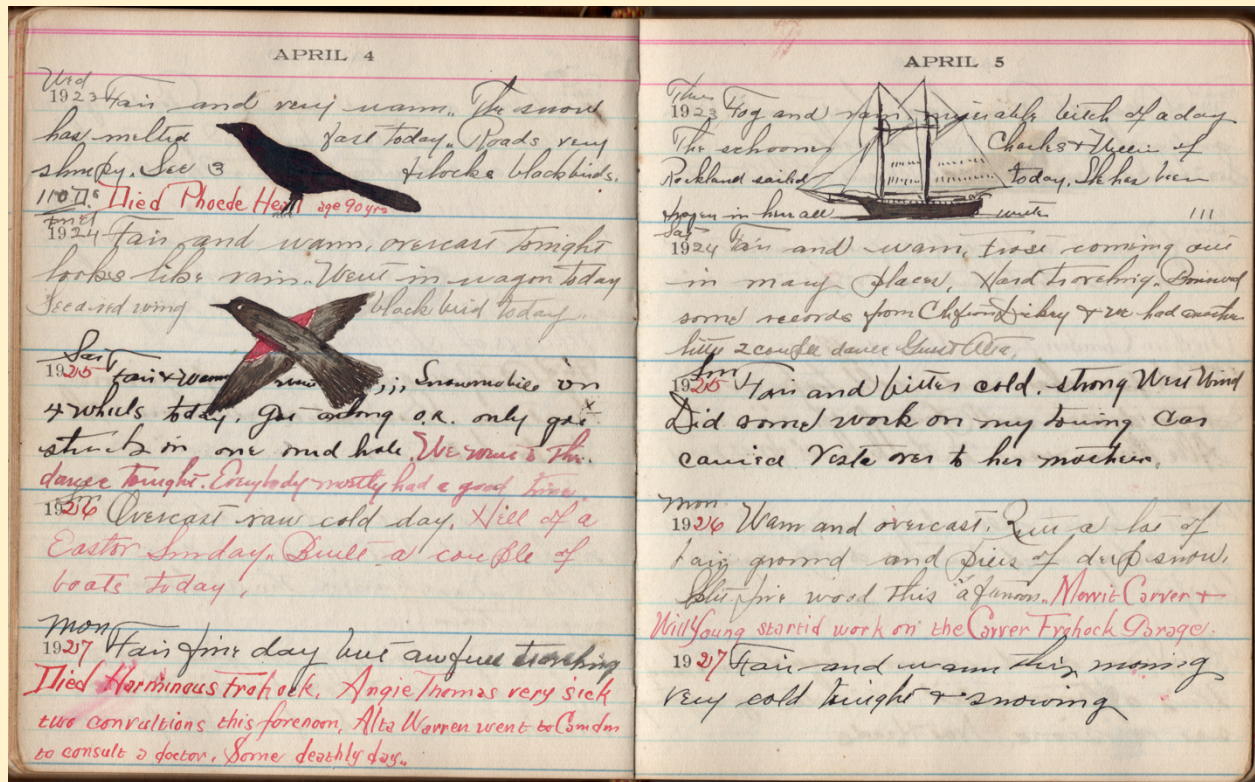
Sunday, Mar. 29 Still overcast and rainy. Did not get up until afterwards this morning. Mendid chains for Guss this afternoon.

Monday, Mar. 30 Showers both rain and snow. Broke my belt on Snowmobile about a dozen times. Hell of a trip. Ice went out of the Andrews Pond.

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Tuesday, Mar. 31 Fair and warm. Put in a hell of a hard trip. My tractor belt broke consistently all day.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Wednesday, Apr. 1 Fair fine day. We took Guss & Alta and went to a dance at Saturday Cove. Perot Carter of Belfast furnished the music which was very nice, but a damd cheep crowd.

Thursday, Apr. 2 Butifull warm day. Did not go back to the office until 4-30. Had a devil of a time with broken tractor belts.

Friday, Apr. 3 Butifull spring day. Very warm. Went in Snowmobile without the tractor belts.

Saturday, Apr. 4 Fair & warm. Went in Snowmobile on 4 wheels today. Got along O.K. only got stuck in one mud hole. We went to the dance tonight. Everybody mostly had a good time.

Sunday, Apr. 5 Fair and bitter cold. Strong west wind. Did some work on my touring car. Carried Vesta to her mothers.

Monday, Apr. 6 Fair clear and cold. Took off our storm doors and part of the windows. Alta Warren went to Rockland for a viset.

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Tuesday, Apr. 7 Another cool windy day. Worked taking bank and storm windows away.

Wednesday, Apr. 8 Fair and cold as the devil. Roads are drying up fine. Had a blow out and had to borrow a shoe from Maynard Heal.

Thursday, Apr. 9 Butifull clear day but a strong west wind. Went to Camden to have generator on car repaired. XXVII

Friday, Apr. 10 Fair and warm dandy day. Went in my touring car today got around all O.K. Died in Searsmont Clara Donnell.

Saturday, Apr. 11 Another fine day. Roads are about all settled only very rough. Colin Coombs went away today after a two month vacation. We went to the dance tonight. Dead time no pip.

Sunday, Apr. 12 Fair and cold. Strong east wind. We took a little ride up to the Bullock place and measured the frontage. 33 ft from the ctr of road.

Monday, Apr. 13 Fair and cold as the dickens but the traveling good. Guss took up the first load of lumber to the Side of the road house.

Tuesday, Apr. 14 Overcast and very cold & raw. Harry & Ethel Frohock up and spent the evening. After they went we went over to "Warrens". Guss birthday. 41 yrs young. Ice cream and cake.

Wednesday, Apr. 15 Rain hard all day. Roads pretty sloppy but got around in good time.

Thursday, Apr. 16 Clear and cold as the devil. Did some work about the place afternoon. Carried Gram McKinney to Camden. We went after Alice, but boat 5 hours late out of Boston.

Friday, Apr. 17 Overcast and cold. Went out to Virgil Halls and had new transmission lineing put in car. XXVIII

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Saturday, Apr. 18 Went to picture in Camden tonight Tom Meghan in The Pied Piper. Went to Rockland carried Vesta & Alta down to buy dishes for thear store. Alice went out to Parker Youngs.

Sunday, Apr. 19 Snow about all day. Ground covered white with it. Have just loafed and smoked about all day.

Monday, Apr. 20 Overcast, trying to clear away tonight. Over a foot of snow as fallen, and the road are all settled no frost in the ground. Went in Snowmobile.

Tuesday, Apr. 21 Fair and warmer. Went in my Snowmobile. Got a loose connecting rod. Gee but isn't it grand.

Wednesday, Apr. 22 Fair and colder. We took Alice to the dance tonight. Tough crowd from Belfasts Puddle Dock.

Thursday, Apr. 23 Butifull warm spring day. Went trout fishing. No luck only 3 fish.

Friday, Apr. 24 Butifull cold blustery day. Did some work about home, but feel rather tired after my fishing trip yesterday.

Saturday, Apr. 25 Fair but a raw southerly wind blowing. We carried Alice to Camden tonight. She went back home on the steamer Belfast.

Sunday, Apr. 26 Butifull day very warm, yes hot. Vesta & I went up to Turner Falls to see the Alewives. Stream packed full of fish. V & I went Alewife fishing. Got some mayflowers.

Monday, Apr. 27 Butifull warm day. Went up to our Road house and began work. Got the bottom laid and foundation put in. Startid to build the Tea House at Bullock Hill.

