

## UC Davis Special Collections

### D-022 5:4: Transcription of George Pierce Jr. Diary, 1912

*This transcription from the original diary contains language contemporaneous of the time and is being presented as part of a historical record. Please note that the transcription has not been reviewed for final editing.*

#### Preliminary notes by transcriber:

Note: Some ranch accounts for 1912 are in the 1911 diary. They may be found at the end of the diary at "Cash Account" [pp. 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12], and "Bills Payable" [p. 3].

The "Memoranda" section at the end of the volume has notes on weather during the year and on building of a new residence. These notes extend into the first page of the "Cash Account" section at the end of the volume.

A few ranch accounting figures (wheat) and business notes (lot and stocks) appear in "Bills Payable" section at the end of the diary and on the verso of the last blank leaf.

Tucked between the pages of this volume are: (1) A letter of 8/9/12 to Geo. Pierce from B. F. Walton, President of California Almond Growers Exchange, (2) A note of Aug. 5, 1912 to Pierce from C. W. Bush, President, about a special meeting of the Stockholders of the Bank of Yolo, in Woodland, (3) A copy of the Monthly Bulletin of the California Development Board reporting on the months of June and July of 1912.

#### State Farm

Pierce wrote article for "Enterprise" on State Farm on 17 March. Had a State Farm student on ranch with others on a visit. On March 25th Pierce visited the Farm to get some data.

Reference to visit of "State Farm boy" to Glide pump. On 5 April Pierce writes he worked on State Farm article for *Davis Enterprise* and completed it. On 11 May attended Picnic Day (State Farm Picnic). Dr. Wheeler, Prof. Wickson, and Judge Hawkins spoke. On 12 October Pierce heard two lectures by Dean Hunt at the State

farm, one on fertilizers, another on data Hunt acquired on a European trip. There was another lecture by Dr - [name not given].

On May 1st Pierce party heard speech by Robt. LaFollette at Dixon picnic.

#### Silica Brick Company

For several years the Pierce diary has had entries about Pierce's connection with the company in Sacramento, of which he was an officer and major stockholder. On May 2nd Pierce reports what is pretty much the end of the company, with the property to the Sacramento Clay Products Co. A trial involving Silica Brick Co. is mentioned on 25th September forward.

#### New Ranch House Planned

On 12 July Pierces heard bids for building their new house, both in the \$12,000 area. They rejected them, because the plan they had ordered was a \$6,000 plan. More arrangements concerning new house in August. Made payment agreement with C. R. Rose, contractor from Dixon on 28 August. Further discussion of process of building the ranch house follows in subsequent months.

#### Glen Alpine

The Pierce connection continues with Glen Alpine. Dixwell went there on 5 August, returning on August 30th.

#### Theodore Roosevelt William Jennings Bryan

Pierce saw Roosevelt speak from rear of train in Sacramento on 14 September. Sue and Pierce heard William Jennings Bryan speak in Sacramento on 25 September. Pierce notes a report on October 14th that Roosevelt was said to have been shot in Milwaukee that evening.

## Bull Moose Party

Apparently Pierce was a Bull Moose Roosevelt man. He was chairman of a Bull Moose rally in Sacramento on 4 November.

On the Titlepage of the 1912 Diary is the following note:

Send to

Miller Publishing Company

603 Oscar Luning Building

45 Kearny St.

San Francisco Cal

on first of each month beginning November 1912, \$7.00 for "The Library of Universal History and Popular Science."

And [?] Lot 4, in Block 16 - Mowry's Addition to Newark, Alameda Co - recorded as Martin's addition to Newark -

Lot is  $33 \frac{1}{3}$  x 100 ft -

No taxes or extra assessment of any kind for two years -

Mon 1 Jan 1912

Worked about place in a.m.

At 12.30 started for Woodland taking Dixwell back to High School and Gardner to a dinner at Mrs. Guthrie's

Had Dr. Lawhead apply electricity to my hand.

Gardner and I returned via Davis.

Tues 2 Jan 1912

Gardner took Sue and me to 9.15 train en route to San Francisco

Stopped at the Stewart 331.

Attended the "Mascot" banquet given at Palace Hotel by Mr. McCauley -

There were about 500 guests and the appointments were both artistic and expensive. The daily papers estimate the cost of the banquet at \$30.00 per plate.

Wed 3 Jan 1912

Sue and I did a little shopping

Called on W. L. Porter

Sue and I went to the Matinee at the "Court" theater. Heard Forbes Robertson or rather tried to. We could neither see nor hear the actors.

Left on 5 p.m. train for home -

Wired Gardner from Benicia and he met us at depot -

Thurs 4 Jan 1912

Put 3 bucks into windmill lot and some sheep into vineyard on hill.

Put fence around hay stack at knoll.

" " " Hay stack " "

Oliver finished burning brush in orchard and cleaned up in slough in front of house.

Mr. [?] - came looking for teams to plow the 180 acre tract of McDivitt [?]

Went to Davis in p.m. - got new spring put into auto and had new gas tank put on.

Paid Kimball and Upson, G W Apperson Sutter Club, Davis Garage Dr. Black

Got things for Gardner's party

It was very cold all day - very heavy white frost this a.m.

Fri 5 Jan 1912

Gardner took me to 7.25 train en route to Sacramento -

G. got shipment of dishes for Mrs. F. Doll, on Frank's order, paying \$2.85 freight.

Had Sue's diamond ring repaired -

Bought of Albert Elkus, at his sale, one dark suit for \$19.50 one overcoat, large gray, for \$19.50 and one brown suit for 14.50

Saw Dargitz relative to Silica Brick.

Got two cakes & 2 doz pattie shells at American Cash store -

also place & playing cards at Purvell's [?] and candy at Ryan's -

Out at 3.30. Met Gardner, Dix Henrietta Thomas and Miss Tag at Davis

Gardner had party this evening - "500" was the game - there were four tables - everything nice -

Gardner took Henrietta, Esther Miss Tag and Ethel Freiberg home and staid at Thomas

Sat 6 Jan 1912

Gardner came home at 9.30

Started Oliver to putting saltpeter and coal oil in stumps of almond trees.

John Hertzog and Phil Bruton staid over last night and went home this afternoon.

Went to Davis and met Dr. Grant -

- we canvassed the Silica Brick Co business without success -

Sun 7 Jan 1912

Rain a little without wind this a.m.

Frank came for half cord of wood with one horse wagon.

Gardner and I took Dix to 6.35 train. The car did not run well at all.

The weather continued foggy all day -

Mon 8 Jan 1912

Foggy - Out of water for stock - had to move motor into packing house for  
woodsawing job -

Frank killed one Merino buck for chickens - then pruned little vineyards.

Went to Woodland in p.m.

- attended annual meeting of stockholders of Bank of Yolo -

Gardner and Oliver pruned Himalaya berry vines -

Fog was almost a rain at times - Roads are very slippery - Gravel is being spread on county road -

Tues 9 Jan 1912

Boys pruning knoll vineyard -

Sue and I went to Sacramento

Called on Highway Commission relative to State Highway on West Side -

Tried on suit at Elkus'

Attended Silica Brick meeting - in new rooms 324 -

Sue selected new dress - at Nonpareil -

Out at 6.05

Gardner went to Woodland to visit old schoolmates -

Wed 10 Jan 1912

Boys pruning knoll vineyard

- finished -

Frank quit at noon & drew \$15.00 to go to Winters to join some lodge -

Took Sue to Mrs. Wilburs Ladies' Card party -

It rained about 45 minutes quite lively -

Thurs 11 Jan 1912

Had boys haul gravel in a.m. - in front of garage abo[u]t mens house, along walks and at troughs -

In p.m. Oliver burned brush in knoll vineyard and Frank began cutting off I. X. 1. almond trees for budding -

Went to town and got Gardner who returned from Woodland visit -

Oliver Parkes, Fancher Creek foreman came and paid \$78.69 for almonds -

Glide's men are stringing wire for local telephone between their two ranches -

Fri 12 Jan 1912

Frank is sick and did not come over today -

Boys worked on Himalaya vines

Shorty Thomas returned horse collars he had borrowed.

We went to see H. Glide's electric pump -

John Warner came with almond troubles -

Sat 13 Jan 1912

Frank still sick -

Boys pruned berry vines -

Tried to start auto this a.m. and found electric wires out of commission.

- finally went to town late - Saw Palmer, Swift & Forest Plant in re almonds -

Sue, Gardner & I went to "500" meet at Mrs. Fred Smith's -

It was very foggy -

Sun 14 Jan 1912

Foggy

Gardner left on 3.57 train for the University of California

Dixwell left on 4 p.m. motor for High School.

Sue and I went to Robt Shield's for call. Very foggy -

Mon 15 Jan 1912

Foggy in a.m.

Frank back again

Frank, Oliver and I took out bridge across irrigation canal at Fancher Creek Nursery land in a.m.

Frank bucked dirt into new bridge site in p.m.

Sent Oliver to Davis for tank coal oil, Drum of gasoline, 2 sx cement, 35 fence posts and some redwood boards.

Went to town in p.m.

Jack Wainright ran Winters auto - stage off the south end of Culvert near my north east corner, but did not injure it much.

Tues 16 Jan 1912

It rained hard last night probably about 1/2 inch -

Three of us worked all day on bridge at corner of nursery field.

- got it done save putting more dirt at approaches.

It was foggy in a.m.

Sun shown some in p.m.

Wed 17 Jan 1912

Repaired harrows and sharpened 75 teeth - painted harrow frames - in a.m.

Frank started on 3 gang plow in p.m. in 130 acre field -- Plow dry dirt everywhere -

Oliver and Jim pruned Himalaya vines in p.m.

Sue, Soon & I went to town in p.m. - took 11 rolls butter @ 55c and 15 doz eggs @ 30c.

Got rice 50# groceries & meat.

Saw Swift, Palmer and Mrs. Schmeiser relative to almonds and almond meats -

Thurs 18 Jan 1912

Rained a little last night and sprinkled at intervals throughout the day.

Began repairing harness and sharpening harrow teeth

[At the beginning of this line is drawn in a finger pointing to the upper margin at the following information written there: "Frank Gasparo Box 32 J. St. road -"] Frank Gasparo & friend - Two Italians, said to be from Cox place, Ryer Island came to buy horses. Sold them on 4 year old horse, 2 three year old horse colts and one small mare about 5 years old for \$800 -

Frank Gasparo, the buyer paid \$100 down and gave check on Bank of Alex. Brown of Walnut Grove for \$720. The extra \$20.00 being to pay for breeding of the mare in case she should prove with foal - if not with foal to be returned.

Frank & Oliver & I got up the 4 horses and took them to Davis in p.m. taking mules with wagon. Took overcoat to Mrs. Filberts boy. Got Atlas, little lumber and stove pipe.

Gasparo is to ship to Sacramento -

Fri 19 Jan 1912

Boy fixed harness, filed saws etc

Sue and I went to Sacramento on 10.50 motor. Saw Walton, Dargitz, Johnson & Diggs.

Lunched at Sutter Club

saw Alden Anderson, Maj Seymour W. H. Sheridan and [first name not given] Hunt -

Called at Capital and saw State Controller A. B. Nye relative to Corporation tax on Grain Growers Assn.

Had vest altered at Elku's and glasses fixed at Shinn's -

Out at 3.30. Met Dix at Davis -

Mrs. Mary Smith of Sutter came on delayed No. 20 from Oakland for short visit -

Sat 20 Jan 1912

Foggy in a.m.

We took Mrs. Smith for ride to mouth of Putah creek canyon - and down south side of creek -

Took Mrs. Smith to 6.30 p.m. train

Sun 21 Jan 1912

James Salan [?] drew \$10.00

Took Dix to Davis -

Mon 22 Jan 1912

Rained a little last night -

Boys got up teams for plowing

Then cut I. X. L. trees -

Tues 23 Jan 1912

Boys plow in 134 acre field -

Wed 24 Jan 1912

Went to Sacramento on 7.25 train to attend meeting of Yolo Supervisors before State Highway Commission at 11 a.m. and Silica Brick at 1.30

Out at 6.05

Sue went to Sacramento -

A bay mare colt got hind foot over halter rope and severly (sic) injured itself -

Thurs 25 Jan 1912

Not feeling well today

In p.m went to town for groceries and wood choppers

It rained in p.m. at intervals and boys quite and cleaned stables -

Fri 26 Jan 1912

Sprinkled at little at intervals. Hard thunder storm 7 a.m.

Frank worked in shop in forenoon and in p.,m both pruned I. X. L. trees

Went to town for Dix at 4 p.m. train.

Sat 27 Jan 1912

Boys I. X. L. trees.

Woodchoppers started trimming I. X. L

Had 6 Japs from nursery in p.m.

Left Davis on 10.50 train for Willows to attend booster meeting for State Highway. The Supervisors went also to attend Panama-Pacific 4 counties meeting -

Was met by Dan Shillon [?]. Harry Polsley Mr McCahill Ast genl. Manager S. V. I. & others.

Held meeting at Court House - Resolutions eminently satisfactory to the Sacramento-Yolo Basin road were adopted -

A smoker was given at the Glenn Club -

Staid at Crawford House Room 29.

Sue, Mrs. Read, Mrs. Miner & Mrs. Gordon got Lewis Lillard for chauffer, took my car and went to Mrs. Wilbur's to 500 club -

Sun 28 Jan 1912 [At top of page is written: " - Capt. D. I. McCahill -"

Left Willows about 8.30 in Pope-Hartford car with W. H. Gregory, Hayes Gable, Smith Scott Ed Palm, Gus Guttman, Geo W Pierce as guest of Capt D. I. McCahill asst gen'l supt of S. V. I. Co. for trip through the district.

Went to Sac. river at Jacinto

thence north to intake of Central Canal, a pumping station where are 3 large semi turbine pumps, operated by electricity for pumping water 8 feet from river into canal - Returned to Hamilton for lunch. Retraced steps to Jacinto

thence down river calling at old John Boggs place, Mr Yerke's near Princeton, also at "Thousand Acres"

thence westward to Maxwell. Inspected new building and took 4.10 motor for Davis - Arrived home about 8 p.m.

Dix rode wheel to Davis -

Mon 29 Jan 1912

Very foggy -

Boys started plows again this a.m. nearly finished north land - laid out another after dinner -

Tried to get Japs of Parkes, phoned for some at both Davis and Winters. - got none -

Went to Davis in p.m. took 15 doz eggs @ 25c - got 2 horse collars, 21 inch, lantern globes etc.

Tues 30 Jan 1912

Went to see I. H. C. gasoline tractor at Chick Hamilton's and to Winters looking for Japs in forenoon -

Hand hand treated by Xray by Dr. Lawhead -

Wed 31 Jan 1912

Took stroll over fields -

Frank drew wages to Feb 1st -

Shorty Thomas came to borrow seed sower -

Sue and I went to town for mail and groceries at night

- took 7 roll butter @ 50c - got sugar meat, coffee etc.

Moved harrows into plowed field -

Killed the little colt that was hurt a week ago - its case was hopeless -

Thurs 1 Feb 1912

Took 5 bales hay to sheep -

Worked on harrow equipment in a.m.

In p.m. took Sue to Mrs. Frank Chile's to shower party given to Lottie Petri [?] -

Settled with Plant, Davis Lumber Co and Garage.

Fri 2 Feb 1912

Moved hams and shoulders into smoke house -

Miss Simpson phoned that Dix has a bad cold - had him come down on Oregon train  
- Went to town to meet Dix and hired a Dutchman.

Set Dutchman at hauling wood from east orchard.

Went to Woodland, witnessed blasting powder demonstrations on Blowers place.

Paid 2d installment taxes \$588.54

Registered at County Clerk's office.

Exchanged curry combs at Gunstons [?] -

Got box for Sue -

Had Dr. Lawhead treat my eczema -

Got steak and reached home about 6.45

Dix seems better.

Sat 3 Feb 1912

Moved most of sheep from 134 acre field to orchard.

Pruned some I. X. L. trees

Boys finished cutting wood from trees

Went to town in evening for mail -

Sun 4 Feb 1912

Looked after sheep and lambs getting them on creek - having hard time with them -

Pumped water

Frank Doll's sister in Winters died -

John Ruam [?] came to borrow roller

Mon 5 Feb 1912

Ruam got roller.

