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 Home Protection .....  
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# CALENDAR 1951

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Ash Wednesday, February 7th.

Easter Day, March 25. Whit Sunday, May 13.

# CALENDAR 1952

(LEAP YEAR)

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Ash Wednesday, February 27.

Easter Day April 13. Whit Sunday, June 1.



## STAMP DUTIES AND TAXES.

(Correct at time of going to press) s. d.

AGREEMENT, or Memo. of Agreement, under hand only, not otherwise charged .. ..	0	6
BILLS OF EXCHANGE (Inland or Foreign), payable on demand, any amount .. ..	0	2
BILLS OF EXCHANGE (Inland) of any other kind, and also PROMISSORY NOTES— Not exceeding £10 .. ..	0	2
Ex. £10 & not ex. £25, 3d. Ex. £50 & not ex. £75, 9d.		
„ 25 „ 50, 6d. „ 75 „ 100, 1s.		
Every £100 and also for any fractional part of £100 of such amount .. ..	1	0

## INCOME TAX.

The standard rate for 1950/51 is 9/- in the pound  
INCOME is not taxed unless it exceeds £135.

ALLOWANCES—Year to 5th April, 1951.

1. Earned Income Relief—1/5th of total Earned Income, with a maximum of £400.
2. Personal Allowance—£110 for single person.  
£180 for man and wife.
3. Children—£60 for each child under sixteen.
4. Allowances are also given for dependent relatives, housekeeper, and life assurance premiums.

## TAXABLE INCOME—

Income after deducting allowances is taxed as follows :

- The first £50 at 2/6 in the pound.
- The next £200 at 5/- in the pound.
- The remainder at 9/- in the pound.

NOTE.—This now applies separately to man and wife if the wife has earned income.

## Income Tax—continued.

SURTAX—Chargeable for 1949/50 on incomes in excess of £2,000.

£2,000 - £2,500	— 2/- in the pound.
2,500 - 3,000	— 2/6 in the pound.
3,000 - 4,000	— 3/6 in the pound.
4,000 - 5,000	— 4/6 in the pound.

Increasing by stages up to 10/6 in the pound for incomes over £20,000.

There is also a tax on income from investments during 1949, 50 where the total income is £2,000 or over and when, in addition, the dividends drawn are £250 or over.

## POSTAL RATES. INLAND.

(Correct at time of going to press)

LETTERS—Not exceeding 2 oz., 2½d.; 4 oz., 3d.  
every additional 2 oz., or fraction thereof, ½d.

POSTCARDS—For every postcard, 2d.; for every reply postcard, 4d.

PRINTED PAPERS—Not exceeding 2 oz., 1d.; 4 oz., 1½d.; for every additional 2 oz., or fraction thereof, ½d. No printed paper may exceed 2 lb. in weight, 2 ft. in length, 1½ ft. in width, or 1½ ft. in depth, and must be posted without a cover or in an unfastened cover or cover which is easily removable.

SAMPLES—Not exceeding 4 oz., 1½d.; 6 oz., 2d.; 8 oz. (max.), 2½d.

NEWSPAPERS (Registered at the G.P.O.)—1½d. each copy not exceeding 4 oz.; every additional 4 oz. or fraction of 4 oz., ½d. No newspaper or packet of newspapers must weigh more than 2 lb. or exceed 2 ft. in length, or 1½ ft. in width or depth.

PARCELS—Not exceeding 3 lb., 9d.; 4 lb., 11d.; 5 lb., 1/-; 6 lb., 1/1; 7 lb., 1/2; 8 lb., 1/3; 8 lb. to 15 lb., 1/4. Dimensions—maximum length, 3 ft. 6 in.; maximum length and girth combined, 6 ft.

CASH ON DELIVERY—By this service the Post Office collects the value of an article from the addressee and transmits it to the sender.

There are three distinct branches.



## Postal Rates—continued.

I. PARCEL POST—The Fees, which are additional to the ordinary parcel postage, are, for a trade charge of 10s., 4d.; £1, 6d.; £2, 8d.; £5, 10d.; £10, 1s.; and 2d. for each additional £5 or fraction up to a maximum of £40.

II. LETTER POST—The maximum is £40 and the fees are the same as above, plus postage and a compulsory registration fee.

III. CONSIGNMENTS BY RAIL—This applies to traffic conveyed between all stations within England, Wales and Scotland. It does not apply to any part of Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Orkney and Shetland Islands, or to places in the Western Islands and High-lands of Scotland served by privately-owned steamers. Consignments, not exceeding 2 cwt., of highly perishable traffic, such as dry fish, meat, soft fruit, etc., are admissible, with certain reservations, but dangerous goods are not accepted.

Maximum value covered £40.

LETTER CARDS—Bearing 2½d. stamp, 3d. each.

MONEY ORDERS—Sums not exceeding £3, 4d.; £10, 6d.; £20, 8d.; £30, 10d.; £40, 1s.; £50, 1s. 2d.

POSTAL ORDERS COMMISSION—For sums of 6d. and 1s., 1d.; 1s. 6d. to 5s., 1½d.; 6s. to 21s., 2d.

REGISTRATION FEE—For a letter, parcel or other postal packet, 4d. (minimum).

EXPRESS DELIVERY—Of letters and parcels by special messenger all the way, inclusive fee, 6d. per mile or part of a mile, with 1d. on each separate packet after the first.

TELEGRAMS—1/- for first 9 words and a penny for each additional word. For priority service, an extra fee of 6d. is charged. Addresses are charged for. Free delivery within 3 miles of the office nearest the address, 6d. per mile beyond.

TELEGRAMS AND TELEPHONES—Telegrams may be telephoned to a Telegraph Office by subscribers

## Postal Rates—continued.

or from Public Call Offices for onward transmission as telegrams, call fee charged in addition to ordinary telegram rates. Telegrams may also be delivered to telephone subscribers by telephone and may be addressed to subscribers' telephone addresses.

TELEPHONE LETTERS—Subscribers may use telephone for sending express and ordinary letters. Rate, 30 words 3d. and 1d. every 10 words over 30, plus postage for ordinary letters and express fee for express letters. Call fee additional in each case.

NIGHT TELEGRAPH LETTERS may be sent to any address in the United Kingdom for delivery by post early the next morning. No delivery on Sundays. Rate 1s. 3d. for 36 words or less, and 1d. for every 3 words beyond 36; 6d. extra on Sundays. (Service suspended.)

## IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN.

LETTERS—By surface route to British Possessions generally, United States of America, and the British Postal Agencies in Morocco, 2½d. for the first oz. and 1d. for each additional oz. To H.M. Forces and Ships abroad, 2½d. for the first oz. and 1d. for each additional oz. To other places, including Iraq, 3d. for the first oz. and 2d. for each additional oz.

AIR MAIL—Services are available to many countries. Apply at post office for details of services and rates.

POSTCARDS—Imperial and Foreign: single, 2d.; reply paid, 4d. H.M. Forces abroad and Warships outside Home Waters, single 2d.

PRINTED PAPERS AND SAMPLES—2 oz. or less 1d.; for every additional 2 oz. or part thereof, ½d.

COMMERCIAL PACKETS—10 oz. or less, 3d.; for every additional 2 oz. or part thereof, ½d.

MONEY ORDERS—Not exceeding £1, 6d.; £2, 1s.; £3, 1s. 6d.; £4, 1s. 9d., and 3d. extra for each £1 or fraction up to a maximum amount of £40.



## USEFUL EQUIVALENTS

### British Standard and Metric Measures.

1 Metre .. .. .	=	39·37 Inches
1 Kilometre .. .. .	=	5 Furlongs
or 8 Kilometres .. .. .	=	5 Miles
1 Kilogram .. .. .	=	2·204 lbs.
1,016 Kilos .. .. .	=	1 Ton
1 Litre .. .. .	=	1½ Pints
1 Hectare .. .. .	=	2·47 Acres

### RAILWAY INFORMATION.

(Correct at time of going to press)

#### 1. PARCELS SCALE OF CHARGES (OWNERS' RISK).

Weight (lbs.)	By Rail (Owners' Risk)		Post Office
	1 to 30 Miles	Over 30 Miles (any distance)	Any distance
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1 to 3	9	9	9
4	11	11	11
5 and 6	11	1 0	1/- & 1/1
7	11	1 2	1 2
8	11	1 5	1 3
9	1 0	1 5	1 4
10 to 13	1 0	1 7	1 4
14	1 2	1 7	1 4
15	1 2	1 8	1 4

Parcels over 15 lbs. are not accepted by the Post Office.

#### 2. RAILWAY FARES (Third Class).—

Ordinary Fares : 1½d. per mile, plus 5%, plus 55%.

(This works out at approx. 2½d. per mile.)

Monthly Return Fares : 1d. per mile (approx.), plus 5%, plus 55%. (This works out at approx. 2d. per mile).

Cheap Day Fares : ¾d. per mile (approx.), plus 5%, plus 55%. (This works out at approx. 1½d. per mile).

## FIXED AND MOVABLE FEASTS, ANNIVERSARIES, BANK HOLIDAYS, &c., 1951

Bank Holiday—Scotland .. .. .	Jan.	1
Epiphany .. .. .	"	6
Septuagesima Sunday .. .. .	"	21
Quinquagesima Sunday .. .. .	Feb.	4
Ash Wednesday .. .. .	"	7
Quadragesima—First Sunday in Lent .. .. .	"	11
St. Patrick's Day .. .. .	Mar.	17
Palm Sunday .. .. .	"	18
Good Friday .. .. .	"	23
Easter Sunday .. .. .	"	25
Annunciation—Lady Day .. .. .	"	25
Easter Monday .. .. .	"	26
Low Sunday .. .. .	April	1
Rogation Sunday .. .. .	"	9
Ascension Day—Holy Thursday .. .. .	May	3
Pentecost—Whit Sunday .. .. .	"	13
Whit Monday .. .. .	"	14
Trinity Sunday .. .. .	"	20
Birthday of Queen Mary .. .. .	"	26
St. John Baptist—Midsummer Day .. .. .	June	24
Birthday of Queen Elizabeth .. .. .	Aug.	4
Bank Holiday .. .. .	"	6
St. Michael—Michaelmas Day .. .. .	Sept.	29
First Sunday in Advent .. .. .	Dec.	2
Accession of King George VI .. .. .	"	11
Birthday of King George VI .. .. .	"	14
St. Thomas .. .. .	"	21
Christmas Day (Tuesday) .. .. .	"	25
Boxing Day .. .. .	"	26

THE RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITISH AND METRIC SYSTEMS OF MEASURE.

LINEAR MEASURE.

1 inch.....	<i>equals</i>	2.54 centimetres	.....	1 centimetre.....	<i>equals</i>	0.3937 inch
1 foot.....	"	30.48	"	"	"	"
1 yard.....	"	91.44	"	1 metre.....	"	3.2808 feet
1 mile.....	"	1609.34 metres.	"	1 kilometre.....	"	0.6213 mile

LAND OR SQUARE MEASURE.

1 sq. inch.....	<i>equals</i>	6.451 sq. centimetres	.....	1 sq. centimetre.....	<i>equals</i>	0.155 sq. inch
1 foot.....	"	929.030	"	1 " decimetre	"	15.500 " inches
1 yard.....	"	0.836	"	1 " metre.....	"	1.196 " yard
1 acre.....	"	0.404 hectare	.....	1 hectare.....	"	2.471 acres
1 sq. mile.....	"	259.000 hectares.	"	1 sq. kilometre.....	"	247.106 "

CAPACITY MEASURE—Solid.

1 cubic inch.....	<i>equals</i>	16.38702 cubic centimetres	.....	1 cubic centimetre.....	<i>equals</i>	0.06102 cubic in.
1 foot.....	"	28.31677	"	1 " decimetre	"	0.03531 " ft.
1 " yard.....	"	0.76455	"	1 " metre.....	"	1.30795 " yd.

CAPACITY MEASURE—Liquid.

1 pint.....	<i>equals</i>	0.5682 litre	.....	1 litre.....	<i>equals</i>	1.759 pint
1 quart.....	"	1.1365	"	10 litres (1 decalitre)	"	2.200 gallons
1 gallon.....	"	4.5459 litres	.....	100 " (1 hectolitre)	"	21.997 "
				1000 " (1 kilolitre)	"	219.975 "

WEIGHT MEASURE.

1 grain.....	<i>equals</i>	0.0648 gramme	.....	1 milligramme.....	<i>equals</i>	0.01543 grain
1 ounce, troy	"	31.1035 grammes	.....	1 centigramme.....	"	0.15432 "
1 pound, avoird.	"	453.5924	"	1 gramme.....	"	15.43236 grains
1 ton.....	"	1016.0471 kilogrammes	.....	1 kilogramme.....	"	2.20462 pounds

MOTORING LAW NOTES

**Driving Licences (Minimum Ages).**—Motor-cycle or 3-wheeler, 16 years; Private car, 17 years; Motor vehicles weighing 2½ tons unladen or over, 21 years. The licence must be produced on request of a police officer. Penalty for failure is a fine up to £5. If unable immediately to produce licence, there is no offence if within 5 days the licence is produced in person at any police station the driver may specify.

**Driving Licences (Fitness Test).**—Every applicant for the grant or renewal of a driving licence must make a declaration as to whether or not he is suffering from any disease or physical disability specified in the form or from any disease or disability which would be likely to render it dangerous to drive.

**Dangerous Driving.**—It is an offence to drive recklessly or at a speed or in a manner dangerous to the public, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, including the nature, condition and use of the road and the amount of traffic which is actually, or which might reasonably be expected to be, on the road.

**Careless Driving.**—If any person drives a motor vehicle on a road without due care and attention or without reasonable consideration for other persons using the road, he shall be guilty of an offence. A constable, whether in uniform or not, may arrest without warrant unless name and address are given or licence produced.

**Speed Limit.**—No maximum speed limit is fixed for private motor-cars, 3-wheelers or motor-cycles, except the 30 m.p.h. in built-up areas. For private motor vehicles with trailers the speed limit is 20 m.p.h.; for 2-wheeled trailers (pneumatic tyres) 30 m.p.h.

**Stopping.**—A driver of a motor vehicle must stop when required to do so by a constable, but the constable must be in uniform.

**Accidents.**—If an accident occurs, the driver of a motor vehicle must give, if required, his name and address, the number of the car, and the name and

## Motoring Law Notes—*continued.*

address of the owner to "any person having reasonable grounds for so requiring." Failing this, the driver must report the accident within 24 hours to a police station or to a police constable.

**Third Party Insurance.**—The owner of a motor vehicle must be insured, when driving, against personal injury to third parties. He must also see that any person who drives his car or motor-cycle with permission is insured against such risk. The driver must carry the certificate of insurance with him and produce it on demand.

**Joy Riding.**—It is an offence to take or drive away any motor vehicle without the consent of the owner.

**Pillion Riding.**—Only one person may be carried on a solo motor-cycle in addition to the driver and that person must sit astride on a proper seat fixed behind the driver's seat. The penalty is a fine up to £5.

**Driving or Parking off the Road.**—Unless permission is given, motor vehicles may not be driven off the road on to any private property such as commons, moorland, bridlepaths, footways, etc. Parking is permitted within fifteen yards of the highway, however, provided no trespass is committed and no by-law is infringed.

## ECLIPSES

In the year 1951 there will be two eclipses, both of the Sun.

1. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun on March 7th, *Invisible* in Great Britain.
2. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun on September 1st, *Visible* as a partial eclipse in Great Britain.

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## MEMORANDA



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Third Party Insurance... on any of a motor vehicle must be insured when driving against personal injury to third parties. The motorist may also have third party fire and theft insurance for his motor-cycle with permission to borrow another's license. The driver must carry the certificate of insurance with him and produce it on demand.

**Drinking.**—It is an offence to take or drive away any motor vehicle without the consent of the owner.

**Motor Cycles.**—They are treated as if they were a motor vehicle in addition to the driver and that person must sit outside or a proper seat fixed behind the driver's seat. The penalty is a fine up to £1.

**Driving or Parking off the Road.**—When permission is given, motor vehicles may not be driven off the road on to any private property such as gardens, roadsides, kerbside, footways, etc. Parking is permitted within official roads of the highway, however, provided no trespass or obstruction and no by-law is infringed.

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In the year 1951 there will be two eclipses, both of the Sun.

1. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun on March 7th, 1951, in Great Britain.
2. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun on September 1st, 1951, as a partial eclipse in Great Britain.

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1 MONDAY [1-364] ( )  
Bank Holiday [Scotland]

## NOTES.

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The times of Sunrise [s.r.] and Sunset [s.s.] apply to London [Greenwich] and are given for one day in each week. Greenwich Mean Time is used throughout and allowance must be made for Summer Time as and when in force. In 1951, the normal period is from April 22 to October 6 inclusive.

## SEASONS [Astronomical] 1951.

Spring Equinox .. March 21 10 a.m.  
Summer Solstice .. June 22 5 a.m.  
Autumn Equinox .. Sept. 23 9 p.m.  
Winter Solstice .. Dec. 22 4 p.m.

## MOON'S PHASES.

## Explanation of Symbols.

● New Moon.      ○ Full Moon.  
☾ First Quarter.      ☽ Last Quarter.

Howdy, 1951! Glad to meetaba! Mild and sunny but not quite thawing. Didn't get up till after tea. Worked on Neala's & Dennis's bicycles till time to get ready for our New Year's party at Paris. The Bells & Baileys teamed up on a magnificent turkey dinner and afterwards of games. Mild and cloudy at night. Came home by Canning in HX. And so to bed.

s.r. 8.6. s.s. 4.1

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JANUARY

2 TUESDAY [2-363]

Rained off and on all day and was dark. Our lovely Christmas snow is about gone.

No school yet. Poor Kane and the turmoil around the house when it is too bad weather to go outside. Poor Mummy, my heart goes out to her. I have Cub's lovely new calendar in front of my desk. — Jasper Kake. Alta.

JANUARY

1st Month

1951

3 WEDNESDAY [3-362]

Rain all day. 45° tonight. Snow all gone. Mud part out. Apparently Dennis was an angel yesterday and kept on his spool all day. School this morning in the dark and wet. The same struggle to get away in time. HX has 7V294 dark blue on white plates. Anniversary of 1/12 — with 7/700

[ 4 THURSDAY [4-361]

Dear old Jack is the  
 host par excellence.  
 Nothing would do but we  
 go over last night and  
 drink his cocktails, and  
 tonight also it gives  
 more of them as we  
 are invited over to  
 the Miles, Reynolds party  
 at Jack's. Colder  
 today and dull with  
 snowflurries but hardly  
 enough to cover the ground.

