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January 1946 1
Ledger No 9. Tuesday 1-1-46

Tues 1 The New Year Came in sunshine.
We went to Sudan to wash.
I paid Dad C. Ketchum \$8.95 for a
year of Star Telegram of Fort Worth
Texas. Dated from Jan. 5, 1946 to Jan.
5, 1947. This is the 9th ledger I am
starting to write in, my daily diary.
Which I started March 28, 1914.

Wed 2 I went down town early. I wanted to
give my paper subscription (Fort Worth
Star Telegram) to Dad Ketchum to send
off \$8.95 is what the paper cost. I paid.
When I first subscribed for it in the
late fall of 1914 it cost me on the
full day paper \$3.25. A record of the
deal with the late Hester Morris
at that time Editor of the Railed
Banner will be found in Ledger
No 1 of my diary. Harold & Nellie
Came down to make some soap.
Chick Otwell came over with Combine
we thrashed & hauled grain. Took
a sample to have tested. Tested
48 lbs to the bu. We had a break.
Blanch came over from whack house
(She visited all p.m.)

I got a little belated slip. We all went
to the Camp for a home warming,
on the site of the 1-1-46, which I
forgot to mention. Also I made two
records of the Star Telegram Subs.
Thurs 3 we finished the combining, 3 hoppers.
I went to Sudan this P.M. Nothing
much to write to day. I will try
to haul out some feed tomorrow.

Friday January 4, 1946

Fri 4 Denver Rudd came over early. We hauled him 1 load of the feed butts. Two (2) to the. Then loaded the balance or what we could get on his trailer for him. We had to scatter a lot of it, for he could not haul it home. I went to Mule shop with Chick Owell to select our 3 loads of bundles of my place. \$153.+. My part is \$51.00, I may get \$2.00.00 rent of my place on last year crop. We thought for a while early this morning we would get a good rain. But it blew away when the wind came out of the west.

Sat. 5 a sand storm started blowing after breakfast. By noon we had quite a wind from west. Harold and Wayne came by going to Carl Stewart for a tractor he bought of Stewart. After lunch I went with them. They decided the wind was blowing too hard to bring the tractor. So we just loaded up some tool and other equipment that belongs to the tractor and came on home. Dad & Abner went home with Harold. Dallis and I attended to caw and chicken and went to Mule shop. On up to Custer & Frank to see Mother. She is not doing too well. However as good as expected.

Sunday Jan. 6 1946

Sun 6 We stayed at Custer till about 10 A.M. We came by Harold and ate dinner. Nellie had a good feed. We all left about 2 P.M. On home the cow sure was looking for some one to milk her. Bud, Ida, Maude and Buster came up for a while this P.M. Cold to ride. Maybe we will get a rein, snare or something. Every thing that will wet.

Mon 7 My finger is some better to ride. Harold came by going to Littlefield. I went with him. He got the tractor released from the Bank. On back home, I helped Chick Otwell load bundles this P.M. He will help me stack 200 or 300 bundles of my meat. Has been a little cold to day.

Tues 8 Cold most of the day. I helped Chick gather up some sack feed. He helped me stack my pigman bundles.

Wed 9 I stayed by the fire most of the day. I went to Sudan this late P.M. I did not know just what I went for. Neal Webb came up to get a sugar meat curing receipt I have.

Drs. & Nellie called for a while. I got Chick to help me operate on the calf. He was not doing any good. Cold to ride. No meat yet.

Thurs 10 A snow was falling when we awoke about 7 A.M. Snow fell at intervals all day. But not enough to do any good. I went to town for the paper. A sack of laying mash. I am sick to ride clear now. 8:30 P.M.

Friday Jan. 11 1946.

Fri 11 I went down town early. Mr. Ed Mitchell wanted me to take him to Littlefield to see the Old age Welfare worker or agent or what ever his status is or name. Any way I do not want any of it. Even if I could get it, it would have to be a hair too close. One to qualify has to be a pauper or tell a lie. And has to keep telling lies the balance of his life. So I will try to make out with out it. I came back home. Harold was here. He wanted me to go over to Carl Stewart to get the tractor he bought of Stewart. We were not gone very long. We loaded it and came back home. No trouble to him. Chish moved the last of the bundles off my place to day. I did not have much interest in that load. Maybe \$5.50 or \$6.00. A cold North wind is blowing now. 10.30 P.M.

Sat 12 I stayed in home most of the day. Only just what time we were gone to town. Has been cold all day. We went over to Robert Otter's for a brief time visit. Mrs. Otter's mother from Denver City is spending the week end with her. Cold tonight.

Sun 13 We all attended church to day, also to night. I attended the Baptist service. Sallie, Pat and Alameda the C. of C. I heard the Chaplain from India tonight.

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Sun 13 I thought maybe he would say something about Bill & his base. But he did not. He made a good talk. Also preached a good sermon.

Mon 14 We had some rain in the forenoon. Snow started falling about 3 p.m. From the looks of the snow now on the ground now 8:40 p.m. looks like it might be 2 to 3 inches deep. I went to town to get my daily paper. I also went to see a house that is for sale. I mean as the person I saw home I would like to buy it, yet I do not want to mortgage my home for a part of the money. They want \$2600.00 for house and lot and one vacant lot.

The snow is a very wet snow. Maybe we will get a fine plowing season.

Tues 15 Boy! was we snowed under? we did not get up till 8 A.M. and the school bus did not come when the snow drifted it was from two ft. to 4 ft. deep. But about 7 inches on the level. I went to town this afternoon. I could hardly get out of the yard or driveway. and did stick up as I came in. to night I decided I did not want to go in debt for the house in town. anyway \$600.00. Too much. We have a good plowing season or will have when it all melts.

Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1946.

Wed. 16. Snow was cold this forenoon. I saw
 a little this forenoon. I did not
 go to town today. The paper came
 out. The mail man made his run today.
 Harold & Nellie came down this
 P.M. He brought the A.C. tractor
 down. He told me when I went
 for the tractor that I could have
 the tractor to put up my land.
 Harold said he would have to have
 the power lift fixed. He said the bill
 for the fix up was \$75.00. No school
 this forenoon. I was cold all forenoon. Nellie & I
 started for a Mr. Forbes to see his
 hens. They were wanting to sell
 them. But we found out in town
 that they had sold them and left
 the country. We came home from
 town early. Harold & Nellie came
 for the power lift. A lot of the
 snow melted today. But will
 be cold tonight. No school till (21st.)

Fri. 18. We had quite a little rain fall early.
 I was in hopes a good rain would
 fall. But did not rain much.

A Mr. Bragles called for me to go
 to Amherst to release his cotton
 average, which I did. He took me to
 Amherst, brought me back home. Well
 he lives N.E. Mule shoe. Most of
 the late snow is melted. A good
 season is in the ground I
 think.

Sat

Not been packed away
 at 7 Jan. 18, 1946

Sun

Saturday Jan. 19. 1946

Sat 19 We worked in the hen house in fore noon. I made some hen nests. We all went to mule shoe this afternoon. I did intend to go up to see mother, but the roads were in such a shape I decided to wait till tomorrow. If we do not have more rain or snow the roads will be better. I heard while in mule shoe that Mr P.E. Bosen the dad of Sudan passed away yesterday at 1 p.m. He was a good friend to the needy man. If the need man "tated" fair. He founded the First National Bank of Sudan ~~back~~ back in the late 'teens' or early twenties. I never asked this bank for a loan that I did not get. Pete ^{Bosson} just passed up yesterday.

Sun 20 We went to church. Or the folks did. I went to the P.O. for my Star telegram and did not go on to church. We had company company when we got home. Harold, Nellie and Wayne. Soon Bud, Ida, Wanda and Buster came. We had dinner then Nellie & I started for Frank & Custie. But did not get there. We stuck up in the mud and snow. I finally got turned around and we came back home. The roads were something awful. I did want to see how mother was. But will have to wait till the roads dry up.

Pete Bosen passed away
at 1 p.m. 18. 1946

Monday January 21. 1946.

Mon 21 We went to town to work early.
I had to take bundles to the feed mill.
I had 50 bundles ground. 500 lbs.
gas & oil } \$1.00. Too much for grinding. Wayman
tractor } Gordon delivered for the 66 people of the
mill } Phillips Oil Co. I told him to leave
me 2 drums of gas and 2 gal. oil.
I have been cold all day. The snow
has all melted. I think we will
make another try to go see mother
tomorrow.

Tues 22 I did intend to go to see mother, but
was so cold and windy. In fact we
had a cold sand storm from West,
and I do not get out in the cold
wind, unless it is an emergency.
Harold's Dillie came. Harold fixed
up the tractor and tried it out.
I think it will be O.K. when
the plow's shed. Mr J. E. Doren
was buried in Amarillo Tex. today.
I guess quite a few Indian people
went.

Wed 23 I went to town early. I had a U.S.
Treasury check to deposit. Harold came
down. But he did not plan any. Lillie
and I went up to see how mother
was. She is just as low as she
can be to live. She can't talk any
more. And I do not believe she can
see. She did not know me at all.
If she did she did not show it.
We came back by the place where
they went to sell. We looked it over.
I can't make up my mind.
to buy it.

Thurs

Fri

Sat

Sun

Thursday Jan. 24 1946

Thurs 24 I did not do any thing to day, was too cold. I went down town this P.M. I saw Stenery Whisenhunt, and sold him the calf for \$30.00. I know that is all he is worth. Mr & Mrs Foster came over for a brief time visit to nite. Harold & I did not come down to day.

Fri 25 Oh! Boy a real old fashion sand storm started about 9.30 A.M. It sure did blow sand till just before nite. Harold, Nellie and Nellie's oldest son, Jr. Mc Mahon came in, Jr. has been in Calif. since Harold & Nellie left there in Oct. We did intend to plow some but did not on account of the wind & sand. Anyway we broke the power lift on the A.C. tractor, had to take it to mule shoe for a repair job. Whisenhunt check \$30.00

Sat 26 Harold came down to fix up for plowing. But was so cold we did not start till after dinner. Then he went only two rows. The power lift broke again, he does not know just what caused the trouble. I think the lift is out of time and the whole weight steps on center that would break or bend the arm or the stud bolt. Has been awful cold all day, and is cold now. 8:40 P.M. We all went to Sudan this afternoon. I received two checks to day, U.S. check for AAA work in office and travel, \$53.53 - \$25.48.

Sun 27 Cold! cold! We went to town the folks to church. Me. well I went to the post office, Mr Miller over from Astoria N.M. and is here to nite. Real cold now. 10:30 P.M.

Monday Jan. 28. 1946

Mon. 28 I went to muleshoe with Mr Miller. I saw Frank Wagner. He said snapper was no better. Harold came down to plow. But was too cold. He and Bud worked on the tractor then tried it out. It may be Ok. now. P. Point Mr Miller left this p.m. He said he would come by in the morning. I went to town this afternoon. I two lister joints for Harold's L. C. tractor \$5.50. 50 cts repair on bottom plate. We wanted to plow this afternoon but was too cold.

Tues 29 I did not get started to plowing till 9:15 a.m. It was too cold. I made it Ok after a few minor mishaps. If I could use the power lift when stopped, I would be Ok. But the tractor had to be moving before one can lift the plow out of ground. Chick & Blanche and Hugh called for a while to visit. My dog did not come down. Mr Miller came by. He is on his way home.

Wed 30 I was plowing by 8 a.m. I sure made a good day of it. But I feel the effects of it tonight. Has been cold all day. I would like to get in a full day tomorrow.

Thurs 31 I did not try to plow early to cold. I decided I would have to do something about the serts on the power lift. I could not get any grease in it. So I started up to see Harold about it. Frank Wagner and Mr Jinks told me that snapper was in a bad state. So I came back home. Sallie & I went up there. She is very tired. Can't live long.

Friday February 7 1946.

Fri 1 Another birth day for me. 66. Mother passed away today at 10.30 A.M. Quite a coincidence 11 years to day Dad died. Both died on my birth day. And the day of the week each died. Friday. Dad was buried on Sunday the 3rd 3rd. And Mother was buried on the 3rd of Feb. The funeral of each was preached in the Baptist Church of Ira at 2 p.m. on Sunday. (I am writing this on Sunday the 3rd)

Sat 2 I went to Mulvane, Fri. I phoned Ed of Del Rio, J.P. of Mantow, Okla. P.M. of Big Springs, Tex. his wife of Snyder. Miss Fannie of Van Horn, Cal. J.L. of Langston and I remember (I never) daughter of Lorington, N.M. Fannie wrote she could not attend. Ed health. I called the Odum Funeral home of Snyder, Tex. They came for the body. Nurse & I saw the body to Snyder. All the 5 boys & 3 girls were there except Fannie of Cal. J.H. Bawden of Haver, Tex. the only survivor of the Bawden name and mother's baby brother could not come for health he is 76. Ed & I stayed at Lowell Martin's over night.

Sun 3 Image came in just at noon from tonight 2 p.m. The whole set up was a beautiful funeral just what mother would have wanted if she could have seen it a beautiful flower offering and a pretty casket. We left at 6 p.m. New 9 p.m. Armeda stayed with Blenah & Hugh.

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Sunday 3 Feb. 1946

Bud & Edd, Harold and Nellie. Dot

and Sallie arrived at 11 A.M.
We all came back with Bud & Edd.
brought Frank & Quince back.
I guess it will be welcome for them
when they get home.

Mon 4 I plowed for a while. Came in about
1 P.M. Sallie had a message from her
Dad at Alustee Okla. stating that
May was in the hospital at Altus
Okla. We were ^{up} ready and took off
by 2 P.M. How ever we did not go only
to Roll's Stages for the night the car cut
out. We stayed at Jim's & Ardie's.

Tues 5 We arrived Alustee 2:30 P.M. Well
it is now Monday site Feb 11-1946
we left Altus & Alustee early
this a.m. I called on friend Dr. L. at
Mammoth on Friday came back
to Altus on Sat. We took dinner
with Wanda & Ruth on Sunday.

Wed 12 I found things all mixed up when
I came in home. P.S. came down
and hauled that out. How ever he
did come on the place. But Bud did
not. Little! Little! But I am foolish
to expect any thing but smallness!
I took Harold's tractor home. I also
made arrangements for Denver & Rudd
to do the balance of my plowing.

Thurs 13 I went up to Muldabor to attend
the Co-Op. Electric meeting. We had a
quite a snow early this a.m. Alustee
did not go to school. I am so nervous
I can hardly write.

Thursday Feb. 14 1946

Thurs. 14 I have been sick all day. That is I feel a sick spell coming on. I have an awful bad cold. a case of flu & pneumonia.

Fri 15 Just about as yesterday. Still bad.

Sat 16 I felt some better this forenoon. I picked off the wheat for the saw. Elgin Boccia came up to see me about buying a Ford tractor he has to sell. I told him I would come to see him Monday. But the way I feel tonight I will be down this place has grabbed me. Frank & sister Curtie came down to day. The first time she has been on the place for over a year. Well since mother came to her early in 1945.

Sun 17 Day I am down on my back. The cold & flu has me down. I wish to go to the Stage. if I do not get better.

Mon 18 I was sick all day. I sure do feel bad. We thought maybe one of the boys would come in. But they did not. I did not get out of the house all day.

Tues 19 Well I just had to take Lallie & Dot to work. I was supposed to go back to a tractor ^{show} ~~open~~ at the Boccia's place. But I felt too bad. I went over to the A.A.A. office to meet a Mr. Gamble the District field man. He wanted a little info on a few points. I could not tell him much.

Wed 20 I have been in the house all day. Have been sick. That is down & out with this cold. Elgin Boccia came to see me about the Ford tractor he has for sale.

Thursday February 21, 1946.

Thurs 21 I fixed a flat and went to town on down to see the tractor that Elgin Bacons has for sale. I decided if I had to pay \$350.00 for a used Ford tractor as old as his I just would not do it. I will get me a new one if I can find it. Slate tractor (International people) is trying to find me one. I was down in Littlefield with Mr. Footer this P.M. I caught 7 lbs of onion sets while at Littlefield.

Fri 22 I was down town for a while this P.M. I do not feel like doing any thing much. Lollie & Pat went to see Mrs. Rudd. She is wonderful to help any one that needs help.

Sat 23 I cleaned up the wheat pasture for the cows. We all went to Mule-shoe this P.M. We thought maybe Leonard was home. Sure enough he was. Came in to Mule shoe Wed. He looks good. We were very glad to see him home. And I missed Howard, Debbie and the two dogs were too. We also saw sister Curtie. She said Sister Fannie of Van Nuys, Cal. would be in Monday 25th.

Sun 24 I took the folks to church. Chick & Blanche came home with us. Chick went with me to Cotton Center to see a Ford tractor. It was in a good shape only I think it would use a lot of oil. He wanted \$500.00 to \$1000.00 too much money.

Monday Feb. 25. 1946

Mon 25 I have been feeling bad all day. S. & Sallie came down on way to the Henderson sale. We all went along. The tractor sold too hi. Mr Porter came over and wanted me to be sent enough sweet potatoes for both of us. He said he could use 8 or 10 thousand slips. So I guess Harold & I will go to Portales 5/11. Wednesday to see about getting potatoes to be sent. Harold wants to get sent 3 or 4 acres.

Tues 26 Sallie & I went up to Custer to see Fannie she came in yesterday from Calif. She looks about the same as she did the last time I saw her in March '45. I feel bad tonight.

Wed 27 I went up to Harold. He had to get those bees started planting. We did not get off to Portales N. M. till about 1 P.M. We found that the seed potatoes (purple) would last quite a bit to get sent enough to set 5 acres. 12 bu. per a. at \$2.25 per bu. So I want to fool with that. I will put out a few for my own use. We looked at 2 tractors. A big cast iron each and tractors too. I am real sick to write not sick, but down in my back.

Thurs 28 I have stayed in the house all day. Mr Henderson came over. He wanted to rent my place. But I can't rent out. I have too much expense and responsibility to not make a crop myself.

Friday March 1, 1946.

Fri 1 I felt to bad to be out much. I was
down town for a while this late p.m.
cold all day.

Sat 2 we made ready and all went to
mule shoe this p.m. I thought maybe
Frank & Curtie and Fannie would
come to town but they did not.

Sun 3 we all went to church at Sudan
for morning services. Back home
ate a light lunch, on to mule shoe
to a singing at the Baptist church.
They had some fine singing.

Mon 4 I worked on the over head tank for
a while in A.M. Frank & Curtie
brought Fannie and Doris down.
I went to town to get some pipe
fitting for our head tank. Chick Charles
came out just at nite to tell me
about a New Ford tractor at
Littlefield that I could get.
So I have just made up my mind that
I will take the tractor. Mr & Mrs Porter
came over for a pop call.

Tue 5 A good rain fell about 12 o'clock last
nite. I went to Sudan and met the man
that had the tractor. I made a deal
with him. We went to Littlefield. They
had the tractor ready. I drove it home.
Mr Blanche ship drove my car home
or that is to Sudan. I went out to
Chick's home. I got Blanche to come
with me. She drove my car home. I
drove the tractor. I am well pleased
with it. Cost \$1297.70

Borrowed 400.00
Tractor bought New Ford

Wed 6

Thurs 7

Fri 8

Sat 9

Sun 10

Mon 11

Wednesday March 6 1946

Wed 6 Bay! did I place the end of auto this
A.M. I took Dot to muleshoe to wash.
I wanted Jack Linton to make out my
Income Statement. But he was gone
out of town. Later H.H. & Debbie.

Thurs 7 I went back to muleshoe. But Jack I could
not do the work to day. I made a date with
him for Saturday Am. I went out to H.G.
One of the worst sand storms I ever saw
blew from 9 am till about 2 p.m. the
snow began to fall. That stopped the
sand from blowing. I brought the
blad from Harold.

Fri 8 I worked all day on the garden. The
fence and leveling the ground. Fannie
seems to have a good time she is full
of talk on what happened when we
were kids.

Sat 9 I went to muleshoe had my tax
report made out \$250. I came back
and Lillie & I went to Mr. Harvick
to vote on the cost house removal.
Back home and down town in p.m.
Fannie also went to town.

Sun 10 I took Dot, Alameda and Donie to
church. H.H. and folks Debbie, Leonard
and Wayne were here for dinner.
I took Fannie up to Curtis &
Franka late this P.M.

Mon 11 I worked in the garden fixing the ground
and fencing the new ground. I took in the
garden. I hauled out one load of the electric
dirt for my drive way.

Tuesday March 12 1946.

Tues 12 I finished up the garden and went to Sudan to meet the train. Tom came in on the train. We came out home. I decided to go for another load of the road dirt. Tom went with me.

Wed 13 We went to town early. I bought the lumber (what I could get) to build the back bed room. Tom & I worked on it the balance of the day.

Jones & wife called for a while to note (No the night of the 12 they called)

Thurs 14 We worked all day on the new room. We have near all the framing up. We had a hard sand storm this P.M. Harold came by for his blade and tractor. L. B. is coming to the tooth carpenter. He has a tooth trouble.

Fri 15 Tom & I worked till noon on the room. Bud & Ida came in and all were talking so I forgot to put water in my car. Well we (Tom & I) ran that car to mile shoe with out water. And I mean we ruined it. The motor is ruined beyond repair. The man Allen Quinn motor or garage, Co. will tell me in the morning just what it will cost me. That will depend on the amount of repair he has to put in to make a motor for the car. It made me sick to think I have a one channel mind. Tom went on out to Frank & Custice.

Sat 16

Sun 17

Mon 18

Saturday March 16 - 1946

Sat 16 Bauden (Bro) came in last nite at 10:30 p.m. on the bus. So I took him to Maleshoo while there, Bro. Ed, Tom Martin and Sister, Octave came in. All the DeLoach boys & girls are here now except Bro. J. P. of Manitowish. The get together will take place tomorrow Sun. 17th. The garage man said that the cost to fix my car would be \$450.00 but to exceed \$165.00. But what ever is cost is just what a car will cost me. For I have no car. Had to nite. I had to take the eggs to Sudan on my tractor. Ed came down from Franck to spend the nite with us.

Sun 17 We went ~~had~~ to Franck's Ed, Dot and I. Sallie & Almeda came with Bud & family. J. P. & Sallie did not come till after the feed. Curtis had a fine dinner. Sallie & Ed took a basket of things to eat. Ed brought a mutton. It is doubtful if we all will ever get together again.

Mon 18 Well, the day came in with a sand storm. Not too bad for old timers, but bad for the tender foot. Ed, Tom Martin and his wife Sister Lave came by early on way to Sweetwater Martin's home and Dulcie & L's home. I worked all day on the room. I can't do much alone. The boys will help me tomorrow they said.

Tuesday March 19 1926.

Thurs 19 But came up ^{early} and Harold a little later we made a good days work. I did about 1/2 of the roof. Was another pretty day.

Wed 20 Almada's birth day. She is 7 years old today. The boys did not get here till up in the fore noon. We finished the work that I had lumbered for. We have had a very "good sand storm today."

Thurs 21 I did what I could on the room. The garage people did not bring my car. I guess they did not get it finished. We have had a hard sand storm all this afternoon. The Rabrit Otterlees called for a bedtime visit to nite. So glad they came.

Fri 22 Rabrit Otterle came by, I went to Mule shor with him. I came back home in my own car. I think it will be ok. The car cost \$165.00. He said. Or the bill is \$168.95. Well I just had to do it for I was foot. Sand Storm this p.m. I took Sallie & Dot to work.

Sat 23 I worked for a while in fore noon on the room. We all went to Sudan in the afternoon. Plenty warm to day. I am afraid that is too warm to last. A cold N.E. wind could freeze the fruit.

Sun 24 We went to church. After words we went to D.G.'s & Villies. Some sand blew this p.m.

Monday March 25. 1946

Mon. 25. I worked all forenoon cutting antique
old lumber. I went for Robert Otwell
at noon to help me put up the brick
siding. We fixed it all on the
out side walls. A N.E. cold wind
hit here about 4 p.m. But the
weather man said 'Dust' from
45 to 50 tonight and tomorrow with
little change in temp.

Robert Otwell told me a black and
white collared dog was killed close
to his house last night. I guess
it is Back. It is not at home
and has not been here to day.

So I am sure it is ~~him~~ ^{like}. Too bad
I can't keep a good dog. Altho
he did not ought to leave home.

Tues. 26. Sure enough the dog killed was
my Back dog. He went stepping
out and some dogs or dog killed
him. I guess. I went down passed the
home of ... Blankenship picked him up
on to Littlefield. We went in his pickup
and brought the planter box's out. I came
on home by way of Otwell street. I
had a fair view look at Back's dog.
He was killed by a car or by dogs.

I did intend to go to Porters and help him
on his leveling job. But the wind was
too cold.

Wed. 27. I worked here in fore noon. Went to
Porters. Took my tractor and worked
for about 4 hrs. leveling his truck
rack. Some wind to day.

