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D-022 6:4 Transcription of George Pierce Jr. Diary, 1928

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Preliminary notes by transcriber:

The final few pages of this diary, the "Memoranda" pages are given over to addresses and brief accounts having to do with the business of the ranch.

On the Title Page of the Diary Pierce has put in the following information:

J. F. Moedinger on Plant [?] place, Cache Creek - Woodland

[Listed as "Pierce Lateral canal water users." are:]

James Koeber

Geo. Gnaggs

Jack Finley

Frank Silva

[Note: The designation "[above]" in any entry indicates that Pierce had put in a brief notation above the date of the entry.]

Sat 1 Jan 1927

Bright in forenoon, cloudy in afternoon - Had Monsha fix bearings on pump -

Monsha & I cleaned and oiled the Chrysler auto. Also did a little repairing finishing about 3.15 p.m. -

Took Muriel and Marjorie to Al Henle's for some doll clothes Marjorie had left there. Then went to Davis for the maid -

Bohla and the Hindu boy who has been here for a time left this afternoon.

Bohla has the rheumatism and contemplates going to Wilbur Springs -

Sun 2 Jan 1927

[above] Rain

Rained during night and most of forenoon at intervals.

Left in Chrysler about 9.15 with Muriel and Marjorie for Berkeley - Disagreeable driving.

Found Harriet greatly improved - Drove in Gardner's car to [name not given] in Thousand Oaks district where the girls are to stay for awhile -

Drove to Lee Dolson garage at 22 & Telegraph - Left car went to City -

Stopped at the State. Phoned to Friends on Foxon [?] Ave. Went to St Francis Theater for a time

Mon 3 Jan 1927

[above] Foggy

Had bath and got out early - Went to 952 Mission St and ordered a take up for the "K" Stump Puller - bough adhesive tapes and left City on the 10 o'clock Key Route boat -

Drove to Richmond and looked up lots 21 & 22 - Block 7 Nicoll-McDonald Addition ["29 & McDonald Ave." written above this line] to City of Richmond - Around \$200.00 per front foot is it's (sic) value

Just missed 11.40 boat -

Went via Davis and arrived home about 3 p.m.

Monsha and hindus are pruning blackberry vines.

Tues 4 Jan 1927

[above] Fogg[y] early

Had Monsha adjust pump -

Sold Rogers Store 30 doz. lemons & 2 doz Mandanns -

Began ladder for pump pit -

Am almost sick as a result of taking a violent cathartic

Mrs. Brags [?] went to town

Got Bohla information relative to state trips at Wilbur Springs -

Mrs. B - got 50c 1c stamps and paid 17c postage due for Monsha.

Bohla left for Wilbur Springs -

Wed 5 Jan 1927

[above] Foggy - Cloudy

Mrs. B. has a very bad cold contracted in San Francisco -

Al Henle called and solicited membership in the Yolo Farm Bureau which I took - cost \$5.00 per annum.

Made and installed ladder for pump shaft -

Monsha & I got barrels in position for mixing tree spray

Mrs. B. Went to Davis for mail and the take-up block for "K" stump puller.

Am feeling badly from effects of cathartics.

Thurs 6 Jan 1927

[above] Rain

Rain last night

Weighed hogs today - Separated 4 apparently (sic) [apparently] heaviest 720#. 8 others weighed [number not given]

Monsha took Hindoo boy to 12.02 train

Cleaned up granary for grain processing -

Got steel barrel for lime spraying solution

Standard Oil agent came in with new oil contract - and left 35 gallons gasoline at 17c Went to Davis in afternoon.

Fri 7 Jan 1927

Got spray rig ready and started engine -

Chrysler agent here from Woodland -

Sat 8 Jan 1927

[above] Sikes finished plowing -

Monsha off on a visit as usual -

33 lambs came today -

2 are in house -

Rounded up sheep from all fields -

Sikes, Geo, Alva finished winter plowing about 400 acres soon after noon -

He has had good plowing and has done well -

Sun 9 Jan 1927

[above] Cold -

Harnam and I worked all day on lambs - weather was cold and lambs suffered - 4 died -

Mon 10 Jan 1927

[above] Rain 40[?]

Monsha has not come back as agreed -

Had 12 live lam[b]s and 5 dead ones this a.m.

Drove to Woodland to attend stockholders meeting of Bank of Yolo -

Rained last night and again about midday - total around 3/4 of an inch for the season.

Tues 11 Jan 1927

[above date: "Rain Monsha returned"]

[below:] Rained a little last night -

Monsha is back again and Harman has gone -

Wed 12 Jan 1927

[above] Foggy - Went to Sacto.

Went to Sacramento - Mrs B - going too - to Chrysler to [name not given] for repairs [between this line and the next in very small letter: "722, 12th St. -"]

Ordered a new suit of Elkus, a grey at \$36.00 Also left a vest of another suit for alteration - Got medicines mouse traps etc. - Tried to see Dix twice but failed -

Thurs 13 Jan 1927

[above] Williams repaired radio -

Heavy fog -

Monsha and I worked with lambs then repaired fence about creek barn

corral also made new water gate and repaired fence near windmills -

Mrs. B. Brought in ewes with 8 lambs - Put a pair of twins and mother in granary -

Went to town about 4 p.m. for mail and groceries -

Sold 4 hogs for next week delivery at 11 1/2 c -

Mr Williams came and repaired radio -

Fri 14 Jan 1927

[above] Heavy fog -

Worked on lambs in a.m. and got spray ready -

In p.m. it took Monsha two hours to start the spray engine - In the mean time I hauled off the rubbish from house yard - Later Monsha sprayed three peach trees and I finished the orchard on north side of house.

Sat 15 Jan 1927

[above] Rained last night

Rained a little during night and sprinkled some in forenoon - In the afternoon Monsha and [I?] fixed wire fence to get fattening hogs to scale and weighed 12 hogs - The first four weighed 720#. The other eight weighed [number not given]

Two ewes had twin lambs near the bridge as they came in - I got them and one single into barn -

Gardner & son Edward came in from Jackson via Davis & Woodland -

His news of Harriet is far from comforting.

Sun 16 Jan 1927

[above] Rain.

Rained hard early in the morning and considerable during the forenoon.

Gardner & boy left to meet the 10.07 City train to meet Dr. Lawhead for a consultation relative to Harriet. They lunched at Henle's, & came here late. Gardner looked over his cattle, put boy to bed. Later he got boy up and started for Berkeley about 7.30 p.m.

Had sixteen lambs the a.m. Mr. Smith of Davis came looking for pasturage for a cow -

Mon 17 Jan 1927

[above] Marked lambs -

Got ready for marking lambs - Marked 48 in p.m. 22 ewes 26 bucks - turned them into 75 acre field -

Got stuck on slippery grade at south end of creek-barn bridge (Dodge)

In p.m. forgot to turn gas into vacuum tank and Hung up Chrysler for a time -

Mrs. Michael and her Mother called -

Mrs. B went to town -

Tues 18 Jan 1927

[above] Marked pigs -

Marked 34 head of pigs 22 sows & 12 boars - in forenoon and got up sheep and lambs from creek -

Marked lambs in p.m. -

113 head - 62 ewes & 51 bucks.

Got sheep from knoll field - had to leave out 12 head lambs -

----- Federal sheep inspector called - gave him a package of citrus fruit

Mrs. B. went to Davis.

Wed 19 Jan 1927

[above] Sacramento - Rain

Had bad tangle-up with heavy increase of lambs - Got up and weighed 4 head of hogs weighing 750# for Young and Covell -

Left in Chrysler for Sacramento at 11.15

Phoned Dix - failed in getting him - Lunched at Senator -

Met Davis High School Board and Mr. Starks the architect and went to North Sacramento brick plant where we selected brick for the High school building -

It rained hard from 3.30 until 10 p.m. Mrs B. went to Sac. to the Legislature & the Senator Theater

drew \$20.00 - Broke east left bar of road gate.

Thurs 20 Jan 1927

[above] Sprinkled

Got broken left lever from county road gate before breakfast -

- fixed same - Monsha helped install it and set 3 posts in corral in windmill field - Went to Davis.

Sent Inter Insurance bureau \$74.18 Chrysler insurance -

also 2.95 to Chicago for remedy -

It sprinkled a little today and is quite cold.

Fri 21 Jan 1927

[above] Strong & cold North wind -

Went to Davis in a.m. and got stirrup clamp for gate -

In afternoon installed clamp and adjusted gate -

also put up fence on west side of corral in north-west windmill field -

Mrs. B. went to town in p.m.

Sat 22 Jan 1927

[above] Ice

13 lambs this a.m. no deaths.

There was ice on all the ponds here this a.m.

Mrs. B. and I drove to Woodland in Chrysler -

Saw R. G. Lawson relative to sale of lots 1 & 4 Pierce Addition

A \$100.00 deposit was up - I signed a deed and left it with Lawson.

\$1400.00 cash is to follow at once -

Got 200# stock salt. Auto frame for Dodge license 1.40, rope for Gardner lasso -

Home via Davis - Worked on new heater for lamb marking -

Sun 23 Jan 1927

[above] Heavy white frost

Cold all day - Tinkered some on sheep docking furnace - Monsha off somewhere -

Mrs. B. went for mail -

Dixwell and Katherine drove in for a few minutes about 6 p.m. Got some citrus fruit and stove-bolts.

Mon 24 Jan 1927

above] Cold. Marked lambs

Cold and cloudy in a.m.

Weather fine though cool later in the day.

Finished my furnace for lamb marking -

Monsha and I marked 80 lambs 43 bucks and 37 ewes in one hour and two minutes -

Monsha had a Hindoo caller this afternoon

Mrs. B. went for mail.

There is a band of stray sheep on the creek -

Tues 25 Jan 1927

[above] Cloudy

Found some 45 of Glide's sheep on creek pasture -

Failing phoning, went to Glides'. His men away

I drove sheep out and with Monsha fixed creek fence -

Put the unmarked lambs and their mothers into the alfalfa -

Lost sledge head in creek -

Turned mare, colt and mule from alfalfa to orchard field -

Cleaned, oiled and examined Chrysler from the pit in shop -

Mr. B went to town and picked up Bhulla Singh on his return from Wilbur Springs -

Another Hindoo drove in at night -

Wed 26 Jan 1927

[above] Rain -

Rain began falling some time in the night - It rained, sprinkled and thundered at intervals -

Tinkered about house in a.m. At noon a young man came to buy seed wheat and engaged 2700# @ \$2.10 - is to get it tomorrow -

Monsha and I set up wheat treating machinery -

then worked on corral for handling hogs to the scales - Mrs. B went to town -

got license plates for the Dodge.

Monsha drew \$30.00 -

Thurs 27 Jan 1927

[above] Rain during night

Rained at night and at intervals during forenoon. Monsha and I tried to get bucks from band -

got two out & one jumped orchard fence Mr. J. F. Moedinger, two sons and his son-in-law [names not included] came for wheat and got 3287# paying \$68.00

The rig for copper treatment did not work well -

Thornton Glide and wife drove in for 21 dozen lemons @11C [?] and were give[n] a bucket of tangerines and some navels.

A grandnephew of John Taylor of Grass Valley came in for orchard information for the government.

Fri 28 Jan 1927

[above] Clear day.

Got six bucks out of flock -

Finished up chute for hog weighing and weighed up the hogs - Scales did not work well.

Young & Covell got 4 hogs weighing 770# @ 11 1/2c

Mrs. B and self drove to Sacramento - Got suit of Elkus \$36.00 & extra pantaloons \$7.50

Paid Monsha bill at Rogers store \$41.25

Monsha had call from San Francisco to send \$25.00 to go to Fresno

Sat 29 Jan 1927

[above] Clear - cold -

Beautiful day. Went to town about 10.30. Straightened out mistake of Young and Covell of \$10.15 on hog payment -

Transferred \$1000.00 to savings account - Paid Michael \$6.00 on account dues for Odd Fellows - Saw - McBride about High School matters - rent of lands to Silva & Miller -

Stairway to cupola, terra cotta entrance &c.

Tried to get Jeff Dunningworth to go to Woodland I. O. O. F. but he would not -

Bohla pruned in the afternoon -

Sun 30 Jan 1927

[above] Nice day -

Rather cold -

Monsha & Bholia away -

Mrs. B went for mail -

Wrote children relative to visit -

Wrote several letters. sent for "Nature's Program" a crop growing magazine

Mon 31 Jan 1927

But there lambs came last night & 2 of them, twins, died -

Monsha & I cleaned up big scales trying to find why they are out of true

Fixed elevated wheel to gate on hy[d]rant in front of laundry -

Made a sheep panel for lamb marking pen -

Phoned Alvin Sikes about plowing the 40 acres west of old orchard.

Bohla is pruning

Tues 1 Feb 1927

[above] Rain

Showered from noon on at intervals -

Alvin Sikes came in at 1 p.m. and began plowing West of old orchard.

Finished fixing shearing pen in a.m.

Marked 95 lambs 43 ewes 52 bucks in afternoon

Had letters from Muriel and Marjorie.

They are delighted at having an invitation to go to the City next Saturday with me -

Wed 2 Feb 1927

[above] Rain

Rained last night and at intervals throughout today -

Monsha and I fixed wheat treating machinery -

Attended an afternoon party at home that was most agreeable

Went to Davis on business

Young & Covell got 4 hogs, on paralyzed 690@ 17 1/2c.

Heard from the girlies at 913 Modoc St. Berkeley -

Thurs 3 Feb 1927

[above] Rain

Rained one inch last night.

Had 8 lambs last night -

Turned sheep on creek bank today

Monsha and I fixed three gates at the sheep barn -

Bohla did not get out today - Went to Davis in the afternoon on business

Looks stormy tonight -

Monsha want me to order Matamd [?] for Bhola -

Getting ready for trip to City tomorrow.

Fri 4 Feb 1927

Rain [above]

Rained at intervals -

Mrs. B and self went to San Fran on 8.29 train

State - Shopped for Mrs. B - Called at American Express Co.

Went to auto show in evening -

Sat 5 Feb 1927

[above] Rain

Rain at intervals -

Went to 913 Modoc St Berkeley at Mrs. MacKinnons for Muriel & Marjory Pierce

Sun 6 Feb 1927

[above] Rain

Rain in forenoon

Left City on 1 p.m. train for Davis

Called at 347 Foxon Ave on Mrs. J. F. Mahoney friend of Mrs. B. Met Mrs Mahoney on car on return -

Mon 7 Feb 1927

[above] Attended Davis Chamber of Com. meet Dudley of Sac speaker

Sent box of citrus fruit to Mahoneys 347 Foxon Ave S. F.

William Boggs the 21 year old son of Mrs. Edith Boggs came to Davis from Oakland and Mrs. Boggs went and brought him out to the ranch.

William came across the Continent from New York to Oakland, via the middle southern route in a second hand Ford auto with another boy in 11 days 16 1/2 hours - running day and night -

Had bad roads & rains - got stuck twice -

Tues 8 Feb 1927

Separated yearlings from band of sheep - roughly -

Attended Davis High School Board of Directors meet in the evening -

Wed 9 Feb 1927

Marked lambs 68 [above]

Separated ewes with lamb[s] from yearlings. Put 135 yearlings & poor into knoll field in forenoon.

In afternoon marked 688 lambs and put them in lamb field -

Made window frame for basement wood window -

Thurs 10 Feb 1927

Wm Boggs left [above]

Put 240 sheep, the remaining unlambd plus extras etc in the house yard -

Mrs. Boggs took her son William to 10 a.m. train en route for San Francisco

Made and hung window in basement to light up wood supply -

Fri 11 Feb 1927

Monsha picked 7 gallons olives [above]

Gathered and delivered to Rogers store 20 dozen Tangerines @ 15c -

Alva Sikes began plowing again in 40 acre field west of old orchard - Also started a spring tooth harrow in East 118 acre field along highway.

Monsha and I put sheep with lambs from 75 acre field into 200 acre field and got the four black colts out of same field to barn.

Chas T. Slauson [?] & George C. Howard of the Union Pacific RR called -

Sat 12 Feb 1927

Found some lambs and sheep left yesterday and put them in 200 acre field -

Monsha fixed creek fence at Glide line - in a.m.

In p.m. he burned brush in south orchard -

Helped Alva Sikes about wheat treating for seed & getting spring tooth harrows of mine for him -

Sun 13 Feb 1927

Rain Alva Sikes began sowing [above]

Alva Sikes began sowing wheat in 118 acre field - sowed 73 sx -

The engine finished plowing 40 acre piece west of old orchard about 9 a.m. then hitched to 9 sections of my spring tooth harrow -

It began sprinkling about 4.20 p.m.

Late in evening it rained -

Fixed towel hangers -

soldered bucket and 5 gallon can - finished basement window - went to town for mail - 5 lambs were born today & 12 pigs farrowed.

Monsha left for Sacramento leaving a strange Hindoo here.

Mon 14 Feb 1927

Rain Monsha back [above]

Light rain during night and hard today at intervals

- about .9" nine tenths of an inch at 5 p.m today -

Monsha is back -

He attended to sheep and fixed harness for the black colts -

I blacksmithed etc -

working on stretchers chains and singletrees bolts etc. and did some soldering - Predictions are for more rain -

There have been heavy rains in San Francisco and New Orleans -

Got letter from Francis Porter Brush Creek Plaza, 201 Brush Creek Blvd. Kansas City Mo -

Tues 15 Feb 1927

Rain Almonds bloom [above]

Worked in shop at blacksmithing and fixing harness -

Monsha is fixing harness for colts -

Ne Plus almonds begin blooming

Wed 16 Feb 1927

Rain Cyclone - [above]

Last night about 3 a.m. a frightful wind & rain hit this section. 52 telephone and electric poles are down between Davis & Sacramento and some 20 bet - Davis and Winters - Many trees are blown over. Ad 50 year old locust on creek bank blew over and too 5 alantus trees with it and some of them lit on the electric wires and put them out of commission. A door on the blacksmith shop blew partially off - Worked in shop with Monsha in afternoon -

Sent Rogers Store 20 doz tangerines - Set up one more [?] saw -

Thurs 17 Feb 1927

G. G. Sprinkled at times Rain [above]

Gathered tangerines, looked up electric wire conditions

Went to Davis - called at the P. G. & E requesting repairs

Monsha and I marked 68 lambs, 36 ewes and 322 bucks -

Bohla and another hindu began pruning but quit as it began raining about 4 p.m. Mrs. B went for mail

Iris Taylor & Mr. Sconney [?] of Winters called to borrow projection lantern Monday next - Gardner drove in from Berkeley. reports Harriets case disappointing

says she weighs but 110 lbs.