[ 5 FRIDAY [5-360]

We stayed up till  
 all hours at the  
 cocktail-smoked turkey  
 party last night. I  
 so felt tired today  
 with more cold and  
 raspy throat. Who will  
 get me Ken Cumming  
 or Lorne Wilson?  
 Dull, just freezing.  
 Came down by Cambridge to  
 see the still smoking  
 ruins of the store there.



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JANUARY

6 SATURDAY [6-359]

Epiphany

No, the frost did not  
melt quite so high  
on the windows nor  
did I skate at the  
rink. The children  
were over but I  
thought I'd stay in  
and take care of  
my cold now on  
the third week.

s.r. 8.5, s.s. 4.6

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7 SUNDAY [7-358] ●

1st after Epiphany

8° above. The frost was  
really high on the  
windows this morning.  
The church was very  
comfortable however.  
Lovely beef dinner,  
the Taylors taking  
quite a lot of sales  
talk and persuasion.  
Turner came without  
any.



8 MONDAY [8-357]

10° above. a fine winter morning with snow in the air and the sun pale and nebulous behind. Drafts blowing in but no money. Hundreds of dollars going out but none coming in. It might as well be 1923. What a change 28 years make! But nothing basic. I am the same misanthrope - but oh, how I love my wife!

9 TUESDAY [9-358]

The very thin "horned moon" led Mars to the sky verge". Here at the junction as I was gassing up at Cubs did I see the tiny red spark just above the copper colored thread of a moon which was just poised on the horizon. Now history repeats itself. 1923 will come alive again this winter.

-10 WEDNESDAY [10-355]

Mild again. Dogonit  
 Our house little  
 touches of winter soon  
 go sour. Couldn't  
 see the planets  
 this evening for the  
 thin cloud and haze.  
 Forgot to mention  
 that Nuala got first  
 in Blenheim at the  
 oratorical. It was a  
 very thrilling speech  
 on music that her  
 mother composed.  
 O.K. how clever you are  
 and what a worker!

11 THURSDAY [11-354]

Dull and mild.  
 It was another winter  
 fairytale at first with  
 an web of soft snow  
 clinging to every tree,  
 wire and fence etc.  
 "Every branch big with it,  
 bent every twig with it,  
 every fork like a white  
 web foot. All this  
 was gone by noon  
 and replaced by a dull  
 drabness and sloppiness  
 waiting for "mummy  
 white car".

12 FRIDAY [12-353]

My 5.00 and 5.30 appointments kept me from seeing Venus but after 6.00 I saw a very beautiful sight nevertheless. The young moon, Jupiter and Mars in straight line and equidistant over the last pale light of a clear January dusk. All night leading last night. I must work harder at my cells.

13 SATURDAY [13-352]

A clear morning - like 1923 but Venus and the moon were not together in the morning sky. To make it more like that memorable occasion I must go to the rink tonight - although my cold is still hanging on and my virus pneumonia gaining ground. J.D.'s 80th birthday - gave him cigars.



14 SUNDAY [14-351]

2nd after Epiphany

Dull with freezing  
rain in the  
afternoon and evening.  
Nuala went to  
Woodstock in the  
Gelison car notwithstanding  
or with getting on  
sliding in the ditch.  
We all had park  
tenderloin with dressing  
over at the other house  
for dinner. It was  
superb! Wish I  
had some now.

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15 MONDAY [15-350]

It had snowed  
about 3 inches in  
the night so the going  
was good this  
morning. Car running  
fine after Alex greased  
it on Saturday. Nuala  
came 5<sup>th</sup> (only girl)  
in the oratorical at  
Woodstock on Saturday.  
Dennis finished his  
snowmobile yesterday.  
It is a unique piece of  
construction. It took  
half the afternoon to  
clean up the cellar after  
him.

16 TUESDAY [16-349]

Dennis walked  
downstairs in his  
sleeps last night.  
I refused to believe  
he was asleep, but  
Kathy, the perspicacious  
the tall knowing, the  
possessor of the sixth  
sense knew it and  
got him back safely  
to bed. 6" of snow  
to shovel off our  
front walk this morning.  
K. took off in white  
car with Jenner to  
call for Persie and Louie  
etc. Thawing at noon and  
freezing again at night.

17 WEDNESDAY [17-348]

Mild again. Most  
of the snow gone.  
Poor January, you are  
a fizzle. Had to  
get beer at 5.30  
so drove Caley & Bailey  
up the hill, killing  
several birds with  
one case. Early  
home tonight as it  
gives a jaunt to  
Wdsk to hear the  
angel choir.

18 THURSDAY [18-347]

No, wrong again, it was not the angel choir, but our pianist Sasha Gorodnitsky. What a revelation in piano playing - all the old standard threadbare classics - but transformed by the heavenly alchemy of the player to something eye-banishing. His marvelous, staccato, legato and scales that seemed like strings of pearls; his uncanny accuracy, and middle

- aged too, with the fire of youth.

19 FRIDAY [19-348]

A spring day - quite different from 8 years ago. Up to 48°. Snow gone. Had a long, hard practice last night on an empty stomach as Paul forgot my lunch, and only Sellan Cook to help me ump-ump. Some nice jazzy bits by Leroy Anderson. Quite foggy driving.



20 SATURDAY [20-345]

50° above and  
rain at intervals.  
Pew just phoned  
asking for my  
"skeleton". Yes I'll  
bring it home - that's  
all I have left - just  
a skeleton. Next thing  
is to find the key to  
it. Pew! Phoo! This  
office stinks. Somebody  
with terrific B.O. I  
has left (his or her?)  
personality which fills  
the room. Whew!

s.r. 7.56. s.s. 4.27

21 SUNDAY [21-344]

Septuagesima

10° above and a howling  
wind, just 40 degrees  
cooler than yesterday.  
As Alec says it's these  
sudden changes that  
get you. A fine Chicken  
dinner, Lu & Jack  
& Joana arriving a  
little late but as we  
waited and all were  
hungry, a wonderful  
meal was enjoyed  
by all. Dennis built  
a towering big hoist  
with tub meccano.

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22 MONDAY [22-343]

No, ~~there~~ horned moon  
did not set last evening  
and ~~not~~ tonight as  
per 28 winters ago.

Clouds cloak the  
sky both nights,  
to the complete  
exclusion of astronomical  
observation. Windy  
and cold. The phone  
jangling all day  
has got me into  
a ~~state~~ of work.  
Oh music! give me  
enough time for thee!

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23 TUESDAY [23-342] ☉

What an extraordinary  
day! So this is full  
noon. The moon was  
quite young on this night  
in '23 and I was quite  
young too. It was set long  
before I saw Arcturus  
rise. Dull all day  
with a raw wind  
ending in snow this  
evening.

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24 WEDNESDAY [24-341]

Hopelessly adrift. Two  
big tears rolled down  
Muala's cheeks  
when we read about  
Matthew's death. I  
doubt if a finer  
Canadian novel was  
ever written. It ranks  
with the overseas  
classics. Fair  
today with a  
cold, biting wind.  
Dear Anne! How we  
love her!

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25 THURSDAY [25-340]

Going out to night,  
eh? Yes, so you wear  
your striped blue  
suit and a clean shirt  
and new tie. You also  
put polish on your shoes.  
But no long tails and  
patent leather tonight.  
No dancing and falling  
in love, and incidentally  
getting "flu". Just a  
sweating at the 'cells  
in an practicing program  
under Harold Percival's.  
No dogman stuff! Brought  
down mummy car for grease!



[26 FRIDAY [26-339]]

Colder and bright,  
a fine winter day.  
H & I drank gas and  
out at Cub's on  
the way in this  
morning. Have to  
take Liz + home  
tonight. So will  
get some Claiborne  
Heart tholos.

This is a very handy  
and interesting diary.  
— hope English  
diaries are here to stay.  
Not much mention in  
my earlier diaries of the  
skating party and the dance  
in 1923 +

27 SATURDAY [27-338]

Well, well, such a  
day! out goes the Chin.  
Joe Louiss couldn't  
push it in, they do  
the same thing over and  
over etc. etc. Oh, to  
be home and in the  
bosom of my family.  
Well, hurry, old man,  
get a move on and get  
there before 10-00 P.M.  
Cold, dull and snowy

28 SUNDAY [28-337]

Sexagesima

A splendid sermon  
from Herr Egan  
Von Keitz on the  
future of America.  
Had no trouble  
keeping awake - best  
sermon I ever heard.  
Convinced the Taylors  
to come over and help  
us eat our roast of  
veal - it was delicious.  
Jack took <sup>us</sup> over to  
Roy's at night after  
running down to  
27 Catherine with  
Liz or "sis"

29 MONDAY [29-336]

a cold weekend.  
Cold still today  
with a little sun but  
the air mostly obscure  
with driving snow  
crystal. The half  
noon in the south  
west was pale and  
indistinct. Bench  
cluttered up with  
plates. We went in  
to see Esther <sup>Vermont</sup> last  
night. She was  
buried this afternoon.

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30 TUESDAY [30-335] (

Clearer than yesterday  
and colder -  $4^{\circ}$  below  
at 7.45 <sup>P.M.</sup> and it is  
approaching zero  
now at 8.38 P.M.

Frost "mounts high"  
on my office windows.  
H.X. groans and coughs.

Got gently reproved  
for being so late  
last night. It  
doesn't swap as if  
I'm going to be much  
earlier tonight.

I'm just a failure.  
Bright blue sky with a  
few typical "smoky" clouds.

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31 WEDNESDAY [31-334]

Cold but dull and raw.  
The east wind is bringing  
snow.  $15^{\circ}$  above highest  
at noon. Dennis loved  
his presents - school  
bag, comic films, candy  
nuts etc. 10 years old.  
Mostly grown up. The  
"wee stone" didn't need  
much tending as we  
enjoy the next thing to  
Automatic heat. & but  
bless you, it's dear it's  
dear.



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1. THURSDAY [32-333]

Soft fall the  
February snows - yes  
all last night and  
today and now we  
have more than a  
foot of the stuff.  
It might look pretty  
but it sure makes  
difficult driving.  
We have cancelled  
practice tonight. I  
must struggle home  
before it gets too late.  
Too late last night.  
Budge party over at  
Ev's for the Reynolds.

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2. FRIDAY [33-332]

"ah, last night!" yes I  
would forget it if I  
did not jot down a  
word in my faithful  
diary. Had a good trip  
home on snowy, icy roads,  
in a zero atmosphere.  
Got to bed by 10.30  
- believe it or not.  
It will be late tonight.  
I await mommy in  
"white car" 10 above  
at noon. Just a few  
smoky white clouds.

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3 SATURDAY [34-331]

Yes, I guess you would  
 call tonight romantic  
 enough and last night  
 as well. The Bells and  
 Summer Ice bolted it  
 at Toronto in below  
 zero weather with  
 slippery roads and  
 frosted windows.

Gorgeous colours and  
 feminine architecture.  
 Jupiter & Venus charmed  
 our dusk both clear  
 evenings. H12 door handle  
 froze. HX battery died.

num & kids just dropped in.  
 num drove white car home

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4 SUNDAY [35-330]

Quinquagesima

Not so cold. Bright  
 and cheery - a lovely  
 winter's day. Had fun  
 singing Tenor and  
 listening to Egon spout  
 prophetically and eloquently.  
 Kary & I drove to Galt  
 taking Gracie for 4.  
 o'clock rehearsal at  
 Wesley Church. Had a  
 lot of fun playing  
 orchestral numbers and  
 accompanying the mixed  
 Chorus - a fine dinner  
 thrown in.

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HX got new battery

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5 MONDAY [36-329]

Still milder. Thawing  
in the sun. Paid  
for my new battery  
— 25¢ plumbs. wrote  
to Alfred — believe  
it or not — in answer  
to his last week's  
epistle. Still the  
fighting goes on in  
Korea, and still  
the U. N. strives to  
stop it.

6 TUESDAY [37-328] ●

Shrove Tuesday

35° so it looks like  
goodbye to our lovely  
wintry landscapes.  
Had fun gabbing  
with Mary on the way  
home last night.  
Came down with zero  
gas but I made  
Cub's while there was  
"get time". He could  
have supplied my  
battery ten dollars  
cheaper. Oh those  
dressed up swindlers,  
those money grabbers!



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Jup & Mars  
Venus and Saturn.

7 WEDNESDAY [38-327]

Ash Wednesday

10 above now and getting colder with snow flurries all day so it is not goodbye to our wintery landscape. It is even more wintery. The elements decided against me going to Russell Winick's funeral and I wanted to exceding much. Guess I'll be lucky if I get home. I am to meet Kay at Princeton. She says the road is heavy.

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8 THURSDAY [39-326]

"on a very cold day in Feb. the post took a long walk." Must have been like today - 2 below this A.M. and 7 above at noon. and bright sun seeming to give us any warmth. Oh that marvelous stay last evening, on the way to Princeton through the scudding drift and frosted windows I saw Jup. & Mars very close together and not far below the thin moon - but no Venus or catching up to Kay at the 3rd Vesper had crept out below the lighted limb of the waning moon. A most impressive picture

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9 FRIDAY [40-325]

3° below on our back porch, and 10 above at noon, so I would say this has been another "very cold day in February." Ben has been in bed two days and was still not getting up this A.M. but he is a lot better than Archibald was 52 yrs ago today.

The divine evening sky at 6:45 shows Mars, Jupiter & Venus. A unique configuration.

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10 SATURDAY [41-324]

10° below on the 10th. The morning was perfectly clear and calm. Klusie took Walter to her theory exam and the boys to the "Y" but Ben couldn't go as he was not quite well enough. He was well enough to be dressed and down stairs and the day promised to be taxing on poor Thom. I didn't enjoy her with that pest, when he's on the mend he is like a caged lion. s.r. 7.26, s.s. 5.4  
A little milder this afternoon

and good out

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11 SUNDAY [42-323]

Quadragesima

1st in Lent

Shaving after lunch.  
 Deer spent to the rink.  
 and Mula in the  
 Arm of green Gibson  
 car to Woodstock.  
 Giles & Margaret dropped  
 in at 3.00 and all  
 listened to Bushms  
 on the Philharmonic  
 then practiced trios.  
 Dinner at Aunt E's  
 The Miles came  
 and brought the  
 blues. 28 pots of them.  
 Very foggy. Slippery and  
 rotten.

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12 MONDAY [43-322]

Still thawing. Very dark  
 all day and night.  
 bus set in with fog  
 and rain. Gloomy  
 blue Monday. Lost  
 off last week with flu.  
 Bernard in bed Sat.  
 & Sun - germs are  
 rampant. Patients  
 come in seeking of them  
 and blow millions of  
 them in my face.  
~~Rose~~ still hanging on  
 but feeling pretty  
 rocky. Arthur Clarke  
 died yesterday.



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13 TUESDAY [44-321] )

Dull and colder.

Winter reasserts himself tonight with all the running water stopped and the pools solidified. Went down to see Clarkes' last evening. Turned the car around by the "old back fence" the lights focused on the old "summer kitchen". The house looks the same but all the surroundings are changed completely.

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14 WEDNESDAY [45-320]

St. Valentine

Clear and cold.

Somewhat different than a year ago today. Received my pretty valentines through the mail. Stopped at Bill Boyd's for groceries and from there to Drumholland I eye the western sky with the brilliant planets in the reverse order but similar configuration to last Wednesday.

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15 THURSDAY [46-319]

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9° above and clear.

The Taylors and  
Bells spent a pleasant  
evening at the Reynolds  
when we came home  
Orion was on the western  
vege, the moon in the  
far north west and  
Saturn nearing the  
meridian. 6-30 P.M.

Just shoved up my  
north window and  
glimpsed the planets at the  
end of Wilbur St. ♀

Lovely, lovely!!

I await mummy in white car ♀ H

you saw ice this morning!  
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and how old H X up to his  
old tricks.

16 FRIDAY [47-318]

We awaited "mummy  
white car" last night  
till 2.00 A.M. Meanwhile  
the Reverent Dr. Vaughan  
gave us a pastoral push  
which resulted in nothing  
The dim flash light was  
not enough to penetrate  
into the entanglements of  
a V8 motor. Oh how  
cold we got as the  
moon sank lower and lower.  
The ~~admirable~~ mechanic  
gave us a riddle to Paris.  
Today the car worked  
perfectly. I see ice!  
Egon will drive it home.

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17 SATURDAY [48-317]

Egon did fine except he couldn't turn left in our drive way so I took it in at great risk to the car and the garage as everything was a sheet off wet ice. Very mild and rainy all day today with the result that most of the snow and a lot of the troublesome ice has departed a strenuous day. Now for some drug fogged tranquillium

s.r. 7.13. s.s. 5.17

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18 SUNDAY [49-316]

2nd in Lent

Came home last evening to find Mum on the Chesterfield, and ready for bed. Ben was the only night hawk ~~and~~ we were almost in bed before he arrived home from some movies in the Hall. Kame was better today and played at church. Wallie was down however and missed her first Wolsk skating lesson this season. W. & Jack over to eat lovely roast beef.



19 MONDAY [50-315]

Dull and mild.  
 all the snow gone  
 and most of the  
 ice. Very dark blue  
 Monday as so  
 many are down with  
 the 'flu'. Walke had  
 to miss school.  
 Ben trudged off alone  
 - seemingly recovered  
 from his bout with  
 the germs. Now since  
 every one else has  
 had it, my turn  
 comes next!

20 TUESDAY [51-314] 12

As dark as dull and  
 as mild as yesterday.  
 Drab scenery, mist  
 and fog. Went up  
 to Cab to get measured  
 for a new tire then  
 to the library for  
 Martin Co. How many  
 months will it take  
 to wade through this  
 tremendous tome?  
 Nuala still away from  
 school. Got Ben's  
 projector bulb - won't  
 he smack me tonight!

21 WEDNESDAY [52-313] ○

The same as yesterday  
 no sign of clearing  
 or of getting colder.  
 Rain fell most of  
 the day. The water  
 runs over the dam  
 from under the old  
 grey ice which threatens  
 to give up the ghost  
 any moment. Getting  
 a new Goadyear  
 front tire at Cub's

22 THURSDAY [53-312]

No change in the  
 weather except the  
 sun did peek out for  
 a few moments this  
 morning. We are  
 surrounded by mud  
 everywhere. Go came  
 down to get some teeth  
 filled while Ganga  
 went to the doctor and  
 Urbic wandered around  
 half shopping. Half not  
 shopping. Lots of people  
 sick with flu still. Dr  
 Brigham & Bert Martin  
 both in hospital.

