

## Marion's Diary 1976

### January

1. Thursday: Mummers' Parade postponed. Newlin really took a day off. We saw three football games!

[The entries for January 2 and 3 are similar to the entries for December 26 and 27. The latter are lined out, but legible, and different enough warrant inclusion.]

2. Friday: Fenwick and I went to Cherry Hill Mall for an AR2a [speaker] and it was defective! So back we went after lunch. The other was defective, too. He got his money back and they'll call us. He got a nice pair of gloves. I'm off my calendar. To Peg Sutton and Nominating Committee. Traffic was crazy.

3. Saturday: Mummers postponed again – first time in history. We went to Brigantine with Fenwick. He seemed to like it. Home, quick pack, and off to Chinese dinner with Fenwick as host. Then to Holiday Inn [and bus connection], 15 minutes early. Off he went. He's very competent. . . . Hearts again, pretty good game.

4. Sunday: Newlin going to Virginia "right after breakfast." He left after dinner! Put some Christmas away. I called Fenwick – he got home on a non-stop flight at 7:30 instead of 11:30. Apartment all OK. I fretted – I guess I shouldn't. Put Linford's writing packages in the trunk.

5. Monday: I put the Square Dancing sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board. Myra paid \$12.00 instead of the \$9.00 asked. Mailed my school observer notes to Thorpe. A black singer was very good indeed. Clear and cold.

6. Tuesday: I typed the flyer for Candidates' Night. Ruth drove me

over to Moorestown for duplication. I wrapped each “old” book in tissue with a title and another card outside. They’ll not age as fast as on the shelves, and there’s more room on the shelves. Lettered names and posters. I’m all set.

7. Wednesday: First meeting of Reading Club at Ruth’s. Much Bicentennial. I put notices in the boxes in p.m. Newlin returning in rain. Snow tonight and perhaps tomorrow. Glad he’s back OK.

8. Thursday: Candidates Meeting! Two for Regional School Board – Oliver and Bakley. Quite good. I M.C’d – Names up, four short chairs, mike – and the state postponed the election to March! and extended the time for filing. Cleary didn’t show –

9. Friday: I drove to Hospital. Fairly busy day. Bill Nash to talk of girl-friend. Home – good nap. Ruth Irish at dinner. Pratts involved with a brace for Louisa. And I turned down Olesens! Must be more careful.

10. Saturday: Ed Bonner called to say Aunt Elizabeth died yesterday. Private service Monday, Memorial Services Sunday. I was still weary from volunteering. Slow day –

11. Sunday: Auntie invited Ruth and Hazel to dinner. Flowers and a birthday cake. We had a dinner with Wallens and Lydia Cadbury AND Warder. Awkward at times. The new dining room is open to view. Ruth home before rain and snow. Blatchford frantic about service in the Convalescent Home.

12. Monday: I washed my hair in LUX flakes. Got nice! Then took Board of Education notes to Manela. Xeroxed pages for L.W.V. Nominating Committee. Dinner with Colvins – pleasant. Phoned Cadwell – all OK. Checks are coming in. Quiet evening at home.

13. Tuesday: Only Bobbe Boehm and Marge Bersh came to

L.W.V. Nominating Committee – we did swimmingly. . . . The First Square Dancers! we had four 8's with one extra couple. Ingersolls OUT, ditto Les Brown. Not good! I danced with Elsa Kraemer, Newlin with Annette.

14. Wednesday: Book Club at Sterns'. We got quite huffy on morality in Presidents – Ruth read from Jefferson. Would you vote for him for President? Then why not Kennedy! To School Board Meeting at Allen School with Maude Sharp.

15. Thursday: Newlin went to hear Jimmie Yen, age 82. May retire here at 85. "Best speaker we ever had." Teaching Chinese to read, etc. . . . I vacuumed. Sue cleaned. Heard Professor from Drexel on noise pollution. Interesting, poor audience.

16. Friday: Drove to Hospital – saw Olly and Louise. Very long list to do. I was quite tired. Dinner with Pratts, then bridge. Murrell spent an hour with Ann Jordan – she had a foot amputated. Seems a crime.

17. Saturday: Very cold. I made molasses mincemeat cookies. Never again. Ruth to Byberry Trustees with deviled eggs and jumbles made! I was weary. Went for shirts and shopped late. Dorothea Cole showed garden pictures from all over Europe.

18. Sunday: Newlin got his papers. The coldest since we've been here. 4° last night, 7° in a.m. We went to Aunt Elizabeth's Memorial Service. Her pictures were very interestingly displayed in the Meeting House. Eleanor P. Palmer spoke. Ruth, Kitty Nepley. Somerton Womens Club, Willis Edgerton, Tom Hallend. Lunch in School House – time to visit. . . . Home. COLD. Super Bowl.

19. Monday: Newlin off to Virginia. I went to Moorestown Mall, wearing my "football" coat. It hung on my neck and I had a real

headache. Three aspirins – three again. I slept pretty well. But missed a Residents' Association meeting with pitch for Cancer Machine at Burlington City Hospital.

20. Tuesday: Snow and ice all over. I set up the L.W.V. meeting on fundraising. Gwen, Betsy, Doris, Cichon, Daum, Sutton, Berry, Reitersen, me. I set out coffee, tea, cheese, and crackers and cookies in Room 17. Phoned Flo to cancel dancing. Looks lovely.

21. Wednesday: Off to Philadelphia. Lunch with Ethel Shellenberger and Marg, Smith. It went well – except she picked up the tab! I called on Mary Dyer – she's pretty cramped. Building is serviceable inside. . . . Hunted for my nylon coat – very tired. Sat in Horn and Hardart. Home – good trip. After supper Ruth showed me clipping from Reading Eagle – Mary died on Monday. I'm so glad I went up after Christmas. I called – got Harriett.

22. Thursday: Beautiful white snow – and more falling. I took my “football” coat to the Thrift Shop. Settled. Felt peaked. Many phone calls. Newlin back from Virginia at 3:00. Senator Parker to speak on N.J. “Income Tax.” He made few friends!! Why did Horace Brown select him!! Old Republican friend.

23. Friday: Drove to the Hospital. Esther Murrell didn't go. Ole still bleeding internally. Louise looks worn! No wonder. . . . Dinner with Pratts and bridge at their house. Will wins, plays a steady good game. COLD to come home.

24. [no entry]

25. Sunday: I went to Meeting. Helen Ridgway is back from California. Allen Moore –

26. Monday: To see Barbara Stiles at 1:30. Not much help. I fussed at the wife of a candidate working at the polls. Newlin gave blood

for test – H.M.O. operates! Called Helen Berry for Nominating Committee chair. She said Yes! We're almost done.

27. Tuesday: Newlin in to Carabasi – not early. Nice to have the tests done here. Dinner with Blatchfords. Then Square Dancing. Batzle a little practice ahead of time and she was very good. Maude Sharp walked across the floor. Fell, sat a bit, then tried to get up. No go. Nurse and wheelchair. C.C. for night. No bed at B.C.M.H. – cracked pelvis (fractured, that is!). TOO Bad.

28. Wednesday: Book Club at Myra's. I read too long from "Apples." Ruth read end of Paul Theroux's "Train Ride." . . . Newlin to Board of Health, then Budget Meeting. At 11:15 he was cold and got his coat. They thought he was leaving. "Don't go, you are our sunshine!" All others had gone.

29. Thursday: Off to 10:00 date – wrong house! Pineapple for sick kid. We were cleaned. Before going for 8:00 I called Nougent! Wow! Mr. Willits on Food and Drug Act standards – then movie of a test. Very interesting.

30. Friday: I drove – Murrell went. Fairly busy. Alice Tomlinson – "Your birthday?" Olie waiting for an operation to stop bleeding. Breathing difficulty. Louise in tears. Tough – home to call on Neugent – what a wonderful gal! Yes for Board. . . . Bridge with Pratts here. Will tops. Bouillon and tea. Called on Maude Sharp in hospital. "Not my year!"

31. Saturday: Sleepy! But up, to write Nomination Committee report and get signatures of Stiles and Bersch. Lunch with Pratts. No duplicating! A nap of almost two hours. Quiet evening with one game of scrabble.

February

Sunday: To early Meeting. Letter from Mrs. Whipple – asks for conference. We talked a while. Rain, then snow.

2. Monday: Everything closed – snow on frozen rain. Pretty bad driving. But Newlin went out twice.

3. Tuesday: Weather beautiful to look at! But tippy-toes. Square Dancing – with a rash of cards to be signed for our absentees. Sharp, Ingersol, Olie, and Les Brown.

4. Wednesday: Book Club here. I read the Cave of the Mantis from “A Story Like the Wind” by Laurens van der Post from Louisa Pratt. Newlin to Medford Township Meeting.

5. Thursday: This is the day. I lunched at Cap’n Barnes, then asked to see the manager. Back at 4:00. He gave me a \$5.00. To Kiddie Kollege – she’ll send us something. Good to have it over. Newlin to Zoning Board of Appeals.

6. Friday: Morrell and I went over – Dawson didn’t make it. It was icy and deep – three or four inches. No trouble. Very short-handed. Weary – Bridge with Pratts.

7. [no entry]

8. Sunday: No meeting. My letter to six duplicated and sent. I went out to get has and a grocery. Then a bite. And off with Schlimmie and Newlin to hear Rampal in seven Bach Sonatas for flute and harpsichord. 100 on stage – fabulous! In on Hi-Speed. 7:00, home at 10:10.

9. Monday: Newlin off to Philadelphia. I slept till 10:00 and felt better. Lunch with Diverty, Prall, Scott. Newlin home with wigs. Long nap. Dinner with Marion Roberts – lent her “Apples” – the book. More Olympics.

10. Tuesday: To Cherry Hill Mall – Neutrogena soap for a year. Bot “The American Family in Russia,” and Rampal’s Jazz record. Weary. Nap. Square Dancing. McMillan and Wes Hammer fell! No injury, praise be. We had three squares. Elsa K. is SO heavy!! Watched Olympics – fabulous.

11. Wednesday: Reading at Flaglers. Myra’s “Sit Down and Shut Up” led to questions about Quakerism. I read from “A Story on the Wind.” Newlin and Marion Roberts to Memorial Service for Joe Willits’ daughter in Philadelphia. I went to School Board. A grievance!