Woodchopper (Noaki) drove Frank's team -

Went to Sacramento on 10.35 motor. Attended meeting of Sacramento Clay products Co. at 1.30 - a special meeting of Silica Brick Directors and the annual meeting of Silica Brick stockholders. Was re-elected President of Silica Brick Co.

Woodchopper (Miner) began spading among berry vines at noon -

Tues 6 Feb 1912

Worked on ranch at all sorts of things

Put one team at harrowing at noon - the other finished plowing and began harrowing at 4 p.m.

The German finished hauling wood from east orchard and began burning brush about 4 p.m.

Sue and I went to Davis in p.m. for mail and groceries for men -

took 5 butter 50c & 15 doz eggs 25c.

Sent 7.50 to Toledo Services Co for Decarbonizer, 4 Flash Light Spark plugs.

also auto clock and Rubber putty -

Also to Doubleday Page & Co - for "Country Life" and Household Hints -

Wed 7 Feb 1912

Worked about place in a.m.

In p.m. took Sue to Davis to Ladies Whist at Mrs. J. D Read's -

Went to Woodland to see Dr Lawhead - he was sick and Dr. Fairchild treated my hand

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Saw Musgrove relative to town lots -- Farish also spoke to me about them.

Thurs 7 Feb 1912

Frank came back and began sowing in 134 acre field.

Got span of horses from Shorty Thomas -

In p.m. Rev Eccleston & Bro called.

Took Sue to Ladies Aid at Mrs. J. C. Lufts then went to Woodland to see about Woodland lots. Cancelled the lease with Stein. Musgrove & I measured the lots.

Home late - Sue was at the Manse

Fri 8 Feb 1912

Frank & Fritz sowed in a.m.

Frank harrowed in p.m. The spading woodchopper did not work today -

Sue & I went to Sacramento on 7.25 train - Took one dozen roosters & e rolls butter to Cash store -

Attended meeting of Silica Brick Co at 10 a.m. and meeting of Almond Exchange at 11 a.m. Endorsed note at former for \$8,000 and latter for \$3,500

Out at 6.05

Sue got suit at Nonpareil -

Sat 9 Feb 1912

Very foggy in a.m.

Fritz & I tried to sow some this forenoon - pumped water and set saw for woodchoppers -

In p.m. went to Davis and had lower leaf put in rear right hand spring of auto.

Sue & Dix went to Davis and met Henrietta Thomas at 10.30

In evening Sue, Henrietta and I went to the 500 club meet at W. D. Chiles", taking with us Mrs. J. D. Read and son Lewis -

Sun 11 Feb 1912

Overhauled my desk.

Fine day - slight north wind.

Took Dix and Henrietta to Woodland after dinner -

Mon 12 Feb 1912

Fritz & I finished sowing in a.m.

Got motor out and ready for sowing. boys began sowing in p.m.

Went to Davis - Bank not open - Lincolns birthday - got check cashed at R & B's store.

Tues 13 Feb 1912

Sue and I left on 9.15 train for City - Sue went direct to Frankies and I to City -

Attended annual meeting of stockholders of "Western States Life Insurance Co. at 2 p.m. in First Nat. Bank Bldg.

Called at Ocean Shore or rather Shore Line Investment Co - and paid February installment. One of my contracts is fully paid - on one I owe \$10.00 on the other 7.50.

Went to Frankie's on 5.46 Key Route boat -

Gardner came over and spent the evening -

Wed 14 Feb 1912

Left Frankie's about 9.15

Went to City - Bought President suspenders socks, Sweet Pea seed, other flower seed, 2 kinds peas. 2 doz cabbage plants and two garden tools -

Left on 12 M. train for Davis -

Found on arriving home that boys had finished cross harrowing and begun plowing orchard - They were shy plow shares and I went to town and got 8 shares of Hoag. Took in 15 doz eggs and got sk flour, rolled oats & soda.

Thurs 15 Feb 1912

Put new shares on Frank's plow and give it to Oliver - Took ratchet of Oliver's to town and had it repaired.

Cut 3 prune trees for experiment to graft -

Old Dutchman Fritz finished burning brush in p.m. I tried then to show him how to plow vineyard but had to give it up. We then went to canal at west of nursery and began laying out fence and dug one hole.

Frank finished throwing dirt toward trees with orchard plow and began throwing dirt away - rig works well -

Cal Covell came to look after cattle.

Jim set out 2 doz cabbage plants and put out 2 new kind of peas -

Took to Davis 4 rolls butter & 8 doz eggs -

got sk flour.

Let sheet about corrals in afternoon.

Fri 16 Feb 1912

Went to Sacramento on 7.20

Attended meeting of special grievance committee of almond growers Exchange. i.e. Pierce Wranghan [?] & Luppe -

Out at 6.00 p.m.

Met Dix at Davis -

Got Early Rose and American Beauty -

spuds for planting -

Sat 17 Feb 1912

Frank hitched to Bonanza and made first through next to trees

Put sheep into grain on knoll.

Put motor inside and pumped water -

Cut spuds.

Jim plowed spud ground and in p.m. we planted 25# Early Rose & 25# American Beauty between orchard and vineyard -

Went to town toward evening and got 5 sx hydrated lime for dust spraying -

It looks like rain and Dix got sheep back to creek.

Sun 18 Feb 1912

Very foggy in a.m. Fog came in from east about 7 a.m.

Put sheep in grain again -

Took grain seeded off and after fixing small rack on wagon put dust spray rig in wagon.

Oliver got his Pierce motor cycle to running -

Took Dixwell to 6.30 Woodland train -

Mon 19 Feb 1912

A heavy north wind came up about midnight -

Fearful day -

In a.m. took team and material to east fence along nursery

- made flood gate and fixed north end of fence.

In p.m. tinkered and went to town late.

Took case eggs 18c & 4 rolls butter 50c

Left 3 shares for grinding at Luft's.

Got 3 Bonanza shares and sk sulphur.

Deposited Roeding check \$370.35 1st inst rent - also \$140.49 for Davis Almond Assion.

Tues 20 Feb 1912

Dutch Fritz quit this a.m.

Worked on lane fence in a.m.

Went to Woodland in p.m. to see Dr. Lawhead -

Not much wind today -

Found Dan Guile with Ford car hung up near Cassells -

Took him to old Merritt place to telephone

Wed 21 Feb 1912

Fearful north wind again.

Worked on lane fence a little this a.m.

Boys finished plowing in east orchard and moved out to knoll vineyard about 10 a.m.  
Finished plowing vineyard and moved to east field at barn to begin summerfallowing -

Jim is plowing little orchard and vineyard -

Went to Davis at night

took 15 doz eggs - got sk sugar

Shorty brought roller home.

Thurs 22 Feb 1912

Woodchopping gang No. 2 quit. They had cut 67 cords @ 2 1/4 and worked 8 1/2 days at other work -

Took them to Davis -

Went to Sacramento on 10.35 motor - met Willows delegation to State Highway meeting -

Attended meeting of investigating committee of Almond Exchange -

also West Side - Yolo Basin hearing of Highway Commission.

R H Beamer [?] & J. I McConnell opposed Yolo Basin route.

Fri 23 Feb 1912

Tried to dry spray but was too windy soon -

A fearful wind came up from north and blew a gale in p.m.

Fixed auto

Moved colts into north field

Killed a Merino buck.

Dix came home on wheel as far as Maier's where he had a puncture. One of the Maier children brought him home -

Went to Davis - taking 6 butter 15 doz eggs - Met Sue and Gardner from Berkeley -

Sat 24 Feb 1912

Fearful north wind -

Took Sue and Dix to Davis 10.50 en route to Sacto - to buy suit for Dix -

Went to Woodland - Saw Dr. Lawhead, had hand dressed -

saw Yolo Cou. Water Co about getting irrigating water - Mr. C. W. Bush about Western States Life Insurance investment and J. D. Musgrove about sale of Woodland lots -

Home via Davis and met Sue and Dix about 5.30

Gardner worked on bee hives -

Took stroll this a.m. to plow teams, Robsons windmill wreck and nursery

Sun 25 Feb 1912

Wind not so strong today -

Gardner took bird from windmill water tank -

Took Gardner & Dix to 4 p.m. trains. G going to Berkeley and Dix to Woodland.

Mon 26 Feb 1912

Tinkered

Cleaned out windmill tank -

Went to town in p.m.

Frank Doll got mad at Soon and gave notice he was going to quit and went home leaving an eight mule team without a driver

Tues 27 Feb 1912

Frank Doll came for his money and blankets.

Old William (Oxcuse me) began work at repairing mattresses etc.

In p.m. went to Woodland for treatment of my hand -

Wed 28 Feb 1912

Went to San Francisco on 9.15 train to meet Mr. D N. McCauley of the Mascot Copper mine relative to Rev Baker of former Panama Fruit & transportation Co -

Home on 5 p.m. train

Sue went to Sacramento for upholstery goods - Met her in Davis at 7 p.m.

Thurs 29 Feb 1912

Got lever from plow - took it to town for fixing

- got goods from Sacramento for upholstering work -

Went to see A. T. Jones relative to Panama matters -

Got sheep on creek from knoll grain field -

Went to see Glide pump work.

Fri 1 Mar 1912

Went to Sacramento on 7.20

Attended meeting of Directors of Almond Grower's Exchange

The special Committee on state of affairs reported -

Out at 3.30 Met Dix at Davis -

Oliver finished plowing summerfallow and began rolling winter barley in 134 acre field

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Jim put sheep into west orchard to eat fox tail -

Sat 2 Mar 1912

Dix took me to 7.25 train en route to San Francisco to meet D. N. McCauley, M. C. Chapman of Oakland Bank of Savings, Oakland and J. F. Dingwell of 1515 West St Oakland at McCauley's office relative to Tropical Fruit & Transportation Co.

Called on W. L. Porter on way to office and met above gentlemen. Through about 1.50. Phoned Gardner and went to look for Hercules auto starter 430 Golden Gate Ave.

Met Gardner at Steward Hotel where we stopped - Dined at Portola Louvere (?)

Attended Alcazar theater saw "The Lottery Man"

Sun 3 Mar 1912

Gardner & I went to Golden Gate Park - walked through & called at H. A Crocker's 506 11th ave.

Thence to Cliff House and back to hotel.

Left on 2.46 boat - lunched on boat. Gardner went to 16th St Oakland -

[Met?] A 4 year old youngster on train who was very sociable -

Met Sue and Dix at Davis -

They were late and Dix did not get his wheel - I took it home in auto

It was very cold here this morning - much ice, hydrants were frozen up -

Mon 4 Mar 1912

Took in ranch -

Oliver is rolling barley -

Went to Woodland at 11 a.m.

Had hand treated, saw J. D. Musgrove about Woodland lots-

went to Board of Supervisors relative to Yolo Basin Highway

put Russell on to get Board committed -

Sue went and attended High School -

It sprinkled a little in Woodland - less in Davis and none at home -

Returned to Davis -

Tues 5 Mar 1912

Rained at intervals throughout day - hard at times -

William "More" the dutch upholsterer left mad - Oliver took him to town in cart with Mack mule -

Fixed boxes for two fence posts -

Wed 6 Mar 1912

Worked in shop in a.m.

Oliver & I fixed harness etc.

Oliver oiled harness in p.m.

Took Sue to Mrs. Anderson's to Ladies Card party - Mrs. Read and Mrs. Miner went with us -

It rained at intervals throughout the day -

Thurs 7 Mar 1912

Sprinkled at breakfast time

Oliver & I worked on nursery fence in forenoon -

In p.m. Oliver took two Bonanza plows to town to have beams straightened, also gasoline drum.

Got drum gasoline, 5 sx hydrated lime, 2 rolls 32 in. Royal fence and 1 roll 26 in fence.

Took Sue to town to Ladies Aid at Mrs. J. B. Anderson's.

Got extra for trough float.

Fri 8 Mar 1912

Very hard frost -

Oliver and I set post and finished stretching wire on the nursery lane fence this a.m.

Took plow and scraper down to bridge at canal and Oliver worked at that this afternoon.

Mr. Parks sent up for a span of mules this noon. He is to rent them for a time -

Went to Woodland for treatment of my hand - Saw Musgrove about lots.

Got copy of Highway Resolution, passed by Supervisors, relative to Yolo Basin and northern line -

Tom Reardon rode home with me via Davis - took him to Russel line -

Took to Davis 6 butter 15 doz eggs 54c

Returned leaky milk bucket - got glass globe for float.

Sat 9 Mar 1912

Oliver finished filling in side of bridge at S. E. cor. of orchard & nursery at noon and broke scraper.

In p.m. he got spring tooth harrow into east orchard, hauled old fencing and cleaned out stables -

Dix came home this a.m. on wheel

He staid to surprise party at Moreland Leithold's last night - He went to Davis in p.m. in auto for Henrietta Thomas

Agents of Pacific Gas & electric Company called today -

Sue, Henrietta & I went to "500" meet at J. W. Anderson's taking Mrs. Read and Lewis Drummond -

Sun 10 Mar 1912

Soon went to Davis

Worked on auto considerable -

Took Dix & Henrietta to Woodland

Called at the Thomas'

Got Non Fluid Oil at Van Zoe's [?] -

Mon 11 Mar 1912

Oliver started spring tooth cultivator in orchard with six mules -

Went to Sacramento on 1035 motor to attend monthly meeting of Silica Brick Co.  
Walton Swingle, Dargitz and self only there - had no meeting -

Got tickets for Tetraxini concert on the 19th inst -

Out at 3.30

Chas Miner came out with me to work - he was broke -

Sue went to Davis with me to attend Cemetery meeting.

Look rainy -

Got Flash Ball Spark Plugs from Toledo.

Tues 12 Mar 1912

It began raining in the night and continued at intervals in light showers until after noon - Sun set clear.

Used decarbonizer on engine and put in new spark plugs.

Fixed wagon jack

Boys did not work today -

Wed 13 Mar 1912

Three of us worked on harvester gates at knoll and at fence over knoll in a.m. Am removing old board fence to replace with woven wire -

In p.m. took Sue to town going to meet the Oregon delegation en-route to San Francisco to select place for Oregon building at the Panama Pacific Exposition site -

Took 15 doz eggs & 5 rolls butter -

Thurs 14 Mar 1912

Foggy in a.m.

Three of us worked on knoll fence until 10.20. Put gate at corral in and stretched wire to crest of hill -

Left at about 10.40 to get ready to take Sue to Mrs. Wilbur's party - took with us Mrs. Miner, Killespie & Campbell

Returned to Davis - wrote petition to S. P. RR Co. for new depot and an improved Y -

Saw Ruby & Bowers' string of fine horses 35 head imported stock.

Had speedometer put on but it was a failure -

Fri 15 Mar 1912

Marked lambs this a.m.

225 ewes & 255 weathers beside possibly ten small ones.

One lamb was trampled on and killed.

It began sprinkling about 9.30 and rained quite a bit by noon. We got through about 12.20.

The boys worked on fence in p.m. It rained quite a shower about 5 p.m.

Sher Singh Hindoo came - wanted work - rode to town with Sue as I went after Dixwell - took 4 butter - 15 doz eggs.

got groceries, vegetables & meat -

Sat 16 Mar 1912

[Above date here Pierce wrote in: "Heavy frost - Ice in places - "]

Boys worked on fence, got old lumber off and wire in place.

Went to Sacramento on 7.20 a.m. train - Saw Dargitz relative to Silica Brick assessment. Am to pay on 5891 shares and let 4332 [of?] the Cox & Merkeley stock go.

Returned to Davis on 10.25

Went to Woodland in car - got there about 1.05. Tried to have meeting of Panama Pacific Committee composed of G. H. Hecke, A. W. Morris, John F. Winter, Hayward Reed and Geo W Pierce. Four of us met and perfected an organization

Saw P. N. Ashley relative to plotting Woodland lots -

Dr. Fairchild cut false growth from my right hand & Dr. Lawhead then treated it with electricity

It rained a hard shower about 4 p.m.