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23 FRIDAY [54-311]

More sunshine but not much cooler - an almost spring day. Dear old Jack Walker was buried this afternoon, the funeral went past my window, and I was busy working. I saw him not, and I let the chance slip by forever of calling on him like I did in 1913. "Infirm of purpose, ever putting off" etc etc - refer to 1929 diary.

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24 SATURDAY [55-310]

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The old Saturday McCoy or McCoy starting with dear little Vofda Robertson who is the same age as Nuala but seems years younger. Sunny and mild - a perfect day for March 24 - what will we get then - I fear to contemplate. Now I must go out to see the stores and try to get something for Gaga's birthday tomorrow

s.r. 6.58, s.s. 5.30



25 SUNDAY [56-309]

3rd in Lent

A motley choir singing  
motley revival hymns  
in the morning. Drove  
to Woodstock typical  
up Nuala at 3.00 P.M.  
Incidentally sat in on  
some dance tests.

Nuala passed her priest  
Langs but missed the  
fourteen step - she only  
got thirteen. Drove  
direct to Paris to Goga's  
birthday and turkey dinner.  
Kane and I beak't over  
to Brantford today in  
Colborne St. Church at 7.25.

26 MONDAY [57-308]

Had an hour at the  
Barly house after the  
service last night.

The week-end weather  
has been mostly  
dull and mild  
with some rain. A  
load of coal came  
Saturday which I have  
not paid for yet.

Jack wants to trade  
his Shutebaker for a  
new one. Guess I'll  
hang on to H. &.

27 TUESDAY [58--307]

Banged down over the execrable Canning road to rest my aching, empty gas tank on Cal's doorstep. Colden with snow flurries, freezing at dusk. Good old Evan Devine's death notice was in the Globe yesterday. Soon all my closest friends will be forever removed from our class reunions. "Who next?"  
 "A bell, they flee"  
 "So it will be etc."

28 WEDNESDAY [59--306] (

The last day of February was not at all sublime winter's day, but was grey and nondescript. The noon temp was 31 and the tiny spiff of snow on the brown lawns and grey rock garden was having a hard time to hold its own. Rent to pay, insurance cheques to mail - "no more money in the bank" - to the tune of a funeral march

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1 THURSDAY [60-305]

St. David

1, 1966

You certainly didn't  
remember much of  
it on rereading it recently.

Waiting for Mummy  
in white cap.  
Had a perfectly  
wonderful evening  
yesterday at home  
reading Martin Chuzzlewit  
and drinking a  
moderate amount of  
beer. Today was  
partly sunny and  
much too warm  
for March 1st.

Maybe the early  
Easter week will usher  
in a spell of winter  
like 1940. Who knows?

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2 FRIDAY [61-304]

Just heard that Mula  
got honours on her  
grade VI piano. Gosh!  
She's like her mother  
- always rises to the  
occasion when necessary.  
Dull and just barely  
thawing, freezing and  
raw tonight. Wade  
phoned yesterday - too  
late didn't have  
time to have a guff  
with me. Dennis just  
rushed in to tell me  
all hands (Bells & Taylors)  
on deck at the Paris show



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3 SATURDAY [62-303]

O, these ~~increasing~~  
 Saturdays! Great  
 storm to begin the  
 day. Men put ashes  
 on the road out in  
 front. I went down  
 by Tony's and up  
 the sanded hill to  
 the bridge. Very  
 slippery to Princeton  
 called Rave from Bill  
 Boyd's. Men and  
 Nuala both in to  
 nap on the door this  
 afternoon. Dull and  
 rain all day.  
 Very dark. Muddled at night

L.R. 6.43, S.S. 5.43

Went skating in the slush  
 at Drumbo rink last night

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4 SUNDAY [63-302]

4th in Lent

Five and a squiggle.  
 Went to Church  
 without rubbers  
 but got my shoes  
 slightly damp, but  
 I really got them wet  
 when I went to the  
 dump at noon and  
 went through some  
 thin ice. Good riddance  
 to a lot of malodorous  
 garbage. Joan's  
 4<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration  
 at the Bells with  
 roast chicken, ice  
 cream birthday cake.

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5 MONDAY [64-301]

Sun 11/11/51

Finer, and more  
springlike than  
yesterday. Drove  
Anita's car down for  
repairs since he  
hugged into the  
corner maple by the  
drive way and broke  
one headlight. No  
dice - Alac can't  
fix it so must bring  
it down again to W.  
Charlie's when the  
parts arrive. <sup>and</sup>  
to have the pleasure  
of Anita's company

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6 TUESDAY [65-300]

"Rapid and swift the moment  
glide". Ten years to stay  
since to Windsor I tried  
to bring back the grey car  
for Paul to drive, which I  
took the green one which  
alone doth survive. Don't  
worry I'm not getting  
back into the rhyming  
bug of '41 and '42, although  
at this time of year and  
with such seductive  
weather my brain is  
apt to soften.  
53° today. but colder  
promised tomorrow -  
brrr - - - below zero out west

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7 WEDNESDAY [66-299] ●

Good ~~not~~ it! I forgot to look at the partial eclipse this afternoon - and the sky was so clear too. Oh what a nut I am!

Not very cold yet but freezing at night. The King, Staley, Bell, Reynolds, Taylor bridge party. at our place. I got top score. Jack was ~~next~~ highest so we gave the prize - nuts, to him. <sup>him!</sup>  
- No, I don't mean, nuts to

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8 THURSDAY [67-298]

"Increased cloudiness" and colder. 30 below out in southern Alberta & Sask. - guess we are in for a lick of that before long. Jim Edgar's new garage is going up fast - another change in the scenery from my north windows. Yum, yum - hum - hum - awaiting Kathleen in "white car".



9 FRIDAY [68-297]

Winter returns. With my thin blood in need of spring tonic this icy wind goes right through me, my extremities are numminified and my marrow congealed.

The narrow moon was in conjunction with Venus, just by the Baptist Church steeple at 7.00 this evening as the last light faded.

Such was the "beautiful death" of this March day.

10 SATURDAY [69-296]

How much farther on on March 10<sup>th</sup> - April 10<sup>th</sup> etc. Well, I don't know exactly. Passed poor old limpy Thompson near the 5<sup>th</sup> this morning. I see him limping along William St. so he got a ride. How he must hate me now! Cold and cold. I'll try and make Drums in good time as there may be skating tonight

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11 SUNDAY [70—295]

Passion Sunday

Oh how passionate is  
Passion Sunday. Had  
a strenuous skate  
to the strains of the  
record player. Then  
went over to Jack's  
and played bridge  
with the Discos.

Had dinner today at  
the Taylors + Discos.

Read Dickens and  
S. M. Montgomery to  
mother and daughter  
respectively.

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12 MONDAY [71—294]

Clear like yesterday  
with the same biting  
east wind with a  
temperature in the  
thirties. Now the  
young moon is  
high over Venus  
— steady-eyed over the  
west and the delicate  
tracery of bare maple  
boughs is etched on  
the pale evening sky  
to the north west.  
Alec greased and oiled  
HX also installed  
new water hose.

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13 TUESDAY [72-293]

Cloudy with east wind. Tore up the highway at 75 to meet Kathleen and children at Frosted Foods at 7.40. Got to Wolsk in ample time.

Nan Merriman was ne plus ultra - an evening of sheer joy and ecstasy. And there was humor too as well as pathos. Most enchanted evening. Home at 10.55.

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14 WEDNESDAY [73-292]

Woke up to a howling blizzard. All hands - I mean Kathleen Dennis + Nuala pushed me up to Umbie's through the soft, slippery snow. No more trouble going to Paris but the driving was difficult and dangerous - but you make it - go on. Yes, I forgot to tell you - my name is Harold Borus.



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15 THURSDAY [74-291] D

The sides of March  
are come. Ay, Caesar  
but not gone. Much  
slush but not  
such bad driving as  
yesterday - at least  
I could see. Drove  
the Studebaker down  
to the body shop  
on Walnut St. for  
repairs. Now for  
I have Donatby, and  
white car.

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16 FRIDAY [75-290] I

Around 30° all day  
and dull, which  
suits me fine I like  
seasonable weather.  
Kathleen accompanied  
me to Paris and over  
to Charlie's body &  
paint shop, where she  
picked up the gefixed  
Studebaker, and drove  
Drumb<sup>wards</sup>~~wards~~, while I  
slaved at the office  
all day. Had a little  
chat with Rondeau  
while getting some  
medicine for Evie.

17 SATURDAY [76-289]

St. Patrick

Funish! - Managed to get a card off to Wade, also to think of an anniversary card for Lorne & Leah.

Very little sum for St. Patrick's Day.

- but lots of presents, dentures and lunch on the run etc.

To-morrow is the day I have to do my stuff - saw the cello at two church services.

s.r. 6.12. s.s. 6.6

18 SUNDAY [77-288]

Palm Sunday

A big day. Unkie rang the phone at 8.00 A.M. to start us off. Got the flowers over to the church and practised before S.S. "Palms" this went off O.K. Picked up the garbage and went out to the dumps in the afternoon with John & Dean and on to the 3/4 way line for pussy willows. Met Wallie at Princeton. Dinner at the Kenby. Playing at Sydenham. Lunched after

19 MONDAY [78-287]

Had a fine time at the lunch at Sydneham a good chin wag with Fred & Jola. I also saw Nona among others. Very dark today with rain and snow all day. There is about 6 inches of soft snow to drive home through. Have to stop in at the Wilson's - if I get there.

20 TUESDAY [79-286]

Clean and cold this morning with a strong west wind making the driving heavy on the middle to ~~road~~ line. Shovelled the front walk before tackling the heavy roads and the rude March wind. The thermometer is sinking down to 20 now and the sky is just clear. Don't forget your groceries tonight for they will rot and fester in your storeroom. The bright waxing moon falls a little south.



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21 WEDNESDAY [80-285]

Cold with snow flurries. J. S. I. has been renewing old acquaintance for my office most of the afternoon. Just an hour off to visit the widow on the hill - but not the merry widow.

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22 THURSDAY [81-284]

Maundy Thursday

The big surprise party for the children - their mother bringing them to the Ice Capades at the Paris Arena while we went to Brantford to play at Colborne - Mr. & Mrs. Chib. Lunch after - Had lots of fun. Brought Donathy & Grace home.

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23 FRIDAY [82-283] ○

Good Friday

Helen Kathleen and  
 Nuala worked like  
 Trojans, at least the  
 former did, cleaning  
 my office while I  
 polished plates.  
 Jack & Co. were away  
 at night so we  
 had a game with Alma  
 and George. To bed  
 at 11.00 P.M. and  
 poor Kane was plenty  
 tired. Forgot to mention  
 calling at Evids and  
 had a snifter before  
 dashing home to get  
 supper

Helen had Doy's Basher for  
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 supper last night.

24 SATURDAY [83-282]

Cold with snow flurries.  
 22° this morning.  
 22° now as I write  
 at 6.30. Cold oh that  
 howling wind from the  
 west! Kathleen had  
 to drive to Woodstock  
 so I bustled around  
 doing breakfast dishes  
 and other trifling chores.  
 A lot of rattling, whistling  
 plates gone out and  
 lots more coming up.  
 Got a crock in the  
 last minute rush at  
 the liquor store.

s.r. 5.56, s.s. 6.18

25 SUNDAY [84-281]

Easter Sunday

Lady Day

Lady Day? Yes, every Sunday is Lady Day for that is the one day of the week I set out to please the one and only lady — my wife. We did the Easter fantasia for piano and organ. Had the Taylors and Turner for dinner, the former having been to visit Bessie in the afternoon.

26 MONDAY [85-280]

Easter Monday

Dickens enthralled me as of yore — the death of Anthony Chuzzlewit is most poignant. A busy Easter Monday but I found time to run down to Jack's to be measured for a suit — over a hundred bucks — great Caesar! A cold Easter week-end 12° above last night. Bright moonlight and dappling sunlight but no warmth.



27 TUESDAY [86--279]

More spring like.  
 Went to Richwood  
 to get Mrs McFay  
 after breakfast.  
 Ben accompanied me  
 and we tried the  
 6<sup>th</sup> with great  
 success. It was  
 much better than  
 the holy 7<sup>th</sup> and  
 the unholy 5<sup>-th</sup>.  
 Up to 5 o'clock  
 afternoon. Snow all  
 gone as if by magic.

28 WEDNESDAY [87--278]

Another trip down  
 the 6<sup>th</sup> for Mrs.  
~~McFay~~ Camp. Took 1+8  
 and found the road  
 better than yesterday.  
 Dull and showers  
 quite mild. Wore  
 my Taylor tailored  
 spring coat. Self  
 quite dressed up. I  
 am already late for  
 Littlejohn's 7<sup>th</sup>  
 birthday party. Dave  
 will be furious.

29 THURSDAY [88-277]

Rain, rain, rain. No good for housecleaning so I didn't go for Mrs. Gamp. Kathy was no good for housecleaning either — too much housecleaning for the first half of the week and too much Dennis thrown in with his mud, coal and oats. Had to carry her to the Chesterfield where she nested, sipped hootch and ate her breakfast. Dear Kane!

30 FRIDAY [89-276] 4

Gave Kathleen her breakfast in bed and incidentally the children also. Kane's right hand is swollen and useless and her left one tingles a little in sympathy. This melancholy state of affairs was in harmony with the day which was dark and rainy. Another feeble effort to clear at sundown ending in failure like yesterday.

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31 SATURDAY [90--275]

Dear Kathleen was better this morning. My spirits rose when she greeted me with her old animation last night. Washed her hair before taking her up to the beauty parlor at 9.00. It was quite a struggle to get her off to the Y. M. C. A. at twenty to nine. Walter left at 8.00 in the Reynolds car with s.r. 5.40, s.s. 6.29 no prodding at all.

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1 SUNDAY [91--274]

Low Sunday

Yes, it was Low Sunday for Kathleen because she stayed in bed till noon. Nuala was the only representative of our family at Church. Sneaked away to Woodstock at 3.30 with Dave in green car. Dave came home in Getison car and I stayed till Nuala finished her <sup>1st</sup> test, which she passed as we found out later. Dinner of lovely ham & scalloped potatoes at the Laylons.



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2 MONDAY [92-273]

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Yet again was the ground covered with snow as we arose for the days toil. Yet the song sparrow sang bravely. Went over the impermeable bumps to get Mrs Mc. Clay. She sunbathed out at noon but didn't stay. Nighttime finds it dull and chilly still.

A.F. of M - Ladies Night

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3 TUESDAY [93-272]

Whaba life! Kathy called in white car at 6.15 and of course I was not quite ready. However we got to the Buant Hotel in fair time to enjoy the cocktails and to get an appetite for the turkey dinner. Had lots of fun. There was a clever pianiste entertainer. Kathy won first prize in the draw - a lovely black bag.

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4 WEDNESDAY [94-271]

Dull and cold every morning. This is I hope the last morning to bang and skew over the muddy road to Richwood to pick up Mrs. Gump.

An impossible day. Have to beat it for Woodstock to meet family at Beckman's at 6:30

I won't make it, of course not.

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Saw sweetest Mercury  
as of course  
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5 THURSDAY [95-270]

What excitement! What thrills from the Columbus boy choir. Missed most of the first half of the program going over to the rink while Nuala tried her fourteen steps - and incidentally didn't get it. The Mozart Opera was divine. Can't get over the marvelous voices and acting.

6 FRIDAY [96-269] ●

Venus is high above  
 the Baptist Church  
 but chances for seeing  
 Mercury tonight are  
 not so many as the  
 grey clouds streak the  
 west - the first clouds  
 to appear on this clear  
 warm spring day -  
 the second to date,  
 making the frogs and  
 birds sing like mad.  
 Parking meters gone  
 from across the road  
 - hence a line of cars  
 from Arlington to Baptist  
 Church all day.

7 SATURDAY [97-268]

Don't count your chickens  
 etc. and that goes  
 for every Saturday.  
 Don't open court on  
 anything because you  
 will be disappointed  
 disillusioned, defeated.  
 The third lovely  
 blue day with the  
 universal mist  
 disappearing and  
 green things shooting  
 out of the dirt.  
 This will be a sad weekend  
 as Pa is poorly paid.



8 SUNDAY [98-267]

2nd after Easter

Kathleen felt pretty rocky again. She just slid to the bed in time before another collapse like the one a week ago Friday. She managed to struggle through church however, and Dennis managed to squirm out of it by getting out before we got there. Had a quiet afternoon & evening all by ourselves.

9 MONDAY [99-268]

Spring is here. The weekend was full of bird soup and greening lawns. Kane seemed in better spirits today. Rain prevented washing. Just as well as Mrs. Kennel could not come. Roy's mother died at 5:00 this afternoon after what has seemed an agonizing long illness and nervous tension all around.

10 TUESDAY [100—265]

More gentle April  
showers. Parked  
across by Platt's  
today with all the  
other Scotsmen — or  
Scotchmen. My  
car was actually  
hot inside when I  
put my box of  
groceries in it at  
noon. Must hurry  
home as we go  
to Banford tonight.

11 WEDNESDAY [101—264]

60° at noon. Crocuses  
flaunting their bright  
colors in many a  
flower bed, lawn and  
rock garden. Buds are  
swelling, tases going  
up, cast of living  
rising. War tensions  
increasing. Time  
running on frantically  
making me late  
for supper with  
my family.

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12 THURSDAY [102-263]

Great Caesar. I must buckle down and practice; they have our names plastered in the Paris Star.

Another dull day with perpetual rain. The April showers are overdoing it a little. Shut up, get practicing.

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13 FRIDAY [103-262]

Oh, hum. More rain - but not more rest. Extractions are pouring in a hot faster than I can put them back. Book club last night till midnight - mission circle tonight I don't see much of Kathleen - except asleep. Cool - 39° 28° 9 days ago - what a trip - what an evening! Mrs Johnnie Banker gone.



14 SATURDAY [104-261] )

Cold and raining  
 Poor Austin Denton  
 ties the noose today.  
 No sunshine for  
 the bride. Men  
 & John to finish  
 the day accordingly.  
 I leave much  
 undone. The  
 office is a shambles.

Poor Austin has  
 left noose and everything  
 having departed this  
 life last February 15  
 R.L.P.  
 s.r. 5.9. s.s. 6.53  
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15 SUNDAY [105-260]

3rd after Easter

Quite a Sunday.  
 Kay said she  
 thoroughly enjoyed it,  
 from the morning service  
 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming, the  
 afternoon's jaunt to  
 Brentford for orchestra  
 practice, dinner at the  
 White Horse, calling at  
 the Bails, home again,  
 trio practice and  
 the last two acts of  
 King Henry IV pt. 1. and  
 finally winding up  
 with beer at the  
 Taylors. Cold and dull

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16 MONDAY [106-259]

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Cold and only a  
 very little Sunshine.  
 The rest of the time  
 the soon wind brought  
 snowflurries. Just  
 went up to Cub's  
 for 2 gts of oil  
 air & water. When  
 I trade in poor old  
 H.V. I will miss this  
 oil business, so will  
 Cub.