12. Thursday: We are first for cleaning. Ugh! Beautiful day – snow is about gone. . . . “Problems of Modern Medicine” Dr. Quinton dinner in private dining room. Nice folks – live next door to Flaglers’ family. Pretty gory – but big improvement over the old days – 10 years ago.

13. Friday: To the Hospital. I drove us. Busy! Worn out! Newlin rehearsal – no bridge with Pratts till tomorrow. Watched Olympics with Schlimmie.

14. Saturday: Up slowly. Bridge in afternoon with Pratts. Strange in daytime. Barely time to hem up Newlin’s dress. “Beauty Show” terrific. Ruth M.C.’d. – Clark (fur-lined), Wallen, Newlin (yellow wig), Lee (white hat and gloves), Barnwell (snakey), Styron (no zipper), Pittman (violin) – hilarious!

15. Sunday: Relaxed and relieved after Saturday night “special.” George here – played words after dinner. End of Olympics.

16. Monday: Residents’ Meeting – featuring “explanation” by Rick. “We don’t believe you!” Much repeating of questions. Milne with a motion in the middle of things. Ruth really teed off. I didn’t

go – guess I should have.

17. Tuesday: L.W.V. at 9:15 at Ethel Daum's. Claypoole and Pratt and Farnick did well on McKarg – Judi Palombi took over. Daum[s] taxes in 1968 \$1,400; in 1976 \$4,000! . . . Rest! Then Squared Dancing – thee squares. Uricolo leaving.

18. Wednesday: Dusted. Book Club here. Ruth had typed sheets of ch. + ch. etc. [?]. Lunch. The 4:00 Saxton and Snedeker not very good. Hinman chaired nicely.

19. Thursday: Changed beds. Went shopping. To bank for Gulf certificate and a bit of money. Dinner with Flagler. . . . To Planning Board. Bill had a dumb request – we heard he was bringing suit for all back taxes. Told Ruth, phoned Alan Hunt, got it straight.

20. Friday: Tired before I started. I drove us over – moved two stretchers alone Many on list. Very tired. Home – slept 2½ hours. Dinner with Pratts, and Bridge. I had lousy cards. Low man! Will top scorer.

21. Saturday: Up at 8:30! Still not caught up. I washed my hair. Then slept all afternoon. Read the RR Bazaar! Newlin cleaned out under his bathroom washstand – found his lost big shears! and a Miles Robinson paper on no sugar, no [illegible].

22. Sunday: Warm at night – rain, too. Newlin got papers and we went to early Meeting. Barton, Mann, and Bro. Andrew – fair. Home via Virgie – her door was shut. Home. Dinner with Elsa Kraemer. Scrapple, pineapple, bread and jelly. She bakes whole wheat bread! So I baked some of Mrs. Hoover's. Quiet evening.

23. Monday: To bank for Gulf signature. Brought Mr. Solly home – \$6.50 for a page of state stamps! Lunch with Pratts and Mr. and

Mrs. Jeffers, niece of Louisa. Dinner with Jack Gray. Schmidt “skipping “ around the world – interesting pictures. And I’m reading “The Great Railway Bazaar!”

24 – 28 [no entries]

29. Sunday: Wonderfully mild! All three went to Meeting. No ministers! Two speakers. Read Schechter. Dinner with Grace Ober – swimming and greenhouse policies. Only one application for reserve fund – how much to live on? From \$50 to \$200. “Sound of Music” all evening. Lovely.

March

1. Monday: I had a ticket for the bus to Moorestown – spent my time in Sears. Bought a dress with jacket \$21.00. Newlin to Philadelphia – bought crystal bowl for Janie de Burlo. We missed the evening program.
2. Tuesday: Stood by 5:00–9:00 p.m. to ferry voters. Bakley won, 4 to 1. Budget app[illegible]. 5% of voters, Leas, 6% of voters, but down in West Hampton. Square Dance very skimpy – less than three squares. Weary!
3. Wednesday: Reading at Ruth’s – two Sterns and us! Flagler next time. I read from Schechter . . . Printed up names for Friday’s candidate meeting. Woozy eyed from printing. Newlin to Township Board meeting.
4. Thursday: Got papers multi – for the candidates tomorrow. In to mail boxes. And orange signs up on bulletin board and lectern. Newlin to Zoning Board of Appeals for brief meeting – permission to make mandolins and put a sign out. Landlord is a potter and teacher.

5. Friday: Big day. To Hospital without Murrell. Pretty weary. A+ for grapefruit. Home. Nap. Dressed. Very warm – 75°! To 4:00 Candidates meeting. Egbert, Fitzgerald, Davis, Swan, it's [illegible]. Small audience – about thirty. Dinner with Pratts, and bridge – but I was done for.

6. Saturday: Slept late. Good grapefruit. Took stickers to Mandela. Swimming pool dedicated. Only one gal came. John dove in. It is lovely. Home (dinner with Pimm and Egbert Cedars). Read Schechter all evening. Bleary eyed. Fenwick's letter a real delight.

7. Sunday: Cold! again. Newlin working on his Great Decisions. I reset the cuff buttons on my new Sears dress. Typed a table. Should work on desk. Styron – on pool of friendship (not in our contract) “let's dive in.” Lunch with Prall!

8. Monday: Signs up for tomorrow. Movie – skipped.

9. Tuesday: SNOW! Japanese invasion. Cars faded away. Myra took two loads, Newlin and I took a load. Newlin waited for 7:30 – none showed. Only two squares. Haddonfield pulled [out?] and some were sick. Results phoned – Davis, Fitzgerald, and Stradas. And all budget passed. Our University teacher “read” our five prints.

10. Wednesday: Read “Pavel” in Schechter's “American Family in Russia.” Miss Kitty sang! Parodies composed by grandson. Myra another from her collection. Rest in p.m. . . . To School Board in new Taunton Forge School – still a school. Two new Board members there. Farewells. . . .

11. Thursday: Off to the Flower Show – room with an antique, moods (giddy) miniature rooms, blacksmith shop! Ate my yogurt. Banzai and hanging baskets. Hen was charming. Brought violet for Myrtle Wallen. Dr. Thomas, highly recommended by Knox.

Philosophy – had his feet off the earth. Ruth roaring. . . .

12. Friday: Newlin went along to Mt. Holly for voter statistics. Morell still sick. Virgie pretty low. Emma Middleton shocking! Bought grapefruit. Home. Nap. Dinner with Pratts and bridge. Nut bread and butter with cider. Pretty weary. Newlin bought Utsch's! good.

13. Saturday: Slept late – pretty tired. I did a big wash, including uniform and blouse. Pressed off some in evening. Very blowy and quick short rain. HARD at noon. Al Johnson's pictures of flowers delightful – and such patience!

14. Sunday: Beautiful sun on the floor. Newlin to papers, then to Meeting. Played Fenwick's Rampal flute records. Gorgeous sunny day. But windy yet.

15. Monday: A perfectly awful Residents' Meeting. Hall with paper. Why not an auditor? Or an auditor's report? Bill Martin talked, ending with a query.

16. Tuesday: Square Dance – three squares. People subdued after last night.

17. Wednesday: Reading Club here. I read “defense for George III.” Myra, “Sit Down and Shut Up!” Newlin, Medford history. Always interesting. Newlin went to non-meeting in evening. Beautiful moonlight. Flowers are coming out. Caroline Malin and Friend Mrs. Martin came for evening and over-night to see her apartment. Moving April 6. . . . David Stern to hospital for some surgery – to be done on Friday.

18. Thursday: Made beds, went over to help brush Caroline Malin's apartment. Looked dirty, but nice and light. Handsome pictures of Switzerland with MUSIC by Sam Brinton. Surprisingly

COLD. Hunted comb honey. Found [some from?] New Zealand.

19. Friday: To Hospital with Merrell back. Very large load! Weary. Stopped with Miss Kitty and son David in lobby. Waiting for word of David Stern – he's coming along O.K. Dinner with Pratts and Bridge at their house. Pleasant. We talked too long.

20. Saturday: I drove to Larchmont Farm, Masonville. Two combs of honey and apples \$2.10 each. Newlin gardening – everybody out for spring-y weather. Peas planted. Daffodils are beginning. “Fretted string musicians 8,” including Procopio who has soloed with Philadelphia Orchestra.

21. Sunday: Beautiful day. Meeting after papers. On growing old with pain. Concl. by Wallen – nice, down-to-earth. . . . Dinner with Temple. Rest, then roast china [sic] and chinese celery, peaches and macaroon. De-licious. Ruth came.

22. Monday: I washed my hair – it was just feeelthy!

23. Tuesday: To Cherry Hill Mall. No Delos records – unknown! What a waste! Square Dancing with three squares plus one. Balmier – pretty nice. A card from Stanley and Jean Potter says they'll call Thursday or Friday!

24. Wednesday: Off to lunch with Ethel Shellenberger. Sam Goody never heard of Delos! Didn't know zip code for Sam's mail order – “he had never written!” Walked to H. Royer Smith – 20th and Walnut and he HAD a record! I bought an “Artists” listing . . . Looked for good navy blue raincoat – NONE.

25. Thursday: Kept the phone covered. Changed the double bed, Newlin all put away. “Bee Keeper” with dinner – décor included comb honey to see and to eat. Odd mix of guests, but it went OK. Surprisingly good crowd. Dumb mike!! Interesting facts and

pictures – not very professional.

26. Friday: I picked up Dawson and Murrell. Awful day. Long list, run ragged. Home. Nap. No sign of Jean and Stan Potter. Dinner with Pratts, and bridge here.

27. Saturday: Still no word from Potters.

28. Sunday: I went to Meeting, Newlin gardened.

29 – 30 [no entries]

31. Wednesday: L.W.V. Annual Meeting – Sherry and cheese in #17. I put the signs up. Quorum at 8:30. Helen Mahony really obnoxiously out. Nominating Committee Report OK. Peg had excellent agenda.

April

1. Thursday: First for cleaning. I didn't change the beds. The new sheets are unwrinkled! Newlin planting berry bushes like crazy. Last session of Great Decisions. Good.

2. Friday: Newlin to Virginia – only planned. He went Saturday afternoon. He went in to Philadelphia, I drove Ruth's car. Three to push. Wasn't bad. Conti there for surgery, and Elsie Moore. Cards with Pratts – me quite weary. Cake and cranberry juice.