Heavy wind and hard rain at night -

Fri 18 Feb 1927

Bright sunshine Rain [above]

Electric repair crew fixed lines -

Bohla and [name not given] only worked in afternoon

Young & Covell got 3 hogs, the last I have for sale -

Rained hard last night with heavy wind

Went to Davis at 2.45 p.m. for mail and groceries -

Gardner left for Sacramento.

Sun shone all day -

Bulla & [name not given] pruned in afternoon -

Sat 19 Feb 1927

Rain D. H. S. Corner Stone [above]

Cloudy in morning - looks like rain -

Went to Davis to attend Corner Stone laying at Davis Hi. School It rained in showers all day. The Masonic order conducted the exercises. Dixwell L. Pierce was presented a fine watch by the Davis Chamber of Commerce in reco[g]nition of legal services rendered -

Gardner came in near the end of the exercises. He went to the Henle's. Not finding them at home, he came to the ranch and left about 5 p.m. for Jackson -

Dix and I attended Masonic Banquet at "California Inn" Davis.

Large attendance poorly managed -

Sun 20 Feb 1927

Cloudy - Sprinkled - Rain [above]

Rained during night -

No one from house went to Davis - Monsha away -

Dix and Katherine looked over place - In the evening they went to the Wilsons' at Winters for a call - found the girls out

only Mrs. Wilson and her brother -

It rained last night

Mon 21 Feb 1927

Rain [above]

Dix & Katherine left about 7.45 a.m. for Sacramento.

Hindus did not work

Rain at intervals throughout the day -

Took 20 dozen tangerines to Rogers - in a.m.

Worked in shop a while

Went to Davis a second time in rain to wire to Muriel on her birthday her tenth

Mrs. B on a high horse today on finance. Gave her a \$50 check paying her with overdraft for a month and a half in advance.

Tues 22 Feb 1927
Bright sunshine [above]

Mrs. B. washed

One hindu pruned large trees.

Bulla did not work - went to Davis -

Monsha overhauled lemons

Del Grieve and Charley Johnson called and contracted the lambs marked to date, about 470. They are to take 90 per cent of them not later than May first next and pay Eight Dollars and a quarter (\$8.25) per head on delivery at Davis -

Wed 23 Feb 1927
Slight Rain last night Marked lambs [above]

Hazy today - Got up yearling lambs today and sold 50 head @ 10c per pound - average wt = 70# to Bruce Mace - he hauled them -

Marked 41 head of lambs 25 ewes 16 bucks -

Two Hindus trimmed trees all day -

After a party Mrs. B went to Davis -

Thurs 24 Feb 1927
Rain [above]

Rained in showers most of day - One Hindu worked a while - Mrs. B and I drove to Sacramento - Had 3 saws filed, & a pair of pants shortened -

Got meat groceries, washing powder, soap starch Fenamint, Allen's Rheumatism tablets, wrench set, hinges, funnel pastries, stockings etc. Mrs. B drew \$20.00

Got big chair spring from Breuner's etc. etc. Lunched at the Sacramento - had a hard time getting anything to eat -

Fri 25 Feb 1927
Mahoneys came [above]

Went to Davis to meet the F J. Mahoneys who came as guests to Mrs. Boggs.

Went to Fairfield School House to get list of officers for school election - Thence to Davis, taking Mrs. Mahoney

got notices of election signed and took them out and posted them in 3 places -

Took Mr. Mahoney for ride to the foothills and Winters, returning via Solano side.

Sat 26 Feb 1927

Spend day in fixing lever for front gate and in entertaining guests.

Sun 27 Feb 1927

Mr & Mrs. Mahoney ret. home. [above]

Took the Mahoneys' across the tule to see the high water. Sandy Wilson's home has considerable water on the floors of the house - The place was abandoned Friday.

Mr & Mrs. Mahoney left for home on the 6:12 p.m. train Ruby [name not given] who is recovering from an attack of Typhoid fever remains here -

Mon 28 Feb 1927

Mr. Sikes sowed wheat- [above]

Monsha burned orchard brush -

Alvin Sikes began sowing and spring tooting wheat again in 117 acre field -

Tues 1 Mar 1927

Marked 43 lambs [above]

Marked 43 lambs 28 ewes and 15 weathers.

Put 83 ewes with lambs into north west plowed field -

Tried to start sprayer

- had to take magneto to town for repairs \$2.00 Got chair rocker of Luft 1.00

Saw Capt Wilkins who is to come to tag sheep -

The Hindus finished pruning locust trees about barn yard -

Monsha hauled wood a little while -

Wed 2 Mar 1927

Rain [above]

Monsha and I worked on spraying rig all forenoon -

got it to going at about 11 a.m. then it clogged up.

- finally Monsha got it working and finished the orchard -

Mr. Sikes finished sowing the Nursery field to barley - now has one field of wheat adjoining and Nursery in [incomplete sentence and unclear]

Began sprinkling about one o'clock - Left for Sacramento with Mrs. Boggs and Ruby Hullsdonk [?] Saw Dix, visited the Legislature - drove about the residential section - got supplies home at 6.30 p.m.

Thurs 3 Mar 1927

Rained Sacto guage 14.55 [above]

Rained last night -

Wilkins phoned out it is too wet for tagging sheep -

Sun out about 8 a.m. -

In forenoon Monsha and I fixed creek fence

In afternoon with Bohlen fixed for tagging sheep at windmill corral in center field -

The two Hindus worked half day.

Ladies went to town.

Fri 4 Mar 1927

Rain [above]

Light rain this a.m.

Hindus did not work today. Lawson telephoned he had a customer for lots [number not given] & [number not given] of the Pierce addition to town of Woodland for \$1450 - I phoned him to accept the offer.

Monsha and I got out big sled to break colt on & Monsha drove one a little.

Went to Davis and on phone call from Lawson went to Woodland and signed deed for lots -

Sat 5 Mar 1927

Light North wind [above]

Prepared to tag sheep -

Monsha changed some gates and in afternoon we fixed corral in north windmill field and hung gate in 200 acre field -

Mrs. B and Ruby went to town and got Mrs. Katherine Autrey, a week end visitor from San Fran

Alvin Sikes began work harrowing on grain land -

Sun 6 Mar 1927

Foggy early - Later light N. wind -

Wilkins breakfast was few minutes late and he was insulting relative to his work all day - He finished the 2 bunches at creek barn about 3 p.m. and I took him to north windmill lot, where Monsha and I had fixed an awning and corralled sheep for him this morning -

Monsha and crew gone today -

Dixwell and Katherine came as we had finished out chicken dinner -

Mon 7 Mar 1927

Got sheep in East field for tagging - Got stuck with Dodge in 60 acre piece

- had to get team & wagon tow -

Monsha moved Wilkins to East windmill corral before noon -

I went, on invitation to the Rotary meeting at Davis

Norton, Bandy & Wilson from abroad were speakers.

Williams came to fix radio but failed

Sikes finished harrowing in East fields and got over 134 acre field once.

Monsha began digging out culvert near East windmill

Ruby [name not given] left for home on 3.30 p.m. train -

Tues 8 Mar 1927

[above] Sikes sawed & harrowed in 134a. field Rain

Cold south wind -

Monsha and I fixed bridge in middle lane -

Sik[e]s worked full force at sowing and harrowing barley in 134 acre field - got about 2.3 do (sic) done -

The sheep in East field are not doing well some lambs are dying seemingly of a paralysis -

Attended meeting of High School directors -

- paid bills and discussed building problems - It began sprinkling about 9.30 p.m. -

Wed 9 Mar 1927

Rained last night - Harriet Pierce died - [above]

Rained during last night and at intervals in showers today - sometimes very hard - Hindus idle -

Worked on income tax report in a.m. In p.m. got out and worked in shop for a time.

Went to I. O. O. F. Lodge to spread in honor of J. B. Anderson who is retiring as Treasur (sic?) of the Lodge after 22 years of service -

Gardner phoned about 9 p.m. that Harriet, his wife had passed away -

with funeral exercises to be held Friday at 3.30 p.m. in Oakland -

Wilkins sheared in p.m. 50 lambs -

Thurs 10 Mar 1927

Had told of Harriet B. Pierce's passing yesterday -

got up and separated sheep for tagging -

Hindus working - one chopping - one burning brush.

Went to Sacramento -

turned in Income tax report -

Fri 11 Mar 1927

Harriet B. Pierce buried [above]

Left Davis on the 8.29 a.m. train for Berkeley -

Was met at University Ave by Gardner with his car - We drove to Sunset Cemetery and Cragmont, stopping at Berkeley where I bought a comb & brush set for Muriel's birthday -

Later went to Mr. Brigden's place 1824 Rose St thence to undertaking parlors 30th & Telegraph Sts where funeral exercises were held for Gardner's wife, Harriet Brigden Pierce. She was buried in Sunset Cemetery. Dixwell to[ok] me to University Ave to get 5.29 train for Davis

Sat 12 Mar 1927

Mrs. [?] Sikes has an engine cross-harrowing in 134 acre field -

It broke down in slough before finishing - The other engine finished springtoothing the west knoll field

C. W. Wilkins finished tagging sheep before noon -

reported 806 head - Mrs B. took him to town -

Went to see Enos Gnaggs [?] about plowing family orchard -

Two hindus are cutting wood in West orchard -

Monsha cleaned wood out of family orchards -

Sun 13 Mar 1927

Rain total about 16" [above]

Rained during night and at intervals much of time today -

A machine crew of sheep shearers called looking for a job -

Mr Hess formerly from across the creek - now of service station near Dixon called to see Gardner.

Mrs. B went to town for mail.

The Schmeiser girls Louise and Elemire[?] called -

Monsha is away again. Bohla is doing chores - fixed cuppoard (sic) hinges etc.

Some plumbers looking for the Glide place called for installation of a sink.

Mon 14 Mar 1927

Monsha not back -

Got 7 lambs from flock on creek - one pair twins -

Went to Woodland in p.m. signed deeds for three lots 2 for Harper and 1 Dunlap.

Gardner drove in at supper time - later went to Henle's

Tues 15 Mar 1927

Monsha back [above]

Fixed heavy sled for colt breaking -

Mr. Sikes put his large engine with spring tooth harrows in my 36 acre field. He got the 30 Best going again in 134 acre field after noon -

Hindus finished cutting fallen trees in orchards & began on those along canal bank -

Had garden plot dug up with spring tooth harrows -

Wed 16 Mar 1927

Cloudy - Light sprinkle in p.m. [above]

Mr. Sikes is held up this a.m. by Enos Gnagg's Ford being out of commission.

They finally took the 30 Best to pull seeder and sowed my 36 acre field at the S. W. cor of ranch

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Gardner came in near noon with a Hartford stock insurance man from Sacramento -

Marked 31 lambs 15 ewes, 16 bucks

Changed large band from East orchard to 200 acre field.

Sikes had another slight mishap, breaking hose, in the best 30 -

Sprinkled a little at intervals this afternoon.

Thurs 17 Mar 1927

Rain Paid 2d inst taxes [above]

Rained a little in the night

Sikes sent one tractor home to put in 100 acres - left small engine here springtoothing.

Moved creed band of sheep into house lot - took one small yearling to knoll field and caught the three lambs that got away last night and took them to the 200 acre field -

Washed the Dodge.

Monsha is plowing vineyard

Battana is burning brush -

Went to Woodland in Chrysler -

Paid 2d inst taxes \$1326.

Got 100 lbs Lime Sulfur for spraying, Allens Rheumatism treatment etc. etc.

Mrs. C Autrey came to visit Mrs. Boggs -

Fri 18 Mar 1927

Heavy North Wind - [above]

Sikes sowed 85 acre field finishing seeding for season

Mrs. B took Mrs. Autrey to Sacramento -

Sam Brinley & friend called -

Billy Smith called in interest of the Frigidair [?] equipment -

Received letter from Gardner - He has bought the Jones tract of land near Pine Grove some 9 miles from Jackson in Amador County -

Sat 19 Mar 1927

C. A. Maghetti Sale - North wind [above]

Went to Davis in a.m. Sold Lot 11 Range D on E st - bet 3d & 4th to C. A. Maghetti, incoming postmaster, for \$500.00, \$100 down and balance in 90 days.

Strong north wind -

Gardner was here - in from Jackson - he got 3 sx wheat several of burr clover, grape fruit nuts - 1 spring tooth harrow, 1 pr stretchers, a fifth chain some extra etc. He afterward phoned to know if he could get a bred gilt about the last of the month -

Sun 20 Mar 1927

Light wind - [above]

Mrs. Boggs, Mrs. Autrey and self drove to Davis for mail and then into Putah Creek Canyon several miles above the Beach - Gathered poppies and red bud -

Mrs. B - took Mrs. A to 3.30 train on her return to San Francisco -

Wrote to Frankie Porter, Brush Creek Plaza 201 Brush Creek Boulevard Kansas City Mo -

Mon 21 Mar 1927

Sprayed - Line - Sulpher (sic) [above]

Monsha and I sprayed deciduous orchard with lime - sulphur

Monsha burned his hands

Went about fields in afternoon - Had a flat tire - Put cattle into middle knoll field -

Tues 22 Mar 1927

Moderate - North wind [above]

Cut white thistle -

Went to Davis with Monsha for treatment of his hands by Dr Bates -

Monsha then went on his way with his car -

I had flat tire fixed \$1.75 - Got hair cut and shave 1.00 - Paid P. O Box rent \$1.00 -

Mrs. T. S Glide & son called

got 20 doz lemons & some oranges

Standard oil man left 145 gals gas. Planted 4 rows spuds & set out 12 tomatoe (sic) vines - Put 50 head small sheep in west orchard and large band into knoll field

Ditch tender called -

Wed 23 Mar 1927

U. C. Charter day - [above]

Mrs. Boggs and I left home at 7 a.m. for Berkeley - got the 9 a.m. ferry at Vallejo

Was in time to join the procession of Alumni to the Greek Theater for Charter Day exercises. Secretary Works for the Dept. of the Interior, a member of President Coolidge Cabinet was the speaker.

After luncheon Mrs. B went to San Francisco to friends

Called at 1824 Rose St. Brigdens' to find Muriel & Marjorie in bed with measles -

Went to Hotel Oakland - took nap -

Attended Alumni Banquet

None of my former classmates were present -

Thurs 24 Mar 1927

Crossed to City on 9.30 train

Shopped and left City on 2.40 boat for Oakland -

Returned via Tunnel road through Contra Costa County. Got the 5.30 p.m. boat for Benicia

Drove to Davis for mail and reached home about 8 p.m. On trip drove 175.5 miles averaging 18.5 miles to gallon with the Chrysler -

The Hindus are plowing family orchards -

Received \$1377.50 fro R. G. Lawson acct of Harper - 2 lots - also \$20+ as interest on suspense acct of 1924-5 C. A. G. Ex.

Fri 25 Mar 1927

Heavy fog in a.m. [above]

Got remaining sheep out of 200 acre field and also out of northwest field -

Went to Davis in p.m.

Met Otis Wilbur who is threatened with loss of sight in one eye -

Sat 26 Mar 1927

Heavy fog early - [above]

Cut thistle in East orchard most of day -

Mrs. B. went to town for mail and supplies -

Alva Sikes called

Sun 27 Mar 1927

Went to Otis Wilbur's taking a box of Allen's Rheumatism Treatment.

Returned via Fremont.

The roads near the creek down there are a fright - Mrs. B. accompanied

Mon 28 Mar 1927

Went early to Sacramento -

Attended meeting called to meet Secretary Works of the Interior Department of Washington D. C. and Prof. Elwood Mead of the Reclamation Department - at the Chamber of Commerce Sacramento - Went to Dixwell's to lunch taking fruit -

Attended meeting of State Highway Commission with Frank Mixon, urging lighting of Yolo Causeway -

Shopped, had saws filed etc.

Mrs. B. bought two dresses 84.50 Home via Davis at about 6.00 p.m. Alvin Sikes started plowing summerfallow

- got disgusted and quit -

Tues 29 Mar 1927

Sprinkled [above]

Sprinkled last night & at intervals during the day.

Mrs. B. washed.

Alvin Sikes tried plowing again. Some of the knoll is too dry.

Went to Woodland in p.m. - got 200 wool sacks & 5 bundles twine, also 3 sks charcoal and 4 bags squirrel poison, some bacon and medicine.

Wed 30 Mar 1927

Began sawing wood. [above]

Monsha and Battana sawed wood Bohla worked in yard -

Tore old gate to pieces and began repairing right of way gates in pipe supplying town -

Mr. Parker, neighbor, was here looking for a heavy wooden harrow to work on Ray's rice land -

Doc Burnett called looking for Shorthorn bulls -

Thurs 31 Mar 1927

Rain [above]

Rained a little last night and sprinkled at intervals in forenoon -

Monsha and [I?] took out gates in lawn pipes in front of house - then fixed door of laundry - & worked on shop -

Went to Davis - Saw Gus Haussler and Rev. Fiske relative to getting speaker for public school week. Fiske is to see Judge Shield or Judge McLaughlin - Made transfer from checking to Savings acct of \$1200 -

Boys sawed wood in the afternoon -

Fri 1 Apr 1927

Rain [above]

Rained most of day -

Monsha did the chores -

Went to Davis in p.m.