Sun 17 Mar 1912

Wrote article on State Farm for "Enterprise"

Took in ranch. Sue & I went to north road -

Mrs. Clighorn & child and a Farm student came in Hupmobile -

Am coming down with a cold.

Took Dix to Davis 6.30 p.m. train

Mon 18 Mar 1912

Pretty near sick abed with cold -

Frank Miner & I worked on fence on knoll. - finished stretching wire - hung two gates  
- mad[e] panel and stretched barb wire at north end -

Fixed culverts at top of knoll and near straw stack - saw off braces at big trough -  
fixed orchard fence

Let stock into alfalfa field -

Oliver began with spring tooth harrow again in east orchard -

Looked cloudy this a.m.

North wind -

Tues 19 Mar 1912

Sue & went to Sacramento on 10.25 to attend Tetrzini concert at the Diepenbrock

Stayed at the Land.

Mdm Tetrzini was unable to appear - a free concert without Tetrzini was given -

Wed 20 Mar 1912

Out at 10.25

Went to Woodland to see Doctor -

Thurs 21 Mar 1912 [No entry.]

Fri 22 Mar 1912

Went to entertainment given by Davis Base Ball fans -

Sat 23 Mar 1912

Went to Mrs. Weises' 500 meet

Mrs. J. D Read & Lewis went with us also Beney [?] Brewster

Dix took his mother to town to attend party at Mrs. Hageman's -

Sue staid in Davis until evening

Sun 24 Mar 1912

Dix went to Woodland on 6.30 train

Sue and I went to Sacramento at same time and attended the Tetrzini concert -

Staid at Land -

Mon 25 Mar 1912

Left Sacramento on 7 a.m.

Spent some time at the Farm getting data.

On reaching home met representatives of Balfour & Thomas and gave them option on 1000 sk wheat at 1.60

Put sheep out of alfalfa field at noon - got them up after noon for some mutton. Sam Lillard came to buy but found none fat.

Percy Hoag was here to demonstrate new Mitchell runabout -

Shorty Thomas got two mares and a Columbia gang plow -

Sue came out at 6 oclock

Tues 26 Mar 1912

Miner is working on knoll vineyard

Sue and I went to Woodland at 10.30 - I took overcoat to Dix -

Had hand treated

saw Musgrove & Ashley

Returned via Davis -

Wed 27 Mar 1912

In p.m. Sue and I went to Dixon to visit new house of Carl Schmeiser - home via Davis -

Thurs 28 Mar 1912

Miner set posts at south of family orchard and dug around trees in orchard and house -

Sowed the 10 acre piece in alfalfa field to alfalfa -

At night went to Odd Fellow's meeting to greet Grand Master - took Jeff Donnenwirth

- had a good meeting followed by refreshments -

Fri 29 Mar 1912

[Inserted from top of previous page: "Strong north wind - very cold."]

Miner finished with spring tooth in knoll vineyard, little vineyard and family orchard.

In p.m. he took empty gasoline drum No. 01257 to Davis. Returned with 15 posts, 10 2 x 4 - 12 ft for gravel rack, 6 sx cement, 2 sx flour and the two Bonanza plows that were left at Lufts for repairs.

Oliver finished rolling alfalfa at noon and began in east orchard with spring tooth.

Sue & I went to town - S met Dixwell and Moreland Leithold en route to Oakland for their vacation.

Paid note at Davis Bank and got warehouse receipt for 1910 wheat -

U. C. Glee Club in Davis tonight -

Fancher Creek nursery people came for 2 cords wood -

Sat 30 Mar 1912

Went to Davis and got warehouse receipts for grain. Tried to get Forest Plant to straighten up grain acct but could not - Paid off note for money drawn on wheat -

Went to Woodland settled for wheat sale with Garrette & Thomas

Put draft for \$1917+ in Bank of Yolo

Sun 31 Mar 1912 [No entry.]

Mon 1 Apr 1912

Went to Woodland to attend meeting of Board of Supervisors at 10 a.m. relative to the work of the Panama-Pacific Exposition Commissioners of whom I am one -

Had hand dressed

Ashley has put a man at the surveying of the Woodland town lots and his lines are running in a crazy way -

Back by way of Egypt country to see the I. H. Co gas tractor on the McNeal place -

- got poppies & buttercups for Sue -

Sue and I ran to town for mail and errands -

Tues 2 Apr 1912

Helped Sue get ready for Ladies' Whist meeting -

In p.m. she had 15 ladies here -

Wilbur and State Farm ["Farm" repeated] boy

Farm boy visited Glide pump.

Sue and I ran to Davis in p.m. Sue saw Forrest Plant relative to Cemetery entertainment -

Thurs 4 Apr 1912

Tinkered about place in a.m.

Went to Davis to the annual meeting of the Davis Almond Grower's. Did not have a quorum - so no regular meeting - adjourned for one week -

J. P. Dargitz & T. C. Tucker were out -

About 4 p.m a shower went through to west of us chiefly raining considerable more at Edgewood than at Davis -

Fri 5 Apr 1912

Worked on State Farm paper for Davis Enterprise and completed it.

Marked about 20 lambs and 21 Pigs -

Got gravel wagon ready

Oliver finished rolling barley before noon and began hauling gravel in p.m. for head gates along alfalfa ditch in orchard -

Sue & I went to Davis in p.m. for Dix - Sue called at Mrs. Roberts' -

Sat 6 Apr 1912

Sue, Dix and I went to Woodland. Saw Musgrove, the deputy surveyor and Lampton & Hughes relative to Woodland lots -

Took 11.15 train for Red Bluff to attend the Panama-Pacific Exposition meeting - G. H. Hecke, A. W. Morris and F Winter went - Staid at Tremont Hotel and attended rally of the whiskeyites at Opera House where former Mayer of Milwaukee, Rose, harranged (sic) the audience -

Later - on Monday, 8th Red Bluff went "dry" by 75.

Sun 7 Apr 1912

Got automobile and took Mr & Mrs. Winter to Cone [?] ranch, up on bluff and about town.

Left a 10.30 for Sacramento and Davis via east side -

Arrived at Davis 3.54

Met Sue and Dix - latter left at once for Woodland -

Mon 8 Apr 1912

Fixed pump at creek and pumped tank full - boys put water on garden and beonis [peonis?] -

Pump broke after noon and I took it to Davis for repairs -

Sue went to town with me and it sprinkled on us while returning -

Oliver finished hauling gravel -

Tues 9 Apr 1912

Fixed road, got gravel for head gate at packing house crossing

Got up mare and colt

In p.m. Oliver took three mares and one colt to Montgomery's

also 19 sheep pelts and one pig skin which I shipped to Sawyer Tanning Co. in Napa.

Got extra for pump -

It sprinkled on me while returning from Davis - and rained some in early evening.

Wed 10 Apr 1912

Rained last night a little -

Oliver, Charley and I began putting wire on cow corral fence. It sprinkled at times driving us under cover, finally it hailed and about 11 a.m. we quit -

Sprinkled a little after noon

Jim harrowed his garden ground.

Thurs 11 Apr 1912

Rained in a.m.

Boys put mules in creek corral -

and cleaned out barn -

Took Sue in p.m. to Ladies Aid at Mrs. Anderson's -

Held meeting of Davis Almond Growers' Assn. was elected President and Delegate to State Exchange -

Fri 12 Apr 1912

Boys finished cow corral fence and worked on knoll fence -

Sue and I went to town at 10 a.m.

Sue went to Woodland to see Mrs. Thomas whose mother died yesterday -

I went to Sacramento to attend Almond meeting - there was no quorum -

Out at 6.05 Met Sue & Dix at Davis -

Sat 13 Apr 1912

Set Charley at digging out openings for water gates on new alfalfa.

Oliver finished stapling knoll fence and worked at packing house

- fixing pump, setting saw equipment and making sled for cement mixing -

Sue & Dix went to Davis and vicinity with anti saloon petition opposing granting license to re-open Plainfield saloon -

Cloudy - looked rainy at times.

Sun 14 Apr 1912

North wind -

Took Dix to the evening train 7 p.m. Davis -

Mon 15 Apr 1912

Sue and I went to Woodland to attend remonstrance against reissuing license to Plainfield Saloon.

Remonstrances were in as follows

from Davis signed 74 petitioners

Winters            54

Plainfield        32

Woodland        54

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Owing to a misunderstanding as to time of hearing I was the only one from this Supervisor district

Had an interesting time collecting license from \_\_\_\_\_ circus that had pitched its tents on my land.

- Stine had, without authority rented the place. I employed Anderson, Attorney and collected \$30.00, \$5.00 of which I gave to Anderson.

Tues 16 Apr 1912

Took up pump from creek and sent it to town to Schmeiser for repairs

Sue and I went to Davis in p.m.

Wed 17 Apr 1912

Oliver and I put cement at Gardner's headgate and for pump foundation at packing house - in a.m.

In p.m. Oliver harrowed north vineyard.

Met Mr. Johnson of the North Sacramento Land Co -

Thurs 18 Apr 1912

Got out mowing machines and rake.

Oliver harrowed little vineyard then harrowed gravel for east side head gates -

A.[?] Sheep buyer from the H. C. H. Livestock Company of Oakland. Phone Piedmont 1856. was here to contract lambs. offers \$3.50 per head for shipment May 20th

Did not sell -

Fri 19 Apr 1912

Went to Woodland in a.m. and to Zamira in p.m. to attend State Highway meeting

Took Geo. Hoppin, Bob Gibson and two others to meeting -

Sat 20 Apr 1912

Went to Sacramento on 10.50 train. Attended meeting of the Country Life Commission and lunch at Hotel Sacramento -

W. A. Beard Dr. Anderson Prof Babcock B. F. Walton and I were in attendance.

Out at 6.05. Miss Agnes Hummel came out and we met Phil Bruton at Davis who went to Edgewood for "500" meet.

Moreland Leithold came over with Dix this a.m.

Got ice cream and candy for Miss Breens.

B. A. Nordyke got 10 head beef -

- 1 cow \$52.00 5 - 2 year olds, 4 yearlings -

Had five tables at "500" and [?] a fine time. Read "Dr. Pluff" to company -

Ah Soon got excited and was going to quit -

Sun 21 Apr 1912

All six of us drove to the dam at mouth of our canal system expecting to find other autoists from Davis. They not go there as agree and went above bridge at Rumsey -

We ran up there, had lunch and left on return about 3.05 Going via Woodland we saw an aviator make a very successful flight

Dix, Phil and Moreland stopped at Woodland - got Miss Hummel's grip and went to Davis for 6.20 p.m. train for Miss H.

Berryessa and his crew of sheep shearers came tonight

Mon 22 Apr 1912

Began shearing sheep -

Sold 16 head of hogs to Sam Lillard @ 5.75 wt \$144.

Got pump from Schmeiser's 6 sx cement, 10 - 1 x 12 - 16 redwood -  
2 sx four -

Put in pump in p.m. and looked over hogs again.

Tues 23 Apr 1912

Went to Roeding Nursery to meet Oliver Parkes. Roeding wants more land, enough to make, all told, 200 acres - he will take it from fence to fence east and west, and move present fence to new location. They want land for six years, I am to rent it at \$12.00 per acre per annum.

The Pacific Gas and Electric Co had man here to obtain right of way for line to Glide's -

Chas Hamilton & G. W. Kearns came and bought spring wool @ 15 1/2c.

Sue and I went to Woodland -

Had hand treated. Left abstract with Hurst & Hurst. Saw Dix

took Dix & Moreland wheels over.

We went to Davis and attended Cemetery Association benefit concert at Silva's Hall - concert fine attendance poor.

Wed 24 Apr 1912

Ran sheep through chute -

Got up bucks -

Sue & I went to nursery to see Mrs. Parks who is sick then to Davis trying to get some one to circulate a petition for an election to determine whether the 2d Supervisorial district shall be wet or dry

- found on one.

Started pump in p.m.

Boys finished digging trenches for headgates.

Oliver Parks came and bought a cow for \$60.00.

Thurs 25 Apr 1912

Parks came for cow and calf

Fri 26 Apr 1912

Sold lambs this p.m. to J. O Connor agent of Knierr, Allan & Pyle 5th & Railroad Aves - San Fran.

Phone Mission 6975.

Sold lambs, about 275 @ \$3.50 and weathers & bucks 15 head at 3.75.

Sat 27 Apr 1912

Got up sheep and marked lambs 30 weathers and 26 ewes -

Sue and Dix canvassed for signatures to petition for no-saloon election -

Sue came home sick -

Dix and I were to have gone to Woodland - he to a hay-ride I to Odd Fellows meeting. Sue being sick Dix staid to care for her - I went to Woodland taking petition but not staying to the Odd Fellows meeting -

Sun 28 Apr 1912

Took Dix to the Romanger road and then returned to Davis for the mail -

Mon 29 Apr 1912

Rained last night and at intervals today -

Worked at shop and packing house in a.m.

In p.m. Charley dug post holes at knoll vineyard Oliver went to town took Larney and colt to Montgomery's and got drum gasoline, bale American fence, 10 redwood boards etc

Sue went to cemetery meeting.

Tues 30 Apr 1912

Put new hinge on gate at county road also at middle field -

Oliver & I went to Shorty's to get a saddle horse to drive sheep with -

Got some signers for vote on saloon issue -

Got up sheep and sorted out 234 lambs, 36 weathers, 35 ewes -

sold to J O Connor @ 3.50 3.75 & 3.50

Left at 1.30 with band - got to Davis about 4.30 loaded and got back home about 6.30 p.m.

Wed 1 May 1912

Had boys help clean up auto.

Sue & I went to Dixon picnic -

Took as guests Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Thomas and Mrs. Fried - went via Russell's and returned via Davis -

Hon. Robt M. LaFollette was orator of the day.

Pretty cool day for picnic.

Thurs 2 May 1912

Strong north wind -

Sue & I went to Sacramento on 10.35 motor. Crossed the Sacramento river on new bridge.

Had meeting of Silica Brick Company and practically closed up its career transferring the property to the Sacramento Clay Products Co. The latter company has secured subscriptions to stock amounting to \$20600.00 and purpose (sic) completing and operating the plant -

Out at 6.05 p.m.

Fri 3 May 1912

Am almost sick in bed -

Started Charley with rake on alfalfa

Oliver broke a mower knife - He finished mowing about 4 p.m.

Mr. Rose, architect called today -

Man from across creek came for wood - had none to sell -

Sue & I went to Davis, took mower knife to blacksmith. Got two men for haying - Jim got on his ear -

Got out hay rack from sheep barn -

Sat 4 May 1912

Charley finished raking in p.m and all four cocked hay -

Sue & I went to Woodland with Dix to attend Floral parade -

It was good -

Had hand treated -

Sun 5 May 1912 [No entry.]

Mon 6 May 1912

Went to Sacramento to attend meeting of Silica Brick -

Turned property over to Sacramento Clay Products Co -

Bay mare foal mare colt -

Tues 7 May 1912

Took Sue to Mrs. Robert's to hear Mrs. Coolidge on woman's voting -

Gardner came home on 7.30 train - met him at train -

Wed 8 May 1912

Gardner took Sue to 7.25 train -

Got hay rigging in horse barn ready -

Boys began there in p.m.

Went to Woodland - saw Hurst and Musgrove - home via Davis -

Thurs 9 May 1912

One man quit

Charley laid off -

Got two men - had them at work about 9 a.m.

In p.m. took Sue and Mrs. Fried to Ladie's Aid -

Held meeting of Percheron Horse Assn. Declared a \$32 dividend. Paid for 1911 breeding \$168.00 \$44 to E. J. Montgomery \$124.00 to R. W. Weise -

Fri 10 May 1912

Black Beauty foaled - mare colt -

The extra man quit tonight -

began stacking hay at creek corral just before noon -

Gardner & Charley worked on head gate material in a.m. and cleaned auto in p.m.

Sue and I ran to Davis in p.m. taking men.

Took case eggs to Hoag.

Sat 11 May 1912

Took 2 rolls butter to Hoag.

