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Golden Number	11
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Julian Period (Year of)	6680

Julian Day Number 2,439,492 begins at Greenwich mean noon on January 1, 1967, Gregorian calendar.

The year 5728 of the Jewish era begins at sunset on October 4, 1967, Gregorian calendar.

The year 1387 of the Mohammedan era, or the era of Hegira, begins at sunset on April 10, 1967, Gregorian calendar.

The 16th year of Queen Elizabeth II begins on February 6, 1967.

The 101st year of Canada begins on July 1, 1967.

Date of Easter is Sunday March 26, 1967.

FESTIVALS, ANNIVERSARIES, ETC. 1967

New Year's Day Jan. 1	Ascension Day ..May 4
Epiphany	Pentecost (Whit Sunday)
Septuagesima Sunday	Trinity Sunday ..
Quinquagesima (Shrove Sunday)	Victoria Day Celebration Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II ..
Accession of Queen Elizabeth II (1952)	Corpus Christi ..
Ash Wednesday ..	St. John Baptist (Midsummer Day)
Quadragesima (1st Sunday in Lent)	Dominion Day
St. David	Labor Day
St. Patrick	Hebrew New Year (Rosh Hashanah)
Palm Sunday	Thanksgiving Day
Good Friday	Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur)
Annunciation (Lady Day)	Day of Tabernacles (Succoth)
Easter Sunday ..	Remembrance Day
Easter Monday ..	St. Andrew
Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II (1926)	First Sunday in Advent
St. George	Conception Day ..
First Day of Passover	Christmas Day ..
Rogation Sunday ..	

MORNING AND EVENING STARS, 1967

Mercury—Morning star till January 18, evening star till March 4, morning star till May 11, evening star till July 9, morning star till August 24, evening star till November 1, morning star till end of year.

Venus—Evening star till August 29, morning star till end of year.

Mars—Morning star till April 15, evening star till end of year.

Jupiter—Morning star till January 20, evening star till August 8, morning star till end of year.

Saturn—Evening star till March 23, morning star till October 2, evening star till end of year.

NOTE: Reproduced in part from Advanced Proofs of Astronomical Phenomena for the year 1967, Nautical Almanac Office, U.S. Naval Observatory.

ECLIPSES IN 1967

There will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon.

Total Eclipse of the Moon April 24 — North America, Asia.

Partial Eclipse of the Sun May 9 — North America, Europe.

Total Eclipse of the Moon October 18 — The Americas, Asia.

Total Eclipse of the Sun November 2 — South Africa.

BANK HOLIDAYS

Canada — New Year's Day; Good Friday; Easter Monday; Victoria Day (the Monday immediately preceding May 25); Dominion Day; Labour Day; Thanksgiving Day (Second Monday in October); Remembrance Day; Christmas Day; Queen's Birthday (celebrated on Victoria Day); any day if declared a public and civic holiday.

The following additional Bank Holidays are observed in Quebec Province — Epiphany, Ash Wednesday; Ascension Day; St. John Baptist (Midsummer Day); All Saints Day; Conception Day.

TIME ZONES

Canadian Zones are:	
Newfoundland.....	52° 5 W. Long. 3-h 30-m slow of Greenwich
Atlantic.....	60° W. Long. 4-h slow of Greenwich
Eastern.....	75° W. Long. 5-h slow of Greenwich
Central.....	90° W. Long. 6-h slow of Greenwich
Mountain.....	105° W. Long. 7-h slow of Greenwich
Pacific.....	120° W. Long. 8-h slow of Greenwich
Yukon.....	135° W. Long. 9-h slow of Greenwich

LEGAL WEIGHTS AND MEASURES IN CANADA

The legal weights and measures of Canada are the Imperial yard, Imperial pound avoirdupois, Imperial gallon, and the Imperial bushel.

By Act of Parliament and Amendments, it is provided: That in contracts for sale and delivery of any of the undermentioned articles, the bushel should be determined by weighing, unless a bushel measure be specially agreed upon, the weight equivalent to a bushel being as follows:

Alfalfa Seed, 60 lbs. Bituminous Coal, 70 lbs. Beans, 60 lbs. Barley, 45 lbs. Buckwheat, 48 lbs. Bluegrass Seed, 15 lbs. Brome Seed, 14 lbs. Castor Beans, 40 lbs. Clover Seed, 60 lbs. Crested Wheat Grass Seed, 22 lbs. Flax-Seed, 56 lbs. Fescue Seed, 22 lbs. Hemp Seed, 44 lbs. Indian Corn, 56 lbs. Lime, 70 lbs. Malt, 36 lbs. Millet Seed (Fox Tail Type), 48 lbs. Millet Seed (Proso Type), 50 lbs. Oats, 34 lbs. Orchard Grass Seed, 14 lbs. Peas, 60 lbs. Potatoes, 60 lbs. Rye, 56 lbs. Rye Grass Seed, 20 lbs. Soy Beans, 60 lbs. Timothy Seed, 48 lbs. Vetch, 60 lbs. Wheat, 60 lbs. Slender Wheat Grass Seed (Western Rye Grass), 14 lbs.

By the same Act, the British hundred-weight of 112 pounds, and the ton of 2,240 pounds were abolished, and the hundred-weight was declared to be 100 pounds, and the ton 2,000 pounds avoirdupois, thus making uniform the weights of Canada and the United States.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Troy Weight—24 grains = 1 pwt.; 20 pwts. = 1 ounce; 12 ounces = 1 pound. Used for weighing gold, silver and jewels.

Apothecaries' Weight—20 grains = 1 scruple; 3 scruples = 1 dram; 8 drams = 1 ounce; 12 ounces = 1 pound. The ounce and pound in this are the same as in Troy Weight.

Avoirdupois Weight—27 11/32 grains = 1 dram; 16 drams = 1 ounce; 16 ounces = 1 pound; 100 pounds = 1 cwt.; 2,000 pounds = 1 short ton; 2,240 pounds = 1 long ton.
1 oz. Troy = 480 gr.; 1 oz. Avoirdupois = 437 1/2 grains.
1 lb. Troy = 5,760 grains; 1 lb. Avoirdupois = 7,000 grains.

Dry Measure—2 pints = 1 quart; 8 quarts = 1 peck; 4 pecks = 1 bushel.

Liquid Measure—4 gills = 1 pint; 2 pints = 1 quart; 4 quarts = 1 gallon; 3 1/2 gallons = 1 barrel; 2 barrels = 1 hogshead. Barrel and hogsheads vary in size.

Circular Measure—60 seconds = 1 minute; 60 minutes = 1 degree; 30 degrees = sign; 90 degrees = 1 quadrant; 4 quadrants = 12 signs, or 360 degrees = circle.

Long Measure—12 inches = 1 foot; 3 feet = 1 yard; 5 1/2 yards = 1 rod; 40 rods = 1 furlong; 8 furlongs = 1 stat. mile; 3 miles = 1 league.

Mariners' Measure—6 feet = 1 fathom; 100 fathoms = 1 cable length; 8.8 cable lengths = 1 mile; 5,280 feet = 1 stat. mile; 6,085 feet = 1 naut. mile.

Miscellaneous—4 inches = 1 hand; 18 inches = 1 cubit; 21.8 inches = 1 Bible cubit; 2 1/2 feet = 1 military pace.

Square Measure—144 sq. inches = 1 sq. foot; 9 sq. feet = 1 sq. yard; 30 3/4 sq. yards = 1 sq. rod; 40 sq. rods = 1 rood; 4 roods = 1 acre; 640 acres = 1 sq. mile.

Surveyors' Measure—7.92 inches = 1 link; 25 links = 1 rod; 4 rods = 1 chain; 10 sq. chains or 160 sq. rods = 1 acre; 640 acres = 1 sq. mile or section; 36 sq. miles (6 miles square) = 1 township.

Cubic Measure—1,728 cubic inches = 1 cubic foot; 27 cubic feet = 1 cubic yard; 2,118.19 cubic inches = 1 Imperial bushel; 277.27 cubic inches = 1 Imperial gallon; 1 cubic foot = about four-fifths of a bushel; 128 cubic feet = 1 cord (wood); 40 cubic feet = 1 ton.

LINEAR MEASURE

1 centimeter = 0.3937 in.
1 decimeter = 3.937 in.
= 0.328 feet
1 meter = 39.37 in. = 1.0936 yards.
1 dekameter = 1.984 rods.
1 kilometer = 0.62137 mile.
1 in. = 2.54 centimeters.
1 ft. = 3.048 decimeters.
1 yard = 0.9144 meter.
1 rod = 0.5029 dekameter.
1 mile = 1.6093 kilometers.

SQUARE MEASURE

1 sq. centimeter = 0.1550 sq. in.
1 sq. decimeter = 0.1076 sq. ft.
1 sq. meter = 1.196 sq. yd.
1 are = 3.954 sq. rods.
1 hektar = 2.47 acres.
1 sq. kilometer = 0.386 sq. mile.
1 sq. inch = 6.452 square centimeters.
1 sq. foot = 9.2903 square decimeters.
1 sq. yard = 0.8361 sq. meter.
1 sq. rod = 0.2529 are.
1 acre = 0.4047 hektar.
1 sq. mile = 2.59 sq. kilometer.

MEASURE OF VOLUME

1 cu. centimeter = 0.061 cu. in.
1 cu. decimeter = 0.0353 cu. ft.
1 cu. meter = 1.308 cu. yard
1 ster = 0.2759 cord
1 liter = .8799 quart
1 dekaliter = 2.6417 gallons.
1 hektoliter = 135 pecks.
1 cu. inch = 16.39 cu. centimeters.
1 cu. foot = 28.317 cu. decimeters.
1 cu. yard = 0.7646 cu. meter.
1 cord = 3.624 sters.
1 qt. = 1.13649 liters.
1 gallon = 0.3785 dekaliter.
1 peck = 0.881 dekaliter.
1 bushel = 0.3524 hektoliter.

WEIGHTS

1 gram = 0.03527 ounce.
1 kilogram = 2.2046 pounds.
1 metric ton = 1.1023 English ton.
1 ounce = 28.35 grams.
1 pound = 0.4536 kilogram.
1 English ton = 0.9072 metric ton.

APPROXIMATE METRIC EQUIVALENTS

1 decimeter = 4 inches.
1 meter = 1.1 yards.
1 kilometer = 3/4 of mile.
1 hektar = 2 1/2 acres.
1 ster, or a cord, = 1/4 of a cord.
1 liter = .8799 quart
1 hektoliter = 2 1/2 bushels.
1 kilogram = 2 1/5 pounds.
1 metric ton = 2,200 lbs.

INTEREST CALCULATIONS

RULE: Multiply the principal by as many one hundredths as there are days, then divide as follows:

Per cent.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12
Divided by	90	72	60	52	45	40	36	30

EXAMPLES: Interest on \$100 for 90 days at 5 per cent.: 100 x .90 = 90.00 divided by 72 = 1.25 (one dollar and 25 cents); on \$1 for 30 days at 6 per cent.: 1 x .30 = .30 divided by 60 = .005 (5 mills).

TABLE: Showing the number of days from any date in one month to the same date in any other month.

From	To	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
January	365	31	59	90	120	151	181	212	243	273	304	334
February	334	365	28	59	89	120	150	181	212	242	273	303
March	306	337	365	31	61	92	122	153	184	214	245	275
April	275	306	334	365	30	61	91	122	153	183	214	244
May	245	276	304	335	365	31	61	92	123	153	184	214
June	214	245	273	304	334	365	30	61	92	122	153	183
July	184	215	243	274	304	335	365	31	62	92	123	153
August	153	184	212	243	273	304	334	365	31	61	92	122
September	122	153	181	212	242	273	303	334	365	30	61	91
October	92	123	151	182	212	243	273	304	335	365	31	61
November	61	92	120	151	181	212	242	273	304	334	365	30
December	31	62	90	121	151	182	212	243	274	304	335	365

EXAMPLE: How many days from May 5th to October 5th? Look for May at left hand and October at the top; in the angle is 153. In leap year add one day if February is included.

CANADA CANADIAN GOVERNMENT

Canada is self-governing and a member of the Commonwealth of Nations. The constitution under which Canada is governed is embodied in the British North America Act and amendments, 1867 to 1952.

The British North America Acts provide that there shall be for Canada one Parliament consisting of the Queen, an Upper House styled the Senate, and the House of Commons. The members of the Senate (102 at present) are appointed until age 75. The members of the House of Commons (265 at present) are elected by popular vote. Every House of Commons continues for five years unless sooner dissolved.

Executive authority is vested in the Queen who is represented in Canada by a Governor General.

The Queen's Privy Council for Canada is a body composed of members chosen and summoned by the Governor General to aid and advise in the government of the country. This body practically never meets as a whole, but active control of the business of governing rests in the hands of that group of members, headed by the First (or Prime) Minister, to which the Governor General entrusts it for the time being. The members of the group are ministers of the Crown. It is the custom that they all be members of parliament and the group is often popularly referred to as "the Cabinet", "the Ministry" or "the Government" although these terms have no official status. Control is entrusted to a Ministry for as long as it retains the support of a majority of the members of the House of Commons. When a Ministry ceases to receive that support it surrenders control and by due process is replaced by another having the necessary backing in the House.

Within the field defined by the British North America Acts legislative authority is vested in Parliament, and this authority extends over the whole of Canada.

Judicial functions are exercised throughout the country by Federal, Provincial and Territorial Courts, all of which operate within such limits as are respectively appointed for each.

LAND AREA AND POPULATION, CANADA, 1964

Canada is composed at present of ten provinces and two territories so called, each having local government operating within designated bounds. Their respective names, seats of government, areas and populations (1964 June 1 estimate) are as follows:

	Seat of Government	Land area in sq. miles	Pop. 1965 Estimate
Newfoundland, including Labrador	St. John's	143,045	498,000
Prince Edward Island	Charlottetown	2,184	108,000
Nova Scotia	Halifax	20,402	761,000
New Brunswick	Fredericton	27,835	623,000
Quebec	Quebec	523,860	5,657,000
Ontario	Toronto	344,092	6,731,000
Manitoba	Winnipeg	211,775	962,000
Saskatchewan	Regina	220,182	951,000
Alberta	Edmonton	248,800	1,451,000
British Columbia	Victoria	359,279	1,789,000
Yukon	Whitehorse	205,346	15,000
Northwest Territories	Ottawa	1,253,438	25,000
Canada (Total)		3,560,238	19,571,000

* Preliminary figures subject to revision.

POPULATION OF CANADA

Chief Cities and Towns of Canada with Population as Shown by 1961 Census
(with Metropolitan areas)

Montreal, Que.	1,191,062	Montreal N. Que.	48,433	North Vancouver, B.C.	23,656
Montreal (Met. area)	2,109,508	Ferriborough, Ont.	47,625	Pointe Claire, Que.	22,709
Toronto, Ont.	872,407	Burlington, Ont.	47,008	St. Thomas, Ont.	22,469
Toronto (Met. area)	1,824,481	Dartmouth, N.S.	46,966	St. Hyacinthe, Que.	22,354
Vancouver, B.C.	384,522	Port Arthur, Ont.	45,276	Niagara Falls, Ont.	22,351
Vancouver (Met. area)	790,165	Port William, Ont.	45,214	Pointe aux Trembles, Que.	21,926
Edmonton, Alta.	281,027	Moncton, N.B.	43,840	Theford Mines, Que.	21,618
Edmonton (Met. area)	337,568	Cornwall, Ont.	43,639	Waterloo, Ont.	21,366
Hamilton, Ont.	273,991	Saut Ste. Marie, Ont.	43,088	Mont Royal, Que.	21,182
Hamilton (Met. area)	985,189	Jacques Cartier, Que.	40,807	Barrie, Ont.	21,189
Ottawa, Ont.	268,206	Guelph, Ont.	39,838	Forest Hill, Ont.	20,489
Ottawa (Met. area)	429,750	Lachine, Que.	38,630	Woodstock, Ont.	20,486
Winnipeg, Man.	265,429	St. Boniface, Man.	37,600	Strafford, Ont.	20,467
Winnipeg (Met. area)	475,989	Welland, Ont.	36,079	West Kildonan, Man.	20,077
Calgary, Alta.	249,641	Lethbridge, Alta.	35,454	Fredericton, N.B.	19,683
Calgary (Met. area)	279,062	St. James, Man.	33,977	Red Deer, Alta.	19,612
Quebec, Que.	171,979	New Westminster, B.C.	33,617	Laval des Rapides, Que.	19,227
Quebec (Met. area)	357,568	Sydney, N.S.	33,571	Victoriaville, Que.	18,720
London, Ont.	169,569	Moose Jaw, Sask.	33,206	Rouyn, Que.	18,716
London (Met. area)	181,283	Shawinigan, Que.	32,169	Dorval, Que.	18,592
Windsor, Ont.	114,367	Chicoutimi, Que.	31,657	Leaside, Ont.	18,573
Windsor (Met. area)	193,365	Granby, Que.	31,463	Brampton, Ont.	18,467
Regina, Sask.	112,141	LaSalle, Que.	30,904	Charlottetown, P.E.I.	18,318
Saskatoon, Sask.	95,526	Curemont, Que.	30,753	Mimico, Ont.	18,212
Halifax, N.S.	92,511	Bellefleur, Que.	30,530	Riverside, Ont.	18,089
Halifax (Met. area)	183,946	Jasper Place, Alta.	30,750	Jonette, Que.	18,088
St. Catharines, Ont.	84,472	Chomedey, Que.	30,445	Brockville, Ont.	17,744
Sudbury, Ont.	80,190	Chatham, Ont.	29,825	Rimouski, Que.	17,730
Sudbury (Met. area)	110,694	St. Foy, Que.	29,716	Owen Sound, Ont.	17,421
Verdun, Que.	78,317	Timmins, Ont.	29,270	Sorel, Que.	17,147
Kitchener, Ont.	74,485	Jonquiere, Que.	28,588	Pembroke, Ont.	16,791
Kitchener (Met. area)	154,854	London, Man.	28,186	Richmond Hill, Ont.	16,466
Sherbrooke, Que.	66,554	Drummondville, Que.	27,909	Pont Viau, Que.	16,077
St. John's, Nfld.	63,633	Galt, Ont.	27,830	Grand Mere, Que.	15,806
St. John's (Met. area)	90,838	East Kildonan, Man.	27,368	Levis, Que.	15,345
Oshawa, Ont.	62,415	Valleyfield, Que.	27,297	Orleans, Ont.	15,112
Hull, Que.	56,929	St. Jean, Que.	26,988	Port Colborne, Ont.	14,886
St. Michel, Que.	55,978	Cap-de-la-Madeleine, Que.	26,925	Whitby, Ont.	14,885
Brantford, Ont.	55,000	Cornier Brook, Nfld.	26,186	St. Lambert, Que.	14,531
Saint John, N.B.	55,153	Westmount, Que.	25,012	Arvida, Que.	14,460
Saint John (Met. area)	95,563	Eastview, Ont.	24,555	St. Hubert, Que.	14,380
Victoria, B.C.	54,941	St. Jerome, Que.	24,546	Charlesbourg, Que.	14,308
Victoria (Met. area)	134,152	Medicine Hat, Alta.	24,484	Transcona, Man.	14,248
Kingston, Ont.	53,526	Glace Bay, N.S.	24,186	Sept-Isles, Que.	14,196
Trois Rivieres, Que.	53,477	Prince Albert, Sask.	24,168	Nanaimo, B.C.	14,135
Sarnia, Ont.	50,976	Longueuil, Que.	24,131	Sillery, Que.	14,109
St. Laurent, Que.	49,806	North Bay, Ont.	23,761		

USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT PROMISSORY NOTES

Demand Notes are payable on presentation, without days of grace, and, unless they are otherwise written, they commence to bear interest at the legal rate upon the date a demand for payment is made. An endorser on a demand note is held liable only for a reasonable time.