3. Saturday: Newlin to Virginia. He worked all morning planting berry twigs. Ruth, George and I went to see Auntie via Goodnoe's "large ice cream"!! Newlin off too late to dine with Lella. Called in evening. All OK – dinner and cards at 112. Corn, asparagus, beef, peaches.

4. Sunday: Up, to Meeting. Miss Kitty said "Thanks" – Andrew

tried to explain Quaker Meeting. George Davis got papers. Several went without Editorial Section! Dinner with Ruth and George. I went home and slept. Music. Ghastly Ambrosino documentary of “Tongue-tied.”

5. Monday: Up. Cool and bright. To Moorestown for groceries on the bus. Seat #13 – all OK. Lunch with Ramsey #2, Massey and Schnoors. Nap. No plumbers. Ruth Hallowell Gray died. Poor gal – out of her pain at last!

6. Tuesday: Caroline B. Malin’s moving day. I took Cherry Hill bus. Total flop – record not in yet after two weeks. “It’ll be here in two days.” Lunch with Stryker and nice KZW. Stryker has uncle French of Smith, Kline and French. . . . Plumber [came] at 2:00. Last square dancing – Kate made three squares. Adams ended with a wife’s suicide. Tough –

7. Wednesday: Newlin started in Virginia at 6:30. Came home in afternoon – almost too late for supper. Ruth with Ingersolls. Me with Hipple, Malin and Newlin. He went to Tsp [Township?] Meeting, home about midnight. Tom is ill – disoriented. Now back to normal, but with every known test.

8. Thursday: We had a porter, so we are really clean. We played bridge at 4:00 and after dinner. “Truman at Potsdam” was quite a program. Only guy to beat Stalin!

9. Friday: Left at 9:15 for Ruth Gray’s funeral in Abington Meeting. There in good time. All speeches mentioned generosity. Casked in corner of meeting room – Kate Paine went along. Newlin went in to Philadelphia for dentist. We came home via Byberry. I went to Ashmont to get Newlin, and Empirin for Pratts. Edie Williams Wood! Marion Jenks, Lindon Heacock, Ed and Lois.

10. Saturday: I was really weary. Typed two letters for Newlin. Mapped. Sat with Colvins and talked Bill's campaign! Home, restless, depressed. Newlin to garden. Dinner with Jack Gray. Delightful program. John Long, wife, and two friends.

11. Sunday: To early meeting.

12. Monday: Newlin in to Philadelphia to get income tax – mine was \$3,000 for New Jersey. Doctor delayed – he didn't get home till 5:00. We set the mail and left at 6:20! We stopped at a Howard Johnson's on the NY Throughway, Spring Valley. Crummy restaurant, kid overcharged, room smelly. Washed my hair.

13. Tuesday: Up and out – good riddance. To Boston after late lunch. Rest. Lil only fair. Walks little. We dressed and went to Musica Viva at Longy School. What a crowd! Four Boston composers, all present. Copland Sextet, cello solo, etc.

14. Wednesday: A day in the country. Penelope [Turton]'s Sudbury pancake. Cambridge School of Weston, Newt and Jan's, DeBurlo, dinner with Tim at Ye Hong Guey, and visit in Fenwick's apartment. Thinking of moving to Fenway ground-floor side of building. Apartment cheaper! he says. One of two in Massachusetts to receive funds for passive solar heating. . . . Enter Patrick.

15. Thursday: To Shakespeare Club at Elaine Irving's. Read Maxwell Anderson based on "Cry the Beloved Country." Then Pictures of Sue Brooks, Manly, Imlah, Loren, and Hersey. Home. Shopping for macaroons, stockings, watch strap and stroller. . . . Left Cambridge at 5:15. Hartford Susse Chalet very successful. A window that opened! Rain. 100 miles to Hartford.

16. Friday: Newlin had the itch. Up, shaved, and dressed by 6:30. I got going, finally. Rain. 316 miles total to Medford Leas. We got

here for lunch. Nap. Dinner and bridge with Pratts. A couple of slams. A redoubled, vulnerable, down two was poo! To bed – hot.

17. Saturday: HOT! Unpacked everything. Wrote to Elaine Irving. Laundry in early afternoon – nice and white at Kotula. Mr. Benson on Banzai. Very interesting indeed. But not for me any more. Water daily, put it outside, etc.

18. Sunday: HOT. To Meeting. Easter. Then to Medford Meeting with Caroline Malin and Elizabeth Rohrbach to see Jersey Jerry's apple blossoms. Home. Picked up Sterns for dinner. Sorry for Caroline – but Rohrbach is awful.

19 – 20 [no entries]

21. Wednesday: Hot again. To book club at Flaglers. Then in to AT&T annual meeting at Civic Center. Dull. Brought souvenir record home. Pretty weary.

22. Thursday: Changed and cleaned. Sewed a bit. Will Pratt talked of Panama Canal – past and future. What a presentation! No notes, he couldn't see them. No hesitation. Terrific!

23. [no entry]

24. Saturday: Perfect day. Drove to Baltimore. First ones there. Barry, Barbara and Derek, Martha and two, Aunt Katherine, Eleanor, Annette, Bobby and Barbara Humbrecht and three Seaman son and family. Delicious food – nice time meeting everyone. Hazel and Aunt Eve [?]. Home in time for Ruth to dinner. Snapshots of Cambridge pretty good.

25. Sunday: To Meeting – sat with Grace Ober. To dinner with Grace Ober [sic]. Fixed up bathroom and bed with Ruth's ironed sheets. To supper, tandem. Lois came about 8:00. 8:30 too late for

Kate! We had a really good visit with Lois.

26. Monday: Up. Lovely day. We tried breakfast – pancakes, ham, prunes, cream of wheat! Then toured – wisteria, pool, Haddon and Lydia Cadbury. Then garden, Rancocas, and back entrance. Cool, overcast as she left at 10:30. Saw Kate on the bus. Lunch at home – SLEEP. Styron “Wheels Across Canada” interesting.

27. Tuesday: Newlin at desk, then to Township offices. I read Pacific Yearly Meeting on homo’s and meeting. Lunch with Ruth Hoskins and Olesen. Virgie in hospital!! Myra, Ira Schmidt, Newlin and I to meet Gehourkey in Bill’s Office. He is a driver! Dinner with Ewings. Quiet evening. May freeze tonight.

28. [no entry]

29. Thursday: Atsion – Iron, Cotton and Folklore by Atkins.

30. Friday: Hospital, as usual.

May

Saturday: Registered voters at Shop-N-Bag in Marlton. Signed up several. (150 total for two days, one at Stewarts) The usual reactions. Rainy – so people can come to the store instead of doing lawns.

2. Sunday: Newlin off to Swarthmore Telethon – and I can take a taxi.

3. Monday: Up at 6:00, sandwich and bag packed. Taxi \$3.00 to Red Rooster. Peg, Doris Steel and I in back seat, Betsy and Mr. Walsh driving. To N.Y. Hilton by 10:30. Window shopping! 1:00 opening. Govenor Carey and Mayor Beame. . . . Home – weary but full of good stories. Newlin home via Carabasi.

4. Tuesday: Lovely day. Newlin off to dentist. I typed addresses. Doris Steel's daughter OK. Newlin in to dentist [sic]. Clean forgot Nominating Committee at Helen Berry's! But I got there.

5: Wednesday: Township Committee

6. Thursday: B.Z.A.

7. [no entry]

8. Saturday: I drove us to Kutztown to Mary's Service of Remembrance. House was full – Dave in fine fettle. Mary's sisters looking like her. Back yard looking out over the fields – then up to the stone-walled family graveyard. Strong sense of timeless family. . . . Home, to dinner.

9. Sunday: To early Meeting. Newlin for papers.

10. Monday: Typing and re-typing directory.

11. Tuesday: Typed and checked – went to check with K. MacLaughlin at 2:00. Then went to Medford Printing and left it. Went to Cherry Hill – Sound Odyssey and brought home a SPEAKER! “for Mothers Day.” Democratic Candidates – Jude tops, running with Buckwalter.

12. Wednesday: Relief – Book Club at Blatchford's. Newlin left for Virginia. And I clean forgot School Board Meeting. No car anyway.

13. Thursday: First to be cleaned. I fretted about directory, then borrowed Ruth's car. Gave him the order – talked type, etc. Home. Lew Barton spoke about unusual plants. He looked tired. Mimeographed sheet helped.

14. Friday: To Hospital in Ruth's car. Pretty busy – Virgie and Kitty Brown, Mr. Massey – Home with yellow cardboard and to bank window. Nap. Ruth brought snaps of Mary's day. They're fair. Called on Louisa – then to dinner with Ruth Hoskins, Angus and Jennie. Evening. To TV, Washington week and Wall St., and to bed. Newlin has called Fenwick. George came in. Warm. I sprinkled the garden. AWNING IS UP!

15. Saturday: Muggy, hot. I raked a bit more. George hooked up the other speaker! Lovely. Supper with Ruth – lamb patties from the Rt. 38 meat man, asparagus from Tabernacle – delicious – and banana for dessert. Then royalty.

16. Sunday: Mary Rappoport did the papers! What a load! I went to Meeting. Interesting. Dinner – filet mignon and fish. Gave paper and signs for the Republican do on Thursday. Records on new machine – Ah, ah, ah. . . . Walked out for marigolds with Louise O.

17. Monday: Muggy – world without end. Rain off and on. I worked on signs. To lunch with Ruth, Helen Geer, and Helen Ridgway. To bookmobile. Dinner in little dining room. Ruth's Medford Leas Residents Association meeting over at 8:05! New people in front row. Nominees for the Board introduced. Myra reported on the schools.

18. Tuesday: Somewhat better. Weight is 137.8! Finished Jessamyn West's "The Woman said Yes" – her own TB cured by Grace's care. Her sister dying of cancer hurried it with barbiturates. And such writing! Then I washed my hair! Joe Dickey's Texas friend showed "Through the Lens" pictures of SWAT and western Himalayas in Pakistan. Just super. Those bridges and edges!

19. Wednesday: Reading Club at Ruth's. Several on Russia, Edith on Golda Meir. I read from Jessamyn West's "The Woman said Yes." Good meeting.

20. Thursday: I changed one bed – cleaned first – again! Then off to Moorestown Mall for vitamins, cheese, and a porch rocker. Much wind and dust and showers off and on. Newlin got back from Virginia – fairly successful trip. . . . Candidates night – Republican. We had a good crowd.