Got groceries and mail -

Wood sawing Mar 30, 1 - 31st 1/2

Apr. 2, 1/2 - 4th -5th

Sat 2 Apr 1927

Cloudy -

Monsha and I took gates out & returned them after repairs, in pipes to lawn in forenoon - Boys sawed wood in afternoon -

Sun 3 Apr 1927

Cloudy & threatening -

Mrs. B went to Davis -

Worked at desk in forenoon in afternoon tinkered

Mon 4 Apr 1927

Delivered 10 doz grape fruit to Rogers Store -

Drove to Stephens Ranch near Esparto to a "Wool and sheep mating" demonstration by Profs Wilson & Miller

Good attendance - good talks -

Home via Davis & Woodland -

Got groceries, tomares mail etc. -

Tues 5 Apr 1927

An agent from Woodland called with an electric belt [?] -

Mr. Kershaw called in the interests of the Pacific Wool Growers -

Went to Davis early to see Dr. Howard about Almond Exchange representation by the U. C. Farm and other business -

Gardner drove in from Jackson -

Mr. Alva Sikes and the two Messrs [names not given] of Fremont renters came in. Sikes paid for seed grain \$612.32 less \$140 for work on 35 acres of mine -

Wed 6 Apr 1927

Gardner and I put two rods underneath his new trailer to strengthen it.

Then loaded two oil tanks, the white Jennet and a bred gilt Duroc sowe[?], some grain fruit etc. and two cats - He got started about 4.15 p.m. -

The Hindus and self marked 42 lambs cleaning up -

put 13 lambs and weathers into 75 acre field -

Mrs. B. went to see Wilkins at Campbells about our shearing - got little satisfaction

Thurs 7 Apr 1927

Monsha and [name not given] sawing

Bhola in yard - planted peas -

Monsha drew \$250.00

His book acct to date = \$852.16

Left Davis on the 12.20 train for San Francisco

stopped at the Sutter

Called at 311 Calif. - The Exchange Board was in session - Did not go out at all this eve -

Fri 8 Apr 1927

Rain [above]

Attended the 17th annual meeting of the Almond Growers at Native Sons Hall on Mason St

It was a quiet meeting the first on of the second five year period - Longstroth of Stanislaus retired from the Board and Harry Wood was re-elected to his place

It rained hard for a short time this afternoon.

Attended the California Theater -

Sat 9 Apr 1927

Rain [above]

Went to Berkeley on the 7.40 boat - got room at the "Berkeley Hotel". Went to 1824 Rose St - E J. Brigdens.

Met Marjorie & Muriel Pierce and took them to San Francisco for an outing -

Sun 10 Apr 1927

Cold [above]

Left at 1.38 for Davis -

Mon 11 Apr 1927

Sikes began plowing summerfallow on the knoll -

Doc Burnet and his son came with a Ford truck and got the yearling bull he had bought of Gardner -

A Woodland insurance agent called for insurance on our High School - I informed him in plain language he was on the wrong track -

Went to town for supplies late in the evening

Our boar got out and went to Glides. Bholla and I got him home -

Tues Apr 12 1927

With Monsha and Battana began rebuilding fence along west side of West orchard -

In afternoon went to Davis - ordered rain wiper for Chrysler - got order from drug store 92c & some bread -

Monsha left tonight for Stockton agreeing to return tomorrow night - I objected to his frequent absence

Put sheared sheep out on creek

Wed 13 Apr 1927

Got sheep in for shearers -

Tried to get Bruce Mace on the phone, as I was told they could get no line -

Left about 10.15 for Davis thence to Dixon - Saw Bruce Mace who agreed to come and see the sheep - I offer for sale - Returned via the Russell bridge -

Grain outlook is disappointing

Got up late lamb yearlings -

Bruce Mace came - 33 head weighed 2525# with a 3 % shrink 2450# @ 10c \$245.00

Bholla is cutting wood

Battana chopping & burning brush. Mrs. B went to Davis -

Thurs 14 Apr 1927

Had Bullah drive in the 17 bucks for shearing -

One got overheated at start and laid down and died within a quarter of mile of the pasture

Went to Davis in a.m.

Another tractor of Sikes partner came in with plow equipment.

Fri 15 Apr 1927

Rain Finished Shearing C. W. Wilkins shearer with partner [above]

Rained a little last night and early this morning -

Shearers did not work this forenoon, but finished in the afternoon 783 all told, 16 Bucks.

Got sheep into lower field -

Went to town in p.m. with Mrs. Boggs in Dodge and got my Chrysler from "Subway Garage" where it has been for a general overhauling -

Marked 14 lambs - 10 ewes 4 bucks a clean up -

Sat 16 Apr 1927

North wind [above]

Neither of Sikes' rigs plowed today -

Bullah poisoned squirrel in East orchard.

Took the shearers to Davis after breakfast.

Mrs. Hyde and friends came at 9 a.m. for flowers for the Community Church at Davis for Easter decorations -

Took Mrs. Boggs to 10.44 train en route to San Francisco. She drew \$50.00.

Went to Woodland got squirrel poison mirror[?] shoe medicine, pint spirits \$3.50 etc. -
Returned via Davis for mail -

Almonds are falling badly from effect of short hole fungus.

Sun 17 Apr 1927

North wind cold [above]

Strong north cold wind -

Am chef today

Went to Davis at 11 a.m. for mail -

C. A Maghetti yesterday made a second payment of \$100.00 on lot recently purchased of me in Davis - leaving a balance of \$30.00

Mon 18 Apr 1927

Got lamb from bull field and took to sheep flock -

fixed fastenings to creek gate and put up old picket fence knocked down by falling limbs at old house -

Went to Subway garage to have Chrysler brakes tightened

- Roy gone to Sacramento taking wrench and car out of brake fluid - could not get brakes tightened -

Met Mrs. Boggs at 3.34 train on her return from the city where she had gone to meet her son and failed to find him - Boys hauled wool 14 1/2 sx 2862# & 2 # scraps to granary

Tues 19 Apr 1927

Light north wind [above]

Boys finished repairing ditch bank.

Went to Woodland in a.m.

Got break (sic) fluid for Chrysler brake, 2 sx ground oyster shells, scythe, lawn rake etc. - Drove to Davis and had Chrysler brakes tightened - got a hair cut and shave -

Cut thistles and fixed faucet and put in gate in pipe at laundry -

Mrs. B. who has an attack of inflammatory rheumatism in one knee, washed today

Bolla [?] mowed lawn -

Wed 20 Apr 1927

Ran line of levels in outlet ditch in N. E. 200 acre field and Monsha ant Battana plowed and scraped same -

Mrs. B and I went to Sacramento - she bought a summer hat - I took grape fruit to Dix and was introduced to the State Board of Equilization (sic) - Got sk sugar and numerous things for U. C Farm picnic.

Thurs 21 Apr 1927

Drove to Davis with grape fruit after gathering 10 dozen -

Thence to Woodland for fryers for picnic - got 6 fryers from S. H. Bender ph [word left out], on Cleveland St. for \$2.00 Home at 1.40 Got nine dozen lemons ready for Rogers' Store - Mrs. B. took them to town - Rested a while -

Boys finished lowering water ditch in forenoon

Monsha mowed 5 swaths around 75 acre field -

Battana Singh let lever of mower hit him in forehead and went to Doctor in Davis -

Fri 22 Apr 1927

Killed and dressed fryers for tomorrows luncheon -

Burned brush on creek bank -

Cal Harris called looking for wool - bid 27c - no sale.

Monsha mowed in East alfalfa field in a.m. In p.m. hitched big colt to mower. Battana ran one mower in afternoon.

Sat 23 Apr 1927

[above] Got "third advance" on almonds 2c on 11572[?] \$231.44

Remit No. 27488 -

Got ready for the picnic and waited until 11.15 a.m. for Gardner who is coming with the girls from Berkeley.

Finally started and met them at gate on county road -

Took girls with me to Davis, Gardner going to the ranch - Got some plates etc. and went to the Subway Garage and had brakes tightened -

Attended picnic - twas rather tame - lunched by ourselves on Creamery building - Saw Billy Schmidt and discussed a Frigidair [?] plant -

Sun 24 Apr 1927

Gardner & children left of Pine Grove after lunch - Oiled Chrysler clutch and put water in batteries.

Watered vegetables and drove to town after dinner to see Del Grieve about delivering lambs on Tuesday - It is in doubt whether he will have a truck or send a man on horseback with a dog -

Mon 25 Apr 1927

[above] Warm Bought Frigidaire

Got up sheep preparatory to sorting lambs -

Billy Schmidt, representing Frigidaire Co. called

We drove to Woodland to see different sizes - I selected a No M 9 - \$595 less 5% for cash \$470.25. Drove back via Davis where is one at the U. C. Farm that was on exhibition Saturday - I accepted it. Billy took me home and lunched with me.

Later the Frigidaire No M9, was delivered, set up and froze ice before 8 p.m.

Del Grieve came about 5 p.m. - Separated 280 lambs -

Monsha let team run away with mower -

Tues 26 Apr 1927

[above] Delivered 280 lambs in Davis

Jack Grieve came with dog and delivered 280 lambs to Del Grieve, with help of Monsha and self -

Monsha and I drove to Woodland and got extras to repair breakage caused by runaway on Deering mower.

x [not explained] Rested and- in p.m.

Went to High School meeting to consider lockers, shades and gymnasium -

Monsha wants a months vacation to canvas for funds for relief of famine stricken in India (?).

More than like the funds are to be used to incite rebellion in India again England.

Wed 27 Apr 1927

[above] Sprinkled last night

A very light sprinkle fell early this a.m.

Two mowers are working in West orchard cutting foxtail - Battana broke the tongue to his mower -

Took Mrs. Boggs to Sacramento to dentist Dr. [name not given]

He filled 3 teeth for her -

Attended both Senate and Assembly sessions - In the Assembly the tax law on motor trucks as advocated by the State board of Equilization (sic) passed -

Dix has father it - Took Dix to luncheon at Sutter Club - Shopped, meat, veg. tinware etc.

Thurs 28 Apr 1927

[above] Not well today

Not feeling well -

Boys finishing orchard mowing and around 200 acre pasture field.

Mrs. Boggs drew \$20.00 and went to Sacramento to her dentist

Russell Maywood of 2151 3d Ave Sacto - ph Capital 489J. as representative of Chas S. Moses & Co of Phelan Bldg S. F. called to buy wool - failure.

Fri 29 Apr 1927

[above] Sold wool Judge Shields -

Levelled up Frigidaire machine - Had one mower in West orchard and one in 200 acre field - went to each place -

Z. S. Israelsky of Napa called and bout (sic) spring clip of wool @ 29c tags at 10c per pound - deposited \$200 -

Went to Davis in p.m. -

My draft for \$2310 on J. G. Johnson of San Fran. for 280 lambs shipped is held up because of Johnson's death -

Dixwell and Katherine came out and I went with them to the "school week" meeting at Davis where Judge Peter J. Shields was the speaker and I the chairman - Monsha loaded wool preparatory to shipping

Sat 30 Apr 1927
[above] Cool day

Shipped 14 bags wool and one bag tags to Z. S. Israelsky of Napa - wool at 29c tags 10c -

Monsha hauled it and was late in getting to Dixon -

Mrs. Boggs and I attended picnic at Dixon -

Dixwell and Katherine left early for Sacramento.

Sun 1 May 1927
[above] Very Cool -

Drove to Davis - phoned and made an appointment with Z S Israelsky of Napa -

Mrs B. and I drove to Napa to see Israelsky to correct error in shipping documents of wool - got check -

Returned via Monticello - where there was a rodeo today -

Monsha left for a months vacation to do collection among the Hindus "for famine sufferers" in India?

Mon 2 May 1927
Started Battana Sing (sic) at raking in East field and in alfalfa foxtail - called at Jeffs to see about phone which is out.

Gathered 10 doz grapefruit and delivered it at Rogers -

Took Chrysler car to Subway Garage to have brakes fixed - Mrs. B came after me - Bholla plowed garden ground -

Marked 4 ewes & 9 bucks -

Mrs Caldwell and daughter called as did Frank Palmer

Tues 3 May 1927
[above] Planted Corn & Melons

Had ground replowed and planted corn and melons -

Oiled Dodge carefully to stop a supposed squ[e?]ak

Went to Davis in p.m to make inquiry relative to unpaid draft on J. G. Johnson -

Attended High School meeting in evening -

Board employed two new teachers, fixed salaries etc. -

Wed 4 May 1927

Bohla and [name omitted] made new gate for sheep at the windmill in 200 acre field and began taking pump out -

Went to Davis in afternoon making and instituting inquiry for delayed draft for lambs shipped.

Thurs 5 May 1927

Had Battana mow about fence in north windmill field and on County Highway -

Went to Davis - My long held up draft of lambs was paid -

My Chrysler car brake is fixed -

Had men haul one load of hay for horses -

Went to town with Mrs. B. to get Chrysler car - It runs fine and the brake is O. K. as is the new electric wiper

Am not well today

Fri 6 May 1927

[above] Light fog all day

Foggy & cold today -

Went out early to shoot crows - got some bull thistle and some mustard in East grain fields. Bohla and I got the bull Campbell bought of Gardner, after much trouble into alfalfa field East of house.

Put band of sheep into alfalfa field to eat grass in ditch

Battana is mowing foxtail and weeds about yards - Mrs. Boggs went to Sacramento - got dinner at 11 a.m. Am far from well -

Received R. G. Lawson deposit of \$50.58 for Storkman[?] acct -

Sat 7 May 1927

[above] Rain

Battana is springtoothing the orchards - Bohla put floodgates in alfalfa ditch

Weather cool & fine -

Had intended going to Pine Grove to see Gardner but do not feel able to go -

About 5 p.m. there was a light shower of rain at Edgewood, but none at Davis - Drove to Davis in afternoon - Saw McBride and Russell relative to Davis High School roads etc.

Sun 8 May 1927

[above] Light North wind

Feeling somewhat better today - Stomach is in better condition - slept considerable -

Mrs. B. went for mail -

Louis Leonard grain hauler from north of Woodland and wife called - got fruit and went to see Alvin Sikes

Mon 9 May 1927

[above] Sulphured grapes -

Sulphured grapes -

Had yard cleared of trash

Bholla is fixing flood gates on alfalfa ditch

Battana is cultivating -

Gathered fruit for Cormic [?]. McBride and Wolfrom sick child -

Went to Davis to meet Proctor, surveyor to fix lines for High School front

He did not appear

Attended Rotary luncheon as guest of Ed McBride

Got hair cut also Golden Glow -

Ideal weather -

A delegation for the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows is to be at Davis tomorrow - and I have been asked to be master of ceremonies but cannot -

Tues 10 May 1927

Left at 7.20 a.m. in Chrysler for Oakland, Mrs B accompanying - State Called on R. V. Dixon and Dr. Grant relative to Central Copper affairs - and at office of Lew W. Martin relative to Granada improvement - Attended Orpheum theater - poor bill

Wed 11 May 1927

[above] U. C. Commencement -

Bought an Aluminum Wear Eve hot cake griddle and a Mustard dish at Brown & Sons -

Went to Berkeley on 10.15 train

Taxied to Sather gate - walked to Stephens Union - got lunch tickets - rode to Stadium

took high seats - saw and heard well - Governor Chas C Young, a graduate of 35 years standing spoke degrees were conferred. Attended Alumni Luncheon at Faculty Glade - Returning bought a "Health Mission" Electric Belt \$23.95 -

Left Berkeley in Chrysler for home via Franklin Canyon & Martinez -

Went to Davis for mail & to see Del Grieve about lamb shipment

Thurs 12 May 1927

Got up sheep for lamb separation -

Got out 141 head of the \$8.25 contract lot and sold 31 head of younger lambs @ \$7.80 per head -

Got up pump from 200 acre field and renewed valves -

Fri 13 May 1927

[above] 172 lambs

Bholla, Battana and I drove lambs to Davis - leaving ranch at 4.20 & arriving at corral in Davis at 8.30 a.m. -

In p. m. we reinstalled the 200 acre field windmill pump and looked for a stray lamb in Glide's -

Fixed fence where bucks got out on highway -

One buck died - now have fifteen

Sat 14 May 1927

[above] Visit Gardner at Pine Grove

Boys burned old almond wood in West orchard -

Mrs. Boggs and I left at 10.00 a.m. in Dodge car for Pine Grove 59 miles from Sacramento. Stopped at Sacramento for vegetables, pastries, berries etc

added to sacks of citrus fruit some olives eggs etc. - also engineers level -

Reached Gardner's place around 4 p.m. after going to Pine Grove.

Found no one at home - After unloading and about to leave Muriel & Marjorie came in from bathing - Went to where Gardner was planting a garden. Mrs. B. stayed at Pine Grove Hotel - I slept on a cot in barn. Children are looking well.

Sun 15 May 1927

Mrs. B. walking from hotel -

Gardner and I browsed about his place trying to find a place to locate his house - finally deciding on site opposite his present rented home, on account of nearness to tillable land and probably water supply -

Gardner has some hardwood flooring on hand and 1900 feet of 1 x 18" x 12'

Came in by truck just before I left -

Cost \$311.00 per 1000 feet -

Gave Gardner check for \$500.00 toward paying for lumber

Left about 2 p.m. for home via Jackson, Mokelumne Hill Valley Springs Clements, Lockford, Lodi & Sacto.

Dined at 6.30 in Sacto - Home at 8.15 p.m.

total mileage 187. Boys began irrigating alfalfa at 6.30 a.m.

Mon 16 May 1927

[above] Cool South wind -

Water in canal ran down and we only got 2 checks irrigated in all day -

The Campbell boys came and got the bull bought of Gardner - Men patrolled the water canal -
Water tender here in Ford car & changed tire in front of house -

Battana drew his wages to date and \$2.00 over and went to Davis -

Bhulla and I went to 200 acre field windmill - primed pump, cleaned troughs etc. -

Mrs. B went to Davis -

Went to Hi School meeting - Bot Black boards of H. S. Crocker and tentatively bot window shades.

Home at midnight - Saw Jess Rowe he is to come Wednesday to bore well.