To be negotiable, a note must either be payable to bearer or be properly endorsed by the party to whose order it is drawn. If an endorser wishes to avoid subsequent liability, he can endorse "without recourse."

A **Joint Note** is one signed by two or more persons. Depending on the tenor of the note, these persons may be either jointly or jointly and severally liable thereon.

Three Days' Grace are (unless the note in question is otherwise written) added to the period specified in all time notes and are allowed on sight notes after date of presentation. If a note is not paid on or before the expiration of the days of grace, endorsers, if any, should be legally notified to be held liable.

Notes Maturing on Sunday, or on a legal holiday, are payable the day following, except in the case of certain holidays falling on Sunday, in which case they are payable on the Tuesday following.

Materially Altering a Note in any manner makes it void except as against parties already liable thereon who assent to the alteration, and as against parties who endorse it subsequent to the alteration.

A **Note Given by a Minor** cannot be enforced against such minor.

If a **Note is Lost** before it becomes overdue the maker thereof may be compelled to give a duplicate, but if he is so compelled he is entitled to insist that he be given indemnity against all persons whatsoever who might base claims upon the original note in the event that it should be subsequently found.

An **Endorser**, should he be obliged to pay thereon, has a right of action against all whose names were previously on a note endorsed by him, except those who have endorsed "without recourse".

Whenever there is a **Discrepancy** between the words and the figures expressing the sum payable on a note, the words govern.

MOTOR CLUBS IN CANADA

AFFILIATED WITH C.A.A.

Canadian Automobile Association 150 Gloucester St., Ottawa 4, Ont.

British Columbia Automobile Association, 845 Burrard St., Vancouver, B.C.

Victoria Automobile Club, 2955 Douglas St., Victoria, B.C.

Alberta Motor Association, Calgary Branch, 7th Ave. and 8th St. W., Calgary, Alta.

Alberta Motor Association, Provincial and Edmonton Branch, 109th St. & Kingsway. Ave., Edmonton, Alta.

Alberta Motor Association, Lethbridge Branch, 903-3rd Ave. S., Lethbridge, Alta.

Saskatchewan Motor Club, Albert Street & 6th Ave. N., Regina, Sask.

Saskatchewan Motor Club, Saskatoon Branch, 209-3rd Ave. N., Saskatoon, Sask.

Saskatchewan Motor Club, 2 Patrick Block, Yorkton, Sask.

Manitoba Motor League, 175 Carlton St., Winnipeg, Man.

Ontario Motor League, 160 Bloor St. E., Toronto, Ont.

Quebec Automobile Club, 871 Ouest, Chemin St. Louis, Quebec City, Que.

Royal Automobile Club of Canada, 620 Cathcart St., Montreal, Que.

Maritime Automobile Association (Head Office), 1 Dock St., St. John, N.B.

Maritime Automobile Association, 361 Barrington St., Halifax, N.S.

Maritime Automobile Association, 333 Duckworth St., St. John's, Nfld.

About 181,000 miles of smooth-faced roads are now to be found in all parts of Canada, and the best time for touring is between May and October. The historic and scenic points are a great attraction.

The rule of the road is to keep to the right, and overtake on the left.

WAGE TABLE

ANNUAL, MONTHLY, WEEKLY AND DAILY SALARIES

	Mhly. Wly.* Dy.†				Mhly. Wly.* Dy.†			
	Ann. 12 mo.	52 wks.	6 ds.	to yr.	Ann. 12 mo.	52 wks.	6 ds.	to yr.
	to yr.	to yr.	to wk.	to wk.	to yr.	to yr.	to wk.	to wk.
\$1000	\$ 83.33	\$19.23	\$3.20	\$2340	\$195.00	\$ 45.00	\$7.50	
1040	86.67	20.00	3.33	2392	199.33	46.00	7.67	
1080	90.00	20.77	3.45	2400	200.00	46.15	7.69	
1092	91.00	21.00	3.50	2444	203.67	47.00	7.83	
1100	91.67	21.15	3.52	2496	208.00	48.00	8.00	
1144	95.33	22.00	3.67	2500	208.33	48.08	8.01	
1196	99.67	23.00	3.83	2520	210.00	48.46	8.08	
1200	100.00	23.08	3.85	2548	212.33	49.00	8.17	
1248	104.00	24.00	4.00	2600	216.67	50.00	8.33	
1300	108.33	25.00	4.17	2640	220.00	50.77	8.46	
1320	110.00	25.38	4.23	2700	225.00	51.92	8.65	
1352	112.67	26.00	4.33	2760	230.00	53.08	8.85	
1380	115.00	26.54	4.42	2800	233.33	53.85	8.97	
1400	116.67	26.92	4.49	2860	238.33	55.00	9.17	
1404	117.00	27.00	4.50	2880	240.00	55.38	9.23	
1440	120.00	27.69	4.61	2930	241.67	55.77	9.29	
1456	121.33	28.00	4.67	3000	250.00	57.69	9.61	
1500	125.00	28.85	4.81	3120	260.00	60.00	10.00	
1508	125.67	29.00	4.83	3240	270.00	62.31	10.38	
1560	130.00	30.00	5.00	3300	280.00	64.62	10.77	
1600	133.33	30.77	5.13	3380	281.67	65.00	10.83	
1612	134.33	31.00	5.17	3480	290.00	66.92	11.15	
1620	135.00	31.15	5.19	3500	291.67	67.31	11.22	
1664	138.67	32.00	5.33	3600	300.00	69.23	11.54	
1680	140.00	32.31	5.38	3640	303.33	70.00	11.67	
1700	141.67	32.68	5.44	3900	325.00	75.00	12.50	
1716	143.00	33.00	5.50	4160	346.67	80.00	13.33	
1740	145.00	33.46	5.57	4200	350.00	80.77	13.46	
1768	147.33	34.00	5.67	4420	368.33	85.00	14.17	
1800	150.00	34.61	5.77	4500	375.00	86.54	14.42	
1820	151.67	35.00	5.83	4680	390.00	90.00	15.00	
1860	155.00	35.77	5.96	4800	400.00	92.31	15.38	
1872	156.00	36.00	6.00	4940	411.67	95.00	15.83	
1900	158.33	36.54	6.09	5000	416.67	96.15	16.02	
1920	160.00	36.92	6.15	5100	425.00	98.08	16.35	
1924	160.33	37.00	6.17	5200	433.33	100.00	16.67	
1976	164.67	38.00	6.33	5400	450.00	103.85	17.31	
1980	165.00	38.08	6.35	5500	458.33	105.77	17.63	
2000	166.67	38.46	6.41	5700	475.00	109.62	18.27	
2028	169.00	39.00	6.50	6000	500.00	115.38	19.23	
2040	170.00	39.23	6.54	6300	525.00	121.15	20.19	
2080	173.33	40.00	6.67	6500	541.67	125.00	20.83	
2100	175.00	40.38	6.73	6600	550.00	126.92	21.15	
2132	177.67	41.00	6.83	6900	575.00	132.69	22.11	
2160	180.00	41.54	6.92	7030	583.33	134.62	22.44	
2184	182.00	42.00	7.00	7200	600.00	138.46	23.08	
2200	183.33	42.31	7.05	7500	625.00	144.23	24.04	
2220	185.00	42.69	7.11	8000	666.67	153.85	25.64	
2236	186.33	43.00	7.17	8500	708.33	163.46	27.24	
2280	190.00	43.85	7.31	9000	750.00	173.08	28.85	
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*Fifty-two weeks to the year instead of 52 1/6 wks.
†Weekly rate on the basis of six days to the week.

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IMPORTANT DATES

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SUNDAY - JANUARY 1

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MONDAY - JANUARY 2

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TUESDAY - JANUARY 3

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 4

Sunny all morning, but the afternoon was clouded. Only just enough frost to hold the little bit of snow. Enjoyed the walk up the hill and down; the afternoon was all too short to do anything but half the work I would like to have accomplished. No reading, no piano, no nothing!! Kathleen has heard from the Lips, the Grabbeuts, the Schwans and the Smiths all at Globus 1966.

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THURSDAY - JANUARY 5

TOP 1

20° this morning which is very moderate January weather, with the highways clear and only a thin covering of hardpacked snow on the concessions. Enjoyed getting back to practice. Herr Pohl was in good mood and paid compliments to Arthur. Sun came out mid forenoon and I was able to see the impressive number of spots which is growing daily. Mailed the tape to Arbawa. Here's hoping they will like it.

FRIDAY - JANUARY 6

That biting east wind finally brings fine snow. The anticipated 10° above did not take place last night - it was 18 when I came down to breakfast so I didn't have to regret not plugging in my block heater. Had another one of those "sentimental journeys" out the east river road and picked up a beautiful hamper of Ida reds - the new winter apple. Since we approach the 50th anniversary of my introduction to that scenic spot of utmost beauty in all seasons, I am overjoyed to make the odd spin out there. But oh how I miss Jim

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SATURDAY - JANUARY 7

The east storm blew itself out during the night. This morning I had about 10 inches of snow to clean off the front walks. No trouble in getting up town, but took the highway to be safe, so have to stop for eggs this evening. A shell burst when Kathleen phoned me to say I am off the P.W.H.S. board and Stuart Brown on. I wish the bastards had let me know sooner!

SUNDAY - JANUARY 8

A little snow in the air, some frost - on the whole a calm day. With winter only half trying to assert itself. After lunch we parted and went our separate way my wife to Braulford (Kinby House and Vine) I to 153 Wilfred and the Waterloo Goodhall. Got home at six to find my dear had beat me by half an hour and had the drinks set up and the dinner ready. Called on E & Jack for an hour after, then came home to Payton Place, what's my time, news etc.

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MONDAY - JANUARY 9

15° and calm. Snow in the air most of the day but no great quantity accumulated. My first effort at Paris was to pen a short note to the P.O.H.S. board telling them how sorry I am to leave them in disgrace at it were having got the sack. There is some mystery around my dismissal and I am not sure who all are involved. However what difference does it make - I am out and will soon be forgotten.

TUESDAY - JANUARY 10

"Don't plant taters, don't plant cotton, and those that plants 'em are soon forgotten!" A year ago today - sent two molders; I thought I would be celebrating the anniversary with the exit of my last first molder, but it has been given a remand or stay of execution. A calm day with some brief sunshine; not cold, barely freezing. Phoned Pat and he thinks as I do that my dismissal from the board was poorly timed. It is difficult to know what was behind the thinking of those wisecracks up Blenheim township way.

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WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 11

Rush, rush, rush. Fair and somewhat colder. Called in to see Jim Johnson but he was engaged with the inspector so the farewell was far from satisfactory.

Later - Kathleen had a great evening at the Sir John A. MacD. banquet at the Henry. The only trouble was she got neither food nor drink. I was home first after taking Kuala to a strong rehearsal.

Ron and the Wittle again

THURSDAY - JANUARY 12

Every time I think of that Blenheim township council with their sycophants and suckers my blood boils, my gorge rises and I see red. The Expositor said I retired from the board. Just a lie: I was fined by those wiseacres up country. I would like to know what the board members really think: it might surprise me. They may be glad of the change. Roads heavy from last night's blow and snow.

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FRIDAY - JANUARY 13

The second birthday J. L. has missed - his 96th. "Lest the wise world should look into your moan, and mock you with me after I am gone." Kipling does not interest me like he should. "Plain Sales from the Hills" ricochet off my dull, prejudiced mind, leaving little impression. Some sun most of the day and mild letas spring. Too cloudy at the horizon to see Venus but the slim moon was dimly outlined. Don't forget to pick up the ^{parky} "boneless" butto for the annual church meeting! Had a talk yesterday at the Willeth with poor Mary Cochran!!!

SATURDAY - JANUARY 14

Dull and mild, a great quantity of snow disappearing. Dennis called in at 4.30 and intends to spin out to Drumbo, so I must not delay my departure in hopes of seeing him again before he leaves for Braintree and his band job. J. G. A. had my 12 packages of hotdog rolls boxed and in the front of the store, where I saw them at noon. Just now at closing time they are gone. I will get hell at home. Maybe it was the intervention of the Lord since it is 20 let miles for me!!!

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SUNDAY - JANUARY 15

Colder with snow flurries. When I got home shortly after seven yesterday - mom was cooking a fragrant roast of pork just for me, but Dennis had eaten nothing since 3:00 P.M. so he had a goodly slice or so of said juicy roast: even mom had a little. String practice this afternoon; then another pork dinner at Nuala's. After dinner we called on Rudy and a fellow traveler (Paul) of theirs was there also and showed some excellent slides. We couldn't stay to see them all as we had to drop some flowers in at the hospital.

MONDAY - JANUARY 16

John seemed quite cheerful as was his roommate who was also going to get his tonsils out. We called on the Bells at Preston and stayed till after "what's my time". It showed this morning and clear. Clouded later in the afternoon and hid the lovely young moon. and also put to rest all hopes of seeing Venus now past two months in the evening sky. Edna Hammond didn't last long after the extortion she had at my office on Friday - just a few hours. Dahi a strong and cruel villain

♀ 1967

TUESDAY - JANUARY 17

50/10 ♀

Managed to have my first fleeting glimpse of Venus with the field glasses as it appeared between two bars of cloud in the pale west.

Cold weather is catching up with us. It is 10° above now and the sky is fairly clear. Here's hoping the roads are kind to us this evening as we plan to try to make Stratford festival theatre featuring a pianist, as we missed the regular January one earlier in the month.

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WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 18

No difficulty in motoring to Stratford. Mrs Cassidy went in place of Mac. Never have we heard such an impeccable piano recital. The Mendelssohn rondo was a revelation ~~was~~ were the Beethoven Eroica variations. The six Chopin studies A^b ^{op 25} and G^b ^{op 10} the two in A minor, G⁺ minor and C minor ^{op 10}, were the finest I ever heard with the possible exception of Sturkin and Friedman. The C⁺ minor scherzo didn't quite measure up to Paderewski but technically everything was perfection. Zero this morning. Ron was quite reassuring about Elva Hamwell. Mary Cochrane was operated on this morning.

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THURSDAY - JANUARY 19

1" below this morning as the red sun edged up over the Ludwig barn. No trouble to start H14 as I had plugged the heater in about 12:15 A.M. which was the time we arrived home from practice at Beethovens 2nd and Pizza with colored pictures of Arts. Some cloud this afternoon and a rising thermometer. I guess there is something in Everett Papi's "this town is going to the dogs" - with Edgars garage closed and several empty stores on main street.

FRIDAY - JANUARY 20

St Agnes! Why it is St. Agnes Eve, yet men will murder (multiple attractions) on holy days. Yes I murdered plenty today. Left roots in, too, my specialty. This everlasting rat race gets me down - oh, for two or three hours a day to read and practice. Looks like spare time is getting less and less. H14 heated up after I came down from the hospital. They say it was just flooded - I hope they are right. I wouldn't want to be

my empty stomach
stomach with

1967

mild and sunny
snow & sunshiny.

SATURDAY - JANUARY 21

Spencer & Nancy's snow man is reduced to a ^{colossal} ~~colossal~~
Here I am at the end of the
week without nearly enough
money to pay my just debts.
My patients mostly pay promptly
but running costs seem to be
blasting upwards at such a rate that
I cannot keep pace with them.
I am particularly sad as ~~no~~ cheque
came from Ottawa. Now shut up and
hurry home and keep company with your
dear wife - she doesn't complain about
your impecunious state and would help
you to the utmost of her means.

SUNDAY - JANUARY 22

Mild. Poor Nancy's snowman
is reduced to a little dirty lump
of snow about a foot high.
String practice ~~so~~ the three of
us sat in the front seat.
A wonderful beef dinner at
153 - a tender steak roast.
Children ate well. A good romp
with the three of them downstairs.
Took Laura F. home. Very foggy
all the way - glad to see Drumbic.