21. Friday: Pretty muggy. I sure get pooped. Slept two hours in afternoon. Dinner with Pratts and bridge at their house. Louisa very frail. We played six hands before, and four after Washington Week. I conked out! . . . Lena Guldin died, ate 83. Services Sunday. Ruth bought an electric portable typewriter at Boscov in Reading for \$100 less than around here.

22. Saturday: Beautiful day. Newlin took Will Pratt to buy plants. We ate out – almost the first time. I took my raincoat to the cleaner – now we'll see! Went to Carl's shoes in Moorestown and ordered a pair. Ate ice cream, a doughnut, watermelon. Newlin added a second layer to the patio garden fence. Worked till 10:00 pm. Saturday night special "Jerz" [?] was TOPS.

23. Sunday: Perfectly beautiful day. Newlin got papers. I went to Meeting. Heard about 18-year-old Holly Hartman with brain damage. . . . Weeded some border. Dinner with King and Mrs. Macy. Card for Mrs. Prall's 98th.

24 – 27 [no entries]

28. Friday: Off to the Hospital – Dawson NOT coming! Survived!

29. Saturday: Up early – cased the joint for League of Women Voters table. Found. Returned 2 – 4. Sprinkley. Found the Medford, Mass couple George Cayon and Barbara. Faintly familiar. We stood around for a picture. Supper. Dulcimer [program] beautifully done by Johnson and ----- . Return for clothes exhibit in Meeting House –

four generations of Haines brides.

30. Sunday: Rain. Newlin up for papers and Meeting. Edna Braucher “fainted” – poor circulation. I rested. Cleaned up and put away. Actually wrote some letters.

31. Monday: Up in good time. Dusted and swept. At 9:30 Cayons came. They brought a second blue Medford [Mass bicentennial] bottle! Visited then toured the place. They liked it. Left at 11:30. We had dinner with Stryker and Waters? Viella dance program – Super! Flag up on awning post!

## June

1: [no entry]

2. Wednesday: Book Club here – last till after Labor Day. Took Directories to Library and corrected some there. Shop – 12:00! Home, nap. Dinner – visited Virgie for TV news! Her room looks nice in CC. To Township Committee Meeting. Handed out directories. Errors! Planning Board is on Thursday.

3. Thursday: Newlin took the car to Arco. General check-up including new muffler. I did a laundry. Adelle Brandt fell in the court – broke nothing. I wrote Thursday on the Directories I had. Dr. Marr on Food and Population – awful delivery, but covered quite a bit, though.

4. Friday: Up and to Hospital. Not a bad day. Clear, nice. Home. Ruth had a Board supper. We had supper and played bridge. Louisa and Will won, then served strawberries and chocolate cake.

5. Saturday: Up and out at 8:00 for 8:30 trip to Germantown houses – Cliveden, Chew, Wick, Haines, Deshler, Morris, and Logan (Stenton). Pretty weary – home for supper. Cut a pineapple. Newlin

planted cantaloupes. Allium gros – large purple ball topped stems.

6. Sunday: Up slowly. To Meeting, Newlin for papers, then off about 11:00. I put things in order. To Virginia –

7. Monday: Picked some sugar peas. Delicious for pre-lunch. Lunch with Louise Oleson, McGary, Gormley – Royal Raush around. . . . Ruth had a good report – many people mentioned. . . . Took a book out of our library “Thirty Seconds over Tokyo” by Lawson. Hair-raising. Read till 12:30! Lew Barton spoke for Gehouskey – Now, now!

8. Tuesday: Really bleary, but up on time. Election Day. Such a fuss. Bill Martin told to stay out of lounge. Police came! Helen Ridgway and Mr. Hammett recorded as Rep! Two others also. Human error!! Our poor bet lost except in [precinct?] 9.

9. Wednesday: Ruth’s car again! I handed out twenty-five LWV directories – well received. To Board Meeting. Schools will close July 1. Maude went.

10. Thursday: I put drawers on the beds and moved desk and bureau out from the wall. CLEANED. Very warm.

11. Friday: With Ruth’s car – off to Hospital. One more time! Exhausted as usual. Very hot. Supper with Pratts and Ruth played a fourth. She was #1, I was #2 – too bad. Louisa does love it. She napped during Washington Week.

12. Saturday: Hot, dry. I went to the garden – picked peas, jump-watered tomatoes. Then concocted a spray for the poor chewed up tomatoes. Turned cool without rain. They’re watering grass in evenings now. FULL MOON.

13. Sunday: Wonderfully cool. Off for fourteen NY Times –

Murrell gets four. It wasn't too bad. But I'm resentful, especially of Bill Martin! Out to garden – sprayed some more. It doesn't help! I must get some garlic. I worked on directory corrections.

14. Monday: Flag Day. To Moorestown Mall. No Pyrethrum. But two girdles at \$12:00 each! The first womsie in the house. I got about one a day outside. Nap. Then watered the tomatoes and beans and beets and berries. It is SO dry. Read “Mrs. Harris Goes to Moscow” – hilarious.

15. Tuesday: Hot and muggy again. They watered at midnight and downed the hanging “bowl” – Broke it. Newlin home for lunch with Collinses. Had a very good trip the time, especially signing up young Hope.

16. [no entry]

17. Thursday: Newlin to Planning Board Meeting. Me to bed, weary. Very hot and humid yet.

18. Friday: Murrell in N.Y. – I drove alone to the Hospital. Visited no-one. Home by way of Election Board. My independent scheme didn't work. She practically promised a change in the law. HOT! Home, nap. Pratts for dinner and cards here.

19. Saturday: Newlin and Ruth to tax meeting with Township Committee. I picked the first blueberries. Luscious. Still 20¢ a pint. Joe and Elinor Gutekunst from Kutztown for lunch and visit. We had dinner with Gormley and ----- of Mt. Holly. Home after Taiwan talk. Newlin on desk.

20. Sunday: No meeting anywhere. I did a laundry in a.m. Dinner – off to see Cropwell Meeting's Centenary Celebration. Old Bible (Elizabeth the First's reign), old deed with Indian Chief “signature,” many bonnets and hats and garments. . . . Tomato omelet, toast, and

watermelon. Cut a delicious pineapple.

21. Monday: Humid. RAIN. I washed my hair. Newlin to Fin[ancial?] Meeting, then off to Virginia. Was out in the garden, too. I hope he doesn't blow up.

22. Tuesday: I picked eight pints of blueberries in overcast morning.

23. [no entry]

24. Thursday: Read "Ralph Bunche" – fascinating life. Pre-Dumbarton Oaks, San Francisco, U.N., and peacekeeping chores around the world. He was truly a great man.

25. Friday: I weeded and watered – only a token by the bucket. Dreadfully dry and hot. Pooped!

26. Saturday: Ruth and I went to Reading's Home for Widows and Single Women – closed, and a sale to end all sales. No stockings, but they do MAKE them! Home – Newlin home from Virginia, too. Hot, hot, hot! Six card tables – boxes of junk. Saucers!

27. Saturday: Newlin out for fourteen papers! I went to Meeting – very moving. Pemberton Johnson spoke, with voice breaking. 3:00 services – Barnwell spoke very well. Say too rigid, Music too loud [?]. Cooked dropped-egg soup and celery casserole for supper. So hot – 90°s.

28. Monday: We both went out to weed and mulch early in a.m. Made headway on berry bushes. Tomatoes look pretty good! Elfriede Friese spoke too long but had excellent pictures of Iran. Twelfth-century brick circular dome without mortar!! Got a couple of books from Bookmobile.

29. Tuesday: Newlin off for annual tests and stuff. All day in

Philadelphia. I worked two hours in the garden – MULCHing. Quite pooped. Quiet day. Called on Virgie – she hopes to recover!! Lent her “Serenity.” Visited the garden briefly. Dinner with Al Johnson and Mr. Solly.

30. Wednesday: I went to Echelon – what a waste. No stationery store, no groceries. Woolworth coming. Bought “Women of the Shadows” – there are three bookstores! Home, weary. Cracking thunderstorm and flooding rain. Watched Swan Lake – lovely. Cavett interviewed the leading lady – Makarovna – between the acts.

## July

1. Thursday: First Japanese beetle on MY beans! Cleaned – beds changed and summer blankets and spreads on. Others put away. Newlin in garden as Collins plowed up our weeds! Curtises showed slides of Leas for Birthday celebration with Estaugh guests. We ate with Poleys.

2. Friday: We picked eleven pints blueberries first thing in the morning. Some for Ruth and Pratts. We played down at Pratts. Louisa looks only “for one more day” – a glance at Will. She is so frail. But they had company last weekend, and during the week.

3. Saturday: I worked on reading the “Women of Watergate.” Pat a heartbreaker! Tricia, eccch! Surprising emphasis on religion for several. Took some gorgeous glads to Maurie and Jimmy Collins.

4. Sunday: Bicentennial Birthday USA. Newlin [brought] papers. To Meeting here. Then Mount Laurel Meeting. Possible snapshots slim. TV all afternoon and evening. Cronkhite ON from 8:00 p.m. to midnight. Tall Ships lovely, spectacular. Fireworks from England, Washington, N.Y. Harbor. Statue of Liberty with new lights. We even had Medford fireworks to watch.

5. Monday: Queer – seems like Sunday. Read a good bit. Rested. Finished “Women of Watergate.”

6. Tuesday: The beans have reached the roof. And the Japanese beetles have found them. I signed up the private dining room for next Tuesday. Now to get to work. Phoned all – Jo Dickey couldn’t come!

7. Wednesday: To Cherry Hill Mall for four bottles of black raspberry syrup and some candy. So – that’s good. I made blueberry jam. Turned out super! So pleased. Renewed confidence! Newlin off to Township Committee – passed \$300,000 bond issue for Library over citizen protest. Bought Ruth a nest of tables in pouring rain in Copenhagen Imports. Teak. Pretty.

8. Thursday: Everybody visited around court – erratic cleaning schedule. But we got done.

9. Friday: Newlin in to Philadelphia to hear results of last week’s tests. All very good. If it holds another year, they’ll reduce the schedule of treatments. Sounds like a real reprieve. . . . George came. We had dinner with Pratts and played here. Toured Court 9 to see the roses.