Tues 17 May 1927

[above] Wind North & cold today -

Wind changed to North about 9.30 last night -

Good head of water but the ground absorbs it as never before. Went to Woodland in afternoon. Bought of Cranston 40' - 1 1/2" 20' rod, pipe fittings etc. - \$19.00

Returned to meeting of Putah Creek Rural Telephone Co at Mrs. Julius Oestes'. Present: Mrs. Oeste - W O Russell Theodore Oeste Mr. Dougherty and myself -

We levied an assessment of \$10.00 per phone. -

Bhulla finished irrigating about 7.30 p.m. 61 hours after starting - having little water on Monday -

Wed 18 May 1927

[above] Cool South wind - Sky overcast

Fine day - Battana worked on canal repairing N. bank in forenoon - At noon he quit, apparently for good -

Bholla and I got cow. Mother of Campbell bull out to herd -

The latter broke into west knoll field - Bholla then worked canal bank. Went to Davis for mail and to Agronomy field day at the U. C. Farm - They have some fine grain -

The Yolo Water & Power Cos' ditch Tender was here and left bill \$27

Thurs 19 May 1927

Fixed pump - also the spray nozzles on lawn sprinklers -

Worked on irrigating canal -

Monsha called

Fri 20 May 1927

[above] Rain Well boring began

North wind blew - Heavy black clouds appeared in the North

A heavy rain lasting about 10 minutes began about 5 p.m.

Rowe began well boring at south side of knoll -

Went to Woodland about 10 a.m. Got 1/2 doz fryers, 20' 1 1/2" galvanized pipe and rod and two couplings - and some strawberries and vegetables - Had lunch at the Del Mar -

Sat 21 May 1927

[above] Marked 16 lambs

Bohlla and I marked 16 lambs, 12 ewes - 4 bucks

Was at well borers. They are down about 45 feet.

The brakes on the Chrysler failed to work and I took the car to the Subway Garage for repairs. Frank [name not given] took me home in the car -

Gardner and the two girls drove in about dusk -

Sun 22 May 1927

Beautiful day -

Went with Gardner and Muriel and Marjorie to a picnic on the Chiles Valley road in Napa County

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Al Henle family and the Billy Schmitt, Billy Tauzer, Earl Chiles families Mrs Engan of T. C Tucker's office a couple of guests and ourselves comprised the party - had a delightful luncheon and a fine time. 36 miles ride home

After dinner Gardner and his girls left for Pine Grove -

Mon 23 May 1927

[above] North wind

Bohlla and I fixed hydrants at creek barn - we now have three watering places there beside the large trough -

Put threads on one piece of 7/16" pump rod - on taking it out I found that the coupling at the cylinder is for 1/2" rod -

Bohlla and I worked at flood gates on ditch in front of house -

Billy Schmitt came and put in new insulated electric wire in Frigidaire.

The well borers are down some 75 feet, clay all the way - 50 ft in water but no gravel.

Tues 24 May 1927

[above] light North wind - warm -

Drove to Woodland for pump extras etc. - Cranston failed miserably in filling my order - Had to change from rod to pipe for plunger -

Got Thermos bottle hose menders, fork handles etc. also 2 pieces dress goods for Muriel

Paid Yolo Water & Power bill 9.25 + 18.95 previously paid -

Home via Davis for mail & berries -

Boys down about 100 ft in well - no sand, no gravel -

Went to High School meeting -

Bohlla gathered the crop of Valencia oranges -

Wed 25 May 1927

[above] Struck water in knoll well 10 ft

House supply pump is out -

Repacked it but no water -

Overhauled lemons today -

Struck water where we are boring well at South East part of knoll on road entrance to ranch about 11.30 a.m.

Depth of well [number not given] ft. -

Thurs 26 May 1927

[above] Strong, Cool South wind

Glide drove band of cattle down the creek about 5 a.m.

- went to see them, going to old Nursery house and getting some doors and windows from house and cutting some Bull Thistles -

W. C. Oeste came for some chickenfeed wheat - got 372# @ 2 1/2c. \$9.30 -

Rowe's men finished knoll well, put pump in and lowered and moved derrick on truck to the windmills to be lowered at creek.

Wm Storkman of Woodland and C. A. Maghetti of Davis are ready to close deals on lots -

Fri 27 May 1927

[above] Cloudy in a.m. - Rain -

Began light rain at 7 a.m. - and continued at intervals until about 10.30 a.m.

Went to Davis - got final payment \$300.00 and gave deed for Lot 11 Block 3 Range D between 3d & 4th sts Davis to Isabel E. Maghetti -

Drove to Woodland and left deed with R. G. Lawson for Wm Storkman - he is read to make his final payment or \$50.00 - Took 2 - 7/16" rods back to Cranston - made even exchange for pipe -

Home via Davis with mail and groceries about 4 p.m. -

Made transfer to Savings acct of \$2000.00

Sat 28 May 1927

Rowes men were not ready for duty so no work on windmills was done today by them - I loosened the bolts to anchors -

In p.m. Bholia and I cut bull thistle along highway, around Nursery field buildings and along canal -

Jess Rowe came and fixed large force pump - put on new valve leathers -

Alvin Sikes called -

Gave Rowe a box of lemons

Mrs. Boggs went to Sacramento to buy clothing for her nephew near Bakersfield & forgot Hindu grocery order - I went for latter and had a flat tire

Sun 29 May 1927

[above] North wind -

Drove to Davis and had punctured tire repaired -

Thence to Sacramento -

Lunched at the Sacramento

Attended Bill Elliott's Rodeo and Roundup at State Fair Grounds. Dined at Southern Pacific Depot

Home about 6.30 p.m.

Mon 30 May 1927

[above] Cool South wind.

Hunted crows and squirrels

Mr. Koeber came for signature to fire permit to burn irrigation canal -

Gave him a box of lemons.

Roy Hewitt and his sister Minerva Bushby came in car wanting to camp for a few days -

Mrs. B nervous and scrappy at noon -

Mended hose and fixed sprinklers on lawn - Bohlla cut lawn grass -

Went to Nursery house to measure tank -- thence to town for mail - Great crowds of autos on highway - met 31 in going 1/4 mile -

Tues 31 May 1927

[above] Strong cool South wind -

Paid Sutter club dues -

Bholla and I fixed the fence at N. E corner of ranch, put in gate posts opposite Koebers, cut thistle and fixed gate at county road.

Mrs. Wm Wright called for 3 sks wheat for chicken feed. Rev. N. M. Fiske called and paid \$12.50 that was tendered Judge Shields -

Wed 1 June 1927

Took Mrs. Boggs to the 10.40 a.m. train en route to San Francisco to meet Bill, her son, who is supposed to be on way from Colorado

In p.m. Roy Hewitt and I dismantled the old tank at Nursery house, fixed telephone line and repaired gate at highway -

Got six letters and two postals from pocket in Dodge car, each bearing postal mark of date of May 13th.

Thurs 2 June 1927

Ray Hewitt and I lowered old tank at Nursery house and moved it to new well at knoll in forenoon -

Went to Davis for mail -

Jess Rowe came with one man to take down towers and mills at creek -

Got towers down and one loaded for moving.

Mr. Wright, Davis carpenter, who is going into Nursery house called - wants to take front outside entrance out - also put in small tank & has lost his dog -

Fri 3 June 1927

[above] Warm

Moved tower to knoll.

Rowe and Lillard and my two men erected tower and mill and anchored it before noon.

Did not work on it in afternoon

Went to town in afternoon - took in 15 dozen lemons to Rogers - got 10c doz.

Had hair cut - home and to gravel bed and to windmill for data

- got two bolts for mill.

Sat 4 June 1927

[above] Warm

Roy Hewitt hauled a load of lumber to new mill site and got one small load of gravel before noon - and hauled again in afternoon.

Bholla and I put cement about anchor posts and prepared tank foundation for cement - Quit early to go to Davis -

Went to Davis - got letter from Gardner - also one written for Monsha Singh informing me that with pleasure he will be in Davis Sunday -

One from Lawson with Storkmans' final payment \$50.58.

Sun 5 June 1927

Before breakfast went about fields and orchard - Oiled East windmill - found two dead sheep -

Got breakfast then rested

Later laundried - made large gaskets for tank discharg (sic) pipe

fixed hammar (sic) handles etc. -

Drove to town in the evening for mail

Mon 6 June 1927

[above] Monsha Singh returned

Monsha reported for duty this morning - took a load of gravel, some lumber tools and the little engine

We put in cement foundation for tank in forenoon and got timbers and floor down and ten staves up.

I quit early to get to town - got some things

was to[o] late - Had dinner at Terminal.

Frank Palmer cut around grain fields for Alva Sikes -

Roy Hewitt and his sister Mrs. Bushby left this forenoon - Took fruit milk & \$5.00

Tues 7 June 1927

[above] Rain

Rained from about 11 a.m. at intervals till evening - some of the time hard -

Attended the U. C. Farm ram sale -

Stock sold well -

Mrs. Boggs came from San Francisco on the 3.30 train

Wed 8 June 1927

Went before breakfast to 200 acre windmill and got an extra stave left there for nursery tank now being erected at knoll windmill.

Put extra stave in tank and with Hindus got tank up and hoops on before noon -

In afternoon three [?] of us worked on cars cleaning and oiling -

Mrs. B. went to town for mail and supplies -

Thurs 9 June 1927

[above] 52d anniversary of U. C. Graduation

Graduated from the University of California 52 years ago - Up at 4 a.m. - got breakfast and finished loading Chrysler car - Left at 5.25 a.m. for Pine Grove Amador Co. Called for E. S. McBride at Davis at 6 a.m.\

Had flat tire at Sutter Creek - Mechanic took out a 10d nail that made three holes - Arrived at Gardner's place about 10 a.m.

I took a car load of provisions and got 11 gallons of spring water. Discussed Gardner's condition and future. G's right arm is sore. Went to Pine Grove School and got the girls - Marjorie leads the school with 4 - 100% & 1 - 99% - Left at 4 p.m. via lone

Home about 7 p.m. 158 miles

Fri 10 June 1927

Pleasant day.

Bholla and I worked on windmill - got discharge pipe with gate, faucet, union etc. in - also supply pipe and plunger - Oiled mill and started it

Mrs. B. went to Davis

Dixwell phoned - They are now living at the Robert Devlin place 12 miles out on the Fair Oaks road during the absence of the Devlins' in Europe -

Destroyed will formerly made disinheriting Gardner Pierce because of disloyalty to me - He is now broken in health spirit and means -

Sat 11 June 1927

[above] Contracted bucks -

Started early to look for bucks - Found some good ones at Robert S. Curreys - Engaged what I need at \$35.00 per head - Went to Davis -

Paid I. O. O. F dues \$6.00

got groceries etc and engaged a sheep shearer.

Returned home and prepared to go to Dixwell's tonight - Sent \$40.00 check to M. Carpenter, Dixon for Wm Ferguson for '26 breeding of 2 mares

Stopped at Davis, left Monsha's watch - saw Dr Bates about Battana Singh

Drove to Wm Devlin place near Fair Oaks. Dix was late. We drove into Sacto to Plaza Theater

Sun 12 June 1927

The Devlin home is a most beautiful spot on a bluff some 50 feet above the American River - we strolled about the place.

Dix, Katherine and I went to Fair Oaks for papers, then drove about the section -

At 11.55 a.m. I left for home arriving about 1.50 a.m. -

Mrs. Boggs is not at home -

Mrs. B. came later - had been for a ride - Woodland, Madison, Winters, home -

Mon 13 June 1927

[above] Got Currey bucks home.

Monsha and I left early for Currey Ranch with wagon and also auto for Rams - Got 15 and a nut on rear wheel broke and wheel ran off - Robert Currey took truck and trailer and took rams to Edgewood -

Would take no compensation. Gave him box of oranges & grapefruit and a box of lemons - Monsha patched up break and drove home - met him -

Went to Davis for supplies -

Monsha & Bholla worked on fire line at Nursery buildings. Mrs B went to town - dep. \$300. for Monsha -

Attended Davis Hi School meet - opened bids for Gymnasium (6) range about \$15,000

Tues 14 June 1927

[above] Sheared Rams - North wind warm

Bholla gathered Royal Am cherries - I gather blackberries -

Was at new pump and began frame for trough -

W. Claxton came at 6 a.m. to shear Rams. He sheared 29 @ 30c = \$8.70 and finished about 4 p.m.

A Salvation Army collector called again the 2d time within 6 weeks -

Boys sawing wood this afternoon -

Mrs. B. went to town -

Turned 28 Rams into orchard

the 29th is lame and was left out.

Wed 15 June 1927

[above] Put rams into flock -

Monsha turned rams into flock and looked over lambs for foxtail

Was at new mill and later worked on frame for water trough -

Gardner drove in about 5.30 After dinner he took me to Davis to attend a meeting of the High School Board - We met a representation of the State Highway Commission which wants 15 feet of our land -

He did not get it - Discussed budget and financial conditions -

Standard Oil driver left 125 gals distillate @ 16c -

Thurs 16 June 1927

Gardner and I had quite a hunt for the rams -

Monsha had them at creek barn with the lambs he is shearing for foxtail -

At 3 p.m. G. A. Haussler, E. S. McBride and myself, representing the Board of Trustees of the Davis Joint Union High School District inspected and accepted the new building from the Campbell Construction Co -

Mr. Campbell, builder, and Mr. Starks architect were there -

Fri 17 June 1927

[above] Began mowing alfalfa

Monsha began mowing first alfalfa field. He raked after dinner, then mowed again -

In afternoon Bholla and I got bull thistle from 200 acre field and sorted lemons -

Gardner left about 6 a.m. going to Dixwell's place at Wm Devlins near Fair Oaks for breakfast -

Sat 18 June 1927

Both Hindus worked in hay - finished shocking 10 acre piece -

Worked on trough frame for use at new windmill.

Finished sorting lemons -

Oiled Chrysler car, hunted crows and inspected all windmills -

Made new-style discharge for sheep troughs.

A large party is bathing here in the creek this evening -

Sun 19 June 1927

[above] Gardner & girls came

Gathered a little fruit and prepared for Wilbur Springs trip -

Mrs. B. went for mail -

Gardner and girls drove in after I had gone to bed, about 9.45 p.m.

The girls had been on a picnic with the Vogeles, Jackson jeweler & wife to the Tuolumne river.

Mon 20 June 1927

[above] Contract for building of Gym. let -

Boys began on East alfalfa field - Went to town for supplies -

Gardner and I spend most of afternoon in trying to develop plans for a house on his place at Pine Grove -

Went to Davis in evening to Hi School Board meeting -

We let the contract for building the Gymnasium to Ed Maguire of Davis - for \$13 -- [figure not registered here] and accepted proposition of local men, A. G. Anderson Forrest Plant - W. H. Scott [some other names not given] to furnish gratis personal bonds for Maguire.

Tues 21 June 1927

[above] Wilbur Springs -

Mrs. B and self left at 9.30 a.m. for Wilbur Springs in Chrysler

Stopped at Woodland - tried to get a summer coat -

got suspenders - tape cleaning fluid, pastry etc. - left at 11.45

arrived in Williams 55 miles at 12 M. 3 1/2 gals (shy) filled tank

- Got lunch. Arrived at Wilbur about 2 p.m. 72 guests had bath.

Gardner and girls went to Woodland, G to see Dr Lawhead - thence to Berkeley -

Wed 22 June 1927

Moved about but very little. Had a bath and massage. N. J. Crotchet the masseur is a fine one -

Worked on house plans for Gardner -

Wrote Gardner and the children.

Thurs 23 June 1927

[above] Windy and cool -

Worked on G. G. house plan

Had bath & massage -

Wrote Minerva Hewitt -

Fri 24 June 1927

Stupid day with me -

Walked to mud bath and return Had bath and massage 2 to 3.40 p.m.

Mr. Evans of "Napa tan shoe" factory with wife drove in in a car home-made over to carry baggage.

It was overloaded and had a flat tire -

Sat 25 June 1927

[above] Cold windy night - Cloudy day. Rain

A heavy, cold wind came up last night and I got pretty cold as did many others.

Mr. Evans the "Napa-tan" manufacturer, has another flat tire on his car this morning -

Toward night it got quite cold - Very little promenading was done and patrons flocked in doors

Had bath and massage.

Mrs. B. had massage today

Plan to go to new road camp at Grizzly Springs tomorrow -

It sprinkled a very little about 12.15 p.m.

Sun 26 June 1927

[above] Another cold bad night -

A heavy cold wind came up in the night and it was colder than the night before -

Unlike yesterday it is blowing hard at this hour 6.30 a.m.

Wind from the Southwest continued all day -

There was but little bathing done here this forenoon -

We left Wilbur Springs about 2 p.m. for Davis -

Stopped at Woodland, went to Davis for mail and reached home, 186 miles, before 6 p.m.

Got letter from Gardner.

Monsha watered vineyard and blackberries, most of the citrus trees and has water on the deciduous orchard.

Mon 27 June 1927

[above] Strong North wind.

Shot at crows and went to East windmill before breakfast -

The cattle broke into the knoll summerfallow field -

Put bucks out of old home yard into East orchard -

Went to Davis for supplies -

The new tank, or rather old one moved to new place is running over full -

Attended meeting of Hi School Board - adopted budget for coming year.

Tues 28 June 1927

[above] North wind - warm -

Mrs. Boggs and I drove into Sacramento - Dix and I had lunch at the Sutter Club - Got trunk rack for the Chrysler, set nuts for the iron wagon wheels, nail puller, hammar (sic) handles pastry, Quick jelly maker crackers, soap, bacon, tongue auto seat cover, auto polish vegetables etc. - Home at 7 p.m.

Boys sawed wood, irrigated orchards etc. - could not haul hay -

Wed 29 June 1927

[above] Mr. Briggs - North wind

Gathered Himalaya berries before breakfast

Boys hauled alfalfa hay to cowbarn -

Took 24 dozen oranges to Kuntz 15c \$3.60

Went to Davis got mail and meat -

Mr. Briggs, of Dixon and Davis called to rent place.