1967 ^{record} Mild - 55°

MONDAY - JANUARY 23

Stay away from the Methodist church basement. Attend only the Baptist. Saw Syl Apps on "sports unlimited" Saturday evening. He looked rather like myself but not so quey and more prosperous. Went to work with black butterflies sink problems and extraction problems. But they were mostly in the mind. Spent an hour at noon cleaning out the sink trap in the lab. What a ~~relief~~ relief! The day passed very pleasantly

TUESDAY - JANUARY 24

Mostly brown fields, muddy roads, dark grey skies, and gloom. I do not share contrary opinions on dear John Gregory. I think he is tops. I have thought so for a long while back in the "ether days". Found it very foggy going home last evening and accordingly it was 10.20 ~~at~~ I walked into bar kitchen - away too late. I will try to do better tonight. How about practicing a few dance steps?!

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WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 25

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Sunny for the most part and a thermometer at 50° . I look at my 1950 diary and find a record 61° . Mild spells in January are nothing new; look at January 23rd 1909 etc. I like talk about the climate changing is mostly hogwash. It is as mixed up and unpredictable as ever, and always will be. Laura's birthday. John well enough after his tonsillectomy to enjoy the day. Practically all know gone.

Poor Bach, Chopin, Schumann, Beethoven etc.

THURSDAY - JANUARY 26

My piano scores are in a frightful state of dilapidation: all or most of my dear old friends torn and crumpled and pages missing. A full rehearsal last evening so Arthur drove us to the bandball. I thank god the driving was good - no grasping in fog like Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Well, my pat is booting so I must get home in better time and not worry dear Kathleen. Colden with fine snow from the east. I feel fine, thank you!!

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FRIDAY - JANUARY 27

A miserable night with howling east wind and continuous sleet against the bedroom window. Cleared the heavy accumulation of granulated "sugar" off the front walk, then H-4 plowed a track uptown followed by Kathleen in #12. She very kindly waited for me at the parking lot and took me around to the office - that's the kind of wife to have! Must get away soon as this is the annual church meeting.

21 years

SATURDAY - JANUARY 28

since dear
alf m. left us.

A smooth running annual meeting with a super supper - stuffed roast pork and all manner of vegetables and relishes. Bill Davidson chaired the meeting and did an excellent job. I came up the 5th calling for Mrs Stevenson but she was not ready so I took along her scalloped potatoes and table cream. I was one of the first ones there - in fact before any cars arrived and the plow was just clearing the street. Today is colder with snow flurries.

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SUNDAY - JANUARY 29

A superb winter day; not a cloud in the bluest of skies. Moderate temperature between 10 and 20, and no winds. Rehearsal till after 5.00, then the big birthday dinner for Dennis at 153 Wilfred. Tender plump chicken and salads, vegetables galore with chocolate cake and ice cream. We stayed rather late as Henry Vth was on T.V. Had many romps with the four grandchildren.

MONDAY - JANUARY 30

What didn't I tell you about these. Well, what an omission! I will forthwith dwell in detail on these the little dears! Another day like yesterday, except there were a few light clouds to dim the cheerful southern sun at times. But all is clear and calm now. Sirius is blazing away clear of the buildings. Venus set white and brilliant at the end of William street behind the far hills. Terrible about the 3 astronauts burning up in the capsule at Cape Canaveral. It would have been much more dramatic if it had occurred in outer

space or on the moon.

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TUESDAY - JANUARY 31

How does it feel to be 26,
Dennis? When I was 26 I
was much less mature,
much less a man, much
more unconventional and
reclusive - in fact I was almost
a hermit and an impecunious one
at that. Dennis is a sane,
sensible man of the world,
man of the community and
one hundred percent honest.
A good one to go to for advice
if you were in any kind of
trouble. He will make a fine
bank manager some day in the
not too distant future. A cold
night and turning milder this
afternoon; snow in the air, but
I hope not freezing rain. Art
Mulloy pushed me out of the icy
nets on West River and I owe him
a deep debt of gratitude. Good, kind wishes

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WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 1

Dull and mild. Thawing in the afternoon. Was able to surprise my dear wife by arriving home at a quarter to ten which was three quarters of an hour earlier than the night before. However "don't peep at the big house". Find that Rev (inside) Harry is in hospital after a heart attack which explains no word from him at Christmas.

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 2

Came out of the band hall to find it snowing a fine, steady falling snow, through which we had to drive home, leaving Nuala off at her place. Forgot to leave the music for Arthur so Kathleen, the devoted mother, mother-in-law, grandmother etc started out this morning, before I left, to return the missing music. Shovelled about 7 inches of snow off the walks before sweeping off my car parked across the road in front of Ben's. Sun came out this afternoon so the animals saw their shadows if they burrowed through the snow.

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FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 3

I wonder if this diary will suffer the same fate that the appointment book (1948, I think) did with the plastic rings, the steel rings being much more fool-proof. Well, time will tell. My old diaries have to be handled with great care as some are almost unbound. I sadly miss those precious pages that have been lost. 2° below this morning but calm and sunny all day. Welby put on my new heating plates E11-315 ~~a gift from my dear wife!~~

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 4

So it was 56 years ago tonight that Saturday February 4th ¹⁹¹¹ Day, that mystery of Edwin Duod is some mystery, it sure has got me mystified. A grey day with snow in the air most of the time. Have just cashed in my four cases of empties so with the vast total of \$2.00 I am all set up for the weekend, that is if I don't get wrecked on my way to Drumbo. May all the gods forbid!

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SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 5

Rather mild, almost thawing in the morning but getting gradually colder as the day progressed with a bitter north-east wind. Went direct to the bandball as we had to leave early to make Benford by six o'clock. Picked up Donie & Laurie at the front of their lane. Driving not very slippery, in fact very good. A good dinner at the Miles' including a pair of gooseless greases.

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 6

I mean ~~greaseless~~ geese or geese. It had turned real cold when we left Benford at 10.30, and low (very low) and behold it was 10° below this morning at goodie time. H14 had to have a little coaxing even with the black heater on all night. I have it across from the office now and ~~am~~ high hopes it will carry me home. O, bring me home again - to Kathleen. Sky cloudless all day, but there seemed little warmth in the ~~no~~ ^{noonday} sun.

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TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 7

A cool 8° below zero at bedtime yesterday, which was about the lowest for the night as it had crawled up to a mild 4° below at breakfast time. Thanks to the block heater 1414 went off with a bang. Walked up on the Ayn road as far as Emily to view the rich winter dusk with Venus and Mercury below her. I wonder how many times I have witnessed just such a thrilling sight! But it never grows stale.

west.

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 8

And so the poet took a long walk on just such a February 8th as today - cold and bright. Had to keep rubbing my ears on my way up the hill at noon. I wished all there was of "The Mystery of Edwin Drood". It leaves us most unsatisfied and frustrated. Just what did happen to poor Edwin?

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THURSDAY · FEBRUARY 9

Some sun in the morning gradually becoming overcast in the afternoon.

It cleared enough at eventide to see Venus beyond Wilham street from my front window, but alas, it was too hazy at the horizon to spot Mercury. I will have to go home to see Mercury in our snowy "car-park". The door is so heavy with ice and snow that Kathleen can hardly budge it so we leave it up hoping it will stay up. Very few at practice last evening - "Oliver" took some of our best ~~players~~ much milder - melting at noon.

FRIDAY · FEBRUARY 10

How far along on February 10th? Well not as far as Anchibald was 68 years ago. I prefer not to go into disincand decomposition yet for a good many years. But that is for the three fates to decide. Kathleen followed me down the 4th through Canning and past the Hospital where I parked and she went on for a shopping and hair-do spree or spray. Dull and mild with only a few noon glimpses of the sun. Snow flecked at intervals. Nancy will be staying at our place tonight and for the next week so I must be home early.

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9.30 P.M. - I guess Ben & Lyne
are settled down in (Hawkesbury)

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 11

Blowing and snowing. Dennis
landed in at 11.30 last night
with poor little sleepy Nancy who
cried bitterly on being wakened to
go indoors and then to be put
to bed forthwith. She woke and
came downstairs just as we started
the breakfast dishes, and ate her
juice, porridge and toast (in part). A very
good girl. Braved the Canine road
against wife's orders. It was quite
good and better visibility than on the
middle town line.

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 12

5° below or more. On account of
Nancy being our guest for the
week ahead, I was unable to
attend divine service, but "worshipped"
at home (dear Aunt Lottie, dear Laura
Arund) pulled Nancy on the toboggan
as far as the Church and back, accompanying
Kathleen that far. On returning home I
donned my skates and pulled Nancy
around on Alvie's pond. She
laughed merrily as we "cracked the
whip" while I cracked my hip
a couple times on the rebound.

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 13

1967 Sunday (continued) Left Nancy at
the farm while we went as usual
to Kitchener and Waterloo. Picked her
up at 9.15 and so home to bed.
Had a fine ~~lawn~~ game & lawn dinner at
the Acrends. Gave the children rings
which I had received complimentary - just
cheap rings for little patients. Bradley
lost his first tooth. Monday -
still around zero or below. Drove
1414 over our front porch broom
decapitating it. Sunny as yesterday
but not quite so cold. Got
the valentines stamped and mailed
at noon.

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 14

Jack was at the front door
at breakfast time with a lovely
pink 'mum as a Valentine gift.
Very generous of them, much
more so than the "cranky" card
I sent. Mostly sunny and
much milder - thawing all
afternoon. Venus could hardly shine
through the reddish, purplish clouds
over the sunken sun. No chance
to see ♀ - but the clouds were
very beautiful.

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WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 15

Dark, mild, rainy, eating up the dirty snow. Must be home on time as we have to leave Nancy at the farm. She was good this morning - in fact she is good 90% of the time.

42°

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 16

A bit foggy as Kathleen drove over 97 and in the slushy four lane. Nancy wasn't too anxious to stay there but we quickly left and she had no alternative. Art was finished when we started the Beethoven so he drove the by 112 back and we taxied with gentleman Don Smith. We drove home through torrents of rain, sharp lightning, thunder claps and furious S.W. winds. This morning it was 10° above with snow in the air and ice everywhere. Partly cloudy and cold. Clear at night and colder.

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FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 17

An extra rehearsal for the late coming pianists - on the difficult Debussay B[♭] minor. So all comments must be postponed till tomorrow.

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 18

With three cars garaged in the driveway we had a little delay getting off last night. I managed to get stuck at the bank by the sidewalk and had to be pushed then I had to drive around the block to park in front of Jack's. Parking was a problem in Waterloo. Got in the liquor store lot and eased our minds by buying a bottle of wine. Today was fair and cold. The drums all down at the office late in the afternoon. Deeds report bad driving conditions from Montreal home.

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SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 19

Cold east wind with blowing snow. Cleaned the walks several times. Had a hurried lunch and got off at 1.00 P.M. in lots of time for the scrappy rehearsal at the Lyric. Gloria Saarinen played the Tschaiakowsky B[♭] minor like a male virtuoso with tremendous power and precision. Brought John's passengers - Ella, Grace & Susan home. Had a lovely dinner - just the two of us with Rhine wine.

MONDAY - FEBRUARY 20

Spent an hour in the Taylor's bedroom last evening for what's my time and the news. Jack the super host poured ryes and martinis - not quite so cold this morning 1/4 was hard to start so took in into Lay Clarke. I hope the trouble is overcome such as flooding. I found the Kitchener - Roseville road very slippery coming home yesterday. The snow on top of the ice helped to give better traction this morning. Great Scott - The lay of the last minister

on 99

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TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 21

A new air filter seemed to do the trick as H-4 started fine last night and this morning. Moderately cold (15° above) and sunny till afternoon snowflurries blew over. All is fine now again and Venus shines aloft from the end of William street. Stopped at Bruce Smith's to take a last look at dear old Charles Strickland, was also ~~shocked~~ shocked to see Jesse Creedon Hanthly stretched out in the opposite room. ^{time serves} Nay, rush not, we are going, gentlemen. "Bob Armstrong" oh what a thrill I get out of "The Fall of the Last Minister"

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 22

And now Marmion with its matchless music and dad's hallowed penmanship in the margins. "Test the wise words" etc. Sunny in the morning but clouded and milder in the afternoon. The funeral of Annals Humphrey's passed me as I walked back from lunch on the hill. This is the month for the grim reaper. No practice tonight so I can relax with my matchless wife. - no matches - well she can use my lighters. Dan and John had installed the new '67 Viking refrigerator in our kitchen

before I got home yesterday

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The Paris Star had two more deaths
to add to the three already mentioned
THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 23 - Miss Bettye
and Betty Hunt.

The wintry wind howled and
whistled last night so this
morning I had to shovel quite
sizeable drifts from the front walk.
Turned completely around at the Canning
road and toward line corner and proceeded
up the town line for a short distance
before managing to turn around once
more and proceed to Peg Lane.
A queer ^{or uncanny} sensation. Glad the
only other car in sight was down
that road a piece - or else!!!!

7° above this AM FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 24

but going down lower tonight.

Intubation - a new word, but old
enough, one that I won't easily
forget as Rondeau so expertly made
use of it this morning - a lubricated
rubber tube right down into the
trachea (accent on first syllable, Poi?)
- no doubt much safer anaesthetic
with sodium pent., but it sure makes
it more difficult for us poor back-
bench dentists. Just been up to the
breavers retail and nearly froze solid.
A strong wind and a zero temperature
make a mean combination.

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(Walnut trees all gone, just
a memory now! Feb 26/68)

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 25

Oh, what wind with slightly above
zero temperature! Braved the
3rd and town line and found only
isolated drifts and not too serious
at that. The sun white behind
cudding drift soars high above
my walnut trees at noon but
without any cheerful warmth
whatsoever. Must hurry home to
my dear wife as it is getting on
towards seven o'clock.

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26

Cold and windy: shovelled the
hand-packed drifts on our front
walk before church. Arthur
was busy with the ice-show at the
auditorium so we took Mula to the
band hall. A lot were conspicuous by
their absence. Assembled at 153
Wilfred for a beef dinner (provided by
Den and Lynne who arrived shortly
after we got back. Had guest romps
with the children, and read a chapter
from Swiss Family Robinson to Bradley
who dropped off to sleep before I finished.

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MONDAY - FEBRUARY 27

Naturally we took Laura J. home after the fun. They all loved "Jack and the Beanstalk" on T.V. This morning was some milder with increasing clouds and fine snow from the south-west all afternoon.

Kathleen packed up the Centennial book on Canadian literature and mailed it to Wade. Hope it arrived intact and that it is something he will enjoy. We certainly have enjoyed the excerpts we have read from it.

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 28

Old man winter hates to loosen his hold on us. About three inches more snow to shovel off the walks before I hurried off to the hospital and a session with the spiteful Roudeau. Broke down and purchased a new door mat and also a "rubber" tray from "Lufts" Venus ever more brilliant and setting above and to the north of the library.

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WEDNESDAY - MARCH 1

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A fine March 1st but wintery.
A deep azure blue sky with dazzling
sun on the fresh snow 5° above
this morning and 20° at noon.
The strong wind yesterday played
havoc with some of the back
roads so I am glad I took the
highway home. Came down the 7th
this morning and it was good.
The pale old moon was low in
the south-west at breakfast time.

THURSDAY - MARCH 2

The pale old moon was shining brightly
at bed-time night before last, as it
rose in the south-east below bright
Mars and Spica. This spring should
bring back 1920 as Mars and Spica
will make a similar display on
any frost-clear night - and thoughts
off dear old dad. Last night we
didn't have to go to practice and I
took home my handbook for a good
old search for Uranus, but alas "the
best made schemes" going ~~all~~ a-glee. It
was overcast soon after sundown and
remained so all night and most of today.
mildly thawing & more springlike.

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FRIDAY - MARCH 3

Another pre-spring day with much melting of dirty snow but dropping below freezing after sundown. Kathleen followed me down the highway but I lost her from Skalblaud on and so was worried all day. Called up Erid this evening who reported my wife's short visit so I guess every thing was all right - I hope.

SATURDAY - MARCH 4

A cardinal perched on a bare branch high above my parked car behind the postoffice Erid saluted the beautiful sunny morning in loud clear tones. Thermometer around 20° so the Canning road was frozen and fairly smooth. Amazing how much bare ground shows up after just two days of above freezing temperature. I guess all the great poets of the past, or most of them at least, tried the classical and ponderous Spenserian stanza - for example Scott's "Vision of Don Roderick" - a fantastic piece of work which as the theme of the pages are meant to presume no one in our family has read!!

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SUNDAY - MARCH 5

Dear Jack persuaded me to stay for communion, and I couldn't think of letting him down. Dad had to run most of the way home and slurp my soup and bolt my sandwich to catch up to Kathleen who left early and she had made arrangements with Margorie to play the communion. 1.30 rehearsal at the R.W. collegiate. After the children's concert we went over some Handel for Tuesday night.

MONDAY - MARCH 6

Had about five inches of snow to shovel yesterday morning, and thankful to say only a little to sweep off this morning. Had a quiet evening at home yesterday and sure enjoyed it. Dennis and family were in Saturday. He left a bed in the cellar which he will move to the new house in St Thomas. He is having plenty of trouble with his new thenceup. Only running on 7 cylinders and many other bugs. Must hurry to get home and to be in Hitchcock by 7.30

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TUESDAY - MARCH 7

Laura F. is 66 today. I wonder how she liked her "Clam up" card?