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17 TUESDAY [107-258]

I love the spring  
 snow and the cold  
 backward weathers,  
 but one gets fed up  
 with it in time.  
 This morning the  
 ground was white and  
 snow was in the  
 air most of the day.  
 Hardly any sun to  
 cheer us up.

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Save Uncle his birthday  
 electric kettle last night  
 18 WEDNESDAY [108-257]  
 just as MacArthur landed in  
 San Francisco

The sun came out  
 feebly this morning  
 but soon withdrew  
 as though ashamed  
 of what it saw.

This afternoon the  
 rain has fallen fairly  
 steadily. Supposed  
 to go to Watford with  
 the school board  
 but chose to do  
 my Wed. afternoon  
 lab work instead.  
 Frost last night.  
 39° today.

19 THURSDAY [109-256]

Dull all day but  
 clearing this evening  
 and looking as  
 if it meant to stay  
 clear for a few  
 hours. Venus high  
 above the Baptist  
 Church - 34° F.  
 frost tonight.  
 Enjoyed playing in  
 the Saw at Bantford  
 last night. Elsie, Ted,  
 Bill - etc are now  
 old pals.



[20 FRIDAY [110-255]]

Sun shone all day; novel sensation. Reminds me of the garish day - April 27<sup>th</sup> 1949. Wake me over, Mother April when the sap begins to stir. The sap must stir immediately and get a big move on. Have to be home at 6.45, change, eat and be at Pisspotentia church in Paris by 8.45 P.M. I feel ~~god~~ awful like two years ago! Now may

21 SATURDAY [111-254] ○

Holks seemed to like the trio last night in spite of very bungling. Nuala and her mother always come through with flying colours. Chilly today in spite of the unwilling sun which paled and paled grew till it was obscured by clouds late in the afternoon. A slayish s.r. 4.54, s.s. 7.5 Saturday of brutish strain.

22 SUNDAY [112-253] 12  
4th after Easter

Sunday went all too quickly. I look forward to it for some rest and tranquillity but, *blam!* it's gone, with no let up. Attached the cellar and took out a whole car load of junk to the dump, through the mud and rain. Very dark all day. Bailys up - Marg's birthday Park dinner and Shakespeare after.

23 MONDAY [113-252]  
St. George

Sunny and some milder after a hard frost last night with ice in our driveway. Alex is working hard in his garden and I can see the early tulips in bloom.

24 TUESDAY [114--251]

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The promised warmer weather didn't come but rain instead - sad, cold rain and grey skies all day. Oh, hum! grouch, grouch. War news bad in Korea, political crisis in England. Inflation in Canada. Tension and apprehension in U.S.A. Where can we find solace. Perhaps Ego will tell us next Sunday.

25 WEDNESDAY [115--250]

The income tax load is lifted at least for a while as I have completed the 1950 papers and have them ready for the mail. Still the promised sun and warmth is denied us. 42° today with east wind and rain. There is also fog and some snow.



26 THURSDAY [116-249]

Wonderful! Today is sunny and warmer - nearly 60° something like Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> 1949. The Bell Trio played again last night. This time it was Drums & Horns for the Junior Fraternity. The play was good. Drive down in "Mummy White Car" with the girls - K, Alva, Mae, & Ella. Soon Kane will call and we will go to orchestra practice.

27 FRIDAY [117-248]

Sunny and warm 62°. Best yet. But what good is it to me? What 4! I must slave forever in this den of pain. Better get ready to go to the hospital tomorrow, you can scarcely crawl around. You must stay inside and groan while the best enjoy the fresh spring air outside all the lovely long evening.

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28 SATURDAY [118-247] (

The first real spring day when you feel like sitting outdoors and watching other people work. A thunderstorm at dawn and torrents of rain followed by some sun and much warmer air - up to  $75^{\circ}$  this afternoon. Bend down to get a haircut; guess he's up visiting the Baileys. s.r. 4.40. s.s. 7.16 Moon at last quarter which I gave Ben.

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29 SUNDAY [119-246]  
Rogation Sunday

More real spring. More rain at dawn followed by clearing and warm -  $75^{\circ}$ . A day of many tasks, church (fast time) finished taking off windows which Ben & I started last evening, washed and put screens on, rubbed asparagus bed, talked to Egon, played trios with Gile, polished mum's car and lastly went to Paris

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 29 SUNDAY [119-246]  
 Rogation Sunday  
 More real spring  
 More rain at dawn followed by clearing and warm - 75°  
 A day of many tasks, church (fast time) finished taking off windows which Ben & I started last evening, washed and put screens on, rubbed asparagus bed, talked to Egon, played trios with Gile, polished mum's car and lastly went to Paris

30 MONDAY [120-245]

Monday Sunday

After so much activity yesterday I should be tired today. Cool east wind but sunny all day. Uncle got his Louwander Saturday. Jack H. X. will also have light short checked. He is working in his garden now. What delicate spring bloom therein is visible, from my office!

1 TUESDAY [121-244]

Ernie phoned just as I was leaving the office last evening that Aunt Ernie had died - the last of the family - the last link severed - so ends this strange eventful history.

Warm and sunny - just right for the Hyacinths and Narcissi across the road. H. X. is full of oil and gas - ready to take off home pronto



Osarans 35<sup>th</sup>. Gave  
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him a filling!

2 WEDNESDAY [122-243]

A perfect day in every respect, sunny but not too much, warm - 75° but not too much; just a gentle breeze but not too much.

Got a new axe from Dick also a rake from Bill Tough. If any body makes off with these let him beware. My wrath will be terrific, unappeasable.

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3 THURSDAY [123-242]  
Ascension Day

Not as nice as yesterday - grey skies and spits of rain and cooler by 25° than yesterday. The "New Moon" by Romberg was quite a scramble last night at Colborne St. as we had insufficient rehearsals, however there was so much commotion that only the loudest parts could be heard (thank goodness) Had sweat quarts.

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O darling little leaves, how  
we welcome you!

4 FRIDAY [124-241]

Fair again and  
cool. Have to  
have that spot  
of fire yet. The  
leaves are very tiny  
yet - nothing like  
the rapid growth of  
two years ago when  
I was flat on my  
back and couldn't see  
it. However I will  
never forget the view  
I got from the west  
window on the last  
Sunday in the hospital.  
It made up for what  
went before.

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5 SATURDAY [125-240]

Burst in and got the  
Jays out of bed  
last night and  
sat around drinking  
me till it was Ed's  
birthday. Today is  
partly fair and  
trying to warm up to  
60° but hardly making  
it. Light frost last  
night.

s.r. 4.27. s.s. 7.28

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~~SUNDAY~~ [126-239] ●  
 Sunday after Ascension

7 MONDAY [127-238]  
 Bank Holiday [Scotland]

What a day! Didn't  
 the leaves pop?  
 73° all afternoon  
 and unmitigated  
 sunshine all day.  
 What could be  
 better! What would  
 baste our garden  
 to a harder cement!  
 Missing practice  
 tonight. Have had  
 to go to Book Club.  
 I have to get home  
 before dark to do  
 chag work.

We just got the peas  
 planted yesterday  
 when a cold shower  
 drove us indoors.  
 Every night is cool.  
 Today it got up to  
 60°. The back  
 roads are as rough  
 as possible - no work  
 done on the 4<sup>th</sup>.  
 I guess the new  
 highway has spoiled  
 us.



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"I forgot"

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Sunday  
 TUESDAY [128-237]  
 V.E. Day [1945]

9 WEDNESDAY [129-236]

Went to Grimsby  
 in the new valve-in-  
 head Studtaker V8  
 Commander. Callon  
 George and ate at  
 the "Pines" on the  
 way home which was  
 well on into Sunday  
 some three hours.

Today was Ev's birthday  
 partner at our place  
 In the afternoon I cut  
 the back lawn and  
 got the pea ground  
 ready which Nuala  
 planted.

Sunny and warm  
 The leaves are  
 about half out  
 - the prettiest  
 stage. We are to  
 entertain at dinner  
 tonight so I must  
 be prompt. Don't  
 think I go to the  
 Board meeting tonight  
 - Wednesday is the  
 evening I have in  
 the bosom of my  
 family

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10 THURSDAY [130-235]

HX's eleventh birthday  
 Celebrated same  
 by leaving said car  
 in driveway and  
 going in HX12 with  
 good wife to Paris  
 where she picked  
 up E and we spent  
 the day in Toronto  
 picking up Eleanor  
 and baggage. We  
 all ate supper  
 together at 37 June  
 a cool east wind.

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11 FRIDAY [131-234]

Rain from the east  
 all night and a  
 temp of 39° (Like  
 May 23/17) pretty  
 chilly in shorts.  
 Left office in a  
 frenzy at 7.00 P.M.  
 to take the family  
 to Woodstock. Phoned  
 home at noon and  
 Muala told me she  
 got 2<sup>nd</sup> prize for her  
 Solo - "I hear  
 Spring colling"

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White frost last night

12 SATURDAY [132-233]

weeks ago

Oh, if ~~he~~ had only put the work, worry and concentration on his sole that he did during the last day or two he might have done something. As it was his lovely little voice was overwhelmed by others of greater clarity, poise and preparedness. The effort he did put into it was all his mother's.

S.F. 4.14, S.S. 7.30

13 SUNDAY [133-232]

Whit Sunday

Cloudless and cool with the half moon climbing into the ethereal blue heaven. Cultivated the garden in the afternoon and got it in good condition. Went to see Bessie at Preston then over to the Drigois in Galt for dinner - veal cutlets, yum, yum. Butterscotch sundae for dessert.



14 MONDAY [134—231] )

Whit Monday

High pressure, cloudless  
and moderately  
warm — like 1922.

Rave won out on  
the question of suits.

I wear my grey  
double-breasted — but  
I prevailed regarding  
cars — I drove H X.

15 TUESDAY [135—230]

Perfectly cloudless  
all yesterday and  
today. Mx to 80° this  
afternoon. That was  
a fine jaunt yesterday.  
Had a little party  
up in Wes Langmaid's  
room at 5. 30 P.M.  
Josh, Hugh, Joe,  
Barnie, Roy Greck,  
Eddie Balfour — etc.  
just a select group  
of five old 2 T 2 eps  
H performed perfectly.  
The May colors — the  
blossoms — the sunset  
— Venus — glorious —  
glorious!

16 WEDNESDAY [136-229]

Hot - 82°. I am thinking of selling my pet Government bonds and buying an annuity. I got keep the wolf from the door in old age. Not a bad idea. Must plant potatoes to keep the wolf from the door this year.

17 THURSDAY [137-228]

How, the but-gusting job! Planting twelve rows of potatoes when I felt as energetic as a sick jellyfish. But we got them in - with much dropping. Rain came and lightning at dusk. Had to cover them between showers floundering around in the muck. Today is cool with rain in the morning and clearing by suppertime.

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18 FRIDAY [138-227]

Law, engine motor seized up proper this time - couldn't bodge it. Have to send it to Toronto. Kane phones that sloba has seized eye too. "It never rains" etc. A day of seizures. I wonder if our troops in Korea have seized anything?

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19 SATURDAY [139-226]

Time and wound. That huge sun-spot is just about turned away. It has been easily visible to the unaided eye - even a weak eye. Excuse me please, I must rush home, as I have a nasty bronchial and head cold, and much gardening remains to be done.

s.r. 4.4, s.s. 7.50



20 SUNDAY [140-225]

Trinity Sunday

Bright and sunny.  
 Hot enough for  
 my tropical worsted.  
 My throat was such  
 that I couldn't sing  
 or crow so I've had  
~~me~~ playing the piano  
 in church. Ate  
 over at Ed's both  
 times as the McLeans  
 & Littlers were there  
 Did a bit of spading  
 and edging.

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21 MONDAY [141-224] ○

Hotter and brighter.  
 Fished my dirty  
 screens out of John's  
 mouldy cellar. Put  
 them on the dirty windows.  
 Very late for awning  
 encheon. Put that  
 on yesterday. Our  
 asparagus bed is  
 doing double duty.  
 It is scrumptious.  
 beats, carrots, beans  
 peas, lettuce all up  
 and jumping. Sent  
 Alice a card on  
 Saturday. - Pardon me -  
 I have died.

22 TUESDAY [142-223]

From where the sun  
'gins his reflection  
shipwrecking storms  
and direful thunders  
break. Yes, the  
day began fair but  
soon turned sour  
ending in a real  
east storm with  
driving cold rain.

No gardening tonight  
and I wanted  
so to spruce the  
place up for the  
big pretch tomorrow

23 WEDNESDAY [143-222]

Der tag! Cool and  
dull turning to  
clear and warmer in  
the afternoon. Got a  
lovely tie pin from  
Nuala & Dennis, and  
a beautiful shirt and  
two ties from Kave.  
More fun and facts later!

24 THURSDAY [144-221]

Corpus Christi, Empire Day

The Barby - Taylor Bell buffet banquet yesterday in honour of me was a huge success.

The food was ne plus ultra - turkey, salads, tender asparagus, everything top hole. To-day I gardened. We had a delightful trip to the dumps with much smelling garbage. Fireworks over at the fair grounds.

25 FRIDAY [145-220]

1st after Trinity

Fine and warm - like yesterday. Set out a second box of tomatoes last evening. This afternoon I had my windows washed to let in more of the spring light and color. Must not forget to call "Sis" who wants a lift to Perucho. My engine motor came back in fine shape - <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ plus express. Good old D.P.C. & SSW and Pitter



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26 SATURDAY [146-219]

Sunny and warm in the morning. Shower and rain all afternoon and cooler. Dropped John at Richmond a la old times. Wade called in at 5:15 but could not stay. This rain is just perfect for my tomato plants and young seedlings.

s.p. 3.55. s.s. 7.59

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27 SUNDAY [147-218] (

1st after Trinity

A cool wet Sunday. Ben put our clocks on twenty minutes so we got to church in time to hear about half the Sunday school lesson. Egon preached from Romans I on the terribly sinful condition of mankind. Had the Taylors over for a lovely beef dinner. The rain prevented any work outside except washing our lawn chairs.

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28 MONDAY [148—217]

Cool and rainy,  
on arriving home  
at dusk I found  
large pools of  
water on the middle  
town line so that  
meant Drumbo had  
an extra downpour  
which Paris didn't  
get and so suspended  
all garden and lawn  
work.

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[29 TUESDAY [149—216]

A little sunshine  
and a little warmer  
but not much.  
Managed without a  
fine in the office but  
I am obliged to build  
one at home nearly  
every day. Too  
much work with  
too little pecuniary  
recompense. The  
evening sky is  
blatantly with clouds  
— like I used to see  
out at times in 1917

30 WEDNESDAY [150-215]

Fine and warmer  
gardening weather.  
again so I must  
get a move on.

At 2.00 P.M. two  
large Buantford  
trucks pulled up  
in front of my office  
from one I purchased  
two cases of wet  
goods, and from the  
other two parcels  
of dry goods. Do  
you catch on?  
No, I suppose you  
don't - your getting  
pretty dense.

31 THURSDAY [151-214]

Haw, home again!  
and up in the  
attic amid pleasant  
surroundings. I wish  
I still had that  
attic. It was a  
great haven or  
retreat, or what have  
you. Clear and  
warm for the last  
day of May - 84°.  
We decided against  
practice tonight as  
we are both engulfed  
in oceans of work.  
The clear, thin old  
moon was in the morning  
sky.



1 FRIDAY [152-213]

Wade called in and again we made plans for an eastward push this summer. He generously donated beer and cigarettes as in his wont - on his will. Not again 83° with threatening clouds in the west at sundown.

2 SATURDAY [153-212]

What a storm last night. The darkness thickened as I drove home and fitful lightning played in the west. The drops began to fall as we were reading Martin Chuzzlewit at 11.00 and the thunder, lightning, rain and wind raged most of the night. Our garden is a sodden mass of muck. s.r. 3.49, s.s. 8.7  
 A day of prosthetics and endodontia.

3 SUNDAY [154-211]

2nd after Trinity

Sunday! Day of days  
 why do you go so  
 quickly? Whies!  
 why do you precipitate  
 so much moisture  
 on our garden that  
 I can't work in it?  
 The vigorous crop of  
 weeds threaten to  
 overwhelm the tender  
 little vegetables.

(Had Alva and Mary  
 for dinner. Missed  
 Denis' tire but  
 couldn't find any nuts  
 for his front axle.

4 MONDAY [155-210] ●

Dull and cool. Lit  
 a furnace fire. Den  
 raised a rumpus  
 so I took him to  
 Paris. I hear he  
 has been a good  
 boy and has been  
 duly rewarded.  
 Brought Mummy's  
 "White Car" down for  
 a grease and oil  
 changed - Every  
 3000 miles - what  
 a car!  
 10700 on it now.

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5 TUESDAY [156-209]

Clear and cool with a stiff east wind. Moved the front lawn last night so the stage is at last set for a grand wrestle with the garden with its weeds and mosquitoes. What a book is "Martin C." - would like to read it all over again carefully and maybe again after that. Showed Dennis the 34 hour old moon.

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6 WEDNESDAY [157-208]

"D" Day [1944]

Rain and a little warmer. Didn't get much "wrestling" done at the garden last evening as darkness and mosquito drove me indoors. To-day after three sunny days I ought to get through it once. All aboard for the great weed offensive - it is now on.



[7 THURSDAY [158—207]

O, ye immortal gods!  
 I-S. just stumbled  
 Ups the stairs.  
 What breaks do I  
 get?! I guess I  
 don't live right.  
 Kathleen actually  
 ran the cultivator  
 last ~~evening~~ <sup>week</sup> which  
 I had. We did a  
 grand job on the  
 garden. Oh Bach,  
 Oh Schumann -  
 what chance have  
 I to commune with  
 you?!

[8 FRIDAY [159—206]

You dope! you won't  
 commune with Bach  
 and Schumann when  
 you get a chance.  
 You are so fogged  
 out by the end of  
 the day with loose  
 plates and tight  
 extractions (never the  
 other way around)  
 that you just flep.  
 What a flep you  
 turned out to be!  
 Still east wind and  
 cool. Another furnace  
 fire this morning.