Wrote for irrigation water on or before July 5th next

Gardner and three children drove in about 5.30 p.m. from Pine Grove -

Soldered old Nursery water trough

Thurs 30 June 1927

[above] North wind -

Marjorie and I gather black berries before breakfast -

Wind too strong this a. m. to haul hay - boys cut alantus, lawn and weeds - hauled hay from 35 acre barley field in p.m.

Put new nuts on wagon -

Tended water in orchard -

Gardner took his car to Subway garage to have brakes relined

Mrs. B and girls went to town

Standard Oil agent came to notify me that gas would raise 1c tomorrow -

is to fill tank tonight - 60 gals

Fri 1 July 1927

Gardner went to Woodland to have two teeth pulled -

He got 1/2 doz chicken fryers for me \$3.35.

Sat 2 July 1927

Took 42 dozen oranges to Mr. Kuntz 15c - got water melon.

Ran into town for supplies -

Gardner took his Buick to Subway Garage -

Wm Windsor, a fellow graduate of the University of California Class of 1875 formerly of Spokane Washington, now of Oakland, came for a visit -

Sun 3 July 1927

[above] Irrigation in at 8 a.m. out at 11.30

Up at 4 a.m. got gates ready and turned water in at 8 a.m.

Wm Windsor out after breakfast -

Water quit coming in any volume about 11.30 a.m.

No more during day -

Went to 12.47 p.m. train to meet Kathryn Autro [Autrey?], Mrs. Boggs' friend

Gardner took his Buick back to Subway Garage of adjustments back at noon and later took children to Dixwell's at Devlin's Fair Oaks place -

Henle's and Otto Wilkendorfs came bathing - Ladies went riding - Davis & Winters. One wheel to hay wagon went off - I got it on and started home when it came off again

Mon 4 July 1927

[above] No water

But little water in canal this a.m. Went out and got wagon wheel than (sic) [that] ran off a second time. Took Mrs. Autrey to see harvester -

The children invited friends in to go bathing and had quite a company -

Took Mr. Windsor to see harvester and then to Dixon - Dogs followed and we lost "Shep" but he found his way back and we found him at home on our return -

Tues 5 July 1927

[above] No irrigation Water yet -

No water yet available for irrigation - Showed Windsor about almond sheds -

Mrs. Wright and daughter came to gather blackberries -

Took Wm R. Windsor to 10.49 a.m. train for Oakland - after showing him about the U. C. Farm.

Gardner went to Woodland to see the dentist - Came home at noon and took Muriel and Buddy to Henles & Marjorie to Woodland to the dentist -

A fire broke out in Greenes' field and going North char[r]ed [?] up old Plainfield burning some grain for Hink [?] and a stubble field for Heinz -

Wed 6 July 1927

[above] Irrigation water came at noon -

Water tender here early -

Lillard has had the water -

Gardner took the children to Henle's for the day - He, I and Mrs. Boggs drove into Sacramento - Got Gardner a suit at Elkus \$55.00 - self a light coat, nightshirt and bathing suit -

- a sk sugar, soap toilet paper etc. - got meat at Davis -

also got electric 5 H. P. Motor left at Subway Garage for repairs and Gardner installed it in granary -

Thurs 7 July 1927

[There is an unexplained "x" at the top of the page.]

Monsha drew \$210.00

Helped Gardner get ready for homeward trip - He however did not get away until about 1 p.m.

He took Luraline Henle along for a visit with the girls -

x [unexplained] Had an enjoyable time this afternoon

Went bathing in my new bathing suit -

Fri 8 July 1927

Irrigation water was low about midday and Bholla wanted to stop -

Water came in fairly well a while later - He irrigated but one check in the forenoon -

Sikes finished cutting wheat and made two rounds in 130 acre field -

Had about 1254 sks wheat

1500 sks barley on creek piece -

Sat 9 July 1927

[above] Finished irrigating.

Monsha finished irrigating abo[u]t 5 a.m. Then took Rattan Singh to Sacramento -

Bholla and I burned along fence on county road in a.m. Wind died out so that we could not burn rest of roadside in afternoon -

Went swimming in creek -

The sheep broke into the alfalfa field at this p.m. and I got them out -

Sun 10 July 1927 [Entered on the page for July 11th]

Warm day -

Ruby Heulsdork [?] and two Sacramento friends called -

Earl Chiles and family came to swim in creek and I gave them some apples and a box of lemons

Varnished the floor of spare room

The Ditch tender for Yolo Water & Power Co. called and left note for water due for 6 days irrigation on 37 acres of alfalfa. \$37.00

Mon 11 July 1927 [Entered on page for July 10th]

Gathered a gallon blackberries -

Wrote Mrs. Caldwell of Winters to come for berries on 11th or 12th -

Fixed pipe connections for new windmill - Went with Mr. Sikes around 35 acre barley patch - it is good.

Varnished floor of my room - Went to Davis -

Had new speedometer chain put in Dodge -

Got 9 fence posts 35c each.

groceries, meat & varnish & ice cream.

Warm day -

Tues 12 July 1927

[above] North wind - Very warm 104 degrees

Monsha and I worked at new windmill - set trough, adjusted water pipes and worked on fence -

Mr. Sykes began putting barley in bin - Monsha had already put 300 sks in for me. Harvester late in starting this morning -

They ran out of drinking water this afternoon.

Mrs. Geo H Caldwell of Winters and her two children came to gather blackberries this afternoon -

Mrs. Boggs got a gallon can of Fullers' "15 floor varnish" of Williams.

Wed 13 July 1927

[above] Very hot around 107 degrees

Both Hindus and self worked at windmill in forenoon and Hindus in afternoon, fencing etc. -

Went to Woodland in p.m.

took empty Bartlett water case and got a full one - also got 200 grain bags of E H Edwards at 14c, groceries etc. -

The grain market is off a little

Got fire permit to burn along road -

Mrs. Caldwell of Winters gathered blackberries -

Paid phone 50c and C. B. Williams \$6.35

Had hair cut at Dinzler's.

Thurs 14 July 1927

[above] Burned along Winters road

With Monsha and Bhola started to burn roadside from Glide line to Eastward -

Monsha fired to fast and fire catching old pasture land ran back into lot -

Several neighbors and the Plainfield fire truck came to our assistance -

No damage was done save burning of about 20 old fence posts.

Fri 15 July 1927

[above] Burned roadside

In afternoon we again started to burn roadside, this time taking the spraying wagon - The engine on rig bothered a good deal -

We were late in finishing.

I started to drive through the smoke, going west when Mrs. Laura Hill Griffin driving rapidly, collided with me injuring left front fender, hub cap and glass in door. She stopped and realizing that she was driving on the wrong side of the road, requested me to have repairs made and send her the bill at U. C Farm at Davis

Sykes finished 75 acre field & moved to 35 acre creek field.

Sat 16 July 1927

Cleaned up Chrysler in a.m

In p.m. took it to Woodland to report yesterdays accident.

Mr. Woolworth had fender temporarily fixed - had new glass put in door paid for new hub and gave me order on [name not give] of Sacramento for further work on fenders -

Alvin Sikes finished harvesting and moved rig to nursery field - being Saturday he was not permitted to go on the Highway with his harvester.

Sun 17 July 1927

Monsha helped get gate at highway which some one had broken badly in to the shop -

Went to Davis and order 4 new tires for the Chrysler - giving old tires and \$119.00 - Goodyear heavy duty - all weather thread -

Drove about grain fields

found sacks of barley in 134 acre field - Went bathing in creek.

Varnish 1/2 floor in childrens room -

Mon 18 July 1927

Monsha and I repaired broken patent gate and installed it at Winters Highway -

Also moved motor from granary to almond shed in forenoon -

L L Leonard of R2 Box 11 Woodland finished hauling grain at noon - The 32 acre piece west of orchard had 662 sacks -

Rollins bond agent called.

Sikes moved his harvester and outfit to Fremont -

Tues 19 July 1927

Left at 7 a.m. for Davis

Had 4 - 32 x 6 Heavy duty Goodyear tires put on Chrysler -

Met Mrs. Alice B. Lorenz of Sacramento at Davis depot at 8.29 - took her to Edgewood - She gathered some blackberries and returned at 3.10 p.m. with Mrs. Boggs -

Mr. Geo H Caldwell and children came to gather blackberries in the afternoon -

Wed 20 July 1927

Mrs. Caldwell and children came again for blackberries in morning -

Left about [hour not given] a.m. in Chrysler for Reno-Tahoe trip -

Shopped in Sacramento and drove to Colfax for the night -

Thurs 21 July 1927

En route Colfax to Reno.

Stopped at Donner Lake for refreshments and to write and send souvenirs (sic) of trip -
Lunched at Truckee and got gasoline

Reached Reno about 3 p.m.

Rested, and in evening at Nevada Transcontinental Highway Exposition.

Reno, a wide open town, is well lighted and evidently has taxed herself heavily to instal and maintain the exposition.

Was in California Bldg- which was a fine exhibit.

Fri 22 July 1927

At Exposition early -

While it is a credit to a State of but about 60,000 inhabitants (sic), its rating among Expositions is low - Its pavillions consist of an ornamental facade of cheap construction backed by great tents
- The floors are of common surfaced lumber -

Concessions are few and are poorly patronized. The Nevada exhibit - a permanent one, is located in a very fine building in a public square opposite the Riverside hotel and Public Library - It rained hard for a short time this evening - went to a theater. The lights went out permanently and admission was refunded.

Sat 23 July 1927

Left Reno after going to the Indian village and the Nevada State building located in town - a permanent exhibit about 10 a.m.

Gathered a few rocks.

Drove past Steamboat hot springs. At Carson 30 miles away, over highway, went 3 miles out to Federal Industrial Indian School. They have a fine rock building construction program.

Lunched at Carson. The Osterman grade to Glenbrook Lake Tahoe is very steep -

From Glenbrook to Lake Tahoe is bad to Tallac. Stopped at Young Bros and Bijou - Drove on to Meeks Bay, a family resort with a fine beach - good meals are served at reasonable rates -

Sun 24 July 1927

At Meeks Bay.

In afternoon drove to Tahoe Tavern and return -

A quartet of rowdy boys we [word written in error] drinking and becoming boisterous were sent away by the proprietor -

Had log cabin No. 19 -

Mon 25 July 1927

Left Meek's Bay about 9 a.m. Drove to Fallen Leaf Lodge. Lunched at Meyers Station. Had refreshments at Placerville - and dinner at S. P. Depot Sacramento - Left 2 rolls films at Schrams

Got mail at Davis - Home about 8.30

Tues 26 July 1927

Busy getting hold of the business again - Went about fields and at the culvert a few rods south of the gate at Gnagg's [?] place found an auto in the gutter - A woman giving name of Mrs. A. B. Kausen claimed to be the driver - She had knocked out and broken three posts, tore up the fence, and broken the lock - She gave me a check No 9 on California National Bank Sacramento, to repair damages.

Bohlla Sing[h] and I repaired it in the afternoon. Monsha mowed alfalfa -

Mrs. Boggs went to Davis for mail and supplies -

Wed 27 July 1927

Went to Davis in forenoon

- Got 9/16 screen of Schmeiser Co groceries & berries - butter & flour for Monsha -

Invited Sam Brinley and the Meister & Herman people to come and gather blackberries -

Saw McBride relative to roofing for Nursery house.

Brinley, Meisters & Hermans came for berries -

Paid P G & E Co \$21.48 to July 2d

Fri 29 July 1927

[above] Put last hoop in new tank

Wilkins & Charley began shearing sheep @ 10c per head -

Put last hoop on the Roeding redwood tank at new well -

In afternoon drove to Woodland in Chrysler - Got Case Bartlett Water & 15 wool bags -

Paid Yolo Water & Power Co. 2d irrigation charge \$37.00 Saw Edwards, grain buyer - market dull -

Return via Davis - got 3/8 screen 25c.

Monsha began mowing alfalfa in East field -

Meisters and Hermans here again for blackberries

Sat 30 July 1927

Hunted crows and squirrels, drove sheep to water in 134 acre field

visited windmills in a.m.

Sun 31 July 1927

Hunted crows.

Commenced varnishing the floors on sleeping porch and touched (sic) up floors and doors in spots about living room -

In p.m. put in one drum on almond grader -

Monsha went to Yuba City in response to call of Hindu -

Tuscan Cling peaches are so low in price growers are not gathering them.

Mon 1 Aug 1927

Got up sheep for shearers. Got in one stray from last night and one ewe and two unshorn lambs from among shorn one[s]

E. J. Weyands of Dixon Alfalfa Mills called to hire span of mules -

Jenkins called at noon for mules -

Paid Sutter Club dues \$4.00

Tues 2 Aug 1927

[above] Oiled both cars - Sacramento

Attended ranch duties

Oiled both cars completely.

Drove Chrysler to Sacramento for damage repairs under insurance, to Porter & Sprague 12th & H sts. Dix has moved to new state building, south side on tenth st opposite Capitol. Dix and I lunched together at Clunie. Had a trunk carrier put on the Dodge car for \$10.00 at 19th & J Sts.

Gardner is in line for a \$414.00 settlement on Harriet's sickness insurance - Mrs Boggs drove in in Dodge and in it we came home.

Monsha finished cutting alfalfa & began hauling

Wed 3 Aug 1927

[above] Harman Singh hauling hay.

Paid \$9.60 Standard Oil bill

Renewed Literary Digest and ordered "Luxart library" \$6.10.

Alva Sikes called - he wants to sell our wheat @ 2.00 per cwt.

I gave permission to sell -

Thurs 4 Aug 1927

Alva Sikes sold our crop of wheat - 16875 gross at \$2.00 per cwt -

Finished varnishing sleeping porch floor

Finished drum on almond huller to separate meats from broken stuff -

Fri 5 Aug 1927

Bohlla and I worked on pump at north wind mill in forenoon and on the pipe at plumbing shed -

Later went to Davis & got 1 1/2 Union [?] & Two valve leathers 1.00

Sat 6 Aug 1927

Went to Sacramento on the Winters Motor bus.

Called at Porter & Sprague's for my Chrysler car -

had to wait until after 12 M - Called on Dixwell in his new quarters on 10th st - State Board of Equilization (sic) - Later got Chrysler and had side curtains put on doors - Bot box Octagon soap, vegetables, druggist sundries groceries, confectionery meat etc.

Got Eastman Kodak 9 - 217

Starting for home a truck bumped into my car at 7th & L when I stopped for a street car to pass - bending my rear fender and injuring spare tire

Sun 7 Aug 1927

J. W Wilkins and Charley [name not given] finished shearing 935 head sheep & lambs - finishing about noon -

Dixwell & Katherine drove over from Fair Oaks or rather from the Wm Devlin place -

Dix took shearers to town in the Dodge - Mrs. B had a fine chicken dinner. D. & K. left about 9.30 p.m.

The almond crew ordered by Monsha came in from Sacramento in autos -

Mon 8 Aug 1927 [Entered by error on page for 9 August]
[above] Sack wool (error)

Monsha & Bohla sacked wool in afternoon -

Monsha finished almond harvest preparations and Bohlla and I worked on pump pipe in a.m.

Went to town in p.m. and gave a corrected order for iron for nursery house roof -

In evening we took ride to nursery house - returning via Russell bridge -

Tue 9 Aug 1927 [Entered on page for 8 August]
[above] Almond harvest - Mrs. B. burned -

Almond harvest began in West orchard - ran 4 sleds with eleven men. The big fat boss of last year is in the gang. Got 100 sacks almonds in day -

Worked on pump pipe

Went to Davis on hurried call for supplies for crew.

On my return about 11 a.m. found that Mrs. Boggs had burned herself badly while cleaning fabrics - Took her to town at once and Dr. Cooper dressed her wounds -

Wed 10 Aug 1927

Got my breakfast - later worked until 10.30 on almond huller, then took Mrs. B. to Davis to have her hands dressed - In afternoon ran almonds through -

Machine runs well -

Got groceries for Hindus and Spaniards -

The agent for the State Compensation Insurance Fund called - \$3789.

Thurs 11 Aug 1927

[above] Beck of Dixon ran into my fence.

A man from Dixon ran into my fence near Kuntz corner and broke through wire after breaking a pump on adjoining property and landing pump in my field.

Bohlla and I went down and straightened up fence temporarily - Sent in bill of damages of \$15.00 - Bohlla and I work on putting in pump

Mr. Sikes called relative to selling rain \$1.90 is offered for barley.

Worked on mill or rather pump.

got it going -

E. H. Edwards, grain buyer called - says Sikes sold at \$1.90 and \$1.65 per cwt -

Fri 12 Aug 1927

Took more boxes and pans to packing house -

Mrs. B. & I left for Woodland at 9.30 a.m. Settled with Edwards & Co for three lots barley - getting check for 3485.44

Got box Bartlett Water, some kitchen utensils some druggists sundries & melons & corn

Drove to Davis for Mrs. Boggs treatment, groceries and meat for Hindus & Spaniards -

Mr. Bennett, agent for Packard car called -

Sat 13 aug 1927

Drove to Dixon - Sold the remaining alfalfa hay to E. J. Weylands at Dixon Mill.

Saw R. E. L. Stephens office relative to fence damage by his client Mr. [name not given]

Called at P. G & E. office for information as to why our lighting rate is highest when we do not use it -

Returned to Davis - got speedometer replaced in Dodge - got watch from jeweler for Bohlla.

Called at telephone office for information relative to poor service - Mrs. Boggs had hands dressed - Had letter from Katherine Purvis [?]

Sun 14 Aug 1927

Took Mrs. Boggs to have hands dressed, to Dr. Cooper

Continued on to see Dix and Katherine at the Devlin place near Fair Oaks -

On our arrival they were out walking - Left about 5 p.m.

home about 7 -

Mr & Mrs. Richardson called as we left - George, the Japanese cook rode to Sacramento, Fifth St with us -

Mon 15 Aug 1927

All Spaniards reported for work in orchard this a.m. Took Mrs. Boggs to have her hands dressed in the afternoon - got 12 loaves bread & 25c candles for Spaniards -

began remodeling 2d drum of almond separator

Kenneth Watson representing E H Rollins & Sons called for the manyeth time and I subscribed for a \$2,000 Bond of the Golden Gate Ferris Co. @ 102.