Thursday March 28 - 1946

Thurs 28 I went back to Posters finished the job. On home started work on a shed for my tractor I had to move some dirt and reset some grass. I did not get much done on the tractor shed. We cleared up things around here. This day 32 years ago I started this diary.

Fri 29 I worked all day on the car shed.

Sat 30 I worked till noon on the shed. We all went to Mule show in p.m. I saw several people we knew. Frank and sister Currie, H. G. wife and boys. Bill Brisson & corner his wife. Norma Jean and Little Billy Roland came in tonight. Billy is all bag. He wants to be with men.

Sun 31 Sallie, Dot, Almeda, Norma Jean and Billy went up to H. G. & Delle's. I did not go. I worked a while on my tractor shed. I loaded up a bunch of cane old wire and other junk, took it to the junk yard at town, dumped it.

Mon day.

April 1 1946

Mon 1 I worked till noon on the shed. I had to go to Apnheart to the A.A.A. office to see about a fellow insurance policy. Had to correct an error.

Dad & Eda called for a while. Not. Tues I worked on shed most all day. a sandy mist of day. would like to see a pair. None in this foot.

Wednesday April 3 1946

Wed 3 I worked on the shed in fore noon. I had to make a call to the A.A.A. office ^{about} to fix up some papers for a man.

Claiming a mistake had been made.

Thur 4 I worked about the place all day. Sandy.

Fri 5 worked about the garden till noon. Had a letter from Fannie of Ralls. She said Fannie would be in Sudan on the west bound train, this 3 p.m. which I met. She came up from Lubbock.

I hauled two loads of the road dirt for my drive way. Donnie & Almeda went with me for one load. That was all I could stand.

Sat 6 I made two loads in fore noon. We all went to Littlefield this p.m. Windy.

Sun 7 I took Sallie & Fannie to church. We have been home all this after noon. No rain. Beginning to look bad.

Mon 8 I worked on the walk in fore noon. I will put down the walk soon. We went to V.S. in p.m. They are watering wheat. And not before it needed it. Fannie burnt a bearing.

Tues 9 I worked on, and put down the one running south from the south door of new bed room. I am tired out.

Wed 10 I put down the other walk to day. We have had west, north and east wind to-day. Oh! Lord. The wind. We are now brooding from "King Tut's" tent. Station K. T. T.

Thur 11 Frank Wagon came for Fannie's son. He came about noon. I have worked all day on the front porch.

Friday April 12 1946

Fri 12 I started in to pour the concrete
 on the front porch. Dad came up and
 helped me. Also Harold came by
 and lent a hand. He was taking
 Leonard to the tooth confeder. at Linden.
 We started on the job of installing the
 hot water heater. We had to go to town
 for some pipe and fittings. I bought
 two of the pigs from H.C. that Bud
 bought for him \$2.00 $\frac{1}{2}$ each.

Pigs
 bought
 46.00
 each 2

Sat 13 I went down to Bud's early for the
 pigs. I brought the five of them up
 here. Harold will pick up his 3 head
 Sunday. We all went to mule shoe
 this p.m. I need some more pipe fittings
 but I could not get them at the
 mule shoe either. No rain yet.

Sun 14 I took Lallie, Sat and Almeda to the
 Church of Christ. I went to the Baptist
 Church. On down to Bud's for a package
 and lunch. H.C., Delle, were there.
 H.C. came by for his tractor and
 3 pigs. Looks a little like rain.
 But I guess it not rain.

Mon 15 I went up to see if the car man could
 check my car. He was tied up and
 could not. I did not want to drive
 it to Cortina, N.M. before it was
 checked. So we called the fishing
 trip off. Bud was here at work on
 the installing of the bath room heater.
 We almost finished. But I felt
 a clack in my main water line.
 But maybe I can catch it in the
 morning. So call to write to work
 at it.

Tuesday April 16 1946

Tues 16 I worked all day on the different jobs that I have going. I caught the lost cloth in the pipe the first try. That sure did releas a head ache. I was afraid I would have to dig the whole pipeline out.

Wed 17 I took Sallie to wash. Dat to the beauty shop for a hair too. I worked here balance of the day. I heard in town that a Mr. Henderson will live in the pall meritt house. That will be fine. We will have a set of good neighbors.

Thurs 18 I worked in fore noon on the bath set up. I took Sallie up to Harold's for Delle to give her a hair too. They went on way to Sudan just as we drove up. Delle did not go. I went back as far as mule shoe.

Fri 19 worked here all day. I am getting shaver about ready for use.

Sat 20 I finished the shaver to where I took the first shaver bath. We all went to mule shoe this p.m.

Sun 21 Jimmie, Arlo's and little ones. 12 o'p. Stan and Glenda came in last night about 10.00 p.m. we all went to the Church of Christ. We would have gone to "Friends ship community Easter day" ^{beapwapt} but we did not know any thing about it till Bugs & Ida came up this p.m. Harold, Delle Jr, Leonard and Wayne also called. Arlo's & folks left early for Rales.

No rain. No rain.

Monday April 22, 1946.

Mon 22 I worked all day here at home.
Harold, Nellie Jr. and Leonard
stayed on their way to Sudan.
The Ford people came out and put
the planter attachments to gather
and put them on the tractor. They
also adjusted the wheels. No rain.

Tues 23 We had a cloud some time a-
bout mid nite a good little rain
fell. I had to go to the AAA office to
see about a Mr Harding's insurance.
I had a notice from College Station
to make the call.

Wed 24 I worked about the place all day.
Mr & Mrs Porter called just at
nite. Also Mr & Mrs Henderson.
They (Hendersons) live near us
on the Merritt place. Not as
much rain as I thought.

Thurs 25 I took my car to Muleshoe for a check
up. They took the main barring/rock
out of it. I think. I hope.
I was down town for a while this p.m.

Fri 26 I worked all day about the place.
The ladies chit chat club are pulling
a hubby feed at a member's place
North of sand hills. A Mrs Beggs.
I do not want to drive after nite. So
we did not go. Sallie & I joined
up with them at the Porter home
yesterday.

Sat 27 I put down a concrete step at the
front door. Helped pal Merritt rig up
a 3 1/2" knife. Like to have ruined one
of my big tractor tires. Merritt will exchange
tires with me. He said he was to blame.

Sunday April 28, 1946.

Sun 28 We all went to church Sallie, Dat and Alameda to church of Christ. I went to the 1st Baptist church. Chick & Blanchard. Hugh came home with us for dinner and a p. m. visit. We just missed a rain. Or did we. We sure would love to see a good rain.

Mon 29 I worked here at home till near noon. I helped Merritt & Henderson fix up there 3 roe knife set up. I took load of bundles to the feed mill to grind. That is the last of the bundles. Another near rain came this late p. m. But just could not rain.

Tue 30 I rigged up my two roe knife and brined out my melon flat. I will plant 10 or 12 a. of melons. Dat helped me. I almost turned the slip knife over on her mean to handle.

Thursday Wednesday, May 1, 1946.

Wed 1 I worked in the garden and orchard in fore noon. I took Sallie & Dat to work. Sallie had to see Dr. Young about her teeth. She says he fixed them. We heard while in town that Mrs. Leslie Glasscock passed away 4-30-46 at 6:30 p. m.

Thurs 2 we planted some garden in A. M. then made ready to go to the funeral of Mrs. Glasscock. A large crowd gathered in high regard for the lady. She had lived with a boogie fighter. But never complained.

Friday May 3 1946

Fri 3 We watered and planted garden in the fore noon. I went to Porters to see if Chick Ottwell got my planter drag. He said he did not remember getting them I do not either. We planted some pop corn and Okra. Mr. Souderson came over said he finished with the Ford knife. So I will get it and do my knifing.

Sat 4 I went over early got the knife and I worked all day till near nite. I could not get my car started, so I had to go to town on the tractor. I started on it met Harold & Nellie coming from Turbock. They went back to Sudan for my cats. Almeda came on home with them. I brought the tractor in Coal to nite.

Sun 5 I worked till late noon on the car. It is not wree yet. But a lot better. Sat & Almeda walked over to Mrs. Budds and went to church with them. Sallie & I went to Mule shoe this P.M. She went to see the Dally Sisters. I did not go in the show.

Mon. 6 I finished the knifing of the licker beds. I have the field in fine shape now.

Tues 7 We went to town Sallie & I. I wanted some shoe work done. We also payed \$50.00 on the lumber bill at Reed Markham place. F. G. Lbr. Co. I also payed Shannon feed bill \$4.00. I also worked in garden some. I worked for about 7 hrs for Porter.

Wednesday May 8 1946

Wed 8 Worked here at a while. Ported wanted me to finish his work which I did. A very good rain fell just at night, maybe $\frac{1}{4}$ "

Thurs 9 I worked around the house. Not enough rain to do much good. I took Lollie & Pat to the club at Mrs Bryants, on to town. I planted some corn this late p.m.

Fri 10 I planted Melons, Cantalopes and Sudan grass. I think I have enough moisture to bring up what I planted. ^{and} Mrs Fitcher, Mr & Mrs Henderson also called this p.m. Chilly tonight.

Sat 11 Nothing done to day much. I worked on the sink. But I could not do any thing with it. I had to take it to town. They could not fix it either. I

called Hal to have a new one put on. cost \$75. One cost \$75/00. Mrs Stella Atwell came over tonight. Robert wanted me to help him clean some cotton seed early Monday. I will help him. real cost.

Sun 12 Well another Mothers day. Well my mother passed on this Feb. 1, 1946.

But I attended the mother Row and Church, at the Baptist church at Sudan. A very nice meeting. I did want to take the folks to the blow out at Glorio n.m. but I was afraid to do the driving. I thought maybe Bud would come by and we could go with him. But he did not. Altho he said they were going. Call to wife.

Monday May 13 1946.

Mon. 13

To Amherst

I was up early. Went to Bro. Calce to help Rob Otwell clean a trailer load of cotton seed. Mr. Gife called and treated them for him. I went on to Amherst to correct an error in a Mr Charles J. Miller's papers. On back home ate a bite. Sallie & I went up to Harold's to get some feed seed.

Tues 14

Denors Rudd came over for a sled runner for his wife sled. He helped me get the gas out of my car. But we could not find anything in the gas tank. I went to town for a sack of egg manure. I made ready in afternoon and planted some feed. I am afraid the hi wind is drying my melons and corn out.

Wed 15

I finished the planting east of the house. I am a little out of water to note the hi wind has dried out the ground and the melons and corn will not come up. Mr & Mrs Henderson called for a visit to wife. We enjoy their visits so much.

Thurs 16

We worked in the garden & orchard all day. watered the trees (fruit). The hi wind blew a few more peaches off the tree every day. I built a ventilator for my cow pool. But did not put it up.

Fri 17

I put up the ventilator in fore noon. Mr Merritt called and told me that I could get the weeding knife. I went over for it. I used it all this p.m. & saw get to the weeds.

Saturday May 18. 1946

Sat 18 I worked till noon. I finished the Weed cutting by noon. I put the cultivator attachment on the Ford and plowed out the south turn ^{or between} Mr Merritt & me. We all went to Mulcahoo this p.m. I took Salie over to get six chickens at Mrs. Henderson. Mr Merritt helped me catch them. Has been awful windy and sandy all day. No rain tho.

Sun 19 We went to church. Back home, met Bud, Ida, Wanda and Dexter. They had been up Rev., but had started back home. Harold & Delle also came in. They had started to Bud. But saw their car here. We went to the Baccalaureate Service held at the Baptist church. When we came out of the church a hard N.W. wind was blowing. We started out for home dark lightning and sand. And when my light went out it did not help situation any. I stopped at the Magnolia Station and we or the attendant did something to the lights or did nothing, any way what ever he did so was a break. For he said he did not know what to do. But when I put them on they burned Ok. The rain started falling about half way home. But did not rain much here at home. Maybe 1/4".

Mon 20 The rain did not amount to much. I was down town in p.m. I could not find out where rain fell that amounted to much.

Tuesday May 21 1946

Thurs 21 We all went up to Al & Delle's. The rain did not reach them just a shower. They were watering some alfalfa? (Guss that is right.) Al was a little shut up. The boys, Leonard & Jr. are plowing the farm. Harold, Delle and Wayne, are leaving for McKenney tomorrow. They plan to be back by Sun. P.M. The boys plan to take off on Monday. I ground a trailer load of cow feed. Some highbushes and alfalfa hay. The wind got so hot that we could not grind any more. When we arrived home we found Frank & Curtis had been down. I put the tires on my tractor and run out some blank rows in my melon patch. I am afraid some of the seed have ruined. (Melon seed) Only a few are up.

Wed 22 Harold & folks came by early. Dot and Alameda went to Bates with them. Tinting film & Arlie and children. Lellie went her Dad in Alameda to win her if he wanted to come out here and she would win Harold in McKenney and he could go by Alameda and pick him up. I made a run over to the A.A.A. office today. Wind. Wind. Sand.

Thurs 23 A hard sand storm blew all night. The peaches will all be blown off the trees. The wind has blown all day. A little dissatisfaction is on the face of all. (see must on page 33.)

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 Thurs. 23 - 1946

Thurs 23 Robert Atwell and family came by for us to go to the Friendship Church. A community welcome for the ^{Return} return veterans. They sure had a nice program. But not too many old faces there. It made me sad to see the kids that have grown up in the settlement since we left there that went to war and some that did not come back. Bill's old boy friends were not there. All young boys.

Fri 24 We slept late. I watered trees and garden in fore noon. Went down town in p.m. Hot windy day all day. Leonard & Jr. called this p.m.

Sat 25 worked some rice in the fore noon. Sallie & I went to Sudan in afternoon. Noma Jean & little Billy came up from Lubbock for the weekend visit. Little Billy sure has grown. He is very near talking.

Sun 26 I went down town to church, but did not go to church. Noma J. Sallie and little Bill went to C. of C. church. Harold & Sallie and Wayne came in from McKinney just as we finished dinner. They soon left. The Mrs. Daniels of Lubbock came over early. She came up with H. J.

I was down town for a while this p.m.
 Mon. 27 the wind came out of the South ^{early} about early 6 A.M. and had sure blown the sand all day. Well it only started last night before we went to bed. Every thing is blown out or covered up with sand. The wind is still blowing hard.

Tues. 9 P.M. we went to Carter & Frank's. Just returned.

Tuesday May 28 1946.

Tues 28 Well we started in to clean house. The hard wind blew all night I think. Any way Sallie drafted me in on the house cleaning.

Wed 29 I worked in the garden and orchard all fore noon. I was down town in the afternoon.

Thurs 30 We went down to Babs early Sallie & I. I helped Bud on his over head tank. It was leaking badly. Dat & Almada came home on p.m. bus. They spent a great time while at Ralls, Lubbock.

Fri 31 watered garden, orchard and yard. I cleaned up my car motor. The rain seems like want come. We are in for another dry year like last year.

Saturday June 1 1946.

Sat 1 Worked about the place. Took bath and shaved. We all went to town this p.m. The same old bunch. Oh! what a bunch. Well a few new faces of old. Mr & Mrs Thomas also Mr & Mrs Bob Beck of the Beck gin Co. Little Almeda Bills of Sudan is spending the night with Almada.

Sun 2 We all went to church. Back home Harold & Dillie came down. They brought Wayne. He took my tractor and planter up to Harold's. I will go up there tomorrow and help him plant cotton. Dry dry.

Monday June 3, 1946

Mon Wed 3 I met H.G. at mule shoe. We came back home for some sacks. We went down to Earl Myers for some cotton seed. But did not get them. Earl wanted \$2.00 per bu. On back to H.G. We did not get started till after lunch. We (Wayne and I) made a good after noon planting.

Thurs 4 We got out early. Bud came up and started planting with the A.C. about 11 A.M. My tractor began to cut out on me in the afternoon. I did not get it fixed. Both the boys worked on it but could not do any good with it. We had to leave the tractor out in the field.

Wed 5 Harold & I took the distributor off and took it to town. Had to put 2 new parts on it. We finished up by 2 P.M. We had some hard luck. We were loading my tractor on H.G.'s truck and it fell. Only the plow kept it from falling off the truck. If it had fallen off it would have caught Harold. We could not have gotten out of the way. That scared me. We got the tractor back to H.G. home and worked till nite getting it back on the tractor. I came on home. Had a flat in Mule shoe.

Thursday June 6 1946

Thurs 6 I went over to see Chick Otwell about some cotton seed to plant. He said get them out of the Pal Merritt barn what I need. Ward brought the tractor in. We unloaded it at the Miller drive in. I planted some cotton had to quit to go to town. But I could not get my car started. I had ruined my starter. Bud & I worked on it for the bal. of the P.M.

Fri 7 I took the starter to town. Need parts or part. Cost me \$5.00 I planted bal. of the day cotton. Wayne came down with H. C. Ford. He will help me tomorrow.

Sat 8 we finished what cotton I wanted to plant. Wad. about 3 p.m. Wayne went home. We loaded up a lot of the boarder hens took them to town 133 lbs at 20¢. Two people a man and wife were killed in Sudan early Am. they were riding a motorcycle and hit a gravel truck. They never knew what they hit. They and two other cycles were traveling from Ohio by motorcycle. They hit a grave at a speed reckoned at 45 or 50 m.p.h. Anyway they hit the dual wheels and the impact skinned the truck 14 or 15 inches. Wad. this in all street talk. I do not know.

Sunday June 9 1946.

Sun 9 We all went to church. Not a large group at the Baptist church. Mrs & Mrs Porter called this p.m. for a visit. No rain yet.

Mon 10 I went to Amherst to a adjuter (Cotton adjuter) meeting. We were in session till noon. I came home and planted some cotton (later balled up).

Tues 11 I started in south of the house & east. I planted cotton most all day. (later balled up).

Wed 12 We met in Amherst to finish the meeting. We started on the 11th.

We were in session all day. We may start adjutting and getting bop on the planting Mon. or Tues.

Mrs Blanche Otwell's wife of Chick O. was operated on at 7 p.m. to day. So Chick told me this late afternoon.

Thurs 13 Sallie & I went over to Otwell's to see if we could be of any help. We came by Mr Porter to get the Pal Merritt 1/2 mile attachment. Just as I started to put it together, one of our old friend ship friends and wife called for the day. Mr & Mrs Tom Stanley. We sure did enjoy the visit. Another windy and hot day.

Fri 14 I got another day of wind and dust. I finished the cotton planting. Not much to plant.

Sat 15 I was down town early. The election on the S.C. set up. We opened at 8 Am. Closed at 7 p.m. 40 votes cast, 20 for and 20 against.

Sunday June 16 1946

Sun 16 we all went to church. Back home had lunch took nap. Mr & Mrs Porter came over and we all went to Amherst to see Blanch Aturee and Mr Patterson. Just as we neared Amherst we met the funeral coach with the body of Mr Patterson. We passed away about 2 P.M. They will take the body to Okla. for burial. Blanche is getting on fine they say. We have just come in Sallie & I. we went over to Rabot Aturee to see Elain she has been sick with measles.

Mon. 17 I rigged up the 3 no knife and knifed out my sedan picture and some feed that is up but nearly did. We went to town this P.M. and a cloud came up in the S.W. W. and N.W. we had a little rain. Not enough to do any good. I don't think.

Tues 18 I went to Amherst early. The adjutants meeting was called about 8 A.M. We did not get very much done. For the racontoo now talked at the same time. We had an instruction lesson at the Birch Ross farm east of Littlefield. Also on the Bayd old farm east of Amherst. We will start out tomorrow proper. The rain did not amount to much.

Wed 19 June tenth. I went over to Raymond Kamp. He & I worked to gether in the North west and North vicinity of Sedan.

Thursday June 20 1946

Thurs 20 We (all adjusters) were called in to 3a. office for a meeting with two of the big boys from Callage Station. Mr Donald L. Cathers and Mr Travis Hale. They told us what they or Hale did several days since. We left Amherst about 12 noon. ate lunch at Wrights (Snakes) Cafe. Kamp & S. We worked west and south west of Sudan.

Fri 21 We worked in the Friend ship vicinity near all day. We ate dinner at Mr & Mrs Moncrief. Old friend of mine.

Sat 22 This Adjuster in a pain and headache. I got ready early and got started late. I had a caller to see if I could let him start planting, with out an inspection. I did. because I could write up the contract later. and they all want to get started planting this late crop of feed. Not too much moisture any way. Also an other fellow called. wanting to be "set free". They want there cake and eat it too. I plotted near all day. we went to town just at nite.

Sun 23 Well the long looked for rain came to day. maby 2 or 3 inches water every where. we went to church. Mr & Mrs Pope came home with us we drove all the way from Jones place in a hard rain. Harold, Delle also called. Also Mr & Mrs Reaf Jones, Mr & Mrs Palmer, Mr & Mrs Bud Kent and Kays. K.S. let me have the 35 & 8 to use till I can get my car fixed. I went home with them for it. Pat and Alva went too.

Monday June 24 1946

Mon 24 I went to Amherst 3A office left my work for last week. Picked up a bunch of claim sheets. I came on to Albert Simmons place. on to Chas W. Wiseman. Howard and for Hardcastle on to P.H. Allen. On home. I tried to plant some Sudan. So many people came by and wanted to be next on the inspection list. I can't get to them all the same day.

Tues 25 I worked in west of here to the friendship road and vicinity. I ate lunch at Chas. Gloor. On horse finished planting the Sudan. I planted about 20 more of feed. I had wanted to take my car to Otis Wiseman to fix it but I can't get away.

Wed 26 I made most of the farms in south part of my allotment. Checked and released 460 A. for Leo Hodge on the F.B. wings place. But Gass & A. Wilcann also were released. On home ate lunch at home for the first time this week.

Thurs 27 I worked just when I could pick up one that had been overlooked. I had quite a few Leare close to home Gatewoods P.H. Hill, Calvin Wiseman. Ate lunch at Gatewoods. Raining now 8 P.M. I hope we do not have a hard brating rain.

Fri 28 I had to go to the 3A office. I turned in my finished work. Picked up a few stray contracts. On home on to Sudan at lunch at "Snabkeys". Fish. 80 cts per 3 "small species" of fish. Oh well it was good I planted some spuds and then went to the Moize planting.

Sat 2

Sun 3

Mon 1

Tues 2

Wed 3

Saturday June 29 - 1946.

Sat 29 I got started about 5 A.M. to planting. But had to stop at 8 A.M. to meet Sip Stone. I had to meet him for I told him that I would meet him and pass on his cotton release. Otherwise I would not for I had forgotten that this day is Saturday. and we do not get pay for Saturday work. I planted the bal. of day. Mrs Merritt came and took the folks to town. We ^{or} took the folks to see Blanche to write. She is not doing to well they report.

Sun. 30 I took the folks to church. I met an old friend at the coffee shop. He and I used to be old coffee drinkers. Dan Welch. So I did not get away from him in time to go to church. That is a very lame excuse. I was back in town in the late p.m. an awful sand storm hit her about 7 P.M.

Monday July 1 1946

Mon 1 I had to go over to the A.A.A. office. was over there till near noon. Home for lunch. Went to Pep in the south side of the county to check up on a German or a palelander, or a Bohunk. Back home and worked for a while in the field.

Tues. 2 I did some planting and other work around the place. Harold, Bellie came in from McKenney. Leonard came back with them. He bought the V 8 from H.G. I will go back to Dallas tomorrow.

Wed 3 I went over to Mr Porters for his horses I borrowed all the early feed. Broke the corn so it want blow like it did Sunday P.M.

Thursday July 4 1946.

Thurs 4 We all made ready and went up to Harold's selling. Wayne was planting his feed. Skel. lost all his cotton. They released him to-day on his home place.

I bought two bales of hay from Harold. I did intend to take a ton at \$20.00 per ton. But I had to come on home.

Fri 5 I took Sallie to see a Mr Mullens at Littlefield. A lady Mrs Duall of Sudan told her that she could get the same pension money she (Mr Duall) is getting. So she went with us. They made contact with Mullens. She told her all she would have to do would be for her to get our wedding certificate also Bill's birth certificate and our tax.

They will have to make up one for me I guess. For I don't think any more were left of brothers when we were born. However we will try. We might as well have it as other parents that lost a boy. For what? Nothing only to make it better for the grafter and was minded. If I had my way I would tell all who wants was.

Sat 6 I went to Harold's for some grain for feed. We went to work Harold cut 3 loads of Alfa Alfa hay. Back home. On down to Sudan.

Sun 7 We went to church. Back home. Sure did look rainy all p.m.

Mon 8 I had to go to the S A office worked on some of the papers till noon. Bill Smith said for me to come back Thursday.

To Littlefield.