That was a most interesting rehearsal in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Kitchener. Just a small group from the orchestra. Virgil Fox ^{virtuoso organist} was a dynamic personality and it radiated through the auditorium. Dorothy Petersen was in the gallery and was valuable in giving advice as to balance. Tonight is the big night - two Beethoven concertos and Pomp & Circumstances. Rather cold but partly sunny - good driving

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 8

Just 8° above last night. A sun thaw but the air was nippy and the highest afternoon temperature was 25°. Walked up by No. 1. mill at noon and then up over the tracks. The river ice was intact as far as eye could see. (what other organ could see?) Virgil, der gewaltig orgel-spieler, simply hypnotized us. It was a thrilling experience. Coffee and doughnuts after. Got home shortly before midnight. As the roads were mostly dry the driving was excellent.

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THURSDAY - MARCH 9

14° at bed-time but a little milder
 this morning + 20°. The same
 sun-thaw but freezing always in
 the shade all day. This is the
short day as I must be
 away from here by 4:25 at the
 latest at which time my upper
 should be well boiled. We have to
 cut at 153 Wilfred by 5:50, when
 Arthur takes over as pilot on our trip
 to Barrie. A very fine day with a high
barometer and excellent driving conditions.

FRIDAY - MARCH 10

Don't forget the muffler dragging on the road for
 the last 3 miles ^{copy} ^{volume} ^{Dear Arthur drive}
 What a world of speed we live in.
 Imagine in my school days thinking
 of leaving Paris at 4:30, getting to
 Drumbo shortly before 5:00, changing
 to concert clothes, calling at the farm
 for Sybil, Kitchener by 5:40, collecting
 passengers, ^{muscle, myna, Arthur} and instruments, calling at
 Limerick Rd. for Peter and arriving at
 Barrie at 7:40 via 401 and 400.
 More enjoyable playing with Virgil
 than Tuesday as we were better rehearsed
 Kathleen gave me a pot of warm dinner
 which I ate in the car. Had coffee, sandwich
 and cakes after. started home about midnight.

Don't forget to Drumbo 2:40

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SATURDAY - MARCH 11

6.30 P.M. on a sunny, warm
spring day. The day's work done
and the old man going home
with his bunch of men. Just
went to Dittus Street for a "Pleasure
Park" in case of relatives. Tired
from the week's efforts. Have not
got the elasticity of the '20's and '30's
when I used to drive to Toronto about
once a week. Can't take the long hauls
and late hours as of yore. Oh well,
lots of go in the old pump yet!

SUNDAY - MARCH 12 ^{of course there is - no}
_{questions about it.}
March 11/68

Enjoyed having the front
room filled with the Bell
family last night. Nancy
slept well, and Ben as he was
playing in Princeton was not
late coming in. Accordingly we all
were finished breakfast and had the
dishes washed before church.
Another public school concert at R.H.
we were out by 4.00 and went back
to 153 Wilfred White the mothers
changed their dresses.

1967

Cold east wind.

MONDAY - MARCH 13

Sunday (continued) Repaired to Pauline's on Elkhinton where quite a successful party was held including Bert and Laura, Fred Janke & Estelle, and Myra. Had a lovely chicken dinner. Arthur had to leave early on account of an S.O.S. call from 177 Pleasant, Karen being taken suddenly quite sick. The rest of us left about 9.00 which got us home in good time. Monday - Milder and dull. Must step on gas pedal as this is Stratford night and William Wanfield.

TUESDAY - MARCH 14

Mild like yesterday and dull. We took B. Kennedy and Ella last evening and poor Kathleen was forced to drive through fog most of the way. The fog lifted quite a bit and I had an easy drive home. William Wanfield was all that could be desired in a bass-baritone with a voice like a big organ with plenty of stops. He and his colored accompanist were thrilling from the first Russell to the last Negro spiritual. - then of course the delightful encores - "I've got plenty of nolin." "old mother Hubbard style Handel and old man River."
 Rem: slow lead.

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WEDNESDAY - MARCH 15

This most despicable of east winds has brought snow in the late afternoon and now the dirty ground is covered with a clean white cover. Walked up by Agr Road at noon and found the Ruth ice still intact above the dam.

Mr. Harmer came and installed a new motor in our furnace. Now we won't have to get up in the night in a cold house to start it.

THURSDAY - MARCH 16

"We'll do a good deed, nevertheless"
Yes, we did a good deed last night on the way home from Waterloo, when we gave a young couple and their little girl a lift back to New Dundee from their ditched car on the Roseville road. The going was quite slippery and around 30 miles was the safe speed. Shovelled 3 inches of snow off the front walks this morning after Kathleen had taken off for Kitchener, Preston etc. It is snowing again and looks like an all night job. More shovelling in the morning!!

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FRIDAY - MARCH 17

Another 4 inches of snow to clean off the walks this morning and I was pressed for time as Rondeau was waiting for me at the Willett. Came down the 4th and plowed through sizeable drifts, but luckily the snow was light and flew sky high. 8° above this cloudless morn and down to that same temperature now after sundown. A very cold, bright, hazy "St. Patrick's Day in the Morning" Kathleen felt lousy with her cold and cough but stayed out for Paris and St. George before I got away.

SATURDAY - MARCH 18

Below zero this morning, however our thermometer with the sunlight flooding the back porch registered 2° above at 7.40. Cloudless all day and a high of 10° above in the shade this afternoon, so it will dip well down again tonight. Ben moved yesterday so the family is spending the weekend with us. Can't wait to see their new home with the furniture set up. Must hurry home to chew some more fat.

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SUNDAY - MARCH 19

Not quite so cold but still wintry. Dennis was up and breakfasted in time to accompany me to church. Last Sunday it was Lynne. I am charmed with these attentions. We got away shortly after lunch for Galt, leaving the Bells to pack up their car for St. Thomas. Played in the new Southwood collegiate. Home about 4.30 and had a quiet evening. Jack and Er dropped in for a while.

MONDAY - MARCH 20

Rain at first and milder. Washing was well underway when I left, lots of extra bedding etc. for valiant Kathleen to wrestle with. Cleared soon after lunch time but no precipitation as yet. Muala had the 'flee' like Erind had so could not come to the collegiate yesterday. Well, winter of '66-'67 you leave us tonight and we are quite contented as your icy winds and snows have plagued us long enough.

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TUESDAY - MARCH 21

During the wee small hours spring arrived bringing with it about five inches more snow. There was quite a drift on the road at the end of our driveway but #14 sailed back through it without much trouble - just a little see-sawing and going down around the block.

Remembered to mail an anniversary card (5th) to John and Laura which I forgot to do last year. Milder and sloppier - around 34° all day and very dark with blowing snow.

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 22

In the mid 30's: lots of slush and snowbanks. Kathleen laboriously shoveled the bank that the snowplow put in our driveway so I could drive in last night. I like the walk up the Agr road by no. 1 mill as I can hear the first song sparrows and view the snowy expanse of river as far as eye could see around the bend. Another ample niche of snow to sweep off the sidewalks and car.

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THURSDAY - MARCH 23

Kathleen did both the Hi Way market and the Q. & P. and still we were in Waterloo by 8:05 and well before rehearsal started. Tried over some old numbers of a lighter variety and then played them through for taping. It was tiresome and late when we got back to 153 Welford for beer. In bed by 1:05. Mostly dull and milder today with brief sunny intervals. Very sloppy crossing streets. Cleared another 2 inches of snow off the walks this morning.

FRIDAY - MARCH 24

I cannot recall such a beautiful Good Friday; cloudless blue sky all day and the bright, March sun melting some more of the great snowbanks. Managed to get rid of Ken's boxes of sand on the back porch by dumping them on the wheelbarrow (Cenkie's) and putting them out in the sun to thaw out. Helped Kathleen clean the church. Then we practiced for Sunday. A fine long evening of Shakespeare and later T.V.

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SATURDAY - MARCH 25

Partially cloudy and milder
Bumped down the 5th and town
line for my 4 dozen easter
eggs. Shopped again at the
S. G.A. and am all set for an
early appearance at home to
practice my piano parts, as I
am, like Bolton, slow of learning.

SUNDAY - MARCH 26

mostly sunny and mild,
according to reports after the service
I guess the piano and organ
duos were acceptable. Had boiled
egg for lunch and where they
go!! Got the stuff - easter
lily, easter eggs in nest, wine etc
in car and got away shortly
after 2.30. What a lovely afternoon spin
to St. Thomas! No 2, 401, 74 and
3. arrived plenty early, and
immediately toured the house - 167 Blue
what an intriguing lay-out! (253)
now!

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MONDAY - MARCH 27

Sunday - what rose bushes! what lawn! what vegetable garden! what fruit trees! - a veritable heaven - with even a ~~sand~~ box. Den has all his tools neatly placed above the work bench. Complete bed-room furnished in basement, besides two good sized bedrooms on main floor. Fine big living room. Den has already started work on a "divider" to go between the living room and dining area. A lovely lam dinner with squash from Drumbo. Left shortly after 9.30. A wonderful afternoon and evening!

TUESDAY - MARCH 28

The above effusion left no space for Monday. However nothing of note transpired except that the twins spent their first night (I think) under the Bell roof. Ma and Pa Freund ate an early dinner prepared by grandma Bell and left soon after for London. This morning the little deans came in our bed causing it to be full to overflowing. Grandma will have a busy day with them. Stopped at the shop to wish bewhiskered John a happy birthday. The mild weather has licked up the snow. Robins and song sparrows very melodious.

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WEDNESDAY - MARCH 29

Sunny, mild - up to 50°. Today's walk up by no. 1 showed quite a different picture from just a week ago. River high and clear of ice, no snow and balmy spring air.

Found Edily at Evids. Enjoyed the short visit with her. Evid took us to the top of mile hill after lunch. Read Karen some stories in bed this morning. Our dear girls wake us at 7:00 sharp.

THURSDAY - MARCH 30

Enjoyed having dinner at home with the interesting little girls. Enjoyed the afternoon since we skipped practice. Read them stories as I used to read to Dennis and Muala years ago. How the years pile up and "beauty like a deal hand steals from his figure and no pace perceived." What beautiful children they are! and so sprightly and winsome. At last I spied Aramus after many failures. A perfect mild, starry night for viewing!

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FRIDAY - MARCH 31

We were watching the late news when Arthur and Neala arrived last night. As they were tired they soon picked up the sleepy girls and left for home. They had spent the first part of the evening at the Bell homestead in St Thomas. Instead of the rest mom had hoped they would get they came home from the London music convention fagged out. I bank goodness there is a weekend to recuperate. Kathleen will have hardly any break in entertaining grandchildren as Nancy arrives tonight for the weekend. An almost summer like day - 68° all afternoon. Back roads fairly dry. The dear twins behaved marvellously well for their tender years.

1967 our April fool was a call at
4:15 A.M. from one of Dix's friends.
SATURDAY - APRIL 1

April showers come right on
time as the waning light of
late afternoon is dimmed by
a completely overcast sky and
our ears are charmed by the
patter of gentle rain, the temperature
remaining warm - about 60°. As we
stayed up late visiting with Den and
Lyne, and as Nancy got us wide awake
at 7.00 it was a short night. Have
finally finished shopping at J. G. A.
Liquor store and brewers retail outlet.

SUNDAY - APRIL 2

Nancy allowed us a good
night's rest as she made
her appearance in our bedroom
till 8.45. Of course her presence
precluded church for me. We
rode over to church with grandma
and walked back. Left Nancy
at the farm on our way to
practice. Had dinner at the
Friends dining while a thunder
storm with lots of rain passed
over. It rained off and on till bed-
time. We got home between showers.

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MONDAY - APRIL 3

a sudden change to chilly temperatures. It is below freezing now after a day of fitful sunshine and much wind.

It was restful to wake up to a quiet house. Having heard nothing to the contrary we presume Nancy was picked up by her parents sometime late yesterday and taken home to St. Thomas. Had a great romp with the three Freund's yesterday ^{after dinner}

TUESDAY - APRIL 4

A fair crust of ice on all the pools on the roadside and in the garden furrows. Crystal clear so that Uranus was quite distinct last night and the old moon in the south-west this morning. ~~At~~ my parking lot a cardinal was perched on the topmost branch of a bare tree with his red coat sharply ~~defined~~ ^{defined} against a deep blue sky. Touched down the 5th + town line - roads boiling up considerably this spring. At the 5th - the bridge the flats were flooded so high _{so I never saw them.}

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WEDNESDAY - APRIL 5

After over six months of my old Pelton localite I go back to my Castle (on the hill). Eric came in at 12.20 and stayed till after 2.00 P.M. I was forced to scoot up the hill in H14 gobble my dinner and scoot back without helping with the dishes. Very warm and sunny. Sticking to the highway as the back roads are bubbling up like lunar craters. Eric got the new switch at Goughs but installing it was quite a job.

THURSDAY - APRIL 6

"The pause that refreshes" - which is stopping at the Friends after practice and slurping beer and munching cheese and crackers. Kathleen was off again to Kitchener before I got away, putting lots of miles on the beautiful dark blue M2. "The Financier" is most absorbing. Philadelphia in the middle 18th hundreds. What terrific drama! what poems of description! Cool and dark. Enjoyed my provisions

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FRIDAY - APRIL 7

A perfect "Eve of St. Mark" as described by J.K. The covering of snow on the ground this morning quickly melted but the cloudy day remained cold.

Inwards evening it cleared with stars brilliant - Venus setting to the north of the Baptist church. Have just completed my shopping with the purchase of two plump chickens (decided sensation) Got two little 10 lb bags of potatoes for
meals at noon.

SATURDAY - APRIL 8

Ice on the pools this brilliant blue sunny morning but it soon disappeared. In spite of the brilliant sunshine the noon temperature was only in the high 40's. Even Webster street was blocked this morning so I was forced to go around by the high school, after a bumpy, tortuous drive down the 4th and Canning road. What boiling and heaving of roads! I never saw the like for many years - or do I forget. Just remembers your eyes! It's a long time since grandpa's cedar bush cow pasture days!

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SUNDAY - APRIL 9

Cool and showery. Beth had a cold and asked me to read the scripture and give a prayer. I acquiesced in the former but declined the latter. I felt enough of a hypocrite reading from ^{the} Peter. However, I guess I'm stuck with this church yoke so have to make the best of it. Deep the last of the parsnips before pushing off to worship. Another lovely dinner at the Kramers. Chicken - very tender and juicy. The children hauled me ad infinitum.

MONDAY - APRIL 10

Leaving by noon and very cool. Heavy frost is on its way for tonight. Had a good view of Uranus Saturday evening. Mars is very bright and backing up towards Spica. Dear, treasured memories of 1920. This year the opposition of Mars is six days earlier ^{Apr 15th} than on that memorable year that bring back so many thoughts of dear old dad (who was far from old)

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TUESDAY - APRIL 11

A cold 24° but clear, the sun soon licking up the thin ice. Stayed up till 12.20 watching the ocean aways, and the bright sunlight streaming in our east windows woke us early, so our sleep was shortened at both ends. Tonight is lock club which means a lovely meal for me. I am amazed at Quisenberry's dramatic powers in unfolding a narrative. Everything is so human, so natural and the descriptions - ne-plus-ultra!!

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 12

20° this morning which meant a stiffer frost than the night before. Tried the 4th and found it still very springy and far from settled. Canning road was good. Market street blocked with road machinery. A very thin clear crescent of an April moon over the Baptist Church last evening with Venus above in her best lustre. Mars spectacular and even nearer Spica - what a colored pair!! Ohhhhh. I wish you could see them.

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THURSDAY - APRIL 13

Last evening was cloudy enough so that Venus and the moon were faint, nebulous and hardly discernible after some time was spent in the Hyway Market we arrived at 153 ^{with} in plenty of time. Cloudy all day today and a few light sprinkles, but nothing to do our cistern any good. Kathleen was off to St. George for a permanent come time before I got away in #14 to face the cruel, indifferent world. "The Piranizer" holds me spellbound.

FRIDAY - APRIL 14

Another one of these damn fool Monday night string practices that his "nibs" inflicts on us. Cloudy and much milder - up to 64°. Some more very ineffectual sprinkles. Our grass will shoot away up before the roller comes back. Ah me - problems, problems, decisions, decisions! Phoned Dominion this afternoon in a last ditch effort to get some denture acrylic.

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Mild, partly sunny
back roads horrible

SATURDAY - APRIL 15

Wilson Macdonald is dead at 86° and strangely enough although he is the only literary celebrity who ever visited my office or took the slightest interest in me, his passing means little to me. His poetry stirred me only in rare moments and then not much. He was too vastly conceited to be a great man.

Neala parked near us on the side-street last night. We agreed that it was a lot of driving for little benefit, as all he did was the accompanied to the Prabhu violin concerts.

SUNDAY - APRIL 16

Nancy was just about ready for bed, or I should say her grandmother was ready to put her there when I got home. She is getting more tractable and interesting, also more sense. Dad came in much later (3:00 A.M.) I got him up betimes and we changed the wheels on H. 14 and M. 2 before I had to change for church. Sygne was with her folks at P. Catterville where they had just moved. Stayed at the Reminds for a lovely dinner of Kentucky fried chicken.

1967 dear dear - such ignorance!
"Celebrity" - write it out 100 times!

MONDAY - APRIL 17

Much rain during the night with cracks and rumbles of thunder to disturb my dreams. We came home from Kitchener in time for beer and the news on our own T.V. Den brought back the roller, filled it with water, and rolled the front lawn before lunch yesterday. I helped him roll the back. Very mild - left with the grass needing cutting in spots. All the grand children most interesting. Had a good time with them yesterday with romps and stories.

TUESDAY - APRIL 18

Mostly dull and chilly: the sun not being out long enough for me to "spot" him. Called in at the shop on my way to work to congratulate Mike on passing another gallstone. If he inherits his father's longevity he will have at least 42 more gallstones to pass. I hope he never dies. Had to be polite and ingratiating when Mel and Betty came in with their two youngest offspring. Oh dear, I'm nearly to the end of that absorbing novel *The Sandman*.

