

Marion's Diary

1973

January

1. Monday: Clear and sunny! 60° after all those days of wet. Swept off the front, took down the holly, had a seminar on reading the new thermometer (Cole & Acton). Cookies to Ortega. And football!! Rose bowl, Orange Bowl, and to bed.

2. Tuesday: Sunny again. Ruth and Newlin to Greenwich, me to Burlington Hospital to sign up for volunteer work. To Mall for “Cheery Cherry pinafore. Much shopping. Home weary, but pleased. Mrs. Cole joined us for dinner. Nose still with me. Newlin brought Sunny Slope apples.

3. Wednesday: Sunny again! Newlin off to Philadelphia – no treatment! I didn't get anything done. Put some Christmas away and watered plants. Books from Bookmobile. Weekly after January 17. “The Door to the Future” by Stearn – Jean Dixon, Cayce – fantastic. I sit and Newlin writes a nice letter to Fenwick. Dinner with Thiermann and Marion Roberts.

4. Thursday: Cleaned up fairly early. We'll be first next time. Changed beds. Dusted all. Scrubbed Newlin's bathroom floor. Read the impressive “future” book. No letters don – awful. Some Christmas put away.

5. Friday: To the washhouse. Bedspreads were nice, nine sheets for Newlin. Socks, too. Sorry the hospital didn't need me yet.

6. Saturday: Up earlyish – to Kutztown to see Howard Dietrich for Ruth's income tax. Pots at florist's, a knitted cap for Newlin. Helen

Davis errand to Reading. WOOL at Robeson. Over the hill via Galen Hall, Turnpike, and home. Beautiful day. Rev. Heckman in restaurant! No quilting frames. Royalty and All in the Family at Ruth's apartment. Three pounds mushrooms!!!

7. Sunday: Baked apples. Colder – Took Marian Roberts to Joe and Therese Willits in Langhorne. Cozy fire, lovely home. Newly without help! Nice dinner. Home without difficulty. Mushrooms for supper. Played Royalty with Ruth and Flagler – hilarious!

8. Monday: Mrs. Leeds was pushed to dining room, then we took over. Stayed for movies of 50th State. Mrs. Styron asked me about "Pacifist" panel. I agreed. Now to work. Sorted out selection from "The Door to the Future." Stearn, for tomorrow.

9. Tuesday: To Ruth's for Book Club. Very interesting. Dr. Rogers knew Pa at Norristown!! Read from N.Y. Times about Nixon power. Helen Davis on China book by Topping. Braucher Ten rules for people.

10. Wednesday: Beautifully clear and cold. Chatted with Styron about topic. Ruth brought three very helpful books from Library. Sat with Moore and Currier – not too bad. To Moorestown S.J. Peace Headquarters for material. To Haddonfield for Japan. A very human personal approach – different.

11. Thursday: Up early, first to be cleaned. I'll just have to SCRUB the kitchen. We shook all blankets outside. Ruth came and helped make up the guest bed. Dinner with Beadle! T.V.

12. [no entry]

13. Saturday: George and Newlin put the knocker on the front door! and cleaned out the storage closet.

14. Sunday: We went to Meeting fifteen minutes early! Leas ½ people there. Sunday paper. George off to Ashland at about 3:00. Covered dish supper. Mrs. Wallen pretty stupid. Miss Monk wonderful, Wesley Hammer acceptable. Speeches about Yearly Meeting programs about and for blacks.

15. Monday: Soaked the ham.

16. Tuesday: Reading at Braucher's. I did Tolstoy and Ghandi. Much discussion. Dry run for program on Pacifists. T.V. on China's Forbidden City – quite interesting. Cooked the ham in the white bucket after slicing both ends.

17. Wednesday: Books to Bookmobile. Last minute instructions about Princeton. I drove over. Handsome Town. Good shopping. Ordered Music Minus One 102 and 106 for Fenwick. Home – cleaned up ham and washed bucket. Alan Hunt came at 6:00. Picked up Ruth. Didn't speak! Ruth in a high fidget! She had a successful trip to Greenwich.

18. Thursday: Took E. Marr to Ashland by 8:10! Beautiful sunrise! Frost on car. Changed beds, light lunch, and in to see "The Jockey Club Stakes" – a hilarious farce. Home early. To hear about United Nations via Helen Davis and ----- . Hot, crowded. Newlin said Call Mrs. Young. . . .

19. Friday: I got dressed up and went over to the Hospital. Mrs. Young chilly – she called Wednesday and I was to call her Thursday! Drat. I went to Physical Therapy and pushed people back and forth on wheelchairs. Lunch with Mrs. Stokes. She's related to Mrs. Cole! Home by 2:00. Washed breakfast dishes! Napped.

20. Saturday: Up and out at 8:30 to go to Baltimore. The buses to Wash[ington?] and other traffic amazing. We were there early

enough to see the swearing in. Perfect dinner. Florence likes to cook, sew, watch birds, garden, etc. House immaculate. Watched some parade in p.m. I went home with Ruth. Newlin to Swarthmore dinner. Not stiff from yesterday.

21. Sunday: Up, washed yesterday's dishes, watered plants, took temperature. Ate breakfast and off to Medford Meeting. Early, again. Ruth drove. Newlin came in by supertime.

22. Monday: Very tired. Auntie is in Doylestown Hospital. Ruth and I went to her room and got handbags and bathrobe, teeth and comb and brush. To hospital. She was very drowsy. But eating and eliminating. Stayed only fifteen minutes. She's too weak. Ruth phoned all cousins.

23. Tuesday: A.M. Reading Club at Helen Davis'. She played opera record. I read Lincoln's Second Inaugural address, from Sunday paper. Ruth read from Alaska, then said Mrs. Cameron had died. Tough! Newlin to cello concert. I took Ruth Finnie to Lenape. Myra and I in the Yoga class. Took LONG to get all names and addresses and phone numbers. Nice relaxation. P.J.'s OK.

24. Wednesday: Newlin went to Swarthmore for U.N. material. Back at supertime. I washed eight shirts and ironed same. Must do other laundry. Fenwick has audition on 27th. Will come February 2. Ruth got two records at Franklin Music, Plymouth Mall. Saw Auntie briefly. League of Women Voters discussed primaries and ballots.

25. Thursday: I went to call on Auntie – fifty miles each way. She is sleeping a lot. Nauseated with medicine. Discontinued. Newlin working on U.N. talk before Thursday evening group. In sewing room. Much better. Wonder about a series on U.N. – there is so much. X-Rays X-Rays X-Rays – tiring.

26. Friday: Gorgeous sunny day. To B.C. Hospital, got my name pin. Pushed people back and forth. Sat with three students – all married. One with four kids! Filed cards in afternoon. Good – home at 2:30. 6½ miles each way. I like it. Dinner with Marr. Ruth went for George. Newlin worked in woods with Hammond. Cards in evening.

27. Saturday: Rainy! I washed my hair in Lux. Better – not so flat. Watched signing of treaty in Paris via T.V. No quarantine – but.

28. Sunday: Cold in Meeting.

29. Monday: I went to Philadelphia with Newlin for American Friends Service Committee material. Found a goldmine! Feel better now.

30. Tuesday: Recast and read more for the speech. Talked with Mrs. Styron.

31. Wednesday: Tried the speech on Newlin; he had suggestions. I need to cut it down. Can do. Key sentences and dates on cards. I'm comfortable with it now.

February

1. Thursday: I went over my speech again. Refused to get nervous. It went very well. I talked loud enough. Finished in 19 minutes. Mrs. Styron rambled 25 minutes with no notes – Martin Luther King and non-violence. Sanctuary. Conscientious Objectors etc. Mainly her experiences.

2. Friday: Newlin to Swarthmore. I put books and stuff away. Preparing for Fenwick. He called at 2:00 Saturday a.m! Then at Medford at about 11:00. Ruth and I went over for him. We had

lunch. Then he slept! We wakened him for Wayne and Haywards.

3. Saturday: He was on the way 33 hours plus six or eight from NY with broken down bus! No wonder he was weary. He played some, then to bed at 9:00. Wayne and Ann Hayward to supper Saturday. Newlin came back from Swarthmore in afternoon. We Played Royalty, three-handed.

4. Sunday: Breakfast – three eggs, Virginia ham. Laundry. To Medford Meeting. Dinner and Elizabeth Flagler. Then off to see Greenwich and Salem and such. Lovely day. Much high water all around. Ruth fixed supper. Very edgy. And so to bed. Much phoning from 112!

5. Monday: Took Newlin to Hi-Speed. Took Fenwick to bank and Holiday Inn. Washed up the dishes. Went to Hi-Speed for Newlin. What a day! So good to see Fenwick. Tried to nap. Marion Roberts came in for sassafras tea!

6. Tuesday: Up – Newlin off to Reedman, then to Boston. Fenwick's check returned from Berlin and Work and Tax slip. Dust off. Reading Club here. I read Jones story of Visit to Gestapo. Broke down! Currises. To Yoga class with Myra W. Neck exercises. Nutrition – sassafras is a diuretic. Ruth Finnie with Maude Sharp.

7. Wednesday: Quiet day. Reached Fenwick at 8:15. Talked with Mrs. Hughes about pacifism. Lunch with Collinses. Visited Mrs. Torborg briefly – nap. Read “Fire in the Lake” [Vietnese and Americans in Vietnam]. Schlimbach is under the weather.

8. Thursday: Changed beds and quiet day. Schlimbach in PAIN with pulled ligament. Tough. In her room by choice.

9. Friday: Ruth took me over early to Hospital. I learned some

record routines. Blatchfords brought me home. Tired. Not exhausted.

10. Saturday: Read. Newlin came in time for supper. So much to go over with him. Plan E Annual Meeting, Monthly Meeting, individual calls. Glad he's back.

11. Sunday: Went to Medford Meeting.

12. Monday: Ruth chaired her first Great Decisions – and then in evening did Island Hopping slides. Kangaroos etc. good again. She wore the black and white dress. Should have invited the dressmaker!

13. Tuesday: No reading club. Drove to Norristown to see Kiely and Follet about income tax. Satisfied. Lunch at Strawbridge's at Plymouth Meeting. Mall. "Music Minus One" record exchanged. Home. Sinus headache. To Yoga – only did minimum. Lousy.

14. Wednesday: Drove to Princeton for M.M.O. record and lunch and two bird-song records. Very nice – handsome houses and farms. Home via Turnpike and Moorestown – Taylor closed on Wednesday. To bed early. Ruth went to see Auntie.