9 SATURDAY [160—205]

Oh Lord, I'm tired.  
 A dull day - Lord  
 on the eye and  
 the temper - and  
 still they came  
 with their aching  
 teeth - but no  
 money oh no! nothing  
 like that. Finished  
 Martin Chuzzlewit last  
 night. Dickens  
 casts the old spell  
 over me - like when  
 I was in my teens  
 and s.r. 3.44, s.s. 8.14 early  
 twenties.

10 SUNDAY [161—204]

3rd after Trinity

Had Marie (Bobbie)  
 and her mother  
 for lunch so I  
 was delayed in  
 getting out in the  
 garden. Fixed up  
 Muala's flower  
 bed then hoed till  
 time to get cleaned up  
 for dinner. Ate at the  
 Lang Trine Hall.  
 Chicken - demi-froid  
 potatoes & cauliflower  
 without salt etc etc.  
 From there to Guelph  
 where Muala skated two

hours.

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11 MONDAY [162-203]

Teleguam awaited us on arriving home last evening. Uncle Ed died Sunday morning. — The "ghost of ill-omen" is now a ghost indeed. Davy laid up with a axe-cut on his foot. Took him cigarettes yesterday. Clear and some warmer — above 70° for the first time for days. Set the flu vase again this morning.

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12 TUESDAY [163-202] )

"Creepy Lou". What the Ham. Is Hope going in the apartment I hope not. No chance to see this evening even if I remember the Mg 504 for the mosquitoes. Got a letter off to Alphas and a sympathy card to Aunt Jessie.



13 WEDNESDAY [164-201]

Not an appointment  
all day, but I  
worked assiduously  
just the same. I  
too much work  
to get home in time  
to do anything as  
this the school  
board night.  
Ah me! no music  
no nothing!

14 THURSDAY [165-200]

The big birthday  
supper-party at  
Ericks in honour of  
Bernard's 51<sup>st</sup>. Had  
a fine time judging  
from what we ate  
and how immobile  
we felt afterwards.  
mowed the front  
lawn in the  
late twilight as  
the children were  
putting themselves  
to bed.

15 FRIDAY [166-199]

This evening will be a gloomy one as Kathleen is away to the Horse Show, although the day has been fair and warm. All my mind is clouded with a doubt.

16 SATURDAY [167-198]

No, it wasn't a gloomy one. The Studebaker had not left when I arrived, so I gobbled my supper and went with them. I am always thrilled with everything Kay suggests, and I fell quite into the spirit of the horses, although I don't particularly like horses or crowds. Filled 3 teeth for Wala today.

S.T. 3.42, S.S. 8.19

Den has spoiled my <sup>my</sup> ~~foot~~ engine and my <sup>my</sup> ~~tramp~~ <sup>tramp</sup>

17 SUNDAY [168-197]

4th after Trinity

Hot and bright.  
 Managed to get  
 the garden hoed and  
 most of the carrots  
 thinned before  
 selling out for  
 Waterloo where  
 the two cans had  
 a picnic in the  
 lovely park there -  
 all except Ben who  
 went with Jim to  
 the river. The Ford  
 went on to Guelph  
 (may included) for a  
 skating session.

18 MONDAY [169-196]

Was glad to speak  
 to Jack Lawson at  
 the rink last night.  
 Mary enjoyed the  
 outing immensely.  
 Very hot and clear  
 today - around 85°.  
 The well-drillers  
 are whacking away  
 at Uncle's well -  
 down about 75 ft.  
 now. In the mean-  
 time I carry the  
 four or five daily  
 jugs.



19 TUESDAY [170-195] ○

Did I have any  
 "happy thoughts" for  
 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>?  
 I guess not - the  
 time for those happy  
 thoughts is long since  
 past. However I  
 was anything but  
 unhappy to stay  
 in spite of the  
 87° and the high  
 humidity. I love  
 the children's flower  
 beds and I water  
 them night and morning.

20 WEDNESDAY [171-194]

Thundery, muggy  
 and mostly dull.  
 Rain will spoil  
 any attempt at  
 gardening even if  
 I had time for  
 it - which I haven't.  
 A mess of plate  
 work and then  
 the "festibal"  
 tonight in the hal  
 at the church.  
 Ah me!

21 THURSDAY [172-193]

A rushing wind and  
thunder-storms that  
went around on the  
far horizons made  
a great difference in  
the temperature and  
the Church was quite  
comfortable last  
evening. Mabel and  
Dennis acquitted  
themselves admirably  
the former in her  
solo and duet and  
the both in the  
double trio.

22 FRIDAY [173-192]

O, the long strong  
June day! Today was  
not like 29 years  
ago. There was no  
sun or June warmth  
just a cold east wind  
with rain and 57°  
high temp. What a  
long trip it was to  
Toronto then. How  
thrilling was the lake  
in the morning sunlight,  
the cedar path by  
old McMaster, the trip  
home while the twilight  
faded into night and the

Lester Brightland

23 SATURDAY [174-191]

"after two days of miserable drizzle we witness one of the most beautiful sunsets" etc. etc.  
 see July 10/18. Had to light the furnace the last three mornings. Imagine! Summer time and furnaces — bah!  
 Had to write to Alfred and Luella (not Bell) so I will be late getting at the lawn and garden.

s.r. 3.43, s.s. 8.21

24 SUNDAY [175-190]

5th after Trinity  
Midsummer Day

A busy day consisting of trio practice, heavy gardening in the mosquito patchery, and a trip to Guelph with Norm & Ann Gilson. Was too pooped out to call on Uncle Harry. — (Dear! you wanted to stay and watch your daughter skate)  
 Celebrated Midsummer day lastly by practically getting the birthday crack of Crown Royal.



25 MONDAY [176-189]

Sunny and warmer  
 - 75° a grand day  
 not to be shut up  
 with bad teeth  
 and foul breath  
 odors. Wrote to  
 Wade answering  
 his two letters.  
 We are looking  
 forward to this  
 eastern elongation -  
 partly from  
 nostalgic memories  
 of 1946.

26 TUESDAY [177-188] (

Too busy for sound  
 or foam - so I'll  
 cut this froth short.  
 Must be in time  
 for Kathy's recital  
 Have to play the  
 Godard Berceuse  
 - may the gods  
 protect me.

Note: cool and  
 dull this evening.  
 Good recital weather

27 WEDNESDAY [178-187]

Last but not least of my multitudinous chores - this diary entry. It is 9.20 P.M. Ganga (J.S.) is waiting downstairs in the car! A thunderstorm has begun. It is very sticky and hot.

Dear Madeline in the Globe today on Dreiser

28 THURSDAY [179-186]

Worse than last night. The opposite entry should have been for the 28th.

The recital went off splendidly. Neala's violin solo stole the show for me.

She is maturing fast and plays like a veteran.

Geoffrey was thrilling in his vocal solo.

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29 FRIDAY [180--185]

Still worse - 9.40  
P.M. and still have  
to get water. No  
music - no time  
to think. A lovely  
day, clear and  
calm - about 80°

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Woke up to the patter  
of rain which  
continued till noon.  
Everything soaked.  
Took John to  
Richwood and  
lunched and slithered  
on to Paris by the  
back roads. Sun  
trying to shine at  
7.30 P.M. "maybe  
tomorrow will be  
better. Jules'  
visiting Jacks and  
was last night.

s.r. 3.46, s.s. 8.21



1 SUNDAY [182-183]

6th after Trinity

Egon called as I was hoeing in the garden. However I was able to get through it before the rain came on at supper time. Had them all over for dinner (Jaylene and Bessie). Last minute packing at night, also gin and lemons.

2 MONDAY [183-182]

Partly fair and rather cool. Took Ken & Scott to Woodstock at 7.40. Their Fisher's Glen bus was on time and they nearly missed it. Mowed the lawn, cleaned the furnace and the chimney. Egon and Mary W. were helping Ev with her flower garden and we all ate supper out on the terrace.

3 TUESDAY [184-181]

Warmer and mostly dull but no rain yet today. The "goodie" was too stiff. I am not used to making it for two. Kabteen and I had a rowantrip out to the dump before I left for gay Paris. Uncle Albert died on Sunday.

4 WEDNESDAY [185-180] ●

Muggy, hot and showery. The bay is soggy, tangled and stinky.  
 "no end to weeping do the heavens know"  
 No gardening tonight as pools of water lie everywhere.

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5 THURSDAY [186-179]

In the dog house so far I'll never get out. Fair today for a change and quite cool - 56° and 65°. a good day to dry the soggy hay. Egon came down with me and borrowed HX for - morning calls in Brantford etc. maybe tonight will be a replica of 29 years ago.

Remember 29 yrs. ago today!

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6 FRIDAY [187-178]

Got a card from Nuala. She is growing up mentally - physically she has grown up - I hope. Poor Ken had a better day at camp today - 80° and sunny all day. No, best night was not a replica of July 5th 1922. It was a peaceful normal night. I didn't say anything out of the way so received no "scorn" etc



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7 SATURDAY [188—177]

Windy, warm and mostly fair. No rain yet today - thank goodness, say the farmers. The guest opening of Edgar Motors - Pontiac & Buick. Shows of people all dressed up. Auntie Kathleen in white car to take me to Fishers Glen.

s.r. 3.51, s.s. 8.18

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8 SUNDAY [189—176]

7th after Trinity

Couldn't stay long at camp as we had to eat at Simons on the way back. Sally Lee, Jeannette, John, Jr., Norman G. & Kay a happy carload. Today was another happy carload as we took Alva to Guelph and ate with the Harry Bells at a classy joint. Enjoyed the skating and talking to Jack Lamson etc.

9 MONDAY [190-175]

Blue Monday was hot, windy and mostly fair. Jack down this evening about By-the-cypis. Wrote cards to Ralph W. & Mabel also letters to Alphas & Aunt Frieda. I sure balled up the wipers when I didn't let them know about uncle Ed's death. O ye gods - what an oversight.

10 TUESDAY [191-174]

Hotter and fair all day - a great hay day. I am running into difficulty, having taken out more teeth in the spring than I can put back in in the summer. Working such long hours in the hot sticky office will shorten my life by 100 years at least.

11 WEDNESDAY [192—173]

Dull and cool.  
 a sprinkle of rain  
 in the afternoon.  
 Mr. Beinhuse, buried  
 and Dick had to  
 play the funeral  
 music. Kathleen  
 and I made a  
 surprise visit to  
 37 Lane last evening  
 taking Dick cigars  
 and Lannas.  
 Helped K. pick  
 peas this morning

12 THURSDAY [193—172]

Dark and dismal  
 all day. Kathleen  
 has to have the  
 blue blanket these  
 nights. Poor Ben  
 at camp. He will not  
 go next year and we  
 will not insist.  
 Picked beans and  
 peas in the mosquito  
 hatching for Kathleen  
 to take to Guelph.



13 FRIDAY [194-171] 279

Brought up Jack  
Silson last evening  
to take out our  
stolen motor. Found  
Nuala in bed  
with a swollen  
foot. Picked  
more beans and  
peas this A.M.  
in the mosquito  
hollow. Fine and  
warm all day -  
one good day for  
poor Ben.

14 SATURDAY [195-170]

Nuala was crawling  
downstairs and along  
the floor like Bersie  
last night, but  
today she is off  
with the mother to  
Guelph. Davy is  
through the cellar  
wall and is digging  
over lawn up, also  
covering up some of  
the marigolds in  
Nuala's little flower  
bed. Oh well, says  
Mrs. Cannon.

[15 SUNDAY [196-169]

8th after Trinity

Nuala finished her session at Guelph today with éclat, in spite of sore feet. - It gifts another pair of skates right away, quick - 50 bucks plus, from pa. Uncle Harry treated us to dinner at the same Trianon as last Sunday. It was a lovely hot sunny summer day.

[16 MONDAY [197-168]

Having trouble keeping up to the beans and peas. Picking baskets of them every morning. Took a basket of beans to Guelph yesterday. The fine hot weather ended abruptly at 5.00 P.M. and it has been raining and thundering ever since. Good night everybody - station B. O. R. E. signing off

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17 TUESDAY [198—167]

This morning's pea picking was more infested than ever with multitudes of singing, stinging mosquitoes. Our garden stuff is marvelous, but it is harvested at a price. Rather a cool fair day after last night's deluge of rain. Not moving to the flats, not sweating in the hay field, dodging slugs, nor am I

I am sitting down and will

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18 WEDNESDAY [199—166] ○

The day is fine and cool; everything looks propitious for the great Dennis picnic. Had to drag Dennis out of his sleeping quarters on the front lawn as it was too damp and chilly. He cried with canache at 3.00 A.M. even in the comfort of his own bedroom. Who would bring up a mess of young ones? God, land of liberty.



19 THURSDAY [200-165] 31

Yes, we took the Taylor children and Margaret to the Dennis picnic. and Kathleen looked after them. dug our first new potatoes for supper yesterday. This morning Kathleen struck off for Sulphur loaded with youngsters and care. She will get her reward in Heaven.

20 FRIDAY [201-164] 32

a fair cool breezy day. The best day imaginable to dig hay after the deluges it has been subjected to lately. Picked two quarts of beans this morning and find the vines pretty well stripped - more people have been picking our beans than this world dreams of. - therefore loan me a shotgun night and day. Let the blasts denote when someone is <sup>nearing</sup> the place.

21 SATURDAY [202-163]

The day of the great  
Penman picnic at  
Crystal Beach. Of  
course it rained  
this afternoon after  
threatening all morning  
— it is still raining  
now. Brought  
magnifying glass  
after her little visit  
since the Venus picnic  
Kathleen made another  
of her prize winning  
cherry pies and I had  
the best piece last  
night — yum, yum

22 SUNDAY [203-162]

9th after Trinity

As I dug up the  
early pea ground in  
the corner, I paused  
to look diagonally across  
the garden to the kitchen  
door. Just inside the  
door I saw Kathleen  
busy preparing dinner,  
out on the back lawn  
stood the telescope, where  
we were looking at  
Venus, on a lawn chair  
sat Mabel reading.  
My house of dreams!  
I am always pinching  
myself to see if it is

not just a delicious dream

23 MONDAY [204-161]

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Cloudy but no shower  
fell. How the  
farmers are frantic  
with the hay and  
wheat. Hear old  
Doug Perry was down  
with some of his  
younger children.

Jack Kathleen's "white  
car" down to Brock's  
for a grease and  
wheel change this  
morning, then drove  
her back uptown  
in HX

24 TUESDAY [205-160]

I'm sorry I can't  
pay you for this  
plate. I expected  
some money but it  
didn't come. I could  
pay you sometime  
next month -  
(maybe.) oh well,  
says Mrs Cannon,  
it has been a fine  
perfectly clear,  
moderately warm  
summer day - and  
that is something.  
Mummy took the gang  
of brats to Guelph.



25 WEDNESDAY [206-159] (

Sticky and hot.  
Had one of those  
~~bad~~ dinners  
with my own  
immediate family.  
Scrumptious tender  
wild liver and  
bacon, with our  
own new potatoes.  
How I enjoyed  
every moment,  
every mouthful.  
Cleaned away Ben's  
mess in the front  
yard and cut the  
grass.

26 THURSDAY [207-158]

Planted our third  
crop of beans last  
evening amid the  
usual onslaught  
of mosquitoes.  
Hot and humid  
again. Miss Joe  
Quartin buried  
today. Ran into  
Aunt & Gogo at the  
funeral home  
yesterday.  
Special meeting  
tonight of the P. O. H.-S.  
B. I. Stop, look  
listen!

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brought Dennis down  
 my heart melted as he  
 kissed me.

27 FRIDAY [208-157]

Hot and muggy.

Ah Sister Carrie  
 - or Caroline Meehan  
 you have arrived -  
 God bless you, on  
 account of my poor  
 financial state owing  
 to my non-paying  
 patients. I will  
 give you to my wife  
 for a birthday  
 present. Yes,  
 Percy, something you  
 have read and  
 discarded - pay it  
 off on your wife - that  
 is very generous if you  
 Big man today.

28 SATURDAY [209-156]

WINDY 15th 1951

Den had quite a  
 day yesterday. His  
 aunt took him to  
 Restanes in the  
 afternoon just before the  
 big storm burst.  
 Found our garden  
 "disarrayed" and the  
 cellar floor covered  
 an inch deep with  
 mud from Day's  
 pipe hole. Cooler this  
 morning but turning  
 hot and sticky  
 again. Selling things  
 in shape for our first

s.r. 4.16, s.s. 7.56

29 SUNDAY [210—155]

10th after Trinity

Hot and sunny  
and very breezy. After  
the dress of morning  
with Church and Egors  
elegant sermon. I  
donned my old  
top and worked like  
a "trooper" the rest of  
the day. Got vegetables  
for our trip, took the  
kids to the river,  
and plunged into the  
swollen, muddy waters  
on my return. Trip  
to pick them up. Tender  
pork chops for supper.  
Ran polished minus  
car.

30 MONDAY [211—154]

The 4 Bells got away in  
H.C. at 9.30, changed  
Doris swim suit at  
H. Wine's on our way.  
at our lovely picnic  
lunch just beyond  
Whitby. Got to  
Cobourg at 2.30, registered,  
called at the "big house"  
had a cup of tea, then  
plunged into the cold  
lake at the populous  
beach. Dinner in  
Edith spacious  
dining room. Called  
at the Hoppers. Sat  
on the veranda at the  
big house till 11.30



31 TUESDAY [212-153]

a dull, threatening day, which did not spell over program with its few sprinkles of rain. The children were in the lake both morning and afternoon, but pa and ma just in the late afternoon just before our picnic supper with the Winters. The evening was enjoyably spent at the Doppers. Venus was faint and low in the mist west as we sat on Art's veranda.

1 WEDNESDAY [213-152]

Fine and cool. Breakfast at the Baltimore. A short call at James St. West and off East on No 2. Had a wonderful tour of old Fort Henry and a picnic lunch at Ganarogue at the tourist camp on the bank of the St Lawrence. Got to Glengarry ave. City View at 4.30. Drove in to the Elgin House for dinner and saw the big city in the gloaming.