10. Saturday: Newlin and I went on the fern tour. Gorgeous clear day. Learned a little. None like the ferns of Massachusetts. Got surprisingly tired. Nap. . . . Dinner with Marion Roberts and Jack Gray. Then we took Ruth’s birthday package over – She was pleased! We played royalty. Newlin was very tired.

11. Sunday: Slept till 8:00 in rainy a.m. Some thunder. Newlin up for papers. We didn’t get to any meeting. Newlin napped. . . . Lunch with Ruth and George. Then I baked a sponge cake with Ruth’s mixer. Pretty good.

12. Monday: Laid out plates and things for dinner. Did place cards, etc. It's HOT. Rain, messy. I got "The Odessa File" from the Bookmobile. It's harrowing. Met the Bookmobile – early schedule – as I drove for eggs.

13. Tuesday: Baked another sponge cake – seven eggs. Better! Little bouquets at each place, and no-name place cards. It was very pleasant. Colvins, Wares, Grace Ober, Ruth Hoskins, Jack Gray, Baldwin and Rumble, and us.

14. Wednesday: To School Board Meeting in Taunton Forge School – air conditioned!

15. Thursday: Cleaned somewhat. We're still eating blueberries. First little beans set on. So slow this year. Newlin brought in tomatoes no. 3 and 4! and the last of the glads.

16. Friday: Showed our apartment to two strangers, also Adele Brant. Turned out to be visiting Virgie! Dinner and bridge with Pratts. Will tops.

17. Saturday: A perfectly gorgeous cool day. Ruth and I went to Ruth Lafferty's "sale" in Butler, N.J. Garage sale! We brought home some stuff. Lunch at Llewellyn Farm. Morris Plains. King Crab legs for me – lush! Ruth drove 165 miles.

18. Sunday: Newlin on papers. R[uth?] on patio. Gorgeous day. To Medford Leas Meeting. And it seemed to be about Ruth Lafferty. Finished "The Odessa File." Just hair raising! . . . Then Olympics. Romanian kid got 10 in the uneven bars. She was a fairy – light, perfect. We got 1–2–3 on men's swimming. Lindie Ware brought two four-leaf clovers in a little bottle. Newlin has a cold.

19. Monday: Hot again. I made a bit of applesauce. And I have a

real sniffle. Newlin took Contac. I took massive vitamin E. and C. More Olympics in evening. Gymnasts are incredible! Tu

20. Tuesday: Yes, hot – but Ellen and Newlin and I went for blueberries. I got lovely ones. Ellen and Newlin got medium ones. And there is a field of late ones for “next week.” Peaches are still clingstones. Freestones “next week.”

21. Wednesday: Cold lasting –

22. Thursday: Cleaned first. Sue is back. Then I washed my hair. It was clonky – wet two days. Newlin in to Philadelphia to dentist. I agreed to go with Ruth on a trip “Thru the Lens” to Navajo land. She was delighted. I wonder about medicine! Sent for Lindberg packets.

23. Friday: So humid! Almost sick. Chased the rabbit in the morning. Newlin in to Carabasi. Cold much improved. Rain! Newlin spoke to Medford Leas Residents Association board about signing the petition to put \$300,000 on the ballot – addition to Library backed by Bill M. Unanimous. . . . Blatchfords have Poland family here. Wow! Dinner and bridge with Pratts – L. so frail!

24. Saturday: Hummer on ALL night. So oppressive. Ruth over for tour – with AAA maps and state books. She’s fantastic. Then Olympics – excellent boxers.

25. Sunday: I went to Medford Leas Meeting, Newlin went to Medford Meeting too. Olympics –

26. Monday: Ruth and I went to the tour office and she phoned Amtrak and has everything worked out. She’s fantastic – I don’t know how I’ll keep up. Then we went to Russo’s in Tabernacle – PEACHES. \$3.00 for 5/8 basket, dead ripe. I handed them out around the court. And we still have blueberries! Newlin went to see

petition handed in, opposing \$300,000 for library – to put it on the November ballot.

27. Tuesday: Lunch with Morrison for voter registration. Mrs. Smilie wants to, too. Ruth expecting Millie Morrison and Ruth ---- . turns up with nasty knee. I wheeled her to podiatrist – she’s very heavy. I was really pushed to get her home.

28. Wednesday: Millie Mengle and Ruth ---- . Ruth’s knee, gout, very painful. So – no Great Adventure – but bridge. Forty hands, zip, zip! They left at 4:00. Took Ruth to lunch in wheel chair. She’s very heavy.

29. Thursday: Newlin off to Philadelphia early. I slept again. Ruth better. Beds made, three beans picked. Newlin wheeled Ruth home.

30. Friday: Ruth still in some pain. Worked on special edition of Medford Leas Life for McCarthy. Hilarious!

31. Saturday: Picked up some menus and started on the wastebasket for McCarthy. Cut useless cookbooks, pasted on menus.

## August

1. Sunday: No Meeting. Newlin off to Virginia at noon. Dinner with Colvins before they leave. Mr. pushed Ruth home. She is improving but not very fast. Tom, Eleanor and Tim stopped. We had blueberries, cranberry juice and ginger ale, cookies and NUTS. Tom will be at Stony Brook, Long Island August 31. Nice on patio.

2. Monday: Cleaned up onions, finished wastebasket, etc. Gorgeous beautiful day with LOW humidity. Fall?? . . . “Death by Decision” full of legal cases etc. doctors rarely “pay” for crimes.

3. Tuesday: Gorgeous day – humidity still low. Grace Ober unhappy

with Newlin's staying till Saturday – maybe Sunday or Monday.

4. Wednesday: I went to Philadelphia! Got permanent card for [illegible] use of Federal Parks. Just on my signature. Then to Art Museum – half-price entrance \$.75! Found postcard of our snowy print. Cheers. Loaded up with vitamins. Missed McCarthy's tea. Tried to go to School Board – not second Wednesday, yet. Fenwick phoned – cheers! Homesick a little for Boston.

5. Thursday: Handed out a whole tray of peaches. Picked some beans and tomatoes. Cleaned after lunch. Juice over for Court party. Nice. Mrs. Hughes brought peanuts, Cole and Acton cookies, Acton candies, Adelle B., stories to be read. Virgie made it – nice party. Then speaker Geigle on tension points around the world. Interesting display – South America and Russia.

6. Friday: Pretty hot. I weeded the coral bells – at last. Finished package for John McCarthy – the dinner was hilarious. "Ambassador to Scranton." Good tomato juice. Place cards – four leaf clover for John. Crazy gifts. Nutcracker from Bill Martin. [illegible] cart (Irish). P.I.W.'s from Schmidt, Honorary degrees from Barnwells – carrot and pepper. Ruth's "Life" tops! Martin didn't know people could have so much fun at a party.

7. Saturday: Up – Ruth went for George. Wayne and Ann Hayward came, talked. Showed their pictures. Talked. Went to the garden, stayed for fried tomatoes and beans and frozen Bavarian chocolate pie!!! Then left! Quiet evening and home.

8. Sunday: Did the papers (13) with help of George, and Ruth's car. Music nice before Meeting. Home to read paper. Diner and nap. One August lily is up – now about six or seven more! Rain off and on.

9. Monday: Rain and more rain. Hurricane Belle fifty miles east of

Atlantic City at 8:00 p.m. We all battened down the hatches. Wind pretty stiff. And floods of rain. Made a jar plus of tomato juice. Did a laundry, here.

10. Tuesday: Menetta and gardener around before 9:00 to survey damage. Pipe [?] tree was tied up before 11:00, and well braced, this time. Newlin come at quarter of five. No trouble. Four cantaloupes. Lil Devine called. Fenwick looks wonderful. He has an apartment on Beacon Hill.

11. Wednesday: Ruth off to Phillippi's till Saturday. She is limping badly with arthritis. Gout is over. What will happen to her? . . . Newlin in to see Alan Hunt. I broke a tooth. 11:30 with Dr. Mieland. Slept in afternoon. Dinner with Louise Olesen. School Board meeting.

12. Thursday: Cleaned up while we were at lunch. Turned the mattresses around.

13. Friday: Preparations for John McCarthy's Fun dinner. Happy Hour at Grace Ober – then to dinner. Ambassador to Scranton – Geriatric Guru! Roast beef! Too much to eat. Packages – riotous! They liked my wastebasket and Ruth's book. Bill Martin couldn't believe the crazy fun.

14. Saturday: Ruth went for George – I waited for Wayne and Ann Hayward. I wouldn't know them! Talk. Lunch. Pictures. Travel. More pictures. SUPPER! Fried tomatoes and beans and chocolate Bavarian pie. And still they stayed. Then left. Ruth weary!

15. Sunday: Newlin off for papers. I moseyed – no meeting at all. Grace Ober dined with us. Interesting, always. Planned trip for tomorrow. Supper – bread, fried tomatoes, soybeans, Kentucky wonder beans, corn. Just delicious. And a thunderstorm, too.

16. Monday: Off at 10:00. Evelyn Decker, Schlimmie and we to Ocean Grove and the Drashers at Shawmont. We found them. Lunch at Day's. Walk on boardwalk. Rest, and home – 5:00. Superb day in every way. To bed tired. Newlin heard Republican Convention.

17. Tueseday: Another beautiful day. Clear. Newlin chased a part for the car license-light bracket. I washed a couple of dresses and house coat. Lunch with Mertz and Atwill. Ruth's knee bad. Flagler called. Newlin to garden. A cranshaw melon from Grace for three of us.

18. Wednesday: Coolish, so off to Echelon Mall. Bought new card case. Nice. Dinner with George and Mabel Martin. She's doing Candidates nights. Called Helen Berry to say I'd DO it.

19. Thursday: So it's Ford and Dole – a slashing, attacking campaigner. Sounds like Zampirelli! Ruth has stronger anti-pain. Concrete walking, no help.

20. Friday: Dinner and bridge here with Pratts. Tomato juice good.

21. Saturday: Dinners for Ruth most of week. Hurts to walk. . . . Ten minutes on phone with Billie Atwill made it hurt six hours!

22. Sunday: Newlin did papers. I set up a payment card for six months. To Meeting.

23. Monday: Up, off at 9:30 to drive Ruth to Allentown to Alpha Kappa Gamma Board meeting. Lunch at Hess'! Enormous sandwich. NO dessert. Home. Quite hot. Light supper kept me on even keel. Read Jimmy Carter "Why Not the Best?" interesting.