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WEDNESDAY - APRIL 19

Partly sunny and a little warmer. Generator indicator on 1414 showed red all the way to Paris so direct to the Clarke hospital he went for new brushes. Dear Eric dropped in just two weeks after his last appearance. Haven't seen Don Clark for a long while. Hope he isn't mad at me, but I guess he has every right to be.

THURSDAY - APRIL 20

RITUBARB - you shut!

A fairly long rehearsal last evening ending in a lunch with beer. Clear and chilly with a brilliant sky after sunset with brightest Venus far above and higher aloft Jupiter edging away from the Gemini. Today clear still but with the same cool wind. The big thrill was cutting the back lawn yesterday for the first - grass thick and tender. Kathleen cut ~~the lawn~~ but gave it to Kusla.

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FRIDAY - APRIL 21

The dear Queen is 41 today. I am glad they left her picture on the new centennial one dollar bills. She is much better looking than Charles de Gaulle for instance. A dull, cool & showery day. Montreal down Toronto 6-2 last night in the first of the Stanley Cup finals so it looks as if the present holders will retain it for another year. Kathleen had to go to Woodstock yesterday to pay some of Bertha's drug bills. Bertha is living proof that you can stay alive ^{and survive with} Margaret's 31st but did not see her. ^{6 drags}

SATURDAY - APRIL 22

^{she jupps come}
Drove through heavy fog both going and coming. Kathleen driving over usually has the worst conditions but we fared equally this time. Thunder storms at night just after we got in bed. The Brahms violin concerto with Pachel went fairly well. Of course Pohl was jittery and blew off frequently. It is a lovely composition. Cool and showery today. No chance to do anything in the garden tonight. Unfortunately it is all going to grass.

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SUNDAY - APRIL 23

Cold and cheerless like the northern boundary of the British empire. Dug up back of the garage before church. Took five passengers besides ourselves so the car was full. Grace & Susan, John & Laura and Ella. I thought the concert went off quite well but dear Kathleen was downcast - she was far from satisfied. Even two bottles of beer would not cheer her up. Got home at 5.30 and had an hour of cold.

Daylight to ~~do~~ our pea bed and start on the grassy ~~esperago~~ bed. Went to bed stiff and weary.

MONDAY - APRIL 24

Monday this morning saw a return of wintery conditions with about an inch of snow to sweep off the car. Had to go back to my grey overcoat. Saturday saw 14.4 turn 5500 strenuous gas-eating miles. Arthur wrote the program notes for our last concert and they were excellent. The Brahms's violin concert is still haunting my inner ear. It was a great treat.

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TUESDAY - APRIL 25

Mabel, and Marge and Christie all were very good to me at the Willett this morning; they had me all in white in the main O.R. just to do 8 or 9 lower extractions for poor old Mrs Lata. I certainly got the maximum help and attention. 24° this morning with thin ice on all the pools and also on that pond on the 4th which nearly covers the road in one spot. Very clear and sunny all day but did not warm up much. Got my Gillett outfit (2 blades) some as I gave to Glen. My old brass one down at the office has about had the "bisk".

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 26

Although rain was predicted the sun was dimly discernible most of the day, enabling me to detwiddle the rest of the asparagus bed, all except the north-east corner. Kathleen came out just before dinner time and helped me plant the peas and sweet-peas.

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THURSDAY - APRIL 27

Sunny and cool with east wind. Finished the corner of the asparagus bed before changing and zooming to Paris. I am afraid the *agropyrum repens* will come to life again, thick as ever with the first warm rain. Hope the asparagus ~~can~~ push up between those universal roots. Had a good going over of waltzes and polkas for the Friday ball. Arthur was congratulated by Herr Pohl and the orchestra and being appointed band master of the Kitchener Band. His duties are manifold and exacting — much more taxing than mine.

FRIDAY - APRIL 28

This garish, cool sunny day reminds me strongly of 18 years ago. It is so quiet; nobody coming in this afternoon.

Will try to get home a bit early to cut the back lawn before dressing for the ball. Have just reread *Winter Words* and am started on the big volume of T.H.'s poems. I applaud the philosophy, the sentiment, and the shy retiring nature of the great man. He is my man — and Dreiser.

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SATURDAY - APRIL 29

Yes, I got the back lawn cut before
our bath and change into tea and
evening dress. We were Pauline
than expected going by Queen, and
Frederick to 43 Elbington Drive where
we waited a few minutes outside in
the car. Pauline sewed ^{Nyma, Gladys & Evelyn} on eye, ^{before}
taking off to Binglewan Park and the
famous ball. Ate a big dinner and
then played from 9.30 till 11.15. Nuala
looked lovely on the receiving line with
Arthur. Stayed till the dancing was well
under way. Today dull and milder but
no rain as yet.

SUNDAY - APRIL 30

Nine and a little wanner.
Nancy went to Sunday School
with Laura and J.R. I passed
her and her mother at the bowling
green corner on my way to church.
Had to move fast at noon to get
away by 1.00 o'clock which seemed
still earlier with D.S.T. Art drove
us to Elmira and back to 153 Wilfred
where we had drinks - guests included
Nyma, Pauline, Ev & Jack. From there
to the Charcoal Steak house. Everybody

Had a fill of steaks and ribs.
Food was excellent - a superb salad
etc.

MONDAY - MAY 1

We came back to the Drueds
and listened to the tape of our
F.M. broadcast. It was quite
thrilling. Monday the great
May day brought overcast skies
and a few light showers. I
got a card from W.H. Smiths which
pleased me very much as it
promised reading material for months
and months ahead. No "Globe"
available so I will be in the dog house.

TUESDAY - MAY 2

Dark with continual rain
till sundown, mild at first
turning quite cool at night.
Phoned Thurston and had a
short chat. I think he has
accumulated a vast knowledge
of music, musical instruments and
techniques. At least he is a
"go-it-alone," "do-it-yourself" guy like
I am. Dear Kathleen will be away
at a meeting when I get home, but
she will have some grub ready, as
only she can prepare it.

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WEDNESDAY - MAY 3

Enough wind and sunshine to dry the flower bed enough to enable me to dig same, getting rid of a large patch of *agnopysum repens*. Of course the crusted stuff will be up thick as ever with the next shower and warm spell. Enjoyed the evening at home with my dear wife.

THURSDAY - MAY 4

Dull and very cool. I hear reports of snow in the air this morning but I was not up early enough to see it. Now as I carried the chickens to the car and posted my mail I thought the air cold enough for snow tonight. Took Mr. Foster to the train at Paris. He again offered \$1.00 which I declined. I had Duke, Prince and Earl yesterday morning so my taxi business is flourishing.

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FRIDAY - MAY 5

Mostly fair and continuing cool. I have a gas fire on and off and on again. The Taylors are supposed to get home tonight from Esqis. Erv's birthday will be celebrated by a welcome homecoming after the hubbub and strain of the world's greatest exhibition. Kathleen left before I did. She was bound for Kitchener with several bees in her bonnet. One was to bring Bradley to Denubo for the weekend. I will endeavour to answer several of Alfred's letters.

Helen visiting Ethel - wish I had some one to talk to them!

SATURDAY - MAY 6

Poor Erle. How would he be getting along were he alive today on his 65th. What's the matter with him, Mr Bell, is he sick? The Taylors got home in the early morning hours. Haven't seen them yet.

John is talking about plowing our garden so on the strength of that I purchased some seeds from Bill Rutherford Jr. I miss Bill's very much. Bradley is a model visitor. He even ate some "goodie" this morning. Everybody interested in our little Prabinus just hatched out.

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SUNDAY - MAY 7

Such a dreary, cold, rainy day! -
entirely uncalled for - yes literally
so as the weather forecast didn't
mention anything so bad as we got.

Had an Evelyn belated birthday
celebration in John's rec. room after
church - bar heaped steaks and all
the etceteras. The Iremus came to our
place for dinner of roast beef so that
meant two beef dinners for me which
was superfluous. Cleaned gas bulbs
in the afternoon.

MONDAY - MAY 8

It did not stop raining once
yesterday. However this morning
looked like clearing but it soon
settled in again and we had
another wet day. Alberta's 85th.
Would she were alive to celebrate.

Enjoyed "Carousel" on T.V. last
evening. Got H14 greased and
oil change, filter and brake adjustment
to Les Clouse's. Renewed ~~contact~~
with dear Ron this morning. He
has been in Chicago all April brushing
up on anaesthesia etc.

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TUESDAY - MAY 9

Still another chilly wet day, clearing partially at sundown, with a watery looking sun and watery looking clouds parting out of the west. The star the brought home the bee and sets the weary laborer free is just now discernible high above the Baptist Church. Oh, those Baptists!

Prose of our "Day" is most enjoyable, instructive and enlightening. Must try to get home before 10.15 tonight so I won't dream Kathleen is through with me.

WEDNESDAY - MAY 10

Cold and clouded in the morning but the afternoon brought a glimpse or two of the fickle sun. About as chilly as four years ago today when the twins entered this vale of tears. Called in at Bill Muir's on the way down this afternoon and found him flat on his back in bed suffering from a fall. Sure hope no serious complications arise. Garden is too wet for working. We are at a standstill.

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THURSDAY - MAY 11

Cold east rain all day. A little too much of a good thing. Cistern nearing top. Garden a soggy mess. Did not have so much "headland" digging as last spring as John M. made a particularly good job of plowing. Cut the back lawn, but the week's growth was hardly enough to warrant it. Saw a perfectly thrilling screen presentation of "Judy Windermer's Jan" Donat Collins Savose starring. The elms have been stationary for the last 3 weeks. Only the maples show a little green.

FRIDAY - MAY 12

Cleared off in the night, and strange to say remained clear all day with the exception of a few afternoon fleecy clouds. A lovely day after what has gone before and a little warmer - up to 50°. Kathleen's lettuce is up, which is the only sign of growth in our garden. ~~The~~ ^{few} little spindly heads of asparagus that saved to show their noses above ground were nipped with the frost and discouraged. Genevieve tells me Bill is in the hospital with cracked ribs.

1967 Lyone, Nancy and Dennis at
our humble abode.

SATURDAY - MAY 13

Sunny like yesterday and
even warmer: up around 60°
What a change! Now the leaves
will pop, and the grass jump.
Hope the asparagus jumps also: I am
getting hungry for some. Took the
best parking place at the Brewers'
Retail at 5:40 as the last minute
thirsty shoppers were standing in
line. Got down town before six and
skipped into the D. G. where I was
delighted to get another dozen Florida juice
orange

SUNDAY - MAY 14

The Bell family were well represented
at the Drumbo Baptist church. Nancy
attending Sunday School and Dennis
accompanying me in the family pew
at church. Did a bit of digging in
the east border of the garden after
lunch and Kathleen dropped a few
braccato seeds. We left before
Dennis and Nancy was still asleep at
4:00 P.M. A tender steak roast of beef
at the friends. Kathy was looking like
a tiny little fairy as she was getting over
a fever and rash.

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MONDAY - MAY 15

Cloudy in the morning and still cool. Got off in M2 at 8.45 with Kathleen as seasoned pilot. Stopped at Heinal's leaving a couple of boxes. Proceeded to the new City Hall parking down below. Were lucky to get a conducted tour of the strange, magnificent building, right up to the observation floor. (27th). From there to the O'Keefe Centre and had lunch of soup, sandwiches, pie, beer & coffee while listening to Boyd Neel's Chamber string group in a lovely program of "dinner" music. Took the subway (first time for me) to the museum and there again we benefited

TUESDAY - MAY 16

by a conducted tour. Spent all afternoon there. Wish I could remember all we saw. The extinct mammalian skeletons were awe-inspiring. Another fast trip on the subway. I got off at Grand while Kathleen went round the loop to Queen to pick up the boxes. Our 2T2 social and dinner was the best yet. The eats were particularly good with great variety. Met Kathleen around 10.10 in the Hotel foyer. Got home before midnight. A truly wonderful day: one to remember always. Although cool it was sunny all afternoon and clear at night as we followed the sinking Venus and Jupiter. Tuesday - clear and cool. Too busy to think much of yesterday.

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WEDNESDAY - MAY 17

Mostly sunny and a little warmer: leaves only just beginning to unfold. Maples only hardwoods showing any green yet.

Enjoyed a good sound sleep last night to make up for the strenuous day on Monday.

THURSDAY - MAY 18

Our fair weather ended abruptly at noon, when the overcast skies became very dark and rain fell all afternoon and on into the evening. Looks as if our clayey, furrowed garden will remain forever too wet to work. Oh well, more rain, more rest: not much rest with this continual avalanche of upper and lower and extortions ad infinitum. Not too many at the band hall last night. No rehearsal now till June 7 which is annual meeting.

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FRIDAY - MAY 19

Friday May 19th, 1905. I remember the circus (Barnum and Bailey) parade through front street. Today was no circus, just plugging away at the house of pain, or relief of pain, I don't know which. Don't forget to pick up the turkey at the I. G. A. I hope the strawberries are acceptable, otherwise I will take a fast exit to the doghouse. Weather improving, being mostly sunny and warmer in the high 60's.

SATURDAY - MAY 20

A high of 45° with stiff breeze out of the north west. In between showers John disked the garden last evening. It looked like a good job - better than I had anticipated. Of course the proof of the pudding is in the eating and that will be tomorrow and Monday we hope. Eleanor & I have visiting Evid. for a day. Don't forget to get that extra dozen eggs on your way home !!!

1967

Rest last night

SUNDAY - MAY 21

After Dennis had further pulverized the garden I raked it completely after dinner last evening with the aid of our flood lights. After lunch today I marked out the potato plot and then good wife came out and we planted our small seeds.

Den and Lynne put the primer coat on the fence. Dennis and I stayed up for "Night Caps" and disturbed the gubs with our laughter. Partly cloudy and cool.

MONDAY - MAY 22

A light shower in the night but the morning dawned clear and continuing cool. Good weather for working. Today saw the planting of the potatoes and the painting of our fence. Later in the after I cut grass and trimmed beds. Dennis helped me roll the newly planted garden which did a good levelling job. The friends and Erud rolled in about 7:40 also Jack, Ev. and John's. Only absentees were Karen (sick) and Joanna (lovesick)

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TUESDAY - MAY 23

Arthur left a few fireworks, but had to leave soon after dinner. Den took us over to the big fireworks display at the showgrounds and after that which was after 10.00 they left for St Thomas and Kathleen and I sat down to relax after a most strenuous weekend. A very cool holiday although sunny.

Nearly froze in the chilly moonlight over at the fairgrounds. Got numerous gifts and cards - all lovely and much appreciated. Still fair today and slightly warmer, or shall we say less cold. I prize my new hymnary from the friends.

WEDNESDAY - MAY 24

The fair weather continues with even higher temperature. 62° at noon. A little too early or too uncertain to plant out annuals, so I may do something with my gladioli this evening. A whole long evening with my dear wife at home is a rare pleasure, and very nice to contemplate. Kathleen gave me a nice tie and a pot of flowers for outside (the latter not having arrived yet). Den's gave me a can of rose food.

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THURSDAY - MAY 25

Yes, everything worked out to my utmost satisfaction. Planted 132 gladioli bulbs, and have a few left over for Dennis or anyone who wants them. Put in a row of Dahlia bulbs by the newly painted white fence, all that showed any signs of life. Came over the 5th this morning which was good and also dust lagged, but the Dewfries^{6th} was rough and dusty. Who wants war?! Handy wrote eloquent poems denouncing it and they fit into today's troubled times.

FRIDAY - MAY 26

Time and warmer. Up to nearly 70°. Our lawn is even taking on a "parched" look. A gentle shower would be much appreciated especially for our seeds. Although the leaves were full out then even weeks before, yet the bright sunny, breezy day reminded me strongly of 45 years ago. Would I be bored now at such a function? I think not. But how can I tell? I expect to be bored, completely bored, tomorrow evening at B. A. Smith's retirement banquet and social.

1967 Oh, Saturday May 27th 1922
SATURDAY - MAY 27 ^{How vivid in my memory!!}

The sun was hazy and the distant landscape even hazier as the warm morning drew on apace. The sun grew dimmer and dimmer and finally hid himself behind a grey overcast sky which broke in thunder lightning and rain around 3.00 P.M. I now have the lights all on and it is dark as twilight. Hope it lets up by the time I have to make an 8.00 o'clock dash to my car. Tonight is D.A. Smith night at the White Horse Inn and later at the P.W.H.S.

SUNDAY - MAY 28

Had a very fine dinner at the White Horse and the speeches were quite interesting. We sat next to Em & Howard with Ralph Spauls and Stuart Cowan on Kathleen's left. Everything from the fruit cup to the parfait dessert was top notch. You could cut the pork tenderloin with a fork. Spent an hour or so up at the P.W.H.S. Gym. afterwards meeting many whom we hadn't seen for ages. Today was partly cloudy and cool after Saturday's rain, which luckily stopped before our trip to Paris. Cultivated flower bed and ^{Chapel} ~~around church~~

1967
Sunday

MONDAY - MAY 29

Had Ev and Jack over for dinner but they did not stay long after as Ev wanted to "hit the hay". Monday - Cool and cloudy all morning, clearing around noon, but the east wind kept the temperature around 60. Must not forget to mention the book from "The Shrubbery" - Churchill's Vol. 1. of his "History of the English Speaking People". I was certainly well remembered - too well, I am hopelessly spoiled.

TUESDAY - MAY 30

Almost cloudless but very little warmer - just a degree or two above yesterday's 60°. While the news was going on, I slipped out and had a good look at Uranus - now at its farthest western retrogression. Tried to locate Neptune but I was not sure I saw it. Enjoying lots of asparagus just 3 weeks behind schedule. Leaves on most hardwoods still only half out.

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WEDNESDAY - MAY 31

Exit the coldest May since 1917 according to the records as reported on T.V. news. Frost warnings every night and tonight as well, which ushers in June. Kathleen went to Banford today to pick up plants. Now the question is - should we plant them out today and take a chance with frost. ??