15. Thursday: Up – beds changed before 9:00. To Trenton League offices – fair. League Legis[lative?] Agent terrific. Watched Assembly and Senate. Met Willkie. Home, nap. Dinner with Mrs. Macy. Ecology in Medford – good start.

16. Friday: To Hospital – Rabbi doesn't want me to push. Reckless driver. Pretty tired.

17. Saturday: Wayne and Jessie Jones came. Had interview with Frank Bailey and Bill Martin. Supper here. To 112 for cranberry pictures with Earl Kershner and Mrs. They brought a flower!! Sat

and enjoyed the room. Pictures very good. More talk.

18. Sunday: Breakfast earlyish. Saw George Davis' corner apartment and Mrs. Hughes studio. They went to Foulkeways and Kendall, we went to Meeting. I baked a lousy loaf of whole wheat bread for the covered dish supper. Sat with Cleavers. She a gym teacher. He a sour-bastic so-and-so. Jones came back for over-night. I called on Schlimbach.

19. Monday: To Library for Moliere – no luck. Took all a.m. Rested. Did laundry – not very clean of collars. Newlin to go to Virginia – lost a report on Brambleton – crushed!

20. Tuesday: To Myra's for Reading. Read words and their sounds. Mrs. Stern – Ogden Nash. Mr. S. – cheese. Helen Davis – Romeo and Juliet. Myra on birds. Very interesting again. Rest. To Yoga class with 30 packets of sassafras tea! Many absent. Home early. Gave Ruth Finnie tea samples.

21. Wednesday: Newlin typed and adding-machined all day for Virginia. I went to League of Women Voters at Gibbs – only two there, so we were welcome. Myra drove. Home at 3:15. Newlin leaving. Got away by 4:00. To Haddonfield for “China.” Best yet. Silk worm culture. Feeding ducks. Wife with second child sterilized by request. Great Wall! And trains!!!

22. Thursday: I washed my hair! Cleaned up before lunch. TO Ford and Davis' for music at 3:30. She spoke about the selections, then played. Very nice indeed.

23. Friday: Ruth did her volunteer work ferrying me. Awful boo-boo with Mr. Fennell – dog house for sure! Pretty busy, and pretty tired. Filed several sheets, in big file cabinets.

24. Saturday: Slept late – up and ready to greet Marretta King. We

went to lunch (She was late!), then to Ruth's for bridge "to meet her." I had lousy hands, won Booby! Acton, Milne, Flagler, Ware, Stratton, Ingersoll. Beautiful bundt cake. TV evening.

25. Sunday: Up – nice breakfast at Ruth's. Washed up. To Meeting with Marretta and Ruth. Dinner – filet mignon. Tour through Headquarters – Mrs. Ramsey there! Home to read Sunday paper.

26. Monday: Newlin came in after supper. Madrigal Singers of Moorestown High were Very Good. Lute, harpsichord, and four recorders. Mrs. Leeds is out of Health Center – very positive opinions about it. I took Virginia Blatchford in on the Hi-Speed train. She is pretty fumbly and very talkative. Ugh –

27. Tuesday: Reading at Ruth's. Myra on Apartheid on a couple. I read John Holmes. Ruth a short story "Fear." Newlin from a dig in seven caves. Interesting. I went to Sears for a catalogue. Got a dress! \$34 made in Israel poorly. Good skirt \$18.

28. Wednesday: Newlin sat out on the sun on the patio. Just perfect. I returned "Fire in the Lake" unread! Eleanor and Newlin Palmer didn't come, and didn't come for dinner. Ruth played Royalty with us. Eleanor thought March 28 – I thought February 28!!!

March

1. Thursday: Shirley can't work! Bereft! Turned our mattresses and shook covers out. Beautiful day. Balmy.

2. Friday: To the hospital – run ragged. Really pooped.

3. Saturday: George Davis didn't come! Had a bug. Too bad –

4. Sunday: We went to Medford Meeting. Invited the Rogers to

come for 4:00. He really knows a lot of Quaker spots – Haverford, etc., but he likes to pontificate. She’s a nice quiet cousin Beulah!

5. Monday: Newlin to Philadelphia. I walked to Medford to Bank, etc. Hitched a ride home, so I bought 25 pounds of Bovung! To do a flower pot! Singularly unsuccessful! They wilted like crazy!

6. Tuesday: Reading – at Myra Woodruff’s. Cool! To Yoga with Ruth Finnie. Newlin has a cold yet.

7. Wednesday: On road by 9:30 to go to Conshohocken for apricots. They didn’t want to sell us any! Bought 25 pounds slab and nine pounds Turkish. Good. Slow coming home.

8. Thursday: Cleaned up early. Great time getting sheets straight. Didn’t change beds. Read all day. “In this House of Brede” [by Rumer Godden]. Good for Lent, bad for eyes! I stayed to finish it while Newlin heard about Indians. Dinner with Alesons – all OK. Shook hands at leaving!

9. Friday: Off to hospital in fog. They were short handed. Went swimmingly. I did papers. Left early. Ice cream. Plastic seat. Paper. Home. Nap. Supper with Myrell. Then bonus concert in Haddonfield. Very nice indeed.

10. Saturday: Newlin and Ruth off to Greenwich and Sunny Slope! I trimmed “garden,” killed two snails! Sunny and nice. Lunch, and Hannah and Marion Jenks and two friends! Ingersolls, too. Toured and visited. Left at 3:00 plus. Then I dusted. Mint is growing.

11. Sunday: To Medford Meeting and Monthly Meeting.

12. Monday: I went in with Newlin to the Flower Show. Pretty nice. I ran out of money. Bonsai, niches, a place to sit, orchids and a rose geranium. No dwarf lavender. Skimpy lunch – soft pretzel

and candy bar! Home with Newlin. Fabulous pictures of Africa by Mr. Spendelow and three other members of his family – animals and birds!!!

13. Tuesday: Reading at Helen Davis. I “did” “In the House of Brede” by Rumer Godden. Took too long. Ruth’s Pearl Buck on “The Wave” very good. Mrs. Stern poems. Newlin news piece about a Maryland legislator. Dr. Stern on Man. Loren Eiseling. Breakfast in the sun!! First this year. Newlin and I looked at gardens and called on Mr. Bail. Took Mrs. Ramsey shopping!

14. Wednesday: Newlin took the car to Reedman for \$8,000 mile checkup and recall. He called on Auntie and Joe Willits. Ruth came over to make up the bed for George.

15. Thursday: Newlin to Bird Watchers Group, then we left for Brigantine in fog. Mrs. Lockwood and Mrs. Thierman. L. good on birds. Sun came out. Good trip. Home for supper. I skipped the evening program. Power crisis, by Aleson.

16. Friday: Newlin took me to Hospital. I missed Fred and Mary Abbott – too too bad. They were driving a late aunt’s Buick up from Florida. Couldn’t stay longer. Chairs in short supply – wasted too much time [?].

17. Saturday: George helped put up small pictures and change rugs. Busy. I napped – solidly. After supper without drinks we went to Collingswood to see MAME. Very well done. Mame was super. Colorful. But home at 11:30!

18. Sunday: Baked apples. I didn’t go to Meeting. Lobster Newburgh for dinner with Ruth and George. Home after game at 112. Very blowy. Newlin called on Mr. Knox and Mr. Powell. I wrote Wayne and Jessie, and a nice card to Cassie.

19 – 21 [no entries]

22. Thursday: We got cleaned – and I did seven shirts. Ironed them in p.m. The village Laundromat does better job.

23. Friday: Up early – Newlin took me to Mt. Holly. Then on to Philadelphia. He had a shot since his blood was up to it. I stopped to see Florence Goldberg – got four paperbacks, left a hardcover. Her eyes were clear and I thought she understood surgery was scheduled. She died in the afternoon. Poor gal. Her son on the way didn't make it. Exhausted by the day. Newlin saw the layout and met folks.

24. Saturday: Beautiful day – we had breakfast out on the patio. I went for leaves. Newlin laid out “garden.” Both weary. Supper with Ingersolls – after Olga Korbut and ice-dancing. Beautiful. Home to Royalty and All in the Family. Newlin won three times.

25. Sunday: First sun went under. Ruth and I to Meeting.

26. [no entry]

27. Tuesday: Last meeting of the Yoga class, with health food and drink. I took germie. Reading was here – and Myra and I went to Mrs. Daum's for Board batting [?]. We may make \$500 from the Art Auction! She had four, I had five. They've been married eight years.

28. [no entry]

29. Thursday: So the last American is out of Viet Nam! But we still have advisers there! I found the sewage disposal plant on Fostertown Road. Heavy stuff.

30. Friday: Newlin took me over to Mount Holley, and came for

me. Pretty tired. Pushed two stretchers, with help.

31. Saturday: I trimmed around our patio and pulled weeds out of the court. Taught Claire Ford how to read our thermometer. Ruth to Laura Himmelberger's hospital bed. Cancer! Tough. We asked Drashers to spend the evening. She was good at Scrabble. He was NOT.

April

1. Sunday: Rainy. Newlin went to early Meeting. I went to Medford Meeting. Four men facing. Humph! Sat with Finnie. Must be early for service! Ruth got the record player ready to go in Med-Center – with help of Newlin and Oleson. Visited with Schlimbach. Tedious progress. Desk work in evening.

2. Monday: Up to take Newlin to Ashmont at 7:45. Then to bank and onion sets and pansies (\$1.19) and tomato plants. But it's not dug up yet. Sat with Mrs. Leeds, then to movie "Three Pennies in the Fountain." Delightful. Letter from Fenwick – he wasn't invited to audition for Bamberg [Symphony Orchestra]. Friend auditioned fifteen times in five years.

3. Tuesday: [no entry – except that Marion noted in upper margin "Linford's Birthday – 28 in '73"]

4. Wednesday: Newlin to Swarthmore Library. Myra drove to League of Women Voters Board Meeting at Gibbs. Rambling meeting. Carload is planned for Convention at Atlantic City next week. Lunch with Mrs. Macy! Ecch. Dinner with Ruth, Kate, and Jordan. Kate double ordered chicken patty!! To first Township Committee Meeting on changing zoning to permit clusters. Average new house in Medford \$42,000. Average second-hand \$36,000. Dan Smith, Swarthmore '29, tax collector.

5. Thursday: Took blood but postponed cardiogram. Then back at 10:00 for physical – once a year! Blood pressure 100/66. On the low side. Ruth to Glassboro. Newlin bird walking, then sleeping. At supper Newlin called me out of the dining room: “Linford is gone.” Newlin didn’t go to Thursday evening program – we made plans. Styron rounded up \$400.00. We decided to wait for daytime flight.