Tues 9

Wed 10

Thurs 11

Fri 12

Sat 13

Sun 14

Thursday July 9 1946

Tues 9 About 4 A.M. two cars rolled up and blew their horns. I went to the door. Wanda Drake was at the door. He and his wife, Marvin Drake & wife, Mr Newton (Sally's Dad) Jerry a sister of Sallie came in. They started from Alton, Mo. at 7 P.M. Monday. Jerry is in bad shape. She can hardly walk. The boys Marvin & Wanda and their wives left for Denver, Colorado. They left about day light. They said they would be back here in about 10 days.

Wed 10 I had to go to H. O. Harold's for some grain. 7000 lbs. I finished flooding the main. I told the section foreman I would take what ties was left when Jack Scott got his H.O.

Thurs 11 I had to go to the 3A office. I worked till noon there. I went to see Chas Weisman this afternoon. We had a nice rain put enough. I moved the balance of the ties from the R.R. R.W. 78 in all.

Fri 12 I worked all day. part time in 3A office.

Sat 13 Another Birth day for Sallie. 62 yrs old or young. I knifed till noon. Dad & I. we went to mill shoe in the afternoon. Mr Newton stayed here with Jerry. She did not feel like going.

Sun 14 We went to the ^{meat} Ennsay park at Dubach to celebrate Sallie's birth day. The kids all came in with a good feed. Anolis had the cake baked at Roller. She received several nice gifts. Dressed, money and several nice gifts accompanied the day.

Monday July 15 1946

Mon 15 I went to the 3A office. was there at 8.00 A.M. But the office force did not get the forms out till about 3 P.M. I did not write up but two I think. Jimmy boys came in from Colorado about 9.30 P.M. They ate a bite and then they all left for Okla. I am of the opinion Jimmy will never make another trip to see us. She is in a very bad shape. I knifed all in S.W. field.

Tues 16 I worked North of Sudan and vicinity. I knifed quite a bit after 5.00 p.m.

Wed 17 Raymond Camp came over and we worked together to day. Down the West County line. Also in the vicinity of friend sharp churup. And as far north as Leo Hadgro. I finished the knifing. I think we will go to Artisia N.M.

Thurs 18 I went to Muleshoe early this a.m. with Robert Otwell. Back home down to Sudan. I had to work a little late on account of not getting started till late.

Fri 19 I started early and was home by 4 p.m. We arrived Artisia N.M. by 2.30 p.m. they (Muecos) were surprised to see us.

Sat 20 We visited all day with the Millers. Came a big rain then. But none here at home.

Sun 21 We left for home about 10.00 A.M. Mrs Muecos came with us. She stayed off at Mrs Bertie Kitchens near Muleshoe. On home. Sat & Alameda were Ok.

Monday July 22 1946

Mon 22 I went by picked up Base Camp. we went to S A office. left a lot of finished work. Picked up about all unfinished work that we could find. Back thro the west, south west vicinity of Amherst. South of Sudon and vic. and Return. We have about enough for tomorrow left. Tuesday I expect will be the last working day. Out to hospital.

Tue 23 I finished all my insurance catton check up. Frank and Sister Curtie called for a pay call this p.m.

Wed 24. Kamp & I were out all day. That is the 8 hrs. I plowed some when I came in. Thru 25 we were up in the North vicinity, back by office (S A). On home and plowing the balance of day.

Fri 26 We had another bunch of papers that had to be worked in the North & North west part of the county. ate lunch in Littlefield. out the Blue Lake road. checked a few forms at Friend ship. On home plowed.

Sat 27 I went to vote early. I worked till about 3 p.m. we Sullivan & I went to mule shoe. Dot & Almeda went to Sudan with the Henderson's. I did want to go to Sudan to see how the Election went but did not. Mrs Miccas came home with me.

Sun 28 we all went to church. All went to Otterlee for dinner. Chick & I went back to town to see the election returns. A lot of new faces will be around the Court House. Mrs Miccas people came by for her suit at night. They live near Forsure.

Monday July 29, 1946.

Mon 29 I went to the AAA. Office. Sure enough the adjusters were all layed off. Went or out. I talked with received notice stating "Termination of appointment." Has been let go day. I played balance of day.

Tue 30 I finished my plowing. Will let Mr Merritt have my cultivator. He said he would come for it tomorrow. I was down town for a while this P.M.

Wed 31 I hord for a while this fore noon. Too hot I played out I cant ball the jack saw. I get tired too soon. We went to ^{church} Otter. For Dat, Alameda. Another hot day. I told him that I would help him with his watering tomorrow.

Thursday August 1, 1946. V

Thurs 1 I went over to help Otter. But he did not need me. So he wanted me to plow his piece. I did intend to plow this afternoon. But they wanted to go to the club meeting over at Blanche's home. I took

Little Sallie, Dat, and Mrs Miller over and I went to town. The Buss saw freshen today a whiteface bull calf.

Fri 2 I plowed piece for Chick all day. I am a little tired to write.

Sat 3 I plowed piece till noon. We went to Sudan late this P.M. Mrs Miller and Sallie did not go.

Sun 4 We all went to church. We had a fine looking cloud in the N.W. But we did not get maby 1/2 in. rain. S.H.S. & Sallie came down this P.M.

Monday August 5. 1946

Mon 5 I went to town early, to see when they would bury Francis Miller. He passed on Friday Aug. 2. He died at Trinidad Cal. We went to the funeral at the Methodist Church at 3 p.m. A large crowd attended. Mrs Miller is beginning to want to go home. I took a car to Mule shoe for her late to-day. Denver Rudd went with me. Sat today, a little shower fell in mid afternoon.

Tue 6 We all went to the Francis Miller's funeral. A large crowd came out. Sure is dry & hot. Mrs Miller is beginning to want to go home.

Wed 7 I or (we) took Mrs Miller to Mule shoe this p.m. Mr. Hutchens & Sumner met us and took her to their home. She will be going home soon. I think they plan to plow over the crops first. We caned 2 bu. Peaches.

Thurs 8 We caned 2 bu. of peaches this fore noon. I planned for the Mexican & Tom. ^{this p.m.} He had the Francis Miller land & rented. He has some goat feed on that in deep sand. Sat to club with Mrs Henderson.

Fri 9 I finished the plowing for Tom about 1 p.m. In all 14 1/2 hrs. I could have done it in less time but for the weeds. I had to get off my tractor so much to clean the weeds off. The little calf has screw worms.

Sat 10 I went early for some worm daf to kill screws out of the little calf. I had to use the worm daf twice. I think they are all killed now.

Sunday 11 1946

- Sun 11 we all went to church. Had
been hot & dry all day
- Mon 12 we caned peaches and worked with
them all day.
- Tue 13 The same as yesterday.
- Wed 14 " " " " " "
- Thurs 15 Lallie & I went to Littlefield early.
I had a date with Stanton at
Farm Security Office for 9:30
On to Lubbock. We traded a little
then on to Pecos. Carolin & Jimmie
were down at Mr Coward's place
They are attending to his things while
Coward is in California.
We all went to the "Old West
Texas settlers reunion" at the
old Dark Smith Rock house
in the Blanco Canyon.
Met all the old timers that
I knew back in the late 1890's
are dead. Only a few showed up.
Will Egell, J. J. Spicke Nellie Witt
Spicke & Mr & Mrs Clapp.
- Fri 16 We did not go out to the reunion
grounds till late p.m. Carolin went
to make some pictures. He made
a picture from the air
- Sat 17 We came home early ate lunch
at home. No rain yet.
- Sun 18 all went to church. Hot and dry.
- Mon 19 we worked with the peaches all
fore noon. I went to a Cacc meeting
at Amberat. The Co. Of. Vegetable
in the afternoon.

Tuesday August 20 1946

Wed 21 I cut off a basket of peaches to dry. S. B. and Sallie came down. Sallie & I went to wash. We were down town in p.m. S.B. took Ben home.

Thurs 20 I hitch Otwell took a load of melons to Clavis. Could not sell for what he wanted so he took them to Portales N.M. Sold out at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per lb.

Fri 22 We worked with the peaches, near all day. Sure has been hot and dry. No rain yet.

Fri 23 " " " " " Just about the same kind of work as yesterday. Aralia & Jimmie and kids came in just as we were ready to go to church. I took my car to Mule shoe to have the lights fixed. They did at \$9.75. Jim drove the car to church tonight. I stayed with the kids.

Sat 24 I went to town in the fore noon. On out to Mr. Harveys to vote. I stayed home from 4 p.m. Sallie, Jim and Det went to Mule shoe, also all the little ones.

Sun 25 We all went to church. All to the Church of Christ except me. I went to the Baptist church. I ate dinner over with the Church of Christ people. They had a big spread. Sallie took a box of plate. We came home in the afternoon. Was hot & dry.

Mon 26 we put peaches away and put out a lot to dry. I went to Sudan this p.m. Took no money to ride.

Tuesday August 27. 1946

July 29 Day the long looked for rain fell some time in the mite. After mid nite I think snowed. I think maby so 2 inches fell. I pulled weeds out of my field near all day. Bud & Ida came up for Jim & children to home with them. I had to go to town for my paper. The lights have gone out. A heavy cloud in the west, South West. Looks like all is needed is just to go to raining.

Wed 28 The ^{slow} rain started falling about 9 or 9:30 P.M. I think rain fell near all nite, but slow. The ground is thoroughly wet now and looks like it will rain just any time. The lights have not come on yet. Now 9:25 A.M.

Thurs 29 I was up early, over to Chick Otter. He had pulled the watermelons. We soon had them loaded. I think we had about 100. I only made 1 sale before noon. The weather was cold and rainy till about 2 P.M. People began to stop and buy melons. I sold a total of \$20.95 for the day. A.B. and folks came down and we all had a picnic with Jimmie & children. A.B. & Debbie & Wayne. Some came. Bud & Ida, Buster & Wanda did not come. The Club did (hit, chat) not turn out too good. I think on account of the funeral of Dad Ketchum. He was an old timer here. But the ladies that were present seemed to have had a good time.

Fri 30

Jim home.

Sat 31

Sun 1

Mon 2

Friday August 30 1946

Fri 30 I was up early fixed a few more bags. A flooded pen. Lennie & children left this p.m. Bud & Ida came up and ^{look} took them home. I did not do as well to day. Only \$18.25. Hansen sold coal all day. Boaty Porter brought over about 40 melons he said, I did not count them.

Sat 31 I did not try to sell melons to day on the Hi way. I sold a few at the house. We all went to the blow out in Sudan. We had to stop to wait till it was all over. I parked next to the roped off vicinity of the Indian stamp platform, and I could not get my car out. There were injured the Indian stamp dance, and the old fiddlers contest. We were home by 11.00 p.m.

Sunday September 1 1946.

Sun 1 I moved the melon tractor down on the Hi way. Too cold, rained in the afternoon. I sold \$8.25 - \$9.00 worth. We had another fine rain about 4 p.m.

Mon 2 We all flew in and pulled a big scope of the weeds up. That is the quickest way. They just slip out of the wet ground. I sold all the melons out 26 for \$5.00. They had began to go to the bad on me.

Tuesday September 3 1946

Tues 3 I had to take Dot and Almada to the school house. Almada is starting in on her 2nd year in school. Sallie had some more papers signed up for Pills birth certificate. Norma Jean could have saved us all that trouble if she would have sent the one I got for Billy back in 1942 I think even the date Dot and I pulled weeds out of the field. We finished all the bad places. Harold & Dellie called for a while to day.

Wed 4 I started my wheat pasture. Dot pulled weed out of field in AM. I took Dot to Otterville to pick pears. She made \$2.48 12 per lb. Leonard came in from Dallas about 8:00 p.m. He had a flat down the road. I told him the reason of the flat was because he did not stop as he went by. So he is here to night. School bus left Almada. Thurs 5 I took Leonard to Harold's early. He and H.G. came back for his car. I helped Sallie pick pears & apples this p.m. I went to town for a while. we may get a rain to night. Dot picked 496 lbs of pears today.

Fri 6 worked her at home in AM. Sallie & I pulled pears at Otterville 515 lbs in P.M.

Sat 7 to town in the afternoon.

Sun 8 we all went to church. Doan to Buds & Idd for a visit and feed.

Mon 9 we worked in the field all day.

Tues 10 " " " " " " " "

Wed 11 " " " " " " " " till noon. Mr & Mrs Frog Lummara called for a visit P.M.

Thurs

Fri

Sat

Thursday September 12, 1946

Thurs 12 We all went to Littlefield. We attended to the Insurance application to day. We did not have all the dope with us. But will send it tomorrow.

We had to stop in Sudan near all the after noon. Sallie had a hair do. On home. A rain started about 5:00 p.m. and a ^{heavy} rain had fallen for nearly 2 hours.

Fri. 13 I had to take Almida to school. She met the bus. But she fell down in the mud. She had to be changed (clothes) and she missed the bus. Things in general are muddy. "2 1/2" inch rain fell. Sallie & I went to Harold's this p.m. They & Sallie had gone to California. Wayne came in just now. He said he was tired of staying alone. Also Norma Jean and Billy came in just about the time we were ready to go to bed. She brought her father's husband along. Well if he does as well as he looks. He will be O.K. He seems to think lots of little Billy.

They stayed till near 10:00 p.m. They went back to Lubbock. Billy will stay with us for a while.

Sat 14 I had Wayne help me stack some cross ties. Had to send him over to Mr. Porter for my chain. They brought it home in two places. We all went to milk house this p.m. Wayne bought \$1.00 worth of ice cream & a \$1.00 melon. I told him to get a fish out of his back locker. I payed him \$2.00. I did not want him to spend his money.

Sunday Sept. 15. 1946.

Sun 15. I took the folks to church. I did not go. We had a little birthday for Bud. They went to church before they came up. The little Thompsons and came with them. All seemed to have a good time. Dad went with Mr & Mrs Henderson to the plateau singing Convention at Littlefield. This p.m. Looks rainy to - nite. Bud will be 40 yrs old tomorrow.

Fri

Sat

U.S.

T. check

Mon 16. Has rained near all day. Not very hard. I was down town this p.m. The fat insurance agent was here to collect. Sallie paid him up to ^{Nov.} Oct. 28. I think it was. I am really tired looking at that bird. The check was made for \$6.00.

Sun

Tues 17. Was cloudy and raining a little early. I made a trip to town early to get my fence electric brakes fixed. I worked here all fore noon. I took Sallie to wash this afternoon. Hope we do not have any more rain for a while.

Wed 18. Some work here in fore noon. Sallie & B went up to Harold's this p.m. Harold and Dillie have not come back from California yet. Wayne has not gone to school any this week. He has been sick. They just leave that boy to do the chores and go to school. Raining slow 10.15 p.m.

Mon

Thurs 19. We had some rain during the nite. and a hard rain fell in the fore noon. In fact has rained some all day.

Fri 20. We went to Littlefield to have lenses changed in Sallie's glasses. was back home by noon. I went after the singer with head up at midday. Wayne is here to nite. I went on acct to H.G.'s

Thurs

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 Friday August 20 - 1946
 Left.

Fri 20 They have not come home yet. Buck and Ida brought Little Billy back today. They took him home with them Wednesday.

Sat 21 This day and nite are equal. Wayne & I fixed some fence this fore noon. We all went to muleshoe this p. m. back home. up or down to Sudan for my mail. Received salary check from Crof Insurance Corporation for \$50.86. Check No 47265 also \$10.1.263.559.

I came by Chick Otter. for some peaches a melon (60 lbs) honey 25¢ per lb. \$15.00 A Mr Hayes. Sun 22 We went to church. The Baptist did not turn out as soon as the Church of Christ. They had to wait for me. Chick, Blanch and Hugh came home with us. They are talking, and are going to move south of muleshoe on Mrs Bryants place. I hate to see them move away. Wayne went home just before nite. He stayed here as late as he could. He thought maybe his Dad & Mother would come in. But they did not. He hated to go home alone. And I do not blame him.

Mon 23 A cold N.E. wind started yesterday about noon. and was real cold early to day. I heard in town the low was 38°. Well that don't listen good for this late Feb. No paper today. I made two trips to town. But the Telegram (Stor) did not come in. Mr & Mrs Henderson called for a while to nite.

Tues 24 I had to take Almida to school. She bus did not wait. She was ready. O.K. I rized up and plowed some a little cold.

Wednesday Sept. 25. 1946.

Wed 25 I finished planting my wheate & barley pasture in for noon. I went down town this p.m. Oh! just to be going. I plowed some sudan when I came home. Harold & Nellie have not come home yet. Wayne went home with Bud & Eda to night. Bud took his combine up there this p.m.

Sun

Guss will sell all the chickens off this place and get new stock next year. Billy is a little sick to night.

Mon

Thurs. I had to fix some fences. The cow want stay in. I took the chickens to town this P.m. \$2.50. We did not get any eggs. And the feed was or is so high.

I would like to see another rain. Since I planted the balance of the sudan pasture I do not know whether Harold has come home yet.

Tues

Fri. 27 I went to mule shoe with Chick Otwell early this A.M. I could not hear any thing about whether H.G. had come back from Calif. or not. So we all went up to his place this p.m. Wayne was there alone. He said they had not written him a word as to when they would be home. He and the little dog looked so lonesome.

Sat 28. We made ready and started for Lubbock about 10.30 A.M. I guess we arrived about noon at Roma Jean's house. I wanted to get me a watch which I did. Just a cheap \$33.00 one. Just so it keeps time. We were back home by 6.00 P.M. Look rainy to night.

Wed

watch

Sunday Sept 29 - 1946

Sun 29 We all went to our different churches. We (Sallie & I) called on the Hendersons this P.M. for a very pleasant visit. Was real cool all day. We had the store going all day. We have not heard whether Harold & Sallie have come in from Calif. I will go up tomorrow to see about Wayne.

Mon 30 I went up to see if they had come home. They arrived Sat. at 10:30 A.M. But have been busy since arrival. A big rain fell up there Sat. nite we did not get the rain.

Tuesday October 1 1946

Tues 1 Pal Merrett came out and took my tractor to mule shoe. He is exchanging a tire on my tractor that we damaged last May. He wanted me to hitch my tractor to a knifer he had and wanted to try out. Well the knifer shoe caught on the tractor tire and damaged it. Since the exchange I do not know just what it will cost him. Plenty tho.

Wed 2 I worked about the place in forenoon. Went downtown in P.M. I did not stay long in town. Saw evs I did not do any thing here after I came home. If we can have a month of this sunshine we will make a lot of feed, which we need.

Thursday Oct. 3 1946.

Thurs 3 We went over to Robert Otter's to pick some cream peas. On to Chick Otter's to get some black eyed peas. We were can 2 or 3 bu. of peas. I had to go to town for some fare. 2 doz. Pinks. 1 doz. qts. acc total \$2.20. We shelled and canned peas all p.m. Mr & Mrs Henderson came over to nite and helped us shell a big basket full of peas. Good night.

Fri 4 We finished the pea canning. Had a boiler full left, no fare. I took them over to Mrs Henderson. She said she had a few for and would get our cooker and can them. Has rained about 1" to day. But looks bad like it may rain the bottom half to nite. A.G. and Delcie came over this P.M.

Sat 5 Sure enough I think rain fell all nite. I think about 3" or 4". We sure do need some warm sunshine to mature this late feed crop. We will not make a full grain crop if rain continues to fall. We were down in Sudan this afternoon.

Sun 6 The clouds are clear to nite.

I thought maybe the rains were broke up. But when I woke up 6 A.M. heavy clouds and rain was falling, and continued till 9.30 A.M. Stopped for a while. Then started, really raining and has rained near all afternoon and is raining now 9.30 P.M. Bud & Ida, Wanda, Buster and The little Thompson girl came in just as we were having lunch.

Monday Oct. 7 1946

Mon 7 I think rain fell all nite. At that
my gang showed good 2". The school
bus did not come on time, so I took
Almeda to school. But I found out
in town that there would be no
school to-day. Things are really wet.
Tues 8 Mr + Mrs ^{Don} Henderson called for a short visit.
I took Almeda also ~~Don~~ the
Henderson grandson to school. Mr
H. went with me. We came by
P. Parker Cakes to see a saw 78 pigs.
He wanted \$15.00 for them. I told
him I would let him or (tell
him) if I wanted them, this p.m.
Will I want to tour. But I decided
I did not want them. Lallies sat
went with Henderson up to Harold's
to see his cows. But Harold was
not at home. Look rainy tonite.

Wed 9 Rained some during the nite. As usual
I went to Ludden for a while this p.m.
a little rain fell early. Not much.
Thurs 10 Just the same procedure as of other
days. Cloudy wet and a little cold.
I went to town for a while this p.m.
I don't think we will have frost to-
nite. I hope not any way. Only 5 more
days till the condemned Germans will be
hung by the neck until they are dead
dead, dead. I guess they think of the
thousands of men, women and little
children that they caused to be murdered

Friday October 11 1946.

- Fri 11 Harold, Betty and Wayne came by early. Wed
 going to the Lubbock fair. He should
 himself again. He could have shared his
 mother some respect by asking her
 if she and Almida wanted to go to the
 fair with them. After Sallie had her
 long cry about it, I decided I would
 chance the heavy traffic in Lubbock
 tomorrow and take them to the fair.
 I know I or we have raised some of
 the smallest narrow minded children Thurs
 of any people. But at this date it
 can't be helped. We ought to be big Fri
 enough to consider and not notice Sat
- Sat 12 We were off to Lubbock by 8 AM. Sun
 On out to the fair grounds. All had a
 very good time. We were ready to
 start home by 5 PM.
- Sun 13 We all went to church. back home at Mon
 lunch we went to see Frank & Rustie
 in afternoon. We attended the World
 series. A big hand for the "cards" if they
 did get beat, 3 to 6.
- Mon 14 Just did not do any thing to-day that Tues
 was worth much. Sallie wanted to
 go see Dr. Groupe to get her upper plate
 patched. But he was gone to Calif.
 Chick Otwell came by to see if Pat
 wanted fall pease. He is starting Wed
 tomorrow
- Tues 15 I took Pat over to Otwell's to pick pease. I did Thurs
 not want to pick any. I did not do any
 thing in P.M. I played ball for 2 or 3 hrs. My
 team won. (The St. Louis Cardinals) 4 to 3.
 Jr. McKeahan came in from McKenney.

Peach
 seed
 planted

Thursday October 24, 1946.

Thurs. I planted some more pease seed. And done some work about the place. Went down town in the p.m. I was on the look out for some land. But I did not find any. Mr & Mrs Henderson came over for a fish fry. They furnished the land. We furnished the fish or Harold & Lillie did. They were here for dinner. Also Bud & Ida R. Just before Henderson left. Norma's boy friend and Little Bill came in. Norma wanted Lillie to keep Bill till she could find another girl or a middle aged lady.

Fri. Just the same as yesterday, only no work. I went to Sudan in afternoon. I borrowed a gallon of land from Henry Whisenand. He would not sell it to me. I will pay him back with land when I kill hogs. The feed is doing fine now. That is the grain is filling out good.

Sat. I went over to see Mr Henderson. I wanted to go see some shates. That maby he wanted to see them too. He had some company and could not go. We all went to Maple Grove this p.m. I bought a duck at an auction sale there in town. I do not like it. Cost \$17.50. I will have to move my duck out that I bought in 1918. ^{February} 14, 1918 near Altus Okla. At the late George Thresh farm sale. Note to put it in the log house.

Sunday October 27, 1946

Sun 27 We all went up to S. G. & Willie's, the folks Sallie, Pat and Almada, Betsy stopped at the CFC church for services. Frank & Cystie came for a visit, but we were gone. They came on up to Harold, Mr & Mrs G. Fife also called. They left a note. S. G. & I will leave for Layton and Tucuman 11 A.M. Tuesday.

Mon 28 I sent check for \$8.75 to King Jewelry. Lubbock. Bal due \$8.00. I went up to mule-shoe in P.M. picked up S. G. we went out to see the shates Frank told me about. I did not like them for \$20.00. I stayed at S. G. to night.

Tues 29 up early. we were off for Clovis N.M. We arrived ~~Tucuman~~ Tucuman 11 A.M. 9 A.M. (Texas time) C. S. G. We did not stay there long. Nothing doing for a poor man. On back to Clovis ate lunch. Started for Lovington N.M. Looked at one place \$100.00 for a. Too much. On to Hobbs. We stayed over night with a niece, Mrs. Stencher Brawley, and husband. Quite a visit.

Wed 30 We were up early on the road home by six o'clock A.M. New Mexico time. I arrived home by 4 P.M.

Thurs 31 We went down to Buds for the day. But they were gone. They came up here or by him. They had been to mule shoe.

Friday November 1 1946

Fr. 1 I had to do some ^{work} ~~work~~ We thought we would go down to Bud's & Ida's today. But decided we would stay. I went to town for a while this p.m. Came back by Mr Porters to see some hogs he has. I guess I will get two of them from him. I also had letter from him. That is helping me get the pinion stating that the birth certificate we had made acct was not acceptable. That means another trip to Littlefield and a lot more delay.