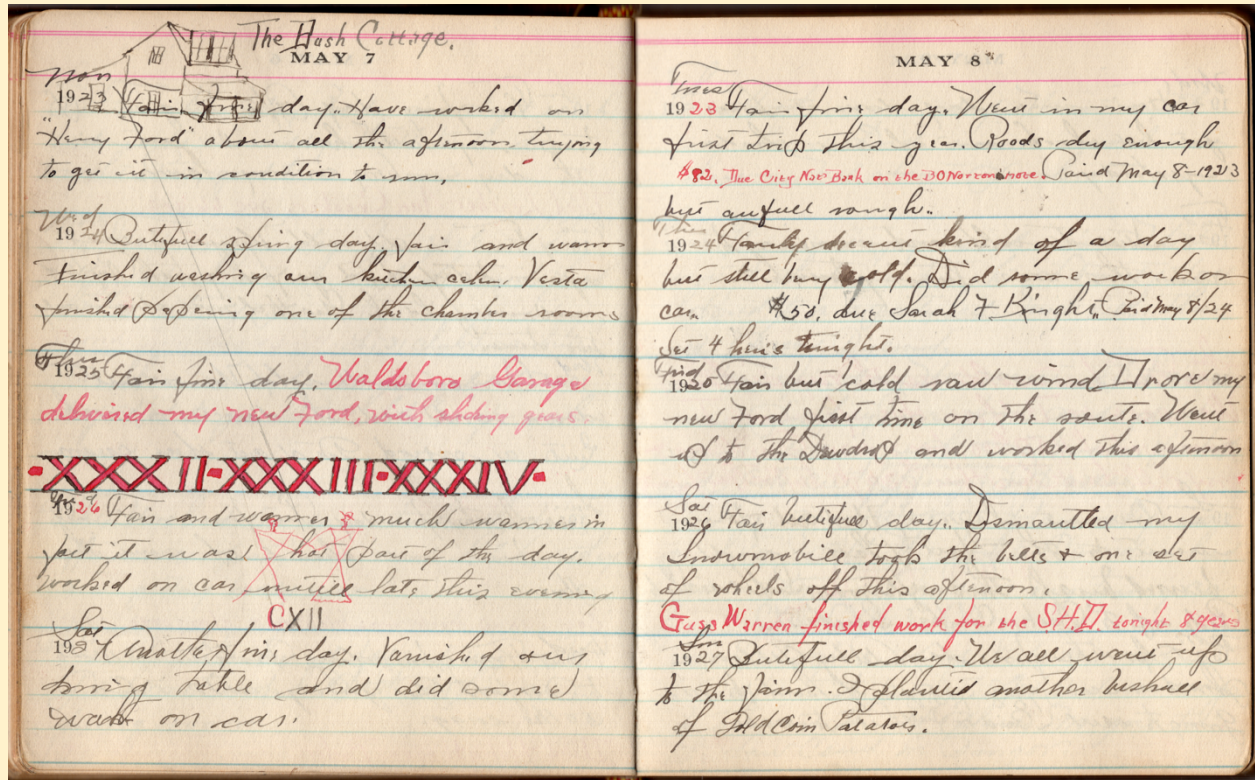
Tuesday, Apr. 28 Fair and warm fine day. Went up to the Road House and got the posts and frame up. Hell, a man named Fitzgerald & wife bought the Bullock place today. We went to Rockland tonight to see him nothing doing.

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Wednesday, Apr. 29 Fair but a raw easterly wind that is damned disagreeable. Burned the dead grass along side of road. Put up hen yard fence.

Thursday, Apr. 30 Very cold, overcast shower & snow squalls.

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Friday, May 1 Cold as the devil and showers awfull bum weather. Finished building my hen yard fence.

Saturday, May 2 Fair fine day. Stole away this afternoon and went trout fishing. Got 12 dandy fish.

Sunday, May 3 Fair fine day. We went up looked the "Hart" place over then went up to Fred Frohocks and bought it of Mrs Hart \$3000.

Monday, May 4 Fair nice day. Took Fred Frohock to Belfast and got the deed made out by Lawyer Pitcher for the Jane Hart place.

Tuesday, May 5 Showers and a generally bum day. Had to give Geo Nichols \$7 for work on my car.

Wednesday, May 6 Overcast and cold. We went down and see the dancers in masks. Quite a crowd. Got a qt of ice cream.

Thursday, May 7 Fair fine day. Waldoboro Grange delivered my new Ford, with sliding gears.

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Friday, May 8 Fair but cold raw wind. Drove my new Ford first time on the route. Went up to the Dewdrop and worked this afternoon.

Saturday, May 9 Fair but cold as the very dickens. We went to Belfast this afternoon. I borrowed of H.A.D. \$150 for a year. Guss Warren & myself paid Jane Hart \$325 for her Northport property.

Sunday, May 10 Fair fine day. We went up to our new property we four, and did some dolling up. Cut brush, fir tips and Vesta cut a finger tip allso.

Monday, May 11 Rain all day and a good part of last night. Washed & whitened our dining room ceiling today. Paid A.G. Collemer [??] in full for hay \$26.

Tuesday, May 12 Fair fine day. Worked up by the Road house this afternoon had Elna Collemer to help.

Wednesday, May 13 Fair and warm. Worked until 7 oclock on the Road house. It is growing slowly.

Thursday, May 14 Overcast and warm. Built an ice box this afternoon, or rather got one all most built.

Friday, May 15 Fair and warm. Worked up on the Road house until 8 oclock tonight. Elma Collemer worked today for us.

Saturday, May 16 Rain hard last night. Partly overcast and showers today. We went up to our farm and planked the spring over.

Sunday, May 17 Overcast and showers. We went up to the Road house then took a long walk up the Arthur road. Fine wilderness trail.

Monday, May 18 Fair and very cold. Went up and worked on our house this afternoon.

Tuesday, May 19 Fair but rather raw & cold. Went up to the way side this afternoon. Frank Bullock is painting the house.

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Wednesday, May 20 Fair and warmer. Started in to shingle the roof of the way side.

Thursday, May 21 Overcast showers tonight. Vesta & Alta went with me up to the Farm and cut balsam tips while I shingled.

Friday, May 22 Fairly decent day only very cold. Shingled and had to give it up rain.

Saturday, May 23 Still very cold and showers also snow & sleet. Had to give up work.

Sunday, May 24 Fair but very cold. We went out to the Cemetery and fixed the lot. I planted our garden & we went up to the farm.

Monday, May 25 Still very cold. Snowed and rained. Worked on our house got the butterfly window made and finished.

Tuesday, May 26 Very good but it is just awfully cold.

Wednesday, May 27 Cold and overcast. Worked up at the Shack until quite late.