6. Friday: Ruth took us to Holiday Inn – we got to Madison at 4:00. Mr. O’Rourke high in praise of Linford. Full time job at Ray-O-Vac. Writing all the time. Money in the bank. Police didn’t know him. They called the University to get our number and address in Mass. Detective Radloff of University Police came to tell of details.

7. Saturday: We walked around to Risser’s office. He was very good. Linford called him after his first lie detector test was inconclusive. Has seen him regularly since. Then to Detective McCarthy of Madison Police. He was convinced this was the only way out for Linford. Paul Keefe came to see us – naïve. Studying psychology! Only knew Linford since January.

8. Sunday: We went to Madison Meeting. Young and active. Bill and Janet Eaton nice – Cherry Salmon Wright in Meeting. Dinner with Bill – we gave him the desk light and a book. Cherry told of Eric – three years with American Friends Service Committee in Vietnam. Now on farm in Ohio – healing!

9. Monday: Snow – just beautiful. Fourteen inches. I was in all day. Newlin went on errands. Rest was good.

10. Tuesday: We walked to the University Branch of the First Wisconsin – opened the lock box and listed the few papers. No savings account. Then we took bus to Social Security – to sign and send check to O’Rourke. Peter Williams came in evening. Gave

him a few records. Hardly enough.

11. Wednesday: Ashes were delivered. We walked down for them. Then Newlin wrote long letter with enclosures to Risser. Done at noon. No plane space till 8:10. We started, then went back for another night. Walked to buy a new Hartman bag. \$85.00! brown. Saw the glass lamp and brought it back.

12. Thursday: A lovely clear day to fly from Madison to O'Hare, bags checked through to Philadelphia. There about 3:30. Salem Transportation to Holiday Inn. Ruth was waiting. We talked it all out with her. Everything. To bed – exhausting.

13. Friday: I went to Hospital. Pat has a run-a-way fifteen-year-old. She went to court . . . poor gal. She has more trouble than we do. Newlin chased all over to get a better urn marked “Linford R. Smith, 1945 – 1973.” I washed my hair in the evening.

14. Saturday: We rushed over to Moorestown for duplicating. Barely back – left at 2:00 for Virginia. Piedmont Motel. Fair. Dinner at Laurel Brigade with Tom and Berta. Drove to gravesite by back road. Lovely country. Ruth drove for us.

15. Sunday: Up, breakfast. Palm Sunday – clear. To Meeting. Lovely flowers on mantel. After Meeting we walked to the cemetery, Newlin carrying the box. To the spot – set it on the board. Two daffodils. Mary Taylor and Asa Moore (Rest in Peace) and Hoge spoke. Newlin stepped over and dropped the box into the hole. I the two flowers. Workmen shoveled the dirt over it. Awful. Then to dinner. Long ride home. . . . Tom and Berta, Esther and Fred Bennett, Asa Moore and Arlene, George and Mary, Caroline and Bob and two kids, Dorothy Orchard, Alan Hunt.

16. Monday: Newlin went to Dr., and Ruth and I to Auntie. She didn't seem much upset. Praise be. Home. Napped. Called E.

Daum – she had hostesses and recorders for both meetings! To Residents' Meeting – they turned down, definitely, a proposal for a resident on The Estaugh Board. Voted a vote of confidence instead. Lee said it would be highly insulting. Etc. etc. Ruth came over and got Linford's books.

17. Tuesday: Up – to Ruth's for reading. Tied yellow ribbon on lily-of-the-valley coming up. Read Ruth's Berks County Genealogical piece. Well received – booked at room 7. O'Rourke's sent a picture of Linford that fell out of a book. It is a good one – and a \$25.00 memorial check. They were really good to him. Bought napkins.

18. Wednesday: I walked and walked setting up Building 7 for Unit Meeting. Signs in two directions, etc. Good Meeting. I was only Leas person there. Then cleaned up – more walking. Editor of House Beautiful raved about the décor.

19. Thursday: Changed beds. Dusted up. Amelia, Alliene Hamme and driver Moatz came for lunch. Enjoyed the visit. Alliene overwhelmed!

20. Friday: I drove over to work – lovely day. Skimpy work load. Waited around for drug store to open for Newlin's suppositories.

21. Saturday: Planted tomato plants. Threw out poinsettia (buggy).

22. Sunday: Up – to Cropwell. Home. Pressed off shirts. On the last one Ed and Lois came. We went over to good dinner. Then sat and talked at Ruth's. Brought pretty tulips.

23. Monday: Newlin in to Philadelphia early. I washed my uniform. Mrs. Ware spoke of both parents killed in auto accident in Montana. Newlin wrote nice letter to O'Rourke's. I went to Moorestown, found two tables for Mrs. Hughes. Took Mrs. Leeds

to see Rick Regan.

24. Tuesday: Up – picked fresh pansies. Went to reading at Broucher’s. Read Hunger and History. Davis wanted young folks cleared out of museum, and old folks out of R.R. station! Newlin to Swarthmore. Else Fernsler came to dinner with Kate. Saw our apartment. NOT Kate’s. Very pleasant concert – pianist and singer. Worked on assembling benches.

25. Wednesday: Up. Finished putting the stools together and cleaned up. Dean Hunt didn’t come. Lunch with Ruth Hoskins. Nap. Pretty weary. Didn’t sleep well last night. Newlin planted coral bells from Margot Hunt!

26. Thursday: Cleaner came – puffs into closet. But not far away. Vacuum very heavy. Cardiogram OK in p.m. Found the exercycle for one mile, leisurely. Home. . . .

27. Friday: Very tiring day at the hospital. Wow. Came home for a nap – supper. Then early to bed and SPIT UP! I felt lousy. Slept poorly.

28. Saturday: Newlin, Ruth and George went to Salem City Historical Tour of houses. Rain – clearing. Had a fine day with pretty ancestral houses. I stayed in bed, ate supper. Then watched All in the Family – and home to bed – weary.

29. Sunday: Snuffling a lot. Up late. Ate in sun on patio. No meeting. Dinner with Ruth and George. Games here. Patent medicine! The Celtics lost the fourth game after 3 – 3. Somebody got our Sunday paper! I just can’t write the letters I need to do.

30. Monday: Slept late – so maintenance came to “do” the shelf. Left to get wood. Returned at 1:00 as we lunched. Checked Pratt’s apartment. Hers a long way to go; showed ours. Then off to

Morristown. Flagg's yield – nothing. Johnson's corn had white cascade petunias! Home. Ruth stuck all day with car air conditioner. Men came at quarter of six! Open end shelf – ! by 6:45!! Lecture on climate – measure shelf. President on Watergate at 9:00.

May

1. Tuesday: My nose didn't improve – didn't go to reading club. Maintenance came “of 10:00” – took it all down, and “We'll be back.”
2. Wednesday: Ah – The Pratt's came – with son Bill driving. They landed as movers were ready to leave, after emptying all cartons. The place was FULL! Sister comes about May 15. The mantel shelf is up and looks good. Didn't go to League of Women Voters Board Meeting. Too bad.
3. Thursday: Up, changed beds. To bank to cash check and try Ruth's car. Took Bill Pratt to Hi-Speed. Bought some cheese. Newlin to Brigantine with 16 or 18 – good day. Louisa Pratt to stay in bed two weeks! Very frail. He's in pretty good shape. My nose is improving.
4. Friday: Beautiful day. Newlin took me over to Hospital. Filed. Easy day. Called on Teahan briefly. Out at 2:00. Ice cream “to go.” Newlin came. I napped. He bought tomato plants. Rain! and COLD. Home – quiet evening. To bed early.
5. [no entry]
6. Sunday: To Meeting – I coughed a tickle and went out. Cold is slowly improving. Mrs. Cole's Spring Party was a real success – everyone dressed up. Food delectable, etc. Pratts met a few people. Louisa still low.

7. Monday: I went in to Philadelphia and bought \$22.78 of health food and lugged it around. Bought purse perfume – two!! Earrings at Woolworth. Home pooped. A dress and shoes came from Lane Bryant. 18½ is big! Must remember.

8. Tuesday: Four gathered for Reading Club – Helen Davis, Mrs. Stern and I, at Flagler's. Helen Davis values the Bookmobile "Brain Child," Dr. Scott, and her garden 1200! Dislikes Medford Leas Life. . . . Saw Dickey's Texas friend's shutterbug tour pictures. Very interesting. Did a big laundry, including the shawl.

9. Wednesday: The apprentice electrician came to paint the mantel! Looks lovely. Ethel Daum called for open meeting food, next Tuesday. Newlin in to Philadelphia. I ironed nine shirts. Newlin stays in acceptable shape.

10. Thursday: The day – up, left 9:15. Found the Herb Sale – too late for lunch. Bought a couple of lavenders and a bee balm. Beautiful place. Then off to Chadd's Ford and Wyeth exhibit. Home by Chester Ferry. Not bad at all. Ruth's pupils Whitaker terrific pair – even organic!!

11. Friday: Drove to Mt. Holly. Legs still stiff from walking yesterday. Schlimmie is in intensive care – heart hurts. I left early. Napped. Read papers. Watered flowers. Supper with Flagler. Lenape "Chou" for ½ hour. Quite pleasant.

12. Saturday: Day with Pratts – lunch. I took them to cut-rate store and furniture place, and to see Medford Lakes. Then supper with them!

13. Sunday: Up – went for paper. Then took Frau Elisabeth to hospital to see Schlimbach. Then to dinner. Chopped stuff for cookies –

14. Monday: Baked cookies – apricot chews. Took all morning. Supper with Mrs. Leeds didn't work! She fell in her apartment at 3:00 a.m. – or 3:00 p.m. They finally got her picked up and off to Clinic! Myra is wild with two to look after. . . . Barber Shop quartet – Jersey Devils!

15. Tuesday: Polished up for Reading Club. Mr. Acton called. Elizabeth Flagler, Edith Stern, Edna Braucher, and Newlin and I. Newlin read about Teacher and Albatross. I read from “The Pace of a Hen” – reading aloud. Assembled stuff for League of Women Voters table – looked nice. Sent \$700 to Fenwick. Carried off the refreshments successfully. Ruth last trip to N.Y.

16. Wednesday: Newlin of to Philadelphia. I washed my hair. Napped. Washed all dishes. Took pansies and card to Mrs. Leeds – 90th!! Read the Ireland book. Impressive. Supper with Ann Jordan. Then “jump water” [?] on the garden. TV. Kreskin, South Pacific.

17. Thursday: Cleaning?? Bed changing, anyway. I picked up Frau Elisabeth at 2:00. Shopped the Acme. Then went to the Moorestown Mall – she was delighted. Found a German-speaking fellow at the record shop – for cassettes. Ah, such vigor!