24. Tuesday: to Russo's at Tabernacle for peaches. About the last. \$3.00, dead ripe, and sweet. Now to eat them. Dinner with Dr.

Rogers. She's enthused about article in New York Times about adding to genes. Could be rampant killer. Eccch!

25. Wednesday: I washed my hair! Made tomato juice. "Dried" coat with something to soften it. Didn't work. . . . Dinner with Lydia Cadbury and Berny and ----- Haines. Newlin very late with Alan Hunt. I took flowers for the table. Home. Muggy. Newlin took car to Arco to be adjusted – Home in one day!

26. Thursday: Still muggy. Sue is back. We are third. Newlin brought in three red raspberries, and said the sticker is on the car. Praise be. I tumbled my new coat – but it is just as stiff! And feels nasty. Must now clean it.

27. Friday: Newlin went in town – had blood work done here. Nice. Home for lunch with Prall and Rohrback. We took Prall on a trip to the thrift shop, greenhouse, through Woolman, around and up beside the C.C. . . . Dinner with Pratts, and a round of bridge. Dreadfully muggy.

28. Saturday: Still muggy – ecch, and hot. Shopped a bit. Forgot Mr. Massey's services. Newlin brought a pretty Bendé arrangement. Ruth didn't go to dinner. We played bridge with Louise Oleson. Pretty good. . . . Ruth handed over her bag and said she couldn't go on the trip!!!

29. Sunday: Newlin to 9:30 Meeting. Then to Mt. Laurel. Guests from London. Helen Ridgway spoke to Dr. Love's reading of Query on education. . . . Schlimmie all set up. 50th anniversary of her coming to America. Cake, decorations. Newlin can't go on trip – might as well cancel.

30. Monday: Must pick up Newlin's mail at the Secretary Service: my medicine. And Ruth's first diathermy. Her pain slows – so she will go.

31. [no entry]

## September

Wednesday: Called on Virgie and heard Rebecca Lippincott say Virgie had a stroke. “Ellen never told me that!” She’s a fighter, sure enuf.

2. Thursday: We were second. So, up and about. I bought a basket of tomatoes for \$2.50. Gave Ruth a tray-full and made juice – five cranberry jars full. The Foley food mill is the only way for such bulk. Walked around to Bernie Haines. No owl on Tuesday. Newlin to Zoning Board of Adjustment.

3. Friday: 10:30 with Dr. Meland to set my tooth on the new one. No go. Lunch with Lydia Cadbury and two guests. They had stopped in to return vase. Hot-top path in the woods! Square Dance sign-up is up, for September 28.

4. Saturday: George came early with catalog of Exner. ?? Acton had one two weeks ago. Phones out in 18! Cole in to get a message thru our Bell. Actons Campbell Soup toureen catalogue. I was “receiving” all morning. Tomato juice with Richberg sisters. Then dinner with them. Awful! To square dancing at Leisure Town on Dr. Meland’s invitation. Fun.

5. Sunday: George took down three strings of beans chewed off by the rabbits. And we cut off two fat green hornworms from the nicotinia. I photoed them, then poured boiling water on ‘em. Ecch –

6. Monday: More green hornworms!

7. Tuesday: Beautiful day. We went to Brigantine, taking Caroline Malin. VERY few birds! But many egrets.

8. Wednesday: I pulled up all the nicotiana. And the nasturtiums are doing very well. . . . Board of Education with Maude Sharp.

9. Thursday: We were first. It pushes us. I sewed on buttons and belt loops. We put wool blankets on the beds. “Registered voters” at noon and dinner. Candidates met – Mabel Martin did NICE job.

10. Friday: To the Hospital, alone. Great welcome. Not too tired. dinner with Pratts. Ruth in some pain yet. Good game, full of mistakes, at their house.

11. Saturday: Did a good laundry at K’s. – all my dresses come out well. Getting ready for the trip.

12. Sunday: Newlin did papers. We had dinner with Ruth Baldwin and Kath Rumble and Lindy Ware (Bill is in CC). To Chester Reagan’s Memorial in Moorestown Meeting. HOT! Home – supper of turkey leg, chard, and beets.

13. Monday: To Moorestown Mall. No handbags under \$30. Second coat came – equally poor. I’ll send it back. Lunch with two Mayors – \$5.00! Newlin went, learned about League of Women Voters Library study in ’68. Unit meeting in October. . . . Awful supper with Almo and Alma – both deaf. Made tomato juice. Newlin to Emergency Squad of Union Fire Co. Big day.

14. Tuesday: I took an itinerary and Arizona pictures over to Auntie. She seemed well. Spoke of going in January. Newlin to Moorestown for L.W.V. copy on the Library.

15. Wednesday: First meeting of Reading Club at Ruth’s. She said we were going tripping. Much ahh . . . Stern on Woolcott, Myra “Move to New Jersey!” Miss Kitty on Wimbleton grass keeper. Hammond on Egypt. Flagler the Illiterate A’s. [?]

16. Thursday: Cleaned last. A porter next week.

17. Friday: To the hospital, alone. Pretty busy. Very muggy warm. Told about the trip and reminded Volunteer boss. I'll return 29th. Nap. Dinner with Pratts, Ruth elsewhere. Ruth Abrams had a guest from Foster, Rhode Island. Welcome Rood Pottery Shop. . . . Bridge game here – we missed a very good Basso singer.

18. Saturday: I washed my hair! Newlin to H.M.O. [health maintenance organization] opening. Tent, etc. on parking lot. Forsythe and Conda. To Historical Flea at Kirby mill. A bottle! Dinner. Scrabble. Dance and records. Pleasant evening at home. Strike on U.P.S. No flight bag till tour!

19. Sunday: Newlin for papers. To Meeting. Andrew read a poem on sight and sightless. Good. Home. Papers. Addie Webber, Bail and Ware for dinner. Packed suitcase. Supper at Grace Ober's. Soup, bread, jam, pumpkin bread, brownies and fruit cup. Nice. Practically packed.

20. Monday: "Does thee have thy blood work?" No! Phone. . . . I took basket for Square Dancing to Sammy. Washed a sock. Put out the declining plants. Closed the desk. Newlin came home at 3:00. Started 3:30 – took us to Pennsylvania R.R. at 30th St. Station. We started "Slumber Coach."

21. Tuesday: Up early, into Chicago. Ruth sat up all night. She stayed in station. Saw a man revived in the station. I went to Art Institute, and up the Sears Tower – highest in the world. Very weary walking. Georgia O'Keefe, American Gothic, many others. Lunch at their cafeteria. Two roomettes over the wheels. Dome car. Ruth sat up again. I rested, but in the smallest space.

22. Wednesday: Up – to dome car. Early light over flat land – nice.

In to Denver. Rain – four in a row on the taxi seat! Rented a blue Avis Volare. I drove first, Ruth on directions. McDonald's lunch in Boulder. Route 7 lovely. To Estes. Nice motel. Tyrol. Drove to Bear Lake – beautiful. Dumb supper at Miners' Kettle! Home to bed.

23. Thursday: Clear. Eatons called and gave us tips. I drove up the old road to summit, and Trail Ridge Road. Lunch near top. Triscuit, peanut butter, cucumber. Spectacular! Rented a cassette and player and wrote a bunch of cards. Found the P.O. Dinner at Glokenspiel. Delightfully different TV debates.

24. Friday: Rain! I bought shoes – \$16.00 – just right. We watched Washington Week in Review and Wall St. Newlin phoned in p.m. Nice. Moseyed down Route 7 with many stops. To Valley Motel on edge of Denver. Rain. Clam chowder at Denny's.

25. Saturday: Up at 5:00. Rain – left for Avis in rain, with no trouble. Waited till they came at 7:00 a.m. Took us to train. And what a ride! Again fantastic. Grand Junction very hospitable. Expensive dinner at Cork and Embers. \$7.04 and \$1.00 tip! Bottle show – interesting! Pretty mall for shops.

26. Sunday: 8:30 leave for Aspen – going up the R.R. track again to Glenwood Springs. Ruedi Reservoir side trip gorgeous. Snow tops everywhere – spectacular. Holiday Inn at Aspen standard. We dressed for dinner.

27. Monday: Left 7:00 (without breakfast) to Maroon Bells. Mist and color, but cool. Ashcroft dumb restoration. Ruth weary. To bed early. Read in N.Y. magazine about Arizona and Mafia and reporters' death. Cool. To bed. Could have shopped more.

28. Tuesday: Left 7:00 again – dumb rolling brown country, sandy, occasionally farmed a little. Dusty in the bus. Black Canyon of the Gunnison impossible to capture. Lots of little friendly chipmunks

skittering about. Twin Peaks Motel in Ouray. We all went to the Outlaws – dim lights, overcrowded. Salad bar nice. MARBLE day!

29. Wednesday: Early off – beefs [?] in field with a snake fence, snowy peaks all around. Saw 2,100 sheep being moved with three men and two dogs – already sold, for \$.51/lb! Lunch at the Iron Dipper in Telluride. Marvellous mountains. Home to Ouray – we went to P.O. and found Shlimmie's friend Barbara Spencer. Walked to Hogans and Tempelana [?] House. Passed the sheep on the road again.

30. Thursday: Up to P.O. to snap Schlimmie's friend. Tremendous road. Early morning light slow. House on hill. Picnic lunch on Jail-house steps. Ruth and I and five took Silverton and Durango – the narrow gauge R.R. Smoky, but fun. Hand car followed. Directly to fancy old hotel with one waitress. Delectable meal.

## October

1. Friday: Up early for New York Bakery breakfast. People, noise, thick bread, good waitresses. Fantastic experience. To May day. To Mesa Verde. Lunch. Down incredible mesas, hogans, and stop at Thunderbird Lodge. RAIN. Ruth interested in Indian School 25 miles away. Long ride on new bus with working air conditioning.

2. Saturday: Light breakfast. Ruth phoned Park Ranger and school. Only one security guard. We fussed and fussed. No transport. Lunch at 1:20, off at 2:00 for North Rim and South Rim of Canyon de Chelly. Gorgeous lookouts. Home. We ate here. Some went with bus to ?? We were tired. Bought Newlin's bolo [tie]. The rest went on a canyon tour in bouncing truck seats. Cold and windy and erratic sun.