Guss

Some

ice

hog

sell

Sat 2 We went up early, off to Littlefield. The man Mr A. Muller did some writing. I do not know how else to go about it if this fails. We stayed a while in Sudan.

Things

were

all paid

up.

Bought

hogs.

from

Porter.

Sun 3 Has been bad all day. We went to church. On back home D.K. & Nellie called for a while. Also Norma & her boy friend came for Bill. He was ready to go with them. We may have some ice tonight but Sus Brisco died.

Thurs 7

Mon 4 The weather has been so cold to last as it is. We will have colder weather or it will turn warmer. I went down town this p.m. I paid Mrs Furneaux a check for \$23.00 on my last house insurance which was paid due. So said Mrs Furneaux. I saw Payton Anderson and sold him one of my hogs at \$40.00. He will come or send for it tomorrow. Some snow fell to lay.

Fri 8

Bus

to Bull

P.M. note.

Lite freeze.

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Tuesday November 5, 1946.

Gurs 5 Last nite was really cold. But I don't think the light freeze will kill the feed or any thing. It will soon. Rain & snow has fallen most all day. But lightly. They came for the hog. She weighed 310 lbs. at 24 ct. \$74.40. That is a lot of money for 1 hog. my cost for pig \$12.00. We attended the funeral of Mrs. Sue Brisson. She passed away early Sun. Am. Spent in real cold all day.

Wed 6 Well the snow and ice was all over everything early. Even my gas motor was frozen up. But after all I don't think the feed stuff is killed. Light meter I guess is the reason. I started to turn out Bud & Ida. She brought Bud's car on. Bud went back to town with me. On out to Porters to see his hogs. I bought two at \$7.50 each. Bud bought 1 one, at the same price. Boy that was hi for a 75# pig. But every thing is high.

Thurs 7 Mr Porter came along and wanted me to go to Muleshoe with him. He killed his car and could not start it. I had to pull him. He could not get his car fixed as soon as he expected. It was 2 P.M. when we got back home. I took the folks to wash. Rainy looking.

Fri 8 I took out to work, but the cotton was too wet. I was in town this P.M. I took Russ Cow to the Millers ranch. Whiteface Bull. Looks rainy tonite.

Saturday November 9, 1946

Sat 9 I had to go over to the Miller ranch to fix some fence that I kicked down last mite to get Buzz Caw in the pasture. We all went to Sudan this P.M. I got my Insurance (Cotton) check, \$1012.23. I paid \$171.24 premium a total of \$1185.47 Less the \$171.24. My check \$1012.24. 3090 lb. at 38.50 cts per lb.

Sun 10 Cold and blustering snow quite a bit in the late A.M. That is, when I came out of church about 12 noon, the snow was falling. We all went down to Buds & Eda's. The sun came out for the afternoon but was real chilly, well, just cold. I went to see E. Martin an old Okla. boy. I wanted he and F.W. to sign some papers for me. An Affidavit that they were paying to our late Bills. Birth. They are to meet me at Judge Dryden's office tomorrow at 9 A.M.

Mon 11 I was in Sudan by 9 o'clock P.M. and Mr. Martin met me at the Judge's office. We had the papers fixed up at once. I mailed them out to Arthur Mueller, County Service Officer, at Littlefield. I deposited my cotton check in Bank. Came home ate lunch. I ground or bought 45 bundles of lignia of Dick Gatewood which I hauled out. Our Radio is all out of kilter. Blew the fuse. I sent check to Southwestern Life Insurance Co., Dallas, Tex. for \$13.27

Guss

Will

Shur

Killed
hay

\$181.50

Tuesday November 12. 1946.

Nov 12 I went to Sudan to see if I could get some fuses and one wall plug in. But I could not find any one of the items I wanted. So I went to Muleshoe. The man I wanted to see had gone out of town. So I went on out to St. Pauls. We checked the Radio and found the fault in the wiring. I made a splice and did not get it taped as it should be. We fixed it. Back home. Had it the lights & radio going Ok. A little bit rainey looking tonight. I will have to fix my wind mill I will have to go on top of the tower.

Wed 13 I took Pat to Atterley. I went on to town for a wind mill part. Sallie & I had to go to Littlefield to see Mr. Mueller about the birth certificate. Sallie bought a blanket \$7.50. I bought a heavy coat \$10.95. I paid Foxworth & Brothers for Co. balance account \$20.00. Paid my school tax for the year 1946. Mr. & Mrs. White School Tax collector for the Sudan school district. But I will call Brogs tomorrow if no rain.

Thurs 14 Bud came up with his hog. H.B. Bellie & company soon came. we killed and cleaned my hog. + Hogs by noon. ate dinner then H.B. & Bud went for his hog. Has turned some warmer since rite but maby the meat will chill out. I hope so. Sent Ed check for \$181.50 on note. Balance \$300.00

Killed
hog.

\$181.50

Nov.
Friday, 15 1946

Fri 15. I cut the hog up. Sapped the different
cuts (14 cuts, shoulders and sides) also
rendered the lard. Took the sausage
to town had it ground and seasoned.
We had a "very good" sand storm today.
I had to go to Littlefield for the wind-
mill part. Took out to work at town.
I put the mill to pumping. I had a
little scare. The wind broke a cord
I had the mill tied off with. I went
up on top of tower and tried to cut the
mill off by hand. The tower began
to shivering about. I could not let
go of the fan. I did not know what
to do. I caught the little brake lever
and finally stopped the wheel. I
did not get scared till it was
all tied off. Mills are dangerous in
high winds. I will have to quit
climbing up on them in hi winds.

Sat 16. I did some work here at home in forenoon.
we all went down town in the afternoon.
was a little cold this late p.m. Gellie
Coat came in today. Guess she will be
going to Okla soon.

Sun 17. We all went up to Herald. But they
were gone. So we came on back home.
just as we started to eat dinner H.G.
& Gellie came in. before we finished
eating Out. Ed and Buster came in.
They had started up to H.G. but saw
his car. So they stopped.

Monday November 18, 1946

Mon 18 Harold & Sallie came by going to the book to take some yearlings. He ran into a blank sale day. No sales on Mondays. He left them. I bought Sallie a wrist watch. I paid my watch out for \$2.00 paid \$12.50 on her ^(Sallie's) watch, balance due \$25.00. She will go to Okla home tomorrow. S.H. & Sallie are going to Denton & McKinney. They will take her by Clute & Altus, Okla. We just came in from a party at Mr & Mrs Bawlings. We played dominoes and 42. Paid \$11.35.

Tue 19 we were up early. Harold & Sallie came by about 7.30 or 8.00 AM. They were off at once. I worked out at the shack. I fixed up my wheat drill, I rose set up. I could not do the job with out some bolts. I went down town for them. That made this sauce.

Wed 20 I worked the two rose go devil outside of over. I will paint some things over and sell them when S.H. has his sale. I was down town for a while this afternoon. We sure are having the warm weather. Only a little thin ice two mornings since I killed Hogs. I do not know the meat may spoil.

Thurs 21 The usual procedure. I worked around home till 2.30 P.M. then went to town. I took the trailer that was wrecked some time back on hi-way near my place, and tore it apart. Will make a two wheel trailer out of it. Have not heard from Sallie yet. Guess she got to Altus O.K. Fine drying weather on the grain.

Friday November 22, 1946

Fri 22 The same thing putter around the place. We went to Sudan this afternoon. I payed Dat \$10.00. Chick Otisell owes her. I just payed her, for I owe Chick I guess as much as he owes Dat. A little call to nite. H.B. and Nellie did not come in. No they are not due till tomorrow.

Sat 23 We went down town this afternoon.

Dat sold 3 pounds of butter.

Real call to nite. If Harold come in I did not see him. I would like to get a combine started in my feed. Had card from Lillie. She stated being in bed.

Sun 24 We all went to church. A wind storm blew for a while to day. Bud, Ida and children came by just as we were fixing to eat dinner. They did not come in. Bud came by for his trailer. They jumped up a tire and took off. He will see a day when he will regret the snotty way he has. The least they could have done would be to come in and visit a few moments.

Mon 25 was fixing up to start snowing when I got up. By 8.00 A.M. a solid snow was falling. and snowed till about 2.00 P.M. The most of it is gone now 9.35 P.M.

Snow } H.G. was here for a while when the snow was at its worst.

Tues 26 I went over to see Chick & Robert Otisell about cutting my feed. But they were both gone. I saw Robert in Sudan. The f.O. at Nulishos was blown up at 8 A.M. no one was killed but several are not expected to live. Gave back

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Thurs 26 Dat & I went to Mule shoe to see post office blew up. It was mallephad. Frank and sister Curtis called this early Am. while I was in town. They could have stayed till I came home. But they did not. The snow is all gone. A good $\frac{3}{4}$ inch moisture I guess. I have had only one card from Sallie since she went to Okla.

Wed 27 I was working on my fence, when Robert Otter came over to see me about the feed cutting. I went to town with him to see Merritt. We did not see him. Merritt called to tell me that he would have two (2) 4 row cut fits in his feed tomorrow so Otter could start in mine. He would Rob Otter had told me that he would start in mine if I wanted him too. So he will start cutting my feed Friday if nothing happens. Robert Otter's family and grand pa Otter called to visit. Harold & Sallie came down for a while. He said he had his sale billed yesterday for the 5th of December. I worked some on the granary today. I will store my grain. Or what of it I can. I also had a very pleasant caller altho she did not stay very long. Garner Brisco & Billy, bear and her little girl. They were on their way home from Dallas. They had taken Billy & little girl to Dallas for some kind of special treatment. They called by to get Mrs. Miffers fruit that she canned here last summer. But I did not know anything about it. Garner said let it go.

Thursday Nov. 28 1946.

Nov 28 I worked here on my granery till
near 1:00 p.m. I shaved & ate a bite
and took off for Littlefield to see my
first football game. Sudan-Little-
field. Well I am bound to admit that
it is real exciting Littlefield beat
them (Sudan) 35 to 14. But they hurt
4 of the Sudan team that is they
had to retire. The gate showed some
5000 fans; saw the game. Some
came over the fence. Dad & Almeda
Went to Sunset with Stella & Cheryl
Ganey & Elean. They reported a great
time. The boys did not get to say
feed to day. And looks like
they will not get to it tomorrow.
I would like to get it cut now.
That is get it combined.

Nov 29 I have worked all day getting my
granery fixed. I think I have it in
O.K. shape. Dad & Almeda are over
at Stella & Cheryl's. They are having
some kind of a feed to date. I will
go about 7 P.M. I did not eat any
supper here at home. Mr Carpenter
came for his milk and butter. But
the cow has failed so we did not have
any for him. Sallie sent a Thanks -
giving card. I would like a letter
too.

Nov 30 I worked on my granery. I have it in very good
shape now I think. Robert Chace started com-
bining my feed this A.M. We went to
muleshoe this P.M. H.G. had his sale
billed. I did not see him, but saw one of the men.
I bought cotton seed meal .25.00

40 bundles
of feed
R. Chace
took them
away
for cash.

Sun 1

Mon 2

check N.S.X.

Tues 3

Wed 4

Sunday December 1 1946

Sun 1 We went to church But & Almeda to the Church of Q. I to the Baptist. I took them back to a singing at the C. of Q. in the afternoon. I have been looking for Sallie since Saturday. But she does not write or say any thing. I guess she wants to get her stay out. Any way I wish she was at home.

Mon 2 Well we had quite a lot of ice to day. Rabbit & Sturce started early to combining. Chick combine came in just at noon. They both cut and thrashed quite a lot. They can get me finished by tomorrow mid p.m. I believe I will make 60000 lbs. Well I did not get any letter or card from Sallie. She will be gone two weeks tomorrow. I had letter from the Veterans Administration Branch Office # 10 Dallas, Texas.

\$45.00 allowed from 1-14-46 to 8-31-46.

\$54.00 " " 9-1-46.

Tues 3 The boys cut and thrashed all day. That is they combined. Idd & Mrs. Craig brought Sallie out home this p.m. She stayed overnite at Ralls with Jimmie. She did intend to stay a day or two. But had to come in on account of st. p. sale the 5th (Monday). The feed is all combined, make. I have 60000 lbs.

Wed 4 I went over and borrowed Mr. Porter's trailer. I took some things up to Harold's to be in his sale. Back home hauled two loads of grain and put in the granary. I think S.G. will have a good sale. He has quite a lot of good household kitchen goods, also lots of other things.

Thursday December 5, 1946

Thurs 5 we were off for the sale early. I helped D.G. get things lined up. They today did not bring enough lunch also the coffee played out about as large crowd as I ever saw at a farm sale. And things sold well. I think the gross sales will amount to \$5,000. Gus H. S. Delle & Wayne have just come in \$489.00 and some odd \$5.00. Well any way it was a good sale.

Fri 6 I moved the balance of my grain that I want in my granary. I think now 50,000 lbs will catch it. I took Porters trailer home and on to town. H. S. & family have gone down to Bude for the site. The weather is too too warm for this time of the year.

Sat 7 Harold, Delle and Wayne came back from Bude. We ate a bite, all went to mule shoe. D.G. and I made specimens with Vance Wagoner about the food locker. I will take it over. Bud and folks came up for a visit. Harold & folks leave.

Sun 8 They took off about 7:30 A.M. We did not go to church. I went down for the mail. We called on the Andersons this afternoon.

Mon 9 I worked here taking down some fence. I went down town this P.M. and started to dig out for the foundation of my car shed and work shop.

Tues 10 I had to go to the phone office early. I called Jim at Ralls. I told her what they said about sending an evening dress for Almada.

M. S. Young
in check
of 12.50

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Tues 10

15th
check in
Bude

Wed 11

Rain

Thurs 12

Fri 13

Sat 14

Blanket
to Mules

Sun 15

Tuesday December 10 1946

Tue 10 I put up one side of the car shed & shop.
 I am building it out of cross ties and
 will studs; the walls and side maby
 so in side too. Looks rainey to nite.
 I put the Insurance money in bank 50
 50 with Sallie, \$25, 25 each.

Wed 11 Well when I woke up, was raining and
Rain } rained. at different times all day. I could not
do any thing on my building. Mr & Mrs
Henderson ate fish with me.

Thurs 12 I went to Sudan early. I returned the book "Tobacco Road". I had to get some coffee too. I had the well man Geo. Collins, to come out and fix my wind mill. Cost \$5.00. Frank Wagoner came down for a very pleasant visit.

Fri 13 I worked all day on my car skid & shop.
I am tired. Some of those tires were all
I could do to end them up. We all went
to Jinks Dnt. to the get-to-gather. Just
a game & eat set up. A very pleasant
time. No bad luck today. Friday the 13th.

Sat 14 I worked till 11.30 Am. Drove to the bank to get in before they close for the day at 12 noon. On to Littlefield Sallie, Pat and Alameda. They taught several things. Among them a nice blanket for Mr Arthur Mueller. He worked hard helping us to get the parents pension that is set aside for the parents only. Hope he likes the blanket.

Sun 15 We all went to church. Home with Chick and Blanche Othwell. Mr & Mrs E. Pope also went to Othwells. A pleasant visit & feed.

Monday December 16 1946

Mon 16 I started in to finish my garage. I put up the balance of the wall work. Went to town for some 2x4's and 2x6's and nails. Has been a little cold all day.

Tues 17 I put about 1/2 of the roof on the ties are not the same length some are a little over 8' and some are a little under 8'. However they are heavy and hard to get up on top. I am tired tonight. Had to go to town for Almada she went to the Prairie meeting at Mrs. Pebo Warner home after school. They have quite a bunch of little girls. She reported a good time.

Wed 18 I am tired to write. I have worked all day on my garage. That is too heavy for me.

Thurs 19 The same as yesterday.

Fri 20 " " " "

Sat 21 I did not work today. I bought 40 bundles of feed from Rogers Ruff (Pigoria Bundles) I took them to town had them ground. I am afraid the ground feed will heat. We all went to Luban this p.m.

Sun 23 we all went to church. Back home ate lunch. We went up to Sister Curtis' this afternoon but they were gone some place. I left a note.

Mon 23 I made and hung the two doors on the garage. Had notice a box of fruit was at the depot. Went for it. 85 lb. box of oranges and grape fruit from Del Rio, Tex. Sent by Ed. I hauled out 12 ties this late p.m.

Tuesday Dec. 24 1946.

Spent Sun 24 I finished hawling the tires out 38 in all.
We all went to Sudan this p.m. However
we did not get any of the free \$100.00.

Back home made all the necessary arrangements
to get off early for the trip to Ralls.

Wed 25 Another Christmas day. We were off
by 1/4 to seven. Things went Ok. till
we passed Idalou. I had a flat on
one of my new tires. Put on the
spare. After inflating it. But it
went down before we arrived Lorenza.
I found when we took the tire
off the wheel that I had ruined
the tire. I bought a new tire
and tube. On to Ralls. but we
had to go on to Mr & Mrs (Awards
4 mi. south of Crockett, Tex.

We enjoyed a fine dinner. But the
bitter showed up again when
the kids came in and said I
had a flat on the new tire.
We took wheel to Crockett to get
it fixed. Well the new tube was
No good. I had to buy another
new tube \$5.05. I got the refund
back on the tube I bought at
Lorenza \$3.93. Well we started for
home. Orally & family came home
with us. I was a total wreck when
I arrived home. The highway was a
solid stream of cars going toward
Lubbock. and the bright lights
blinded me so bad.

Thursday Dec. 26 - 1946

Thurs 26 I started in on my garage worked all day. I will have a good one when I get it finished.

Bud & Ida came up for a pop call this p.m.

Fri 27 About the same as yesterday. I went to town for some sheet iron roofing. It cost \$15.80. The corner at roof would have cost \$12+ for material + the labor cost which would have been \$10.00 any way. and I can put the tin on myself. 70% to day for the hi paint.

Sat 28 I worked on the garage in fore noon getting ready to put the roof on. But the wind got up so hi that I could not. Or I was afraid the wind would blow the 9' strip of sheet iron out of my hands. So I stuffed cracks. I did not go to town, Jim drove for Rex mother & Dot. first about 5 p.m. the cold wave hit here. It is very cold to nite. Aralis came in about 5:30 p.m. they have gone down to Budo for the nite.

Sun 29 I took Dot and Alameda to church. I heard while in town that a Mr Cantrell had a train & truck smash up. The 4 p.m. passenger got bound hit his grain loaded truck at a crossing near Sudan. Killing his 9-year old son. Cantrell is not expected to live. The accident happened Thursday P.m. Chick, Blanche, Hugh, Bud & family, Aralis. Jim and children had dinner here to day.

Mon 30

Cold

Tues 31

Cold

15 to 18

Wed 1

Cold

+ snow.

Thurs 2

Monday Dec. 30 - 1946

Mon 30 Boy we are in the grip of a very cold spell. I went to attempt to pay my dues at the Co-op Hospital, but did not find they had gone up on the dues so much, when I have been paying \$30.00 for 4 now they want \$40.00 for 4. I paid my bond interest at Halsey Land Co. Office \$35.37. They had me charged with \$40.36. I figured it out and found I only owed \$35.36.50 & difference. Well I saved \$5.00 by doing a little figuring myself.

Tue 31 The last day in 1946. We all stayed near the fire all day. I went to town a while this p.m. The ground is covered with snow. A dry snow. I mean that much water in it. Cold all day.

Wednesday January 1 1947.

Wed 1 Has been cold and bad all day. I went down town for the papers as the mail man did not get out to day. A hollow day. We really have lots of them. Snow began to fall hard about 3.30 or 4.00 p.m. and is still snowing now. 8.10 p.m. The first monthly pension check came to day. \$54.00.50 - 50. each

Thur 2 Well the cold spell continues bad. All one can do is just stay in by stove. The gas pressure is not too good. Everybody up & down the line have their stoves going full blast any way it is very cold.

Friday Jan. 3 - 1947.

Fri 3 The same thing as yesterday
Cold Only several degrees colder. I think
to nite will be the bad nite. That
is, the coldest of them all.

Sat 4 I had a reading of zero in side
of my garage. and some 8°-10° out
side below. The coldest since

~~March~~ Feb. 7, 1933. I had forgotten just
what date. But I had the record
in front of me. Hence, the change

Star. in month date. I had to take the
Telegram battery out of my tractor. I put it
Chad in my car to go to town. I had the
car battery charged. About 1 pm
my main water line froze up.

I had to get water out of over head
tank. This is an awful cold nite
Sun 5 I have worked all day finding the
frozen up and thawing it out. It
was about 2 feet on the 2 in. line
under the over head tank. It did not
take long to fix it after I found
it. Plenty water bath hot & cold now.
I do not see how we done without
a piped in water supply.

Mon 6 I went ^{down} up town to have my car starter
fixed. a good clean up was all
it needed \$1.00. I sent check to the
South Plains Co-Op. Hospital for
\$40.00 my 1947 dues. I also paid
Phillips Pet. Oil Co. \$40.00 on acct. bal.
due \$19.4. I got 45 bundles of feed from
Dinwiddie Rudd.

The snow
melted
quite a bit
to day.

Temp. 40° this
P.M.

Long

Wed

Thurs

Fri

Sat

Sun

Tuesday Jan. 7. 1947.

Tues 7 I worked some a/c in the lats. We Sallie & I went over by Chick Otterells on way to town. All the stores were closed. A little child of a Mr McRab died yesterday. Its funeral this p.m. Also Grandpa Davis passed on, last wife or yesterday some time late. But the funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. A Mrs Blankenship died at an early hr. at the Co. Op. Hospital here. They are taking the body back to Ohio for burial. The weather is not so bad now.

Wed 8 I did intend to go to Mukewago to pay my lite bill and to grind some feed. But snow began to fall about 10:00 A.M. So I did not go. I worked a while on the garage door. Has snowed at intervals all day. We have a good plowing season in the ground now.

Thurs 9 The feed has been to wet to grind today. Has rained several showers today. Frank & Curtie came down for a pleasant visit. He had his bath fixtures to fix me up. Lots of people had such luck. or bad luck. Not so call.

Fri 10 The day came in, a very nice day. Not very cold. I went to town for a while this p.m. I borrowed 2 sacks of ground feed from Mr Henderson. His cow went eat it. But my cow will.

Sat 11 The same as all Saturdays. We all went to town this p.m. Not so cold any more.

Sun 12 All to church in forenoon. We went to see Frank & Curtie this p.m. A very pleasant visit with them. Almeda was very sick on way home.

Monday January 18 1947

Mon 12. I took the 2 hams & 2 sides of meat up down town, had it sliced. I was to help Rab Otwell stack bundles this afternoon but the wind was too high. We could not keep them on the trailer. The bundles would blow away. Back home helped can the sliced meat. We have quite a lot of canned cured meat.

Tues 13. I stacked bundles all day over at Rab Otwell's. Made good progress.

Wed 14. The same as yesterday. A hard N.E. wind hit here just now about 10.30 p.m. and it is freezing now 11.15 p.m. I went out to see about my car. I decided to drain it. My battery connections went haywire. I could not get car in shed. Henderson ate supper.

Thurs 15. Was too cold to help with the bundle stacking. Has been preparing all day. Bud & Ida came up for a short visit. Mr & Mrs Henderson ate breakfast with us this morning. They moved to their farm near Montrose today. Pat went with them to help her (Mrs H.) get straightened up.

Fri 17. I went over to stack bundles. But we decided was to call. After dinner I went back to Rebratt's trees. Ray & I loaded up two trailers with bundles and brought them home. I guess about 500 in all. We stacked them. The cold N.E. wind had blown all day. I think will be snowing by morning.

Sat

Sun

Mon

Tues

Wed

Thurs
to
hill.

Saturday Jan. 18 1947.

Sat 18 Sure enough, a big snow fell during the nite. I think quite a lot of it melted. Mr Harper called for me, to go to Amherst with him to see Mr Hale the District man of the Federal ^{crop} Insurance Corporation. He has a claim that has not been payed off. I do not know just what, if anything can be done about it. We made an appointment with Hale for Monday, Jan. 20 at A.A.A. office 8:00 Am. We all went to town this p.m. Has snowed at intervals all day.

Dad did not get back home yet.
Sun 19 We all went to church, then down to Budo & Ida for dinner. Has been real cold all day. The Hendersons have not brought Dad home yet. Guess the road was too bad.

Mon 20 Mr Harper called about 8:00 Am. for me. We attended to the triple A office job and was ready to come home by 10:00 Am. I called on Mr Raff Jones at Co. Op. Hospital. He is in bad shape. The Staff is out of shelter. He has to be kept under an Oxygen tent. Has been so cold one could hardly stay out.

Tue 21 I hauled out some red grain I had left in the field. I have some white grain in field also. I will sell that for I do not want to mix it. Has been cold all day.