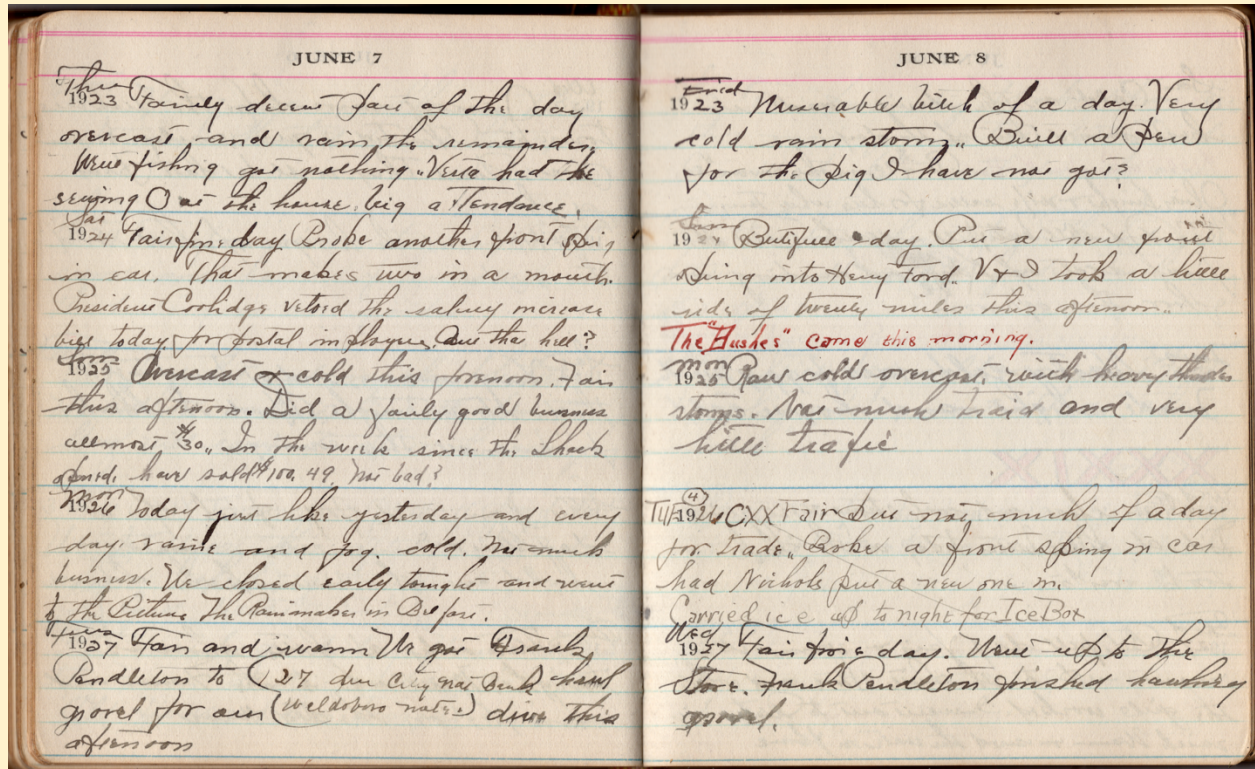
Thursday, May 28 Still a bum bit of weather. Worked up to Shack this evening. We went to Rockland this afternoon bought goods.

Friday, May 29 Overcast cold and generally a miserable day. Worked at Shack until 9-30 tonight getting ready for opening tomorrow.

Saturday, May 30 Overcast cold as the dickens. Opened The House by the Side of the Road for business. Sold \$12 worth today.

Sunday, May 31 Fair and warmer. We all did quite a business today took \$29.24.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Monday, Jun. 1 Warm a real summer day. Carried the Proprietress up to the Shack. Did 5.

Tuesday, Jun. 2 Overcast and cold. Went up to the Shack sold Hot Dogs and ice cream tonight.

Wednesday, Jun. 3 Hot and muggy. We, Vesta & I went to Belfast this afternoon. Stopped at the way side and [unfinished entry]

Thursday, Jun. 4 Fair and very hot. The first one of the season. Built an ice box today. Sold \$9.72 tonight.

Friday, Jun. 5 Very hot, a regular blisterer. Worked on our ice box all afternoon. Guss will carry it up in the morning.

Saturday, Jun. 6 Very warm, and a terrific thunder storm tonight. Opened the Shack for business this evening.

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Sunday, Jun. 7 Overcast & cold this forenoon. Fair this afternoon. Did a fairly good business allmost \$30. In the week since the Shack opened, have sold \$100.49. Not bad?

Monday, Jun. 8 Raw cold overcast with heavy thunder storms. Not much traid and very little traffic.

Tuesday, Jun. 9 Nasty cold raw foggy weather. Trade light and house cold.

Wednesday, Jun. 10 Still fog cold & overcast. Did but little business up at the "Shack".

Thursday, Jun. 11 Fair fine clear cool day. Business about the same. Jenness Keller & wife up to see us tonight. Sold out flock of hen's for \$50.

Friday, Jun. 12 Another butifull clear & cool day.

Saturday, Jun. 13 Butifull day fair and warm. Carried Alta up to the Shack this morning. Vesta took a half day off.

Sunday, Jun. 14 Fair fine day. We all did a making [?] business today. Sold out everything in the eating home \$27.54

Monday, Jun. 15 Overcast cold as the dickens. We had a very small traid today between 5 & 6 dollars.

Tuesday, Jun. 16 Another bum old day and not much doing. State [??] Gang now tarring the road.

Wednesday, Jun. 17 Fair and warm. Vesta kept house on the hill this forenoon. I carried Mrs Warren to Camden to have her feet fitted and put an ad in the Camden Herald \$4.20.

Thursday, Jun. 18 Showers fair tonight. Very small traid only six dollars today.

Friday, Jun. 19 Fair fine day. Small traid but everybody contented. Mellie Dearborn cultivated my garden.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Saturday, Jun. 20 Fair fine day. Heavy shower tonight. Had a pretty good day at the Shack \$13.98.

Sunday, Jun. 21 Overcast fog & showers. Did a good business today took an even \$37.

Monday, Jun. 22 Fair clear & cold. Shower this morning. Did a pretty good run of business today \$14.18

Tuesday, Jun. 23 Fair fine day. Went up to the Shack again this afternoon. Took \$8.07 today.

Wednesday, Jun. 24 Another fine day. Finished my refreshment sign and then took in \$12.32. Cash money. Married Eddie Drinkwater & Doris Knight.

Thursday, Jun. 25 Rain and fog. Miserable weather. The Shack took in \$6.84 today.

Friday, Jun. 26 Cold as the dickens fog & rain. "Vesta" ran the shop this forenoon. The Shack took in \$14.40 today.

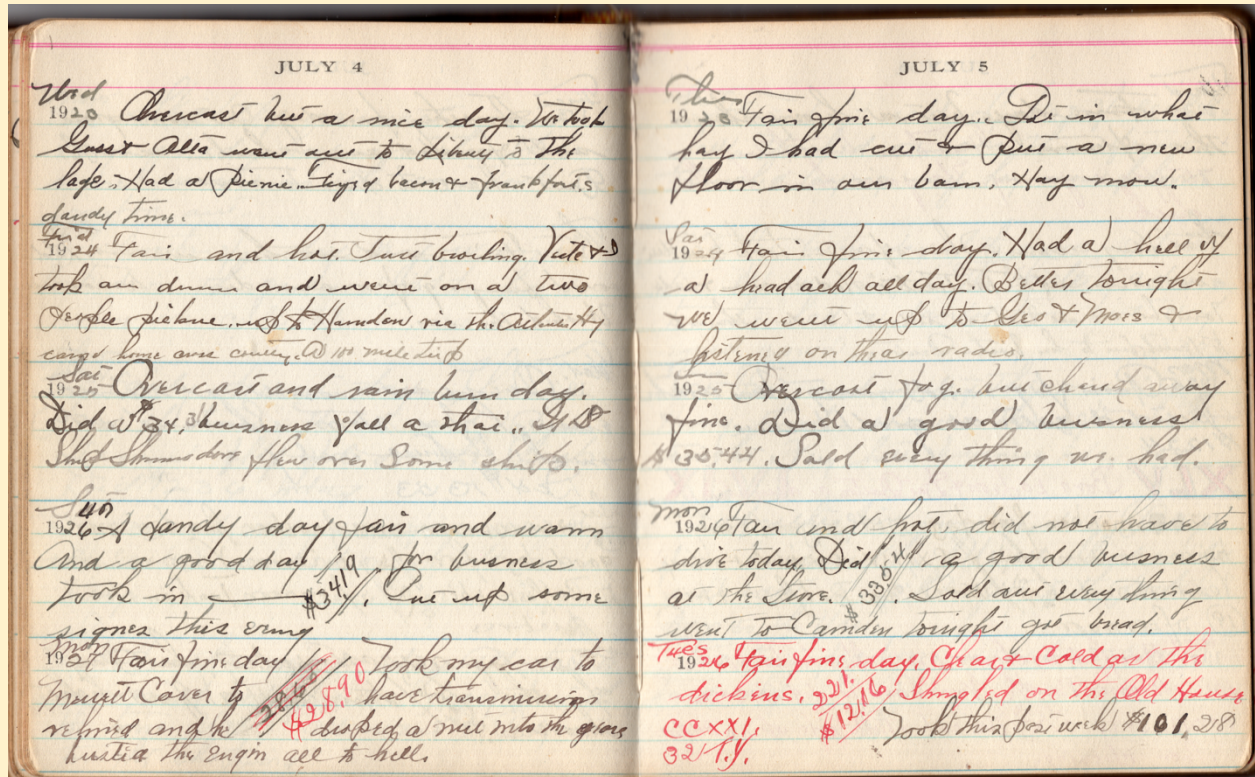
Saturday, Jun. 27 Overcast this morning fog. Clear fine day later. Sold today \$9.70 at Shack.