18. Friday: Drove to Hospital. Big day expected – it petered out! I took cookies (instead of doughnuts for breakfast!) Home at 2:00.

19. Saturday: Ruth will have a girls' dorm named for her! Wonderful. She and George drove to Kutztown to look-see. Newlin and I went to Newtown, saw cousin Beulah, took pictures to her. Good visit. Called on Auntie – she is SO frail! No seats at Goodnoe's at 3:00!! Home, dinner, cards, and radio. George approves the mantel.

20. Sunday: George and Ruth for breakfast. A half grapefruit,

wheatina, cheeses and two good crackers. George put stops on five doors! Ruth read from Linford's diary, page about Fran!! I ordered from Lane Bryant for Frau Elisabeth. To bed, weary.

21. Monday: Overcast. Sent \$200 to Cambridge Meeting, \$50 to Medford. Lunch with Mrs. Reeder and Mary Leeds (friend of Bernice Bonner!). Barton introduced a host of Charlotte Blashke at George School. Tea and musicale to "support Philadelphia Orchestra."|

22. Tuesday: So Reading Club was canceled. Watergate on TV. Ruth had pip. I went to Burlington City Library and brought back "Bucks County Barn" by Charles Sheeler. I love it. Read "To Live Again" by Catherine Marshall who bought Evergreen Home for her retired pa and ma. It's all there – the greenery, the Taylor map, frog doorstep, etc. Very nice indeed.

23. Wednesday: A bird in the feeder – twice! Big deal! Talk with Edna Braucher – if god is love and all powerful, why does he let Lilly Pickett die so slowly? She was all unnerved. Lunch with Chester Reagan and Mrs. Macy. Got my vase from Mrs. Leeds. Newlin off to Mount Holly for Dan Hunt for dinner. Quite a guy.

24. [no entry]

25. Friday: Schlimmie had a bad night. Walked for a nurse for her roommate. Very busy day.

26. Saturday: Spent the whole morning measuring for the hoped-for garden. Overcast, rain. I cleaned out the back of the car. Lent a cup of flour to Claire Ford – and apricots. All in the Family at Ruth's, then royalty here. Barn picture is good.

27. Sunday: Schlimmie is back. Rain, off and on. Dismal weekend. Meford Meeting had Visiting Committee – then they all ate at

Leas. Kate was our fourth. Very noisy and crowded in the dining room. Went over Halcyon's in preparation for Alumni Day.

28. Monday: RAIN! I washed my hair before breakfast.

29. Tuesday: Search for snapshot of Evergreen Home. To Sterns for full attendance at Reading Club. I read from Catherine Marshall "To Live Again." Davis and Ford are moving to Smith College apartment!! Art and music and food in faculty dining room.

30. Wednesday: Shopping in a.m. Visited Mrs. Leeds. Bookmobile. Lunch in private dining room with Ingersolls – for Tom Thompson Taylor, Swarthmore. Home – did big laundry. Quite warm. Eleven shirts – pressed them off in evening.

31. Thursday: Weary – changed beds with Elizabeth Flagler dropping in. Ironed three shirts. Newlin off to Mount Holly for legal proof that we are heirs to Linford's estate. Felt very blue. Supper with Blatchfords. Cleaned up.

June

1. Friday: Newlin took me over early. I read Ruth Montgomery's "Here and Hereafter" – unbelievable - re - in carnation! Fair day, but long. Home dishes.

2. Saturday: Up, packed and off by 9:00. Then Walt Whitman Bridge. Signed up after breakfast with Ditton and Berry and Hayes. To dedication of Wood garden in DuPont Building. Then parade, lunch under tree. E. Felter and Pat and E. Bishop. Caroline Lippincott Forman. Library, nap, dinner at Aronimink. Pop Livesey! Rain and home. Old dress OK.

3. Sunday: Breakfast at Olive and Art Baker's – wonderful! Big

put of chipped beef. Corn bread. Home, disappointed – no Meeting! Sun and paper. Home for dinner. Newlin at desk working hard. I unpacked, etc. Good weekend.

4. Monday: To League of Women Voters Meeting at Lewis House – two parties in the summer and Residents Meeting. Elected Ruth to board for one year, also Ruth Irish. Ruth Sallie, etc. Who for Pres? Plea for Burlington City Hospital Funds. Then Myra and I went to PTA meeting – floundering on what to do and how to do it! RAIN.

5. Tuesday: Election Day. Up but sleepy. To Reading Club – last of year. Pleasant reading – Myra spoke for Ann Klein. I read “Space Child’s Mother Goose.” Newlin read “Hand-Taming Wild Birds.” Ruth from Green Pastures. Helen Davis – Bible! Charity! Blesseds and Naomi and Ruth. Then lunch together in private dining room. Very pleasant. Five Democrats in a row to vote. 308 registered voters in District 8!

6. Wednesday: Up but sleepy. Muggy. Returned books to Bookmobile. Wore new Papiti print. Cahill lost to Sandman, Ann Klein lost to Judge Byrne. Well, he’s pretty good. To Township Board Meeting in stifling room over Fire House. They voted down the rezoning change to 2-plus/acre.

7. Thursday: Put winter blankets away and summer ones on. Muggy – not too hot. Need a bit of rain.

8. Friday: To Hospital. Busy, not frantic. Filed cards most of day. Home. HOT! Changed bed for George.

9. Saturday: Fearfully hot yet. We took a bucket of water out in the car at sundown [?]. Also played royalty. Ruth and George had a 1,000 game!! He had a cold, too. My left arm went numb at dinner. Straightened out OK.

10. Sunday: Up – watered garden here. 90° plus. To Meeting. Found Else Fernsler! To Quarterly Meeting. George was here. They left about 4:00. Supper with Edna Braucher and ----- . Newlin wrote a good family letter. Newlin transplanted a mum from Helen's garden. List of stresses with life situations. That's me!

11. Monday: Newlin to Philadelphia. Dr. Carabasi pleased with his progress. Helen Davis and Clair Ford MOVED. Well!! Mrs. Blatchford hovered all day. 92°. Gave Ruth \$50.00 for trip. Finnie sat at table “. . . mis-advice from tour leader.” Oleson wants Ruth for President. Carried ½ bucket of water to beans – and back is nervous and jumping – PAIN.

12. Tuesday: Off at 9:00 to Brigantine with Mrs. Hughes as hostess. Then to Smithville for buffet lunch – very nice. Probably \$5.00 each. My back behaved OK except for steps up. Back at 2:00. Hot - Hot!

13. Wednesday: Up – to Red Rooster by 8:45. Then to Glassboro for League of Women Voters technique sessions. Took Myra and Helen Berry. Very good – Doris Fleming fantastic!! Home with lunch on the road. Good day. Car did well.

14. Thursday: Back improving. Made beds, then off to L.W.V.

15. Friday: Up, to Hospital. HOT! Light day. Home at 2:00. To Robert Seaman, lawyer for Ruth's will. (50% Me, 25% Fenwick, 12½ Kutztown State Teachers College, 12½ Byberry.) Home to see Ruth off at 5:00 via taxi – calm and controlled! Then Kate! Sat on patio till 11:00 call from Bordentown. Newlin to police station till midnight. No driver!! Hope he gets there. Kate's apartment in a MESS.

16. Saturday: Cleaned up around – pretty sleepy. Kate must be off! Newlin to Rotary auction – bought five bottles. I went to the laundry. Lindy Ware was cleaning stuff. Took a while to do bedspreads. Ironed ten shirts in evening. (Dinner with Hardies.) Pooped. Rain in floods.

17. Sunday: Perfectly gorgeous day. To Meeting. Silent! Dinner with Bill and Lindy Ware. Much talk of people. I called on Schlimmie, then lemonade with Blatchford. Then quick trip to Else Fernsler – attractive little house. I wrote a page of typing. Went well. Willis phoned. Mary is in Bryn Mawr Hospital with broken hip!!

18. Monday: Overcast, cool. I washed my hair! Newlin brought in apricots. Hair only fair.

19. Tuesday: Newlin digging at the rest of the patio garden.

20. Wednesday: Up, early, for Newlin to Take Mt. Holly bus at 7:30 for Philadelphia. Then both doctors were late! Home at 5:00 pooped. Very warm day. I went to Planning Board Meeting – no air conditioning! Two big developers “put off.” Drat the strike on the Hi-Speed Line!

21. Thursday: Newlin up, not quite so early, to go to Philadelphia. Krieked my back making beds. It screamed!! Newlin home. We hunted three-pronged rake for Blatchford. None, even at Sears. Bought some cheese.

22. Friday: My back kills me! Bed most of the day. Didn't go to the hospital. Rode to dinner with Drasher. Stock market only topic of conversation. We drove around the country – they go only to market. So limited.

23. Saturday: Felt very low. Linford again. Back hurts. Some improvement, though. Pulled out needlepoint. Newlin read long Wall Street expose in New Yorker. I'm all right sitting or lying down – but walking! Ouch. Dinner with Jeannette Haines and Mrs. Moss. Then ride around the country. Much appreciated.

24. Sunday: We didn't go to Meeting. I laid around. Newlin brought lovely flowers in. Took Hughes and Cole over, then rode around a bit. Back hurts. Gathering on patio very pleasant – Blatchford, too.

25. Monday: Back to bed – with heat pad. Almost all day. Dizzy at times. But back is better at dinner time with Elizabeth Flagler, two ladies. Dean on Watergate quite a physical chore, reading six hours! Fish with bones. No pureeing for Flagler.

26. Tuesday: Newlin in to Philadelphia early. (Strike on Hi-Speed Line.) Waited two hours for one doctor and an hour for another. Home pooped (hot day) and annoyed. My back is better if I do nothing! Currrses.

27. Wednesday: Pump for the sewer broke – sewage backed up in one lower court. All moved out! MESS! Someone smoked in toilet of Health Center – bell rang, everyone rushed out. Well the sensor works, anyway. Newlin guinea pig for the big Rounds of Doctors.

28. Thursday: I went over for Dr. Paul. She took blood pressure but no thump or examination of back. Soak four times in hot water. Ugh! . . . Somebody or some thing caused a geyser in the water main – water off coupla hours. Dinner with Kargs – also Ugh. He's probably a Bircher. Jerks badly.

29. Friday: I soaked and felt fine. Returned pad to Mrs. Hughes. It's pretty hot. At dinner we asked Pratts to come over in evening. Much talk of Watergate. Newlin followed it much. VERY heavy

thunderstorm and RAIN – six inches in New Jersey. Lights off two hours.