Dix and Moreland Leithold came from Woodland on bicycles -

We attended State Farm Picnic

Dr. Wheeler, Prof. Wickson and Judge Hawkins spoke -

Phil Bruton and Henrietta Thomas came and joined the boys.

The 3 haymen left hauled into creek corral -

Dick drew all his money and left.

Jeff Donnenwirth and I went to Davis to attend Lodge but there was no meeting

Rented the two lots and barn in town to Cal Covell for \$3.00 per month as it stands now -

Sun 12 May 1912

Pumped tank of water

Went around east orchard and turned sheep into east lane -

Got up two mares with colts -

Mon 13 May 1912

Got things ready for doing cement work on canal headgates -

Tues 14 May 1912

Sue and I went to Davis and voted at the Presidential Preference election. This was the first election (general) at which women have voted in California

Sue went to Sacramento to look up house plans -

I went to San Francisco to attend the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F.

Lodge met at Van Ness and Sutter Sts.

- was too late for today's exercises -

Stopped at Hotel Stewart # 432

Went to Orpheum tonight -

met Robt. Schmeiser & Sam Norton -

Gardner and two men are working on head gates in alfalfa field

Wed 15 May 1912

Took Grand Lodge degree and attended session today -

The Grand Lodge and Rebecka's 1050 in number went to Los Gatos to dedicate new Odd Fellow's Home. The transportation facilities from Congress Station to Home were inadequate - Returning reached San Francisco about eight p.m.

Thurs 16 May 1912

Attended Lodge meeting this a.m. Was on committee on Honored Dead - made report

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Looked up Kewanee water system this p.m.

Fri 17 May 1912

Grand Lodge held two sessions and adjourned about 4.30 p.m.

A reception and dance was given this evening in the Hall -

Sat 18 May 1912

Visited Byron Jackson Iron works office and Krough Mfg Co. looking up centrifugal pumps -

Went to [name not recorded] Bros office, architects, in Russ Building to see plans drawn for Yolo County Court House, at request of Judge Hawkins -

Went to Cousin Frankie's at 618 Moraga Ave Oakland this p.m.

Sun 19 May 1912

It sprinkled a little this a.m.

Left Frankie's at about 2.15 p.m. Frankie taking me to the 16th St depot.

Gardner & Phil met me at Davis -

Mon 20 May 1912

Took Sue to 10.20 train going to Sacramento to Lorenz's to look up house plans -

Met man from United Iron Works, Oakland soliciting for pumping machinery.

Three men, one from American Hydraulic & Supply Co and two from the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. called to urge pumping machinery -

Bought and paid for 100 shares of Mascot Copper Cos stock through Mr. Krider at Bank.

Got 4 sows out of Glide's field

Went to Anguines [?] relative to installing pump for irrigation.

Took 3 rolls butter to Hoag (Jim B.)

Tues 21 May 1912

Went to Woodland this a.m. Had hand treated -

Got plat of Woodland lots, signed same and left it with Musgrove to place before City Trustees -

Got abstract of above lots from Hurst & Hurst -

Got 5# squirrel poison and 12 wool sks -

Went via Willow slough and saw the American pump recently purchased. Home via Davis - taking 6 sks cement -

Went to Sacramento on 6.20 train. Met Sue at Lorenz's

Attended Clunie Theater to see Hodge in "The Man from Home"

It was fine -

Took 15 doz. eggs to Hoag (Tracy)

Jim & I got one sow in from Glide's field and fixed fence -

Wed 22 May 1912

Geo. Lorenz took us in his car "Flanders" to see Alden Campbell architect and to Hugh LaRue's new house - Met Mrs. H. LaRue at house - It rained while we were there - Geo. took Mr. L. home.

We lunched at Caffetaria (sic?) -

Called at Almond Exchange

Out at 3.30

Got six sks cement -

Gardner went to Woodland and took Dix to see "The Man from Home," at Opera House -

Thurs 23 May 1912

The boys finished putting in cement bulkheads at noon -

Chas Miner laid off sick -

Fri 24 May 1912

Chas Miner left. Gardner took him to town -

Sue, Gardner & I went to Winters at 1 p.m. took hasty look at street fair -

Left Winters at 3.30 on train for San Francisco en route to meeting of Panama-Pacific Commissioners from the West side Sacramento Valley counties -

Met D. A. Shillon [?] on train

Stopped Hotel Manx -

Sat 25 May 1912

Attended meeting of the Commissioners this a.m.

In p.m. went to Oakland to meet W. D. Nichols relative to getting display jars - Went to Dohrman [name omitted] Co. for prices etc.

Saw roof garden - Matter left to Nichols -

Back to city about 8 p.m.

Rained much of last night and at intervals today -

Sun 26 May 1912

Went to Oakland on 10 a.m. train on invitation of Nichols to attend meeting of Commissioners at Oakland Chamber of Commerce -

Only a few attended -

Later went to Berkeley and back to mole [?], leaving on 3 p.m. train for Davis -

Gardner & Sue met me at Davis -

Mon 27 May 1912

Hunted hogs and fixed fence in a.m.

In p.m. went to Davis

Met Robson & others relative to pump - Heard of sale of Yolo Consolidated Water Co's property.

Tues 28 May 1912

Took in place - hunted hogs

In p.m. took Sue to Mrs. Weise's - Got a new choreman, took him home -

Went to Woodland - stopped at G. H. Hecke's. H. is confined to his bed -

Went to Woodland - saw Dix -

gave him check for \$25.00

got bicycle pump & overalls -

had Doctor Lawhead treat hand - On return had blowout in front of Cassili's house -  
Went to Weise's for Sue but she had gone to Davis with W. D. Chiles rig -

Had expected irrigation water tonight but they have to shut it out to clean ditches  
above Russell's -

Wed 29 May 1912 [No entry.]

Thurs 30 May 1912

Water came in ditch for irrigation the first time - got in here first time about 9 a.m.  
and ran indifferently until 5 or 6 p.m.

Oliver mowed in barley field -

Fri 31 May 1912

Was out at 2 p.m. to look after irrigation water.

Oliver mowed a little winter barley after finishing head gates -

In p.m. he tended water -

Gardner, Sue & I attended 500 meet at Mrs. Read's -

Sue and I each received the booby prize -

Sat 1 June 1912

Boys finished irrigating old field about 3 p.m. and began new at 5 p.m.

Attended a ditch users meeting at Woodland called by J. Reith Jr.

Theodore A. Bill [?] and Mr Thos Prather representing the new Yolo Water Co. were there -

Home via Davis. Miss Henrietta Thomas came.

Went to 9.15 train - Met Dr. Alexander and went to see mare at Montgomery's -

Took the Dr. Mr. Parks, Mrs. Collins and Miss Glendenning to Woodland -

Sue went to Davis with newly purchased horse to meet Miss Hummer [?] and the horse ran away and broke up harness & buggy - Sue got rig at stable -

Sun 2 June 1912

Dix and I tended water in east field last night - got over new alfalfa checks in from 10 to 12 minutes - At 6 a.m. had all new alfalfa (10 acres) and 10 checks of old irrigated.

Finished irrigating 8.45 p.m.

Gardner, Sue, Dix, Miss Hummel & Miss Thomas joined an auto party consisting of the W. D. Chiles' Gordons and J. W. Anderson's -

They ran to Vacaville, got cherries and had fine time - Took Miss Hummel and Miss Thomas to Woodland -

Very warm -

Mon 3 June 1912

Red hot this a.m. north wind -

Gardner & Oliver irrigated gardens etc.

Went to Colusa on 10.55 train

Mr. H. H. Schutz met me at Arbuckle and ran to Colusa in auto - appeared before Board of Supervisors relative to Panama Pacific exhibit -

Returned to Arbuckle and left for Davis on 5.15 motor.

Dix met me at Davis -

Tues 4 June 1912

Very warm.

Gardner & Oliver hauled the little hay cut in barley field -

Wed 5 June 1912

Sue and I went to Sacramento on 7.25 train - spent forenoon at Campbell's -

In p.m. saw Alden Anderson - Governor Johnson, & Frank Newbert, relative to tule road, Regency [?] etc -

Out at 6.05.

Gardner & Oliver finished hauling hay - Oliver worked on head gates some.

Gardner is not feeling well.

Thurs 6 June 1912

Sue and I went to see Schmeiser house near Dixon this a.m.

Dix and I went to Davis for mail at 4 p.m. -

Sue and Gardner went to Woodland to attend the wedding of Fred Lawhead, calling at Blowers' -

Phil Bruton came home with them.

Fri 7 June 1912

Dixwell, Phil and I went via Davis to Woodland -

Attended meeting of water users and Theadore A. Bell & Thos Prather

representing the Yolo Water & Power Company. The Company made a proposition to us to supply water-rights at \$20.00 per acre with a \$1.50 annual maintenance tax - they to raise the water in Clear Lake 10 ft above low water mark, put in dams across Cache Creek and enlarge the ditch system -

Out at 6 p.m. Dix and I returned via Davis -

Sat 8 June 1912

Went to Davis - got ready for Bartlett trip

Dix & I went to Woodland

- attended meeting of Panama Commissioners.

Dix, Moreland Leithold and I left for trip to Bartlett about 4.35 p.m. Ran to Arbuckle for dinner then to Williams where we staid over night -

Williams 63 miles from Edgewood in Woodland.

Met Dr. Atkinson of Sacramento.

Sun 9 June 1912

Left Williams 8.12

Stopped at Allen's Spring 1/2 hour

Arrived at Bartlett Springs about 12.30

Had rooms 132, 134 & 135.

There are about 150 people at Bartlett.

Mon 10 June 1912 [No entry.]

Tues 11 June 1912

Went to Soap Creek (Newman's) for bath -

Wed 12 June 1912 [No entry.]

Thurs 13 June 1912

Had bath & Massage at Bartlett.

Fri 14 June 1912

This p.m. tooks (sic) boys and Mr & Mrs. [name not recorded] to Allen's springs.

Sat 15 June 1912

Took boys to Allen's to fish and to lunch - They caught but little -

Had massage bath at Bartlett.

Sun 16 June 1912

Left Bartlett about 8.15 for Bartlett Landing - 14 mi. thence to Upper Lake for gasoline - to Saratoga Spgs - to Blue Lakes for lunch to Scotts Valley & Lakeport - to Highland Spgs - to Soda Bay to Kelseyville then at 8.15 left for Adams' Spgs - got lost - ran by Adams in dark and brought up at Shady Brook in Cobb Valley

Mr & Mrs. Geo. Fields kept us over night at "Last Chance"

Mon 17 June 1912

Left Shady Brook at about 8 a.m.

Thence to Middletown to Calistoga to Petrified Forest - lunch - to Napa, Fairfield, Vacaville and home at 715 having run 115 miles in the day and about 350 on the trip

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Oliver Archer has quit as has E. Anderson the choreman.

Gardner has Leo Beloit [?]

Tues 18 June 1912

Sue left today at 10.35 train for Sacramento - enroute to San Jose via Stockton where she was joined by Mrs. Bessie King.

Wed 19 June 1912

Gardner took me to 3.50 train en route to San Francisco - stopped at Stewart -

Gardner then ran to Woodland and got Phil Bruton who is to help him handle alfalfa.

Thurs 20 June 1912

The boys began cutting alfalfa.

Attended meeting of Panama - Pacific Commissioners at St. Francis Hotel - at 10 a.m.

at 1.15 went on auto drive through proposed Fair grounds and assisted at dedication of site for Kentucky -

at 7 p.m. attended banquet at St. Francis.

Fri 21 June 1912

Called at Oro Power & Light Co - First Nat. Bank Bldg -

Left at 10.40 for San Jose.

Lunched at "New Montgomery"

Met Sue and Ada Riebsam.

Attended meeting of Development Board at Theater -

Stopped at Riebsam's 59, 11th St.

Sue, Nettie and I went to reception at Vendome and I lost my hat -

Sat 22 June 1912

Mr. Clayton, President of the First National Bank called and took me with others into the country. Saw the Clayton farm also his city residence.

Saw almond orchard said to bear from a ton to a ton & a half per acre and sold for \$1000 per acre -

Got new hat at Springs \$400

Mr. [name not recorded] friend of Riebsams' took us for auto ride to Los Gatos, Saratoga Santa Clara, and Milpitas

Did not go out this evening -

Sun 23 June 1912

S. & I. Left Reibsams for 11.10 train for City.

It sprinkled at intervals

Went to Steward

Attended "Durbar" moving pictures at "Cort". [?]

It rained hard in evening -

Mon 24 June 1912

Attended meeting of the Railroad Commission in aid of Oro Electric & Power Co.

Saw Mr. C. C. Smoot of Mascot Copper Co.

Sue went to Frankie's -

Left on 5 p.m. train for Davis.

Met Sue and Mildred at 16th St.

Gardner met us a Davis -

Tues 25 June 1912

Gardner & I took stroll about place - got a sheep out of nursery -

Mr. Parks paid \$50.00 for wood -

Wed 26 June 1912

Sheep shearers came.

Thurs 27 June 1912

Sue, Miss Hatch & I went to Sacramento -

Got extra for rake, made inquiry for side delivery attachment to mower.

Saw architect Campbell.

Got man Kelley for ranch work -

Fri 28 June 1912

New man bunched alfalfa -

Took Sue to Davis.

Miss Hatch left for San Francisco

We worked on coming local option election until late

Shearers got through tonight 334 lambs 6 bucks -

some dozen or more lambs to[o] small to shear

Sat 29 June 1912

Gardner went to Goodwins' for peaches.

New man and I painted the Schmeiser derrick. (3rd time since it was bought.)

Man & Gardner cut and raked alfalfa -

Went to Woodland - attended called meeting of Supervisors and Fair Commissioners at City Hall to discuss a get-together proposition emanating from the Sacramento Valley Development Association.

Mildred and Gardner went to moonlight picnic on Cache Creek - given by Thomas - Guthrie - Bruton people.

Sun 30 June 1912

North wind.

Family went to church in evening to hear Rev. Sharp on temperance.

Mon 1 July 1912

Gardner & Kelley finished cutting alfalfa this a.m.

Went to Davis - got another man -

Began hauling hay to cow barn -

Tues 2 July 1912

Local option election in the 2d Supervisor district -

Went to Hawkins place for Schnitter but he would not come - later got Jack Cecil, the Blanchard boys, Mr. Sykes and others -

The district went "Dry"

North Winters	34 wet	66 dry
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East Davis	34 "	62 "
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West Davis	90 "	99 "
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Wed 3 July 1912 [No entries.]

Thurs 4 July 1912

Had flat tire this a.m.

Cleaned & decorated auto -

Sue, Gardner, Dix, Mildred & I went to Woodland to celebration -

Joined the procession -

Read the Declaration of Independence.

Accepted invitation of Judge Hawkins to lunch at his home -

Met there Ben Stephens & wife also Wm Brink & family.

Fri 5 July 1912

Fixed hay carrier

Sat 6 July 1912

Boys finished hauling alfalfa soon after noon and began cutting alfalfa on new planting

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Sun 7 July 1912 [No entries.]

Mon 8 July 1912

Boys mowed new alfalfa

Gardner went to town - took gasoline tank - got gasoline

500 ft 1 inch pipe and the rake -

Gardner took Sue & Dix & Mildred to Davis enroute to Sacramento -

Phil Bruton helped Gardner this a.m.

Phil & I went to Woodland in p.m. I to see dentist -

Tues 9 July 1912

Boys finished mowing - and raking and bunching new alfalfa.

Went to San Francisco relative to Mascot Copper stock - and did not buy any - home on 7.45 train.

Wed 10 July 1912

The two men failed to get up for breakfast and I discharged them -

Woodland brothers [?] and San Francisco buyer were here looking for sheep - did not buy -

Phoned for new choreman -

Went to Davis in p.m. - took Sue to Mrs. Weise's to Whist Club.

Dix went to town with mule team got 2 bales wire and 40 posts -

Got new choreman & took him home.

Mildred went with me to Mrs. Weise's for Sue -

Thurs 11 July 1912

Cloudy -

Hauled two loads of alfalfa in a.m.

Went to Woodland in p.m. to have tooth filled but nerve was dead and could not do it -

Fri 12 July 1912

Hauled 3 loads hay and broke down bolster as we were after last load -

Boys finished setting posts on south side of alfalfa fields.