Sunday, Jun. 28 More fog, thick as mud this morning. Very small traid today only took \$13.02

Monday, Jun. 29 Raw cold overcast, bum day only took in a little over \$7. Finished the serving window this afternoon.

Tuesday, Jun. 30 Strong west wind blowed so hard I had to [??] our banner. Alta & Hope kept shop this forenoon. XLIV

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Wednesday, Jul. 1 Overcast tonight, after a fine day. We have a camping party of 3 cars on the lawn tonight. Took \$11.29 at the "Shack". Llewline Drinkwater startid driving the mail C to B.

Thursday, Jul. 2 Fairly decent day. Showers part of time. Went and put a new flag pole on the Shack. Did \$12.36 today.

Friday, Jul. 3 Overcast and a sure enough fog storm. Showers not much business today only did \$13.53

Saturday, Jul. 4 Overcast and rain bum day. Did \$34 business for all that. Ship Shenandoah flew over. Some ship.

Sunday, Jul. 5 Overcast fog but cleared away fine. Did a good business \$35.44. Sold everything we had.

Monday, Jul. 6 Rain fog and misty, bum weather but did quite a good business \$12.24. Born to Leon & Dot Barton a daughter.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925

Tuesday, Jul. 7 Fair and sultry this morning. Heavy thunder shower this afternoon & tonight. Very little business today \$7.04.

Wednesday, Jul. 8 Fair and a butifull summer like day. Did a good business today \$19.61

Thursday, Jul. 9 Fair and fine, a dandy day. Did a fine business over \$17 taken at the window.

Friday, Jul. 10 Overcast showers & fog. This is Vesta's day at the "Shack".

Saturday, Jul. 11 Hot as the dickens, nearly the only hot day we have had this month. Did a small business today.

Sunday, Jul. 12 Fair and hot. Did a smashing business. Took in an even \$50 today.

Monday, Jul. 13 Butifull day clear as a bell with just a touch of cold in the air. Had a good day of business \$15.55.

Tuesday, Jul. 14 Butifull day. Got my garden all hoed and carried ice up to the shack tonight. Sold \$11.04 today.

Wednesday, Jul. 15 Fair fine warm day. Did a pretty good business took in \$15.35

Thursday, Jul. 16 Overcast fog & cold. Very small traid today only \$6.70.

Friday, Jul. 17 Cold fog & showers just bum kind of weather not good any more.

Saturday, Jul. 18 Overcast & showers bum weather and a bum traid not many people stoped today.

Sunday, Jul. 19 Fair and a fine day. Did a pretty fair amount of business \$36.99. Vesta gave me a butifull brier pipe for a birthday present.

Monday, Jul. 20 Fair fine day. Did a good business at the "Shack".

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Tuesday, Jul. 21 Still pretty fine weather and business still doing well at the The House by the Side of the Road.

Wednesday, Jul. 22 Showers. Thunder storm tonight. We went to Belfast this afternoon did some trading. Vesta & I see The Thief of Bagdad.

Thursday, Jul. 23 Thick fog showers and a bum bit of a day.

Friday, Jul. 24 Fair nice day. "Paterson" put 750 gallons gas into our trunk. Pretty fair business today.

Saturday, Jul. 25 Fair fine day. Guss & I went to Belfast tonight. State [??] made us take our banner down. Good sail \$22.16

Sunday, Jul. 26 Miserable bitch of a day. Fog and rain and still took in over \$20 in spite of the weather.

Monday, Jul. 27 Still fog and rain. Something fierce the weather. Haven't a lick of my hay cut yet.

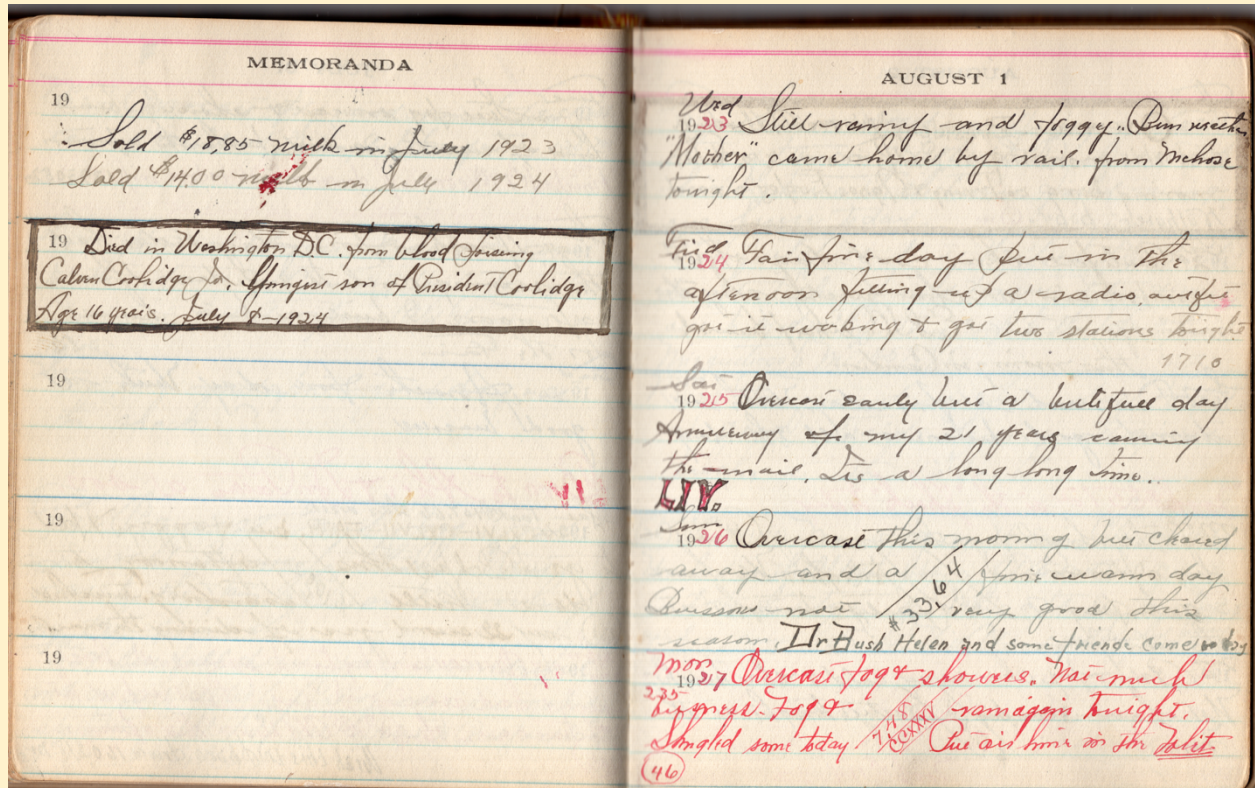
Tuesday, Jul. 28 Overcast this morning fair and fine tonight. And still a very small business today.

Wednesday, Jul. 29 Fair nice day one of the few pleasant days this season. Did a fairly good business.

Thursday, Jul. 30 Fair and fine good day at the shack.

Friday, Jul. 31 Another fine day. With a good business. Born to Alice & Don Patten a son.

RALPH RICHARDS - 1925



Saturday, Aug. 1 Overcast early but a butifull day. Anniversary of my 21 years carrying the mail. Tis a long long time.

Sunday, Aug. 2 Fair and a fine day. With a darned good business all the day. Took \$55.12 at the "Shack" today.