Last evening I detoured around by 24A and my old bird sanctuary back of old "Gaug Tru Ball." The weeries and wood thrushes were calling as they did 30 years ago when I visited there so often. It doesn't seem like 30 and 31 years since those memorable summers which immediately preceded my taking a wife and giving up selfish bachelorhood. What a blessing I did it before it was too late. We watched Swanot by Chebar last night. - great.

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THURSDAY - JUNE 1

Der Erst Juni, le premier Juin
 fine and warm. A lot of hardwoods
 still not half out. maples about
 3/4 and elms 1/2. Apple blossoms
 almost at best, letacs just
 beginning to show color. I purchased
 a few sprigs of lily in the valley to
 beautify my work bench. Kathleen
 had to go to the church to hear
 Betty Hilmer last evening, so while she
 was gone I planted out 33 tomato plants
 and 11 peppers. Had a look at Jupiter
 and Venus - they are fast approaching
 conjunction

FRIDAY - JUNE 2

Summer warmth - 80° all afternoon.
 My last window-weight gave up
 the ghost - the south one, so now it
 is window props all around. Handie,
 though when it comes to washing them.
 Tomato plants stood the heat and
 bright sun yesterday - wonder how
 they did today. The big pot of geraniums,
 petunias, foliage etc. and Kathleen gave
 me for my birthday is now out on the
 well covered and it looks wonderful. She
 also bought a "weed bar" and is trying it out
 on the front bed and delinquent lawn.

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SATURDAY - JUNE 3

83° Elm leaves have jumped out almost full in three days.

Oh, what a congestion of cars at the brewans retail just a few minutes ago or one half hour before closing time! Managed to squeeze in and squeeze out with my 24 50's. The brewans arrived just after we had done the dishes and left the 3 kinder (drei) in gaundins's care for the day. A lot of my first peas have been eaten by rabbits and birds - a very scant catch.

SUNDAY - JUNE 4

Hot and sunny. Dennis came in from his band job about 2:00 P.M. and was with us up to church time. He took away his artificial plants for his new (self made) planter. After driving Jack and me to church he was on his way. Kathleen and I planted out 2 dozen pelonias in the hot afternoon sun and put floucer pots over them. Drove to Nuaha's later in the afternoon and had dinner there on the patio - tender tram etc. Executive meeting down in the rec room which didn't involve us so we left about 9:30.

1967 what "Chipper" has it gobbled up
the walnut lumber up to the size of
MONDAY - JUNE 5 one's thigh!!!
Hot as ever and no sign of rain.

Came down the Ayn road but was
detoured at Tom Ritchie's corner over
to ~~D.H.A.~~ Change and decay! They
are cutting down the walnut trees!
on the D-G.A. lot. How will I ever
mark the rising and falling of the
sun as it crosses the meridian? What
a change! 1.00 P.M. almost before I
realize it they are down - now an unobstructed
view of southern sky! Oh, the machine age!
all slicked up clean as a whistle in about
three hours.

TUESDAY - JUNE 6

The anniversary of "D day" is marked
by grave conflict in the middle
East. The Jews against the U.A.R.
It rather takes the spot light
away from Viet Nam for the time
being. Nothing seems to satisfy people
but war and destruction. How
long can we keep it off the north-
American continent? Have been
relaxing on my Chesterfield eyeing
the "wide expanse" of sky to the
south - a new and very pleasant experience.

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WEDNESDAY - JUNE 7

A couple of brief showers, but not enough to wet under the trees; just a tantalizer.

To night is the annual meeting of the H.W. symphony which I can attend without any trouble like asking off an important board or committee meeting. I am not wanted by Glenheim Township, or the P.D.H.S. or by any organization. I just fill a chair in the orchestra and am not eligible for chamber groups or small ^{accompanying} units.

THURSDAY - JUNE 8

That was one of the most enjoyable annual meetings, practice and feed the orchestra ever had. Lots of Kentucky fried chicken, pickles and rolls; beer (five cases). It was raining when we arrived in ambassador so ~~took~~ the back parking lot by the fire escape. Art had all the beer in his car besides other items on the menu. Took Herr Pohl home. It rained a little going home but it was after we got in bed that it started in earnest. A multi-million dollar rain. ^{with} Dull and cooler bed. Bruce played Schubert's famous serenade, by Schumann.

in honor of the latter - birth

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FRIDAY - JUNE 9

Very warm with high humidity. I missed the bit of front lawn I left last night before setting out this morning. Got outfitted with new charcoal summer weight slacks (urbana variety) as the continued heat caused me to revolt against wool. Some light sem-showers and a stiff S.W. breeze. You have the cake-mix; now, don't forget to pick up the roasting chicken.

SATURDAY - JUNE 10

How much farther along on June 10? Well, I don't know exactly. Hi4 registers 56000 miles if that means anything. From a threatened drought we are getting cloudbursts of rain with thunder and lightning thrown in for good measure. Expect the cistern is about full. In case the Bells have an insatiable thirst I have just purchased a "party pak". No chance to do anything in the super-saturated garden this evening. ~~maybe~~ tomorrow - we hope!

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SUNDAY - JUNE 11

What a humid, hot day after the rains of yesterday! The sunsime dried the garden enough to allow me to cultivate part of it to the north, although I carried pounds of good earth around on my rubbers. Cut grass and weeds around our smart back fence, and lastly finished planting my south bed by the house - 2 dozen salvias and transplanted a row of seedling alyssum. Tulips are done but the stalks still spoil the look of the bed. However

MONDAY - JUNE 12

we don't bear the tulips any hard feeling since they were a wealth of color and beauty for at least a month. The 2 friends came to swim and to dinner. Roast beef, fresh asparagus etc etc. Ten hungry mouths gobbled up a goodly amount.

Monday - hotter still, up around 90° all afternoon. Surprised Dennis by a blast from H. 4th lawn. He had brought his tools to fix it, but was spoiled that bother as the capricious thing decided to work unaided. Venus and moon in conjunction last evening. Too lazy

see it out

1967 Petunias blooming but no roses yet.

TUESDAY - JUNE 13

The east wind blew cool towards morning and we had to reach for a blanket. However in spite of the chilly fog the sun kept getting stronger and the temperature and humidity rose to make it uncomfortable all afternoon but not quite so hot as yesterday. Yes, Harold Bonus, this entry is entirely devoid on interest. Got a wilty box of nicotine for Ed. at the fruit store. Hope it amounts to something. Roy says he will bring Buggan's plant in the morning.

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 14

88° and humid with capital H. Everything worked out fine for Buggan's birthday. Roy delivered the lovely pot of fuchsias at the Paily residence just at noon and also left a box of nicotine which looked much better than what I got at the fruit store. Kathleen reports a pleasant evening at the fine new Reynolds home by the old Paris reservoir. I ought to deliver a card from the Jaylows - must do it on my way home shortly.

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The Dreiser books arrived
at last - *The Titan*
THURSDAY - JUNE 15 *The Genius*

Yes, we let slumber steal away the
sense, but not till it was good
and ready, as the upstairs was
much hotter than down. It
clouded a couple of times today
but only a sprinkle resulted. Perhaps
just as well as this was Kathleen's
wash day. Managed to get over
the potato patch after dinner last
evening amid a barrage of mosquitoes.
Red poeony about done, petunias starting
to bloom. South bed looking better with
Kathleen's tender care of watering etc.

FRIDAY - JUNE 16

Still another ~~hot~~ humid 89°
with the copper sun reigning
supreme till just a few moments
ago when a mass of grey cloud
loomed up in the north west. The
two-day blitzkrieg of Israel rousing
over Jordan and the Sinai was a
great surprise - especially to Nassar.
The Russians are condemning Israel
for aggression. I wonder if things had
gone the other way and Egypt had
overrun Israel with the help of the U.A.R.
would they have been condemned for

He'd want to guess the same.

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SATURDAY - JUNE 17

Have just purchased 2 pair
summer pajamas (yes, pyjamas
is acceptable) at Jack Bradley's, being
instructed to do so by a phone call
from my dear wife. I dare say
they are the wrong color and the
wrong size. Also a got ~~the~~ and
stout, the latter for myself exclusively.
The big Centennial celebration with
parade was almost over when I got
to Paris. Very difficult working into a
parking spot. Floats bands clowns galore.
I turn away with sad, inquiring gaze
(like Anubald)

SUNDAY - JUNE 18

Much cooler with a strong east
wind. Cut the back lawn before
church. After lunch started
out in the muddy garden to
cultivate. Wonderful conditions for
working: the strong wind kept the
mosquitos away and the cooler drier
air kept you from sweating. The
friends came for dinner which
was excellent - a very tender prime rib
roast and Muala brought the dessert,
shrubona pudding and ice cream - yum
yum.

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MONDAY - JUNE 19

A little stiff in the joints today after the big garden effort, followed by piggying the girls over to the school yard where they enjoyed the slides, swings and monkey bars in the cool of the evening. Today was a continuation of the cool east wind and clear deep blue heavens.

Father's day netted me some rose dust from Kathleen and a bottle of lime toilet water from the Friends. My own father would have gained the enviable 100 years to ~~be at the~~ Confederation of Canada by a few days.

TUESDAY - JUNE 20

More east wind but not so strong. Temperature climbing up over 70° but nothing like last week's record humidity plus heat. A delightful day. Kathleen will be happy as she washed this morning and the threatened rain didn't come this way, just dark overcast intervals that looked like business. My card sent brought my 1968 appointment book in a hurry. It seems every year they promise to send it early in the spring but never do.

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WEDNESDAY - JUNE 21

No, Bruce, this is not the first day of summer, since summer does not arrive till 10.23 this evening. I was counting on a good hour in the garden before supper and here it isn't raining cat and dogs to make the lawn soggy and the garden impassible muck, and there looks to be no time for the next two weeks. Ah me, I must bow before the fates. I was even a failure. However, cheer up, the Chinese have exploded a hydrogen bomb.

THURSDAY - JUNE 22

A continuous downpour of rain from the time we left Dublin last evening till we returned to it. Stopped at Highway market, Rathlone getting slightly damp. It was dampish work getting the back deck of M² with instruments, groceries etc. Androve and we brought Jim Gallagher ^{to his} home on our return. Much water splashed on the cellar floor and down the drain. A lovely day today: sunny with a few cloudy intervals and 75°. What could be nicer. Oh, our poor mucky Garden!!

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FRIDAY - JUNE 23

A surprise awaited me at the top of the stairs this morning, namely one hundred pound drum of lab stone and a carton of eight tons of A.S.C. I have leaned towards S.S.W. for the last 47 years so it should be all right. Keep fingers crossed. Fine this morning warming into the mid 80's this afternoon with some clouds. Kathleen hurried me out of the driveway this morning as she was Paris and St George bound. Lyons's 22nd I wonder how she celebrated!?

SATURDAY - JUNE 24

Now I will enjoy and gloat over this new expanse of southern sky, in all seasons, day and night, with sun, moon, planets, stars my constant companions. In spite of muck, & absolute, and mosquitoes at infinitum, I got over the potato ground with the cultivator and drove in 33 stakes for our tomatoes, and then at 10.20 I ~~tabled~~ tabled a dinner of beef warmed in gravy, creamed cauliflower etc. Today is hotter than anticipated - up almost to 90°. Must leave early for a strawberry festival at St. Thomas.

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SUNDAY - JUNE 25

Had a great time at St. Thomas Dennis was cleaning maple syrup out of the canes when we arrived shortly after six. In spite of the dark threatening sky and spits of rain Den bar-b-qued tender steaks outside by the back door. The strawberries from his garden were A1. Everything was neat and a joy to inspect. The roses were wonderful. His divider with planter between the dining nook and the main living room was a work of art. - or I should say a work of blen. What happy, fleeting hours we spent there and dear Nancy was awfully good.

MONDAY - JUNE 26

- simply a lovely cherub, and a danting. Sunday - Cool, cloudy then clearing in the afternoon. Worked frantically thinning carrots and cultivating till 4:30 when I washed, changed, shaved and was driven by my dear wife to Mitchener where we had another scrumptious dinner - this time tender tongue and beet greens. Arthur drove us up town to see the centennial train but we couldn't get near for the crowds. Art finished his new ceiling in the rec. room. How lucky we are to see our favourite grandchildren so often!! Monday - partly sunny and warmer.

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TUESDAY - JUNE 27

Oh, the thrill of watching the cumuli
as they "tread the far south" or
"left rounds of snow" up to the zenith.

Poor old Commodore Truncheon is
dead. I did not want him to die as
he was the most interesting character
in the book. He is the most human
and the most amusing. Peregrine is
too fantastic to be accepted as real.

Watched the old moon sink in the
western azure on my way to work.
Since the lyn road is all surfaced I
use it regularly to and from.

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 28

Oh, clouds! oh east wind! please
do not precipitate moisture upon
me till I get my weedy garden
cultivated. Alvie has cut down
his peony bushes and now our
roses make a show and a
decided perfume. Cut the lawn last
evening while dear wife was
warming ^(no cooking) my dinner. Alfo 72nd
Hope he got my card on time.
My first old age pension cheque!!

1967 No, we don't lend money to
old men.

THURSDAY - JUNE 29

The clouds and the east wind
did bring rain, plenty of it, too
much of it. However I went out
in it for an hour before supper
and till dusk and dampness drove
me indoors after supper. Cut down the
early iris to give some room for our
little annuals, also ran through the
weedy, muddy gladiolus bed. This
morning was still dull and showery.
Began by going over to the church and
rehearsing our trios for tonight. For
goodness sake, play on one string at a time
and use more bow. Play nearer the bridge and keep your bow
straight!!

FRIDAY - JUNE 30

Friday - I probably forgot all these
excellent hints and instructions,
but sawed through the trios without
getting lost and without much tone.
The recital was one of the best. The
two violin solos a thrill to listen to
and? Peterson and Jane Cowan. Bruce
Hutchinson displayed poise and
mastery of his selection - a fine
achievement; also the Scott girl in
her impressionistic piece - "Mists".
We had mists this morning but they
soon cleared away and we had some

intervals of well come
warm sunshine

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Passed through many Centennial

Parades.

SATURDAY - JULY 1

A wonderful July 1st.

Muggy and hot with much needed sunshine. However it didn't have any effect on our waterlogged garden. Threw the lawn and hosed around in the muck till noon. H. and I got away at 12.30 and Devi's shortly after, we to Kitchener, they directly to Owen Sound. Arrived at 5. Sauble about 4.00 taking Bradley while Neala took Grandma Irene and the girls. The great task of unpacking the cars and settling in the cottage took about 1 1/2 hours. A great dinner of cold roast chicken, beet greens etc. Devi arrived at 7.30 and we immediately started setting up the big tent, Devi doing most of the work and directing. ~~Take not call but only went in~~ padding.

SUNDAY - JULY 2

Rain in the night, but clearing, sunny and warm this morning. A lazy day: a walk along the beach in the afternoon while Neala, Laura and twins went to church. Nancy getting wet as she overbalanced and sat down in the water. Devi had an afternoon nap while I read more of "Pickles". Everybody went in the lake later in the afternoon except the two grandmas. Dinner at 6.00. Arthur arrived in his mother's Dodge at 7.00 and ate while I was washing dishes. Beer guzzling and yaking till midnight.

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MONDAY - JULY 3

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Cool, windy with many clouds scudding out of the west after a great downpour of rain during the night. Dennis and Arthur left for the Saugeen gulf links shortly after eight, and didn't return till nearly 2.00 P.M. Meanwhile I took these four grandchildren for a walk "around the block" carrying them in turn on my shoulders. Nancy got the lion's share of the transportation. Bradley was the navigator. A delightful walk and assured noon appetites. After the boys had their late lunch (beer-b-q. hamburgers and hot dog) many hands dismantled the tent and Ken packed it away in his "boot". The Kelles left about 3.00 P.M. and we hated to see them go.

TUESDAY - JULY 4

Tuesday - the glorious 4th, Very cool with a clear sky and ultra-marine blue lake. The big job of the morning was washing the three cars. This created a good appetite for our bar-b-que hamburgers and hot dog. Too cold for swimming so we drove in two cars down town and rented three bicycles for half an hour; Arthur and Bradley on the tandem and Nuala and I on separate machines. Went to Reuffers after where I got a paper back "The Web and the Rock" for 95¢. Finished the Royal Charter Hudson Bay before dinner. T.V. news, beer, stout as bed.

1967 Had a fine t. v. coverage of the
Queen & Prince Philip's visit to Ottawa
WEDNESDAY - JULY 5 and Expo.

Cool and windy. Mostly overcast in
the morning. Arthur departed early for the
Sawbelle golf course and arrived back
~~some~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~late~~ for lunch. In the meantime
I took the children for a rather long
walk south on the beach returning by
the road. It was as usual a fatigue walk
as I carried them in turn on my shoulders.
When grandma & Karen had the girls
up town, A. N. Bradley and I braved the
chill waters of Lake Huron. Had a great
dinner of pork chops with dressing. Kathleen
and I stayed with Karen who was feeling a little
under the weather while the rest went up town to
play miniature golf. Canadian diet and beer!

THURSDAY - JULY 6

less painful than 45 years ago
Sunny and warmer; gradually working
up to good cottage weather. Arthur
departed after breakfast with his golf bag
and did not return till after 2.00. So
all he had for lunch was beer. We
piled into the Mercury and grandma drove
up up town where we ^(Arthur) rented two tandem
bikes, one for himself and Bradley and the
other for Kivala and me. And the girls trailed
~~up~~ up to the mouth of the Sawbelle river.
The lake breeze was fresh so we were not
too warm. Back to the cottage and into the
lake before dinner at 6.30. All went up town
in the evening for the kiddie rides but grandma,

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FRIDAY - JULY 7

Warming still more to perfect cottage weather. Lake calm for the first time this week. Accordingly the afternoon was spent for the most part at the beach, the children enjoying themselves to the full, in fact it was the only day the water was really warm. Finished Penguin Pickle. They all went up to the mini golf course after supper, while 'grandpa' kept the cottage. The Glen Mutter story, beer and bed.