Got sticks for braces -

Dix took broken bolster to Davis.

Sat 13 July 1912

Gardner & Phil fixed fence along alfalfa and hog lot

Went to Sacramento on 8.40 train - changed Dixie's shoes at Weinstock & Lubin's -

Called at Almond Exchange office.

Left on 11.45 Northern Electric for Marysville. Attended meeting of Supervisors to Panama Pacific Fair - Had get-to-gether (sic) meeting of the Sacramento Valley -

Left Marysville 5.14 arrived Sac. 6.45

Left 7.05 for Davis.

Phoned house and folks came for me in auto.

Sun 14 July 1912

Ah Soon got on "high horse."

Copeley [this is spelled "Cokeley" in the following entry] & wife came and Copeley bought 120 head ewes at \$3.50 to be delivered tomorrow -

Gardner & Phil went to Woodland.

Shut sheep into orchard -

Put new bolster into hay wagon.

Pierce Porter came from Oakland (Piedmont) on his Indian motorcycle. He left Piedmont at 9.15 & got here about 3.10

Mon 15 July 1912

Got up sheep - separated 120 old ewes. Mr. Cokeley came early -

Gardner & Phil drove them to Davis -

Went to town and attended to corralling and collecting -

Got \$3.50 per head.

Sold to Cokeley 80 head old ewes and 200 lambs - 40 weathers rest ewes @(\$3.35)  
Three thirty-five per head to be taken within 30 days.

Barkle got 2 sx wheat and paid \$4.00 for it -

Gardner worked on auto and gasoline lamp in p.m. and went to town in evening with Mildred

Dix & Pierce too run to town on motor bike -

Phil & I worked on old water trough -

Very hot

Ah Soon on war path .

Tues 16 July 1912

Tried to pacify Ah Soon by offering him \$5.00 a month more for two months -

Hauled last load of alfalfa hay -

Wed 17 July 1912

Put in water pipe east from the barn -

Worked on new fence about alfalfa field -

Dix & Pierce took me to 3.50 train en-route to San Francisco

Frank Palmer met me at Davis with some samples of almonds for processing -

Stopped at Stewart went to Orpheum.

Thurs 18 July 1912

Went to Oakland Chamber of Commerce this a.m.

Called on Mr. Howell with W. D. Nichols relative to Sac. valley exhibit glass -

Looked over Hotel Oakland

Lunched with Nichols -

Took run out to Haywards -

Paid freight on glass 111.02 and cartage 7.00 \$118.02 total -

To Davis on 5 p.m. train -

Phil Bruton met me at Davis with buggy.

Last night, Gardner, Sue & Mildred started to Woodland in auto and ran into cement culvert at south west corner of Ben Jackson place opposite Zam vineyard - Sue has cut in forehead and Mildred hurt on head - Sue rode to town with Passerby and ordered rig from Electric Garage for a tow - All staid at Dr. Lawhead's

Fairchild sewed up cut on Sue's head -

Fred Lawhead took Sue and Mildred home - Gardner came on evening motor & Pierce Porter met him with his motor bike -

Fri 19 July 1912

Went to Woodland on 7.30 motor to Sacramento on 8.20 electric - to Governor's office with Howard to Woodland on 1.40 electric -

to dentist at 3 p.m.

to Davis a 6 on motor

Drive Billy to buggy -

Sat 20 July 1912 [Notation by Pierce indicating Sat entry transposed to next page (Sunday).]

Finished laying and connecting pipe to east alfalfa field and put in old water trough. Boys began hauling dirt to fill around trough -

Pierce & Dix went to town for mail at 10.30 Pierce went again at 5 p.m. Made fork for Pierce's wheel.

Pierce went to Dixon and met Roy Woods who came from Oakland on a single cylinder Indian motorcycle -

Sun 21 July 1912

Gardner took Mildred to 8.40 train

Pierce Porter & Roy Wood left about 8.30

Mon 22 July 1912

A strange Shrop buck died in west orchard and I skinned it this a.m.

Began cleaning out packing house

Got pipe ready for north windmill trough -

Boys finished hauling dirt and gravel to alfalfa field trough.

Boys began filling hole at north windmill -

Sue & Dix went to Davis

- Sue to Dr. Bates to have stitches removed from the cut received in auto accident -

Tues 23 July 1912

Very cool and pleasant -

Fixed pump pipe at creek.

Adjusted wood account with Shorty Thomas -

Fixed drain pipe at north windmill -

Painted I. X. L. trees where cut

Shorty Thomas paid for the 125 cords wood he bought @ \$5.50 per cord

Sue went to town -

Wed 24 July 1912

Sue, Dix and I went to Sacramento on 9.50 train. Got shave

We went to Alden W. Campbell's to be present at opening bids for our proposed house. There were two bids. Mr. Rose of Dixon \$12,680 and Mr. Bauman of Davis \$12,000. Both were rejected as being too high as we ordered a \$6,000 plan.

Sue, Dix and I returned via Woodland new electric line.

Thurs 25 July 1912

John & I fixed fence at trough in alfalfa field - went to north windmill to fix pump and found it all right -

we then went to east barn - fixed fence and got in hogs - found water pipe out of order and fixed it - found the pump rod disconnected and put it together.

John quit at noon and Dix took him to Davis -

Mrs. Rogers, Grace Cecil, Pearl McGowan and children spent afternoon -

Painted trees again this p.m.

Fri 26 July 1912

Boys are filling up about the east windmill.

We marked about a dozen pigs after dinner.

At 4 p.m. got up sheep to separate some for mutton -

Mr. Cline of Swanston & Son Sacramento was here to s[e]parate them -

We were late getting through

Thornton Glide came and took Cline to Davis -

Sue went to Sacramento.

Dr. Herspring [?] and L. Henning came to operate on horses teeth

- worked on Billy's.

Sat 27 July 1912

Gardner, Dix and I drove sheep to town, starting at 4.50 a.m. Had sheep in stock corrals at 7.10

Cline was late coming on 8.40 a.m. train.

Had 269 sheep, about 90 ewes and 179 lambs. A[b]out a dozen weather lambs the rest ewes - Had order on Swanston & Son, Sacramento.

Gardener rode wheel home, Dix the saddle horse and I drove Star.

Went to Jeff's on wheel and rode to town with him and attended I. O. O. F. Lodge - paid dues

L. Anguin came in with an 8 inch centrifugal pump from Brink place intending to locate near black stump but I persuaded him to locate near the house.

Sun 28 July 1912

Anguin and man came with Bracken to put pump in place for irrigation.

Phil Bruton went home on wheel. Soon went to Davis and Sue called at Mrs. Anderson's.

Mrs. Gran. Cecil died last night.

Mon 29 July 1912

Poisoned squirrel's this a.m.

Boys pulled star thistles in a.m.

In p. m. got out car tracks and took out drapers and cylinder of almond machine -

Anguin came to work on pump and we helped him - we turned the snail [?] - relaid same & put on foot valve and screwed suction pipe together -

Dix and I worked on cylinder of huller, taking out shaft - made 8 [?] new teeth for cylinder

Shorty now thinks he is short two cords -

Tues 30 July 1912

Sue and I attended the funeral of Mrs. J. Granville Cecil

Got new shaft for huller drum on almond huller -

Wed 31 July 1912

This a.m. Gardner, Dix, Phil and I put up flume for hose from creek to canal at the proposed pump site -

Men set pump and connected pipe -

Dix and I put in teeth and shaft of almond huller drum -

Thurs 1 Aug 1912

Got out track at packing house and tinkered there and at irrigating plant - The latter is a hard game -

Fri 2 Aug 1912

Tinkered at pump in east field - Gardner went to Davis for extra coupling - got it in by 11.30

Went to Robson's new house -

Sue & I went to Davis - I took train for Woodland - Paid Cranston's bill \$208.73 got shafting etc -

Paid Rowe & Wire \$30.00

Sue met Mr. Campbell, the architect, also Baumann the builder, trying to modify the house plans they have to get them within reason but failed -

Haley & Snider got pump going for a few minutes when the water ran back and nearly deluged them -

Sat 3 Aug 1912

Haley and Snider borrowed team of mules and went to Davis for 6 inch pump pipe coming back by way of nursery and getting the 6 inch American pump -

Oliver Parkes hauled 4 cords wood - his last - Shorty Thomas has two loads left -

Gardner & I put in new shaft and babbitted old one in huller.

Dix went to town and got box strawberries for canning -

Got out almond sheets -

Boys are about once over alfalfa field pulling star thistles.

Sun 4 Aug 1912

Phil went home on wheel -

Gardner went with buggy to meet Douglas Foster, a Senior at the U. C -

Together they went to Woodland. Phil took them over the town, to Dr. Guthrie's and to lunch at Bruton's - They then went to Sacramento on electric and out at 3.30

Some how both reaches to buggy were broken -

Haley & Snider began installing 6 inch pump for irrigation -

Mon 5 Aug 1912

Sent buggy to town by Shorty's team for repairs -

Took Douglas Foster and Dix to Davis - D'g going to Auburn and Dix to Tahoe -

Got pants, shoe blocking, strings drinking cup etc for Dix, ticket \$11.95 and gave him 10.00. Boys lunched at Caffeteria and left on 12.50 train.

Attended Silica Brick meeting -

Levied 2d assessment. Got credit for past services as Director \$603.20 104 day @ \$5.80 per day -

Saw Red Cross Employment people -

Out at 6.05

Haley & Snider worked on pump and engine - Got no water pumped -

Phil Bruton gave notice of desire to quit to go to work for ditch company -

Tues 6 Aug 1912

Haley got engine started about 10 or 11 o'clock this forenoon. Got two checks fairly well irrigated by 9 p.m.

I watched water tonight -

Wed 7 Aug 1912

The Red Cross people sent a choreman out and I went after him (Hans Anderson) with buggy - Wages of Hans Anderson \$35.00 per mo -

Haley went to town with Anguin who brought out [distillate?] and redwood boards for a flume.

I had Anguin bring out buggy from shop -

Hans and Phil worked on track

I watched water last night

About 5 or 6 o'clock tonight the canvas hose ripped open and engine shut down for the night -

Thurs 8 Aug 1912

Phil, Hans and I worked on building flume for Haley this a.m. until about 10.30

Pump started about 11 a.m.

Hans & Phil finished track -

Gardner & I put in drapers babbitted side bearing box for main shaft etc

Mr. Dahler of Electric Garage phoned that my car was ready. Gardner went to Davis on wheel, taking motor for Woodland. He got the car, returned via Davis and got his wheel arriving home about 9 p.m. the car has been laid up since July 18th when Mildred ran it into a stone culvert -

Fri 9 Aug 1912

Last night Phil watched water from 10 p.m. when he and I took out last main head gate - have five checks to irrigate from 10 p.m.

Pump ran very irregularly stopping at 12, 1, & 3 a.m. - starting up at 5. It then ran until about 12.30 p.m. and shut down for the day -

Gardner & I poisoned squirrels and looked over almond orchard -

Took Sue to 9.50 train -

Saw John Drummond and engaged him to run almond separator

Gardner & I went to Woodland to Dr. Miller, dentist - Home via Davis to meet Sue wh badly botched an order for men - ordering them from Murray & Ready -

Soon drove to town in p.m taking 15 doz eggs and 2 rolls butter.

Sat 10 Aug 1912

Fixed sheet and gates for irrigating

Pump did not run last night -

It started today about 11 a.m. and ran until 8 p.m. then shut down because belt logging [lagging?] came off pump pulley -

Came in for Noel's - started again at 10 p.m. shut down for night -

re-watered 1 & 2 and 15th checks - began on 16th or last as engine shut down -

Gardner and I went to Sacramento on 8.40 train for almond help -

Cancelled order left by Sue at Murray & Ready's - ordered of Red Cross - later Sue telephoned that a crew of 18 Hindoos were in Davis - cancelled order in Sac and went out on 1.35 motor. Hired crew at \$2.00 per day of 11 hours - 1 cook - 1 boss @2.25 -

Phoned Phil, who came with 4 mules and two wagons - Only 6 men came -

others sent blankets & grub and agree to come tomorrow - Red Cross sent two men Floyd & Bradley -

Gardner got \$30.00 suit at Elku's also shirts & ties.

Sun 11 Aug 1912

Engine still this a.m. It started about 9.30 We finished irrigating the ten acre piece at 1 p.m. and turned the water into main canal for Anguin & Bracken -

The two men who came last night worked at almond sheets today -

Gardner took Phil Bruton to 7.30 a.m. motor.

Got up Queen & Maud mares tonight -

Gardner went to town for another man sent out by Red Cross

other boys going with him -

Mon 12 Aug 1912

Started one almond sled with 7 Hindoos and 1 white man -

Finished patching sheets and got other sleds into orchard -

Worked on almond huller some -

made three almond poles from 1 x 4 stuff -

Tues 13 Aug 1912

Started another sled today with two white men and 3 Hindoos.

The white men quit at noon - sled sidetracked -

Sue and I went to Dixon to see Mr. Rose, contractor

saw Martin home.

Wed 14 Aug 1912

Gardner left for Berkeley on 8.40 train -

I had intended to go to Sacramento on the Oroville train, but was delayed with two men (laborers) sent out from Sacramento and went to Sacramento on the 9.51 train -

Attended meeting of Almond Exchange

Prices were set, as follows: Nonpareil 14c I. X. L. 13 1/2c Ne Plus 12c

Drakes 11c Languedoc 10c

Met Hindoo boss at Red Star Employment office.

12 men came out - Sue and Hans got a team to Davis

John Drummond drove Hindoos out.

Two men came from Red Cross and I hired one (Frank) in Davis -

Sue went to Jennie D Read's Whist meeting and won spoon -

Thurs 15 Aug 1912

Started three sleds this a.m.

Took off one sled at noon and started the huller at noon. Did not have a very steady run -

Haley stopped pumping for Anguin about noon -

Fri 16 Aug 1912

Heavy north wind that blew off many almonds -

Haley pulled out pumps and engine -

Sat 17 Aug 1912

Sprained my right ankle last night and again today.

Hosbson of Sacramento was here in the interest of the new Insurance company.

Sue and I went to Davis in evening - took 15 doz eggs.

John Drummond went in with us -

Sun 18 Aug 1912

Hindoos and men with sled worked gathering Nonpareil's - I hauled water to them -

Cleaned up about packing house -

Got up hogs and separated 15 head for market -

Got wagons ready for hauling -

Mon 19 Aug 1912

John Drummond took load to town, 15 hogs and 3 sx lambs wool - hogs wt 3030 @ 6.75 204.

wool 738 @ 12 1/2 92 -

Started huller after dinner -

Met Sue at 6.30 train which was an hour late -

Tues 20 Aug 1912

T. C. Tucker phoned that Mr. Wrangham would be out on 11 a.m. train and wanted me to meet him - did so - showed him through Schmeiser's plant, over State Farm, and took him home for lunch. Later Sue and I took him to Stewart Montgomery's Wilbur's and Baker's.

Had long visit with Lee LaRue in auto at Davis -

Wed 21 Aug 1912

Sacked and sewed up almonds

- have 44 sks Nonpareil sewed -

Thurs 22 Aug 1912

Dodson of the California Life & Accident Insurance company called -

Fri 23 Aug 1912

Caught up on Nonpareils tonight

Sat 24 Aug 1912

John Drummond took 92 sx (8483 gross wt) 8256 # net to Schmeiser's for cracking. He broke the reach to his front wagon - got it fixed by Luft -

Sue and I went to Dixon and saw Mr. C. L. Rose the contractor about house plans and returned via Davis - Called at the Schmeiser and Martin houses.

Sun 25 Aug 1912

Hauled water to men

Got in a few Nonpareils.

Men finished gathering Nonpareils

Mon 26 Aug 1912

Started Huller at noon

John Drummond came up the creek -

"Shorty" Hindoo went to Sacramento -

Sue & I went to town in the evening -

Tues 27 Aug 1912

Gang No. 1 had 8 men today -

One of them went to Hecke's for a job - but failed - I got them one at Palmer's later -

Had two men at choring and gathering almonds on near by trees - In p.m. sacked almonds - put extra men to knocking almonds in p.m.