Monday, Aug. 3 Fair and a fine day. Had a good traid. Went cutting out bushes at the "Shack".

Tuesday, Aug. 4 Fair and a fine summer like day. Carried Alta up to the Shack this morning. Dr Bush & family came this noon.

Wednesday, Aug. 5 Another nice day. Cut brush and worked about the "Shack" fixing it purdy. Sold two camp lots out at the Pond.

Thursday, Aug. 6 Overcast fog & showers, but looks clear tonight. Business pretty good today.

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Friday, Aug. 7 Fair and a fine day. Did a good business at the Shack but looks like stormy weather.

Saturday, Aug. 8 Fair fine morning. Vesta & I went to Belfast to Pictures. "Sundown". A dandy picture.

Sunday, Aug. 9 Fair good day & good business almost \$45.

Monday, Aug. 10 Overcast and rain like hell. Village I.S. held its annual fair & dance. We went to dance. Cow sick had Dr French of Rockland milk V's cow.

Tuesday, Aug. 11 Rain just came down in bunches but for all that did a thriving business on the hill. Took in over \$30. for the day.

Wednesday, Aug. 12 Butifull day. Picked some blueberrys and worked at the "Shack". Mellie Dearborn started cutting my hay.

Thursday, Aug. 13 Rain like the dickens, bum kind of weather. Still they had a pretty good day at the "Shack".

Friday, Aug. 14 Overcast raw cold, fog & rain miserable kind of day. Vesta ran the shop this forenoon and we ran it together this afternoon & evening.

Saturday, Aug. 15 Fair and a fine day. Vesta & I went to Belfast this afternoon to do a little traiding. Good day at the "Shack" took \$15.33.

Sunday, Aug. 16 Butifull day, and a whopping good day of traid took over \$44.

Monday, Aug. 17 Another pretty fine day. Mellie Dearborn had my hay all down tonight.

Tuesday, Aug. 18 Butifull warm summer like day. Mellie Dearborn cutting my hay. Geo Collemer in Knox Hospital with pendicitis.

Wednesday, Aug. 19 Overcast fog but no rain. Good business over 20 bucks today.

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Thursday, Aug. 20 Butifull day, clear & cool. Vesta and I went to Belfast this afternoon. Good day at the Shack \$19.50

Friday, Aug. 21 Overcast most all day. Vesta ran the business this forenoon. I helped this afternoon & evening. Alta has a day off. Went sailing to the Island.

Saturday, Aug. 22 Butifull day clear and cool. Amborn went up to the Pond with me and helped measure two cottage lots. Cale Foster insists in buying the old place.

Sunday, Aug. 23 Fair fine day. We all went up to the "Shack" and played keep store. Pretty good day.

Monday, Aug. 24 Another fine day. Great hay weather now that the hays all ruined. Went to Belfast. See lawyer about the Old Place. Took possession & warned Miller Ross to keep off.

Tuesday, Aug. 25 Butifull day clear & very warm. Cow sick again. Had Dr French from Rockland. Nerve trouble, the same as she had before \$6.

Wednesday, Aug. 26 Another nice day. Colder tonight. Business good today at the "Shack". Irving Wiggen drowned tonight in the Fletcher Pond. Age 21 years.

Thursday, Aug. 27 Clear & cold. Very cold. Did a fair lot of traid today. Heavy frost tonight. Froze ice.

Friday, Aug. 28 Still fine weather, but cold as the dickens. Small business at the Shack. We went to a dance at Swan Lake tonight.

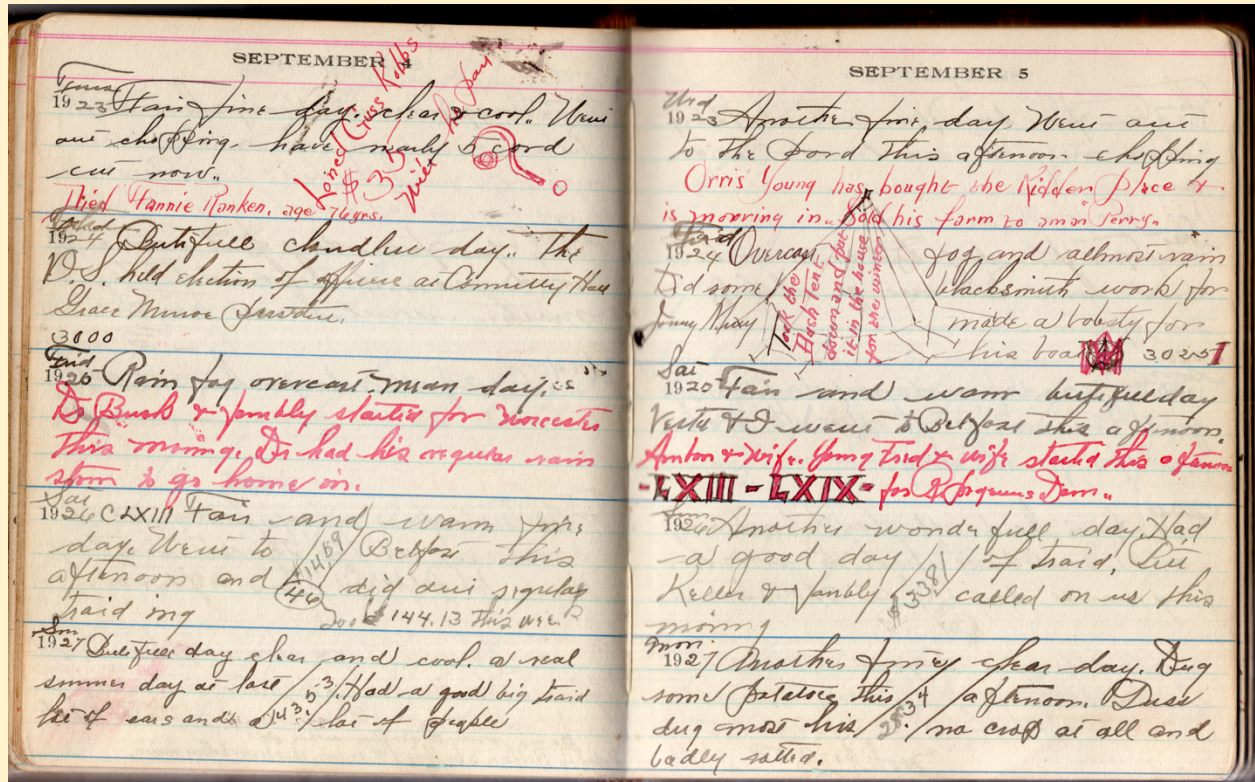
Saturday, Aug. 29 Another nice day. Vesta & I went to Belfast this afternoon did some Saturday shopping.

Sunday, Aug. 30 A fine day. Did a big business at the "Shack". Everybody seemed to want Hot Dogs & Soft Beer.

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Monday, Aug. 31 Butifull day, warm and pleasant. Killed in motorcycle accident, State Policeman Fred Foster on Northport Ave Belfast. Age 27 yrs.

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Tuesday, Sep. 1 Butifull day fair & warm. Did a good business today at the "Shack".

Wednesday, Sep. 2 Butifull day clear & cool. Perfect. Did some work at the Shack cleaning up.

Thursday, Sep. 3 Butifull day clear & cool.

Friday, Sep. 4 Rain fog overcast. Mean day. Dr Bush & family startid for Worcester this morning. Dr had his regular rain storm to go home in.

Saturday, Sep. 5 Fair and warm butifull day. Vesta & I went to Belfast this afternoon. Amborn & wife, young Fred & wife startid this afternoon for Ripogenus Dam.

Sunday, Sep. 6 Fair and fine – dandy day. And a good business at the Hill Top. Took over \$40 for the day.

Monday, Sep. 7 Fairly good day, and a pretty good business at the "Shack". Pitt Keller & wife on from Portland over the holiday.