Wed 22 I went to town to see if I could get a trailer to take my calf & hog to butcher. We went to see Mr Jones at Co. Op. Hospital. On to Littlefield. Not so cold to-day.

Went to
kill.

Thursday Jan. 23 1947.

Thurs 23 I loaded up the calf and the hogs. Bud came up with the trailer. We unloaded the calf and one of the hogs. They would not give me only \$2.50 for it for the other hog. So I brought it back home. I moved some ties.

Fri 24 I took a load of bundles to hair yard. They made fine feed. They will get \$4.00 for the hog & calf butchered to-day, I hope. I worked balance of day here at home.

Sat 25 We did some work here in forenoon. I moved a honey suckle to the front yard. Taped some trees. I wanted to kill all of these Chinese dogs. They make a good shade. But that is all one can have when they grow. We all went to Muleshoe this P.M. The first time since S.G. & Lillie moved from Muleshoe.

Sun 26 All to church. Back home, a sand storm all day. Not to bed.

Mon 27 We went by the frozen food locker, to see just when they would cut my meat up. Said it would be Wednesday. They had a very good sale. Lillie bought a bed room suit, \$43.00. I bought a folding cot \$4.00. Pretty day.

Tues 28 I worked here till noon. I took Bud's trailer to town. I thought maybe he would be there which he was. I wanted to return a sheet of sheet iron to the F. G. Lbr. Co.

Wed 29 The locker people did not get my meat cut up early. So we came back home. A sand storm started early, I think. About as bad one as of Nov. 1926. Thanksgiving the day of all sand storms.

Thursday Jan. 30 1947.

Thurs 30 All is quite along the 'Sand front'. All except the hawc-worm. Boy or they on the prod. Clearing out sand is the order of the day. All reports this one (yesterday) was equal to any we have any record of. I went to the frozen food locker for my lamb. We rendered it here at home. I fixed my garage doors they are tight now.

Fri 31 This day (of the week Fri) one year ago mother died. Tomorrow Feb. 1 is the month date she died. It does not seem that a year has passed since she passed away. We (Sallie & I) and I went to Co-Op Hospital to see our neighbors. Rev. Cole & Rafe Jones. They are down with bad hearts. We went on to Littlefield, ate lunch there, on back home. The cold wave has moved in. But don't think it will be to cold.

Saturday February 1 - 1947.

Sat 1 Another birth day for me. Am 67 today. When I think about time, I think like this. - 10 more years if I live. I will be 77. And believe me that 10 yrs will pass a lot quicker than the last 10 yrs did. That is it will seem like it will. Well any way I am 67 years young. Has been cold all day. We went to Lydon this p.m. I received our second check of \$54.00 pension. The folks from Ralls, Coolie, Jimmie, Kay and Stanley have just come in. They left Glenda with Edward L.P.

Sunday Feb. 2 1947.

Sun 2 We all went down to Buds & Ida. They put up the goose feet. Some enough "sugar cake" Oh! Bay. Norma Jean and her "sister" also came up from Subbort. Quite a crowd. Norma came by home to get Bill, gun. I did want to keep it till little ^{Bill} reached the age to know that it was his daddy's gun. But she wanted it. They all left for home.

Mon 3 I could not decide to go to Sarswater for a long time. Had car I did take off about 12:15 p.m. I made Snyder about 4:30 p.m. Stayed for a while at Bro. Bowdens home in Snyder. Bowden is in New York City. Bill and the boys were at home. Norma Ruth had not come from school.

On to Sarswater to Sister Fair's home. Tom is finishing up there new home. We sat up till 12 or 1 o'clock. Tue 4 I stayed at Tom & Fair's till after noon. Ed did not come, so I came on home arriving about 8 p.m.

Wed 5 I went to town in early afternoon. Chester Harvey came out to settle up. He is or was the Phillips' kid. Against him. I told him I would be in Sudan 1 or 2 p.m. I was, but I did not see him. I paid the Bank a little, state \$44.44. + Elmer Reed that lives at Steager 30 mi. west of here. His wife was buried here. They (the Reed family) are old acquaintances in Okla. we lived across the fence 1919 & '20. We all went to the funeral. (from there my mile is out again.)

Thurs

Fri

Sat

Sun

Mon

Thursday Feb. 6 - 1947

Thurs 6 Just sit around all the time go to town for no reason, only just to go. I have been feeling bad since I came home from Sweet water. I caught a bad cold.

Fri 7 I settled up with the Phillips pet. Co. I payed up. We found the minor error. I over them \$27.71. Robert Otwell and his brother Orvell came over to see if I would sell my tractor and rent my place. I did not want to do any thing at this time. I told Robert I would go and set up with him to-morrow nite if he would call by for me we have to set up every nite with Mr Raff Jones. I feel bad.

Sat 8 This cold has about got me down. However I will set up with Mr Jones if Otwell comes by. We are went to town this p.m. I sold my fat hog to Harry Pickett for \$23.00 for hundred.

I think she will weigh 250 or 260 lbs. He will send for her on Mon. 10 and will have come Mr Otwell.

Sun 9 I have felt bad all day. We sat up till 2 A.M. this morning. Jones is very bad off. We stayed in house all day. Very cold and me sick.

Mon 10 Henry Whisenbunt came for the hog. She (Henry) thought she would weigh 265 lbs. I went to town to get check for hog. It did not weigh what we thought. 240 lbs. 239 = \$55.20. I took Wat and Almada to the Scout or Boonvie meeting. I am sick with this cold. I caught more cold to nite.

Thursday Feb. 10. 1947

Sun 11 well I knew that I was about down
and out. I could or did not get up. Mon

Wed 12 rather sick day. However I felt some
better. The well man came out to fix
my well or the wind mill. I put a
new working barrel on the cylinder cost
\$11.85. Labor \$8.00. I think I will get a refund
on some part. Now turn some warmer
to day. I was in a shape that I could
not go to town for some medicine.

Thurs 13 I managed to go to town this p.m. But at
that I forgot to get the medicine I feel
quite better tonight. We had letter from Jimmie
stating that little Glenda had fallen down
the stairs and her head (her head) that
is the third or fourth time she has hurt herself.

Fri 14 Just set around the house in forenoon.
We all went to town in afternoon, to
the drug store, "A cold & fat refrigerator"
A range gas cook stove and a washing
machine. All up to late goods. The
the A. L. carp sold chances on
it. But I did not get any one
of them. Not so cold tonight.

Sat 15 I finished trimming the drive way. Fri
We went back to town this p.m.
The Porters called for a very pleasant
chat to night.

Sun 16 We all went to church. The man
Mr Cantrell that the train wrecked
his truck some time back and killed
his son. Now burned out his evening
and they lost all the home work
good clothes & all in the fire.
Another donation will be made

Mon

Tues

Fixed well \$8.00

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Monday Feb. 17, 1947.

Mon 17 We made up two boxes of canned goods & mattresses and put in some dishes, clothes, dried peaches, for them. These things were just samples we could not use, so we decided it would help them a lot. I took the things to Tommy & Henderson's camp. The Cantrells are quartered there. The people sure did respond with all kinds of help.

Tues 18 I have felt bad all day. I can't get rid of this cold. I just set around ^{Fixed well \$8.00} near downtown for a while.

Wed 19 Has been real cold all day. The same thing as usual.

Thurs 20 Plenty of ice. But not so cold. Down town for a while this P.M. Spornon Elevator, offered me \$43.00 per ton for my grain. But I think it will go higher, as wheat, corn and hay are higher. Hays I think are the highest in the history of the live stock exchanges. \$27.50 per lb. live wt.

Fri 21 I did not go to town at all today. I trimmed the grape vines and dug up a bunch of Bermuda grass. I have felt some better today.

Sat 22 We all went to Littlefield today. I did intend to come by and see Mr Jones at the Sheriff's but was to late. He is no better & hear. Not so cold today.

Sunday Feb. 23. 1947.

Sun 23 We had a very cold nite and was real cold up to 9 or 10 A.M. we all went to Church & Sunday school. The Baptist had a fine sermon. Some 15 or 16 young people came into the church. All but two by baptism, two by letter. Sallie & I visited Mr. Jones in the Coll. Hospital in afternoon.

Mon 24 Was cold early, well cold all day. I went down by Tiney & Sis. Sallie & I went with me to see some pigs down on the White ranch. I bought two (2) at \$12.50 each. A little tri but tap hogs are from \$27.50 to \$29.00 per hundred. All feed and wheat back. A hi pump. Also cotton was up \$3.00 per bale. I will hold my feed I guess till the price breaks. \$21.50 or \$22.00 now. If it gets to \$22.50 at home I may sell. I would like to get \$25.00

Tues 25 Things were all foggy up this early Am. and have been real cold all day. I did intend to take a load of bundles to mill to grind. But my tractor froze up before I could get the radiator covered up. So I threw out and drained motor. I decided I could wait for a warmer day. I went down town for a while this afternoon. I was supposed to go to set up with Mr. Jones to nite. But I do not feel like it. So Robert Otwell said he could get Orville his brother to set up with him. Cold to nite. I ought to drain my car.

Wed
Income
Top Ref
45.00
Thurs

Pump
\$2.00

Fri 2

Sat

Sat

Wednesday Feb. 26. 1947.

Wed 26 was calf all day. One could not do any thing out doors. I did go down town for a little while in after noon. We were out of Coffee. Had income report sent off ^{\$5.00} Dryden.

Thurs 27 Some rain, snow and sleet fell to day up to about 3:00 p.m. Then the skies cleared up. But is not cold now 8:30 p.m. I had to take cat to the P. V. A. at grade school. I heard while in town that Mrs. Rone died about 3:00 p.m. at Co. of Rosfield, Amherst. She had been sick for a long time. Mr. Jones is no better according to reports. I had to buy a new fuel pump \$3.00 exchanges. Or Re (garage man) said I needed a new one.

Fri 28 Well I had to borrow \$50.00, or sell my grain. In as much as grain is on the up grade, I decided to borrow the \$50.00. I was offered \$2.27 per hundred for my grain. But I will wait and see. Maybe so I will get \$2.59 per C. W. T. We went to funeral of Mrs. Rone this 2:00 p.m. We had quite a sand storm so we did not go to the grave service.

Saturday March 1 1947.

Sat 1 I did intend to grind some feed for calf. But was too cold. We all went to town this afternoon. I took some feed (grain) to weight test. 56 lbs. after to day \$2.55 cent. Calf to date. We have had a very cold February.

Sunday Mich 2 1947.

Sun 2. Sure news came when we got up, 6 A.M. We all went to church. Back home had lunch. Dad, Ida and children called for the afternoon. I heard in town that Mr Jones very low. Not expected to live much longer. I did intend to call on him but wife could not get off. Not so well tonight.

Mon 3. I loaded up some bundles 55 in all took them to town to grind for the cow. I heard while in town that Mr Jones passed away at 10.30 P.M. Last night. Well he fought a valiant fight. But he just wore out. This day has been warm & pleasant. Not to call to night. I was offered \$2.40 for my grain to day. Had ever heard late to day that the feed (grain) price broke 5¢. Well we will have to look for that. But I still want \$2.50 net.

Tues 4. I went down to Mr Jones home & called on him. We took a bunch of cats. I went on to town. We went back for a car lunch. The funeral was at 2.30 P.M. at the Methodist church. My personal opinion is that some one did not treat the deceased right. Mr Jones was a member of the Church of Christ and his funeral should have been preached in that church. Just my idea. We did not go to the Cemetery. A notice is due here to night. I hope it is not as bad as is reported.

Wed

Thurs

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Sun

Wednesday March 5. 1947.

Wed 5 A calf was moved in some time in the night and was it cald all day. And now 10 P.M. I was down town this afternoon. A snow storm is due here tonight. Hooked again. 'Picture agent.'

Thurs 6 Well the snow was all over every thing when we got up at 7 A.M. and has snowed all day, at times we have about 3" snow on a level. Robert Otwell, wife and Elaine made a pleasant bid time call to nite.

Fri 7 The snow did not melt fast to day. was too cold. I went down town for a while this afternoon. I wanted to see what grain was selling at \$2.40. when I can get \$2.50 at granary I will sell. I hope I get it. But a break could come and I could lose. But I am still hoping I will get it.

Sat 8 The day came in cloudy, cold. But by 10:30 A.M. the sun came out and the snow began to melt. We went to town this P.M. was cald all time.

Sun 9 When I awoken looked out, snow was all over every thing and snowed hard for 2 or 3 hrs. and at different times all day. But it began to melt about noon. A lot of it had melted by nite. Jack Miller's wife called by to get his mother's spirit that she cannot get past summer. But they did not take it. We will try to go down there last of the week.

Monday Mch 10 1947

Mon 10 The snow melted off. That is nearly all melted. Was cold all day. We just stayed in door all day.

Tues 11 about the same as yesterday only I did go down town for a while.

Wed 12 all stayed in, in fore noon. Bud & Ida came up for a while. They were on way to Littlefield. We all went with them. The grain is up to a hi of \$2.60 per cwt. I think I will sell tomorrow.

Thurs 13 I went to Sudan, and sold my grain \$2.60 per hundred. we took Sat to Antest Co-Op hospital to have a tooth pulled.

Fri 14 I went to see if Horro Fickitt could haul the grain in. He could not today.

So Mr Shannon got Wayne Sawell to haul it in. He moved it in 3 loads.
46 750 H. \$2.60 per hundred \$1181.50

Haul, 70 per hundred \$32.72 less \$1182.72
I paid \$4.15 on account. St. Cath-
ed Meal. Less \$4.15 = \$1178.63 for deposit
A hard N.E. wind came up and
is blowing sand now. 4:40 p.m.

Sat 15 I went to the bank early made the grain
sale deposit \$1178.63. I had a note \$5.00 at bank
which I paid. We all went to town this
P.M.

Sun 16 We all made ready to go to church. I went
to garage for the car. But the wite before when
I put car in garage, I left switch on. So I
could not start car. Mrs Calvin Wiseman
came along, took folks to church.
Robert Otwell came over for us. We
ate dinner with them. I put tractor battery in
car.

Monday mch 17 1947

Mon 17 Cloudy and looks like rain. Saw 9.20 A.M. I just shot a pole cat and I think since I came in house that I got a little to share to him. We went to Sudan Sallie & I. We made ready and started for Artisa, N.M. It was near 1 P.M. when we started. We drove it in 4 1/2 hrs. The Millers were sick with colds when we arrived.

Tues 18 We did enjoy the slow rain which fell, near all nite. I hoped it was raining at home. We rode around and looked at a tourist court that was (is) for sale. Only \$4,000. Mr Miller was sick all day.

Wed 19 We were up early and started for home by 7.00 A.M. 6.00 A.M. was time time. We came out by Roswell, N.M. on to Portales, N.M. We ate lunch on to Clovis and home by 5.00 P.M. No trouble at all. Found everything O.K. Dat and Almeda went with Rob & Stella up to Chick & Blancher Monday nite Chick's birth day.

Thurs 20 I was down town in forenoon. Sallie & Dat made a few arrangements for Almeda's birth day. She had Brenda Biles come out on the school bus.

Rob & Stella, Grandma Arnold, Stanley & Elean, Orval Otwell, wife and two children came. We had a nice singing. The kids a joyful feed. A nice time for all.

Fri 21 I sized up and plowed some. I plowed spins. Sallie had been sick with flu. Pat ^{son} started all day. She caught mumps & cold.

Saturday March 22 1947

Sat 22. I played most of the day. We went to Sudan for the 4.00 PM drawing. They the merchants give \$100.00 away on the 4th Saturday of each month \$50-25-15 and 10 dollars. But we did not get any of the denaro.

Sun 23 we all went to church of our choice. After services we went down to Buds & Edas home for dinner.

Mon 24 I played all day. I am tired out my shoulder hurts to write. Some body left a double barrell dog here last nite.

Tues 25 I made a good dog playing especially this after noon. I could have finished playing if I had played after dark. The oil man (Wayman Gordon) brought my gas pump. That broke the old method siphoning gas out of the drum.

Wed 26 The lights are off. We are trying to rest, write and study home work. with a coal oil lamp. I finished playing by 9.30 or 10 AM. We had a letter from Annie at Belle. She is all hot and bothered about Jean & Billy. But no one to cross bridges till one gets to them. I went to little field this afternoon with Bud. He wanted to have his car checked.

Thurs 27

Fri 28

Part day for diary

Fri 28

Sat 29

Sun 30

Thursday mch 27 - 1947

Thurs 27 I worked at the tractor shed all a.m. I cleaned the tractor and car motors. Also fixed two solar tires. I had to go to town for a tub. well, not having any thing to do now, till I start planting.

Fri 28 This is the diary's birthday. The 28th of March 1914 I started writing (this) My Diary. 33 years ago. Jimmie was 3 months old. Billy's birth record is the only one of the 3 boys & 3 girls in the family that I have a record of birth. He has a mention of his birth in Book No. 2. We were living at that time on east plains. N.E. of Crosbyton Tex. November 19 - 1917.

Fri 28 We put out the strawmop that Jimmie sent up here from Raco. I did not go to town to-day.

Sat 29 I worked a while this am. burned a lot of brush that I trined from the trees on my drive way. We went to town this after noon Auto Littlefield. We did not stay in Littlefield long. Back to Sudan. I talked to Bud about going to Amarillo or Clovis N.M. to see about getting me a different car. He said he would go Monday.

Sun 30 we all went to church this morning. we went up to see Frank & Curtie this p.m. Lat & Almeda stayed off at Otwell's. (Chick & Blanch) We went on up to Wagnon's we had a nice visit for a few hrs. We came by stopped at Chick's for a egg. Call Bud & Edwain here when we arrived home.

Monday March 31 1947.

Mon 31 Bud came up 7:30 A.M. we arrived
Amarillo about 11:30. We looked at a
few cars before we ate dinner.
We decided on a 1941 Chev. We
tried it out and made a deal
with the Conley motor Co. Amarillo, Tex.
We traded his prices were \$1200.00
The little 37 Sport pickup \$287.50 and
my Chev for \$912.50
We arrived home about 5:30 p.m.
All are well pleased so far with
the new car. That is it is new to us.
Mrs. Reg Jones & daughter Mary Jeanie
Grew called to day.

Tuesday April 1 1947.
Tues 1 I worked on my garage. I had to extend
the length I made it 24" longer.
I went to town to see if the trade papers
had come on the late train. They did not.
Wed 2 I finished up my garage. Went to
town got my ownership papers, also
my auto plates No. They cost me \$1.20?
I think. We Sallie & I went to church.
Thurs 3 We went to Clovis N.M. Sallie wanted
to get a few Easter ducks. But she did
not. On back to Mule shoe where
she did her trading. We went to
see Mrs. Rude to get her to milk
our cow and feed the pigs. I wish we
will go to Oklahoma tomorrow.
Friday We were ready to start early, but did not leave
Sudan till 9:15 A.M. on to Amarillo, Spring Lake, Otton,
Plainview, Floydada, Madador and Paducah where we
ate lunch 12 noon. On to Childress

Con. from page 98.

- Sun 4 I saw L. Eldorado, Alvarado and Altus
Arriving about 2.30 p.m. A cloud came up
just as we drove up to Frank's. Quite
a twister hit blew down several houses.
I had rather be in a West Texas sand
storm than a cyclone.
- Sat 5 I took Frank and Mr Newton down to see
the wheat, on back to Altus. I went
over to Manataw to see fruit & Maggie.
On back to Altus made ready to start
for home Sun 6th.
- Sun 6 We left Altus about 9 am. On to Vernon,
Seamore, Monks City, Benjamin, Gurke
where we ate a bite of candy. On
to Dickens City, Compton and Rally
where we ate lunch. Started for home
arriving home about 7 p.m. a little
cold. Mrs Ruff attended to the things
milked and fed the pigs.
- Mon 7 Alameda was sick and could not go to school.
I guess she has the "flu". I was in town for a
while.
- Tue 8 I went down to Budo this p.m. He had gone
to town.
- Wed 9 We went to Morton to visit the Hendersons.
We brought Mrs H. up with us. She went
to her daughter Mrs Bauling. A hard sand
storm all day. Pat went down with the pigs.
- Thur 10 We are real cool. B. and I called for a while
to day. We are talking about going
fishing some place. A cyclone hit the
north panhandle last night at about 7 p.m.
Killed over 100 people at White Deer, Higgins
and Minnie. Also a town in Okla. is dead.

Friday 11 April 1947

Fri 11 was cold all day. was down town this p.m. Stayed by fire most of the day. worked a little here in garden.

Sat 12 Rain & snow all day. we took out to the Co-Op Hospital at Amherst. The Dr said she had the flu. Lots of snow. But it melted as fast as it fell. Only in places. Trailing Jim came in about 6.00 p.m.

Sun 13 I think we had rain near all night. We went to church all except Lillie, Kay, Stan and Alinda and Glenda. No Stanley went too. Out to the church of Christ. All the balance of us to the Baptist church. Buffy, Rda Robert and Glenda called this p.m. The kids sure do take things up. I guess all one can do is let them go. I hate to make anyone mad about the way these children do. But looks like they could see it. That we do not like for children to treat what little things we have that ^{my} battery on car is out.

Mon 14 I went over to Conny Budds for some little wrenches to change battery from my tractor to car. I finally got the change. I went to Littlefield for a new battery \$12.75. Nine dollars 13.4 to get my ownership certificate made out on the new car (new to me.) Rained near all day.

Tues 15

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Wed 16

Thur 17

Fri 18

Tuesday April 15 1947

Tues 15 Rained some during the night. Not much. Porter came by wanted me to go to Mule-shoe with him. Bay! I guess he talked all he wanted to, was near 3:00 P.M. when I got back home. Mrs Jones (Reaf) and daughter Jean called for a while this late p.m. Cold and rainy, bad weather but putting a good season in the ground. We will not go fishing if the weather continues bad. We could not camp out.

Wed 16 Has been cold all day. I am afraid what what fruit was not killed in early January is killed now. Clovis, N.M. reported 25° low. I was down town this afternoon. The shops closed off this late p.m. An awful thing happened today at Texas City, a ship exploded and caused a big plant of some kind to explode. The death report is anywhere between 500 and 1200 killed and up in the thousands injured. We will know tomorrow whether we will go fishing. Hoping for warmer days.

Thur 17 We really have had a spring day. Altho some ice early. The ground was frozen some this morning. We have made ready to take off on our fishing trip early tomorrow. All we have to do is take off Mrs Kudd will milk the cows and feed the pigs and dogs cats. That is all the live stock we have. I do hope we can catch some good fish.

Fri 18 We were off by 6:30 A.M. Arrived Rales by 8:15. Oralie & Jim could not go. Kay got up with the mumps. We arrived Graham by 3 p.m. On our way to lake. The fishing was poor.

Saturday 4 - 19 - 1947.

Sat 19 We broke camp, went into Graham. Soaked up Mr. Humphreys family. They used to live here. We visited with them for a while. He told us if we would go back to T-bar Camp we might have some luck. So we went back to the lake. On the way out I hit an old man car. That is I caught his front fender bumper, broke a little brace about $1\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{1}{4}$. I offered him \$1.00 to fix it. He would not take. He said it would cost more. So I did not pay him any thing. That was the first time I ever hit a car. We did not have any better luck at this camp. Oh yes we caught two little fish. We go to call to stay out on the water in a boat. We hired a boat \$2.00 for 24 hrs.

Sun 20 We broke camp again. A refund of \$1.00 on the boat. The man wanted it before our time was up. But I & Ida decided we would go to her uncle's place some where up in north of New Castle. We did not want to go. So we went on out to Brackensridge. Then turned east to Mineral Well. We stopped at paleo points and I to a look at the town. I used to work for an old fellow by name of George McDonald. He was an old car. On to Mineral Well. Left there at 3.20 P.M. On to Sweet water. Stayed over night with Sister Octavia Tom.

Mon 21 On home found every thing O.K. Had wire from point. He will meet me in Sweet water tomorrow.

Started home.

Tues 22

Started for Hanston

Wed 23

Tuesday April 22 1947.

Tues 22 I was up by 3 Am. I took bath, shaved. I took off about 3:30 Am. I was about 8 miles from home when I missed my teeth I went back for them. Then when I was out from Littlefield my distributor went hog wild. So I did not get in to Lubbock till 7:00 Am. They had me on the road by 8:30 Am. I ate a bite at Fort on to Sweetwater. We were ready to shove off for Hanston by 1:30 Pm. I put my brother that lives in Mantecah Okla. and sister Otaez Sweetwater. We held H. W. 80 to Earlsburg. Took #67 for Waco. We ate supper in Waco. Took H. W. #6 for Hanston. Stopped for the night at Marlin #6.00 for the two room unit.