30. Saturday: I finished reading Bird's book on the Rockies! What a gal! I soaked a couple of times. We went to pick the first blueberries at .15/pint - .90! [i.e. six pints]. We handed them out to everyone in our court. Ate potato chips at noon. Not good. Supper with Holls. Browns are back from Florida.

July

Sunday: My back aches again. Rough walking for blues? Louisa called. Marjorie has had a stroke and is in BCMH intensive care. We'll take them over. Skipped Meeting, went at 11:40. She's pretty poorly. Came back to eat late. Schlimmie is going to dining room.

2. Monday: Reading "Three Fronteers" by J.W.'s sister Alice. Very interesting. But she gave it up in the depression. Tough. Writes nicely.

3. Tuesday: Sorted all the shirts. Newlin went along to laundry. But he was busy reading. Very hot. Mr. Ostler sat on the patio a bit. Had dinner with Drs. Rogers and Marr. Jealous cook sent in raw chicken legs! More fun!!

4. Wednesday: Fourth of July. Overcast, hot, sticky – a real Fourth! We had brunch all a.m. and dinner from 3:30 to 6:30. Filet mignon! \$119 for shrimps, fancy nibbles. Too sweet punch. Newlin to garden. I went later. Fixed a "lock" for Mrs. Hughes. Walked over to sit on Barnwell's porch. Then watched fireworks out the end of our unit. Ate with Deckers.

5. Thursday: Almost as hot – sticky, overcast. Thunderstorm at 5:00 a.m. Soaked! I'll take Ruth's car to drive to Mount Holly.

Pratts and Cooke.

6. Friday: Reading “Healing and Christianity” by Kelsey. Sat with Jean Conti, mentioned it. She gasped and said “I’m working on an article by him!” Two pages later there was a reference to it! Such a coincidence!

7. Saturday: Four in Tops Taxi for the area – each “to the door.” Nice. Ruth called just after 11:00 to say she was HOME.

8. Sunday: Milk and blueberries, yogurt appreciated. Ruth rested all day. Very hot. Some upset by food, but OK. Terrific trip. Dumb comments – Machu Picchu – what is this? Dinner with Metz at his hacienda – son at Tufts! We went to Meeting. Bill Martin on lack of nurses. Beautiful things for us of Alpaca – Bracelet and pin!

9. Monday: Back is enough better to wash my hair. Still pretty sore, tho. I must exercise it. Ruth was off to Baltimore.

10. Tuesday: Off shortly after 9:00 for \$40.60 of items at Edwards Freeman in Conshohocken. Australian slab apricots. No raisins, no almonds, no apricots in Cal! Then to Goodnoes for lunch. Visit with Cousin Beulah and Auntie and Barbara and Martha Florence, Harold, Barry.

11. Wednesday: Newlin picked a quart of bag worms off Flagler’s tree!! I prepared list for Friday in Philadelphia. Last of centerfolds pulled out of League of Women Voters. K. Y. Town. Hot. Drove to Daum house by BACK ROADS!

12. Thursday: Perfectly marvelous day, after a COOL night. Celestine Smith is returning to Leas today. I ferry Pratts. The boy did poorly on the kitchen floor. Doris came and told him better. We went for blueberries 4 - 4:15 – place was entered!! Muddy [foot] print and spot of spray. Currrrrses! Called on P.T. and Mr.

Beadle.

13. Friday: I decided not to go to Philadelphia. Good thing. The front door latch is now fixed. Entry reported.

14. Saturday: Our building is empty! Only Actons and Hughes and us. Mrs. Acton fell in the tub Friday the 13th – got a black grapefruit on her seat – no damage. Mary Dunbar is in hospital. Cancer of stomach – given only a few days. Dinner with Miss Kitty and Dr. Kitty! The Stearns! Fine time.

15: Sunday: Newlin and I went over to Rancocas Meeting – 1772. Meeting every Sunday since then. Rain, in floods.

16. Monday: TV men came. Left to get part, might come tomorrow. So someone stays home. Watergate goes on – Nixon recorded all conversations in offices in White House – for history! What a jolt to top visitors. Wrote a letter home and cleaned the typewriter.

17. Tuesday: I picked three pints of blueberries. Took some to Ruth. Dinner with Ruth Finnie – she is NOT going to Africa! Ruth's pictures came. She's very stiff, hung on to rail in walkway, and color is not good. Trip was hard on her. Mr. Beadle came thru operation in fine shape. Wore my throw-it-on in p.m. when needle-point [sic].

18. Wednesday: Newlin picked the first beans! We ate them at lunch. Scrumptious!

19. Thursday: Changed beds. (I typed two pages of income tax.) Cleaned up by Shirley. I took Pratts over and they were greatly cheered my Marjorie's liveliness. Beans for hors d'ouvres before dinner – Ruth joined us! The TV conked out.

20. Friday: Ruth busy all evening with Board Meeting.

21. Saturday: So I was going to buy a raincoat! Overcast, rain promised – we went to pick blueberries! Ruth called to say she had guests for dinner, and I barely made it. Elwood Paul Phillips and Emily (she is going to Australia!). Supper with Bingham's whose cousin discovered Machu Picchu! They saw it from horseback. Flowers in memory of Roy Beadle! Too bad. Much photo of map and clock. First tomato and more beans!

22. Sunday: Overcast – not too bad. Tried to call on Schlimmie. To Medford Meeting. Several spoke. Let's have a lady on facing benches.

23. Monday: Ahh – the TV is fixed. I took Louisa over to the hospital – we talked a lot on the way home. She knows NOTHING of vitamins. I took my stuff down.

24. Tuesday: Bought a raincoat yesterday – Wanamak will be sent. (Monday) These two days may be twisted – I don't know.

25. Wednesday: Hazel and Mary come over on Mary's so brief vacation. Uncle Ellwood is pretty senile. Aunt Emma fell and broke some ribs. Hard on Hazel! I went to Board of Health and Township Meeting. Heard of developer in woods near the woodpile! Lou Barton offered \$135,000 and he asked \$140,000. So

. . . .

26. Thursday: We got cleaned up. Newlin helped a lot. Then got off at 3:30 for Dulles airport and Tom. Sat at dinner with Mary Borton, former clerk of Princeton Meeting, and Andrew Long – with whom I was outright pugnacious. Most peculiar. He is visiting in Reading.

27. Friday: Washed my hair! Sat at dinner with Marion Roberts and Elizabeth. Gave Elizabeth the psychic book. I'm convinced of

its truth – it puts a different light on immortality. “The Miracle Workers.” Jess Stearn, American Psychic Consultants. Tried to go to Educators Meeting – couldn’t find it! Used Ruth’s car.

28. Saturday: Up. Watered house plants and made a dozen deviled eggs. Looked for C. Welty. No show. To League of Women Voters party at Daum’s. Pleasant time. Took Hess. House across lake on market for \$190,000!

29. Sunday: Ruth and I went to Mt. Laurel Meeting. Very small. Mrs. Barton there. Ate with Sinker and ----- . Good meal. NY Times all afternoon. Picked five tomatoes and a handful of beans. Nice. . . . They charge Mr. James \$500 for one in apartment, and \$300 for wife in H.C.

30. Monday: So Henrietta is 38 – and sick at stomach in morning! Another such! Finished “The Day of the Jackal” – Fantastic, complicated. Clever. And such a denouement! An Englishman’s misunderstanding of the French. Took Ruth and Schlimmie and Helen Draher to the garden. I hunted a meeting that wasn’t!

31. Tuesday: Newlin came home at 3:30. We went to pick blueberries. Seven pints.

August

1. Wednesday: Pretty muggy. Ecch. Thank goodness July is over. Newlin and I went to the TSHP committee meeting at Memorial School. Passed zoning to protect historical area in Medford.

2. Thursday: Changed one bed – dusted. Readheaded porter – pretty stupid. Ruth to Loyalty dinner meeting – went to lunch. Mrs. Black was added. Ecch! Waved the Safarians off at 5:00. Dinner with Unger – she with clacking teeth! They’re leaving! ‘ray! To Zoning board of appeals – they held the line on a big developer on

New Freedom road – beyond the “camp.”

3. Friday: Hot MUGGY night. A bad one. Blatchfords returned about 11:30 p.m. We welcomed them. I wish my coat would come.

4. Saturday: Very muggy! Ruth asked us to supper of fried tomatoes, corn-off-the-cob, homemade bread, cantaloupe. Wonderfully good! Then we saw the 95 slides that came in two days for Arizona?

5. Sunday: We four – Ruth driving, and George and Newlin and I went to Meadow Lakes. Very pretty. Good use of green and handsome farmhouse. Skylights and two floors. Didn't see main buildings. Home by 12:00 for dinner. Paper, and relax with Royalty.

6. Monday: Newlin went in to Philadelphia – bought a turned-in pair of bird glasses. I washed three dresses and ironed four. Took Leas Life down to LeBars. Dinner with Blatchfords, then TV, then trip to the garden. Fine thing!

7. Tuesday: I hunted peaches at Jersey Jerry's and at Russo's. I bought some rejects at Russo – ½ basket for \$1.00. Then had to cut up a dish for fresh, and stewed the balance. Now we're all set – for the month! Newlin laid the stepping stones. Nice.

8 – 10 [no entries]

11. Saturday: We got away at 9:00 – with a Waterford chair ribboned to Henrietta's wedding to Randall Candea at Halfway. HOT – but by 5:00 it was comfortable. Fran, three daughters, Anne, one girlfriend and escort, three overseers. Tom and Mary Taylor, Uncle Lindon and alcoholic Alice! Bob Warren and two kids. Lovely terrace and moon. Many pictures.

12. Sunday: HOT – 97° in Baltimore! We drove to Hancocks Bridge Meeting House. Ruth came. I rode home with her. Newlin came alone, later. We packed the folding chairs and thought about Tanglewood. Ruth came over to eat corn. We picked a bucket of tomatoes, handed them out to all and sundry.

13. Monday: We got away at 10:30. It was Very Hot. All stops crowded. Lines to the toilets! We got here in late afternoon. Installed in #8. Cool! We hunted Windsor Mountain School – put a note on Fenwick’s door. He phoned. I went to sleep. Through everything! Ate at the Truck Stop.

14. Tuesday: Breakfast at the Truck Stop. \$1½ M. investment. The drivers make \$20 – \$30,000/year. To Tanglewood to buy tickets for tonight. It included the Chamber Music in the Theatre with Fenwick playing Ligeti [Ten Bagatelles for woodwind quintet]. Slick! He’ll sit with us tonight. 180 piece orchestra. Mrs. Braucher called. Tanglewood on Parade!