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Tuesday, Sep. 8 Fair clear and cold. Just a dandy day. Went to Belfast this afternoon, bought 100lbs sugar \$17

Wednesday, Sep. 9 Another butifull fall day clear & cool. Broke my car this morning out by "Calderwoods".

Thursday, Sep. 10 Cold overcast fog & rain. Bum day. Still did a pretty fair bit of traid.

Friday, Sep. 11 Fair butifull day. Did a good big days traid. Will take over \$130 this week.

Saturday, Sep. 12 Butifull day. We went to Belfast this afternoon. Did Sat. shopping. Married Marion McCobb & Earl Bunker. Burned Colia [Collier] Hills barn. Struck by lightning.

Sunday, Sep. 13 Rain all day fog and a mean bitch of a day generally. Not much traid at the "Shack". Marion Kimbal & fambly moved to Bangor.

Monday, Sep. 14 Fair pretty fine day but very little business at the "Shack". Smallest day for months.

Tuesday, Sep. 15 Overcast part of day. But good big traid for the season. I went to Belfast and did some shopping this afternoon.

Wednesday, Sep. 16 Rain hard just a big heavy storm. We closed up the Shack early and came home tonight.

Thursday, Sep. 17 Still raining hard cold raw easterly storm.

Friday, Sep. 18 Rain like hell in blazes most all day and just coming down in bunches tonight.

Saturday, Sep. 19 Butifull day clear and cold. Traid very slack at the Shack. Falling off every day. Summer is over and a long hard winter ahead.

Sunday, Sep. 20 Miserable bitch of a day. Not much traid and hard work to keep warm.

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Monday, Sep. 21 Cold and overcast, fog and showers. Business falling off fast.

Tuesday, Sep. 22 Butifull day fair and very cold. Vesta & I went to Belfast this afternoon and paid S & P for gas in full also M.T & Co. in full.

Wednesday, Sep. 23 Fair and cold. Heavy frost last night froze everything solid.

Thursday, Sep. 24 Cold as the very dickens. Guess winter has arrived at last. Not much business.

Friday, Sep. 25 Still very cold heavy frost last night, and a very small bit of traid today.

Saturday, Sep. 26 Another cold cold day just about freeze a person. Went to the Picture in Belfast tonight. Rin Tin Tin in a dog picture.

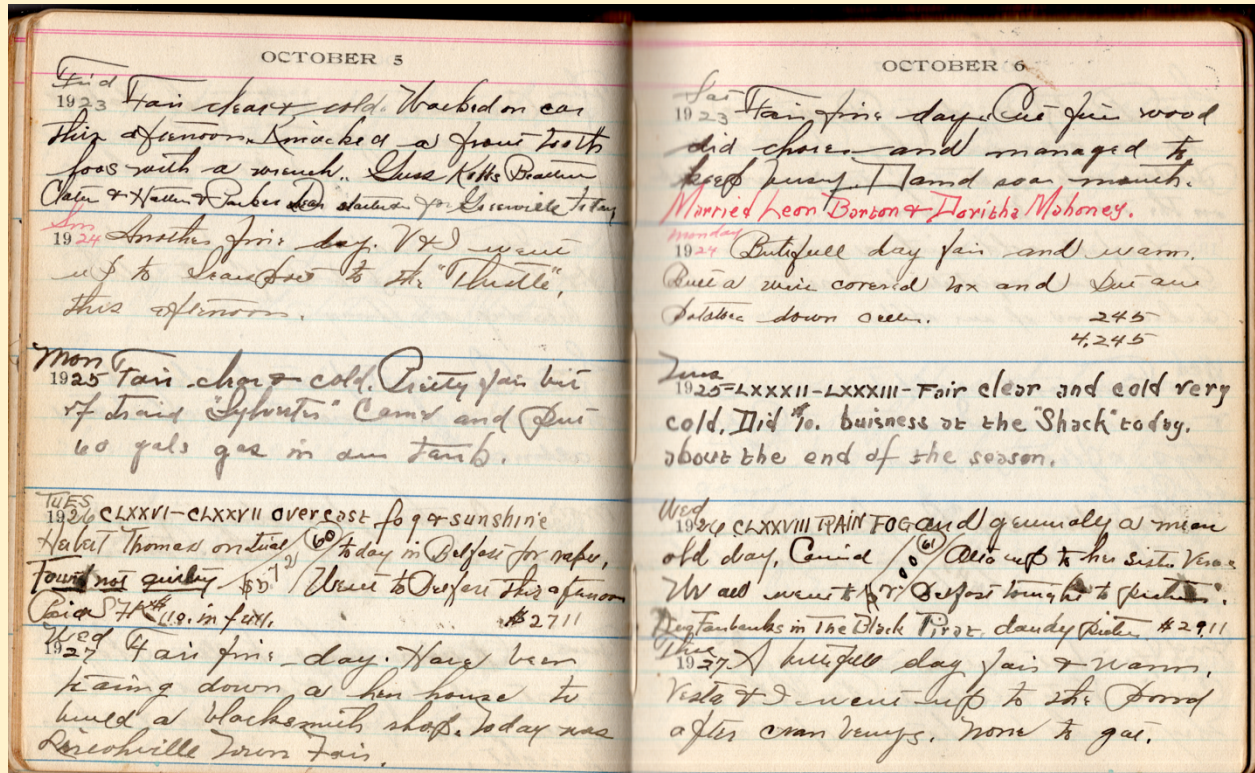
Sunday, Sep. 27 Warmer and overcast. Did a good days business about \$25.

Monday, Sep. 28 Fair and warm butifull day, did a pretty fair amount of business at the "Shack"

Tuesday, Sep. 29 Fair and warm fine day and a good bit of traid coming our way.

Wednesday, Sep. 30 Fair clear & cold tonight the coldest night we have had yet this fall.

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Thursday, Oct. 1 Butifull clear cool autumn day, but traid came slow at the shack.

Friday, Oct. 2 Rain like the dickens all day long, miserable bitch of a day with small sales.

Saturday, Oct. 3 Fair and a pretty good day. Small sale but getting shed ur [??] about all the stock.

Sunday, Oct. 4 Overcast part of day, but had a right small bit of traid, allmost \$15.

Monday, Oct. 5 Fair, clear & cold. Pretty fair bit of traid. "Sylvester" came and put 60 gals gas in our tank.

Tuesday, Oct. 6 Fair clear and cold very cold. Did \$10 business at the "Shack" today, about the end of the season.

Wednesday, Oct. 7 Fair and cold, bum weather & no business. I went to Belfast this afternoon to do a little shopping.

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Thursday, Oct. 8 Overcast cold as the devil and nobody stopping. Everybody in a hustle to get to the place they are going.

Friday, Oct. 9 Miserable bitch of a day cold, raw & drizzly. Only did 90¢ business at the "Shack". Closed tonight for good.

Saturday, Oct. 10 Bitter cold with rain & snow all day. Still snowing tonight. The ground white with snow out in Searsmont.

Sunday, Oct. 11 Clear & Bitter cold, blowing great guns. Vesta & I went out to Belmont and got a load of oven wood in the [??].

Monday, Oct. 12 Clear & cold as the very devil. Ground white with snow out back of the Searsmont Mts.

Tuesday, Oct. 13 Rain some more today just so we won't forget what rain is like.

Wednesday, Oct. 14 Fair and warm nice day, been busy cleaning up around the place. Swept the chimneys down. Died Annie Mullens.

Thursday, Oct. 15 Rain most all day. Did some work on Snowmobile and tried to find Frank Cooper on telephone.

Friday, Oct. 16 Fair and warm. Been busy picking our apples this afternoon.

Saturday, Oct. 17 Fair and a pretty good afternoon & evening. Rained like the dickens last night & this morning. We went to the dance tonight Community Hall.