Wed 23 up early left by 6 Am. Ate breakfast at Earlsburg. On to Hanston. Arrived City by 10 Am. found Jones address by 11. A. m. and Oh! Sad sight we saw. Ada is in an awful condition. She cant use her hands. Not even to wipe her mouth. Cant walk only when one is holding her up. The worst part is. She cant talk. Just mumble. The last time I saw her was in November 1921. She was a fine healthy woman. But she is now just waiting to die. The Dr's say nothing can be done for her in the way of a cure. Sad, Sad,

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Con. from page 103

Wed 23 Ray one of Tom's boys drove us around for about two hrs. He took us out to the San Jacinto Battle field where Sam Houston and his men won the State of Texas from Mexico on April 21 1836. We also went thro the Sam Houston Monument which is a few feet higher than the Washington shaft in Washington D.C. We did not go in. Just looked thro the ground floor that is the "Texas Museum".

I will say here that I think also point that Tom is doing a wonderful job at the Ada. He is really at all hours of the night and day to do what he can for her.

One can see much in 30 m. and that was about all the time we could spend in any one place. Tom had to get back to Ada. She wants no one to wait on her but Tom. Several of Tom & Ada's children called the oldest girl Kathrine, the baby girl & husband, Gladys and Ray and wife Eddy the baby of the family. He is at home.

Thurs 24 We just visited the day thro. Tom went with us for a trip to show us the streets to get out of town. For we decided we would start home Friday early A.M.

Fri 25 We left Houston by 6 A.M. No trouble leaving. Not much traffic. We came to Waco, On to Hillsboro, Cleburn and Weatherford where we ate lunch. We went out to the old home place where we spent our childhood years. Octor was borned there as well as Auntie Eunice and Bawden. Nothing there to see. Only a

Con. on
105

Sat 26

Sun 27

Mon 28

Tue 29

Wed 30

April

Con from page 104

Part of the old log crib that Dad built in 1892. The house he built in Dec. 1890 was burned down a few years ^{back} 3. I think some song said, The place made us feel sad one would think of the old song "No one to welcome us home" for we say no one that we knew. On to Sweetwater. Arrived there about 5 P.M. We lost all of 2 hrs. driving time this P.M.

Sat 26 I started for home about 7 A.M. Arrived home 12 noon. We went to Sudan in P.M.

Sun 27 All went to church. Real cool. Some ice was reported. I did not see any. We went up to Curties this P.M. but they were gone. would love to have seen them.

Mon 28 We went Littlefield. I had to see the Farm Credit Administration people. I paid L. field 6.00 entreat. \$20.00 principle. Sallie bought her wall paper. \$11.4

Tue 29 We all went up to see Frank & Curtie. Frank was gone to see Buf about buying his combine. We came back home early. Made ready to do some papering tomorrow.

Wed 30 We have been papering today. We did the living room. It looks good. a little paint and new wall paper makes a room look good. We will be dining room tomorrow I guess.

Thursday May 1 1947.

Thurs 1 we started early on the Kitchen D.R. and by 3 p.m. we had it finished. Bud & Ida came in at noon and helped. I also had Bud help me castrate a skate. I was down town for a while to day late

Fri 2 we worked about the home & garden in forenoon. I went to town in after noon.

Sat 3 I did all the odd jobs around here in fore noon. We all went to Sudan this p.m. Mrs Reef Jones came out to tell me to come in to town tomorrow am, that she would start for Arizona would be ready by noon. We will go to church then to Mrs Jones

Sun 4 We went to church. Took out over to the Jones home they are in Denver City by 4 p.m. to day. Mr & Mrs Pope came out from church with us to day. We went to see Mrs Grain in the Co. of hospital at Amherst. Also visited Edwin Whitaker while there. He is sick also. They both will be out soon I think

Mon 5 We planted some okra, sweet corn. No pop corn, cantaloupes and pumpkins. All was planted in good shape. Kind to note.

Tues 6 I had to take Almeda to school. She missed the school bus. I took her on the tractor as I wanted to pick up a stalk cutter at Camps. I bought some seed corn, some sweet corn. I cut beds with

con. P. 107.

Tues 6
hail
wind,
Rain.

Wed 7

Thurs 8

Fri 9

Sat 10

con. from 106

Tues 6th The stalk cutter balance of day.
 hail } We'll wait till the daisy cloud comes
 wind } up. The rain & hail sure did fix the
 Rain. } balance of the fruit. We had a 2 1/2 or 3" rain. Still raining Nov 9.35 P.M.

Wed 7 We sure did have a fine rain only the
 hail damaged things quite a bit.
 Sallie & I went to Littlefield and Ancheret
 Bud, Ida Wanda and Buster came off
 this P.M. They report a big rain & hail
 and wind. I took Sallie to a kid
 party at town at 4.00 P.M. till 4.00 P.M.
 She reports a great time.

Thurs 8 Nothing doing too wet. I tried to cut
 some bed with the stalk cutter. But I
 could not get thru the field. The tractor
 would just spin the wheels.
 Mrs Jones & Dat came in to-day.
 She is spending the night here. Dat will
 spend a day or two with her I think.

Fri 9 Well we thought we had a big
 rain on the 5th. But we really had the
 big one last night. The wind mill
 man came out and fixed my
 pump. I had a hole in the second
 joint of pipe from the top. We cut
 the pipe and put in a section of new
 pipe, it is ok now. Has rained off and
 on all day. I went to town this late
 P.M. Raining Nov. 9.30 P.M.

Sat 10 So wet to do any thing. Only just wait
 till the land dries up. We went to
 town as usual. I guess that is the way
 to spell it.

Sunday May 11 1947

Sun 11 We all went to church. No one came home with us. We Sallie Almeda went to Muleshoe to the show. The first time I have been to a show. Oh! I do not know when. Dad's Ida ate lunch here today.

Mon 12 I had to take Almeda to school. Also I had to go for her this p.m. Chick Otterlee came by. told me he had some tender sweet water melon seed. So I will go up there tomorrow and get them.

Tue 13 Sallie & I went up to Muleshoe and on out to Otterlee for dinner. We got moly 1 lb. of melon seed some black-diamond seed too. Back home I fixed the ground for the T. Sweet's.

Wed 14 Sallie & I planted the tender sweet melons. I fixed the land for the black diamond. Dat came in this p.m. Mrs Jones wanted her to stay with her. But we have work to do here. We have had a hard wind from the S.E. all this afternoon. and is still blowing now 8.50 p.m.

Thurs 15 We all worked near all day planting the black diamonds. I have them all (Melons) planted in goaf shape. I started in to cutting the beds with the stalk cutter.

Fri 16 I rigged up the planter to plant some corn and sudan grass. I had to go for some sudan seed. I took Dat back to Mrs Jones's.

Sat 17 I cut beds all day finished just before nite. We went to Susan's site.

Sun

Mon

Almeda Rec'd to 3rd grade

Tue 20

Wed 21

Thurs 22

Fri 23

Sunday May 18. 1947.

Sun 18 We decided we would go to Crosbyton or Ralls. We stopped at Ralls, found out that Arlio & firm had gone to Amarillo. I went on down to Mr Cowards to get the pup. They were gone. So I guess I want get one. We went by town picking up Mrs Jones & Det they went with us. Det started hell just as soon as she came in the house. It's that way all the time. We never have any trouble with Alameda. But she & her mother can't get along.

Mon 19 I plowed, planted some different kinds of seed. I went to find some cotton seed. Which I did. I got 245 lbs of 50-50 cotton seed from Bill Olds. I did not ask him what he wanted for them. I want to plant them Fri or Sat. That is the twin days of May. Alameda has the whooping cough. She could not go with the Brownie girls to McKinzy park at Lybbach for a two days picnic. She cried.

Tues 20 A cold N.E. wind blew all day. We did not do much work. I have been reading a very nasty book. Called "Gods little Acre". It is not fit for any one to read.

Wed 21 Was down town for a while. Worked in melons some.

Thurs 22 I planted some Marten Maize. plowd in the Melons.

Fri 23 I did some more feed planting & just as well have done nothing. About 6 p.m. a hail and flash flood came. all planted will have to be planted over. Rain all Rain.

Alameda Reminded to
3rd grade

Saturday May 24 1947.

Sat 24 Too wet to get out in the fields, but the newley planted cotton will all have to be planted over or "scratched" out. The feed I planted will have to be planted over. We all went to town this p.m.

Dat stayed with Mrs Jones.

Sun 25 We took Almada by Mrs Jones. She stayed with them (Mrs J & Dat) while we went to Church.

We drove around a little this p.m. We called on Orville Otterlei's. But did not get out. There little ones had not had the whooping cough. Called on the Forsters but they were gone.

Mon 26 I planted over some Melons. The ground is too wet to do any good. Just wait till things dry up a little. I want to like to get my little cotton planted. Dat is still at Jones.

Tues 27 I worked till noon in the melons. But I decided to plant the cotton. I planted 3 or 4. A cloud was making up in the west so I quit. But the cloud has not rained yet since 8:50 P.M. Dat is still at Jones's.

Wed 28 planted some more cotton. Worked in the melon patch. We had telegram from Norma Jean, sent from Subbock. stating she would be operated on in the forenoon of 29th. Major operation.

Thurs 29 We were off for Subbock early. Had to leave Almada with Dat at Jones. The operation was over when we arrived at Plains & Hospital. Jean was all OK when we left. We took Billy over to lunch. Jim was with us. Both have planted some

Jim brought me a pup from C

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Friday May 30 1947.

Fri 30 I finish & planting cotton early. Worked in Melrose till noon. We went to the Sudan Cemetery. Haul over all the graves we were personally interested in, someone had already attended to them. Back home worked a while. I get tired quick. Dat is still with Mrs Jones.

Saturday 31. No work. we went to town in P.M. Mrs Jones, Mrs Grump & Dat went to Muleshoe. Dat said she will work in Cross Road Cafe. She found a place that had a room \$5.00 per week.

Sun

Sunday June 1 1947.
we went to church. Left Almada with Dat. After church we went by Jones. She had lunch ready. Sallie stayed for lunch. I wanted to go to Littlefield to the negro baseball game. O Donald and Littlefield. I left before the game was over. I think Littlefield. Dat, Mrs Jones took Dat to Muleshoe to her room. Mrs Grump, Sallie and Almada went with them. She is rooming with a Mrs Lyne. No wind to day.

Mon 2 I got started and planted feed all day. we have had a "windy" out of the S.E. I finished planting. Wind & sun.

Tue 3 I had to go to town. But I had forgotten about Jeff Davis' birthday. The bank did not open. The wind & sun came out of the S.E. and sun did blow all day. Came out of South. We had a real storm wind hail & rain. P.M. we ate lunch at Bids & Blair. We took Dat to Muleshoe. She came for her work card.

Wednesday June 4 1917

Wed 4 I did some more seed planting. The rain did not amount too much. I replanted some more Melons to day. We had a telegram from Leo Baker of Lubbock Jean's boy friend stating "we will bring Jean home tomorrow". She will be released at 11 A.M. So we will go to Lubbock tomorrow.

Thurs 5 We were up early, off to Lubbock. They did not release Jean till 12.30 P.M. So came in with her. I started for home. I went on out to Otty Wixman. I thought maybe he had some tender sweet Melon seed. He did have a few. He let me have maybe 1/2 lb. would not charge me for them. He said, "Quote" "Bill you take them and if you raise any Melons save me some seed." Well that was, Oh.

Fri 6 I started in early. Replanted melons till noon. Went to town. Came back before nite. worked some more.

Sat 7 I worked hard till noon replanting melons. I churned. took a lb. of butter to Mrs Budd also 1 lb to Mr Bone at town. Sat all day. 100 and better.

Sun 8 I went to church. I went from town to Lubbock. Has been awful hot all day. Some hot wind. Jean seems to be getting along, O.K. Ray came home with us. Jim, Alois brought her over to Jean's.

Mon 9 I worked all day in the melons. I plowed them both ways. Sallie went to muleshoe with Mrs Jones. I will see about getting a knife attachment for my tractor tomorrow.

Tuesday June 10, 1947.

Tues 10 I went to town to see about getting a Ford knife sharp. The shop man said he could make me one by Wednesday. But I did not want to wait so long. I wanted to get started, so I could stop the sand from blowing. So I went to mule shoe and found one already to go \$58.00. But I had to buy one blade. I had three. I tried it out and it works fine.

Wed 11 I knifed all day. Ray did it blow. A hard south wind blew all day. I am real tired. Lat came in for an overnite visit.

Thurs 12 I finished knifing my cotton & feed. I will plow out melons tomorrow. Then I will have the crops in good shape. Ray went home with Wanda Lee.

Fri 13 I finished up the melons by noon. I decided I would go to Cornville. So all I had to do was to mention going. We drove up there in 2 or less hrs. We stayed in town an hour I guess. We came back by Plainview. One could hardly drive for the combines. They were all morning in for that big wheat harvest.

Sat 14 We went to town early. Alameda had appointment for a hair do. We went back to town. Lallie & Alameda went to show. I did not go.

Sun 15 We all went to church. Back home I went to town to see the ball game. But it was played at Spring Lake. I did not want to go over there. So I went to the show.

Monday June 16 1947.

Mon 16 I worked in the melon patch till noon. Went to town. Oh just to buying. I had to replant some melon hills. We could use a good close rain. That would be fine. I heard while in town a hail storm fell east of town and ruined a lot of cotton & wheate. One had better keep fingers crossed. These thunder showers come up and hail, rain and blow ones ears down.

June 17 I worked all day in the melons. They are beginning to look very nice. Only we had another little hail & rain and a hard wind this late p.m. we went to the storm cave. We went over to the Rab Ottwells for a pop call. They have not moved yet. Into their new house.

Wed 18 I put the cultivator on and plowed the truck patch, and some of the water melons. The crop is clean. If I can only keep it that way.

Thurs 19 The Rudd boys brought my knife sled home. I got them to help me move the brooder house to a new place. I hooked on to the knife sled and knifed balance of day. My cotton is in good shape and now growing.

Fri 20 I knifed cotton & feed all day. I like about 1/2 day finishing. We had a letter from Pat. She is working in Lubbock. She just quit at Muleshoe and left. We went up there Wednesday to see her. But she was gone. She did not leave any forwarding address.

Nov. 8-46.
New house

Sat 2

Sun 2

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Thurs 2

Saturday June 21. 1947.

Sat 21 I was up early and in the field. I was trying to stop the sand. The N.W. wind sure did blow all day. Lots of cotton & feed were blown out or covered up. We went to Sudan in P.M. Wind from south all day.

Sun 22 The wind was out of the N.W. when I got up. I put the cultivator on the tractor and I started to run out the tractor tracks they were blowing. I quit just before 11 A.M., cleaned up and went to church. But did not go in. I was too late. We went up to see Frank & Curtis this P.M. Kay is supposed to go home tomorrow. But plans are not complete as to how she will go.

Mon 23 We had to make a run down to Buda for Kay's dress. We put her on the bus. They are supposed to meet her in Lubbock. Jeane & her boyfriend Leo, came up to bring Billy. He will be here for a few days. I worked a little.

Tues 24 I worked in the field for a while till noon. Went to town for a while this P.M. I found an old Dime store 8 ft. miles out on Herman. I took a place. I went out there got a section of it. Took it to town for some repair. Came home put it on my wind mill. It works fine.

Wed 25 Nothing doing to day. Only hord a little. Down town for a while.

Thurs 26 The same as yesterday. The Hendersons called for while this late P.M. They have sold out at Morton.

Friday June 27 1947

Fri 27 worked in fore noon. Went to town in the afternoon.

Sat 28 I worked in A.M. we all went to Sudan afternoon. Billy had a big time while in town. I think Bud & Ida aim to come for him Billy tomorrow.

Sun 29 we all went to church. Bud and family were here before we came home from church. The little Davis girl came home with Alveda from church. Robert and Mrs Otwell and her nephew Collet (also Elaine) for an afternoon visit. Bud & Ida took Billy home with them.

Mon 30 I hoed & plowed all day. I had to make a trip to town for a battery for my tractor. Lesley Glascock loaned me a battery. I had to put some money in the bank.

Tuesday July 1 1947.

Tues 1 I plowed all afternoon. Hoed in fore noon. in the cotton. we all like to see a good rain.

Wed 2 I hoed in the cotton all fore noon. put the knife slide over most of the peep. I had to borrow 5 gallons of gas from Coney Rudd. My gals men did not come out.

Thurs 3 About the same as yesterday. Only I sent Gordon Wood to get some gas out Perry which he did just at nite. Sat came for the 4th.

Frid

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Billy home
Not home for the week

Friday July 4 1947.

Frid 4 We made ready and took off for Ft. Sumner
N.M. We had lunch down the Pecos River
at Near the old Fort we visited the grave
of 'Billy the Kid' Well that is all.
They say that "grave is the Kid's grave"
I guess it is. Two of his balls are
buried on his right. To old Fort or the
old Maxwell ranch headquarters.
We were in Clovis an hour or two in the
late P.M.

Sat 5 I had some in the early fore noon. Went to
Sudan in the after noon. Guess we will
take Billy home in the morning.
We will take Dot back to Lubbock. She
is taken Alameda back with her.
So we will take Billy home too.

Sun 6 We were off by 9:30 A.M. when we
arrived at the McBriney park we could
not get a good place. All the people
in went. I had been all ready there.
It seemed. Had we had a very
good time. Was awful hot. We took
Dot & Alameda to her place, then went to N.J.
Billy's Mother's home. Well she was not
at home. So we went to Mrs. Sells home.
Roma Jones Mother we heard while there.
N.J. and Leo Baker were married last
evening and were in of Americas Ex.
So we called Miss Brock at the Nursing
she said to send Billy over on a taxi
cab. It is bad the little fellow has to be
shunted around that way.
Back home soon is hot to bite.

Billy home
Not home in the morning

Monday July 7 1947.

Mon 7 I had some and brief balance of day. I had a card from Bro. J. P. of Manitow, Okla. He stated Maggie had a major operation. The next 48 hrs. would determine result. The card was written late Sat. p.m. So according to the time she is better or worse.

Tues 8 I had till 11.00 A.m. Frank Wagon came down with a telegram from Bro. Ed at Fredrick, Okla. stating.

Maggie passed on Monday late p.m. So we made ready to go. Sallie had to go to town for a hair doo. We were off at 3.45 P.M. Arrived Manitow, Okla. at or near 10.30 P.M. The body was in funeral home at Fredrick, Okla. Ed, Tarr, Frank Wagon & Curtie, Sallie & I were there. We did not sleep much if any.

Wed 9 The undertaker brought the body out to their home in Manitow at 10.00 A.m. The funeral at Baptist church in Manitow at 2.30 P.M. We did not go to the cemetery. I did not want to drive after dark any more than possible. We arrived home about 10 P.M. I was all groggy and played out.

Thurs 10 I plowed out the melon patch. We did think we would get a good rain, but none fell that amounted to any thing.

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Maggie's death
Maggie's death

Friday July 11 1947

Fri 11 I finished the cotton picking by noon. I had to go to the I A office at Durant. Then we went on to Littlefield. Lollie took her machine head to the machine fixer Mr Robinson at L. field. We bought some cats. Lost but not least a 100 lb sack of sugar. The first one I have bought in several years. The sugar \$9.33.

Sat 12 I took Bess over to the Ray Wood pasture. She is due to be fresh August 8th. Has been awful hot all day. We all went to town this afternoon. Heard that a Mrs Sims had died in Amarillo, Tex. She is a girl that was raised in the Friendship vicinity. The late Edith Hamm Sims. We went down to Bud & Ed's for a ice cream feed. We were back home by 10.00 p.m. Real good old homemade ice cream. The freezer was made out of our can & crank. The freezer I bought in 1929. The one we had at that time was crushed coming home from a Sunday school picnic. We the Friendship Church had at the old Curry Comb Ranch headquarters. A Mr Lee was ranch foreman. An account of this Sunday school picnic is found in Ledger #5 on page 112 June 9 - 1929. Go look back now to those dates, and think of the good & pleasant time all the people of the F. Ship Community had was quite a pleasure. None such times now.

Sund of July 13 1947.

Sun 13 This is Lillian's birth day.
She is 63 yrs young. I bought
her a nice clock. A. G. sent her
a gown. Got a double album
bailer. Planned some toilet
exercises. We attended the funeral
of the late Edith Gamm Ship's
at the 1st Baptist church of Sudan.
A large crowd. The funeral service
was in charge of the Old Baptist
Church a Rev. Bolinger of Dallas
preached his sermon.

We attend funeral tomorrow
at 4:00 p.m. Henry Fulcher an old
timer of Sudan. I think he came
here in 1925. We called on the
Porter's for a while this late p.m.

Mon 14 We hoed for a while this A.M. in
the melons I went to see if we
were needed or could do any thing
to help the redwood family.
we attended the funeral at
4:00 p.m. at the Church of Christ. Bro.
Bristo in charge of services.

Tues 15 we hoed for a while in the cool
of the day. Arby Fulcher came to
tell us of a telegram Mrs. Alice
Budd received, stating the death
of her youngest son Hester. He
was killed on some south
Pacific Island in a car wreck.
No details. She just lost her father
Henry Fulcher and read this.

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Wednesday July 16 1947.

- Wed 16 I finished some feed, took some went to town for a while in p.m.
- Thurs 17 about the same as yesterday.
- Fri 18 I plowed all day, a fine clump, but no rain.
- Sat 19 I plowed till noon. We went to Mukwonago in the afternoon. Dawn to Susan to site.
- Sun 20 We all went to church. Back home. Bud Ida and Buster called for a pop call.
- Mon 21 I plowed till noon. I took a few weed out of the feed. Too hot to hoe too long at one time. We had word from Pat that she would not quit her job Wednesday. But just before site Mrs. Jones brought her out from the bus station. We do not know just what plane to make. She always does the unexpected.
- Tues 22 I plowed feed till noon. Decided I would not plow any more till we have a rain. Was down town for a while this p.m. I took Almeda to her 'Brownie' meeting. Brinder Bills came home with her.
- Wed 23 I did nothing in the field to day. I took Brinder home. An excuse to go to town. A cloud came up from the N.W. and I think a good rain fell. We went over and picked a few beans at the Porter field. He said they were going to plow them up. Good beans but they will not pay expenses. I had to go for some far lids.
- Thurs 24 The rain was about as I expected between $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ inch of rain. Bay That will be a big help. I fixed up my Vinegar Bug. I think it is ok.

Friday July 25 1947.

Fri 25 I plowed some feed and cotton that I did not get plowed before the little rain. Very hot.

Sat. 26 I finished the plowing in forenoon.

We all went to Sudan. The same old crew in Sudan. Some report a good rain.

Sun 27 I took folks to church. I did not go to church. We ate dinner then went down to Littlefield Sallie, Dat and Alameda went to the show. I did intend to go to the Radeo. I went out to the arena they were collecting \$1.50 for ticket. So I did not go in. Sun was awful hot.

Mon 28 I did not do any work today. I had to go over to the A A A office at Adelbert.

I really did not have to go. another hot day.

Tues 29 I cut a turn over out. went to Muleshoe with Mrs Porter. Sallie, Dat and Alameda helped Mrs Porter pick beans. 2¢ per lb. No money for the hot work.

I was in town this p.m. I am off my feet. No Milk Bess曹 is supposed to be back on 8th of August will I be glad.

Wed 30 I did not do any thing today. I was a little sick all forenoon. maby so the peach wine. well it is no good. It may make vinegar. The bean picking over at Porters is all over. They could not make very much. So all quit. I was down town for a while this p.m. I paid Bill Olds \$20.00 Balance due him \$134. some cents. Has been real hot all day.

Thur 31 I was down town for a while. I heard of some pigs for sale, A Mrs Elmore S.W. of Sudan. Sallie & I went to see them this P.M. on to Radeo for his trailer.

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To
Amarillo
Kent.

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Friday August 1, 1947

- Fri 1 I did not do anything to day too hot. Only I was in a nation to go to Amarillo, Tex. So I went down town picked up Dad Kent and beat it for the "cold city". Kent called on his daughter, and we had lunch. I ate all the fried chicken I could half. Some beer and we came home.
- Sat 2 I went for the pigs \$1250 each. downtown this p.m. We all went to church to-nite. Sallica Church. The C. C.
- Sun 3 we all went to church. back home ate dinner. I took Dat to see the "Egg & I" show. I went to ball game Enckes & Sudan. a good game 2 to 1 Sudan won. Back to church to-nite.
- Mon 4 I had to do some work on my bag fix furnace and two little ones came in at 3 p.m. on bus. Aralis will come also Ray at work end. Dat & I had a little to do. Down town this p.m.
- Tues 5 We did no work to day just sat around. Went to Sudan. No rain crops will be in bad shape in a few days if we don't get a rain soon.
- Wed 6 I went up to Mule shoe to see what top hogs were worth. The Ray Griffith people said \$6.00 cents per lb. Dad, Ida and children came in and had made ice cream. was really good.
- Thurs 7 I went early to get Henry to take the hogs to Mule shoe. He came at noon. Hog wt. 415 # at 26.75¢. \$111.01. Paid \$30.00 on a \$100.00 bank note. Pd whisen hunt \$250.00 ^{honey hall} ~~more~~ No rain. Foster have gone to church now 10 p.m.

to her.