SATURDAY - JULY 8

Warm, misty and calm. The lake and the sky melted into one so that the horizon was hardly discernible. A busy morning packing the cars and an early barbecue lunch which was not completed when the carload of new tenants arrived. Followed the Ambassador to Kitchener, we having Karen who slept part time in the back seat. Held up at Clifford by a Centennial parade. Lovely ham dinner at Nuola's. Home before sundown to cut the lawn.

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SUNDAY - JULY 9

Very warm and humid. Church
holiday so I spent the entire
day working in the hard-baked
garden. Sweat quarts. Took many
breaks, especially in the afternoon.
When beer was furnished by my wife.
Dor, Lyne & Nancy landed in before 2.00
and stayed till about 4.00. Glad
to see them. Kathleen cut our first
little bouquet of sweet peas. And
speaking of peas ~~we~~ had our first
mess of them for dinner from the
first plant in the garden.

MONDAY - JULY 10

Sun pretty well obscured by haze
and high cloud. Still very sticky
and hot. The usual reluctance to
go back to the bot office. Bradley's
7th and would have been Dick's 40th.
Called in on way down to say hello to
the Baileys. My mail box was not
overly full - just the usual bills,
receipts, dinners and advertisements.

I think I am back pretty well in the
groove again. yesterday's sweat in the
garden did my cold, dating from last
Friday a world of good. Starting "The
Titan" - marvellous!!

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TUESDAY - JULY 11

Rather a different day than a year ago when we strolled around in the morning outside and in, had a quick, early lunch and zoomed in H-14 to Kitchener from there in the Rambler wagon to Toronto International airport with no waiting for our speedy astrojet flight to La Guardia on Long Island etc. etc. why repeat it - it dealt with sufficiently in your 1966 tiresome diary log. Muggy and hot with a torrential downpour of rain in the noon hour. Had to drive H-14 back to the office, then park it in front of E. Gooses. Kyushu Shikoku Honshu Hokkaido

WEDNESDAY - JULY 12

Starry in the early morning with Saturn brightening in Pisces. Later at breakfast time it was overcast with a damp N.E. wind; by noon it cleared with cooler, less humid air. A delightful afternoon, with mostly blue sky flecked with fleecy clouds and a young moon falling south. The glorious "12th" was celebrated by work as usual. However tonight it is Stratford and Richard III.

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THURSDAY - JULY 13

You couldn't imagine such a colorful presentation of Richard III: a most enjoyable evening. Some features of the Alex Guinness production I liked better, especially the cost act. The ghosts last night were not at all "ghostly": and I failed to see the significance of their version of the fight with Richmond. M2 took us (R. & D) there and back without turn signals working. Fine and cool. Today as was yesterday. All kind of lovely clouds.

FRIDAY - JULY 14

Most fall-like this afternoon. Grey fall clouds nearly cloak the sky, driven by a north-west wind. Furnace came on this morning. A jacket is necessary for comfort. It so turned out that we picked on not too bad a week for the cottage - I'd hate to be up there now. I think I have obeyed the shopping list to the letter. A nice boy carried out the 20 lb. roast etc. and put it in my back deck. - what with the dozen packages of rolls it is comfortably filled. I am mostly empty.

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very chilly

SATURDAY - JULY 15

48° - 62°

It was nearly an occultation last evening. ~~Specific~~ the moon sank westward dogged by faded Mars. Viewed this beautiful sight as we walked over to John's to see the big tent that is to house today's centennial show of antiques. All I will be able to contribute is myself - not that a bit late. Looked in vain for Jupiter on the way home, but Venus nearing maximum brilliance was like an arc light. Rain this afternoon but clearing about 6.00

SUNDAY - JULY 16

Mostly overcast and not much warmer. Went over the garden in a frenzy before church for which I was late. Drove 114 over so Kathleen could get home fast. Had to leave Lynne with the dishes as we had to go at 1.00 as the Maudie Forester concert at Stratford was for 2.00 P.M. It meant quite a rush. But oh, it was worth any amount of effort to hear such wonderful singing and playing of Beethoven, Haydn with Bach (erroneous my spelling) Birthday party for Nancy at Anais's. She got a triple which got painted like new. We enjoyed the bar, the good turkey, birthday cake etc.

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Dear little Nancy 3 years
old today.

MONDAY - JULY 17

Havent mentioned the fine centennial party at John's. A whole pig roasted as well as a 20 lb. roast of beef, very tender and tasty as cooked by the queen of culinary experts - my dear wife. About 50 percent of which half were children. John shaved off his fine beard for Sunday morning church. He looked quite himself again. Meanwhile one and two have manfully been plied and now the once excellent garage of Edgar & Churchill is just a shell. My office outlook has sure changed both north & south.

TUESDAY - JULY 18

Warmer and partly sunny, although the sun never shone brightly. Great masses of thunder heads, gorgeous cumuli obscured the sunset and now the sky has a grey cover of rainy looking clouds. Quite interesting watching the demolition of the Edgar garage. A back-hoe is an amazing piece of machinery in its versatility. Paid for Kathleen's black dress (bought for fall and winter orchestra jobs) which constitutes my only shopping spree today. Eight years ago was quite a big day - once in a lifetime for couples with only one daughter.

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WEDNESDAY - JULY 19

Instead of coming home right after lunch to help Gage with the tents and camping equipment as 24 years ago I stepped out to the backyard after Kathleen had left for Preston and M's repairs, Ketebeaux etc. and mowed the back lawn after doing the front one last evening. I am supposed to be home not later than 4.45 to be ready for eating out with A. + N. and the "Government Inspector" at Stratford. Get a move on!! Depiculous now!!

THURSDAY - JULY 20

Arthur drove the ambassador to Stratford where we had a marvellous smorgasbord dinner with white wine. Enjoyed Gogol's "The Government Inspector" immensely, the sardonic humor was captivating. Interesting to learn the date of Nikolai Vassilievich Gogol's date - 1809-1852. Sped a wheel-disc coming down to the twin bridges and went back to look for it, and again this morning before breakfast but without success. Warm, humid with a brief afternoon ^{thunder} shower.

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FRIDAY - JULY 21

Warming up to the 80 mark and could wear a short sleeve shirt. Like yesterday a very brief afternoon shower, the haze sun shining most of the day. I cannot recall such a poor summer for the stars; every night the copper colored moon is the only object visible. Haven't been able to see our house from the Agr road for weeks. Our garden could stand a little rain now since all the showers this week have bypassed it. I keep watering the sweet peas which are more prolific than ever before. Got a nice plump chicken for Kathleen.

SATURDAY - JULY 22

The sun was gleaming in the midst of day and hot upon the meads did Cast his rag. Other similarities to the excellent Ballade of Charity are now existent as no big thunderstorm has come; not at kind of writing anyway. Have ordered two more chickens for the Taylors, and woe betide me if I forget to pick them up. Would like to get home in time for a couple hours in the backyard. Tomorrow we have to be at right after church with a minimum of lunch. Temp 86 without undue humidity.

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Hot and muggy

SUNDAY - JULY 23

Another red-letter day! Having cut both lawns last evening I was merely trimming beds ^{this morning} when a thunder storm with lots of rain drove me in. It was nearly over when we drove to church. Had a hurried lunch (when do we not have one) and got away by 12.40. Arthur drove to Stratford in plenty of time to get seated, although we had to park way outside the fence. Jehudi Nemuhin and the Bath Festival orchestra cannot be described in sufficiently superlative terms. Weinberg was there to take a bow after they played a composition of his. Jehudi's Bach concert and his

MONDAY - JULY 24

The major prelude someone brought down the house. Got back to Kitchener in enough time to get ready for the picnic in Waterloo park and the band concert after in the new band shell. It was most enjoyable sitting out in the open listening to the combined bands of Waterloo and Kitchener with Art doing half the conducting. Scarcely need mention that the picnic food was excellent. Here to have Laura's three sisters to swell the board. They are such fine sports. Monday - Continuing hot and humid - a good S.W. breeze but no showers today.

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TUESDAY - JULY 25

Cooler with a strong western breeze and mostly fair. I was happy to see the haze of the last three weeks cleared away, disclosing the white dot of our house from the highway and the pale ghostly moon in the west ready to set. The hospital was a hive of activity with beds full and the O.R. doing a production (or destruction) line. Mrs Chaulton (bless her heart) was there. Couldn't see Venus for clouds last evening at greatest brilliancy.

WEDNESDAY - JULY 26

De Gaulle ^{went home without visiting} Ottawa - with a flea in his ear!!!
"Hurry, hurry! Don't you see time is a-wastin'!" Have agreed to start from Drumbo at 4.00 P.M. for St. Thomas. The Drumbo will be in Drumbo now, enjoying the pool. Hooked a few weeds this morning. Will I have a few minutes to hook a few more this afternoon? Hot and bright with tolerable humidity. This was the big day in Paris France. Last year

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THURSDAY - JULY 27

Weather was perfect for our jaunt yesterday. Got home at 3:30 and frantically made the hoe work till I was called in at five to four. We all went in Mummy's car; Antonia and Kathleen in the front, Kathleen and myself holding down the back. Bradley stayed in front while the twins milled between front and back. It was a fine get together.

Nancy came running to me, saying "I love you" The twins and Bradley had a wonderful time on the swings, slide and with various toys. Sat outside after

dinner in the twilight. FRIDAY - JULY 28
Kathleen brought sweet & sour pork dish with soya sauce etc which was delicious. Pen's garden is doing fine - all except the corn. The raspberries were at their best and we had great dishes of them for dessert. I drove back to Drumbos to help out. It was rather difficult getting away as Nancy was bound to come with us.
Drove and moderately warm today.

Friday 25th A little shower in the night and another this morning. Kathleen got away early with M2 for new shoes etc. Our secret pass are best ever

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SATURDAY - JULY 29

Beautiful summer day, sunny and not too hot, nor too humid. A fresh breeze and a few clouds to bring light shade to the leaves when laid in their noontime dreams. I wrote a rush to get ready from the office before 5.00 P.M. needless to say no cleaning or dusting was done. Had time to mow the front lawn before supper at six. Got away to Kitchener by 6.45, with John & Laura. Picked up Art & Neala and to Stratford with Art driving.

SUNDAY - JULY 30

"The Merry Wives" proved to most delightful, uproarious. Colorful spectacle we have seen to date. Everyone weak from laughing. Stayed in Kitchener for a pizza which we ate with rye before striking off home at 1.15 A.M.

Sunday - Fine and hot in the morning but the afternoon brought many thunder storms which drove us out of the garden three times. Kathleen had a hard time getting beans, peas, carrots for dinner

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MONDAY - JULY 31

Sunday (cont.)

She gave up on potatoes as the ground was saturated. The friends arrived at 5:00 and we had one of Kalleen's superb dinners of tender roast chicken fresh vegetables from the garden, and a cherry ambrosia pie for dessert. Still using Jack's portable T.V. as ours is out of order - no picture.

Monday - Got up to see a misty landscape, pale watery sun, and a supersaturated garden.

Cistern almost running over. The haze cleared in the afternoon and now as the brilliant sun is sinking to the north of the church, we have high lights minus the haze like the Ballade in A^b. "The Titan" is somewhat less appealing than the "The Financier" I would rank the latter with the best of novels regardless of author or period. Called a Bill Dickson's beautiful new estate this A.M.

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TUESDAY - AUGUST 1

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Day of days. What sweet, sad memories it recalls. Fine and warm; no haze to hide the dear white house on the hill overlooking the broad valley. George Madden (Sr.) buried this afternoon. How we will miss him on front street! Rondeau was very friendly and helpful as usual this morning. I am sure adding a lot of words in my notebook. What a vocabulary Deisen uses, and how vividly he writes.

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 2

Not with afternoon haze and thin cloud cover but no rain so far as predicted. Euid took me on a ride up to the odoriferous dump. From this "watchful height" I could trace the dear old Kith from goose-turd island up to Devil's Cave. It was a wonderful view and I enjoyed it immensely. Hope it doesn't rain before I get some gardening done.

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finished "The Titan"

THURSDAY - AUGUST 3

Speaking of rain, it started to sprinkle as I put in our third lot of beans at the north edge of the garden. Soon after I got inside it came down in earnest. As we endeavored to read or watch T.V. in the living room the lights went out several times, we hunting up a couple of candles for the darkness. At least three spasms of heavy rain and lightning before bedtime, undoubtedly the water was splashing over the ceiling on the cellar floor. Today we had some sun, with hot, humid air.

FRIDAY - AUGUST 4

Fine, breezy, cooler and less humid, more rain last night keeping our garden in the same soggy mess. The corn looks fine, seven feet tall at the east end bristling with tassels and silk. Got the back lawn cut in the wet gloom of late evening before I ate my delicious dinner of ground steak, fresh beans, new potatoes, berries and ice cream. Oh but you're making me hungry. Hope to get the front cut this evening. Kathleen in at noon to eat lunch with me.

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SATURDAY - AUGUST 5

The end of another week before a holiday. In this case it is a week's holidays - much more strenuous than working is tramping around a world fair. I had rather be home doing the odd job at the office interlarded with pages of "The Genius" - powerful book. I have fortified the home front by a trip to the liquor store (Hudson Bay Pys) and to the Pharmacy retail (Labatts 50) and the I.S.A. (partner of Dr. Maurice) I also have some cornet for Kabbler and a book on the universe to take along.

SUNDAY - AUGUST 6

Mostly fair and not too hot. A good day to cultivate the sand packed garden. Had to stop about 4.30 for a beer break, or beer split. It was hot early afternoon and the sweat rolled off my face but later it was cooler. Willard brought the T.V. back yesterday so we had our usual Sunday night programs. Just the three of us for dinner as Lynn was at Plattville, but she and Nancy came in at 7.30 and ate then.

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MONDAY - AUGUST 7

The great centennial parade at Princeton. Rain, rain, rain starting mid morning, wetting me slightly before I finished mowing the lawn. Right after lunch, Lynn, Nancy, Kathleen and I beat it to Princeton to see the great parade. Dennis was a London bobbie again on Bob's motorcycle with posters tied on reading *Vive le Princeton Libre*, but I suppose only the odd one would get it. Tried to get to bed a little early but not much. Thunderstorm at bed-time.

Dennis was the ^{hardest to get going.}

TUESDAY - AUGUST 8

The alarm went off about 3:35 A.M. and we immediately got up and got cracking on breakfast and finishing packing the car (M2). Got to Kitchener shortly before 5:00. packing up more bags and Nuala and Art. The six of us were very comfortable, as K. had had an extra leaf put in the back springs. ~~W~~ We drove till we got to the first gas stop near Kington. Dennis took over and we made a brief call at Cornwall, as he wanted to see the bank manager there. Got to "Peller" around 2:30 had a rest and back to Expo (35 miles) for a ride on the mineral and other damps including beer and dinner. Huge crowd everywhere

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FRIDAY - AUGUST 11

Very cool last night. Had to get up and get my raincoat. The argument the one blanket and sheet. Even then I shivered. The day turned out better as the wind was not so strong and it was warmer, but I still wore a coat. The morning was spent at le Ronde which included the sky ride and the flume etc. Watched a ^{French} guard of honor drill in antique costumes and using old muzzle-loading muskets. Did the Canadian pavilion in the afternoon as well as several smaller ones. Over to le Ronde again for beer and slots at an English pub. The British pavilion in the evening, the best yet. Reidson's Bay Hope and bed.

SATURDAY - AUGUST 12

Up bright and early to a sunny morning after breakfast (corn flakes today). I brought the car around from the parking lot to the front door and we forthwith brought our bags and belongings down and filled the back deck. The day promising to be warmer we left our jackets in the car and proceeded as per usual by bus and train to the island. This morning was the Australian pavilion. After lunch Kathleen and I did several African ones and at 2.45 took the express back to cite d'Orville for the film festival. It was good to sit in comfortable seats for two hours. Back to Notre Dame and beer. All six met under "Mon the Producer" for our last.

meal at Expo. I had cold roast beef

SUNDAY - AUGUST 13

and salad (very good), plus more beer.

Back on the express, the bus and Victoria parking, then as the sun was dropping low in a cloudless sky and the half-moon was on the meridian far to the south, we began our long journey home. Arrived about 220 miles when we stopped for coffee and a snack, then Ben took over for another 220 to land us safely in Kitchener. Said a fond good night to the Fremds then home to bed in quiet, sleeping Danubo, but not before we had a stiff rep. (Sunday continued) Then and warmer not in trouble for getting up too early - 9:15.

MONDAY - AUGUST 14

Clear and moderately warm. Up at 7:30 to get Dennis off on a tent job. Kathleen rep also to start in on a post-holiday wash. How many times in the past forty odd years have I gone back to the office in a blue mood finding it hard to get in the groove again? Ben's bungalow falling under the wreckers. Too bad all the old buildings, and some not so old, have to be sacrificed for progress, which includes supermarkets, parking lots, modern, characterless flat buildings etc. A short history of the Uniqueness although a real thriller. Arh. S. Gregor

written for Kathleen - is the most interesting ever read.

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TUESDAY - AUGUST 15

Memories of our long struggle with the gumbo 15 years ago. I am sure the cars of today are not any better or more dependable than that good old 50 with the overdrive. Of course H14 is not too bad either. It may tally up even a greater trouble-free record than H12. Dear Nancy was up just as I was ready to leave this morning. Her parents still lingered in bed. I have completed my shopping list at the J. E. H. which included \$100 worth of rib steaks at .89. Misty yellow sunlight and a bit warmer,

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 16

Rather a pale sun but hot.