Sunday, Oct. 18 Fair fine day. All ready to go to Port Clyde when Ernest came up for us to come get Mrs. M., she was in bad shape. We went and got her and brought her home with us, she is in bad shape.

Monday, Oct. 19 Fair and cold. Went up to the farm this afternoon and cleaned up a little.

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Tuesday, Oct. 20 Fair fine day. Have been fitting on storm windows today.

Wednesday, Oct. 21 Another pretty fine day. Have been working around home trying to get things settled down for winter.

Thursday, Oct. 22 Fair and warm butifull day. Went fishing. Had a regular time, tho some just enjoyed it.

Friday, Oct. 23 Another nice day. Have been at work jacking the house up and putting in new floor timbers.

Saturday, Oct. 24 Fair and mild nice day. Went to Belfast. Aubry Young funeral today. Buried in Youngtown. Got my new coat in Belfast also a new Ford from Waldoboro.

Sunday, Oct. 25 Rain an awfull storm all day with no let up. Still raining hard tonight.

Monday, Oct. 26 A good clear & cool day. Went hunting a little while. Went up to Belfast today. Rockland 11 Camden 0.

Tuesday, Oct. 27 Fair fine day. Went up to the Shack this morning tried to [??] our gas tank no luck.

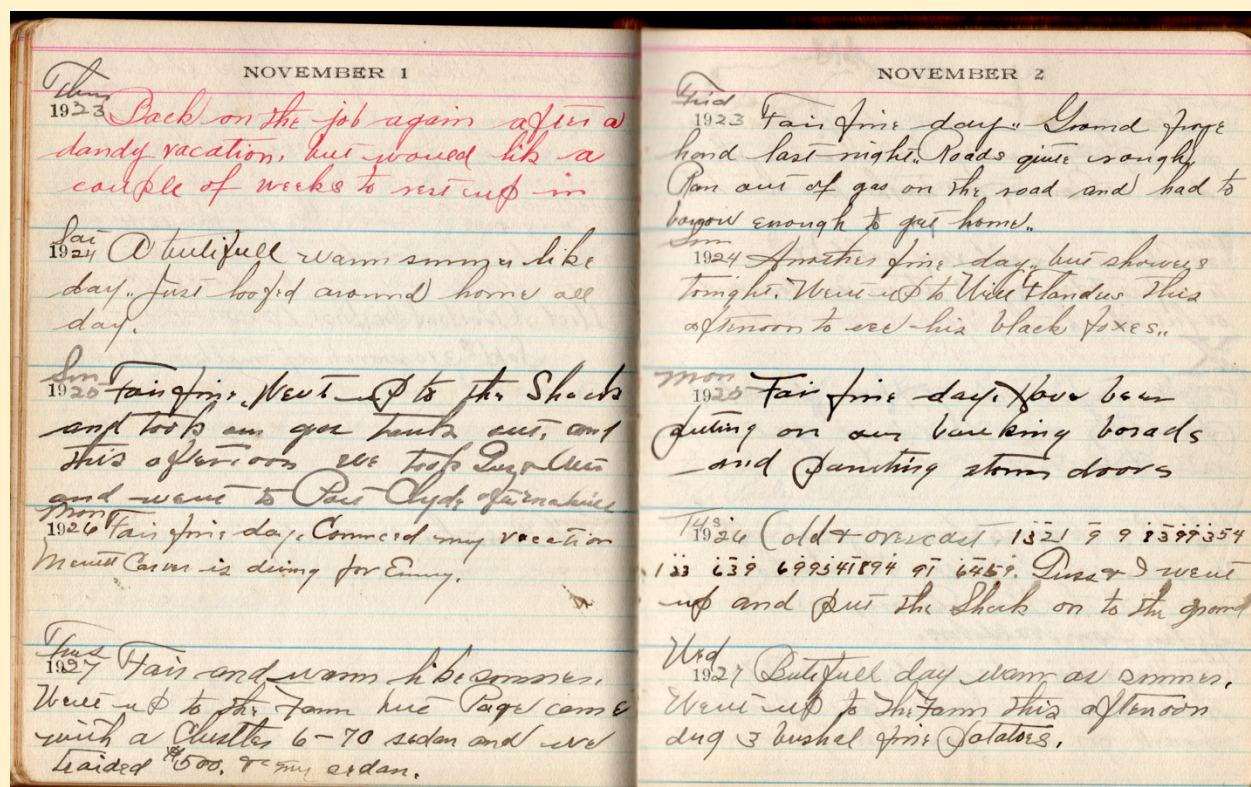
Wednesday, Oct. 28 Butifull day. Stanley Gray hawled us a load of fitted wood. I went out hunting, one bird. Got my new number for car 112946.

Thursday, Oct. 29 Overcast and fog, rain some tonight.

Friday, Oct. 30 Rain like the devil all day. Colder tonight.

Saturday, Oct. 31 Another nice day. We went to the dance tonight, small crowd.

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Sunday, Nov. 1 Fair fine. Went up to the Shack and took gas tank out, and this afternoon we took Guss & Alta and went to Port Clyde after machine.

Monday, Nov. 2 Fair fine day. Have been putting on our banking boards and painting storm doors.

Tuesday, Nov. 3 Fair fine day. Have finished painting our building got it all finished.

Wednesday, Nov. 4 Another butifull day. Last of my vacation. We went to Belfast this afternoon to Picture. The Pony Express.

Thursday, Nov. 5 Fair and warm. Drove today, first trip in my new Ford. Got in early and went chopping.

Friday, Nov. 6 Butifull day. Went up to the Home place chopping this afternoon.

Saturday, Nov. 7 Fair and a fine day. We went to dance tonight. Arthur McCobb arrested in Camden tonight for selling hooch.

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Sunday, Nov. 8 Rain hard all day. Just a miserable bitch of a day.

Monday, Nov. 9 Fair and colder. Went up cutting oven wood again at the old Hart Place. Got a good big pile cut.

Tuesday, Nov. 10 Fair fine and much warmer. Went slaying firewood again this afternoon. Another pile cut.

Wednesday, Nov. 11 Fair fine day. Went up to the Farm chopping again this afternoon. Arthur McCobb got 4 months in Belfast Jail for selling hooch.

Thursday, Nov. 12 Butifull day fair & warm. Cut brush & chopped over wood. "Shot a fine partridge tonight."

Friday, Nov. 13 Rain hard all day and an awfull wind storm with it. Chimney got fire at "Warrens" and I got went putting it out.

Saturday, Nov. 14 Fair and warm. Went to dance tonight. Hell-o-a time?

Sunday, Nov. 15 Rain like the very devil all day. Just a regular kind of rain storm.

Monday, Nov. 16 Fair clear & cold as the devil. Fran Kallen [?] came home from his hunting trip.

Tuesday, Nov. 17 Fair and a dandy day in the woods, got a right smart pile put up.

Wednesday, Nov. 18 Butifull clear and a fine day. Went chopping oven wood.

Thursday, Nov. 19 Warm overcast. Raining tonight. Went to Belfast see Lawyer Richie. A.M. Ross came to pay mortgage [?]

Friday, Nov. 20 Cold tonight and the roads are very rough.

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Saturday, Nov. 21 Warm & overcast. Miller Ross, Lawyer Emery & old Chas Drinkwater hunted all over hell for yours truly, but they couldn't get to it in time??

Sunday, Nov. 22 Colder but tis a fine day. Have had a day of rest without any lawyer visitors.

Monday, Nov. 23 Fair and warmer. Went over to Warrens early this morning took breakfast met Lawyer Emery at the office at 8-30. Nothing doing.

Tuesday, Nov. 24 Fair and colder. Went to Belfast this afternoon and did some shopping.

Wednesday, Nov. 25 Fairly dreary day cold as the devil and awfull rough on the roads.

Thursday, Nov. 26 Fair and cold. Had a wonderfull Thanksgiving dinner. 62. 27 years ago today S. Portland lost.