Went to Davis with Sue at about 2 p.m. for Cemetery meeting -

Got 250 for men -

Wed 28 Aug 1912

Sacked remaining Nonpareil save pieces -

Bevel gear box on huller broke about 11.20 - took it to Davis to get fixed - Luft not at shop

Bill Jones made a sort of a fix at it - home at 2.15 - put it in and it worked indifferently -

Men sorted out meats -

Got \$375 for Hindoos -

C. R. Rose and wife for Dixon came - Rose had floor plans for house and staked out ground for basement -

Almond knockers are on last rows -

Rose gave time of payments on proposed house as follows

52% when frame is up -

25% " first coat of plaster is on

25% " inside finis is ready for painter.

" " " 35 days after completion.

Thurs 29 Aug 1912

Finished with big crew and Palmer took the S. S. Puri gang of 12 men.

Fri 30 Aug 1912

The gang of 7 left before breakfast and Kidwell's wagon came later for their baggage

Took Sue to 9.50 train and John Drummond to Davis

4 men gathered almonds this a.m.

Ran huller this p.m. and finished hulling -

Started Joe and John to hauling gravel for house cement they hauling [hauling] one load

Went to Davis for Sue and Dixwell, the latter on his return from Glen Alpine -

Sat 31 Aug 1912

Dix took me to 7.18 train en route to San Francisco -

Stopped at Stewart. Called at Joshua Hendy's relative to Johnson Tractor and at Simmonds Machinery Co, 12 Natoma St relative to Kewanee water system -

Attended Mascot banquet at Palace Hotel. McCauley called for subscriptions to Capital stock and got something over \$46,00 subscribed. That left about 53000 shares and he took them himself @ 3.00 per share -

The banquet was attended by about 200 men. The appointments were fine and the meeting adjourned about 1.15 a.m.

Sun 1 Sept 1912

Wrote several letters before breakfast and telephoned to Frankie -

Went to Piedmont about 8.30. Pierce was not up on my arrival -

Gardner came soon after.

Gardner went to 16th St station with me. Left at 3.36 ar. at Davis 6.30. Sue and Dix dined with the Cleghorn's and met me - Dix went to Woodland to attend High School -

Mon 2 Sept 1912

Sacked almonds -

Loaded 24 sx Nonpareils and 30 Ne Plus and Ray took them to town, the former to Schmeiser's and the latter to Plant's.

John (southerner) was sick and quit - took him to town.

Got drum of gasoline - and empty sacks from Schmeiser's.

Dodson and family of Sacramento called -

John C. Knudson of the "Yolo County History" called -

Otto C. Greiner [?] called and we settled for harvesting I paying him \$80.00 and he paying me \$5.50 for sks -

Tues 3 Sept 1912

Changed gasoline tanks -

put sulphur house away, stored almond sleds & sheets

got up mules for Fresno scraper.

Plowed land for basement to new residence

In p.m. Ray began excavating with Fresno -

It sprinkled a little this p.m. about 1.30 -

Got last of Ne Plus sacked and into packing house -

Got wagons ready for hauling tomorrow - almonds in - lumber out -

Mr. C. T. Rose and his plasterer called

Sue and I went to Davis at 5.20 and voted at Primary election - We expected Dix home but he did not come -

Took in 3 rolls butter

Wed 4 Sept 1912

Joe took 38 1/2 sks Ne Plus to Plants and hauled lumber out - 6 inch surface stuff for diagonal sheeting -

Dix came down at 8.40

Paid Hoag bill - left Dix to pay several others -

Took 8.40 train for San Francisco.

Lunched at Palace Hotel as guest of the San Diego Exposition officials.

Left at 4 p.m. on "Harvard" for San Diego with some 15 or 20 others as guests of the California Pacific Exposition officials - Had stateroom 106 on upper deck all alone -

The sea was reasonably calm.

Thurs 5 Sept 1912

Reached San Pedro about 10.30 a.m.

Ran down to Los Angeles with crowd and lunched at the Angeles grill.

Boat left at 3.30 and arrived at San Diego about 8.30 P.m.

Stopped at U. S. Grant hotel room 337 - had it alone -

Went to the Cuyumaca Club then to the Spreckle's theater - where the pictures of African wild beasts were being shown. We were shown the building which is a magnificent one - Later returned to the Cuyumaca Club where the courtesies of the club were extended to us for a period of ten days -

Fri 6 Sept 1912

We were taken in automobiles to Point Loma, past the Mrs. Dingley place, back through Ocean Beach and the old Mission -

After lunch at the Grant we were driven over to Exposition grounds, were taken to roof of administration building and show through the nurseries -

In evening we went to Club and at 9 p.m. to [name not give] theater - a vaudeville and moving picture show -

Sat 7 Sept 1912

Held a business meeting at the Grant and adopted Resolutions favoring making exhibits at San Diego by the several counties we represent -

In p.m. were taken on automobile ride into country - went to Lakeside, El Cajon (?) valley, ascended Grosmont and went to lemon district of Chula Vista -

Arrived at Hotel Del Coronado about 7.15 p.m. via the "split".

Were banquetted at Coronado and returned to San Diego about midnight - We were driven to wharf and retired aboard the "Yale"

Sun 8 Sept 1912

The Yale left San Diego at 8 a.m. and arrived at San Pedro about 1 p.m.

All ran down to Long Beach for about an hour -

Boat left for north at 3 p.m.

Weather was somewhat rough.

Ted Atwood, Dennison and Brennan left us at Long Beach -

Mon 9 Sept 1912

During night sea was quite rough - about 4 a.m. a heavy fog came in - the boat slowed down and blew whistle at frequent intervals -

Arrived in San Francisco about 10.45

Did not go down to breakfast as I felt badly - Got light breakfast at Ferry Cafe -

Left at 12 M. for Davis -

Sue and Dix met me -

Dix went to Woodland to school -

Boys hauled last of cement today -

Tues 10 Sept 1912

Boys finished excavating basement today

Joe hauled more gravel

Ray ran spring tooth harrow on field -

Sheep shearers came and began shearing before noon -

E. R. Perry, of Winters called today says he has made \$26,000 within a year, bought 30 acres of land @ \$400 per acre and has options on 50 acres more at \$450 per acre -

Sue & I went to town -

deposited \$500 check of Almond Exchange

got spuds, sugar & meat -

C. Hamilton bought my fall clip of wood at 15 1/4c per lb [?] -

Got pair spectacles of Campbell

Wed 11 Sept 1912

Tinkered in a.m. In p.m. took Sue to Mrs. Smith's card party

then went to Woodland to see dentist - Burl Cecil going with me.

Home via Davis for Sue.

Ray is leveling with Fresno scraper -

Thurs 12 Sept 1912

Fixed wagons in a.m.

Mr. C. T. Rose came in p.m.

Sue and I went to Davis in p.m.

Fri 13 Sept 1912

Sacked wool, fixed wagons etc.

Joe took 7 bags 1314# wool to Davis

shipped to Haugh & Kearns - also 4 sks almond meats 242# shipped to Herman W. Fisher Battery St San Fran -

Sheep shearers finished before noon. 252 sheep -

Joe brought 32 M. Red Cedar shingles and 1167 ft scantling

Dix came in from Woodland -

It was a fearfully hot day -

Sat 14 Sept 1912

Ray Ballard quit

Joe hauled 1201 brick - made but one trip today - hauled gravel in p.m. -

Went to Sacramento on 12.05 train - Called on Mr. Lorenz relative to the Alden Campbell architect fee.

Saw Theodore Roosevelt as he spoke from rear end of his special train at depot -

Out at 6.05

Sun 15 Sept 1912

R. Roger Roberts and [name not recorded] from Mr. Olney's office in San Francisco called relative to water rights in new company for State Farm -

Dix went to Davis in car for Mr & Mrs. Cleghorn and Mrs. Cummins who dined with us.

Sue and I took them to town later and took Dix to 7.45 train -

Mon 16 Sept 1912

Joe hauled 1210 brick

Mr. J. R. Rose of Dixon, contractor for new residence came with two men to begin work - They re-set lines for basement and found that they would have to dig considerable on two sides of the excavation for basement - They began to put in forms for the cement work -

[Inserted from next page]: Went to Woodland in p.m. saw Dr. Lawhead - got medicine - Monday -

Tues 17 Sept 1912

Joe hauled bad (?) brick and 50 sks plaster -

[The remainder of this entry is inserted from next page]: Joe hauled 70 sks plaster and some heavy lumber in a.m. In p.m. he hauled manure

Went to Davis - took 15 doz. eggs - got 71 sx from Plant and 25 from Schmeiser

Fixed door hanger to auto house -

Mr Descalso of Interstate Realty Co called and sold me a lot in Lot 4 Newark Block 16  
- 33 1/3 x 100 -

Wed 18 Sept 1912

Light north wind -

Joe hauled gravel in a.m.

Worked about packing house -

In p.m. put in track sheets sacking bin & table - Moved oil barrels, alfalfa seed etc  
and put almond bags in west shed

Tore down irrigating flume trestle and hauled stuff away -

Rose's 2 men got up third side of cement frame had to dig much - Went to town

Thurs 19 Sept 1912

Light north wind -

Joe hauled gravel -

Sent Joe in p.m. with two mules to get few scantling so that the carpenters could keep at work in the forms as they had run out of material -

Two cars of lumber came in today and we are to begin hauling again tomorrow.

Fri 20 Sept 1912

Joe went to Davis with one large wagon - left it in Plant's and got Lumber Co's wagon to haul with -

The cars were not spotted and no loading could be done until near noon -

After loading and starting the tire of one wheel came nearly off repeatedly - Joe got dinner in town and finally got home at 6.30 Got 6 mules to help through field as culvert is torn out at big slough -

Sat 21 Sept 1912

Joe got tire set and hauled one load -

Sun 22 Sept 1912 [No entries.]

Mon 23 Sept 1912

Rose sent 5 more men in this a.m. but there was little they could do until Joe came with more 1 inch lumber - I telephoned in for some of it to be sent out -

The men began cement work at noon -

Tues 24 Sept 1912

Tinkered about place in early a.m.

Tried to get to Davis for 9.44 train but could not start auto - battery dead -

Drove horse to 12.05 train -

Lunched at Club -

Called on Mr. Shinn relative to Silica Brick trial and also at office -

Got new batteries and went out at 3.30

Joe hauled two loads lumber

Put new batteries in auto and started it all right -

Wed 25 Sept 1912

Got auto started all right with new batteries -

Went to Sacramento on 8.45

Sue went to Davis - to attend Temperance meeting at Mrs. Gastigon's [?]

Sue came to Sacramento on 4 p.m. train stopped at Hotel Clayton 408 -

The Winsor - Silica Brick trial came up today at 10 a.m.

A jury was drawn before noon and J. P. Dargitz was placed on witness stand later Winsor -

Sue & I attended meeting of Wm Jennings Bryan at Buffalo Park - Judge McLaughlin spoke & others until Bryan came at 8.55

Bryan spoke until 10.25 - made fine address. The crowd was immense -

Thurs 26 Sept 1912

Had breakfast at the Saddle Rock.

Saw Pacific seeders at Thompson Digg's old place - Had hair cut shave and shampoo -

Got book "The American Government" of the Bee.

Attended Winsor - Silica Brick trial. The prosecution rested at 11.25.

In p.m. Shinn moved for a nonsuit and argued same - It was denied -

W. A Beard was on stand then J. P. Dargitz until 5 p.m.

Lunched at Club - met Sue at 6.05 train out to Davis -

Joe hauled lath [?] - last and 125 fence posts -

Fri 27 Sept 1912

Went to Sacramento on 8.40

Dargitz on stand again followed by two witnesses for Winsor -

Court was adjourned until Wednesday next at 10 a.m.

Out at 6.05

Sat 28 Sept 1912

Dix drove me to Davis -

Went to Sacramento on 8.40

Attended meeting of Exposition Commissioners at Sac. Development Ass'n rooms in a.m. and meeting of Commissioners at Chamber of Commerce rooms in p.m.

Dix and Sue went to Woodland and Dix rode home on wheel -

I went to Woodland on Electric road - took Dan Shillone about town. In evening Sue and I went to card party at Judge Hawkins'

Staid at Julian

Rose worked 4 men and finished outside concrete walls and piers.

Sun 29 Sept 1912

Went to Sacramento on 8 a.m. electric - met Frank Allen and Jeff Davis - also Mr & Mrs Ross of Willows

- all went to Woodland - on 9.45

Mon 30 Sept 1912

Joe Simonich got mad this a.m. declined to run drag over residence lot and left after having harnessed 8 mules preparatory to harrowing -

Ran drag over residence lot

Went to Maier's for two horse scraper

- got Fried to take it down opposite Fiske's. Rose's men took forms off cement and began filling in front porch and around building

He worked 4 men today -

In p.m. Sue & I went to Davis.

took Joe's valises.

Mr. Rose was here and by mistake left specifications for Jim Miller's house -

Tues 1 Oct 1912

Fearful north wind came up about 7.30 a.m.

Morrison phoned that more lumber had come in and wanted me to haul it - Went to Davis engaged John Drummond but as wind blew so he begged off for delay which the Lumber Co. granted -

Paid Plant, Davis Lumber Co. Rowe & Wire, Davis Garage and Henley E. Miller -

Home at noon.

Fixed weight to pantry window etc.

Went to Davis to 3.57 train, which was 45 minutes late for Miss Grace Fisher

Rose had 4 men

The straw stack out north blew over today -

Wed 2 Oct 1912

North wind still bad, moderating toward evening -

Went to Sacramento on 8.40 to Winsor-Silica Brick suit -

John Drummond went home with me.

Have a fearful cold - was on the witness stand today

Out at 6.05

An attempt at a Silica Brick meeting was made but we did not have a quorum and adjourned to tomorrow evening -

Prof Howe is having difficulty raising his assessment and for that reason and to extend his time we adjourned the meeting - Walton absenting himself to cause shortage of quorum -

Thurs 3 Oct 1912

Sue and Grace Fisher went to Sacramento with me today - They nearly missed the 6.05 train at night and had to come away without getting their packages at the depot -

The Winsor-Silica Brick suit was given to the jury at 5 p.m. today.

A Silica Brick meeting was held this evening at 5.30 and authorization given to the Sacramento Clay Products Co to Bond the Brick property -

John Drummond began hauling lumber for house -

Fri 4 Oct 1912

Paid Pacific Gas & Electric Co's bill for last month, 80 cents; also Sutter Club 3.60

Went to Sacramento on 8.40

The Winsor-Silica Brick suit was decided in Winsor's favor - he being given judgment of \$7300 -

Saw Mr. A. G. Fretcher, engineer for State Highway relative to road across the Yolo Basin -

John haul 10 x 10 redwood for house -

Sat 5 Oct 1912

John hauled last of lumber now at Davis -

Took Grace Fisher to 8.40 train -

Hans Anderson went to Davis for pair shoes -

Sun 6 Oct 1912

Not feeling well.

Mr & Mrs. Fried called -

Mr & Mrs. Irvin called and staid to dinner - Their horse got loose and we took them home as we went to Woodland with Dixwell -

Mon 7 Oct 1912

John and I went to Woodland for 100 sx seed barley -

John did not get home until late - I returned via Davis -

Tues 8 Oct 1912

John got small load of lumber 1600 ft extra from Davis - then hauled sand from the creek -

Sue, Marian and I went to Davis for mail -

Mike Morrissey the new choreman came in late at night - had reported having wandered all over the country trying to find this place -

Wed 9 Oct 1912

Heavy north wind

Hans Anderson quit

Marian left for home -

John repair mangers.