3. Sunday: Off after cafeteria breakfast. Stopped at Hopi Reservation. Expensive but handsome silver. Stopped at Victor's in

dry dirty village – really poor. Dogs, too. Navajo National Monument, and on to Monument Valley, and Harry Gouldings' M.V. lodge. No phone, no TV.

4. Monday: 8:00 breakfast, and off in four red four-wheel-drive buses. All day trundling around Monument Valley, naming the monuments. Lunch in shade; watermelon. Model mother of our driver and niece. More film needed. I got 3 + 3. Prices reasonable on jewelry. Thank goodness it's cool. Geese going south, hard winter. Good slides and talk about Gouldings.

5. Tuesday: Off in red buses to many arches and rooms and pictograms and such. Ruth didn't go – knees cold and painful. She didn't miss much. Hogans, new hogans, corrals, bumpy trails, new trails. And embittered Bertha, full of complaints and personalities. Not many pictures. Incredible roast beef for dinner.

6. Wednesday: A quick trip to the 7th-Day Adventist hospital near Gouldings. Foreign to Indians. Then up the road to the Goosenecks of the San Juan River. Light supper. Pretty tired.

7. Thursday: Up to Dead Horse Point – settling basins of Texasgulf [sic] Potash mining, lined so the brime doesn't leak back to the river. Then wait at the Wolf Ranch while they went up to Delicate Arch, and waited for the full moon. Balance Rock with the full moon – “It's a tremendous picture.” Home at 8:30.

8. Friday: To Arches National Park. Park Ave. walk. And they wandered in. Lunch in the Fiery Furnace, and cool and lovely between high rocks. Walk through the arches. Then a drive up the Colorado to Fisher Towers. Farewill dinner. Home to pack for tomorrow. Sat with [illegible] and Wilkinson. NOISE. Japanese air force here in numbers. Interesting rocks.

9. Saturday: To the Moab International Airport. The Volaré was

ready and we drove off! Friede upchucking. Strange bare scenery. To Panguitch, while others went to Grand Junction and re-formed. The bus dropped us off.

10. Sunday: Bryce – old, deep, far scenes. And then Zion – tunnel and switchback to the floor of the canyon. Such tall straight walls. And a Zion Lodge in the bottom. Terrific. Panquitch on Sunday – all others closed on Sunday.

11. Monday: From Panguitch to Navajo Community College in Tsiile – near thunderbird Lodge. And back to Kanab 599 miles! And a good visit at the school with Larry Isaacs and Mrs. Smith. Interesting buildings.

12. Tuesday: Left Harry's nice motel in Kanab – glad the trip yesterday was done. To Grand Canyon. And it was. Bright Angel Lodge – like Griscom Hall. Mobs of people. The views just magnificent.

13. Wednesday: Up and left Bright Angel Lodge. Look-see around exit road points. Just tremendous. Caught the river finally. Then cross country – lava mounds, etc. Flagstaff, Sedona (almost ) Oak Creek Canyon – very pretty. Don Hoel's cabin NICE. Groceries high. Wow – \$6.00 for milk and p.b.t [sic]. Tusayan Ruin and Museum.

14. Thursday: Sound sleep in #5 Don Hoel's Cabins. Off to Tuzigoot [National Monument], Jerome, Montezuma's Castle, and Well. Lunch at Sedonia, small shopping, and home by 4:15. Good day. But hot. Shade is so welcome.

15. Friday: Up and out to drive to Tucson. Good-bye to the hills. It was quite warm along the highway. With some trouble found the motel – way out, half-way to far out Airport.

16. Saturday: Quiet day. Much phoning by Ruth for new arrangement. Newlin called and verified our Philadelphia arrival.

17. Sunday: Up and out early. Refund willingly. To Tucson Meeting – Grace Hardy, Mary Wright and David Richie. We stayed for Monthly Meeting. It was really active, each doing their thing with Meeting backing. Transfer to Braniff. Turned in car. About 2,000 miles. Home by airport limousine. Dinner quietly at Motel three blocks from railroad.

18. Monday: Up and out early to R.R. –stood half an hour. Reservations were changed. I picked up limes. Train – at last we're off. Can't see both sides. I went to dome car. Ruth's knees stiff.

19. Tuesday: Rolly night – but I survived in upper berth. Ruth rambled early part [sic]. I went for breakfast. Rice harvesting, kudzu, sugar cane growth. Pretty poor looking houses. New Orleans. We had a layover and it RAINED. So we sat in the station! Bought "The Great Train Robbery."

20. Wednesday: Read "The Great Train Robbery" all day in the Dome Car. Wonderfully planned! History and social background. Birmingham disappointing – lots of kudzu. Food pretty good, and not too high on R.R.

21. Thursday: Up and packed – four lanes of Washington traffic. We must be getting home! Ruth gave me a pair of earrings and a lovely card before I got out of the upper birth. Finally – Philadelphia. Newlin on the platform. Home to Leas and for lunch. Much fuss. Ruth drove to Allentown for mailers! Much sorting and resorting.

22. Friday: The phone rings. Egad. Unpacked and put away. Many "Welcome Back!" – Flagler with cold and high blood pressure. Adelle Brant post card was a real hit – a mountain she knew.

Evening of TV, including debates. Pratts had family here. I bought sunflower seeds for Newlin.

23. Saturday: Quiet a.m, early lunch. Off to the HiSpeed to Philadelphia to see Julie Harris in the Belle of Amherst. She was terrific – moving, funny, the whole time. Home to “Birthday Party” by Colvins. Very clever setting. Roast beef and baked Alaska!!

24. Sunday: Slept till after 9:00. RAIN. Quiet day sorting. Newlin nudged on lounge [?] notebooks. He has sixteen papers now! Supper with Lees – he grew up near Mesa Verde – talked of roads! Wow.

25. Monday: Book Club at Ruth’s. Flagler and Newlin absent. Pem read from “Mr. God, this is Anna.” I read the Georgia election behavior from Carter. Myra read about U.F.O. waiting for a new world. Dinner early. We didn’t stay for Lisovitch in Greece.

26. Tuesday: I washed my hair! Square dance pleasant. Three squares with one couple sit-out. No dancing election day.

27. Wednesday: Newlin to Dr. Carabasi. Flu shot, no injection. A note of apology and thanks to Semmis [?]. Newlin out to meeting.

28. Thursday: Up – we’re second [for cleaning]. Brushed up and cleaned up. I keep putting trip things away. Lunch with Louise Olesen. I gave her Mrs. Mondale’s news column – she’s ART [?]. Pictures taken at 2:15. Quiet afternoon – Newlin pushing on notebooks on politics. Dinner with Blatchfords.

29. Friday: Halloween. Up – it seemed early. Off to Hospital. They had two helpers – Mr. and Mrs. Hunter of Leisure Town. Eason out back. Pat Kahoun operated on! Took all my films to Mount Holly. Home with .45 face [?]. . . . Dressed up in sheet and spider on Newlin’s stick, walked over, through the crowd, downstairs. Left

sheet, walked through clinic, and home. Perfect! Pratts in p.m.

30. Saturday: Quiet day. Shopped in a.m. Lunch with Jack Gray and Wickenden. Shelled soy beans (Newlin helping) while watching football game. Set some to soak overnight. Dinner with Caroline Malin.

31. Sunday: Newlin up for papers. I slept. To Meeting. Large! Then I read in the Lounge. Home, to read more on elections. Dinner with Sterns very nice. A whirl of activity on pictures into scrapbook, typed L.W.V. addresses. Stopped over with Newlin to Beggs. Then a good soybean casserole and scrapple for supper. Promise nice weather will turn cold.

## November

1. Monday: Book Club here, and I go to Pratt's for McKarg committee. Newlin will host.

2. Tuesday: Election Day. Judy and Buckwalter won. Hargis and Garczynsky out. Long day. Newlin with many absentee ballot stories. The Library "Annex" \$300,000 went down. We hung on the TV – went to bed at 2:00; Newlin later. Carter won!

3. Wednesday: Asked to L.W.V. board meeting. We have a Unit 1/22. I got the table-top spotted with hot water! Durn. Nap. . . . To Township Committee – Buckwalter present to receive copies of new ordinances implementing the new Planning Board. Linda Yost present.

4. Thursday: Off at 9:30 to visit Becky. M.D. 45 miles to Claymont. Third-floor walk-up, one side ventilation. Cluttered and full of Knick-nacks. Becky talked a mile a minute. Jean came in, talked too. M.D. almost blind. No car – much walking. Home, to bed.

5. Friday: Off fairly early. Two Hunters to help. Not a bad day. \$95.00 for printing 12 rolls, twenty each. Hurry hurry to look. Dinner with Pratts and bridge before "The Program." Home. Very weary.
6. Saturday: Got second batch of clothing from cleaners for Mrs. Viele. Ruth in Kutztown, pleased with her pictures of Navajo Community College. Still tired. Scrabble game – dragging, though.
7. Sunday: To Meeting – good. Home to work on putting pictures into notebook. Tedious – hard on eyes, too.
8. Monday: Sorted and placed last of present photos. Not very many. Picked up Zoning Ordinance, took it to Moorestown for duplication, back to Dr. Lee's office. Tear, tear!
9. Tuesday: I took one copy of ordinance to Elaine Pratt and to beg a return. Newlin left for Virginia. I cleaned up and sorted closets. Lunch with Wills. Application to Patco [Port Authority Transit Corp.] filled and mailed. Square dancing – three only.
10. Wednesday: Up, lazily. Read the Reconstruction of Lincoln Center for better acoustics! \$6,000,000. Successful. No steamer to lend Pratts. Radiator dishes are fixed again.
11. Thursday: I rode the bus to Moorestown, bought two shirts for Newlin. Here for lunch. Then the bus to Medford for cleaning junk. Brought four shirts home – on the bus! And shopped at Stewarts. Changed the beds and put on second blanket – for winter. George's bed is ready, too. Alan Hunt and friend on taxes. Concentrated. . . .
12. Friday: In Ruth's car to the Hospital. Both Hunters were there. Still I was weary. Last of film. M.D. excellent, Becky OK, Jean awful. Ruth in private dining room with Quircus, speaker. Ran and developed a service for libraries and bookstores. Pre-publication

estimate of books. 999 books in one year. With a full additional life!