15. Wednesday: Watched 10:00 rehearsal – Foster? reading. To Lenox Library!! for Globe to be duplicated. Fine. Sandwich at coffee break. Beaded evening dress! Dinner at Polynesian spot. Home in p.m.

16. Thursday: RAINY. We watched student conductors. Ozawa “helped” the British guy. Sandwich on premises were eccch! We stopped at Berkshire Garden Center – herbs! and giftee shoppee. Home. Nap. Dressed and ready for Edna Braucher and Volckhausen. Dinner at Red Lion Inn. Fabulous lamb chops. We all got along well. Back here and sat a bit.

17. Friday: Foggy foggy overcast cleared. We watched conductor’s rehearsals. Fenwick finished at 11:00. Cashed a check. Shopped in Pittsfield – but no shoes 12 AA black. Home, nap after iced tea. Up, and dressed for dinner at Polynesian. We drove around the

lake and over the hill from West Stockbridge. Lovely. Tall orange juice and so to bed.

18. Saturday: We went to the 10:00 a.m. rehearsal again – but were kicked out – and after we paid \$3.00 each for the BSO rehearsal. Took Fenwick to the truck stop for lunch. We rested, then went to the evening performance. Peruvian item was perfect. Dumb Wild didn't coordinate with Fiedler. Seats \$7.50 too far to sides. Dvorak excellent.

19. Sunday: Very foggy again. Up with a bite of cheese and to Chamber Music – Poulenc, Carter, and Bartok. Four by Carter needed a conductor! To truck stop for breakfast and gas. To Tanglewood – sat on our chairs until time to go in. Very good seats – \$8.50! Andre Watts (age 27!) two piano pieces. Tschaikowsky Ozawa conducted. Watts was terrific. Leisurely exit.

20. Monday: Up – breakfast at Truck Stop. On the way, overcast day. Taconic was lovely. Negotiated 245 miles with no problems. One place rationed gas – 10 gallon max/car. We took [Route] 8. Home before dinner. Newlin and Ruth went to Residents' meeting. I checked the garden and unwound.

21. Tuesday: Wilma and Eleanor Stackhouse came for lunch and stayed till 4:00! I dashed off to Mall – NO card tables! We told Wilma about Linford – she had seen Becky Monego on the train, she must have told her. No shock. She can't see anything.

22. Wednesday: Newlin in to Philadelphia – Strawbridge and Clothier has card tables! Sat with Curtises for dinner. Took Newlin to Board of Health meeting, and I went to Echelon Mall and BOUGHT a Samsonite 36"! \$24.00. Hope she likes it! Newlin pulled a lot of weeds from garden and beds.

23. Thursday: Mary Dunbar died last night. Such a release! Beds

changed, cleaned up by 10:45. September weather – cool at night, sun is warm. Florence Selleck died!

24. Friday: Ruth to Board Meeting. Blatchfords picked peaches. Took an air fern to Ruth – not very enthusiastic acceptance. Five table with Pratts. Then TV. Then bridge game. Nice evening. But poor bridge! Ecch.

25. Saturday: Up, packed. Special Delivery Letter – Fenwick's flight moved from September 3 to August 30 noon – in New York! Phone and letter writing. Off to Virginia at 10:10 – overshot at Frederick. Just made it to Meeting house in time to change. Rachel and Jim nice wedding. Much folk singing, delicious food. Werner spoke well. Tom Taylor ditto. Giant ragweed!!

26. Sunday: Up, snorting. Donned the nose-ring while Newlin went to the farm. Started home before 9:00, arrived about 1:30. Breakfast at a Frederick Truck Stop! 201.5 miles, Villa to Leas. Removed nose ring in afternoon. Hot, hot again.

27. Monday: Very warm. I removed nose ring, but have a little tickle. Ruth called – young Mr. Brown was bringing his newly published "Thomas Knight of Pennsylvania." Most interesting guy – lives in Cherry Hill, has researched ten years! Johnson Cleaner – OK. Hunts (four) for lunch.

28. Tuesday: Oh so HOT! 100° or high 90's all around. Four days in Wisconsin! Wayne Wessner came for lunch. An impressive guy. Newlin sent a chrysanthemum. Ruth and George cards. Dinner with Pratts. Nice. Very hot!! Played old records and danced to them. The little bird did not come back. Too bad, too.

29. Wednesday: Oh so HOT again. Newlin wrote a nice letter to George Selleck. Will he or won't he [Fenwick] get here! He'll phone – and we waited. Newlin bought \$3.11 of steak. He came

after dinner. I cooked the steak and corn and sliced tomatoes. He played and tried on a sweater.

30. Thursday: Fenwick must fly back to Germany – reporting at noon in N.Y.City. I picked up all the nasturtiums (four) and had them on the table when we told him about Florence Selleck's death. Took him for the 8:55 a.m. bus. Nice guy –

31. Friday: HOT! New neighbors Virgie Mendenhall (with dog), Ellen Thomas, executive type. I took three do's of orange juice over. Men had nothing after breakfast till 3:00! They were pooped. Blatchford took iced tea. I took maps, etc.

September

1. Saturday: George came in in p.m. – had a bug. We played Royalty, then Scrabble. But no bridge. Went for peaches – ten for a dollar at Jersey Jerry's. \$1.25 for half basket “ripe” ones at Tabernacle Russo's. No comparison.

2. Sunday: Hot and sunny. Nose is tickling – so I didn't go to Meeting. We were invited to tea at Thomas'. She was all unpacked and nicely set. Virgie was dazedly fretting about books and placing. I took five pretty peaches over.

3. Monday: George went in p.m. Enjoyed English pictures again. Wonderful stone houses. Home for fried tomatoes and corn and peaches. Ruth stopped by. Tremendous thunderstorm and good rain. But still HOT. Made some fair tomato juice – ours. First in to dinner at noon. GOOD!

4. Tuesday: Wet, muggy. Not even an early red sun. But it cleared. Phoned to set up the League of Women Voters table for Saturday at the Fair. Fair luck. Wore elephants, sat with Morell. Flagler for lunch. It was a hard trip (to Africa). Sun is down at 7:30!

5. Wednesday: More phoning on the Saturday schedule. Finally got it set up. Board Meeting at Curtis. I'll have it next time!

6 – 7 [no entries]

8. Saturday: Drove to north of Washington 154 miles. 9:00 – 12:30. Lunch, then wait at church. Edie and Janie and Chuck and Russell De Burlo. White church – long ceremony. Girl read Bible, fellow read “The Little Prince.” They said “I will,” and recited a vow they wrote. Debbie looked tops. Her Kennard was OK. Chick, Janet. Johnnie was usher. Isabel looked lovely. The Good family was nice looking. Reception at house. Mrs. Good made punch and cake!! We drove them home.

9. Sunday: I went to Meeting with Margaret Linton. Newlin to Newtown for Anna Palmer's memorial service. Willis had called. She had been his first schoolteacher. Dinner with Moores and Mr. James. He was ornery!! Very slow girl.

10. Monday: Phone, phone, phone all day and finally found a hostess. Need another. Morning spent at Betty Barnard's on Voters Service supplementary information. Maude Sharp – pretty non-cooperative.

11. Tuesday: Gorgeous day. I finished phoning for hostess. Wrote it up and took it to Marion Thorpe. Hundreds of bikes! It will go into the Bulletin. Then a squibb on the voting on September 26. Good, good! To the laundrymat! Twelve shirts.

12. Wednesday: Ironed off some shirts. HOT in daytime. To Red Rooster to dispense League of Women Voters flyers on Voting. Put them in bank and Reese Haines and Library and sandwich spot. Home. To School Board Meeting. They were promoting the new school.

13. Thursday: Lovely clear day. I rode with Myra to Log Lodge, then with Margaret Roberts to Hammonton for very useful workshop. Back. Slow cleaner. I vacuumed and dusted. She did one bathroom! Dinner with Marion Roberts and Thierman and Morgan Ostler.

14. Friday: Newlin off to Philadelphia. I went back to bed! Rain! Blessed. Dinner for five with Pratts. Newlin home at 1:30 – no injection. But next Wednesday he goes in for X-rays of urinary and chest!

15. Saturday: I swore I'd never go to the Mall on Saturday. Flagler showed me Scandia on outside route to Moorestown – and I bought Vitamin C. I'm up to 146 or 147. Too too heavy again.

16. Sunday: Newlin off to do all his papers. I didn't go to Meeting. Newlin went to 9:30 here. After dinner we walked to see three community rooms – 7, 17, 28. Keys work well. Ruth is off to Kutztown – delayed with fuel pump – \$55.00 and \$25.00 overnight. Dorothy Rager Miller had a stroke!!!

17. Monday: Hazel Townsend came in a.m. Ruth was delayed so I got plays for the reading club. We set up a supplementary notice about the new school tax increase – \$.16 on \$3.91. Residents' meeting. Ruth pooped.

18. Tuesday: Book Club at 112 – Newlin went for a walk! I read from "Mrs. Appleyard." Lunch, then washed my hair. Newlin took baked goods to Peg Sutton. Dinner. Newlin off to get medicine, back. Rode the bus to Haddonfield. Topic – New England – window open! Bus bumped me a headache.

19. Wednesday: Newlin up and off to Philadelphia for prostate X-ray, etc. Fere discuss [sic], here at 9:30. I brushed up around. Some

sinus. Lunch. Aspirin and nap. Carol Lewis called to cancel doorbell ringing. Dinner with Mr. Johnson. Newlin to Planning Board. I didn't go to League of Women Voters open meeting.

20. Thursday: Packed and off – 305 miles. Right over George Washington Bridge. We arrived in late afternoon and had supper at the Legal Seafood Restaurant. Then to see Lil. Spent evening with George and Amy Beal. A wonderful start.

21. Friday: I went shopping – with NO money – via Cambridge Bank. Bought two pairs of shoes. White \$27.00, blue 28.00! Two dresses – the Jordan Marsh credit held. To Cambridge for tea with Ellen and Charlotte Taskier and Polly Wood. So good. Newlin up to Tufts.

22. Saturday: To Bransons (Lambs have gone!). Now Adam Boland! Mary Gavrelis – what a situation. Jockeying for Mayor! Lunch at Winchester Country Club with Sally and Fred Greenwood. Tea at Brooks'. They are well, but fading. Called on Robert Robbins. Lil had supper, and a fireplace!!!

23. Sunday: Off to early meeting. Saw so many – missed Houghtons and St. Johns. Stayed to start late. Then home to change for wedding. Debbie and Kennard – David Douglas White K. Saw many. To Sue Manly's afterward. Home to Lil. She was working – in bed. Gave me a dress! We fell into bed.