2 THURSDAY [214-151] ●

A dull day for the most part. I slept out in the tent with Wade last night. Went over to the swimming pool and Devil's Cauldron on the Rideau in the forenoon. In the afternoon we had a real tour of the Parliament Building by a guide and then up the Peace Tower. They had a splendid dinner at night - delicious roast beef, vegetables, and raspberry pie with ice cream. I don't want to sleep in the tent tonight

3 FRIDAY [215-150]

Fast day at Ottawa or more specifically, City View. The morning was spent in a highly profitable and interesting way by visiting Laurier House, residence of W. J. Mackenzie King, on first open day, also went around Rideau Hall and saw Governor General Alexander getting into his 42 Buick with the crowns instead of license plates. Wade took us to the Elgin Hotel and over to Hull after

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4 SATURDAY [216-149]

Wade drove out to  
 Britannia where we  
 said good-bye. It  
 was a cloudless cool  
 day. ate dinner at a  
 restaurant in Nodoc.  
 Got in Cohony at  
 3.30. It was too  
 cool for the lake.  
 ate at the "big house".  
 Had a quiet  
 evening in alf's  
 living room by the  
 fireplace, reading  
 Service etc. Pen &  
 Wala s.r. 4.26, s.s. 7.45 went to  
 the show.

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5 SUNDAY [217-148]

11th after Trinity

Struggled up at  
 9.45 and made the  
 hotel by 10.00 in  
 time for breakfast.  
 Wala was the only  
 one who braved the  
 cold blue waters of  
 the lake. Had a picnic  
 in the park. Met  
 the Singers & Frank  
 Gaus's. Started home  
 at 2.45, Kathleen  
 driving most of the  
 way through thousands  
 of traffic. In time for  
 dinner at Jaylows.



6 MONDAY [218-147]

Bank Holiday

Cool and dull. Worked in the garden all morning. Had my first spin for lunch. Nuala, Rose & I went to Paris in the afternoon to clean the office. Took Mrs. Lewis home. Called at the Bailys for a few minutes before going home. They all had a good laugh at me. Everybody pushed HX out on the road to start.

7 TUESDAY [219-146]

Cool and dull. A great boxful of papers and letters awaited me at the Paris postoffice. Had to get into working gear again. Sater - now I have the day over with, I am more content. It wasn't half bad. My impressions of the day were mostly impressions. Now to do six days work in five.

8 WEDNESDAY [220-145]

Warmer and clearing  
 High 78° this afternoon  
 Took my five  
 empties and traded  
 them for one shiny  
 new black horse  
 to the tune of \$1.10.  
 Got 90.00 in U.S.  
 funds - all I could  
 scrape up. Will  
 that be sufficient,  
 will I pass the  
 test, will I be  
 saved?

9 THURSDAY [221-144]

Fair and almost  
 hot - 82°. Clouded  
 over at night and  
 was close that was  
 a magnificent banquet  
 of gladioli that  
 she gave me last  
 night. Katy was  
 thrilled. A big  
 movie show in our  
 sun porch last  
 evening for half a dozen  
 boys. Bill Hauke  
 stayed for the night  
 with Ben.

10 FRIDAY [222-143] )

Hot, if you call 83°  
hot. I guess it is  
the best she can  
do in the too short  
time given her prime  
Jack took H 12 to  
Woodstock to get  
right front wheel  
lined up. H X

passed \$7000 on the  
way to Prunho when  
Jack (wife & daughter)  
made a fruitless trip  
with stator motor  
which wouldn't work.

11 SATURDAY [223-142]

Clothes are fresh  
with a seasonably  
hot sun. A splendid  
day. Drove H 12 to  
Paris for grease and  
oil after Uncle  
filled the gas tank.  
Dunks, inside a lot.  
But tanks is poor pay.  
We will bring you  
something from Illinois  
Dad had the lawn  
mowed when I got home.  
I sold the late beans,  
dinner, bathhouse bed



12 SUNDAY [224-141]

12th after Trinity

Not too hot. We got away  
 by 9.30 with Murray  
 Driving to Harris  
 and the Point Edward  
 bridge. Had our lunch  
 by the swift moving river  
 in the park at Park Huron.  
 I took the wheel and  
 drove by Detroit and  
 Colchester, eating our  
 supper in a restaurant  
 at Angola. Bedded  
 down at a hotel in  
 Columbus city after  
 driving on the gloaming  
 and the light of the <sup>rising</sup> moon

13 MONDAY [225-140]

One of the big days.  
 Had breakfast at  
 our hotel Chagston and  
 then went south to  
 Lebanon, arriving there  
 at 12 noon. We had our own  
 lunch, then Harold & Marie  
 came at 1.00. She had  
 and I had a good swim  
 in the pool. Ate the Meyer's  
 delicious hamburgers and  
 tomatoes after. Colleen came  
 at 1.30 without Pollic &  
 Grandma. We broke up at  
 4.30 and arrived at Albana  
 soon after 7.00.

14 TUESDAY [226-139]

a lazy day. The only  
 event with any  
 was the trip that  
 Alf, Ben and I took  
 in the afternoon to  
 the Bond Garage millhouse  
 to get Kathy's birthday  
 present installed,  
 namely a green  
 plastic sack.  
 Bradminton before  
 supper. Bridge after.  
 Called twice on  
 Guendine Becker in  
 her upstairs room.

15 WEDNESDAY [227-138]

V.J. Day, [1945]

Awake to thunder and  
 the pattering of rain.  
 The weather so far has  
 not been hot - just  
 night and quite cool  
 in the early morning.  
 A shopping tour in  
 the afternoon with Nucla  
 and Kathleen. Got  
 some nice things in  
 Campaign including  
 aluminum drinking  
 tumblers for Uncle  
 Jack.

[16 THURSDAY [228-137]]

[228] and 137

Cool and partly  
cloudy. Slept soundly  
on the Simpson  
couch beside brother  
Alfred. Took them  
family and Alfred  
to Simculin's near  
Salein - 102 miles  
west of Urbava.

Also visited Simculin's  
tomb at Springfield.  
Got home shortly  
after 12:00 and had  
another of Dot's  
wonderful dinners.

[17 FRIDAY [229-136]] ○

Last day at Alfred's  
had to make the  
most of it, but I  
unfortunately was  
knocked out with  
a dose of hay fever.  
Had our fourth and  
last round of bridge  
with beer at night.  
The girls clobbered  
us the first two  
nights and the  
boys got their revenge  
the last two.  
Edelweiss beer.



18 SATURDAY [230-135]

By the time our morning's shopping was done we got away from Urbana at 11.30. I drove to Kankakee where we picnicked by the river. Kane drove to Niles Mich. - 130 miles. I drove on to Jackson Mich, where we spent the night in the luxurious Hotel bed and went to a funny show. Great happiness.

s.r. 4.48, s.s. 7.19

19 SUNDAY [231-134]

13th after Trinity

Got up at 9.00 and away by 9.45. Kane drove to the Ambassador bridge and we lunched in Windsor. I drove home in the hot, bright afternoon. Went through a big rainstorm just east of London. Auntie & uncle fed us bountifully on their lawn after our safe arrival home. The green vesper is an added driving comfort.

1951

31 Days

AUGUST

62°

78°

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20 MONDAY [232-133]

Fine and warm.  
 Holidays over, back  
 to jingling telephone  
 and throbbing teeth.  
 Got HX going by  
 backup at 10 on  
 the starter. No mail  
 of importance - just a  
 bundle of "Globes" and  
 a notification of the  
 10% boost in income  
 tax rates. Erid  
 calls to say that  
 Helen of Troy is  
 at Boggans Grange.  
 Must call in.

21 TUESDAY [233-132]

Sunny intervals with  
 much wind and many  
 clouds. A gentle  
 shower lured us to  
 sleep last night  
 and this morning I  
 pulled carrots out of  
 the moist earth without  
 the aid of a fork.  
 The potatoes I dug were  
 also plastered with  
 mud. Eleanor's  
 birthday - must  
 perform call in  
 again.

54°

1951

31 Days

AUGUST

63°

47°

AUGUST

8th Month

62°

1951

22 WEDNESDAY [234-131]

Cool to the point of  
being chilly. Lit  
a fire of paper and  
wood in the furnace  
and with only the  
draft from the door  
it warmed the house  
sufficiently. Have  
to call at Princeton  
for birthday cake,  
soup tureen etc.

Look sharp! Don't  
forget the violin  
case. Good-bye  
Niles, & Cassopolis.

23 THURSDAY [235-130]

Chilly, what! Lit  
the fireplace last  
night and the furnace  
again this morning.  
A birthday dinner  
last night with the  
Jaylons. Mula was  
tinkled with all her  
presents. — Lunch box  
with Thomas (for the  
high school class), cosmetics,  
panties, "biolin patch in"  
Joanna's original fox  
violin case. At the  
50° now as I write at  
dark — fall-like weather



49°

1951

31 Days

70°

AUGUST

24 FRIDAY [236-129] (

Another clear night  
of near frost with  
the half moon rising  
in the far north-east.  
Mother and Nuala were  
at Galph when I got  
home and Wren was  
on his own (bicycles,  
bump, records and other  
sheungigans). Warmer  
today but the dusk  
has fallen clear,  
chilly and September-  
like. Lit another  
wood fire in the  
fireplace.

AUGUST

8th Month

1951

25 SATURDAY [237-128]

RAIN and warmer.  
The horned old moon  
has dropped behind  
the maples on Broadway  
Brought Mary down <sup>(2.20)</sup> P.M.  
to 27 Catherine. We  
always have a pleasant  
chat. Gave the  
hungry and appreciative  
dog some pork bones.  
By the time I collected  
Mary and waited  
3/4 of an hour in Bill  
Boyd's it was dark  
when I got to Drumbo.

s.r. 4.59, s.s. 7.4

56°  
1951

31 Days

76°  
AUGUST

55°  
AUGUST

8th Month

69°  
1951

26 SUNDAY [238—127]  
14th after Trinity

A quiet Sunday  
at home. Mamma  
spent most of the  
afternoon doing a  
450 piece puzzle of Canada  
a beauty! Dennis and  
I cleaned Mamma's car  
inside and out,  
patched Mamma's front  
tire, peached beans  
and had the late  
beans. Dennis watered  
the flowers with the  
hose. Had a lovely  
beef dinner all alone  
just us four! The  
Dakota came in at 8.30

27 MONDAY [239—126]

Dull and cool.  
I have didn't know  
whether to start the  
washing or not. She  
has a big week's  
work planned and  
doesn't want any  
interference from weather,  
children, or husbands.  
The threatened rain  
didn't come and the sky  
brightened late in the day.  
At eventide pink  
checkered clouds covered  
the entire heavens.

59°

1951

31 Days

81°

AUGUST

28 TUESDAY [240-125]

The hot August sun  
 blazed down and  
 down. Kathleen, bless  
 her heart had a big  
 day yesterday, washing,  
 picking plums at Ella's  
 cooking for both houses,  
 washing dishes, teaching,  
 hollaring at Dennis, etc.  
 This morning Bessie  
 in her still small  
 voice phones up for  
 immediate transport  
 to Kitchener. Poor  
 Kathy - she gets stuck  
 for everything.

61°

AUGUST

8th Month

82°

1951

29 WEDNESDAY [241-124]

Hot and bright  
 again. June-honoured  
 exhibition weather.  
 Dug a basket of  
 potatoes for aunt Evid  
 also picked beans and  
 tomatoes. Rolled  
 up the living room  
 rug and Ben and  
 I hauled it out on  
 the front walk.  
 This is the last act  
 of domestic fury.  
 Holidays are now  
 about over.



650

1951

31 Days

880

AUGUST

30 THURSDAY [242-123]  
 Birthday supper on Jack's lawn  
 last evening! The real  
 going up. The real  
 McCoy at last. But  
 I liked the heat - I  
 always feel fit when  
 I sweat freely. Called  
 at J. S. T. and he  
 very kindly gave  
 me a pair of Stollen-  
 bottle's honey. In  
 return I am to get  
 a box of pills from  
 the Doc. Lots of  
 children to examine  
 for school - but not  
 much money - just a  
 drizzle.

AUGUST

8th Month

1951

31 FRIDAY [243-123]

Dear wife's birthday -  
 - or was it yesterday?  
 anyway she is forty now.  
 Got away in 4:12 shortly  
 after 8:00 A.M. Called  
 for Margaret. Did some  
 buildings before noon  
 when a shower came up.  
 Raced for the car and noon  
 lunch. Had a great time  
 on the Grant stand.  
 Did the electrical &  
 motor buildings after.  
 Rain came on again - hard  
 this time. Ate again in  
 the car and home along  
 in the rain & gloom.

1951

#30 Days SEPTEMBER

1 SATURDAY [244-121] ●

Benward poured us some delubs which were welcome after the weary drive in the dense traffic with rain and rough detours. Very cool today. Lit the furnace and the rejuvenated stoker <sup>rejuvenated</sup> worked like winter time. Dull with beastly east wind. Partial eclipse this morning, eclipsed by clouds.

s.r. 5.11, s.s. 6.49

SEPTEMBER 9th Month

1951

2 SUNDAY [245-120]

15th after Trinity

Quiet Sabbath, broken only by potato digging ending with a proper time on the fork so hard was the ground. Pork dinner at beer house for both houses and dinner. Night fell early over the clean September landscape and it was dark when we finished the dishes.

3 MONDAY [246-119]

D. the T.'s and S. the B.'s  
 got all but two  
 rows of potatoes  
 dug - just a fair  
 crop. Went to  
 Paris to see the  
 early afternoon  
 parade. Sat in the  
 car across from the  
 English Church. Changed  
 office and called on  
 Bailys. Had lunch  
 in car opposite  
 Brompton golf links.  
 Went to "The Great  
 Caruso" Home at  
 9.30. and to bed.

4 TUESDAY [247-118]

Kathleen is a wonder  
 in so many ways  
 but the preparation  
 of lunches is one of  
 the important ones. I  
 miss her brand of  
 delicious lunches to  
 day especially as I  
 had to eat my moon  
 bread in the lab.  
 on the jump as it  
 were. Dusk is  
 falling again. The  
 crescent moon is  
 low in the west.



5 WEDNESDAY [248-117]

The last of the potatoes dug this morning. After the little big collegiate girl was off to get her bus at the poolroom corner and everybody had breakfasted. Was charmed to hear the tumbling euphony of Ren's snoring practicing come to me out in the garden.

6 THURSDAY [249-116]

Can't beat the peanut even though I rise before seven. Too many jobs stare me in the face. Fixed Ren's flat front tire. Last night I waged war on the docks, nettles, teazles etc. behind our evergreens at the back fence. A nice trio practice afterward. Blair comes morning.

1951

48°

30 Days SEPTEMBER

57°

[7 FRIDAY [250-115]

Of course I lit a  
measuring furnace  
fire - just look at  
the above temperature  
Ging, quind, quind  
goes out with the coal  
at 22.00 per.

Kunah - we will  
be able to sleep in  
~~an~~ extra hour tomorrow  
morning, and an  
extra two on Sunday.  
What a blessing we  
have to get up early  
and greet the rising  
sun. A great storm  
yesterday afternoon with  
hail & lightning

40° SEPTEMBER 9th Month

63°

1951

[8 SATURDAY [251-114] ]

Slight white frost.  
Don't think but trust  
our young beans.  
I just got fine at  
office. The party  
last night with Rev.  
Uncle Harry and the  
three Bully bairns was  
fun. Cards and lunch.  
Stober stopping and  
smoking. Dennis  
came down to get a  
haircut but he <sup>was</sup> taken  
in top after by his  
mother s.r. 5.22, s.s. 6.33 and aunt  
and did not get up to  
see me.

50°  
1951

30 Days SEPTEMBER

9 SUNDAY [252-113]

16th after Trinity

Warmer with a clear blue sky all day and a blazing sun - especially the afternoon sun shining on the levels of Lake Erie. Went to Long Point and called on the Wallops. Just saw Pat and her sister-in-law - the men were out fishing. Called at Howards on the way home and got some apples, leaving hamper for more later.

58°  
SEPTEMBER 9th Month76°  
1951

10 MONDAY [253-112]

Warm south-west wind with the white sun growing paler and paler. A shower came at dusk - perhaps it is going to be an all-night rain. Oh hum! it will be a good night for sleeping. It is half past eight (ten) o'clock at night. I guess I'll go to bed - and so home and to bed.



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65°

30 Days SEPTEMBER

75°

SEPTEMBER 9th Month

60°

9

80°

1951

11 TUESDAY [254-111]

More warm wind  
and sunny weather  
the deluge last  
evening did not  
cool the air. The  
garden was a picture  
this morning with  
the moist earth and  
radiant sunshine. Pulled  
up our crop of corn  
stalks. Delivered  
medicine to J. S.  
It is almost dark  
now at 8.00 and  
the beams of the waxing  
moon penetrate the  
walnut trees.

12 WEDNESDAY [255-110]

Saw Venus first time above  
horizon this morning  
more so than yesterday.  
Perhaps the nicest  
day this short  
summer. Said  
good-bye to Rev.  
Harrison (uncle Harry)  
at noon at the  
Baileys'. He is a  
fine chap. Jim Edgar  
wants me to look at  
a Buick Roadmaster  
at 4900 plunks.  
Guess I'll beat it for  
home. That's too  
much for me.

66°

1951

rain tonight 70°

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70°

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13 THURSDAY [256-109] II

Got the whole 1951  
 crop of garden corn in  
 my back deck as  
 well as a tin of  
 sweet-smelling garbage  
 inside the car and  
 drove to the dump with  
 "mala singing". It's the  
 loveliest night of the  
 year" etc. Home.  
 Went down to Paris  
 with me after the lamb  
 dinner with the Jay bus,  
 and stayed at the Paileys  
 while Baggan and I  
 school boarded it till  
 10.30.

14 FRIDAY [257-108] II

a steady soaking of  
 a rain till after I  
 got home yesterday.  
 This morning curiously  
 enough was a sun and  
 clear save for some  
 rainy looking banks of  
 cloud in the south east  
 below the warm September  
 sun. Pulled some carrots  
 out of the moist soil,  
 soiling my hands in  
 so doing. Two mums  
 are just beginning to  
 bloom. Asters are  
 a mass of bloom.

50°  
1951

30 Days SEPTEMBER

15 SATURDAY [258-107] ○

Kathleen surprised me at the office, tapping lightly on my door at 7.30. The rest all went to the show. We rode home along Reg Lane stopping at Suttons for eggs. The radio was fine and Mum did not mind the ride in old 1+1. Fine and warm today. No bridge at night, no bath, no nothing.

s.r. 5.33, s.s. 6.17

4.5°  
SEPTEMBER 9th Month65°  
1951

16 SUNDAY [259-106]

17th after Trinity

A fine day again. Uncle Harry's cunt refusal to submit to my plans for the day suited me. We stayed at home and I worked in the flower beds, picked tender beans, etc. while Lane went to Anglican Church. The four of us alone for dinner - heavenly. Trio practices and Rachmaninoff for piano and organ.