Thurs 10 Oct 1912

John an I hauled 50 sks wheat 6355# from Plant warehouse and put same in chicken house -

Fri 11 Oct 1912

Attended Almond Exchange meeting -

John hauled sand

Sat 12 Oct 1912

Attended meeting of Sac. Valley Expositions committee -

Found a 35c Weinstock & Lubin excursion going to Sac. and went on it -

A dredger got hung up at bridge with draw open and with other walked to the Electric bridge -

In p.m. went with J. P. Dargitz to Clay Products plant -

Out at 6.05

Sun 13 Oct 1912

Sue, Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Thomas and I went to the new Yolo Power and Water Co's dam three miles above Capay - A great dam is being constructed, about 120 men are employed -

4 men have been employed on the house and much of the studding is up for the first floor -

Dix went to Woodland on his wheel -

Mon 14 Oct 1912

John went to town with the intention of getting a load of wheat - Before he got there a phone message announced that more lumber had arrived.

I went to Davis and we loaded up with 1000 feet 2 x 4 scantling ordered by phone by Mosier the head carpenter, and considerable ceiling

In p.m. John and I got another load of wheat 6800#

I hired a tramp to help us -

John was late getting home 6.40 p.m.

Sue went to Davis to meeting of Ladies Aid Bazaar committee.

Oliver Sparks called me up relative to renting of land.

It is reported that Theodore Roosevelt was shot in Milwaukee this evening.

Tues 15 Oct 1912

John, Mike & I unloaded wheat at packing house -

Showed Mike how to start and stop pump -

Went this a.m. to nursery and laid out 90 acres more in middle field for extension of the nursery -

John got load of ceiling and flooring - put most of it in carriage house.

Sue and I went to town after tea -

Six men worked on house today -

They got up some of the 10 x 10 posts in front - two men worked at excavating basement -

Received second installment on almond crop. \$819 -

Wed 16 Oct 1912

John hauled last load of lumber

- flooring - there are 2 pieces 3 x 14 - 22 ft long short -

Fixed pruning shears, looked up saws etc

Fixed bluestoning tank

Mr. & Mrs Rose & Mrs. Rose's mother came this p.m. Rose had to make a change in back stairs that permits enlarging rear bath room -

Went to Davis, deposited \$819 draft from Almond Exchange

Got warehouse (wheat) receipt and had withdrawals endorsed -

Roy Sampron got 2 sks wheat -

Weather ideal -

Thurs 17 Oct 1912

John began harrowing in summerfallow - started with six mules and I sent two more out to him -

Went to hear Dean Hunt lecture on Fertilizers at State Farm at 11 a.m.

- got brace on auto top filed.

Took Sue to E. A. Bullard's to a reception - Went on to Woodland.

Got pruning shear handle, saw, manetes [?] etc -

Home at 6 p.m.

Sue & I went to Davis to hear Lecture by Dr - and Stereopticon lecture by Dean Hunt who gave us data and pictures gathered from his European trip -

Fri 18 Oct 1912

Parkes sent 5 Japs here to prune for a few days -

Tinkered about place -

Mrs. Simpson phoned that Dix was sick and was coming on train -

Sue & I went to meet him at Davis -

Sat 19 Oct 1912

John finished harrowing summerfallow about 11 a.m.

He hauled spring tooth harrow into volunteer field and two loads gravel to east field in p.m.

Got harrows ready -

Discovered error in dumb waiter in new residence -

Mr. Rose came this a.m.

Went to Woodland to meeting of Panama Pacific Commissioners and also I. O. O. F. committee appointed to arrange for District meeting -

At former we voted \$2400 - to the Board of Trade for a Secretary -

At latter we decided to have a District meeting on Dec. 14th next -

Home via Davis - Chilly -

Sun 20 Oct 1912

John went to Davis with old Star.

Put seeder onto wagon

Sue and Dix went to Davis to attend Cemetery meeting at Mrs. Anderson's -

Quite strong north wind today -

Mon 21 Oct 1912

Dixwell has a vacation this week on account of Institute -

John, Dix and I cleaned and bluestoned wheat this a.m. - the 5800# we recently hauled from Davis and a little more -

Old Mike Morrissey, the choreman got mad at Soon, would not come in to dinner, packed his blankets and left without his wages.

Dix took Jule & Dock and went to Davis for a small load of lumber -

John and I sewed 44 sks wheat on the 60 acre piece of summerfallow in east field -

7 men are at work on house

they are putting in studding on upper floor - We today re-planned the upper floor to accommodate the blunder of Mr. Rose in mislocating the dumb waiter on the 2d floor.

Dix and I did milking -

Tues 22 Oct 1912

Dix and I did the chores -

Went to Woodland to Carey trial where with about 175 others I had been summoned as a juror -

After lunch I got excused - nearly one half of them did likewise -

It began to sprinkle about noon and kept it up at intervals throughout the afternoon.

At home it scarcely sprinkled at all -

Home via Davis -

A new choreman Sam Stevenson came out - rode out with Russell -

Wed 23 Oct 1912

John and I sowed wheat on 60 acre piece in east field - nearly finished - John finished it after dinner -

Mr. Rose was here - found he has no lumber for rafters -

Thurs 24 Oct 1912

John went to town for lumber -

-also got 1 sk sugar & 2 sks flour -

Dix spent afternoon at Gardner Chiles' -

Sue and I crossed the creek at sheep barn - went to Henry Glide's, Mr. Watson's and Jim Martin's to see, first about estray [?] pigs - pressure water system and fire-place - Returned via Davis -

Fri 25 Oct 1912

It began to sprinkle about 5.45 a.m. and did so at intervals until 9 a.m.

Clear rest of day.

Took ol[d] Sam Stevenson the crazy choreman to town -

Dix took us in and got two men Spaniards from Red Cross -

I went to Sacramento - got pair lines, 2 pr shoes, medicine - spoons for Sue etc.

Saw Attorney Driver relative to Alden Campbell's demand for architect's fee.

John roached mules, re-hauled gravel in east field

Sat 26 Oct 1912

John finished harrowing summerfallow before noon and started spring tooth on volunteer -

Nick & I sowed barley on volunteer ground this a.m.

Nick ran leveler on garden land south of residence

Worked some on barn door -

Discovered that the rear chimney would, if built cut through the S. W. hip rafter - stopped the game -

John did not work this p.m. - drew \$30.00 and went to Sacramento -

Sue & Dix went to Davis and to W. D. Chile's to see fire place.

Sun 27 Oct 1912

At about 2 p.m. it rained quite a shower. Sue & I were at new house when rain began.

Mr. Price, electrical contractor called -

Dix and I gave birthday dinner to Sue - Her birthday occurs on the 29th, but Dix will not be here then -

We gave her a set of salad forks and box of Ryan's chocolates -

Dr. Leroy Anderson and wife and Miss Howell, instructor in sewing at the Short Course work at State Farm called -

Sue & I took Dix to Davis to 6.40 p.m. train -

Mon 28 Oct 1912

I called a halt on back chimney at house because it cuts through hip rafter -  
Bricklayers began on fire place chimney -

It sprinkled at intervals this a.m.

Nick and I hung N. W. door to horse barn in a.m. and sowed grain in p.m.

Got up mare with colts.

Men began putting shingles on roof this p.m. have 12 tier on west side of roof -

8 men worked today -

Tues 29 Oct 1912

Nick and I sowed this forenoon -

In p.m. Nick and John went to Davis for building supplies

Nick go 600 brick with Flora and Queen

John got 4800 ft lumber with two wagons and six mules -

John was late - not getting home until a little after 7 p.m.

Wed 30 Oct 1912

Strong north wind -

Nick & I unloaded the lumber and brick loads, put away wagons and hauled the two large redwood 10 x 10 posts, rejected by Mr. Rose, to the packing house -

Joe Farrar choreman gave notice this noon that he was sick (?) and must quit -

Nick and I sowed 4 rounds. Then Nick did chores -

Went after sheep up creek

After supper Sue & I went to Davis, took Joe -

Sent order for Review of Reviews, American & Durny's [?] History of World - also for 4 qts Liquid Decarbonizer.

Mr. Chas T. Rose was here a short time this p.m.

Thurs 31 Oct 1912

Nick and I sowed 4 rounds in a.m. and 1 1/2 in p.m and finished the 134 acre volunteer field -

A large limb of the pepper tree just north of the auto house broke off last night and we cut that up and hauled it away.

Mr. J. W. Anderson and his Berkeley real estate friend called to see me [about?] Berkeley real estate and I soon got rid of them

Mr. Dan Gilmore, agent for Holt Bros, called see gas tractor

Went to inspect Jap pruning in east orchard this a.m. and got Star Thistle - fixed hog fence along alfalfa -

All men on roof - shingling and putting in Dormer windows -

fireplace chimney finished today -

Fri 1 Nov 1912

Finished kitchen chimney -

Sat 2 Nov 1912

Sprinkled - John & I put flooring inside house -

John went to town with two mules for two thousand shingles and 3 porch posts -

Sun 3 Nov 1912

It rained at intervals

Took Dix to 6.40 p.m. train

Mon 4 Nov 1912

John finished volunteering this a.m. and started plow in east field

- plows nicely -

Sue and I went to Woodland via Davis - took Mack 8 doz eggs at 45c -

Attended meeting of Board of Supervisors in behalf of San Diego Exposition -

Took tea with the Dopking's -

Attended "Bull Moose" political speaking at Opera House -

I was chairman

General U. S. Webb and Mrs. Mackrille [?] were the speakers - The attendance was good - Home at 11.15 p.m.

Tues 5 Nov 1912

Election day Roosevelt-Taft Wilson - presidential candidates -

Rained at intervals this a.m.

John Drummond and I went down to vote this a.m. in rain

- took 325 second hand sks for resacking wheat in warehouse.

- home for dinner -

In p.m. agent for 1st Mortgage and Investment Co - called -

Sue and I went down in p.m. for Sue to vote -

Took 7 rolls butter to Hoag and Fish pond material to Mrs. Gastinger for Fair.

John plowed in p.m.

The Electrician began wiring the house

Lathing also began -

Wed 6 Nov 1912

Strong south wind last night and rained at intervals -

Thurs 7 Nov 1912

Went to nursery and got 4 Japs - took them to town and resacked wheat in Plant's warehouse. - did not get started until after 9 a.m. got about 300 sks -

Went home at noon and got Sue who worked in p.m at Silva's Hall for Ladie's Fair -

Fri 8 Nov 1912

Left on 8.40 train for San Francisco - staid at Graystone

Called at W. W. Montague's to look mantles - at Woodin & Little to see pumps - at Levi's to see electrical implements -

Attended U. C. dinner at the Commercial Club -

Wyatt and self were the only representatives of '75 -

Sat 9 Nov 1912

Rained hard at intervals this a.m. - Went to Berkeley on 11 a.m. Key Route ferry -

Called at Mrs. Middlehoff's and got "standing room" ticket for Intercollegiate Foot Ball game -

The field was a sight to behold -

mud and water and players were dirty as pigs a few minutes after play began.

Stanford scored first in first half - Berkeley scored in second half - Score 3 to 3 -

Had place in lee of bulletin board and had box to sit on

Went to Frankie's and staid over night.

Sun 10 Nov 1912

It rained hard this a.m.

Gardner came about 11 a.m.

We left in time to get 3.34 train for Davis -

Sue & Dix met me - D. going to school -

Mon 11 Nov 1912

Mr. Young - sheet metal worker came to put in heater pipes but they have not come -

Worked about place.

Sue & I went to town in p.m. found heater pipes there -

Mr. Best and Dr [name not recorded] came as promoters(sic) of a Pacific Coast Fire Insurance company -

Two electricians began to board here tonight -

Tues 12 Nov 1912

Went early for heater pipes with big mares and red wagon -

- got 10 sks spuds, 1 sk onions 1 box apples from Atwood -

In p.m. sent John for load of finishing lumber - went and helped load it -

Mrs. Wm & Frank Chiles called.

One electrician went into town sick tonight -

Paid Stewart's bill for repairs of Carey Montgomery's

cost (\$6.25) injured by Beauty when she was crazy this summer.

Wed 13 Nov 1912

Heavy fog in a.m.

No wind today -

John plowed on 40 acre piece in east field - finished south half.

Went to east field - Nursery people are plowing and leveling land and today are tearing down cross fence

Let sheep on to creek - fed them some of loose hay in building lot throwing it over fence into orchard.

Man & son from Dixon came today to look at old Knox - I offered it to them for \$50.00

Archie Robson came to borrow spring tooth harrow -

Had trouble with locating heater pipe in Gardner's room -

Joe hauled gravel to east hog trough.

Went to town in p.m. for piping for Young - heater expert - now there

Took Hoag 7 rolls butter 15 doz eggs 40c.

Thurs 14 Nov 1912

In p.m. took 4 Japs and finished sacking wheat in Plant's warehouse.

Sue went to meeting of Ladie's Aid at Mrs. Gastinger's.

Fri 14 Nov 1912

Tinkered about in a.m.

In p.m. went to Woodland, Sue going to visit High School.

Paid First Installment Taxes \$1200.96, 500.9[0?] being special School tax for Fairfield school building -

Also paid \$36.00 City tax in Woodland -

Had carburettor (sic) cleaned

Dix rode home with us via Davis -

Sat 15 Nov 1912

Took tall windmill to pieces so far as boxes are concerned for repairs

- later took them to Davis - Read Co. 2.50.

Fixed halters - Fixed pump belt and pumped water

In p.m. attended meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Davis at office of Dr. Bates

The man who was putting in the heater pipes finished last night -

The electrician did not work today

- he is nearly through -

Sun 16 Nov 1912

Put windmill together.

Went to T. S. Glide's for some sheep that had strayed 2 ewes & 3 lambs.

Fixed plow for John -

John went to town.

This evening Mrs. J. W. Anderson family & Vergie Rogers, came in Mrs. A's car.

Mr & Mrs. R. W. Weise in their car and Mr & Mrs. Geo W Sanders in theirs called -

Took Dix to Woodland -

Mon 18 Nov 1912

Tinkered about place and went to Davis in p.m.

Tues 19 Nov 1912

Very cold south wind rained at intervals -

Went to town with lime worker

got 16 pcs 2 x 10 and 6 barrels lime - home at 1 p.m.

Went to Davis in evening

Took 7 rolls butter -

Wed 20 Nov 1912

Went to Sacramento on 8.40 train -

Took "Hydro-Carbon" lamp into city for repairs, but could not find the agents -  
Ferguson -

Attended State Highway Commission hearing of Woodland people -- R. H. Beamer was spokesman and made a most peculiar address.

Took A. W. Morris to club lunch -

Saw Geo W Lorenz relative to the Alden Campbell affair.

Saw Dargitz and Tucker in re Brick & Almonds -

Out at 3.30 Sue went to Whist meeting at Mrs. Wilbur's -

Sue & I attended surprise party given J. F. Chiles on his 49th birthday

There were 16 present - "500" was played and many "Josh presents" were given -

Strong north wind -

Thurs 21 Nov 1912

Nick went to town with wagon for 2 - 6 x 6 - 12 ft R. W. Posts for Porte cochere and some water pipe -

Got 50 gals gasoline and old bags from grain resacking in Plants.

Mrs. Fissell, matron at State Farm and Mis Starn Professional nurse came to call on Mrs. Pierce - They brought 40# soap grease Sue had ordered.

Went to east field. John is almost done [with] the small land – near barn -

Parke has division fence posts up again -

No Japs worked today

Called at Parke's - Mrs. Parke's is worse again tonight -

Took 4 rolls butter & 15 doz eggs -

Rose had roof tinted today -

Fri 22 Nov 1912

5 Japs came at noon and finished pruning old almond orchard (20 rows on east side.)

John began plowing east of slough this afternoon -

Sat 23 Nov 1912

5 Japs pruned today - did both vineyards and family orchard.

Went to Davis in p.m. saw Throop and Percy Hoag relative to mortgages on town property -

Sue and I went to 500 meet at Mr. & Mrs. Fred Smith's -

Plasterers began today -

2 " and had carriers -

Put 1st coat on Gardner's room the hall and a little on the sewing room -

The plumber began today

Chiles and Snyder paid for their wheat -

Electricians left this a.m.

Sun 24 Nov 1912

Went to Sacramento on the 8.40 train - Attended the "Goose Stew" at Agricultural Park.

It was a great affair - 1500 geese, 200 turkeys, ham, tongue etc were provided - upwards of 4,00 people were present. Bem [?] [Bene?] rock shooting. old time auto races, mule races vaudeville etc furnished amusement

-out on 6.05 train.