Tues 16 Aug 1927

Took Chrysler to Subway garage to have brakes adjusted - Mrs. Boggs went with the Dodge for return - Got statement from E. H. Rollins relative to the Golden Gate Ferris Co. and send check for \$2,057.50

Got spuds 75c for Spaniards

Started almond hulling - or rather tried to start and found motor shaft "frozen".

Took it to Subway Garage and Roy Messner made a new boxing - got it out at 6.45 and in place and started for trial

Wed 17 Aug 1927

Finished change in almond separator (Second drum) -

Boys knocked almonds until about 10 a.m. and then came in and began hulling - The change made bids fair to be the greatest improvement yet put on -

Left at 2 p.m. in Chrysler with Mrs. B. who had treatment at Bates & Cooper. Continued on to Sacramento - Attended to Kodak film & instruction at the "Owl" - Had adjusting done on lower plate at Dr. Whetstone's [?].

Got 200 almond bags of the C. A. G. Ex - 1/2 melons tongue 4 nothings [?] liver etc. - Mrs B traded at Hales

Butter for Monsha. Home 7 p.m.

Thurs 18 Aug 1927

Went early to G. H. Caldwells for box of Elberta peaches.

Mrs. B. going - Canned some of them - Mrs. B. Went to Davis for treatment and groceries etc.

C. B. Williams brought an "Electron Trickle battery recharger" and "C Battery" for the radio with a G. E. Tungar bulb.

Received Golden Gate bonds of E H Rollins & Sons

"Nos. M 419, 390 with 1/1/28 & sub. cpns attached."

Fri 19 Aug 1927

Gathered some very fine Elberta peaches and helped can some - in a.m.

In p.m. worked on almond huller and found a defective screen. Went to Woodland and got a new screen of Cranston. Began installation of same at once on my return -

Sat 20 Aug 1927

[above] Installed new screen in almond separator

In forenoon finished installation of new screen and went to town for money to pay men -

Monsha finished knocking almonds in West orchard at noon -

Ran huller in afternoon

The recent changes made in huller & separator have aided materially in work done. Monsha had but 7 men on machine this afternoon -

A new Hindu was here this afternoon Santa Singh

Sun 21 Aug 1927

Mr. B. went for mail -

Did numerous little chores -

Toward evening we drove to the 3 windmills and got sheep out of East orchard

Mon 22 Aug 1927

[above] 3 short on Spanish crew but others came also 1 Hindu

3 of my crew dropped out - 2 other Spaniards came and Santa Singh

Gathered some grapes and a bucket of crab apples -

These I cleaned for jelly making - did a little laundrying -

Tues 23 Aug 1927

[above] Ran huller in p.m.

Two Spaniards quit at noon - paid \$2.00 on groceries

Mr. Wright was here most of forenoon - got some 3 pcs 2 x 3 - 12' & 1 1 x 8 - 16 ft some almonds & prunes

Worked on elevator and later worked on picking draper all afternoon

Mrs. B. went to see Mrs. Henle about dress making -

Wed 24 Aug 1927

[above] Off day - 2 Mexicans Sold wool

Only two Mexicans here today

Others went to Sacramento last night. Ran but one sheet - Hunted crows and finished change on almond elevators

Oiled and hunted a trouble on the Chrysler -

Went to Woodland in p.m. with Mrs. Boggs - she got in touch with a dress maker on Cleveland and Oak Avenue.

Insured Nursery House \$600. & barn \$100 - Saw Yolo Water & Power Co - took up [?]. Looked up automobile insurance - Sold wool to Sacramento [name not given] @22c with a \$200 advance - got nails,

Home via Davis.

Thurs 25 Aug 1927

Monsha went to Sacramento last night and this a.m. has Mexicans - Percy Hoag telephoned that one of my Mexicans was at his place with a blow out on his car wanting credit for new tire -

Later George [name not given] came out with the Mexican - I paid Francisco Gomez \$7.00 wages and advance \$1.50 until Saturday night on backing of M. Mendoza and Gomez borrowed \$10.00 of [name not given] and he had \$5.00 and he went back for his car -

Mrs. B did some washing -

Fri 26 Aug 1927

Oiled automobiles before breakfast and after -

Went to Davis - for groceries for Mexicans & other errands.

Mrs. B is canning pears -

Engaged Warner to haul almonds to Sacramento -

Sat 27 Aug 1927

[above] Drove to Gardners at Pine Grove

Mrs. Boggs went to Davis for mutton chop for Gardner.

Packed fruit and vegetables for Gardner and Mrs. Lorenz -

Left in Chrysler with Mrs. B - about 10 a.m. for Pine Grove.

Shopped and called on Dix in Sacramento - had lunch

Left at noon via Twin Cities, Lone and Jackson for Pine Grove. The belt on fan of auto broke and engine got pretty hot - arrived at G. G's about 3 p.m. - all well -

All went to Mrs. Vandever's for dinner 3 miles from Pine Grove over a fright of a road - Met rig in close quarters on return.

The Vandever's have a fine Garden and had a fine vegetable dinner

Sun 28 Aug 1927

Last night slept out doors

Gardner put a rope belt on fan. Took ride in Gardner's car to the marble quarry near by - got numerous samples of marble - had lunch and left on return about 2 p.m.

Stopped at Jackson and got new Chevrolette [?] belt for engine - Returned as we came

Reached home about 6 p.m.

Mon 29 Aug 1927

Tank at tank house ran over and wet some almond meats. Fixed bed in my room, put away spring water brought home 14 gallons.

Got ready and left for Davis to attend Rotary Club meeting at the High School. This is the first day of the term and the christening of the building.

Was the speaker for the Board of Directors of the High School

Mrs. Boggs went to Woodland to see about dress she has in the making.

Tues 30 Aug 1927

[above] Sacramento - 1st almond delivery

Mrs. B - went to Davis for meat for Monsha

She and I later drove to Sacramento - Had a tooth extracted by Dr. Whetstone -

Had an appointment with Gardner to meet him at Hotel Clunie but he forgot the name of hotel and I did not see him until the circus performance of Barnum Baily & Ringling Bros was over - Muriel had a fainting spell at circus.

Got sk sugar, vegetables meat bacon etc. G. G and family came to ranch for night. Sent 63 sx Nonpareil almonds 5555# to Sacramento -

Wed 31 Aug 1927

Bohlla and I sacked 3 1/2 sx wool -

Gardner drained Chrysler crank case - and later took children to Henles and went to Woodland.

Mrs. Boggs went to see her dressmaker in Woodland.

Went to Davis for groceries & mail

Thurs 1 Sept 1927

[above] 1st payment on Nonpareil 9[?] -

Changed defective batteries in phone - Gardner fixed pipe in bath basin -

then changeed oil in Dodge car.

Boys ran huller in p.m.

was there a while - took Gardner over -

Went to Davis for meat for Mexicans & house groceries -

Israelsky of Napa called

Mr & Mrs. Kuntz called looking for straw for sheep bedding -

Got order for wool delivery tomorrow morning - Monsha loaded it tonight 11 sks & piece

Gardner and family went to Earl Chiles' -

Fri 2 Sept 1927

[above] delivered wool

Gardner hauled 2422# wool to Davis - sold to Sacramento Wool Co. - D

Dr Almeida agent -

Went with him and later took him thru High School bld'g -

Paid Davis Lumber Co. iron roof bill and 1 x 4 x 16 & 18

Got meat, bread & salt for men

Meat & bread for house -

Sorted & sacked almond meats -

Turned cloudy and looked like rain - Monsha and I got all gathered almonds inside - Went to see Jeff about J. P. Collins I. O. O. F. presentation badge - Gardner went to Woodland to see the doctor. The Al Henle family spent evening here.s

Sat 3 Sept 1927

[above] Cloudy - Rain

Rained a little about noon.

Gardner and I took all family to State Fair at Sacramento. Got stockings, bloomers and handkerchieves for children

Attended Fair in afternoon and evening - later going to the Horse Show - Home at about 11.30 p.m.

Sun 4 Sept 1927

Gardner did much tinkering and finally got away about 1.30 p.m. intending to call on Dixwell en route home -

I was taken suddenly with a most atrocious cold and went to bed -

Had a hot bath and a massage. Was sick during night -

Gathered Bartlett pears and other fruits in a.m.

Mon 5 Sept 1927

Quite sick today did not get up until 12 M.

Mrs Boggs went to town for groceries, meat etc for Mexicans - It being Labor Day stores are closed -

but she got some things -

- then did week's washing.

Monsha brought in \$180 - in coin and checks for the P. C H - Ass'n - for deposit

Gave Bhulla \$100.00 check to send his brother -

Tues 6 Sept 1927

Feeling a little better this a.m. Mrs. B. went to town for supplies for Mexicans and to deposit funds for Monsha and get mail -

Mrs. Boggs went to Woodland to try on dress at dressmakers.

She got for me a box of Dr. Bossers Cigarettes for catarrh and cold cure.

Wed 7 Sept 1927

[above] Heavy north wind

Almond crew did not work - Monsha & Bhulla worked -

Went to town to meet Kathlyn Autrey at 10.10 train

Mrs. B's guest -

C. B Williams came in afternoon and tinkered radio - He is at a loss as to failure to perform -

After he had left it picked up and ran well.

Much fruit and many nuts are on the ground.

Thurs 8 Sept 1927

Governors day at the State Fair - Mrs. Boggs, Mrs. Autrey and myself drove in -

The fan belt, bought and installed at Jackson proving defective I got another at Chrysler agency
17 7 K St

Saw the fine stock parade in a.m. Lunched and dined at Johnson's Cafe. Saw races, poultry Woman's bl'dg, Art Gallery and the Educational exhibits in p.m. In evening at Grand Stand stunts and Fire works - and Horse Show - Had seats back of Governor [name not given] and President of Campbell of the u. C.

Stopped at Davis for groceries etc for men - Home midnight -

Fri 9 Sept 1927

[above] Admission Day -

Mrs. B and Mrs Autrey drove to Woodland to see dress maker.

Agent for Maytag washing machine called.

Worred on notice to Pierce Lateral water users -

Sat 10 Sept 1927

Fixed extra light in pack porch

Gathered plums for canning -

Warner' truck came and got 63 sks Nonpareil almonds for Sacramento delivery -

Went to town for supplies and funds to meet weekly wages

Got Bank statement - \$31.44 dif.

Put few sheep into irrigation canal - to clean out grass -

Johnny Walker, Chrysler auto agent at Davis is trying to trade me on my Chrysler.

Sun 11 Sept 1927

[above] Cloudy hazy -

Very cool

Mrs. Boggs took Mrs. Autrey to the 3.29 p.m. train en-route to San Francisco.

Wrote Gardner, to State Comp. Ins Fund relative to Boggs refund of \$1.63

Wrote out notice to users of water from Pierce Lateral Canal -

Mon 12 Sept 1927

[above] Lucy mare is sick -

Lucy mare is lame in one hind leg or foot -

Monsha began with one rig and 3 Mexicans in West orchard on Peerless -

Bhulla is working with 3 Mexicans on Ne Plus in E. orchard

Mrs. B. washed in forenoon and went to Woodland to her dressmaker in the afternoon -

Johnny Walker, Chrysler agent called with a "62" Chrysler wanting a trade -

Went to Sacramento - had an impression taken for extra tooth in lower plate by Dr. Whetstone -
Saw Dix

- got drugs etc. for house and eggs & meat for Mexicans -

Tues 13 Sept 1927

Went to Russell's thence to Davis and the U. C. Farm

then phoned Dr. Alexander to come to see Lucy mare -

The doctor came and gave but little encouragement as to Lucy's recovery -

Gathered plums & apples.

Went to Jack Finlay James Kober [?] & George Gnaggs with notice to improve conditions in
Pierce Lateral irrigation canal -

Monsha has notice of death of Moulin Barakatullah Hinon in San Francisco and wired for further
information -

Got 15c advance on 2d load almonds.

Wed 14 Sept 1927

[above] Stromberg - Dist Manager Telephone called

Lucy worse - went for medicine - did not give it - too late -

Monsha Singh drove to San Francisco to funeral of friend -

Worked with almond crew.

Mr. Stromberg district manager of the telephone company called in re disputed charges. He has
wiped them off and asked a dismissal as deficiencies have been righted - truce granted.

Lucy died and the reduction works agent too carcass away -

Thurs 15 Sept 1927

[above] Finished almond harvest

Ran huller - finished almond harvest - Settled with Mexican crew -

Huller did fine work -

Went to town in p.m. for mail and funds to meet pay roll.

Flora mare sick -

sent for Dr. Alexander who gave her two quarts of raw linseed oil

Fri 16 Sept 1927

Dr Alexander as where to treat Flora mare -

She seems better. The doctor gave her a thorough treatment - washing her out and giving her raw linseed oil -

Sat 17 Sept 1927

[above] Chas H. Lindberg

Flora mare rather better -

Veterinarian did not come.

Took boys out and took up north windmill pump and took cylinder to house -

Boys are putting wood in basement -

Mrs. Boggs and I drove into Sacramento. Lunched at Senator - Saw T. C Tucker and company, en-route to Echo Lake-

Went with Johnny Walker in Chrysler sport model to Mather Field - Saw Col. C. H. Lindberg and the famous monoplane in which he flew across the Atlantic Ocean - Gardner and family came for the night -

Sun 18 Sept 1927

[above] Rain

Rained a little last night -

Gardner and children went to Al Henles' for a time.

Mrs. Boggs went to Davis for mail -

Fixed pump cylinder for north windmill -

Gardner and children left for Pine Grove about [sentence not completed].

Mon 19 Sept 1927

Hindus and self put north windmill pump together with another cylinder and it works -

Also fixed gate a county road and fence near knoll windmill in a.m. In p.m. put thread on discharge pipe at mill and went to Davis and got 12 pieces corrugated iron 10' long for plumbing roof and one 8' piece for almond shed -

The Hindus went to Sacramento to a funeral of some Hindu

Tues 20 Sept 1927

[above] Irrigating alfalfa

Took irrigation water at 5 a.m. - I started it and turned it over to Monsha at 7 a.m.

-had 3 checks done and 3 more well along -

Started putting iron on plumbing shed roof -

Began painting canvas roofing to port cochere -

Paid E. B. \$50.00

Wed 21 Sept 1927

[above] Chrysler & windmill repairs.

Got extras for I. X. L. windmill out take to town.

Mrs. B. & I went to Davis and left repair job of mill at Subway Garage - thence to Sacramento taking odds and ends of almond meats to C. A. G Ex - weight 50#

Had hair cut & tonic 90c

Got few nicknacks

Had new cylinder for brake and left front wheel put in \$4.75 - Got repaired windmill extras \$6.00

Thurs 22 Sept 1927

[above] Mrs. B went to San Fran

Took Mrs. Boggs to 8.29 a.m. train en-route to San Fran -

Monsha and I put north windmill together - There was but little wind -
An old fellow driving a Ford came over for water and I took him to new windmill for it -

In p.m. oiled and conditioned Chrysler; saw old Flora mare, took almond bags to old sulphur house and then went to knoll windmill to try to fix throw out rod.

Went to Davis - got supplies

paid Mexican grocery bill at Rogers \$46.60 - got returns on last load of almonds, excepting meats 590.53 Standard Oil truck left 100 gals gas for me and 15 gals Coal Oil for Monsha.

Fri 23 Sept 1927

[above] Weather cool -

Got breakfast - alone -

Shot two female cats -

Oiled car - had Monsha finish painting port cochere upper floor -

Packed personal belongings and fruit and left for Wilbur Springs via Davis at 11 a.m. - lunched in Woodland - left at 1 p.m.

Ran to Williams, refilled gas tank - 3 gals 68c - out at 2.30

Met gas tank at bad place in road - arrived at Wilbur at 3.40 p.m. - place full only two vacant rooms - Have No 5 in main hotel bldg - Had a bath

Sat 24 Sept 1927

[above] Cool.

Wrote, read - cleaned up auto -

Had bath at 3 p.m. and massage at 3.45

Received first advance on 400# meats \$100.00

Sun 25 Sept 1927

Did some writing

Had bath at 3 p.m. and massage about 3.45

W. H. Scott, wife and friends left about 3.30 for Davis -

Mon 26 Sept 1927

In morning drove up to Cherry Hill mine and vicinity for some nice looking rocks-

Had bath and massage from 3 p.m. to 4.45

This morning water overflowed in bowl in my room

Tues 27 Sept 1927

Had bath & massage from 9 a.m. to 10.45

Packed for departure

Left Wilbur at 12.45

arrived in Williams at 1.50 p.m. - Had ice cream sundae - Picked up a well dressed man who said he was going to San Fran.

He was queer and got off at marble quarry on outskirts of Woodland. Got aluminup(sic) [aluminum] fry pan - Drove to Davis

Got mail, a gallon of white paint and dinner at the Greeks.

Boys have straw stack well up in north pasture -

Stopped at windmill.

Boys stacking straw in North windmill field -

Wed 28 Sept 1927

Copied my presentation address to be used tonight in delivering a Veteran Odd Fellows 50 year jewel to John P. Collins now of Sacramento 28th & P sts ?

Went to town in p.m. and called at Jeff's

Attended I. O. O. F. meeting.

Around 150 present. Grand Master [name not given] of Sacramento was present, using pictures of "Home" and "Orphanage" to illustrate his address - I presented the 50 year veterel [?] Jewel to John P. Collins. Refreshments were served - Home at midnight.

The pump bothered today and Monsha put switch on wrong and motor got pretty hot -

Thurs 29 Sept 1927

[above]

North Wind

Monsha and I put iron roof on plumbing shop -

North wind blew hard today

Shot a cat and two polecats.