Friday August 8 1947.

Fri 8 we began to make preparations to get off early for the Carlsbad Cavern. I went down to tell Mrs Biles to be ready by 12 o'clock noon. But Arlois did not come when he said he would. We waited till 2.30 p.m. and he had not arrived. So I went to town again, called Ralls. They said he had left at 1.30 p.m. for Sudan. But he did not arrive here till 5.05 p.m. I brought Mrs Biles and Brinda out. We left here at 5.15 p.m. We arrived at Tatum N. M. 8.00 p.m. we camped. Cooked supper, ate and started Carlsbad N. M. but we did not drive only about 50 mi. we stayed for the night 20 or 25 mi. S.W. of Lovington 8 p.m. for the sleep.

Sat 9 we were up by day light. Loaded up and started for Artesia N. M. On thro to 8 or 10 mi. south. There we gathered wood and cooked breakfast. On to Carlsbad. all cleaned up and started arriving Carlsbad about 7 o'clock New Mexico time. Cleaned up and started for the Cavern. We were just in time to go down with the 9.30 party. I guess. Well one of the guides said there were 2700 in the party. Well it is a underground trip that one will never forget. The dipping room and lunch we reached about noon. ate in the lunch room 7.50 It was grand.

Sat 9

Sun 10

Mon 11

Sat 9 After eating we took off to another
 part of the Caosru. Sallie & Mrs. Pills
 did not go all the way on foot.
 They came out on the elevator
 The rest of us went the full route.
 Pat likes to have played out. I had
 to help her over the steep climbs.
 All were on top by 3.30 p.m. we
 left the Caosru. Came on to a place
 N.W. of Corlebas & cooked a big feed
 and believe me all did eat.
 We came within 10 or 12 mi of
 Astoria and bedded down. A good sleep.
 Sun 10 We were up early cooked breakfast
 and started. We tanked up at Astoria
 oil & gas. Hit the road for Rasure.
 A.M. Came east from Rasure to Tatum.
 I wanted to come over the road I
 traveled in 1916. But the Hiway
 came straight from Rasure to the
 cap rock. So I missed all the road
 from Cap Rock to Rasure. That is the
 road under the Cap. The road from
 the Cap to Tatum is the same as
 then. (An account in Ledger of No 2
 in August 1916) we came on in arriving
 home about 4.00 p.m. I took Mrs. Pills
 and Brinda home. Aralis & Jim &
 little ones left for Ralles 9 p.m.
 No rain Things are really dry.

Mon 11 Bud & Ida came up for my Cat & tarp.
 Told me that Chasley Wilkerson had been
 killed. Having his funeral this p.m.
 Frank & sister Auntie came from. Did
 not stay long. They report a fine trip
 to Oregon & back.

Tuesday Aug. 12 1947

Tues 12 I lay around and rested. Went down town in the late p.m.

Wed 13 about the same as yesterday. No rain yet a cloud is hanging in N.W. But seems like can't

rain. About the same thing No rain. No work. Go to town in afternoon. We have gone to church some this week.

Fri 15 Nothing doing in the rain line. We all went down to the Baptist revival at Friendship to nite.

Sat 16 No rain yet. Go to town. The oil people are putting up a derrick about 3 mi N.E. of my place.

Sun 17 we all went to church at town in the fore noon. Down to Bud's in the afternoon. The Baptist people baptised 16 at 2:30 p.m. in Bud's drinking tank. I want to see one of the six.

Mon 18 I went up or down town to get the sheet rock. Denver Budd brought it out for me and has helped me put up some of it. I will have to go for two or three more pieces of sheet rock. We went to the Church of Christ revival at Friendship to nite Mrs Budd and Denver went with us. No rain.

Tues 19 we worked most of the day. Finished the sheet rock work on the room. The total bill \$22.70.

Wed 20 I did some work here at home in the fore noon. To town p.m. went to see how the Bess cow was. She had a calf. We brought her home. calf came Sunday nite or Monday.

Thursday August 21 1947.

Thurs. 21 I cut weeds out of melon patch in fore noon. Went to town for a while. in P.M. we all went to church to visit the Baptist church at town. Depos & Rudd went with me. No rain but cooler. Maby so soon we will get a rain.

Fri 22 I worked a while in the melon patch well till noon. We all went up to see Fannie up at Franke & Curtis. She came in a few days ago from Van Nuys, Calif. We were surprised when we arrived. Bro J. P. of Mantua, Okla. came in at noon. We took the ice cream freezer and made ice cream. Back home by 8 P.M.

Sat 23 Just lay around home. down town in P.M. Bro J. P. came down for the over site visit. We were up late paid \$2.50 ^{to the bus driver} and an old battery.

Sun 24 J. P. went with me to the Baptist church for the preaching services. Dot & Alameda to the C. of C. We all went over to the oil well. But did not stay but a few moments. Sallie could not go to church. She had a quarrel in her stocking. We looked for Ed but he did not come.

Mon 25 Some work here at home down town in P.M. But till late P.M. came about 1/2 in. of rain. Will help things.

Tues 26 Dot & Alameda pulled fence at Porters. Sallie & I went up to see Bownds about getting some water Mellans. I am to go Saturday for a load.

Wednesday August 27-47

Wed 27 I cut some weeds in forenoon. Was down town for a while in P.M. Hopper Wagon came down just at nite to tell me about Luther With, Sister Annie's oldest child & packing away. Start attack. Well Curtis wanted me to come up for a while to nite so Sallie & I went up. Fannie was told about it and she had quite a time keeping her quiet. But she was resting good when we left about 11:00 P.M.

Thurs 28 Just rested in fore noon. Went up to see how Fannie was getting along. She took it real larking her oldest boy. I think she will be OK.

Fri 29 I went over to Rob Threlce for his 2 wheel trailer to go to Baum. for the Melons. I went about 4 P.M. Anna & I got 50 Melons They weighed 1590 #. \$5.90. Ed came in about 5:00 P.M. He was tired out.

Sat 30 I made ready and put my Melons \$12.85 Wagon out in P.M. Sold \$12.85 worth.

Sun 31 I loaded up some 50 melons ect of my patch and had a good back sale \$22.00 worth. Ed came back from Curtis. Also J.P. and Ada Maggie's sister. She is keeping home for J.P. since his wife died back in July. But, I da and Bidoes called for supper.

Mon

Roping at Clovis
Pd Bernardo for melons.

Tues 2

12.5

Wed 3

\$10+

Thurs 4

\$12.95

Fri 5

\$8.85

Sat 6

\$21.51

Sunday Sept. 7 1947.

Sun 7 We fixed some flowers and some covered dishes. I took them over to Mrs. Rudd. Horley did not look like himself. But he looked nice in his uniform. The embalming was wonderful. A full house at church. Lots of people could not get in. I made \$11.15 melon sale before the funeral (early) and after the funeral.

Mon 8 Was in the melon selling all day. Frank Waggoner and Curtie came down in fore noon. Fannie came down for a visit. She seems to be some better.

Tues 9 Sold quite a few melons to day.

Wed 10 " " " " " " " " We all went down town for a while tonight. The Fall Festival is on. Some rain.

Thurs 11 I did not do so well to day. Cash down to the Indians stamp dance.

~~Fri 12~~ was to call for melons to day. I went to Mule shoe for a while. I wanted to see Mr. Baums. I could not do any biz. with him. Come back went down to the street parade. Alvin & I we stayed for the ball games. Come home all all of us went back for the kite show. They had a real nice program.

Fri 12 Call all day. No Melon sales. Went down town for a while this P.M. Think I will see out the whole outfit of melons.

Saturday Sept. 13. 1947

- Sat 13 Nothing sold to day. Cold and windy.
- Sun 14 We all went down to Beardsdale. Fannie wanted to go see them. So we had not been down there in some time. Back home I sold quite a few melons at the house. I went to see Camp about cutting my grain (combining). He said he could start Tuesday.
- Mon 15 I sold melons all day. That is I stayed out on the road. I have not cut as to how much I sold in # and \$.
- Tue 16 Camp came by said he could start tomorrow. Sold quite a few melons.
- Wed 17 Both Camp came over. We cut a few rows. Decided grain was too green. Did not cut any more. Camp took his combine home. I took a sample to mule shoe for a moisture test. A little over 19. Too green. Fannie said as long as I was going to mule shoe she would go and I could take her on up to Curties which would come back home. Sold a few melons this late p.m. Sat went to Spring Lake to keep house for a Mrs. Sackett. The Co. Opp. in m. Alameda had a sore throat to write.
- Thurs 18 Alameda did not go to school today. I sold quite a few melons to day.
- Fri 19 Alameda went to school to day. She seems all Ok. The Melon Sale was good.
- Sat 20 I decided to go to Amarillo. So we went off by 9 Am. Back by 3 p.m. Sat came in to Littlefield by bus. Out home with Huil & Nell Bull.

Sunday Sept. 21, 1947.

Sun 21 I gathered up all the big Melons I could find. Only sold \$3.70 worth to day. We took Kat back to Spring Lake late p.m. I think I will cut some more of my feed tomorrow. The price has gone down here. I might be able to get \$3.00 per cwt. was up to \$3.30. Dad & Ida and little one were here today.

Mon 22 Nothing much doing this forenoon. Sold a few Melons this p.m.

Tues 23 about the same as yesterday. Bud said he would cut my feed if Jack Cream was to green to cut.

Wed 24 I went down to see the Rust house. It is only a hull. One town to see Bud. But did not see time. He and Jack Cream came up to see me. Bud moved his combine in to my feed late. Ida & Nickles came up for him.

Thurs 25 I took a sample of grain to Muleshoe for a test. It tested @ 12.80 at Griffith Elevator, 12.92 at the King Elevator 12 + at Shannon Elev. seed 14.47 at the Rinehart Grain Co. of Sudan. I went to Littlefield with Bud for some stats for his combine. I unloaded one load to the Rinehart grain Co. for \$2.70 per hundred. 6550 # total \$176.04.

I sold out the Melon crop for \$10.00. They paid me about \$250.00 on 30th A.

Fri 26

Sat 27

Sun 28

Shannon & Co.
arrived.

Mon 29

Tues 30

Friday Sept 26 - 1947

Fri 26 We combined Mas all day. I sold to the Shannon Elevator, Co. for \$2.80 per cwt. Tom Martin and sister Octav from Sweet water came by. Going to Curtis they are to be here Sunday.

Sat 29 We cut 3 loads of grain. Sold to Shannon Grain Co. \$2.80 per hundred.

We went to Sengau to the drawing. but did not get any of the money.

Sun 28 Tom and Saur came down early. we did not go to church. We went out to the old well. this p.m.

Just as we finished supper Harold oldest boy Leonard and Nellie oldest boy jr. McMechan came in. They came from Southgate, Cal. on Waterwheel? they were tired and ate supper and went to bed.

Mon 29 Tom & Saur left early for home. The bay will not leave till Sunday. We finished cutting the grain. Shannon paid \$3.00 for hundred to day. total yal. 4000. - \$1006.92

Tue 30 The bay took off for Dallas early. Sallie & I went to see Curtis but she & Fannie had gone to Amarillo to see Frank. His eyes are in bad shape. He is in the Veterans Hall.

Shannon & family arrived.

Wednesday October 1 / 1947.

Wed 1 I had some work done on my car. \$14.30
On home made ready to go to Okla. (Altus)
picked Almada up and started about
1 P.M. Arriving Altus near 7:00 P.M.
we had a broken ground wire in
Eldorado, Okla. The same old thing.

Thurs 2 Well just as usual, cure drink
and sleep.

Fri 3 We made ready and started
for home, early. Stopped at truck
at Jimi & Anolis. On home all
Okla. The fellow came for the melon

Sat 4 Rested for a time. Sat came in
after we had gone to bed.
She just cant stay on any job.
We were down in town for a
while this p.m. I payed Buf \$100.00
for feed combining. \$1.00. \$22.70.

Sun 5 We did not go to church too much
excitement. Frank and Curtis brought
Fannie down this p.m. They were
here when I came back from Little
field. I took Sat down there to meet
the North bound bus to Heaford.
She would get off at Spring Lake.

Mon 6 We all went to Littlefield. I wanted
to pay my Government loan installment
which was \$168+. Sallie took her dog to
see the eye carpenter.

Tues 7 I worked on the trailer I bought of
Raymond Hix for \$20.00. I have it in very
good shape now.

Wed 8 I had to take Almada to school. I payed
Raymond Hix \$70.00 on trailer deal.
Bal. due \$10.00. He is receiving the money.
Niles shoe & good feed.

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Bought
Trailer
\$20.00

Thursday October 9 - 1947.

- Thurs 9 No hands to pull cotton. I was down town but found no one that I could hire. They do not want to work.
- Fri 10 I did intend to go to Amarillo, but decided after I started that I did not need to go to Amarillo. So we went to Littlefield to see if I could get some cotton pullers. I found a Mexican family, six in all. They followed me home. But when I showed them the house they did not like. So I showed them a two room house of Porters. But they did not like it. Well I guess we will have to move out and let them move in.
- Sat 11 I went down town early. back home ate lunch. Then we all went to Sudan. Maby so I will get a pulling machine to pull my cotton.
- Sun 12 Dot came in on the 1020 bus. we had gone to bed. was cloudy when we got up. We all went up to Curties & Frank's. Had a good feed. Fannie will leave for Van Horn, Cal. Wednesday 15th. We all did her a good bye. We took Dot on to Spring Lake. She has on hand saved \$30.00 will put it in the bank for her.
- Mon 13 We went over to see the bale puller work. But I & Eda came up. We all went to see the cotton pulling job. But they could not work a rain last night. But Mrs. M. Snyder will be here Tuesday A.M.
- Tues 14 The cotton pulling man came about 10 A.M. we pulled cotton balance of day. Could not do a real good job. The wind was too strong from South.

Wednesday October 15, 1947.

Wed 15 We pulled all this afternoon. will take another half day to finish. I think we have the cotton in fine shape. any way it is off the stalks.

Thurs 16 Ray Bawnds came with Mr McHugh. They finished the cotton about 2 p.m. I now have it in the pile or dump now. I think I will have 3 bales. We drove around for a while this late p.m. so my Newton could see the crops. They are fine. We may go to Clovis to morrow. I want to get some trailer paint.

Fri 17 We did not go to Clovis. I decided I would not paint the trailer now.

Sat 18 The usual things took place today. We all went to Sudan this p.m. I bought or received the 100# sugar I ordered from Biles Gro. Co. \$10.00. Aralis & Jim and little ones came in before late bed time. Also Datshe came in on the 10.20 p.m. bus.

Sun 19 Aralis, Jim and little ones came to the Baptist Church. Sat to the C of C. I had to take Dats back to Springlake to her job. Aralis & Jim and little ones went down to Bud & Ida.

Mon 20 I took my 4 wheel trailer down to Biles. Exchanged for his 2 wheel trailer. I went to Littlefield for some meal and hulls for the cow. 1000# hulls \$10.00 Meal \$4.70.

Tuesday Oct. 21 1947.

Tues 21 I went to see about putting my cotton in a stall at the Co-Op. gin will start to-morrow. I had my generator fixed \$75 Hope it will stay fixed.

Wed 22 Will I took a load of the cotton to the gin stall 1220 lbs.

Thurs 23 I took another 1410 lbs to the gin. I went to muleshoe to see how Bunker pulled cotton looked after it was ginned. Dat just came home with both hands burned. The putane stove exploded. I don't think the burns are bad. Hope Dat.

Fri 24 Nothing doing much. I took another load of cotton to the gin stall.

Sat 25 Loaded up a load of cotton took it to the gin. We came home early.

Sun 26 We all went to church. After church we all went to Duds & Ida's. We had to take Dat to bus station.

Mon 27 I took a load of cotton to gin. Only 1510 pounds. Gined out 407 lbs. lost 470 lbs of seed. Did not gin out good too wet.

Tues 28 We went to Curties & Frank for the hens. But we could not get them. They said she & Frank would bring them down Friday. Another load of cotton to gin.

Wed 29 Two loads of cotton to gin. So late I have put in gin stall 9730 lbs 1510 lbs to gin at muleshoe.

Thurs 30 Did nothing to day. Only get ready to take Mrs Newton to his home in Okla. We went over to Porter's for his (Newton) rabbit. We left at 12 noon. Arrived Altus 6:20 p.m.

Fri 31 Did nothing only madred for the trip to Okla. Frank & C. brought the hens 7.00 each. check for 12.00.

Saturday November 1 1947.

1 Sat We were up and ready to start for home by 8:00 Am. Ate lunch at Crabbyton. Did not stop at Baller. On to Littlefield. Called Springlake. The lady said Pat and Alameda left at 9 Am for home. But when we arrived home she had not come in. Guess she will on the 10:20 P.m. Cloris has

2 Sun Pat & Alameda came in on the late bus. She has quit her job. But we layed the law down to her. She just gets up and quits her job. That has got to stop. We had a big frost last night killed the water melon & tomato vines.

3 Mon I went down to gin to see about my sled or pulley catton. It really is getting hot. I don't know just what they will do about it. Pat will pull some catton for Mr Porter and Robert Otwell.

4 Tues about the same as yesterday. I examined the catton at gin. It has not cooled off any. Pat pulled \$5.72? I think ^{that} was what she made.

5 Wed Sallie & I went to town. I called by to see how the catton was. Still hot. We made some Chaw Chew. and cleaned up the catton dump rows. Pat made \$6.75 to day.

6 Thurs The wind came out of the West early and by noon the sand was covering things up. Lots of catton is ruined. Not much catton pulled to day. Cold to nite.

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Friday November 7 1947

- Fri 7 I loaded up a load of the pulled cotton and took it to Co-Op gin. They could not gin it, so I left it. They said it would be ginned off about 10:00 p.m. to nite.
- Sat 8 I was up early went down to gin to get my trailer Bag was I knocked down when the office man told me I only had a bale wt. of 585 lbs. 5/10 = 585. The gross wt was 1770 lbs. We all went to town in p.m. Cald to nite.
- Sun 9 Cald early, we all went to church. Stayed home this afternoon. Bud & son and two young ones called for a while. This p.m. Real cold to nite.
- Mon 10 I loaded up the 3 piles of cotton near the house. 20/10 lbs. I took it to the gin but decided I wanted to try to gin it too many green bales. So I brought it back home. Will let it dry out some more. The stall cotton is still hot. But I think it will be 6/2. in a few days. Has been cold all day and still cold to nite. Dingo got in box. He is accused of killing two hens. and eating one half of one. and the head of the other one. I guess I will have to sell him or give him away.
- Tues 11 Just hung around home did not do any thing much. Went to Co-Op gin to see about the cotton I have in stall. We all went to mule shoe.
- Wed 12 About the same as yesterday. Cald to nite.
- Thurs 13 A 1/4 in. rain fell last nite. I was in town to see about the cotton. I saw Mr Raymond. He gave me the 70.00 bal. on the wheel trailer. Mr Cat. received the 70.00 9th. inst.

Friday November 14 1947.

- 1 Fri. 14 I saw the boys about going deer hunting. Coleman Terrell said he just could not go at this time. too much cotton. Bud seems to be undecided. they all have cotton still in the field. I will go and see Frank W. maby he would go. He has no cotton.
- 2 Sat 15 I took Huil Rudd with me when I went to see about the cotton. He said he thought it would be all O.K. It is getting cooler now. We went to Muleshoe this P.M. I saw Frank Wagon. He said he could not get off now to go hunting. Back to Sudan. saw Bud. He said he would be ready when I get ready. We will get started by Tues. early the 18th.
- 3 Sun 16 We went to church. Bud & Ida & Buster were here when we returned from church. Frank and sister Custer called for a pop call. Harold & Nellie came in from Southgate Cafe. just before 11. We will start on our deer hunt in the morning if it is raining. We were surprised when D. & O. came in.
- 4 Mon 17 Well the rain came. So we were off by 10.00 A.M. Ate lunch in Pig Spring. Rained all the way. We ate supper in Sonora. On to ~~Alta Vista~~ ^{where} ~~Alta Vista~~ ^{where} We bought our hunting license \$2.00 per head. On to the Rock Springs and Costa Valley Road. Down the Valley or Canyon to the Ranch gate 28 mi south of Costa Valley Post Office. We arrived Ed headquarters about 1 P.M. We bagged down at his Pasture.

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Tuesday, Wednesday 18 & 19 Mar. 1947.

- Thurs 18 Not much hunting to call and raining
- Wed 19 " " " " Killed No "dear." The
Mexicans killed a fat goat. It cooked
it and we had some good soup eating
Thurs 20 we came home. Rained all the way
to Panacea. Arrived home 10.30 p.m.
- Fri 21 Did not do any thing. I went to see
about my catton. They gave 5 bales
out Wednesday, H.G. & D. left for McHenry.
- Sat 22 cold & sunny all day. We went to Sudan
in p.m.
- Sun 23 we all went to church in Am. We
took Dot to the Bus station this
afternoon. She and Alameda both cried.
She is going to try and get her a job
at Littlefield.
- Mon 24 I went to Sudan early. Back home
Lillie & I went to Muleshoe. She
wanted to shop some. I took a load
of catton to gin. my 7th bale at Sudan.
2505 lbs. 605 seed. Bud & Ida and
Wanda & Buster came by to nite.
They had a new "48" Ford. Sure in a
nice job, call to nite.
- Tue 25 Down town not much doing. Bushed
- Wed 26 we were down town this A.M. I went up
to Muleshoe to get my bale of catton
I had at the Copley Gin Co. 407.
No. 288 H.G. & Lillie came in from
McHenry. Bud & Ida brought the fat hen.
- Thurs 27 Jim & Aralis and Wanda came in after we had
gone to bed. They were all here except Dot.
she could not get off to come. She is at
the Pass, Shakerill, Haegtable.
We had a great feed. H.G. & D. gone to Bader.
Aralis & Jim have gone home.

Little Roberts breed removed

Friday Nov. 28, 1947

Thurs 26 H.G. & Nellie came back at noon. We ate lunch then took off for a ride around up in the Mule-shoe vicinity. we went out to the place where S.B. & D. lived in 1946. Back home. They made ready to go back home. will leave early Sat. Bud, Ida and Wanda. Buster called for a while. Buster is doing O.K. from his throat operation.

Sat 29 They left for Los A. at 7:10 A.M. we went to Littlefield to see apt. She is rooming at Mrs. Walker's an old friendship family friend. Almeda stayed with her mother. We are here to nite alone.

Sun 30 We went to church, Sallie to the C. of G. I to the Baptist. We had to meet the 2 P.M. bus from Littlefield. Almeda came in home on it. We all went to the show. No good. That old cowboy stuff (Drug store can say) is real disgusting. I did not know what was on Cold Touch. Mrs. John Keen was hurt this Am. her house blew up.

Monday December 1, 1947.

Mon 1 I went down to town to see about my cotton. They are behind with the ginning. I do not know where they will be ready to put the two remnants together. We went back to Littlefield to see about the house. I don't think we can do that so buy a house for Dot. She could not attend to Almeda as she should be, and work. Besides I would be broke if I did.

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Friday December 12 1947.

Fri 12 Very cold all day. We went back to Littlefield to the house sale. One house sold (a public auction sale) for \$2187.00. One for \$2280. I think. However I looked at two or 3 other places that Real estate agent showed me. One has to be moved for \$6000.00 another one for \$4500.00. I think I will buy one or the other. Mr Walker is very helpful in showing me the places. Cold all day and cold now. 9.38 P.M.

Sat 13 We left about 10 + A.M. for Littlefield to see the "Santy" come in from his N.P. or where ever his home. We were there on time. But Almida, Brenda Bille missed him in the parade. I looked at another house. Back home.

Sun 14 We went to church. Back home ate lunch back to town just to see the people go by. Bud and family came, and for a pay call. Cold tonight. Bud wanted my 2 wheel trailer.

Mon 15 Plenty of thick ice this morning. I went to Littlefield. I saw the people that I was talking too. Mrs Lidrow Real estate agent. We could for trading. They did not see the man. Bud brought the trailer home tonight.