48°  
1951

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17 MONDAY [260-105]

17th Sept 1951

Clear in the cool  
September morn -  
was bright Venus.  
Also the newest  
ghost of a moon  
on the western  
verge as I motored  
to Princeton. Oh  
my poor bicuspids,  
how wickedly you  
hurt me after I  
carefully filled you.  
Please lay off  
and give my frayed  
nerves a rest!

46°

SEPTEMBER 9th Month

18 TUESDAY [261-104]

I love to see the  
red rim of the sun  
edge up from the  
horizon. A treat I  
was missing before  
quads got me up  
altitudes in the morning  
- and Venus like an  
angel soars above,  
each morning getting  
farther from the red  
blab of a sun.

A cloudless day with  
the sky of that intense  
blue. usually only  
seen in October.

66°

1951

1951

30 Days SEPTEMBER

19 WEDNESDAY [262-103]

60° 70°  
 A continuation of the same splendid weather passing eastward from brilliant Jove, the ruddy dawn quaced with queerly Venus, the strong warm sun all day sleeping the countryside, fall wheat showing green, some leaves touched with color, - a sublime end of summer. A big barn fire on the 3<sup>rd</sup> last night

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20 THURSDAY [263-102]

55° 73°  
 You got married - you poor saps! - Yes just 14 years ago. Now, this evening we are to entertain the Tibbells and the Dickblands and a good evening is in store I can promise you. Uncle Jack took us to the old Homestead near Stratford last night - lovely chicken dinner. A fine warm day, today - 73°

21 FRIDAY [264-101]

Warmest yet: and strong S.W. breeze bending the summer foliage which is touched here and there with the colors of the approaching autumn. The sands of summer are about run out.

That was a great evening yesterday with an excellent lamb dinner and colored slides of St. Louis, the Pacific, Japan & Korea - also some of Europe & British Isles.

22 SATURDAY [265-100]

Last day of Gulf Fair was a wet blanket. Rained most of the day off and on. 70° all day and strong S.W. wind but cooler this evening. That damned loudspeaker out on main street has plagued me all day. I can't collect my thoughts - probably they are not worth collecting anyway.



1951

30 Days SEPTEMBER

23 SUNDAY [266-99] (C)  
18th after Trinity

A late session last night with the Taylors and Miles', Roy and Jack arriving from Salt at 12:30. And the party breaking up at 2:00 P.M. Practiced our trio in the afternoon and had a joyride to the dumps with Tommy Duff. Bible Society movies at the United Church at night. Where we played our Bach-Gounod.

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24 MONDAY [267-98]

Autumn is here now, with dull skies and cooler air. - Autumn with its "mists and reddening leaves." L.M. Montgomery great stuff. Muala and I have a great time reading her. Have got a new seat for Ben's bike. I hope I have got to the seat of the trouble concerning the ripped pants. Mummy is fed up.

25 TUESDAY [268-97]

you can't win! I did  
the wrong thing again.  
They were going to  
patch up the old  
seat with canvas.

Enough of seats and  
bicycles! The turned  
old moon above the  
Baptist Church was  
beset with masses  
of clouds driven from  
the west by a cool  
wind. Tonight  
is clear and chilly  
with possible frost.

26 WEDNESDAY [269-96]

Chilly: ~~feel~~ the  
need of long underwear  
but like other autumns  
I will shiver in  
shorts for a month  
before I finally make  
the change. Alce  
was away at his  
father's funeral so I  
got my car  
greased by the Paris  
Motors. Sun  
feebly shone <sup>at least</sup> but the  
east wind kept it  
hidden mostly.

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30 Days SEPTEMBER

27 THURSDAY [270-95]

A little shower in the night but mostly clear this morning when the sun struggled through some smears of departing storm and Venus and the thin old moon soared upward.

Drumbe Train with Kathleen last night as per 20 odd years ago. Chilly - sat in HX and watched the tractor, then went to Moscow for Kusla who was on a C.G.I.T. weiner roast.

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28 FRIDAY [271-94]

Was even sight so charming as this morning! Venus and the thinnest old moon and the sky was so starkly clear. ☽  
 Let's the old thread of a moon I say from the kitchen door ten years ago. ☽ Venus through the 3". Brought Ben's wheel back all fixed up once more - for how long? Phoned Enid on her natal celebration.



1951

O wonderful morning sky

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29 SATURDAY [272-93]

Michaelmas Day

♂

Reg.

♀

gangs by  
Regulus and  
brilliant  
Venus near.

The ghost  
moon so  
thin and old  
was close

E  
to the clear horizon and  
all the roofs were white  
with the first autumn  
frost. Home in  
good time and  
got a bushel of  
carrots harvested.

s.r. 5.56, s.s. 5.45

30 SUNDAY [273-92]

19th after Trinity

The great day - anniversary  
Sunday. Two services  
with Rev. Percy Harris  
and carrot harvesting  
in between in the  
afternoon. Dennis  
sang in the choir  
both times and blew  
off steam by banging  
away at his hut  
out by our apple tree  
all afternoon with  
the help of Tommy Duff  
Kenny Morrow etc. We  
played a trio in the  
morning - "Intermezzi"

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31 Days OCTOBER

1 MONDAY [274-91] ●

Our night offering  
on piano and organ  
outside of various  
hymns & accompaniments  
was Adagio from the  
C minor Concerto of  
Rachmaninoff. Today  
dawned dark and  
dismal. Dennis had  
his Monday morning  
mad on and Muala  
was only a degree  
better - poor mummy  
how you suffer!

Standard time -  
artificial light for late  
afternoon.

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2 TUESDAY [275-90]

The breath of summer  
blows all over this  
scene, the odor of the  
cow-pasture permeates  
it. 75° all afternoon.

Picked two quarts of  
the tenderest beans before  
getting into H.I. with  
my jug and club bag  
minus my lunch.

Had to go to the A. and  
P. A substantial  
lunch was made out  
of purchases there.

The leaves are getting  
full of divine remembrance  
full of foreboding

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3 WEDNESDAY [276-89]

more breath of  
 summer - 78°  
 today. Lazy pebbled  
 clouds float over the  
 soft azure. It is  
 an autumn day of  
 days like Peter  
 the Arthur described  
 shortly before his death.  
 Devits got his fire  
 poster finished this  
 morning mainly due  
 to the frantic efforts  
 of his harassed mother.  
 Will surprise Kathleen  
 by getting home early  
 and digging more  
 carrots.

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4 THURSDAY [277-88]

another 78° what  
 muck o absolute  
 of sweat in October  
 July in October -  
 like that first  
 week of October 1922.  
 Brock put a new  
 fuel pump on H\*  
 etc. \$9.00 please.  
 Kathleen and I drove  
 out to Codrus hill  
 for sand for the  
 carrots & a marvellous  
 morning - Kathleen  
 mentioned Oberway.



5 FRIDAY [278-87]

The heat wave culminated in 82° to day, but clouds blew up at dusk and now it is rapidly cooling.

Down to the old grind last night with Buckingham, Red top, Wiggie and others. Harold plunged us right into the messiah, this is the Party's 28<sup>th</sup> but alas I had forgotten and had to be reminded by Evie. Oh what a boot I am!

6 SATURDAY [279-86]

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30 degrees cooler so I flit the furnace. Dull and grey all day. Bought Ben down, stopping at Sutor's for eggs ~~where~~ we were nearly eaten alive by the huge Labrador retriever. We gave him a pork bone but this did not appease him, he wanted blood, blood - preferably human blood.

s.r. 6.7, s.s. 5.20

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7 SUNDAY [280-85]

20th after Trinity

The wind and the rain made a mess of Duke's tents at the Plowing Match. He was there all day and got soaked to the skin. Drove up with him and Egon at night to survey the damage. Let one down and reinforced one on two others. It was cold, dark and windy, and ground was a sea of mud.

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8 MONDAY [281-84]

Cold with sprinkles of rain in the morning, and partially clearing late in the afternoon. Wheeled to the C.P.R. and met Vera. Managed to get nine windows washed and seven of them up. Lunched at Er's with P. Ganga + Norma besides Vera. Took by to the 7:15 train. Finished reading "Rainbow Valley" to meala in the evening.

9 TUESDAY [282-83]

22nd after Trinity

Cold and dull: my long underwear beckons more persistently every day. Pat the ~~light~~ window up and picked beans ( lovely, juicy, yellow beans ) before leaving for Paris. The weather did not improve this afternoon - more drizzle and chill air. Frost is sure to worry our beans tonight.

10 WEDNESDAY [283-82]

"The Princess speaks."  
Listened to her going home last night. She replied simply and eloquently to the toast by Premier Duplessis at the banquet hall of the Chateau Frontenac. A bit better weather today after a hard frost last night. At least we got a bit of sun here this afternoon. They have all gone to the plowing water.



[11 THURSDAY [284-81]

Last evening was novel in that we went separate ways. Kathleen and Zula to Woodstock, I to Paris to the P.W.H.S. and Dennis left alone the sole custodian of our house. Another hard frost last night. The morning sky before dawn was sublime.

• *Regulus*  
• *manis*

\* *V. eurus.*

[12 FRIDAY [285-80]

The clear blue - the best that October affords. all day the deep azure heaven above the varied hues of earth, bright greens, yellows and reds. Best love best of all was sweet Venus at maximum brilliancy. I spied it as I walked along William street and feasted my eyes on it from my south window where it was soon to dip behind the eaves.

13 SATURDAY [286-79]

Venus was harder to "pick up" today as the sky was a little hazy, and the Saturday patients kept shooting me into the freight room leaving the back screen only half hooked. Sue's work done, now for home, and a gob of money for Plathien, and to get ready for the Princess s.r. 6.18, s.s. 5.14 and her Duke at Woodstock.

14 SUNDAY [287-78]  
21st after Trinity

Hazy but cloudless. The sky a soft azure and a sense of summer warmth. Collected the apples from the Julls and then to Woodstock to get Bessie and wheel chair. Got established at the station on a truck. Saw Princess and her "dook". Injuns lovely and crowd colourful and tremendous. Noon was a little east of Juniper.

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15 MONDAY [288-77] 10

What's the deal?

The public school  
singers including  
Dennis sang so well  
The Princess gave them  
a holiday today.

I don't know whether  
mother just appreciated  
that as much as the  
children. Of course  
Nuala would help  
her do the washing  
but Dennis would do  
nothing - just be a  
nuisance and a thorn  
in the flesh. 64°  
- summer skies & sun

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In the and warm - 68°

16 TUESDAY [289-76] 11

Richwood anniversary  
supper last night.  
There is no church,  
not even Paris, where  
I know so many  
faces and the place  
was packed to the  
doors and aisles. The  
Bell triplayed "Gentle  
Maiden," "Bavotte Louis XVI",  
memories and moment  
musical. A very enjoyable  
dinner and evening.  
Alwa I. was with Kathleen  
Dear Betty H. gave us  
some nice compliments.  
She looks back to  
alabastine days



17 WEDNESDAY [290-75]

Misty, fair, Indian  
 Summer for a day  
 - 72° but promise  
 of a cold blast  
 from the freezing  
 west tomorrow.  
 Rode down with  
 Mummy, Ev & Alva.  
 Had her up to 90  
 (H12 I mean) and  
 purring like a kitten.  
 I am now shaved  
 and slicked up and  
 waiting for the return  
 of Mummy who's  
 far.

18 THURSDAY [291-74]

In spite of the  
 promise of rain and  
 cold weather, summer  
 still smiles. 65°  
 and cloudless. My  
 red maple over at  
 Edgars' is burning out.  
 The top is done but  
 some flame still  
 lingers in the lower  
 branches, the south  
 walnut trees are about  
 gone. Ben brought  
 home some goldfish  
 and I am commissioned  
 to buy some food for  
 them - it's Papa who

19 FRIDAY [292--73]

The wind blew the front door wide open and the bathroom window banged shut with a loud report at 5.30 A.M. So I slept in till 5 minutes to eight and it was a grand struggle to get a few coniflokes in Valley and run her up to the corner by 8.10. But we made it - the bus wasn't even there yet. much colder today. 44°.

20 SATURDAY [293--72]

night 10th 10th 10th

Last night's frost finished the beans. I didn't even bother to cover them. Brought an envelope full of stamps from New York home to Ben last night and he stayed up till nearly midnight sorting them. Enough done to make the day pleasant, though chilly, and to gild the gongolous mumps over the way at all: s. 6.30, s.s. 4.59. Mary down and back.

21 SUNDAY [294-71]  
22nd after Trinity

Mild and sunny.  
A perfect day for  
cleaning up and  
putting up six  
storm windows on  
the front which  
nearly completes  
this renewing  
job. Mums still  
a mass of pink  
blossom — so lovely.  
Beef dinner with  
the Taylors at our  
place. Last night  
was a big party at  
E's with Gittler &

Mum and lots of eat  
 & eat  
 & eat

22 MONDAY [295-70]

Mild is the parting  
year and sweet  
the odour of the  
falling spray. 64°  
all day! Showery  
with sunny  
intervals. A far from  
a blue Monday or  
even a grey one.  
It is a great thrill  
for me to practice  
trios with Nuala  
and Kathleen. We  
are dusting some up  
for next Friday at  
Shomens Corvens.



23 TUESDAY [296-69]

Cooler with rain,  
the yellow leaves  
foraking the erstwhile  
leafy spray and  
the naked limbs  
are once more etched  
on the grey sky.

Drove Muala to the  
bus as it was raining  
quite heavily at 8.05.  
Dennis takes my  
bicycle and charges  
through the mud  
and water at 8.55.

24 WEDNESDAY [297-68]

United Nations Day [1945]

Dank and dismal  
with rain, fog, mist.  
Had to drive Muala  
to her bus, and  
then to the school  
and then I splashed  
over to Princeton  
through pools of water.  
My heart is full  
though perhaps not so  
full as in former years.  
The cistern is over  
full and keeps  
overflowing over the cellar  
floor. 30-day reminds  
me of the "drear and rainy"  
autumn.

25 THURSDAY [298-67]

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The high wind all night swept away the clouds and gloom of yesterday and this morning the sun is peeping out from east of the fleeing clouds. Venus and the horned moon are clear in the washed blue heavens. This is the night of the Colway Quartette at Paris. 200 bod we have to go to Cranford & Sanford. Took peanut down. Dear old Marcus!

26 FRIDAY [299-66]

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Frank Holton was on the podium last evening and piloted us through a big chunk of the Necessiah. He pounded the living daylight out of the piano and we all scraped the cat-gut like forty pig stickings. To Sanford after all the miles and drank rum and ate 1.00 A.M. lunch. Rather mild today.

27 SATURDAY [300-65]

Dull and chilly,  
the blue strip in  
the far north kept  
widening till the  
whole sky was clear  
at sunset and a  
sharp frosty night  
is setting in.

"Saturday night and  
the wags were done  
and the old man  
home with his  
bunch of men."

Pachydermatous Egon  
wants <sup>my</sup> car for  
tomorrow.  
s.r. 6.43, s.s. 4.44

28 SUNDAY [301-64]

23rd after Trinity

Cold with the first  
few fitful flakes  
of snow. Uncle  
took R. & me to  
Wolverton in the morning.  
Egon borrowed H12 to  
go ahead at Paris  
while we listened to  
Norman Brooks expound  
the gospel. In the  
afternoon we Bells  
drove over to Norwich  
in HX and had one of  
Cornie's scrumptious  
Chicken dinners. Cold  
and windy around the barn.



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29 MONDAY [302-63]

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Delivered Noyrich  
pies first truck -  
one bushel at Urbies  
and one at Turners.  
Piled in Ben's bits in  
back deck and  
finally got away at  
9:30. Wind cold  
and raw but some  
sun cheered us at  
noon. I saw the  
ghost of a moon 26  
hours before new  
this morning. Probably  
a record.

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30 TUESDAY [303-62]

Milder, again with  
mostly sunshine  
and fuzzy springlike  
sky. I forgot to call  
for Ben at Aunt  
Enid's so I immediately  
turned back taking  
Kane with me over  
the 4<sup>th</sup> and "Kag Lane".  
It was a romantic  
night ride. Kane  
was furious and  
didn't even enjoy it.  
Got Ben's wheel  
fixed today for the 25<sup>th</sup>  
time. O Lord - how long  
this time!

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31 WEDNESDAY [304-61]

The last day of October is for the most part dull and windy with sullen clouds trailing out of the north west grey and bitter.

Mummy is having the other house over for dinner to help eat that delectable leg of lamb. I must be a good host and not scowl, scunk or grunch. To night the children hold forth

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1 THURSDAY [305-60]

All Saints

Cold and dull except an hour of feeble sun at noon. Theo's mums are lovely get on spite of the frost. Ours are about done. No damage much at Drumbo but Princeton had a few overturned backhouses. Jack dressed up as a tall lady in black - he was a wow - a first prize somewhere. The two families cleaned up the leg of lamb.

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(2 FRIDAY [306-59])

11/25/51

Oh time, hold on,  
Don't rush me so!  
6.30 and I am  
supposed to be in  
Whuncho by 6.45  
Showers Commens night.  
supper and trios.  
First snow storm  
of the season - An  
east wind is lifting  
a steady fall of  
fine wet snow.  
Winter is here!

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3 | SATURDAY [307-58]

11/26/51

A super supper  
at Showers Commens  
last night. Drove  
148 through a blizzard  
this morning gave  
us a winter Wonderland  
Three inches of snow  
on the ground and  
the trees phantom  
white with it in all  
their delicate tracery of  
raised limbs. Put  
last year's alchy in  
148 and got a pair of  
goggles S.P. 6.55, S.S. 4.31  
Everett tonight.



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4 SUNDAY [308-57]  
24th after Trinity

What a morning! What a day! About 8" of snow and drifting. No snow fence up. Got to church a few minutes late after trying the hill three times. Went to Scotland after lunch, when Wanda was on her way to Woodstock in the Konrad Kar. Helped shove a car out about two miles north of Scotland. ~~It~~ didn't get stuck! A fine time at Walters'.

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5 MONDAY [309-56]

12° above and clear all day only warming about ten degrees. Down to 15° as I write and getting colder. Took the apples down cellar yesterday thank heaven. Ben was a good boy. Yesterday I will have to mention it tonight as I forgot this morning. However he was not so good this morning.

get out of town too

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6 TUESDAY [310-55] )

Well, well, or maybe not so well. I'll wager this is the first Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> that has caused me worry about getting home. The permit is due now so I'm out of luck there; it remains for me to drive home through this big east blizzard. There is ice under the snow which makes it worse. Barometer thermometer snow all falling pell-mell.