Went to 3.34 train from the City and met Mrs. E. Boggs on her return from a week's vacation

Attended meeting of Hi School Trustees.

Signed deeds to road right of way on West - A street - ordered changes in insurance etc.

Fri 30 Sept 1927

[above] Strong North wind -

Valve in tower tank leaked

ran water over and settled east & center foundations -

We put in 2# outlet but it still leaked - East side is 1 & 5/8" low -
Boys working on head gates of canal in alfalfa field -

Went to Woodland

took Mrs. Boggs to get the Dodge roadster left for repairs. \$5.15

Had dinner with the Lawheads and spent evening there - It was quite dark en-route home

Sat 1 Oct 1927

Repainted port cochere upper floor

Went to Davis in a.m.

prepared for proposed auto trip to Red Woods -

Got lumber for and made ladder for the tank house -

Gardner drove in about 6 p.m. - He was returning from trip to Gridley with two old people -
Monsha finished 2d coat paint on west side of tank house -

Sun 2 Oct 1927

Put up ladder in tank house - put down canvas and painted it on floor of port cochere -

Gardner worked on his car and fixed faucet in my room -

He gathered grapes, peaches melons & tomatoes and also took grape fruit and left about 3.45
for home -

Dixwell and Katherine called - got my "come along" to fix his clothes line -

Gardner has done with looking toward care of his children this winter and wants to come here -

As he said he left on account of his health & that of Muriel. I object to his return at this time.

Mon 3 Oct 1927

[above] Ukiah

Mrs B and self left in Chrysler at 9 a.m. for Redwood Highway trip via Winters Canyon

Lunched at Calistoga 78 m.

Ran via Middletown Lakeport & Upper Lake into Ukiah 166 miles - At Palace

Tues 4 Oct 1927

[above] Eureka

Left Ukiah at 8.45 Lunch at Lanes Redwood Flat - fine

Leave at 12.50 - Numerous groves of large fine redwoods -

Stop at Richardsons Grove 255 miles from Edgewood Farm

Got gas at Dyerville 24c 292 miles out - Ran into Eureka at 5.45 Stop at Eureka Inn

Wed 5 Oct 1927

[above] Orick

Had car oiled & greased

Left battery at Earny (sic?) Johnson's for recharging -

Left Eureka about 10.00 a.m. for Orick - The ride along the coast is grand and roads good - Orick 47 miles from Eureka is near the present detour for construction work, and the detour is well nigh impassable, as they use tractors to pull autos through - stopped and gathered shells on way back -

Stopped at Vance Hotel in Eureka and went to a moving picture show -

Thurs 6 Oct 1927

[above] Eureka Laytonville

Found old battery in such bad condition that I bouth[t] a new Exide at \$25

Left Eureka about 9.30

At Dyerville we drove 4 miles plus to see a mammoth redwood but could not find it - Got caught by nightfall and drove in dark some 20 miles to Laytonville for the night

Lunched at Wyatt [?]

Fri 7 Oct 1927

[above] Laytonville Ice. Willitts

Water froze her last night

They were so slow at the hotel that we drove to Willitts for breakfast -

Lunched at Pap McCrays 1 mile from Cloverdale -

Drove into Sonoma 700 miles of trip about 3.45 p.m. Ran into Dixon at 5.20 p.m.

got break, butter, cakes & eggs - home about 6.30 Trip 756 miles

used 43 gallons gas-

Sat 8 Oct 1927

Took water heater out of cook stove

Went to Davis for mail and supplies -

In p.m. Monsha and I made and put in new water coil in kitchen stove -

A. C. Spencer first phoned then came wanting to rent or purchase a farm

Sun 9 Oct 1927

Strung up radio line that had blown down -

Fixed wringer to Washing machine

Mrs. B. went to Davis for mail and was confused over change in post office box

Mon 10 Oct 1927 [No entry.]

Tues 11 Oct 1927

[above] Dentist -

Mrs B and I drove to Sacramento - Called on Dr. Whetstone, dentist -

he put me off until Monday next at a second meeting at 3 p.m.

Had lunch at Sutter Club with Dix. Later drove to 1108 - 47 Ave taking some fruit to Katherine

Got 10 yds canvas, some Quick Set and incidentals -

Wed 12 Oct 1927

[above] Harnam Singh "no funds" check

Worked on wringer

Frank Gastinger called me up relative to a check for \$62.73 issued by Harnam Singh to Santa and cashed at Rogers Store. This check was returned marked "no funds" I went to see about it - got the check

Monsha had become voucher for these Hindus - I took the check to him and he agreed to give me his check for Harnam's

Thurs 13 Oct 1927

[above] Pump & wringer out -

Monsha and I worked on pump and wringer - later phoned for Jero [?] Rowe -

Mrs. B went to Davis -

Monsha gave me a check for Frank Gastinger of \$62.73 for the worthless one of Harnam Singh

sent it to Frank Gastinger by Mrs. Boggs -

In putting the wringer together Monsha broke a casting and took it to the Subway Garage for welding

Kenneth Watson of E H Rollins called -

Fri 14 Oct 1927

Monsha and I tacked down canvas on port-cochere roof - later I wet and toward night Monsha painted it - We fixed gate latch - mended hose and fixed hose nozzle -

In p.m., with Bohlla we raised the settled side of the tank house -

Monsha drew \$200 and sent it [to] the Hindu organization for Independence in San Francisco - also got statement of book accou[n]t to end of year

also to date - For year it is \$1239.85 - for current year (since July 16 last) is \$267.81

Sat 15 Oct 1927

Went to Woodland 8.40 a.m. Hunted records for right of way given to P. N Ashley & Dr H D Lawhead for right of way for the Pierce Lateral canal - Could find no record of it - Saw Mr Ashley and he hunted for it - did not find it -

He gave me dope on canal fixing to prevent washing -

Prepare sides of canal slope 1 1/2' to 2-pack earth or let rain do it - then cement 2" thick - winter time best -

Paid 1st inst taxes \$1737.87

Got hardware & turpentine & poisoned barley - Saw R. G Lawson about taxes due me on Woodland lots -

Sun 16 Oct 1927

About 10 a.m. met the users of water from the Pierce Lateral ditch. viz Geo Gnaggs James Kober Jack Finley [first name not given] Silva and [name not given] They came after me and we met at the canal - After discussion it was decided to lower the bed of canal & rebuild banks -

Cementing was not favored -

Gnaggs & Finley stopped in and saw ripening dates -

Mrs. B. went for mail - later drove to windmills

Looks like rain tonight -

Gathered fruit to take to Dix tomorrow.

Mon 17 Oct 1927

[above] Sacramento

Mrs B and I left at 8.45 a.m. for Sacramento - Stopped at Davis for mail - Had tooth repaired by Dr Whetstone by cementing a piece on to replace a break - had to go a second time to finish it.

Dix and I lunched at Sutter Club - then drove out to 1108 47th to see Katherine and take some fruit - Got brooms, bacon tongue, cleansing compound linoleum, collar buttons meat etc. - Left first laundry at new Davis Laundry -

Had hair cut

Tues 18 Oct 1927

Fixed linoleum in kitchen

began work on tank frame -

In afternoon went to Davis -

Wed 19 Oct 1927

Tinkered about place in a.m. In p.m. went to Dixon, saw R. E. L. Stephens relative to damage to fence by Beck

Collected \$44.23 from W O. Weyland for alfalfa @\$9.00 per ton.

Mrs. Boggs went for mail

Bhulla repairing water ditch in orchard - Monsha hauling gravel to north wind mill -

Got 1 gallon Raw Linseed Oil in Dixon and paid \$1.60 for same -

Thurs 20 Oct 1927

Pump out this a.m. - wire broken in motor - put down small piece linoleum at West door Took North gate at barn corral to shop and began making new one -

Hindus fixing fence at north pasture

Paid rent of Safe Deposit box 93 for one year Oct 1 - 28.

Fri 21 Oct 1927

[above] Dixwells daughter born

A daughter was born this a.m. at Sutter hospital Sacramento to Dixwell and Katherine - Dix phoned the news -

Worked on horse corral gate in a.m.

In p.m. went to Davis

Paid taxes at Richmond, Martinez and Granada -

got 2 yds linoleum for dressing room -

Painted some on tank at new windmill -

Replaced burnt out wire in Mrs. B's curling iron.

Homer E. Fenn came in to obtain camping ground over night at N. E. corner of ranch for 2500 lambs -

Sat 22 Oct 1927

Reset and levelled Fridaire. Painted on tank until raw oil gave out. Monsha and I fixed windmill device for throwing out of gear -

Mrs. B. went to Davis & got mail, groceries oil etc

Finished paint tank first coat -

Fixed throw out lever.

Worked on corral gate a little -

Monsha hauling gravel

Bohlla clean[ed] wood box etc and dug ditch -

Sun 23 Oct 1927

[above] Fine weather

Tried to find leak in water supply system of 5000 gallon tank - failed -

Mrs. B. went to town for mail -

Mon 24 Oct 1927 [No entry.]

Tues 25 Oct 1927

[above] Thunder - sprinkle

Two peals of thunder and slight sprinkle about 4.45 a.m.

Cloudy and dark this a.m.

Mrs. B and self drove into Sacramento. Called at Dix's office - not in -

Sent boquet (sic) from [name not given] to Katherine at Hospital - Got Raw Oil, clothes line, linoleum for kitchen, 2 suits underwear, clothes pins, meat vegetables etc.

Attended Babe Ruth and Gus Gerigh (sic) champion "home run" baseball players exhibition at Mursing [?] Field -

Wed 26 Oct 1927

[above] Rain

First real rain came in showers mostly in the forenoon -

Worked on gate and radio equipment - alternately -

Got radio aerial up but pulley at top would not work -

Mrs. B went for the mail -

Thurs 27 Oct 1927

[above] Radio rejuvenation

Lowered radio aerial and repaired pulley and all is well. We finished and hung gate at N. E. corner of horse corral. Started to raise horse trough.

Hindus cleaned both autos -

Mrs. B and self drove to Woodland to hear Senator Hiram Johnson speak at Board of Trade rooms -

Returned via Davis -

Got supplies - tomares, at Woodland -

Alvin Sikes called -

Fri 28 Oct 1927

[above] Dedication of Gymnasium

Deposited draft Union Automobile Ins Co of Los Angeles \$15.00 -

Went to Davis in a.m. and got linoleum for kitchen from Breuner truck

Worked on water trough in horse corral, raising and fencing -

Attended dedication dance of the High School pupils at the new Gymnasium

Monsha gave notice of need to go to work for the Hindu cause and is going for two days leaving tomorrow -

Sat 29 Oct 1927

[above] Near rain

Very heavy dew this a.m.

Monsha left -

Worked on corral fence at Trough and other things in a.m. In p.m. cleared sink drain in house and listened to radio transmission of progress of Intercollegiate Football game between teams of U. S. C. and U. C - result 13 to 0 favor of U S. C - Los Angeles

The U. C. Freshmen were beaten also - Too were the Davis Aggies by the University of the Pacific, Stockton 33 to 0.

Stanford beat Oregon 19 to 0

Sun 30 Oct 1927

[above] Rain

Rain began falling about 6.30 a.m. and continued most of day - not heavy -

got in a dozen or more melons and some English Walnuts -

Mr. Wright of the nursery house as tenant called and wanted to rent barn etc. - nothing doing - also wants doors and window

Let him have the 2" pipe for tank -

Mrs. B went for mail

Mon 31 Oct 1927

[above] Heavy North wind

Bholla and I put down linoleum in kitchen and began on mens dining room

A heavy north wind blew all day -

Alvin Sikes came

Set \$88.00 as price of cutting 32 acres barley.

Harnam Singh and a party of Hindus drove in inquiring for Monsha

The Shell oil man of Winters called -

Tues 1 Nov 1927

[above] Wind until noon

Had Bholla harrow orchards - fixed linoleum -

Wrote Evelyn Ramsay -

Sent for tulip bulbs -

Paid Sutter Club dues \$5.00

Gardner drove in about 9 p.m. just as I was about to get into bed.

Wed 2 Nov 1927

[above] Gardner here. Monsha ret.

Monsha is here this a.m. -

He helped fix fence and gate at horse corral then began hauling gravel to barn -

Gardner looked over place and had Bruce Mace here to look after his herd of cattle - later he got herd into horse corral.

Thurs 3 Nov 1927

[above] Sikes harrowing summerfallow

Straightened out & patched linoleum

Finished two sheep panels and took one to east orchard -

Monsha hauling gravel

Bholla burning rubbish

Gardner banding horns of his thoroughbred cattle -

Phoned Dix relative to Katherine - His is a favorable report -

Stanford Oil driver left 50 gallons gas -

Fri 4 Nov 1927

Refitted linoleum -

Ran level over barn frame -

Worked on gates etc.

Gardner is branding horns on his cattle and straightening up his records.

Sat 5 Nov 1927

[above] Rained

Mrs. B and I drove into Sacramento to see Katherine and the baby - They both look well. Baby is 15 days old. Katherine expects to be home tomorrow

Got eggs, ham, rubbers for sink glass pedestals for stove & cooker, flashlight batteries drug store supplies 4.50 etc.

It rained a little about 3.30 p.m. Home about 6.30 p.m.

Bholla pulled weeds and hauled them out of the yard -

Gardner was out to the Henles' this evening -

Sikes finished harrowing and then burned over the 200 acre field.

Sun 6 Nov 1927

[above] Cloudy-

Otis and Marden Wilbur came to look and cow and calf- G. G. asked them \$150.00. They offered \$100.00. No sale made -

The Hindus are working today as they want to get off on Tuesday next to Hindu meeting in Sacramento

Bholla is plowing in garden and citrus orchard -

Gardner left at 2 p.m. to go to Earl Chiles 2 p.m. dinner -

Mrs. B and self went hunting in East field with dogs. Burned some trash on grain land there

then went to 75 acre field (new windmill lot) and burned all we could of that -

Mon 7 Nov 1927

Rained a little in the night and sprinkled at intervals through the day

Gardner left for Suisun and Dixon looking up cattle buyers -

Bholla and I cleaned up lumber pile near tank house -

Mrs. B and I drove to Davis to attend the "Little International" show of cattle & sheep that are going to Chicago International Stock Show -

Gardner went to Davis, saw Dr. Burnett & returned here -

Monsha sick & went to Sacramento to big Hindu meeting

Tues 8 Nov 1927

Gardner and Doc Burnett still dickering - Finally G. G. left the sale of his cattle to Noble Mace on a commission - all to sell for \$2,000, Mace to get \$250.00

21 head are registered, 6 are not -

Went to Woodland, signed deeds to lots 12 & 13 my subdivision to Thos. George & Mrs. Alice Mumma [?] for \$750 each.

Got 25, 7' steel posts 48 1/2c ea.

Home 4.30

Gardner called up from Kunz's - Went to Davis met Gardner, who later after eating started for Placerville - Attended meeting of School Board - Took out the 1.2.3 insurance plan on school 100%

Wed 9 Nov 1927

[above] Rain about 1"

Began raining during the night and rained all day

Kenneth Watson called.

Worked on windows, chairs and gates - In afternoon went to Davis - looking up insurance policies -

Paid Davis City Taxes \$10.50

The rain and heavy wind has destroyed many branches on trees -

Thurs 10 Nov 1927

[above] Fine day

Beautiful day - sun shone all day.

Bholla and I worked on tank overflow - the ladder etc. and began enclosing the plumbing shop -

The horses from the 75 acre field got out and came up to barn -

Paid P. G & E Co. Sent Gardner \$20.00 birthday present & sent a 2d explanation to G W Putnam's Sons Make Em Laugh -

In afternoon Bhollon (sic) and I cleaned out harness storeroom at barn -

Mrs. B went to town and found highway gate to North pasture open. We went and fixed it -
The black dog caught 3 rabbits -

Fri 11 Nov 1927

[above] Monsha back

Monsha back this a.m.

He worked in shop on harness and helped change gates, bring some iron for repairs & return when repaired.

Repaired gates & harness -

Received letter from Gardner and phoned him relative to authorized price of his cattle

Royal Mace was here in re Gardners cattle

Alva Sikes and Watkins were here fixing grain treating rig -

Sat 12 Nov 1927

[above] Rain

Rained most of day - about .75"

Monsha and I worked in shop on harness chiefly -

Bholla began digging hay from south side of barn -

Went to Davis at 4.30 for mail and supplies

Got rivets - lace leashes [?] etc. & 50c 2c stamps for Monsha -

Sun 13 Nov 1927

[above] Light Sprinkle

Light sprinkle about 6.30 a.m.

Busy about house most of day -

Mrs. B. went for mail

Mon 14 Nov 1927

Went to Woodland in a.m. Got trace chains 2 prs - 4 haim straps, 100 lbs stock salt, meat etc. -
Home about 1 p.m. Finished repairing gate for 134 acre field and worked on harness -

Monsha began washing harness - Bholla is at south end of barn getting a gangway for placing sill -

Tues 15 Nov 1927

Bholla and I hung gate in 134 acre field this a.m.

In p.m. oiled and greased both automobiles -

Went to Davis in p..m.

Sold \$300 worth of 2d Liberty Loan bonds with \$6.06 interest -

Bonds were called in by the government -

Got groceries etc. -

Al Henle called looking for a 4 gang plow -

Bholla drew \$100.00 and sent it to Rattan Sing[h], Oxford St Berkeley -

Wed 16 Nov 1927

Bholla and I fixed fence near N E corner where [name not given] broke it with automobile in forenoon - Took gate to S. E. corner of alfalfa field - veneered auto -

figured on barn sill -

Monsha had guests in Chevrolet (sic?)

Mrs. B. went to Davis -

Bholla began pruning blackberries

Maghetti sent check for \$13.89, his proportion of taxes on Davis lot -

Thurs 17 Nov 1927

[above] Berkeley &c

Mrs. B and I left about 8.20 in Chrysler for City - Stopped at Richmond - Saw Berg Jr.