24. Monday: Bought two forty-pound boxes of logs to burn and left them on front porch. Drove 318 miles. Car behaved beautifully. Home by supper. Pretty pooped. Newlin went back to hear “Around the World in 80 slides” by Barnhardt. I wrote some notes.

25. Tuesday: Reading Club at Myra's. Slim group. Decided to ask Hammond Blatchford to join us again. Newlin to ask.

26. Wednesday: Newlin in Philadelphia. I washed underwear. Washed black and blue dress and socks.

27. Thursday: Sleepy – dressed by noon. Cleaned up late. Made lunch. Tomato juice out of crop of tomatoes. Dinner with Ruth Hoskins. Then off to poorly attended League of Women Voters open meeting at Shawnee, with Dr. Daum and Konstantinos. Newlin good trip to Dr. Strong on prostate.

28. Friday: Up – tired! Shopped. Lunch with Drasher. Home. Vacuumed. Tried to nap. Faint headache. Warm again, Newlin off to Swarthmore for night. George was here – so what!

29. Saturday: Spent the whole morning making a layered apricot jello for supper contribution tomorrow. I must send for Esther Weed's recipe again. Played Royalty with George and Ruth. Saw pictures of Virginia wedding. Will get prints of two.

30. Sunday: Took Virgie Mendenhall to Meeting. Dinner with Mrs. Lockwood's Texas son, M.D. He was hilarious. Then we napped and got going to League of Women Voters dinner to thank "advisory board" – good meeting at Ruth Cichon. Lakeside spot – lovely. Excellent food. Cold. My Peruvian cape was very comfortable.

October

1. Monday: Beautiful day. I suggested and we went to Island Beach State Park, near Seaside Heights. Lovely beach, balmy wind, natural dunes. We saw the ocean! At last! Home. Recorded music in evening too bass.

2. Tuesday: Reading Club here. Hammond B. had a hilarious piece about Model T Ford. Mr. Stern read a Jewish short story.

3. Wednesday: Up, pushed back for kids. Several trips over to #17. All set. Board Meeting all a.m. – what did we decide? Posters needed! I volunteered. After lunch and dishes I went for eight sheets of yellow cardboard. Cut it all and printed four posters.

4. Thursday: Changed beds. Cleaned up and straightened up. Rested. Made one model poster for Margaret Roberts. To laundry – rested – then ironed two dresses and eleven shirts. Long day. To bed weary. Placed posters in Laundromat, Library, Joe's Market and Acme. . . . American Friends Service Committee speaker in evening was very good, we thought.

5. Friday: Up – I took the car to Burlington City Hospital early. Lovely new area. Typed and took people to rooms. Some old regulars still there. Pat Very Busy! They're hunting a secretary. Stood it OK. Supper with Drashers. TV, Wall Street, then home. Saw Washington Week – here.

6. Saturday: Cold, sunny, perfect. I read on League of Women Voters program. Ecch – organization is needed. . . . Beans and fried tomatoes for lunch. So good. Pratts entertaining family. So – no game. Ruth off to Kutztown for various meetings.

7. Sunday: We went to Cropwell Meeting – Monthly Meeting. More comment on the 8's. Gladys Fleming may be added! Wrote a silly letter and sent it out. In the typewriter since August!

8. Monday: Still working on organizing material.

9. Tuesday: With butterflies to Jean Luke – NICE place. There six months! Nice gal – no difficulty with discussion. We should have ended earlier. Only two knew what Unit Meeting was. Peg Sutton had been to one. Long read Hamlet very well.

10. Wednesday: Newlin off by 9:30 – the time of his date in Philadelphia. I straightened up, then off to Marge Bersh's – nine and me. Pretty good discussion – little agreement. Myre was scribe. Then Agnew's resignation was announced! Wow! TV and radio full of it. . . .

11. Thursday: Made up three beds. Put out towels. Pat did bathrooms and kitchen. I vacuumed. To Shawnee at 2:00. A handful of kids listened. We brought Mr. Volpe to Leas. Senior Citizen from Hammonton. Good fellow for Bynne.

12. Friday: Up, dusted, put flowers around. Bought tickets for dinner. To B.C.M.Y. lunch with Else Fernsler. Blatchford admitted. He's SO blue! Home dead tired. Found Caroline Malin with Betty Barnard. Kitty Forman arrived at 5:00. Rest. Dinner with Flagler. . . . Calls. Home – Nixon's Vice President announcement. Ruth had oral surgery!!

13. Saturday: Wheatina, fruit and cheese for breakfast. I went for posters – got one! Talked with Ruth, then talked with Elizabeth. Washed up. Letter from Fenwick. Good! Nap. Ruth and I to small table in Terrace Room. Ruth on liquids. Nine waitresses left this week. . . .

14. Sunday: Slow, restful day. Washed my hair. Took a nap, watered plants. To dinner with Ruth at 1:30 in the small dining room. Not too bad. League of Women Voters program at 3:00 on Pa. topic. Hoot Owl candidates sheet, GOOD.

15. Monday: Took bus to Moorestown Mall for \$2.00 belt at Woolworth and \$5.00 belt at Wanamaker's. Sunflower seeds, cheese. Little "gold" chain choker. Home weary. Got directions and played bird records for Birdwatchers.

16. Tuesday: No reading club. Bus to Medford, then walked back

via [abandoned] railroad tracks. Very pretty day. Read Dr. Atkins diet! Newlin home from Virginia – got a call to attend a Democratic program on developing.

17. Wednesday: Very handsome display of craft work – lovely afghan. Pretty pressed flower papers. Weaving! Newlin to Township meeting. Ruth and I to Haddonfield. Hong Kong and Macao – they can have it!

18. Thursday: Beds changed. Then off with Gladys Fleming to Rogers. FLAT TIRE! They worked so hard at “belief.” Stuffy, too. Home – no cleaning! Newlin dinner with panelists. Panel on Leas and the Community. Interesting. Myra, Mrs. Stokes. Rotary and Mayor.

19. Friday: Overslept to 7:30. Up. Newlin got gas, no tire. I drove over. Hard day. Kid propped up! Burn gone home. Lunch alone. Everyone frantic – getting ready for tomorrow. Napped. To dinner 6:30! Second table – not bad. Short on the hospital with double amputee. Home to TV and knit.

20. Saturday: Newlin up for 7:00 bird walk – about eight went. Saw house in woods.

21. Sunday: I went to Meeting – then Eleanor and Annette Humbrecht came. Dinner and Peru pictures and call. Very nice surprise. Quiet evening.

22. Monday: Lunch with Ruth – Then Peru in evening. Horrible slide maneuvering with Collins. People liked it. Applauded the little fellow backed up to the wall!

23. Tuesday: Reading Club at Stearns’. Newlin to Philadelphia. Come back in spring. Listened to Richardson at 11:00 – he’s quite a guy. So Cox and Ruckelhaus and Richardson are gone. Best

around. I went to Trenton for Linford material.

24. Wednesday: Much moving of china, etc. to #17 for League of Women Voters Membership Meeting. Went OK. Fairly good exhibit on election. The Medford League will have nothing! Newlin to Philadelphia. Bot "Meditation." Luke washed up.

25. [no entry]

26. Friday: Wore my white shoes to Hospital – went OK. Long day. Mrs. Rasch very poorly! Desk placed better. Will have a secretary. Gorgeous view from top floors.

27. Saturday: Took Schlimmie to Burlington County Library. She did the steps! Loved the place. Home – all a.m. Only Ruth and I take her places! Kate Paine is back. Looking thinner in pants suits, hair too long, etc.

28. Sunday: Took Marion Roberts and Elizabeth Thierman to Crosswicks Meeting. Cosy, dark. Singing, good meeting. Lovely village. Newlin and I walked some woods paths. Very pretty.

29. Monday: Pouring rain – I took bus, but the November schedule wasn't doing – so I rode to Stewarts and home at 10:30! Newlin left for Virginia after lunch.

30. Tuesday: Slept late – to Woodruff for Reading Club. I did "How to Meditate." Walked over to bank for birth certificate. Came on to rain – slightly – on way home. Kate called. Ruth brought bittersweet, and news of Katherine Kline Dyck.

31. Wednesday: Clear. Over to bus to Echelon – Ruth picked me up. To dressmakers, to Mount Holly for fabric – good! \$15:00. Then to Moorestown Mall – cheese and Ruth's bathmat. Lunch. To Mount Holly for photographer. Closed! Home. Waitresses dressed

for Halloween!

November

1 – 4 [no entries]

5. Monday: Newlin in to Philadelphia, home for lunch. I went to Morristown to get a passport picture taken. Saw Framers Gallery invitation show for Moorestown artists. First half of “Magic Flute” by Tucker.

6. Tuesday: Ah – election day. Newlin voted, then went to Virginia. Democrat Byrne won handily. Reading Club at Blatchford’s. Beautiful weather all week –

7. Wednesday: League of Women Voters Board Meeting at Peg Sutton’s [with] dog and cat and kids! Awful. Myra scolded. Good. I’m to do Medford Directory. Shouldn’t be hard.

8. Thursday: Off at 8:30 with Ethel Daum to Metuchen – L.W.V. workshop. It was interesting. Bite to eat on Turnpike, home too late for flower arranging. Supper and royalty with Philips’s. They had been to Millville. Holly.

9. Friday: Ruth lent me her car. I filled it. Hard day – filing, typing, and pushing people. Newlin came home at late supper. People are driving slower! All the talk is “crisis – shortage.”

10. Saturday: Ironed a couple of shirts – went shopping in p.m. Jersey’s cider is DELICIOUS! Supper with Pratts – then to Ruth’s for royalty. Louise terrific, Will handicapped. The apartment was too hot! Everybody edgy.

11. Sunday: New York Times delayed – so Newlin needed the car. Ruth drove to Byberry Meeting, to Frances Richardson’s Memorial

Service. All participated – good. Home to dinner – Barnards and Pickman. I went over old recipes – found several!

12. Monday: I decided to go to Philadelphia by Marlton Bus. Newlin drove me – we caught up with the bus. \$1.05! one way. Too long during noon lapse. Got two Meditations from Fourth and Arch [Meetinghouse] – lovely place. Lugged and walked. Weary.

13. Tuesday: Reading Club at Ruth's. I read from "Virginia Exiles" again. Tried on red dress – it's pretty! Lee Ortega! is quite a gal. Read at Meditation – and others.