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7 WEDNESDAY [311-54]

What a day! I mean for work/lab. work, plates, repairs. No chance to touch my dear old bullfiddle or the ivories. Was late coming to work as I tried several times to get out the lane and up the hill. Then I stopped at the Paris Motors for "enl" and "alpi". I pulled a band tooth out for Ben and he never flinched - he is a soldier.

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8 THURSDAY [312-53]

Too many evenings  
 taken up. Tonight  
 I promised to drive  
 out and pick Kathy  
 up as our driveway  
 is far from good.  
 Sis has slush  
 and it is nearly  
 time to be off.  
 More snow flurries,  
 more plates repairs,  
 Oh foul! I shall  
 go mad!

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9 FRIDAY [313-52]

Sunny and milder  
 snow going like  
 beer and rye at  
 noon at the local  
 L.C.B.O. Wask  
 tonight then  
 the Alfred Bells  
 so get moving  
 — your 1/2 hr. plate  
 already.



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10 SATURDAY [314-51]

Still rushed.  
 I am supposed to  
 be in Drumbo at  
 7:30 and it is now  
 7:30 and I have still  
 to pack a "case"  
 and load my  
 car. Alfo & Dotie  
 were making  
 themselves at home  
 in the living room  
 when we arrived  
 home from the  
 marvellous "Carolens"  
 Concert. s.r. 7.7, s.s. 4.20  
 Mild  
 and sunny today

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11 SUNDAY [315-50]

25th after Trinity

Remembrance Sunday

We stood in  
 silence for two minutes  
 after the invocation.  
 Then "the King" Alfred  
 was with me in the  
 family pew as of old  
 Washington st days.  
 We drove out to the  
 Baden hills in the  
 afternoon. It was  
 sunny and mild.  
 Had a lovely  
 roast beef dinner  
 as only Kathy can  
 prepare it. Ripped  
 up the old projector

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12 MONDAY [316-49]

Dull, rainy and mild. Arrived as usual late for work after procrastinating too long talking to Alf & Kay over the breakfast table.

The Binleys entertained the A. Belts tonight. Later on after the pictures we were entertained at the Jaylons last night. Roy & Kay were there!

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13 TUESDAY [317-48] ☉

We had a couple of bottles of beer and a chin wag before turning in at 1.00 A.M. Up at 6.45 and said good bye to our worthy guests (A. & B.) at 8.30. They were going to make a non-stop trip home.

— simple if you have no children on board. Dull, dark, and rainy all day. — mild — 5½°.

Book Club — so I am being late on purpose!!

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14 WEDNESDAY [318-47]

One of those rare  
November days when  
the sky is all blue  
and balmy south  
west breezes play  
through the bare  
trees. Book Club  
last night so we  
didn't get to bed  
till nearly one  
and tonight is  
Board Meeting.

Oh-hum! when do  
we catch up on our  
sleep?

Had to drive H & I alone  
to Board meeting  
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last night

15 THURSDAY [319-46]

Dear Kane rattled  
at the door, knocked  
knocked, yelled but  
I opened not. She  
had two trips up  
the stairs and a  
heart attack, but  
I was adamant -  
till she nearly  
expired and then I  
softened. She  
burned down with  
Jack & Ev who were  
Dr. Jarrot bound.  
Windy fair and  
still mild.



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16 FRIDAY [320-45]

9.20 and case not packed yet! Oh well, I feel fine in spite of late hours, hard work, slush and snow falling outside. Mum has every night dated up this week and I have some more dates for the near future from Elsie, the Borden, I mean Braulford, Cow.

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17 SATURDAY [321-44]

Saturday evening -  
7.30 and case not packed yet. Brought Mary down and she gibble-gabbled all the way. It will soon be time to take her home and listen to the gibble-gabble all over again. A little snow, some snow flurries and rather cold, 25-34

s.r. 7.20, s.s. 4.10

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18 SUNDAY [322-43]

26th after Trinity

Snow flurries necessitating a vigorous sweeping of the walks both morning and evening. Kane and I went to practice at the Kenby House, Nuala went to Woodstock with Uncle & family. Ben stayed home and played trains in the cellar. Dinner at our place for the two families.

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19 MONDAY [323-42]

Cold  $+10^{\circ}$  ~~dropped~~  $24^{\circ}$  at noon. Some blue sky and "smoky" white clouds blown out of the north. H. X. is on her last legs, she practically refuses to get out of gear. Brought down Mrs J. D. - a good smashing Christian woman, who is down on smoking, drinking, profanity, cards, Sunday sports, everything modern.

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20 TUESDAY [324--41]

10° above again  
and the view to  
the east was like  
mid-winter. —  
The white fields, the  
white smoke from the  
chimneys and the  
cold white sky.  
Brought down Turners  
white car for its  
semi-annual grease  
— hasn't been touched  
since before our last  
holiday trip — some  
car! Ben <sup>4</sup>Manew dead.  
He had a one way ticket  
to some place.

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 Venus & Saturn  
at 6-30 A.M.  
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21 WEDNESDAY [325--40] (

10° above aspen but  
getting more mild  
and mellow as the  
day progressed with  
a real Indian summer  
haze in the sky.  
Awaiting white car  
and Taylor, Turner  
and wife. Found  
"Happy Birthdays" to  
Turner at midnight  
last night but got  
Christine by mistake.  
Marshall is  
terribly upset.



Dull, dark, mild

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22 THURSDAY [326-39]

The sards are running out. Had a great time at the "Royal" last night. I backed Mexico, H - Canada, Ev - ~~Black~~ Turner, Regil and Jack - Ireland. The Irish team won with a perfect jumping & timing performance. And Jack took the pot - 1-25. But he spent it all on a lovely feed in Hamilton on the way home.

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23 FRIDAY [327-38]

The sards have run out. Home at 11.00 P.M. to wolf some more grub after wolfing four delicious egg sandwiches in the car that dear, darling Kaitleen made - the best sandwiches in the world and the best girl in the world. Dark and dismal today. Had H's into Alec's yesterday for grease so I scubbed to beauty.

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24 SATURDAY [328-37]

Partly fair and  
 colden. The sun  
 played hide and  
 seek with the swift  
 clouds back of the  
 walnut trees at noon.  
 Brought Mary down  
 and have the  
 take her back, also  
 Dennis who has  
 just barged in  
 and bummed  
 money for a haircut.

s.r. 7.31, s.s. 4.1

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25 SUNDAY [329-36]

Next before Advent

Dull and cold,  
 although the sun did  
 peep out in the morning  
 and lick up the thick  
 white frost on the roofs.  
 In the afternoon when  
 Kathy took Neala to  
 the sink I endeavored  
 to harvest the rest of  
 the beets. I broke up the  
 ground like peanuts-  
 brittle and extracted  
 the beets like peanuts  
 from the salad mass.  
 Timmers birthday dinner  
 with chicken & pie à la





28 WEDNESDAY [332-33]

A jump from 14 above to 36° above during the night. HX started off Litsea top after its 3 1/2 hour sojourn in front of Dean Dr. Barnov's residence. Kathleen had a successful day yesterday judging by all the parcels. The whispering and the secret signs. Christmas is getting close!

29 THURSDAY [333-32] ●

Mild for a change 40° all afternoon. After dining meals to the Bus and getting Den off at 3 minutes to nine, I collected my things, got vegetables, and heat it for Paris calling for Lesh's plate - no, you dope - you called for her plate yesterday morning - you have it ready to take back tonight. Wake up. Your memory is short like an old man's.

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30 FRIDAY [334-31]

St. Andrew

Indian Summer - 45°  
 This was the morning  
 of Colls, first at  
 Wilson's with Tiesh's  
 snappers, next at Vis.  
 Stottsbury's for honey,  
 next at Culos for gas,  
 and finally at the  
 P.H.-S. to deliver  
 my 25 dollar cheque  
 to my dear friend,  
 Don Smith. At  
 noon I got a colossal  
 bag of groceries at the  
 A.S.P.  
 ) dim hurred moon  
 soon down.

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1 SATURDAY [335-30]

December began with  
 springlike warmth,  
 sunshine and tranquil  
 air. Last night was  
 also superb meteorologically  
 if not domestically.  
 Nuala was at the Utsk  
 Commencement, and  
 Kathleen and I went to  
 the P.D.H.S. one half  
 hour late so missed  
 the first chorus and  
 Dr. Jeffery which was  
 too bad. What we did  
 hear s.r. 7.42, s.s. 3.55 was  
 excellent.

2 SUNDAY [336-29]

1st in Advent

Clamp and dummy.  
Dog, penetrating wet  
cold fog. Went to  
Braunford on a fruitless  
effort to practice with  
Bill Swestman. Bill  
is all right but he  
has worn out his  
welcome with the  
men, they are all  
against him. Took  
a plant to Gags on the  
way home. Lovely  
beef dinner at Evi's.  
Started our Christmas  
cards.

3 MONDAY [337-28]

Heavy fog still. Had  
to feel my way to  
Paris with the lights  
on. At times you could  
see the sun feebly  
through the murk.  
Sun came out bright  
in the afternoon and  
also the crescent moon  
above the walnut trees.  
The dusk was misty  
and warm like  
late April.



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4 TUESDAY [338-27]

Keeping up a diary seems to be a major worry of Muala's. She is usually behind. To me these daily entries are a sheer delight. Star Brand's obituary startled me as I scanned the "Globe" at noon. Our ranks are slowly but surely dwindling. Warm and dark with frequent rain.

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5 WEDNESDAY [339-26] )

A hoary scene as the first light of dawn brightened. Everything covered with a thick rime which the warm sun had much trouble in melting. Heavy fog and lights on going to Paris. Sunny and warm at noon but cloudy with east wind towards night.

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6 THURSDAY [340-25]

Took the family and  
 Er & Zumper up to  
 Wdsk to see the  
 Pop concert put on  
 by the skating club.  
 Maud was in her  
 customary good form  
 in the dances.  
 Dark, mild today.  
 Dreg some parsnips  
 out of the muck,  
 and partially washed  
 them before steaming  
 away the work. The  
 sun came out feebly before  
 setting behind my maple  
 tree -

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7 FRIDAY [341-24]

Just can't figure this  
 weather. 55° all  
 day, with sun and  
 pebbly clouds like  
 September. That  
 was a great thrill  
 last night - practicing  
 with those soloists  
 although it went on  
 till 10.30 I enjoyed  
 every minute of it.  
 Strange how this  
 music gets you -  
 hts Bach.

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8 SATURDAY [342-23]

Dull and a little cooler but not freezing. Mummy will soon be afloat in white car to take me to Kenby House Christmas party and turkey dinner. Yum - yum. Never a dull moment.

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9 SUNDAY [343-22]

2nd in Advent

A nice dinner at the Kenby last night. Elsie, Mrs. Stamer, Kay & I at one table. Van, Wotton, Greiner & I at another. It was sure a musical group to play with. Today I stayed home and dug parsnips worked at the furnace etc while Kay took the skaters to Wask. In the evening we went over to the Niles. Got Kay a cyclamen. The Honey's were there. Had a good time



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10 MONDAY [344-21]

Jacob's ai bu?

It rained ~~once~~ more for the first time this month.

Just a suggestion of snow on the ground. Took the peashut. Had to run along the track to get it. "A beautiful sunset; the clouds drifted swiftly across the barren landscape"

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Yum-yum - lovely cheese sandwiches - mummy brought to eat in the car!

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11 TUESDAY [345-20]

We scraped so long at the Messiah last night that Kathleen had a lame back this morning when I left she was in Nuala's bed with a hot water bottle to soothe the radio. Snow blowing in flurries from the west all day, melting as soon as it hit the sloppy streets. Just took H & X up to Cub for gas - the last gas before she goes back to nothing - just as we

all day

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12 WEDNESDAY [346--19]

Colder with more snow. It looks like a white Christmas on the way. Poor Gage is back in bed again and very miserable - pain, pain all the time. Wretched toothache all over her arms and back. It is pitiable to see her.

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13 THURSDAY [347--18] ○

Had to go to Board meeting alone. Stopped at 3<sup>rd</sup> and town line on way down and unhooked speedometer cable at 99999.6. Drove home at 0 miles per hour.

This morning Ben and I saw her go to 00000.0 as I took him to school around by front street. Ben was quite thrilled. Cold all day 12° to 20°.

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O 14 FRIDAY [348-17]

It is coming, it is  
 seeing, it is  
 coming - I refer  
 to the snow blitz  
 from the east. The  
 Dec 11<sup>th</sup> storm of  
 seven years ago delayed  
 a few days. I got  
 a case of beer, a  
 Christmas cake, and  
 other precious cargo  
 so it's better than  
 stuff - no fooling  
 around in snowdrifts  
 or skidding off hills.  
 Goga taken to the  
 hospital today.

12<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the  
 Taylor  
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15 SATURDAY [349-16]

The morning dawned  
 clear and near zero  
 with the purest cover of  
 snow draping everything.  
 Shovelled the walks  
 after breakfast. H & V had  
 no difficulty in making  
 the hill top to the  
 bridge. The sun was  
 dimmed with snow  
 flurries most of the day,  
 and continuing cold.  
 Dick reports Goga is  
 better. Gave the Taylors  
 their blanket  
 and spoons last night



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16 SUNDAY [350-15]

3rd in Advent

Oh such a bitter cold day. 2 below in the morning and 4 above in the afternoon.

Dennis and I cut the top off our biggest spruce for a Christmas tree. Bought it upstairs after church and Ben proceeded to decorate it. Kane and I left for Braintree at 4.00 and played at the Capitol till 11.00 P.M. except for a brief run out for lunch.

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17 MONDAY [351-14]

Yes, Allan Cook very kindly, invited us up to his place and he and his charming sister-in-law fed us with sandwiches, coffee cake. It was most acceptable in this zero weather. The Messiah was partly a mess—but not all. 5° below this morning. Kane and Jack had to push HX to get it going.

18 TUESDAY [352-13]

Had to make three tries to make the iron bridge this morning. It has been snowing all day and things look bad. My car sits in front of Ole's almost buried in snow. I wonder if Kane will attempt the roads. This is widow's night.

Got in bed shortly after eleven last night and had a good "catch up" sleep.

19 WEDNESDAY [353-12]

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of

Spica

♀ Such a sight greeted my eyes at 7:05 this morning from our south living room window. Mars less than a degree ( $\approx 40'$ ) from Saturn, and of about equal brightness.  $4^\circ$  above. Look peanut. Coach was luxuriously warm and comfortable. Had to do a lot of shovelling to get Mom's car into garage last night.

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20 THURSDAY [354-11]

Went down with Jack  
Ev. & John in Stude.  
They were bound for  
Hamilton and Deludas  
for a rear end job.

Snow all day -  
turning soft and  
wet. I have to take  
peanut home so  
hope my patients  
aren't late. Got  
some toys for the  
children at noon.

Deep own driveway out  
wise and wide last  
night but alas it is  
filling in again.

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21 FRIDAY [355-10]

Spent two hours and  
twenty minutes at the  
C.N.R. depot reading  
this diary and generally  
ignoring everybody. My  
stomach rolled and  
rumbled for food. This  
morning in the slush  
and pouring rain, Kare  
helped me get FX  
out to the road and  
up to the 8th where I  
floundered around in deep  
slush. Kare was wonderful  
to help me. Very dark all  
day. Much colder at night



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22 SATURDAY [356-9]

Zero with a wicked wind. All hands on deck to get HX out on the road — all hands but Nuala who was still in bed. Turned around at the 8th without the trouble of yesterday. All day stationary cars have zoomed and squealed.

Welcome, winter, you come in fine style!  
Another zero night on the way.

s.7. 8.3, s.s. 3.53

23 SUNDAY [357-8]

4th in Advent

Slightly more moderate but still cold. After our piano and organ duet, and Kallitien's sweet junior choir and Egri's Christmas message, we had a few minutes to relax in the afternoon before our early dinner and start to Calhoun St. Church in Brantford to play Christmas music with Newkell's Choir. A deluge of beer ended the day.

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24 MONDAY [358-7]

Jury's at 11

Always an exciting day - much the most exciting of the year. Brought Mary and her boys to 27 Catherine where the children were slightly bigger as we used to. She took the parcels to 37 Jane. I am ready now to deliver the goose to the Turkeys call at the Bailys, Boyd's, Taylor's etc. Much fun wrapping up parcels.

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25 TUESDAY [359-6]

Christmas Day

Snow from the east all day. Out to meet for Petrie and took her back. I did not move off the home premises. Much fun opening presents. The turkey arrived just in time and I was elected to draw it. Dinner across the road at 7.00 P.M. Went skating at the rink with the kids after the dishes were mostly done. Went to bed after too tired for games by night

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26 WEDNESDAY [360-5]

Bank Holiday

Raining off and some  
milder at noon.

Den & I shovelled our  
driveway out. Kathy  
went to Woodstock  
with Neala. Den and  
I went to Paris  
for fillings, platework  
etc. Colder at  
night. Phoned the  
hospital and Goga is  
about the same - just  
holding her own. Got  
lovely gloves, think  
the expansion bracelet

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27 THURSDAY [361-4]

Mostly dull with  
more snow. Have  
took Neala to Walsk  
to buy a dress so I  
followed her out to  
the 8th to turn around.  
My car is stuck now  
up by the library.  
Got too far over to the  
side - ah me! I  
wonder if we can  
make it to the  
old folks home?



28 FRIDAY [362-3] ●

yes, we made it because Kathleen was at the helix. We only had to try the hill up to the House of Refuge twice. The twelve piece orchestra gave a good account of itself, so much so that we got ginger-ale and cookies after. More snow today, driving from the south west and a falling barometer. Called at Erud's last night. Gaga about the same

29 SATURDAY [363-2]

An abrupt change to thawing with fine rain and dark skies. Everything looks dirty. Last night was Er's New Year's party with the Mules, Reynold and us, that meant that it was 2.00 A.M. when we sought our downy couch. Ah well, what a day was today at the Chain and in the lab! Mom and the kids called at 7.00 P.M.

30 SUNDAY [364-1]

1st after Christmas

Dull and slippy.  
 Managed by the  
 merest whim of chance  
 to get HX over to  
 the Church by 11.00  
 A.M. without getting  
 stuck. As the Baileys  
 could not come we  
 had the Taylors and  
 Jumer. Stories  
 scotch, rye and ale  
 to bring the day  
 to a successful  
 close.

31 MONDAY [365-0]

Dank, rainy and  
 mild. A lot of the  
 snow gone. Been  
 wanting like a Trojan  
 to finish my last  
 work in time to  
 visit the hospital.  
 It is 9.10 now.  
 ah me! I should  
 never have been  
 born." - "I hate  
 everybody". Now  
 for the dash home  
 and our new year  
 celebrations - whatever  
 they may be.





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