Says lots worth \$200.00 per front foot - Lunched at Berkeley - Was at Students' Coop, looking up U. C. ring - nothing doing. Met Mrs. Wharton an old friend of Dixwells - Went to City via Golden Gate Ferry

At State - In evening drove to the Mahoneys on (347) Foxon Ave -

Fri 18 Nov 1927

Shopped a little -

Called on Norton of Central Copper Co. at First National Bank Bldg - Called up Dr. Grant of Flood Bldg and had him out for lunch - Rested a while and called on T. C. Tucker at 311 California St -

Attended St Francis Theater - "We are now in the Air."

Sikes began plowing in 200 acre field.

Sat 19 Nov 1927

[above] Palo Alto

Left 11.15 a.m. train for Palo Alto - lunched there.

Attended Intercollegiate foot ball game - Result of game Stanford 13. Cal. 6.

Returned to City arriving about 7 p.m. - An attendance at game, it is said of 88,000.

After dinner did some window shopping.

Sun 20 Nov 1927

[above] Rain

It began raining in the night and continued at intervals throughout the day.

Left San Francisco on 9.30 Golden Gate Ferry for Berkeley. Went via Tunnel Route. Lunched at Antioch

Took Sacramento River Route. And interesting one but with narrow road -

Crossed the Antioch Bridge

There is a bridge at Rio Vista and 3 more up to Freeport

Crossed the river twice before getting to Sacto Home about 6 p.m.

Mon 21 Nov 1927

Monsha sick with cold -

Worked about place & on barn foundation -

Tues 22 Nov 1927

Tinkered in forenoon. Mrs B and I left about noon for Sacramento

Saw Dix - drove out to 1108 47th ave -

Shopped and returned home about 6 p.m.

Sikes is plowing in 200 acre field -

Lawson sent in \$717.79 from Thos George for lot 12 Pierce addition

Wed 23 Nov 1927

[above] Mr. Thompson Agr

Worked on foundation of horse barn -

Mrs. B went to Davis

got turkey of Cal Covell 4.80 and usual shopping -

Mr. Thompson of the Dept of Agriculture Sacramento came to see Alanthus trees & advised us to exterminate them -

He advises girdling old trees and putting solution of

1 lb. White Arsenic

1 " Washing Soda

4 gallons water - Heat until arsenic is dissolved - March or Apr.

Cut down small trees early. When sprout start spray with crude oil or refuse oil from automobiles.

White Frost this a.m. 1st one

Thurs 24 Nov 1927

[above] Gardner & family

Worked on barn foundation until 1 o'clock

Gardner and his children came after they had visited at Henle's -

Mrs. B had fine turkey at dinner

Heavy white frost

frost this a.m.

Fri 25 Nov 1927

[above] Frank Gordon, Senator Bush

Worked on barn

began raising south side - Went to town & got 8 sks. cement-

Gardner had Noble Mace, Frank Gordon Senator Rush and [name not given] Williams here looking after his cattle

- he made no sale -

Later he went to Woodland

The children Mrs. B and I played Dominoes and cards -

Sat 26 Nov 1927

[above] Rain

Began raining at 2.15 a.m. Did not rain during day.

Bholla is sick today -

Mace came for Bull and lame cow - paid \$100 for them

Gardner, family, Mrs B. and self drove into Sacramento. Shopped at Weinstock & Lubins. I got a coat for each child, also shoes for each stockings for Marjorie & 2 sets surprise packages. Lunched indoors - Gardner & family left for Placerville. Bought Xmas cards

Got laundry & supplies at Davis - home 6.15 p.m.

Sun 27 Nov 1927

[above] Heavy fog -

Rested -

Went about fields toward evening -

Monday 28 Nov 1927

[above] Foggy

All worked on barn -

Finished raising south end

Mr. Sikes began plowing in 75 acre field north of West orchard

Two men claiming to be State trappers, came in asking permission to trap polecats coyotes etc. and to camp at bridge -

Tues 29 Nov 1927

[above] Cold fog. North wind

Worked on barn in forenoon. Measured roof for iron

Heavy fog and a cold north wind -

Subscribed for Country Gentleman and St. Eve Post for Gardner, Ladies Home Journal for Mrs. B and and for Country Gentleman for self -

Went to Davis in p.m. and got data on corrugated iron

Wed 30 Nov 1927

[above] Mule died North wind & fog "Shep" dog run over

Cold north wind - foggy in a.m. clear later -

Worked on barn - got door outlined and posts straightened up -

Bholla gathered olives in afternoon -

One of the very old mules died last night - The Reduction works sent for mule & ran over "Shep" dog. hurting him badly -

Subscribed or renewed sub to Woodland Daily Democrat \$6.50.

Mrs. B and I attended Farm Bureau meeting at Plainfield.

Fred Smith told of some of his Alaskan experiences, Isham of cooperation [?]. Very cold room.

Thurs 1 Dec 1927

[above] "Shep" died -

Old "Shep" dog died of injuries received by being hit by truck -

Went to town in p.m. stopping at High School, on request to sign salary warrants -

Ordered lumber and iron for barn of Davis Lumber Co -

Attended Whist card party in evening given by Rebeccas. There were 100 players. Wm. Genson high score 156 - Mine 130

Adolph Oeste won door prize - a turkey

Fri 2 Dec 1927

[above] North wind

Put olives in lye

Carried old "Shep" to his last resting place -

The Davis Lumber Co delivered lumber and iron ordered for barn -

Monsha and I put new siding on south of barn -

Mrs. B. went to Davis for supplies and to meet Mrs. Autry of San Francisco who is coming for a visit -

Sat 3 Dec 1927

[above] High & cold North wind -

Not feeling well today

Strong & cold north wind -

Mr & Mrs Humes of Chicago and Los Angeles, acquaintances of Hugh Lamont, and globe-trotters called and staid quite a while -

Mrs. B & Mrs. Autrey went to Sacramento shopping

Worked on barn

Sun 4 Dec 1927

Fine day - Sikes has men sowing wheat on knoll field and one tractor plowing in East field -

Mrs B & Autrey went for mail - got final payment on 1926 crop \$178.92 & 1924 suspense item balance 301.71

Moved sheep from West fields to orchard

Have about one half dozen lambs -

Mr. [name not given] & [name not given] horse buyer called -

Went to see Mr. Wright at Nursery residence for carpenter help - can not get him is on P. G & E building -

Mon 5 Dec 1927

Worked on barn in a.m.

In afternoon took Mrs B & Mrs Autrey via Davis and Woodland to the J. Stephens ranch 4 miles north of Esparto to see a demonstration of a Ford tractor with tracklayer attachment said to do the work of a 30 Holt - It was a myth -

Got nails for roof - meat Tomatoes etc and returned via Woodland and Davis

Tues 6 Dec 1927

[above] Very heavy North wind

Heavy & cold north wind - Started to put iron on barn roof - got two tiers on and quit -

In p.m. boys fixed hog fence West of knoll windmill -

Went to Sacramento with Mrs B & A -

Got Xmas cards - ordered got medicine meat vegs - eggs etc. - Dined at S. P. depot - Home about 7.15

Left large chair broken spring at Breuners - care of L. T. Linney for repairs -

Wed 7 Dec 1927

[above] Nice day

All worked at roofing on East side of barn -

Tonight have 20 tiers of iron on -

Mrs. B & Mrs. A went to Woodland in p.m. and got 50 lbs roofing nails & 5 lbs lead washers -

Thurs 8 Dec 1927

Finished East side of barn roofing save last half tier - Got one tier on West side -

Put new lumber into shed and hauled broken stuff away -

E. R. Cooper agent for the Brittanica (sic) called & I subscribed for the 3/4 Morocco binding of the three books bringing my set up to Jan 1927

Gardner phoned late 9.30 p.m. that he and family would be down tomorrow -

Frid 9 Dec 1927

[above] Gardner & family came late

Worked on west side of barn roof - Went to Davis in a.m. and got 10 sheets corrugated iron 10 feet long and some groceries - Have 14 sheets of iron on west side of barn -

Mrs. B & Kathryn drove to Sacramento shopping -

Sat 10 Dec 1927

[above] My 77th Birthday

Rain It rained a little last night and sprinkled at intervals during forenoon.

Drove to town and got 10 sheets 7' iron & groceries -

Mrs. B had an excellent chicken dinner for my birthday - Gardner invited the Henle's down in the afternoon and the children remained for the evening Gardner taking them home at 9 p.m. - He returned at 11 p.m.

Noble Mace called and agreed to take the cattle he purchased of Gardner next Monday -

Took Mrs. Fissell a box of quinces -

Sun 11 Dec 1927

[above] Cold north wind -

Mrs B. took Kathryn Autrey to 3.30 p.m. City train -

Gardner and family left for Placerville about 4.25 p.m.

Mon 12 Dec 1927

[above] Cloudy - Cold South wind -

Noble Mace came after cattle bought of Gardner - Got away at 4.30

W. O. Russell came and bought a bull of Mace -

Kenneth Watson of Rollins & Col called and I engaged two thousand bonds of Union Rock Co of Los Angeles @ 98c deliverable Jan third.

Went to Davis for supplies and mail -

It is very cold -

South wind and looks like rain

Tues 13 Dec 1927

[above] Cold South wind - Rain

Very cold South wind in a.m.

Began raining about 1 p.m. and continued rest of day -

Boys finished West side of barn roof - only last fractional course on East side and comb to be put on -

Gathered most of held over oranges and grape fruit

In afternoon drove to Wilbur Eibes north west of old Silveyville to see bull of Noble Mace - thence to Davis and home -

Wed 14 Dec 1927

[above] Strong north wind -

North wind followed the rain of yesterday

Monsha went away last night without giving any notice

Mrs. B and I drove into Sacramento - took 1/2 dozen hens - sold to Jap of \$6.35

Attended luncheon at Land Hold where Dixwell spoke on taxation before "The Sons of the Revolution".

Got 100# bluestone 9.00 sk sugar \$6.10 bacon etc.

C. A. Reed of Washing D. C and M. N. Wood of Sacramento called during my absence.

Thurs 15 Dec 1927

Standard Oil Co. left 140 gals gasoline @ 19c.

Electric linemen repaired pole having transformer

Alva Sikes called to discuss seeding - decided to finish 200 acre field

A bunch of some 200 sheep came into house yard -

Began getting spray rig ready -

In p.m. made an attempt to [sentence unfinished]

Later drove to John Rowe's place to get data on the bull that Noble Mace wants to sell me -

Fri 16 Dec 1927

[above] Cold]

Light north wind -

Fixed spraying apparatus (sic)

Went over fields looking after sheep - lambs are coming pretty freely.

In afternoon Bholla and I worked on North-East corner of barn -

Mrs. B went to Davis -

Sat 17 Dec 1927

[above] Cold north wind -

Separated a few lambs -

Pulled posts in old canal north of west orchard preparatory to plowing -

In afternoon fixed fence arranged water drinking places for sheep etc. and went to Davis for supplies etc.

Took 10 sheets corrugated iron 9' back to Davis Lumber Co. Got book case for my 3 Ency. Brittanica, groceries and a reclining folding chair for Rattan Singh, Bholla's brother, who is just of the University of California for Xmas vacation -

Sun 18 Dec 1927

[above] Cold -

Clear and cold with light northerly wind

Mrs B. went to Davis

- took most of our Xmas cards -

Sorted out a few lambs -

Mon 19 Dec 1927

[above] Heavy fog - frost - cold

There was a heavy fog this morning and a heavy white frost -

Bholla and I hung three sheep panels at the southeast corner of the alfalfa field - We separated all the lambs we could -

We now have over 60 head.

Mrs. B. went to Sacramento shopping in the afternoon -

Tues 20 Dec 1927

[above] Monsha here Sprayed

Monsha is back and at work today - began on barn, but I took him off and put him on spraying job - got out one tank before noon - and one in afternoon -

Went to Woodland in p.m.

Lawson had collected from all buyers of lots in Pierce's Addition and I paid the taxes \$40'.85
[meaning of this cost notation not clear.]

Got numerous Xmas presents 300# stock salt and other supplies - Returned via Davis for mail -

Paid Monshas Rogers Store bill \$49.12

Wed 21 Dec 1927

[above] Sprayed

Worked with Monsha at spraying until noon -

- on west side of barn a while and remade rack for hay feeding at sheep barn -

Mr. Wright of Nursery House called to get job on barn but it is too late

Thurs 22 Dec 1927
[above] Very cold -

Worked on barn a little

- finished hay cart.

Went to Davis - towed Dodge Bros car to start it and had rent battery put in while old one is being charged -

Got numerous Christmas presents for children from William's -

Fri 23 Dec 1927
[above] Took Bucks out -

Separated bucks from band of sheep - also small yearlings & old, poor sheep.

Have around 120 lambs -

Mrs. B went to Davis

- got crate celery for Monsha -

Sat 24 Dec 1927
[above] Monsha left this a.m. - without notice - Rain

Rained all day - R. W Weise was buried today -

Worked with lambs in a.m.

- then went to Davis - got turkey, meat Groceries etc. and clock -

also meat for Bholla - Had hair cut & shave -

Not feeling very well - got in sheep at night -

Dix came out from Sacramento bringing Xmas tree which set up and decorated and then returned - Gardner and family came about 7.30 p.m. - They had run into a tow car at East end of causeway nearly sending Geo. Edward thru windshield, breaking bumper off and ruining one fender.

Sun 25 Dec 1927

[above] Rain in a.m.

Rained all night and much of forenoon - Helped about lamb separation - Had 14 lambs this a.m. - lost none -

Dix came out about 11.30

Had Xmas tree about 12 M.

Bholla present - Children had fine time - After this Mrs. Boggs had fine turkey dinner -

Dix and Katherine brought baby Susan Louise born October 21st. They left here about 8 p.m. for home.

Mon 26 Dec 1927

[above] Bright and fine

Sun shines today -

Monsha came back and I read riot act to him - Had 21 lambs last night - lost one of yesterdays crop -

After looking over his car Gardner decided he would not drive it in its present condition so I took him & family to the 12.47 p.m. train for Berkeley -

Worked on barn doors -

Tues 27 Dec 1927

[above] Rain

Rain fell during the night -

Worked on barn

Woolworth A. A. A. agent came to see Gardners' crippled automobile -

he phoned Gardner or rather tried to

Wed 28 Dec 1927

[above] Rain 21 lambs -

Threatened rain all morning and began raining about 1.30 p.m & continued -

Worked with sheep shutting band in orchard - Worked on barn - Got north door in place -

In afternoon took 9 pieces, 9 feet long of corrugated iron & a package of nails back to Davis Lumber Co - Fed hogs, stopped knoll windmill - bought in step ladder -

Cal Covell phoned about Myers bull - not for sale -

Woolworth AAA agent got Gardner's automobile for repairs -

Thurs 29 Dec 1927

[above] Rain 20 lambs -

Nice day though cool

Rained some during the night

Made manger on north side of barn

Put some sheep in horse barn tonight

Mrs. B went to Davis for mail -

Fri 30 Dec 1927

Left on 8.29 a.m. train for San Francisco Turk 708 - Bot plants, shirt tie confectionery and incidentals -

Attended Orpheum - good -

Sat 31 Dec 1927

[above] Rain

Rained last night, some little in afternoon and again in evening -

Did some shopping in a.m. and left for Berkeley on 12.20 Key Route boat - Had seats on West side of Stadium at game between U. C & Pennsylvania - football. Score of game U. C 27 to Penn 13 -

It sprinkled at times during the game - During the evening it rained hard at times -

There were large crowds on the streets, but I did not go out as I was suffering badly from pains in my back -

Notes for 1928

Monshas' Book acct - to

May 13th 1927 1031.21

July 13th 1927 1239.85

During the year improvements

Bored well at knoll 107' deep & erected mill & tank there

Put corrugated iron roofing on Nursery house -

Straightened up frame of old horse barn and put corrugated iron roof on the building -

Bought 15 Shrop Bucks of Currey -

Put new Linoleum on kitchen floor. Did considerable rewiring to Chrysler auto - Considerable fence repairing and canal improvement -

Memoranda [First Page]

Mrs. F. J. Mahoney 347 Saxon Ave

Mrs Katherine Autrey 189 1/2 Green St [crossed out] 466 Geary -
R 303 [crossed out] 434 Leavenworth apt 309 [crossed out]
234 West 80 St Los Angeles
68 Post Davenport 5552 -

Wm Boggs 249 W 109th N. Y - [crossed out]

Eva Gilmore Ramsay, Wailuku, Maui. T H.

Muriel & Marjorie Pierce are at Mrs. Jas. W. Mackinnon's nee (Selma) Isaackson) 913 Modoc St Berkeley. Ph - Thornwall 991. [This whole entry crossed out]

Harriet is at the Anderson Sanatorium 535 24th Ave East Oakland
Ph - Fruitvale 488

E. J. Brigden, 1824 Rose St Berkeley - Ph - Thornwall 3606

Dix - 1108 - 47th St Sacto.
Phone = Capitol 2700 & res. Capitol 4138

Memoranda [Second Page]

L. P. Porter 561 N. Pine [?] Ave. Chicago

Truman undertaker Oakland 30th & Telegraph

Porter - W. L. Brush Creek Plaza, 201 Brush Creek Boulevard, Kansas Cit Mo. [crossed out] 4455
Main St

Pacific Coast Khalsa Diwan Society 1930-32 S. Grant St. Stockton Calif -
add. to Monsha Singh May 8th /27 -

Miss Hewitt, Camp Eau Claire Fallen Leaf
["Pittsburg" inserted between lines]

L. L. Leonard R. 2 Box 11 Woodland

Mrs. John L. Ramsay Ridgefield
Clark Co. Washington

Geo. Gardner Price, 65 Bedford Ave.
Ph P[[]]cerville 269. - Placerville

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Almond estimate	1927
Nonpareil	10,000
I. X. L.	200
Ne Plus	1000
Peerless	1000
	12200
Meats 500 [1500?]	1500
	13700
Rainfall 1925-26	17.72"
" 1926-27	12.28"