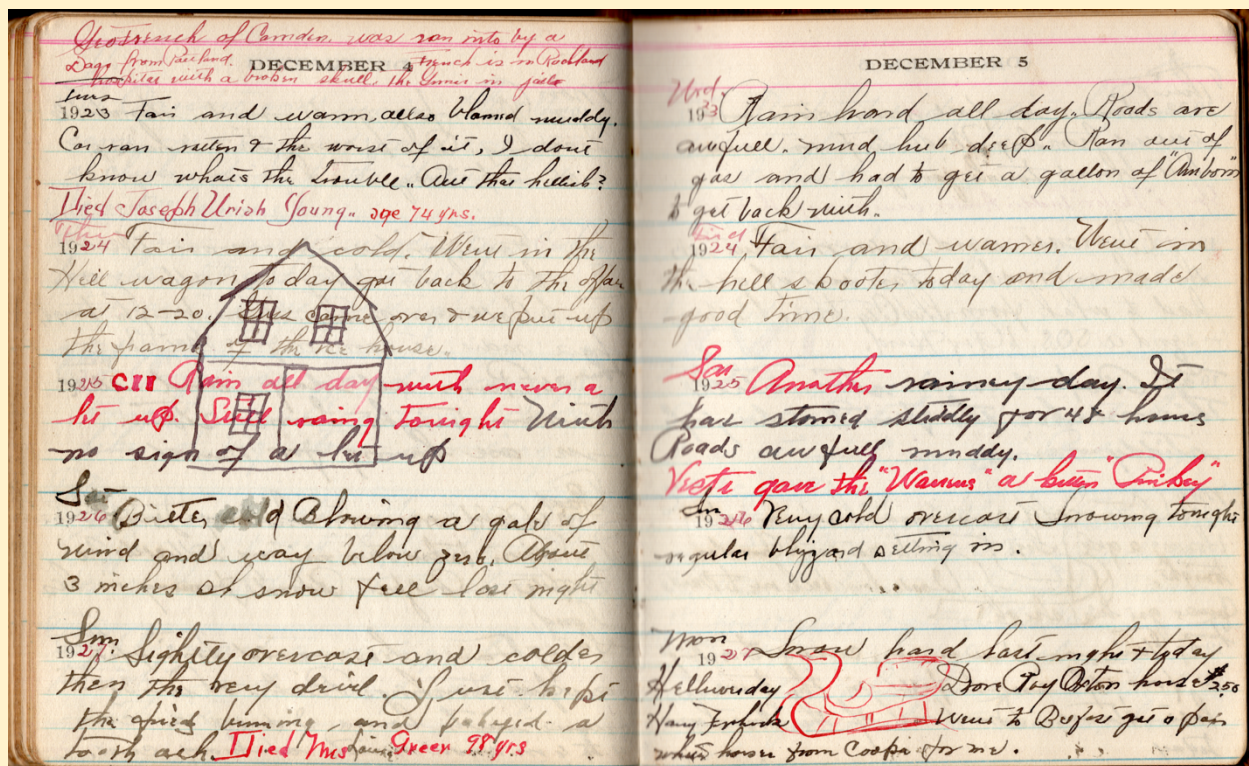
Friday, Nov. 27 Cold as the dickens everything sealed up tight and roads are awfull rough.

Saturday, Nov. 28 Fair and very cold and terrible rough roads. Guss & Alta went to Bangor to viset thear dearly beloved, Frank Brown.

Sunday, Nov. 29 Fair and still cold, did a little necessary work but too cold for any extra. Vesta's Aunt Hattie Dean called to see her Mother.

Monday, Nov. 30 Fair and still bitter cold. My radiator froze while choking today. Cut oven wood this afternoon. See a white weasel.

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Tuesday, Dec. 1 Bitter cold this day and overcast. Went up and cut fire wood this afternoon.

Wednesday, Dec. 2 Overcast and raining tonight much warmer. Look like a big storm coming.

Thursday, Dec. 3 Rain all day and still it rain tonight. Some storm we are having for sure.

Friday, Dec. 4 Rain all day with never a let up. Still raining tonight with no sign of a let up.

Saturday, Dec. 5 Another rainy day. It has stormed stiddly for 48 hours. Roads awfull muddy. Vesta gave the "Warrens" a butter "Pinkey" [?]

Sunday, Dec. 6 Awfull rain storm still this makes the fourth day of stiddy rain.

Monday, Dec. 7 Fair and very warm. Amborn & Pitcher went with horses. I went with my car. Roads very bad mud.

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Tuesday, Dec. 8 Warm and muddy. Got back fairly decent time and went to Belfast this afternoon.

Wednesday, Dec. 9 Clear and colder. Snow squall this morning. Roads awfull rough. Two fires in Camden today.

Thursday, Dec. 10 Fair fine day not so very cold but roads very rough. Sent generator to Waldoboro Garage to have repaired.

Friday, Dec. 11 Overcast and warm. Put the four tires on my Snowmobile this afternoon.

Saturday, Dec. 12 Overcast and warmer looks like rain and it is raining tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 13 Fair fine day but pretty blamed cold. Guss came over and helped me put the belts on my Snowmobile.

Monday, Dec. 14 Fair cold with a strong west wind. C.V. very cold tonight had a fire in our sitting room stove.

Tuesday, Dec. 15 Clear & cold, and awfull rough traveling. Went to the farm this afternoon and cut fire wood. Got a good big pile of it cut and piled now 2 or 3 cords.

Wednesday, Dec. 16 Fair & warm. Butifull day. Went to Belfast got my shoe rubbers. Alta went to Camden. Got medicine from Dr Hart for Mrs. Mc.

Thursday, Dec. 17 Fair and mild fine day. Hell a popping now every day. Mrs McKinney's mind is surely left her it's just like a sive [*sieve*].

Friday, Dec. 18 Butifull fall like day. Mrs. Mc. a awfull day just about killing V.

Saturday, Dec. 19 Another butifull day, not very cold fine day. Mrs. Mc. is in awfull shape and growing worse all the time.

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Sunday, Dec. 20 Fair fine mild day. Roy Oxton & Amos Pitcher hawling my fire wood from the Old Hart place. Mrs. Mc so bad today I could not go cutting oven wood. Paid him \$8.00

Monday, Dec. 21 Overcast cold. Spitting snow. Very heavy mail today. Was late in getting back to the office.

Tuesday, Dec. 22 Overcast and cold. Busted a new shoe on car today had to buy a new one.

Wednesday, Dec. 23 Overcast and snow squalls. Heavy Christmas mail, the heaviest this year have ever handled.

Thursday, Dec. 24 Fair fine day. Went to Belfast this afternoon. Did some shopping. Guss went with me. Tonight with the "Warrens" help gave Vesta a miniature Christmas Tree.

Friday, Dec. 25 Christmas. Fair fine day. Vesta gave me a fine new blue macanaw coat made by "Brewster". I gave her a new shopping bag. Pair of walnut candle sticks & money.

Saturday, Dec. 26 Clear and bitter cold tonight. Guss & I went to Belfast this afternoon. Dr Hart came again tonight.

Sunday, Dec. 27 Clear and very cold. I have a damnable rotten cold. Do feel like hell today.

Monday, Dec. 28 Bitter cold, but I went to Belfast this afternoon. Got the papers to have Vesta appointed guardian of her mother but Mrs Mc will not live long.

Tuesday, Dec. 29 Bitter cold but have managed to keep busy. Went to Belfast. Guss & Alta went with me to buy things for Vesta.

Wednesday, Dec. 30 Clear and cold. Mrs. McKinney died this morning at 7-30. Trozier [?] the undertakers from Camden made all arrangements. Died Vesta's Mother, Josie Ellen age 72 yrs.

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Thursday, Dec. 31 Fair and cold. Went out to Ctr got new bushings in car. Put our ice up today. Got in of Will Munroe, Fred Frohock hawled it with his truck. 144 cakes. Will Young helped stow.