13. Saturday: Made candied orange peel. Did a laundry. No plastic for our air-conditioner openings. Grace Ober had dinner with us. She's tops in my book. Saw Ruth's pictures. She has some I'd like. Home with People – Jean Mayers. “Tall Sails” lovely photography, lousy talk.

14. Sunday: George helped Mary Rappoport with seventeen fat heavy New York Times! To Meeting – six speakers. Wallen asking for “tender concern” with the sick. Lew on Edinburgh last Sunday. Stevenson's prayer and message. Most helpful! . . . “Sounder” on TV – four star! Newlin came home in evening. I called on Schlimmie – nothing but her aches and pains. Dismal.

15. Monday: (Flu shot) I will go tomorrow, by bus. With rug. Ahhh – Sort of overcast. Book Club at Blatchford and Jean Mayer. Renaissance, (Millay), Edith Stern “Ashe in South Africa.” Ruth on HOW the election returns come in. Flagler, “Whodunits.” . . . Newlin off on the lawn. Fried oyster tickets?? Hanna and Marion Jenks came to call on Helen Ingersol.

16. Tuesday: Bus to Boston. Musica Viva in evening. They walked me home after the concert.

17. Wednesday: Breakfast with the Browns. Then shopping – all day. Tottered home for nap. To Ye Hong Guey. Fenwick in good fettle. Patrick Dorman walked from Museum! They walked me home to Park Street Station. Nice. Home. Packed, to bed. Legs weary.

18. Thursday: Up at of 7: too early for sandwich. Three orange juices. Bus not filled. Beautiful day. To Mount Laurel at 3:05 instead of 3:35. Newlin to Planning Board. I heard Mabel Martin on the U.N. thirty years of observing. She was tops. It was a good trip.

19. Friday: Very tired – but up and out to Hospital EARLY. Ordered a zoning book. Beulah Hess is in awful condition. Two Hunters helped. But I was exhausted. Our pictures are too too true! Ruth brought oysters from Bivalve to freeze.

20 – 24 [no entries]

25. Thursday: Thanksgiving. We drove to Florence and Harold Seamans' in Baltimore for delectable dinner. Took cranberry relish, hot spiced cider, two pies and cheesecake!

26. Friday: Off to Hospital early. Pretty weary. Marie Dawson had thirteen to dinner, and the oven conked out. She used a neighbor's. The enlargements came!! Ruth sent clouds and Goosenecks. Me a V color with Yazzie's [?]. My Spider Rock is just handsome.

27. Saturday: Diddling with album. Adelle Brant into Estaugh with chills, fever, and aches in the night. Probably Hong Kong flu reaction, a week after the shots. Dinner and bridge with Pratts here, and with pictures, more notes.

28. Sunday: Spent all day writing notes with snapshots and marking my snapshots, too. Eyes bleary. Some of N.Y. Times, but nothing that helps. Mrs. Montgomery for dinner, very nice. Supper here. Just weary.

29. [no entry]

30. Tuesday: Cleaner and porter – for what?! . . . Square Dance – three squares! But fun. Gilbert is progressing.

December

1. Wednesday: Township Committee Meeting. I went. All moved to Fire Co. Hall. 300 on Reassessments. Such stories! Home at 1:00, to bed 45 minutes later. Worn out.

2. Thursday: Sue is back and we're on schedule. Very Sleepy! I signed up. T. Scangarello to talk about the L.W.V. January 25. Very good speaker – Dr. Katz, head of Arthritis Foundation and head of that department of Women's Hospital. . . . Ruth will SWIM!

3. Friday: Very cold – 12°. I drove to Hospital. Fairly busy. Both Hunters to help. Got the Dick enlargement. It's good. Mailed it to Stegman. Dinner with Pratts and bridge at their house. Cold coming home. Moon is lovely.

4. Saturday: Up. COLD. Addressed L.W.V. stickers and did the township Meeting notes. Took them to Ann Aurbach – just beyond Cropwell. Dinner with Blatchfords. They're getting sort of awful. . . . Torchlight House Tour for Medford Historical. House, Johnson, Police Station, Trumbower, the Toll. Spiced cider – hot, as delicious as ever. And cookies! And a charming spinner of wool. One pound per person per day required of Colonists. They had 1,500.

5. Sunday: To early Meeting. Cars for Moorestown Play Rehearsal. I'll go, and take Louise Olsen. Baked a loaf of Mrs. Hoover's bread. Very pleasant and competent performance. With nice tunes.

6. Monday: Newlin to Burlington City Library for more info. To Sound Odyssey – and bought a three-speed record player. McDonald's BSR 620. \$89. Brought it home and set it up. Couldn't make it run! Drawer came out of the old – set up easily.

7. Tuesday: Fretted some with turntable. Went to Sound Odyssey again. Saw how it should work. Came home to dinner. Fiddled with it – and it goes. Lovely. . . . Last Square Dance for fall series. Three squares.

8. Wednesday: Most of the morning playing records with directions in hand. It's LOVELY. To School Board Meeting. Cold, few in audience. Mrs. Quemore unhurt in auto accident. Elaine Pratt on Reading!

9. Thursday: Newlin to Virginia. I decided at 9:00 to go to Moorestown Mall. Pretty good trip. I fixed bed for George and wrapped Christmas packages. Nothing for Ruth, yet.

10. Friday: I drove Ruth's car to Mt. Holly. Not a bad day. Got pictures for Ruth and Curtis. Al Diamond's copy OK. Good nap. Dinner with Les Brown and Glover. . . . Quite nice music – clarinet, piano, and cello – Curtis Trio, here.

11. Saturday: Made chewy cookies. Decorated for Christmas. It looks nice. Newlin came home in afternoon. Dinner with Carrick who had gone to Philadelphia. Old [illegible] Church in our bus. Chocolate cookies (no eggs!) in evening. Ruth and George to Kutztown all day.

12. Sunday: Early Meeting. Newlin did 16 papers! Quiet day. Rainy. Grace Ober joined us for dinner – discussion of expansion of Medford Leas. . . . Pancakes and cheeses for supper. Some cards after dinner with Ruth and George.

13. Monday: Carol record greeting Reading Club here. Nice. Ruth finished "Roots" in tears. Terrific. "Mr. God this is Anna" very nice by Pem Johnson. . . . Newlin went to School Board Budget Meeting. Only one there – "sub. for me?"

14. Tuesday: To Cherry Hill Mall – got a 7" record spindle. Made Schlimmie weep – talking always about self and medicine. She got control. Newlin phoning Lissa, Tom, Lella, and Fenwick with his dates.

15. Wednesday: Newlin off to Virginia. Me to L.W.V. lunch. Bakley interesting. Decision will be made next Tuesday. Cleaned up in afternoon. Quiet evening reading "The Helix File" – mystery, murder, and complications.

16. Thursday: To Moorestown Mall. Groceries and little poinsettia for Auntie. Cleaned last. Have sheets for Fenwick. Ruth working on slides for Saturday "Bicycling Through Europe" with Cadbury Beers and about twenty teenagers. Delightful slides and comment.

17. Friday: Drove Ruth's car – frosty. No heater! Virgie is in fine fettle. Helped on several stretchers. Tired again. Two Fridays off. Wonderful dinner, and home for the evening.

18. Saturday: Slept late and lazied. Lunch with Pratts and Oleson. Dressed and over before 4:00. Pem Johnson on mikes. All set. Dinner with Ridgway, Geer, and Spaulding. Then Ruth's slides. Very well received. I read Billy Griffith's composition.

19. Sunday: Very frosty. Esther Murrell, Mary Rappoport, and I did the papers. To Meeting. Couldn't settle in. Key to Ruth, then Colvins for dinner. Depressed. I washed my hair. And played records. Colvins took the album home.

20. Monday: 10:00 – to Auntie. Like Louisa, she is frail but hanging in there! Took a little poinsettia. Brought home a hankie. Lunch at Goodnoe, of course. Home ahead of rain, snow, and mush.

21. [no entry]

22. Wednesday: Newlin not home yet. I used my .20 ticket to go to Philadelphia to Seeslers for a book for each – Caudill for Ruth, Lincoln Mass. for Newlin, Jaworski for George, Intrepid for Fenwick, and orderd one for me. Lunch at Wanamakers. Bathing

caps and shoes for Ruth to swim with.

23. Thursday: No sheets, no towels, no cleaning. Merry Xmas. Newlin came last evening. Out to shop for coffee, shirts.

24. Friday: I vacuumed and bade the bed for Fenwick and DUSTED! Newlin got caught up – went in to Philadelphia and out by 2:00. Fenwick due at 3:00. We went and sat in the lobby till 4:30! He came, George came and is using Pem Johnson's apartment. Much investigation of the record player. Plus adjustment. Borrowed a jacket from Blatchfords!

25. Saturday: Up, slowly. To Ruth's apartment at 10.30 for a bountiful Christmas. Cheeses, tea, and four records from Fenwick, cookbook, U.N. note paper from George, pair of bedspreads! from Ruth. "Looking at Photographs – 100 Pictures from the Museum of Modern Art," from Newlin. Off to dinner with Kate (orange cap, pink and black wool). Game of hearts in 112. Evening here. Fenwick checked and balanced the record player.

26. Sunday: Newlin up for papers. I slept. Fenwick with raisins for breakfast – not used to these big meals. Fenwick and I to Meeting. Good. Quiet – only three spoke. Newlin joined us at Meeting. Dinner, roast beef – delicious! Another round of hearts at 112. Home, to pack, and off to Holiday Inn. There at 5:30. Salem at 6:15! Home, pleased. A lovely Christmas.

27. Monday: Picked up, cleared up. Read Photograph book. Fenwick was held by Escher. Took tins of tea and frame to thrift Shop. Earl App died – what a blessed relief. Styron with unusual back road slides of Washington.

28. Tuesday: I typed addresses for L.W.V. Went over diary for our newsletter. Fenwick called – he found the mislaid book and is home at 71.

29. Wednesday: Newlin up early to go to Philadelphia for Dr. Carabasi. Late and leisurely breakfast.

30. Thursday: We were [cleaned] first – made us hurry. But we made it.

31. Friday: To Hospital – good! Cold – 8°. 3:30 tea at Richtbergs. Cole and Brandt and us. Then dinner for seven at a round table. Nice. Home for New Years Evening.