14. Wednesday: I went out to a meeting and found a sixth-grade party. Mexican – with hat dance and such. No meeting.

15. Thursday: Medford Meeting 8's met here. Holloway is Good! Mr. Rogers shallow but well informed. Ruth Rogers good – a teacher! They left – then we lunched with Marion and Walter Leedom – who TALKED! Then we were cleaned up. Newlin vacuumed. Man talked of cranberries. Quite good, too. Ruth had my dress!

16. Friday: Newlin off to Brigantine – I drove Ruth's car to Hospital. Edna Braucher looked very well. I worked hard in a.m, off at 1:30. Made passport application \$10.00 and \$2.00. Home. Nap. With Pratts for Royalty.

17. Saturday: I sprinkled all the ironing and did it. Bot candles, took uniform to cleaners. Went to fried oyster chicken salad dinner for Firemen – \$4.50. They did 9,000 oysters! Hope they made some money!

18. Sunday: Up, putting away. Newlin loaded the car with boxes. Did papers. We went to Medford Meeting. Good crowd. Dinner in the hall – then we went to Swarthmore via Chester Ferry. Everett

Hunt, Eliza Ullman, etc. Then to Hunts for a call. Home – ice cream with Ruth.

19. [no entry]

20. Tuesday: Served persimmons and read about J.R. Tree Crops to Reading Club. Quite successful. In p.m. ground cranberries with Ellen Thomas' help. Double quantity!

21. Wednesday: Bought Christmas candles and wreathes. And got out dish of balls. Looks pretty. Little ones on desk, big ones on bookcase. Letter from Risser came. No Medford Meeting – praise be! Not final yet on Linford.

22. Thursday: Thanksgiving Day. We left here at 12:00 for Ed and Lois, Ruth driving. Howard, Ruthie, 2½ Rachel and ----- Morris around green tablecloth – delicious meal. Cranberry relish enjoyed. Ruth's Peru pictures and Ed's Switzerland pictures. Rachel likes cokes and suckers – but runs on steady feet. Cute child. . . . Traffic fast on Pennsylvania Turnpike, slow at 50 miles per hour on Jersey TP.

23. Friday: Set cranberry relish and dishes and spoons for Newlin and Hunts go to Brigantine. Then to Hospital. Chaos after vacation day. Mr. Sunning [?] just awful. Shopping, so fruitcake is about ready.

24. Saturday: George here for weekend – Jo Heilman and Mr. Horace called. They like the place. Took R. and G. to dinner. We had dinner with Volkhausen – Braucher's daughter. Then evening of Royalty with Jimmy. Candles burned nicely. Kate went along to recycle glass and exchange candle. Amazed at furniture store.

25. Sunday: Walked to egg farm with Kate – she had never seen it! Dinner with Ruth and George. Baked Esther Sweet's fruit cake. 1½

hours – twice! Does look good. News came that John Phillippi died. Ruth badly hit.

26. Monday: Rode the bus to Cherry Hill Mall. Sunflower seeds, cheese and neck scarf for RED dress. Tiring, tho. Lunch, nap, purple wool to end the scarf. Dinner with Mrs. Cole – then Ceylon slides by the Morry Collinses – fair. Home to Geographic – Carmichael, Peru. Quiet –

27. Tuesday: Reading Club at Eliz Flagler's.

28. Wednesday: Went to Philadelphia via Echelon bus. Saw my small bag at Wanamakers. Bot last nightgown for Ruth, and package for Newlin. They didn't pick us up till 5:00!!! Thank goodness it was warm to sit on the bench.

29. [no entry]

30. Friday: To Hospital – they are spreading their many patients into afternoon. One guy badly burned, wife died, baby very bad – auto accident! Ghastly. He must have nightmares. Home 3:30, very tired indeed. Must set up a carpool.

December

1. Saturday: Torchlight tour of Medford homes. Took Murrell and Mr. Hays (stupid MAN!) Trumbower's home old and lovely – over decorated. Several interesting ones. Cider and cookies.

2. Sunday: Up, very leisurely. To Meeting at Medford.

3. [no entry]

4. Tuesday: Took a card and apricots over just before I left for Boston. Newlin took me to 30th Street Station. Amtrak

comfortable seat with leg props. Boston on time. Many towns dark. Fast trip to Hillsdale Road. Lil awake – only 9:30! But long day. Reading Club at Sterns. I miss his talk in evening.

5. Wednesday: Got Daniel Epstein's address. To Cambridge. Bob Slate's. Lunch at 5 Longfellow Park. Merrilie Towl, Larch Miller, Charlotte Taskier and Polly Wood. Not enough Ellen. Lois and Elmer. Home. Lil drained by date with Dick Bishop for divorce. Her leg hurt her pretty much.

6. Thursday: Phoned for a ride to Shakespeare Club at Beattie's. Wonderful welcome! To Inman Square – broiled salmon delectable! Phoned Beals. To City Hall with Mrs. Povey. L.W.V. reception for newly elected boards. More welcome! Home pretty tired. Esther Sweet – brain illness!!

7. Friday: So pleased to have my mental alarm clock wake me up at 6:30. Dressed, packed. Lil took me to Mass Ave. Streets were empty, sunrise lovely. 600 Hancock employees to N.Y.C. for weekend – travel and two nights at Hilton – \$55.00. To 30th Street subway, 8th Street to patio. Newlin met me and home for dinner. To bed early.

8. Saturday: Put things away, wound clock, shopped OJ and cider. Put up thermometer outside of MY window. Supper with Schlimmie – then stopped at Ruth's for Geography game and TV – All in the Family. Poor Schlimmie never left Germany.

9. Sunday: Pouring rain – Newlin off for papers and Leas Meeting. I went to Medford Meeting. Building cold [illegible] at Cropwell. I went home. Wrote rough draft of Christmas letter. Polished it up. Kenneth Boulding's "Price of Progress" most apt.

10. Monday: Typed the letter to go on one sheet. Newlin rushed it to Moorestown – they typed it BIG – two sheets. Pfui. We'll never

get it right. Movie “Ring of Bright Water” lovely – an otter with scenery!

11. Tuesday: To Reading club at Ruth’s – finished the Exiles. Recess till January 8, at Ruth’s. Newlin left for Virginia after lunch. Signed all Christmas letters – all I have to do is address, fold, and mail. Did family first. L.W.V. covered dish lunch – good food. Dumb program. Betty Barnard talks big.

12. Wednesday: Worked on cards. Ruth and I took poinsettia over to Auntie. She’s about the same. I drove Ruth’s car to the School Board Meeting. COLD. I had shawl over my knees.

13. Thursday: 8’s at Marlton. I had a 17-syllable Haiku. I liked it. Others variously. Mr. Rogers three-page poem on the past. I think we should look ahead. . . . Got package of whole wheat flour from Blueberry Barn. Now for some bread. Cleaned up so-so. Cards in p.m. Hong Kong Flu shot in afternoon.

14. Friday: Ruth’s car to Hospital. Comfortable day, tho long. Tried to work at desk – only fair. Pat did it all. Home 3:15. Very tired, slept lightly. Newlin came before supper. We sat with Pym. Ruth to Ira Schmidt’s dinner for board.

15. Saturday: Cooked up Kieffer pears with ginger. Newlin trimming tree for Ellen Thomas. Two apples and a suet packet.

16. Sunday: Quiet day. Newlin went to Leas Meeting and to Medford Meeting.

17. Monday: Fizzy trots all day. Reaction from flu shot? Rather delayed. Stayed in bed. Even orange juice and hot milk came up! Felt lousy. Quite weak. Newlin to Residents’ Meeting on Health Maintenance Organization [HMO].

18. Tuesday: Flat in bed with the pip! Icy rain and snow – looked lovely! Most we've had for two years.

19. Wednesday: Still icy and cold. Ugh. Lloyd Lee Wilson came in after supper. Bed was lightly made up. He was visiting Foulkeways, etc. for New England Yearly Meeting. Newlin to Planning Board meeting. Late!

20. Thursday: Much rain – glad we canceled the trip to Kendall. Lloyd Lee saw Frank an hour later – bad traveling. He looked around at apartments and left about 3:00 for Washington.

21. Friday: I was only one going to Hospital. Rainy. Out early. Shopped in bookstore. Home late, tired. Ruth a howling success on employees' program. She was pretty tired, too. Home, TV, Washington in Review – good. Route 70 entrance was flooded!

22. Saturday: Wrapped packages, sent a Gibbons to Turkey. George came in in a.m. – a beautiful poinsettia! To Rouses' before dinner. Very pleasant. Dinner with Rouses. Then bridge with Pratts. Very nice evening.

23. Sunday: Newlin up, papers in Ruth's car. To Meeting at Leas. Read papers. To dinner with Ruth and George. To Mount Holly to see Mrs. Lockwood. She broke her hip! Supper and royalty at Ruth's! She's to read to Residents New Years eve!! Nap after dinner in Virginia. Dunbars with Rouses!

24. Monday: I washed my hair! Ribboned the fruitcake to go. Newlin off to get snow tires on! Using some gas! The Christmas bread was from Frau Elizabeth. Schlimmie called. Christmas Eve – Ruth read, and Long read St. Luke. Carols were sung. Then we went home to packages.

25. Tuesday: Left at 8:15 – arrived at 11:15. Dropped George.

Dinner was just tops. Turkey, spinach soufflé, etc. Three desserts! Nice visit. Left at 3:15, home at 6:15. Bought ¼ tank of gas. Saw fifteen trucks! Nice Christmas. Matlack died – surprisingly suddenly.

26. Wednesday: Newlin went in to Philadelphia – got a treatment. Back in two weeks. Kate called and enjoyed several Christmas letters left when I dressed. Almost turned down our Christmas letter in lobby!

27. Thursday: I went to Moorestown Mall for seeds. NONE. Betsy Miller blew in! Delightful visit. Talked a mile a minute. Kate too, who couldn't think of her name! Getting letters done gradually.

28. Friday: Took Faith Miller to the Hospital. Light day. Left at 1:30. Dropped her and hunted ginger-root and sunflower seeds – at Two Guys! Not much. Ruth to Moorestown for Matlack services. Ran in with Kate – mediocre production.

29. [no entry]

30. Sunday: To Meeting at Medford. Else Fernsler was there, will work four days for A.F.S.C. in Philadelphia. Gas is problem. Little Mrs. Johnson died – poor gal. Real release.

31. Monday: Took Christmas cards down. Had lunch with Ruth, dinner with Halls – pleasant. . . . Program! Ruth was terrific – quartet fair. Helen Ingersoll hula pleasant – but their dancing! they should stop. Watched Alabama – Notre Dame. 22 – 23!! Home to bed – “Minnie Pearl”