Met Dix at Davis -

Two plumbers worked today as they are behind and in the way of the plasterers -

Mon 25 Nov 1912

Went to Davis early this a.m.

- took 15 turkeys to Hoag - 13 hens and 2 gobblers 152# 18c \$27.36

Got lumber - flooring, ceiling and top boards for porte cochere.

- 1 bbl pipe fittings and 66 feet of 4 inch sewer pipe.

Dr. Lawhead has his automobile go wrong, just west of the bridge, as he was on his way to Russell's -

Mrs. Schmeiser, Louise and Elamine called -

Mr. Rose came this p.m.

Plasterers worked on s. e.[?] bedroom.

Tues 26 Nov 1912 [No entries.]

Wed 27 Nov 1912

Had John spring tooth both residence lot and windmill field.

Got hen turkey for Mohler -

Sue & I left for 9.55 train -

had trouble starting car.

We went to city - Sue to auction house - I to Panama Pacific meeting -

Met Sue & Will at Oakland Pier - al went to 16th St and met Dixwell there - also Gardner.

All went to 618 Moraga Ave. ["Ave." crossed out] Piedmont

Took 19# gobbler. 2 chickens butter etc to Frank.

Thurs 28 Nov 1912

Will and I took ride over hills about Piedmont -

Frankie had fine dinner

We took walk to beautiful grounds of Havens

All attended "Ye Liberty" Theater where the "Greyhound" was presented -

Fri 29 Nov 1912

Sue, Gardner & I went to Silas Stone works, Alameda (sic) to see mantles, steps & urns -

Then went to City - lunched at Ferry Cafe - Called at Woodin & Littles relative to pump - Can get No. 2 Pyramid Gould pump, 10 x 3 ft tank, 2 H. P. Wheeler & [name not given] motor and all connections complete for \$289.80

Met Sue & Gardner at 636 Market at an auction sale where we bought tapestry \$50 rug table screen panel vase china etc. I had to leave for 5 p.m. train - gave Sue \$170

Home at 8.45 Soon had fire for me -

Soon took 6 rolls butter to Hoag.

Sat 30 Nov 1912

Tinkered. Went to Nursery

Paid Parkes for Jap pruning \$244.40 He paid me for hard shelled almonds and 2d hand grain bags \$48.43

In p.m. went to Davis - took 3 rolls butter to Hoag - got 10# rice 5.75 of Chinaman, meat etc -

Saw grape vine cutter and grubber with International Engine on Schmeiser vineyard -

Sun 1 Dec 1912

Pumped tank of water -

John Drummond saw a kioty [coyote] in north alfalfa field - later Percy Hoag killed one on LaRues.

Got brush burner outfit ready.

Hindoo came for team to get camping outfit - gave him Queen & Flora.

Went to Davis and to Armstrong's to look up Hindoo gang -

Got new man, Guy Wilcox

Mr. Mohler, wife, friend & wife called to see house as did Mr. & Mrs. Hageman, Gordon Anderson and Miss [name not given].

Went to 6.30 train for Sue but she did not come until 8.10 Dix went to Woodland

5 Hindoos came -

Mon 2 Dec 1912

Set 5 Hindoos to burning brush in east orchard

Guy and I got up mule team for scraping - took up little corral fence in building lot -

Brainerd Bros - agents for the West Side Electric Railroad were here and I bought 40 more shares of the stock of the company giving my note for same -

Guy burned brush in little vineyard and family orchard -

Got read to butcher -

John Rowe's men came and began work about 10 a.m.

- two of them with 6 horses -

Tues 3 Dec 1912

Butchered 8 hogs this a.m.

In p.m. went to Davis to see Percy Hoag but he had gone to Sacramento -

Wed 4 Dec 1912

Heavy north wind - cold -

Cut up hogs in a.m.

Went to Davis in p.m. to see Percy Hoag about the payment of his note and the transfer of his mortgage, but he was not ready - Heard from the Oakland Chamber of Commerce, owing me, but they too were not ready to pay -

Mollie Page came on 3.20 train -

Thurs 5 Dec 1912

Fearful north wind -

Turned [?] sausage casings

Hauled load of wood

Ground sausage

Cleaned up old stack bottom in house lot -

Henry Pierce, grader, moved into windmill field with cultivator.

Went into Davis, on call. Percy Hoag made a trade with John W. Anderson who took the Throop place off his hands - Throop paid off his \$700 note I held, and also paid me \$500 on his \$1800.00 note -

Got keg of cornbeef -

Very cold today.

Fri 6 Dec 1912

North wind continues -

blew most of day -

Went to town in a.m. to mail letters - paid Davis Garage also Rowe & Wire -

Stuffed sausage and hung them in smokehouse - salted meat -

Rowe's men finished leveling in residence lot and began on windmill lot -

Went to town for Dixwell

- met Robert Curray and Theodore Schmeiser

Paid Ashley, Sutter Club & Garrette [?] & Thomas -

Sat 7 Dec 1912

Tinkered in a.m.

Sue, Mollie & I went to Woodland in p.m. - tried to see Mr. Bush but he was out of town -

In evening Sue & I went to Wilbur's to 500 Club -

Rowe's man finished leveling alfalfa ground -

Sun 8 Dec 1912

Took in place -

Sold hog to Spaniards at Nursery for 15.35

Sue, Mollie & I went to Dixon via Davis - called on Mr. Chas. F. Rose our builder. Mr. R. has been sick -

Dix & Sue had a birthday dinner for me -

Took Dix to 6.30 p.m. train -

Rowe's men left -

Mon 9 Dec 1912

Started Guy at hauling wood from east orchard -

John finished plowing in east field and brought plow up -

Went to Davis in p.m.

Tues 10 Dec 1912

John and I went to town with team - got scantling for culvert and 55 sx wheat, wt 70.65 [meaning not clear here.]

Bought two geese

Sue and I went to north windmill - shot 3 ducks and a jack rabbit -

Went to Woodland in p.m. saw Musgrove, Bush, Cranston and Dick Wallace -  
Collected county warrants \$57.35 - increased insurance on dwelling to \$6500 -

Home via Davis -

Wed 11 Dec 1912

John is hauling gravel for tank house, hydrant at windmill and culvert in east field -

The two Hindus who are chopping finished in west orchard -

Left on 3.50 train for San Francisco - stopped at 318 Stewart

Thurs 12 Dec 1912

Attended meeting of Supervisors and Committee men at Exposition building - saw plans and got data relative to the Panama Pacific Exposition. All were then taken on auto ride to the Exposition site -

At 12.30 we lunched at the Merchants Club and held discussions until near 5 p.m.

Went to the Cort. [?] "The Modern Eve" was presented to small house -

Fri 13 Dec 1912

Went to Woodin & Little's relative to getting pumping plant -

- to American Agencies and to see fencing in a.m.

In p.m. went to Oakland Chamber of Commerce to collect bill - Got Nichols - went to Howell & Dorhmans, then with one of their men to County Court House and finally got my money \$118.00

Went to Pacific Fence Co - saw patented Automatic gate -

ordered a 11 foot one and 100 feet ornamental fence.

Phoned to Gardner at 7.15 p.m. and made appointment for tomorrow -

Went to Orpheum -

Sat 14 Dec 1912

Went to Alameda on 6.45 boat

- to Atlas Stone works - saw tops for gate posts etc and got plan [?] -

Got haircut, shave, face & shampoo -

Attended meeting of stockholders of Sacramento Valley Electric Railroad at 10th floor Shreve building.

Discussed routes of proposed road, Red Bluff to San Francisco

also Davis to Winters -

Met Gardner at 1.25 at Steward -

After lunch we went shopping.

called at Mascot office - Saw Smoot.

Then at American Agencies - bought a fire extinguisher 16.50 (brass) and a can of powdered extinguisher for auto use at 3.00

Shopped at various places

It rained at intervals in p.m.

We attended the Alcazar, "Money Moon" was on - small audience and small play.

Met Mort Smith - Hindoos got into west orchard with brush burner.

Sun 15 Dec 1912

Gardner and I went to ferry

got 9 a.m. boat for home.

Gardner going to 16th St -

We met Marian Atwood, Ned Galt & Wife at Ferry - Marian was enroute home -

At Davis could not get house on phone - rode out with Jeff Donnenwirth and walked rest of way -

Went with auto for suit case

Took Dix to 6.30 train -

Mon 16 Dec 1912

Strong south wind -

Tues 17 Dec 1912

Went to Davis 9.30

Met G. H. Hecke, Asa Morris Hayes Gable & [name not given] Maddux -

Hecke made charges against me as Executive officer of Panama Commissioners that I was not in touch with Woodland people and that the Commission was spending too much money.

Wed 18 Dec 1912

Went to Davis 10 a.m. looked up freight - Found heater for house, 4 boxes goods from Jacobson (Jap goods) automatic gate, fence & sk of spuds -

John & Guy got above freight -

Went to Sacramento - attended Land Show and went to San Francisco on 3.50 train -

stopped at Stewart 317 -

Thurs 19 Dec 1912

Went to Pelton Water Wheel Co's Office at 19th & Harrison Sts to look up small motor - found it would not work to advantage in our faucets.

Attended meeting of Panama Pacific Commissioners at Pine & Battery, thence to 304 California thence to Fair Grounds by auto and to lunch at Commercial Club.

We passed a Resolution requesting a further appropriation of \$1,000.00 - for a State building.

Home on 5 p.m. train

Found north wind blowing at Davis -

Met Sue, who had been to Sacramento shopping -

Percy Hoag had put on 2 new U. S. Nobby tread tires and one went down - got Percy to put new valve in -

Fri 20 Dec 1912

Strong north wind - Got 10 x 10 gate post out for automatic gate and painted same -

Began grading road at residence -

Hindoos finished burning brush and digging stumps in east orchard.

Set two Hindoos at digging stumps in west orchard and they got 2 prune and 1 almond and began on another almond from 2.15 to 5.00 p.m.

John finished mowing and worked at grading in p.m.

Went to Davis for Dix - got fire extinguisher, Sue's purchases of yesterday, by express) box oranges for Dix from Monshee -

Sat 21 Dec 1912

Heavy north wind -

Dismissed Hindoos -

Took Dix to Woodland enroute to Sacramento -

Attended meeting of Panama Pacific Commissioners in basement of Hall of Records.

Later attended meeting of Assemblyman elect

Home via Davis for Dix -

The 500 Club met at Sander's tonight but we did not go as Sue was not well and I was tired out with long ride in cold wind -

Got Xmas tree of Eaton.

Sun 22 Dec 1912

Settled with Hindoos - two went to Davis - one returned -

Sent Manie's box for Xmas -

Met Gardner at 11 a.m . train from Sacramento, as he went up on boat to Sacramento yesterday with Allan M. Herrick of Grant's Pass Oregon

Dix and I went to Pleasant Valley for holly berries -

shot 4 ducks at north windmill -

Mon 23 Dec 1912

Tinkering about home

Went to Davis in p.m.

Killed turkey for Xmas -

Tues 24 Dec 1912

Met W. L. Porter and family at 3.20 p.m. San Fran train -

Had Christmas tree tonight

Frankie gave me pair of opera glasses -

Sue gave me pair of field glasses -

Wed 25 Dec 1912

North wind blew fearfully

It was very cold and dry -

Men did not work today.

Thurs 26 Dec 1912

Will, Frankie, Pierce, Gardner and I drove into Sacramento across tule road, which was very rough - went out to Sacramento Clay Products Co -

Lunched at Saddle Rock -

home about 6.30 p.m.

Fri 27 Dec 1912

In p.m. the Porters, Gardner and I drove to new dam near Capay - Returned via Woodland and Davis .

It was a very cold ride -

Reiss of the United States Copper Company called this evening and I agreed to go to the mine, in Ventura, with him starting tomorrow -

Sat 28 Dec 1912

Took the Porters to 9.55 train -

Saw Rowe & Wire about well-boring -

Dix took me to 3.50 train en-route to San Francisco.

Met Mr. Krider's son who is going to the Columbus Mine -

Met Mr. Reiss at Ferry -

At 9.40 took train for Bakersfield -

There are in our party: Mr. Reiss - Mr. Sheiven [?], new Superintendent Mr. Shellford [?] of Healdsburg Mr. Krider and myself - Had berth No. 3 -

Sun 29 Dec 1912

Arrived at Bakersfield about 7.30 Breakfasted at Southern Hotel -

Left at 9.15 in 7 passenger Stearns auto, Kitchen chauffer -

Ran through Tejon pass and arrived at Columbus Borax mine at 12.45

Had fine dinner - saw mine -

Left at 4.15 with Mr. & Mrs. Wilson and son for Bakersfield - Mr. W. is the retiring Superintendent

Arrived at Bakersfield at 7.45 p.m. Ate at restaurant

Reiss and ["and" repeated] Shellford went north at 8.40

I staid at Imperial Hotel near depot -

Mon 30 Dec 1912

Left on 6.40 north bound train

Reached Port Costa at 3.15 Staid over and caught the 3.00 train for City - for Davis -

Mr. Reiss was aboard and took me home in his auto -

Tues 31 Dec 1912

Sue & I attended funeral of Alma Anderson in p.m.

Guy and i began work on culvert in east field -

Mr. Reiss and chauffer came -

Chauffer worked on car with Gardner - both staid to lunch -

I agreed to exchang[e] stock in Western States Life Insurance company, certificate 606 for 100 shares for 150 shares of United States Borax stock -

Made above indicated change -

Memoranda [p. 1] [For 1912]

Jan. 1st Very dry - next to no rain to date

Very cold -

7th Rain

26 Thunderstorm -

27 Willows West Side Road meet -

Feb 19 strong north wind - very little rain yet -

Taxes for 1911 \$1377.34

25 & 26 heavy frosts, killing many almonds -

Mch 3 heavy frost - ice - more almonds -

5 rain -

6 "

8 Hard frost -

12 Rain

15     Marked lamb - rained -

16     heavy frost - saw some ice -

Apr.  9     Sprinkled very little

      8     "

      10    rained in showers and hailed.

June 23    It rained upwards of 3/4 of an inch -

          Memoranda [p.2]

Sept  3     Very slight sprinkle.

      5     Rained

      6     "     about 1 56/100 inches.

4th to 9th  Was in San Diego

Sept  16    J. R. Rose began work on new residence

      23    Rose began cement work.

      28    Outside walls & piers done -

30 Took forms off cement -  
 Oct Carpenters began  
 13 most of studding, 1st floor up.  
 19 discovered "dumb waiter" mistake  
 21 putting up studding 2d floor.  
 26 discovered misfit near chimney.  
 28 Began shingling -  
 31 Finished fireplace chimney  
 Nov 1 Kitchen chimney finished  
 " 5 Roof finished  
 " Wiring & lathing begun.  
 Cash Account [p. 1]  
 Oct 25 Rained a little  
 28 " less -

Nov 2& 3 " intervals in a.m.

5 " " in a. m.

Dec 31 It is very dry and weather discouraging - Less than three inches of rain has fallen.

Much heavy north wind has prevailed and grain is dying out - There is but little feed for stock and outlook is gloomy

Bills Payable . . . . October

1912 Wheat acct -

Nov 11 J. T. Chiles Dr -

20 sks wheat 2350# @ 1.40 32.90

16 Eli Snyder Dr

to 40 sks wheat 4805# @1.40 67.27

16 Borchers [?] Bros Dr

to 50 sks wheat 6436# @ 1.40 90.10

Bills Payable . . . . December

Millar Publishing Co (Newark

land, lot 4, block 16

Monthly \$7.00 beginning Nov. 1912

until \$110.00 is paid 7.00

400 shares Mascot @ 3.00 \$1200.

in 3, 6, 9 & 12 months 1200.

100 shares, Sue " 300.

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Dec. 16. Mar 16. June 16. Sept 16

10 shares Sac. Valley Electric

Railroad - payable in 1 year 1000.

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Mascot stock,

A. S. Crowder Madison Yolo Co Cal has friend

I. I Savills, 829 W 55th St Los Angeles who has 500 shares, he offers at \$6.00