Tues 16 I did look for Walker or the Mrs Lidrow of L. field. But they did not come up. I think I am about backed out of buying any thing in Littlefield. I do not want to spend all the money I have and then have to borrow some. I have about 6 or 7 bales of

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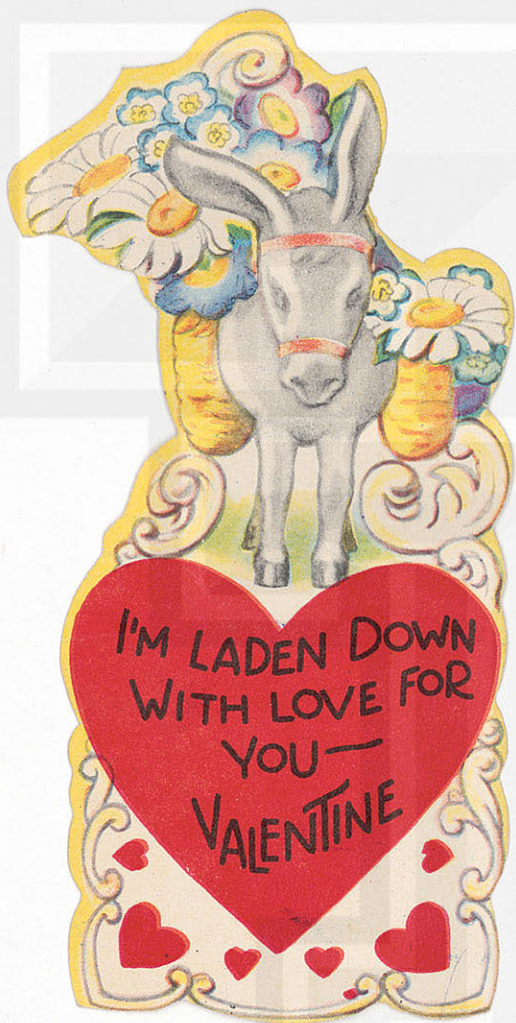
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To Mamma
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from
Almeda

Lt. Billy R. DeLoach, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. DeLoach of Sudan, was killed in action Aug. 9, in the China, Burma, India theater, the War department informed his parents recently. After receiving



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cadet training in Texas and Oklahoma, Lt. DeLoach received his wings and commission Feb. 8, 1944, at Altus, Okla. While stationed at the Big Springs Army Air field he was among 11 pilots chosen to fly cargo missions across the

"Hump." Other survivors are his wife, Mrs. Norma Jean DeLoach, and son, Billy, jr., both of Sudan; two brothers, R. E. of Sudan, and H. G. of Los Angeles, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Blackman of Sudan, and Mrs. L. A. Coward of Ralls. Prior to entering the service in 1942, Lt. DeLoach was employed by the Texas Printing company, Lubbock.

Wednesday Dec. 17 1947.

- Wed 17 The six bales of cotton 5 gined at Co Op gin Sudan (1) one gined at Copley gin of Muleshoe. We (Sallie & Pat) went up to the auction sale at the Wanzia sale barn. This afternoon. Cexterated the bull calf. Bud helped me.
- Thurs 18 Just a set around and to town was the dogs work. I saw Bud in town, told him to come up tomorrow and help me kill a hog.
- Fri 19 Bud came up not too early. We went to town for my barrel, I loaned to the Lacher plant. I wanted it to seal the hog in. It was not much of a hog. No less much meat so 2 gal. But it will be fine eating.
- Sat 20 I cut the meat up and fixed the land and sausage. We all went to town this p.m. a little bit cold tonight Brenda Biles is spending the night with Almada here to clean after when both are together.
- Sun 21 Real cold early. We went to church. Back home ate lunch. Mary Porter came over for Pat & Almada to go to Muleshoe to the show with her. We Sallie & I stayed home all the afternoon.
- Mon 22 We were up early and off to Littlefield and Lubbock. We stayed in Sudan for a while. Mrs Biles & Brenda went with me to Lubbock. I went by for a settlement with the "Farm Security & S. people." I payed off my \$300.00 loan. I only owe \$82.00 now. My payment to day was \$172.00. Receipt signed by John Barber the man in charge. China \$37.50 King & Lubbock.

Tuesday Dec. 23. 1947.

Tues 23 Nothing doing only just sit around and go to town. Real cold early, too be shot for this time of the year in the middle of the day.

Wed 24 I was down town in the forenoon. I had to mail some more Christmas Cards. We all went to Sudan this p.m. Quit a crowd in town. The money drawing was pulled this p.m. instead of the 4th Saturday which would be the 27th. We did not draw any part of the \$100.00. We had an invite out to eat Christmas dinner with the Robert Overalls. But did not accept. They had a family get together.

Thurs 25 Just another day. I was down town early for my paper. Just had to pick one up at the Allen Drug. also one at Wisconsin Drug. No one to take the pay. We had a good old fashioned dinner here at home. Back bones cooked to a turn. Beats any body's turkey for good eating.

Fri 26 Well another Xmas day has come and gone. Soon we will start on another New Year. and that also will pass away fast. I was down town for a while to-day in forenoon. I did some work here at home this P.M.

Sat. 27 Some work about place in forenoon. Unraveled some fence and pulled the post. Mr Robert Rensson came out for fix + ties. Borrowed my trailer to take them home. We were all in Sudan this p.m.

Sunday Dec. 28 1949.

Sun 28 We were up early, on our way to Ralls to spend day with daughter Jimmie (Polis) and family. They were at Church. She (Jim) came home. We all went up on the Blanco canyon for a look. We came on home by La Grange. Arrived home just at sun set. The people that Pat was going to work for did not want her any more. So I guess they did not want her to work as she was going to take Almeda with her.

Mon 29 A cold west wind and some sand was blowing in forenoon. But calmed down later. I was down town for my cotton warehouse tickets. Had letter from the Casley Gin people at mule shoe that they had one of my duck warehouse tickets at their office. I went for it this P.M.

Tues 30 I decided I would go to the farm sale over on the 'Draw' N.E. of Ankeret. I did not buy anything that amounted to much. \$1.65 was all I stayed in at the St. Albert Land Co. Office paid off my No. 11 land note which was \$153.25. That leaves No. 12 No. 13 No. 14 and No. 15. Has turned cold and blizzard since 7.00 P.M. Now 10.15 P.M.

Wed 31 New Year eve came in windy and snowing, cold. I had to take Almeda to school. Sun was bad & dangerous. The roads are all covered with ice. Has been bad all day. I was afraid to go to town for my paper this P.M. She came out cold, heavy, born in the shed all day. The last of 1947 will come to an end now. 2 hrs 40 m. Snowing hard Now 9.20 P.M.

January (Thu.) 1 1948

Thurs 1 The snow had the ground covered when we got up. Real cold all day. The gas stove were with out gas. I had to get up and go to the meter to see if I could thaw it out. One time the gas was off also the electric lites were off. and the water pipes were frozen. Such things can happen when in just above 0 zero weather. I was down town this P.M. Bro. Tom from Spanton came in on bus. He looks better than he did when I was to see him in April.

Fri 2 I took Tom to Muleshoe. We went home with my Bro. in Law Frank Wagon. I took Bus Card over to Bear Stamp for Bull service. Paid Stamp \$5.00. Most of the snow has melted off. But still cold at night. The Lady Mr. Printers Graham of Littlefield came to see Dat about buying hammer for her. She and Almeda will go to Littlefield Sunday. Dat & Almeda checked in her school books today. I really hated to see her pulled out of the Sudan school. She is doing so good here.

Sat 3 we all went to Muleshoe this P.M. Tom came back home with us. We had to go on to Sudan to take Mr. Rozes butter to him and to get the groceries that so call to write.

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Sunday Jan. 4. 1948

Sun 4 We all made ready. Went down to Bud & Ida. Pat & Almeda did not go they had to stay for Mrs Graham was to come for them at 4:00 P.M.

Pat & Almeda She did not get her till near 5:00 P.M. They loaded up and were off. All we can say is we hope they will be satisfied and that Almeda will do as well in that school as she was doing in the Sudan school. Tom is a little down & sent a bag of. He has a very bad heart to think.

Mon 5 We took Tom to bus station at Sudan. He had a bad night. He will stop in Sweetwater overnite at sister Saver. Sallie & I went to a sale at a Mr Tom Gayner east of Sudan. N.E. of Amherst. We did not buy anything. Had a very pleasant day.

I will get 50 rail road ties

Tues 6 I had to go to town early. I sent my Star Telegram Subscription of yesterday (1-5-48.)

Dinner & I hauled out 38 of the ties.

Wed 7 Boy we get lonesome to see Pat & Almeda. They left Sun. We do not have any papers to read tonite. We finished the cross tie hauling this forenoon. 60 in all. I aim to build a smoke house with the + ties. I did. Morris & I went 7:10.

Thurs 8 Nothing doing only a meal. Was down in Sudan this P.M.

Fri 9 I worked here at home for a while in the Am. Soak Sallie over to Porters. Mary gave her a hair do. Was down town in P.M. all

Saturday Jan. 10 1948.

Sat 10 We cleaned up, and went to Littlefield to see how Pat & Almeda were getting along. We found them all OK. They have a nice place and all will be fine if they were try. I think that the brother of Mrs. Fulcher died. We did not hear for certain, but I think he passed away.

Sun 11 We went to church. Sure enough Mr. Fulcher passed away Friday 11 P.M. We went to funeral at the church of Christ. at 3.00 p.m. On our way to see Mrs. Marrow at Co. of Hospital. On back home things are lonesome here. Even Basso is lonesome too. I wish Pat had not pulled Almeda out of this school.

Mon 12 We fixed up a luncheon and went to the farm sale at the home of Buck Cox near the old Curry Combs ranch headquarter. We did not buy anything we wanted have bought a few of the henny, only they sold too high to be worth while. \$1.40 each. On back home.

Sun 13 I was down to Sudan early. Back home at lunch, went up to see how Frank and (Sister) Curtis were. They seemed to be all OK. Leebern call all day. About 28. I think

Wed 14 To day 45 years since, on the same day of the week Lillie & I were married. That seems a long time. But it is not. We have always gotten along OK. She does not look now as she did then. I have a picture of her before me. In the rear of Bruce's picture made Sept. 1901 Morganville.

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Con. from Page 150

- Wed. 14 The Rudd boys came over for my trailer to take 2 cows to Muleshoe. We loaded the calf of mine and took him also. The calf brought 233.00 cts for lb. He weighed 230 lbs. so they said well I can not judge weight of cattle. \$53.26 was the check. Bud & Ida came by and we all went to Muleshoe ~~at~~ a chilla dinner at cafe.
- Thurs 15 We decided on going to Littlefield today. I had to go to A.A. office Am. Int. I had to sign conservation application for check. called on to Littlefield for some cotton seed meal which was \$5.40. Gas to feed (But No). On up to Tax collector office that was \$21.40. On back home. Eat, read and go to bed. cold
- Fri 16 We stayed home all day. Only I went to town to sell my cotton. I did not sell. I put it in the Government loan. But the girl (Miss Jones) did not get the paper made out. Has been cold all day. cold
- Sat 17 We stayed by star all for noon. Has been cold all day. We went down town this afternoon. I sent the cotton warehouse weight tickets of the Quanaah Company to them for their signatures. Clayton of the Sudan Cotton warehouse signed the two weight tickets. ^{in Sudan warehouse at Sudan.} getting colder.
- Sun 18 We went to church me to the Baptist. Sallie to the Church of Christ. Mrs. M. W. Page, Bud, Ida and Robert & wife were Sunday dinner guests. Robert Henderson and wife were afternoon callers. Has been cold all day and in cold snow. 8:45 P.M.

Monday Jan. 19 1948.

Mon 19 Bay's snow was cold this early AM. Snow covered the ground. Not much water in the snow. I was down to Sudan in broom. I could not get in back. Robert & Lee's birth day. I payed my school tax \$17.68. I went to Mule shoe to the Bailey County Electric Co-Op meeting. While in Mule shoe, I payed my Oil & gas bill down to \$18.09 and check for \$25.00.

Tues 20 I was down town early. I settled up on the two ^{vs} loan bales of cotton. The loan value on the two was \$194.08. I also paid Lumber Blackcock \$4.95. I paid him. Sallie & I went to Amherst Co-Op. Harpatal to pay my dues \$52.00. While in Amherst I payed my cotton Insurance which was due 1-1-48. Int. and prem. was \$1.98 Int. \$0.44 total \$53.02. We went on to Littlefield to see Dot & Almeda. They report that they are getting on O.K. Happy so.

Wed 21 Well I did go to work on the smoke house. We carried all the canned goods out of the all cellar and put it in house. We just cleared all things we wanted, out. Things we did not want we left in the cellar. I covered them up when I let the top fall in.

Thurs 22 I had worked while, when Sallie heard on radio that the primary grades in Littlefield were closing, on account of the mumps child disease.

Car from page 152
 Thursday Jan 22 1948

Thurs 22 So we went down to see what about it.
 We found the radio report was true,
 we picked Almeda up and brought her
 home. we took her by the Co-Op. sayfield
 and had the Dr. give her a flier shot,
 also a throat searum. Her arm is sore.
 We all went to the Legion for a
 Sudan hi. school. It was a fun for all,
 and all for fun. \$1.20 each, children
 24 ct. It was really worth it snowing

Fri 23 A big little snow fell during nite.
 and cold. I worked some on the S. H.
 But was too cold to do much.

Sat 24 Has been cold and snow flurries all day.
 So cold to do any thing outside. We
 went to Sudan this p.m. But we did not
 draw any of the \$1000. that was given
 away. did not expect any of it. Not our luck.
 Mrs. Graham the lady that Dat keeps
 house for in Littlefield came up and
 brought Dat home for the weekend. cold.

Sun 25 We did not go to church. Too much
 static. Bud & Jalma came up this p.m.
 I took Dat & Almeda to bus station.
 They went back to Littlefield. Has
 been a very cold day. I had to add
 some water to my "fritone" it was low.

Mon 26 Day! Things have been froze up all day.
 But the water pipes have not frozen up
 so far. We have stayed by fire all day.
 Dennis Rudd came over for some water.
 There will freeze up. I had to get the cow
 in the Chiskey house. The blowing
 snow was too bad in her stall.
 She is snug in the hen house.

Tuesday Jan. 27. 1948.

Tues 27 The calf is sure bad yet. The water pipe or some of these pop up. I think it is the overhead tank pipe. Hope it is not the pipe under the house. But anyway it is too cold for me to hunt the problem place.

Wed 28 The same. No change in the weather. So call to get out, only to milk the cow & feed the pig.

we have had to cut out some of the snow. store I have shortage of gas.

Hardware we did not need a stove in bath room. No water.

any way the schools at Anton, Liberty, Littlefield, Sudan and Mulcahy have been closed. All stores in Littlefield and Sudan have been closed a shortage of gas.

Thurs 29 about the same weather conditions as the last several days. Hardware the stores and other business have opened. some schools have open.

Fri 30 I started in to open up my water pipe. I located the pipe up as I expected it was under the overhead tank. I had it fixed and all fixed up by nite. Most of the snow has melted off. Not much water in the snow.

Sat 31 we went to Littlefield this p.m. we did our shopping in Littlefield. We did not see Dot and Almeda. Gracie & Jimmie and children called in about 10 P.M. to nite. Real cold & rain to nite.

February 1 1978 (Sunday)

Sun 1 Well I am another year older.
A birthday. Aralia & I went to Little-
field for Pat & Alameda. But she seemed
that she can't keep from drinking the
cold water. We had a real pep
for the event. But, Ida and Buster,
also called for the afternoon.
Pat & Alameda went back to Littlefield
with Aralia & Jim. Not so cold to ride.
This deck set was given me by Jimmie.
It is a real nice gift. M.H. sent
two pr. of wool socks. The nice ones.

Mon 2 The day came in cloudy & bluetry.
But no rain. I shaved and started to
town. But Frank & Curtie drove up just
as I started. They came down to bring
the blanket that I'd sent me. Also a
nice tie. thornierater I don't think that
is the way to spell it. But that
is what it is. I worked on the smoke
house for a while.

Tues 3 I went over to Orville Otwell to see
the figs. He wanted \$30.00 for the two.
So I did not take them. On to town.
The Co-Op gin people have sent 4
bales of my cotton. But it is the
head ache. I worked on the smoke
house all this p.m. cloudy & windy.

Wed 4 I started in to finish the smoke house.
Denver came over just before noon
and we finished the two sides and the
top. I sleep like the two ends. Looks
rainy to ride. Has rained a little
showers before night. Call waves are
moving in, is the weather report.

Thursday Feb. 5, 1948.

Thur 5 I think rain fell all night. Maybe 1 inch. I think we have a fine plowing season in the ground now. And a promise of the weather man that there will be "some rain to follow." I paid a Bank note of \$52.00 to day. I earn a little note of \$24.50. I received my land note No 11 from the Haxell land people marked "Paid." Four more land notes of \$1788 each or \$471.52. It has rained some at different times all day.

Fri 6 This is the first green sick I have used in several years. 22 or 23 years I think. I have the Snake house almost finished except the stucco. Only to set about 7 or 8 more ties. I have worked all day by my self. Denver did not come back to day. Had to make it O.K. Has been cold to day. Was freezing most of day. I think we have a fine season in the ground. Mr Henry Gilbert and Mr Gilbert Master called to visit. They are taken church census.

Sat 7 I started work on the Snake house early. Denver came over and helped me till noon. We did not get through. We went to Jordan this p.m. Only place I went was the P.O. and coffee shop. Stayed in car. A North east wind hit freezing about 3 p.m. and rained. 9:55 p.m. is sure cold. I will stay up for the news The 10 p.m. News

Jan 8

Nov 9

Jan 10

Cold

Wed 11

Cold

Thurs 12

9:30 Am.

3:00 P.m.

Fri. 13

Sunday Feb. 8, 1948

- Sun 8 Snow has been falling since 8:00 Am.
 Now 11:15 Am. The snow covered the
 ground, but not much water in it.
- Mon 9 I did a little work on the S.H. but did
 not finish it. I went to town for $1\frac{3}{4} \times 20$ feet.
- Tues 10 I finished the S.H. all ready now for the
 trucks. Only I will have to put the wire on.
 The blizzard hit here about 10:00 P.M. and
 it hit freezing. We had radio warning
 that the cold spell would move in
 early to night.
- Wed 11 We have done nothing but stay by the
 stove and try to keep the water pipes
 from freezing up. up to this time they have
 not frozen up. Now 8:50 P.M. This has been
 a bitter day. This is the 16th day of cold.
- Thurs 12 The water pipes were frozen this morning
 when we got up. A bitter night. I am
 afraid my car is frozen up also. I am not
 sure of this P.M. that the car did not freeze up.
 I went down town for my paper. Dot & Alameda
 came in from Littlefield. They will not go
 back to Littlefield till Sunday. The schools
 and commercial work were all closed on
 account of low gas pressure.
- Fri. 13 Well the weather was some better, and not
 so cold. I have been working on the S.H.
 some to day. We have no water in the
 house. Water line is still frozen up.
 I went to town this P.M. for Sallies wool
 rug. Brinda Dills came home with Alameda
 they have one big time. But they are only
 kids once. Not so cold to night.

Saturday February 14 1948.

Sat 14 I worked a fore noon caulking the cracks in the snake house getting it ready for the stusko job. We went to Sudan this p.m. Dat and Alameda intended to go back to Littlefield but they missed the bus. Sallie & I took a chance each on the car that the American Legion pays are giving away. That is for \$1.00 each ticket. We wanted never to be lucky enough to win any way. Just to help the boys. Not near so cold to night. But our water line some where between the over head tank is still froze up.

Sun 15 we all went to church. On back home for lunch. The little Otwell girl came home with Alameda, Orvale Otwell and wife and little son called for a very pleasant call. This afternoon, we took Dat & Alameda to bus station. They went back to Littlefield a very pleasant day. Maybe so the water pipe will thaw out.

Mon 16 I started in early to work on the S.H. and back yard. But came up for my trailer I told him to sell his hog get another shate to feed out. And I would do the same.

Tues 17 But & Alameda came up. We took the two hogs to McCleskey. Sold for 22.00 But 32.50. My land 2.85 we bought 2 shates 90 to 100 lbs. for \$5.00 each

Wednesday February 18 1948

Wed 18 I worked all day on S.H. I have have it ready for the stucco. But I am tired to write. The cold weather is over for a while at any rate. A hi of 80. to day. I want to get started plowing soon.

Thurs 19 I was on the go all day. I went over to see Mr Porter. he is sick. I borrowed his ford differ (a dirt mow) to fill the hole where the collar was.

Fri 20 I worked on the wiring job till noon then I filled in some on my drive way. We milked the cows early. Went to Mulleson, on up to sister Gustine & Frank's. They were not down sick but a little out of "kilter". We went to stay over night.

Sat 21 We got back home about 10.00 Am. milked the cows. ate a lunch went to town. Cold all day. We did not stay in town long. Just at nite Mr John Moore came out with Dat & Almida. I do not see any use of them coming home every Saturday nite.

Sun 22 We all went to church. On down to Beds & Ida's. Had dinner then we had to get Dat & Almida back to Sudan by 5.00 p.m. On our home. I saw Kermit Workman about hauling in some sand to do my stucco work with. I am to let him to morrow.

Mon 23 I went to town early. Saflie went with me as far as Porter. She stayed till I came back. I talk Workman to bring me two (2) yards of sand. That will be \$8.00.

Tuesday February 24 - '48.

Tues 24 I worked some on the S. h. but it has been too cold for any kind of work out doors. Has been cold all day, cloudy & misty.

Wed 25 Has been bad all day. Ice all over every thing I went to town this P.M. for a while. I came back, put the door on the S. h. It is a real door. Not so cold to nite.

Thurs 26 I could not do much cold cold & windy.

Fri 27 Bud & Eda came up to do the stucco but was too windy. We all went to Cloris. We were there till about 4 p.m. I went down to Sudax, to see if Workman was going to pay for that sand to me. But I could not find him.

I heard he had gone to Canyon to a Ball game. Basket ball I guess.

Sat 28 I hauled out 2 batches of sand about yard and 1/2. Well by wt. 4400 lbs. I went to Porters for his motor box. We went to town I wanted to bring out the 8 sacks of cement. But the yard was closed when I went for it. Sallie did not get any of the \$100.00.

Sun 29 We went to church. Sallie & I came home ate a snack then went to Muleshoe to the show. I really did enjoy it. A good show. Rainy looking to nite.

Monday March 1 1948

Mon 1 I made a run down town to get my cement. But came soon after I arrived home, we went to doing the stucco job. We finished by 3:30 or 4:00 P.M. But I feel bad about the weather. The cold was more in a tabant 5:00 P.M. and it rained 7:00 P.M. 22 above. I put a heavy canvas (Tarp) to all old timers) on all north & east sides. Maybe so the stucco won't freeze. If it "fogs" it will be mine.

Tue 2 I found that the tarp saved the day. None of the stucco froze. I went to work and found the floor in the smoke house, and I am well pleased with the job. But came up and helped me to finish the floor. Then we went to Mukles to see if we could find some figs or shotes. We did not. Not so cold to write.

Wed 3 The cold spell is really more in the town an all sleeping. The rain froze on every thing. It was not rain, but a heavy mist. I did not do any thing. Went down to Sudan for my paper. A cold note.

Thurs 4 This has been a real cold day, and is cold to write. Every thing is all covered in sleet & snow. I have just set around the stove. We did not get any paper, and I did not feel like going to town for the paper. The Hi way is covered with ice.

Fri 5 Things have warmed up some. Lat & Al-meda came in on the late bus. They will go back on Sun. P.M. I am afraid the water lines will freeze to write.

Saturday Mich. 6 - 1948.

Sat 6 Sure enough the pipes some place
did freeze up last nite. We all went
to the funeral of an old friend.
Mr Rone. He was the carpenter that
built my home in 1928 on the old
place south of Sudan. He passed
away Friday at 12:10 A.M. A fine
old man has passed on. Sallie did
not leave for Okla this early Am.
She will go tomorrow if nothing
happens. Debra was under the arched tank.

Sun 7 I took Sallie, Pat and Almeda to
bus station. Sallie left for
Okla. Pat & Almeda for Littlefield.
I went to church. Out home on to
Mulehorn. I ate a late lunch at
Mr Bawris. I did not go to the show.
I am here alone now 9:50 P.M.

Not so cold to nite. My dog, Bucko is gone.
Mon 8 I went to town early. ate breakfast, back
home. I worked on the door fastening. I had
to churn. I ate lunch at Jerns. But
cooked supper at home. It really is
lonesome. The dog was gone where
I came in from Mulehorn yesterday.
But I thought he was out at Budd.
But he has not come in yet.

I want have any more dogs if he
does not come in. I sold Almeda's
rabbit to Wagnman Gordon for \$2.00
Tues 9 I went to town for breakfast. Worked cleaning
up and getting my list ready. I plowed
the Sudan patch. My dog came in
just before nite. Boy the cold wave
has moved in. Now 10 P.M. 10° above.