Nancy was up for breakfast with us before mother and dad were awake, after which she pitched right over to J. R.'s. ~~only~~ to be brought home when her mom got up. Now that the weather has turned dry I have to water the south bed, pot, and sweet peas each morning before I zoom away. Big news about a new big color T.V. serial. serial - nub
nubskull

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THURSDAY - AUGUST 17

TOP

Very hazy and warm with an
 overdose of humidity. Was very
 much impressed with the lofty
 T.V. tower and aerial surmounting it
 as I turned to go in the cellar last
 evening. It is a beauty - a credit to
 Dennis the engineer who erected it
 with some help from Willard, John
 and lastly Arthur. A fine steak
 bar-b-q. over at John's with overabundance
 of vegetables, beer, ice cream etc. The
 seven pounds of rib steak served the
 whole fine family. *It was a miracle*

FRIDAY - AUGUST 18

Started out hot and sultry, but
 like in "Ye Excellent Balsade of Charity"
 a heap of cloud of the sable sullen
 hue accumulated in the west and
 soon covered the sky with a great
 quantity of rain, thunder and lightning.
 Hope Drumbo got some. When I arrive
 home yesterday, I found the T.V. hooked
 up to the new tower and with a rotator
 which works from a dial on top of the T.V.
 cabinet, any channel is brought in clear
 including 3.5.5V12. Dennis is an
 amazing electrician, plumber, carpenter,
 general handy man - you name it - he
 has got it.

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SATURDAY - AUGUST 19

More rain - gobs of it in the night. The morning sky showed no whereabouts of the sun and before noon it was raining heavily again. Poor celloso floor, that has to take the splash and drink it if it can.

Hurried to get the 3 loaves of bread in the downpour and for protection wore my wedding coat. T.V. works fine - Clear picture for every channel thanks to our 60 ft. aerial, our rotator and most thanks to Dennis the messenger. Sky still cloudy at 6.00 but the rain has stopped and the sidewalks are drying off. ~~Maybe the parade will fare~~ all right.

SUNDAY - AUGUST 20

Yes the parade was lucky; the dull grey skies and foggy air did not condense into rain during the festivities. In the "Roarin' Twenties" float set up by the Taylors, Dennis dressed in Uncle Benwards coon skin coat, poured drinks at the bar, the rest danced. It was quite a long parade. Clowns, floats, bands, juveniles, gals. Dennis got the old T.V. and F.A. aerial down from the chimney with John's and my help. John will take it home and rewrap it to his house. Just three of us for dinner

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Dear Aunt Hannah's Tod L.L.

MONDAY - AUGUST 21

Sunny all day but cool. Summer is in a great hurry. Took the fire coat back to Ems this morning. Put air in my tires at Les Clarke's. Left rear seems to be losing it slowly. Planted a row of "oak-leaf" lettuce where I pulled up the last row of peas. Ground supersaturated and I struggle around with great globs of clay on my rubbers. Eleanor 36 today. Too bad we can't call on them sometime.

TUESDAY - AUGUST 22

In spite of the T.V. weather forecasts of clouds and showers, it has been an almost cloudless, cool day. Kathleen left before I did for a hair appointment on Ruth's day off (Kathleen certainly has pull) what a personality! Kathleen's of course. Dreiser's "Ladies" - Cowperwood and Whittie leave me far behind as regards women and love affairs. They must have had insupportable sexual urge. Will Kathleen blow her stack at me like Angela did at Eugene?

1967 T.O. says "The falls of love
are bitter and complete."

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 23

Now that the events of the day
have fully transpired I must
say that everything was perfect.
Got to Drumb's a few minutes
after 12.00 noon, slurped my soup
and gobbled my sandwiches and
ice cream. Away by 12.35 and
made 1.53 Wexford before the dead
line. Arthur drove us to Stratford
and were in the theatre by the
first fanfare. Antony & Cleopatra was
judged the best performance of the series
as we were thrilled beyond words.
~~Saw the last scene through a mist~~
of tears.

THURSDAY - AUGUST 24

Walked over to the art gallery and
from there to the Victoria Inn. The
modern splashes and daubs did not
affect our appetites and there was
plenty of food to satisfy them to
repletion. Home to Drumb's before the
news was over. We all voted Kula
had a happy birthday (29th - her last)
(I hope not her last - Aug 23, 1968)
Thursday 24 called at 37 Jane at noon
and said hello to A and D. They
seem pretty well. Will call again
and pick them up this evening.
A continuation of cool bright weather
good for working or travelling.

1967

"Change and decay" 101

FRIDAY - AUGUST 25

Mostly dull, inclined to be humid but a cool east wind kept the temperature down in the low 70's. Called for Alf & Dottie at 9.00 last evening and deposited them safely at the Dumbo asylum. A. was down to breakfast this morning but D. slept on. Ben's Bungalow is down and the machinery has levelled the site. Hate to see the old cobble-stone structures go. They are starting on the new William street bridge as well as the high level one, see aug 26, 1966 - a similar parade a year ago today

SATURDAY - AUGUST 26

What a day! Starting with a rush to get eggs, gas and oil and be at 31 William in time for my 10.00 A.M. appointment. There came in together so the morning was a scramble. The afternoon has been patientless giving me lots of time to view the great parade of bands and floats which took two hours - from 3 to 5. Weather cooperated in that after a dull sticky morning, it brightened somewhat and now at 5.30 the sun is almost visible. The Dumbo Baptist S.S. picnic at the Paris Low Park - maybe I won't get there.

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SUNDAY - AUGUST 27

No, I did not make the picnic. Met Kathleen and Nancy at the Wilham + Broadway corner as I was making a B-line for my car. Followed H-2 to Drumbo, then I cut the lawn before eating.

Den and Lynne got in from Geoffrey's wedding at 4.30 A.M. John called before church, with the truck ready to go to Galt for Den's refrigerator. Den stayed in St. Thomas so Lynne and Nancy drove home late in the afternoon. Shortly after Kathleen arrived with A. + D. ^{from Paris.}

MONDAY - AUGUST 28

The four of us were not long getting away to Kitchener, where we enjoyed a lovely tender steak dinner with lots of fresh corn. After Arthur took us - A. D. children and myself on a tour through Grand River Collegiate - most interesting. Home by 11.15 P.M.

Monday - Intermittent showers yesterday and cool, dull this morning but no rain, clearing in the afternoon. Got to Princeton on time - 4.15 and joined the three other Bells for a jaunt to St. Thomas where we gizzled

more beer and ate more beef - this

TUESDAY - AUGUST 29

time a delicious roast cooked to a
turn, with tender carrots out of their
garden. Nancy, of course, was the
center of all eyes. A fine time
was had by all. Home shortly
before 12 midnight.

Wednesday - Brought A & D down to
37 June for the day. The morning
was brilliant with a thin moon almost
overhead. Flight reservations home were
made in Woodstock yesterday afternoon
for to-morrow noon, so this is the
last day for them at Paris.

WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 30

"The best laid plans of mice and
men gang aft a-glee" after all
my phoning to change appointments
and make a clear day today.
Kathleen had already invited Mada
and children so I came to Paris
instead of the airport. It is just
as well as I have got my work
up to date which would have
been congested if left till Thursday.
Waited till the car with our week long
guests A & D departed and made the office
by 10:15. Rain all morning.

1967

Gave Kathleen 2 beer mugs

THURSDAY - AUGUST 31

I had a better day today than if I had gone to the air port. So everything turns out for the best. A fine cool day with a thin old moon visible up to 4.30 when it hid behind the clouds on Broadway.

Last evening was another thriller. Got away before 7.00 so we would have time to stop for peaches but they were sold out and the ones in Stratford at the supermarket were no good. Had .15 or 20 minutes in the parking lot downtown before going to the show. Cesi than Fette was equally as enjoyable as Don Giovanni was last year - the ultimate in vocal and instrumental music. Precision plus - and what costumes and scenery. It all seemed so short lived and I could hardly believe it was away after eleven when we got out.

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Kathleen got more lovely
gifts and cards.

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 1

Clear and cool like a
typical September morn. Made
Drumbe^{yesterday} by a minute or two after
six and found Kathleen patiently
waiting in her car in front of the
house. Kathleen gave me a brisk
80 mile an hour run to Kitchener
arriving there by 6.30. Found Bertha
there. A fine dinner of hamburgers
and vegetables and salads. Took Bertha
back to the airport saw. then up to
the band concert at the Plaza, arriving
there for the last three numbers.

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 2

A very fair day for Paris Fair
Sunny and moderately warm with
a cool east wind. Had to get up
mornings after a deep uninterrupted
sleep, but managed to see the
slender old moon from the bathroom
window just before sunrise ☺. a
 pang of 1941^{memory} and that intense pain.
Kathleen wants my lab curtains to
wash so I did a quick clean up
job on the window - probably the
first lick for several years. Replaced
a 150 watt bulb so I didn't save anything

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SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 3

What a fine day yesterday, and what another fine day today! Didn't get up in time to do any rag work before church, so donned my garden clothes after lunch and started in on digging our poor crop of potatoes. Dug half the patch then washed up for turkey dinner with the Friends joining us. Everybody loves the clear picture that the new tower gives our T. V.

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 4

Still, still she smiles. No clouds to dim the many labour day parades and festivities. Had an hour off from potato digging in the morning to watch the Kitchener parade on T.V. It rained the potatoes right after lunch, then took down the big livingroom awning. Dear Ben landed in around 4.00 and stayed with us for dinner. He drove me over to the church for a look at the basement - all ready for the Kinder's garden tomorrow.

Don had to play at the Paris & air and
drive home to St. Thomas directly after.

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 5

A continuation of the cloudless,
high pressure weather. The
September haze in the distance
did not obscure the "thin last
valleys and the remotest hills" or the
little white house. This is
Sadie's Aid at Princeton so I
will have to eat in silence and
in tears. I soaked lots of water on
our flowers, particularly the geraniums
salvia, roses and sweet peas. The
flowers generally are a wealth of color
including the gladioli.

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 6

(Poor Mollie - gone to the shades
Sept 6/22)

Still all smiles from the
weatherman. Up in the high
70's with a calm misty air.
Had to trail Kathleen to
Princeton as she was low on
gas. Luckily she got to Cripple
Jim's pumps without stopping.
She called in (a apparition of
loveliness) at Ernie's as we were
having lunch. Mollie "Chance"
was there. Must not be late as
tonight is back to the band ball.

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THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 7

No sign of a change in the clear, dry spell. As Kathleen, Nuala and I turned off Weber to the bandhall last evening, the "slim young" moon was just poised on the horsetops. Had a good practice at the Mendelssohn "Stadium": Bill Clement sent in a letter of resignation. He was 80 this summer. Larry Richards is also retiring. Had the pleasure of taking Mr. Pahl home. Arthur was at his operetta rehearsal and social and was not home when we left at 11:35. Enjoyed the Kitchener auditorium fireworks as seen from the Friends veranda

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 8

Still fair and even warmer - up to 82°. Considerable haze hid the distant landscape including the "little white house" across the valley. Word from Smith's that they have sent for the "Life of T. H." but insist on sending a G.O.P. I guess nobody trusts me. I am a shady character like Eugene White. How intense and exciting this tragedy becomes! A masterpiece as absorbing as *The American Tragedy*

1967 Poor Eugene is losing out with
Suzanne. But most of all poor Angela
SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 9 she's the one to
feel sorry for!!!!

The eight successive days of
halcyon sunny weather seem
destined to end as today was
dull and cooler with a couple
very light sprinkles. Nancy got
downstairs before I was through
washing dishes and ate her porridge
with the usual good appetite in spite
of a persistent cough. Les Deux Lyne
came in after 4:30 A.M. I didn't see
either one. She trekked down to Paris
at 4:30 for a tooth refill for Neala - hope
it is successful this time!!!!

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10

Cool and sunny. Dear Nancy
was our only breakfast guest
as her parents were deep in
slumber, particularly her mother.
Den was up and eaten in time to
fetch Nan from Sunday school.
But ^{by} the time we got back from
church they had gone, so I missed
greeting dear Lyne. The house
seemed strangely quiet and hushed.
We soon forsook it after lunch and
by staying at Neala's for dinner
we didn't return till 10:15.

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MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 11

As the thermometer read 40 early this clear morning I did not suspect frost, but several assumed me that there was a damaging frost - the first of the season. Our beans, sweet peas, dahlias etc all looked untouched. Let's hope they remain so for a while! Finished "The Genius" with moist eyes. The final scene with little Angela was one of the most moving in fiction. How real are Dreiser's characters! How powerful the closing scenes of Angela's life! "The Sinking Stone". Unforgettable pathos!!!

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 12

Not as crystal clear as yesterday but sunny all day. The White House was only faintly visible. The rusty moon just past first quarter "treads the far south" while man gaining speed in its eastward motion is shortening the gap each night between it and its rival "Antares", the pair of them now setting in the south west. Will I find D.H. Lawrence as compelling and magnetic as Dreiser - maybe - but it is difficult to get out of the Dreiser mood!!!

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WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 13

a continuation of fine weather with slightly warmer noon temperature of 71°. Strange though it may seem after such a wet summer the lawns, fields and headlands are turning brown. Haven't cut the lawn for over a week and a half. The life of T-16 by his second wife Florence Emily Lane today. I will probably forswear D.H. Lawrence and pursue this treasure.

THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 14

How the years fly and pile up! Was shocked to be reminded yesterday that Hannah McC. died eight years ago last March 27. How much has happened in the intervening time! And how it has flashed by. In perusing briefly my 1959 diary I note how I was deeply involved in Charles Reade. If I only had time to go over those exciting novels again! There simply isn't time in one lifetime to read only a minute fraction of what one would like to. Still fine and fairly warm 5 years ago since the sea fell on the daily

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FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 15

Starting the third week of dry cloudless weather with the sun glowing warmly about half way down the ecliptic. Managed to get up at 6.00 EDT and saw for the first time, ^{at the same time} Venus and Jupiter above the rasy glow in the east

Got some penetrating oil for 1+1+² reluctant bolts. It seems to work wonders; also batteries for my Cut Doud flash east light. Getting ready for winter.

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 16

What a rat race this life is! Here I want to have a little time to read and practice and the clock says no. I must be home at 6.30 to come back to Paris at the Reynolds' abode by 8.30.

No time for nothing - godamit.

Hardly a cloud yet to dim the warm sun, just a few high cirrus tails and veils. Everything on the cuff today. a real scraping of the barrel to pay dear Kathleen.

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SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 17

A nice quiet party at the Reynolds' with the usual congenial four couples. A magnificent view to the east overlooking "Clarksville" and over so far as the high level bridge and part of "the flats". Of course we only saw it at night, pretty as it was, but the detail in the daytime must be marvellous including ^{the} old W Washington street. Cut the front lawn before church. Practice as usual and a wicker bar-b-que after at the Reynolds. Had a nice time with all the little girls.

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 18

Should have mentioned that the two and one half weeks of uninterrupted fine warm weather shows no sign of terminating; mild moonlight nights and warm misty sunshine day after day. Maybe the new I.G.A. store will suit me better. I won't have that troublesome flood light for the parking lot to bother me - only the blasted pole light which I would love to pop off. Managed to get the Watson's Anniversary card off on Saturday

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TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 19

no let up to this rat
race. No time to practice!!
my greatest beef. Just
remembered to get a card for
Glen and Myrtle. Now don't
forget to mail it tonight.

"The Ring and the Book" - All bet my
new shorts that is Browning.

Warmer than ever - 80°. John
cut $\frac{3}{4}$ inch off my lower articulator
bow. Thank you John.

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 20

Yes, just thirty years ago I was
all dressed up in my blue serge
suit and blue tie with the red
dots on it, stuffed up like a
mattress and steaming toward
Drumbo at the very minute
to be there in time for the
4 o'clock ceremony. Today
we celebrate by going to the
chanceal steak house so don't
be late. Partly cloudy but still
warm.

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THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 21

Just a little over twenty-four hours ago. Kathleen and I were in the Chancelor steak house eating the most excellent meal of Beefsteak, crisp salad, potato etc. with a bottle of red wine - surely a fine celebration and we must repeat it. An abrupt change in the weather with dark skies and continual rain all day. Beat it out in the slight gusts in the rain to do my shopping

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 22

I was a very spasmodic and desultory journalist in 1926. Nothing entered about the train trip to Toronto, the wedding, the reception, the trip home with the fine sonnet "Written on a train". It! years seem as a mist that rolls away. How vivid does my memory picture that day! Public's reaction to "Less" very interesting. What a pity they made such a fuss about "Just". As I have heard said, there might have been one or two even more moving and monumental novels from the pen of the master.

1967:

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 23

Autumn has entered quietly on this sunny afternoon at about twenty minutes to two. Covered the beams last night and was glad I did as the grass and roofs were white this morning. A fine day for Drumbo Fair, but on the cold side. I do hope Kathleen was warm enough in the booth and doesn't catch cold. A.C. Swinburne's letter on "Jude" has touched me as no other - my feelings exactly. Must read it ^{"Jude"} again soon - but oh, there is so much to read!!!

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 24

Cool and mostly sunny. Dug and cleaned carrots for the Grounds before church. Off after lunch as usual to Kitchener and Waterloo. Kathleen sure didn't feel much like a long 2 1/2 hour sawing away at Ischaikowski and Wagner as she had a hard day yesterday. She really looked very tired. Had a fine pork roast at Mula's. How the children rumped ^{over} and mauled me after. Lots of fun putting them to bed and reading to Bradley

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MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 25

Covered beans and tomatoes before going to bed last night. This morning there was another heavy white frost but it did no damage ~~as~~ far as we could see. Flowers with their lush green foliage were fresh as ever. We are hoping against hope that the beans might mature but it is "touch and go". Heavy crane setting steel beams in place in D. G. Co. new section.

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 26

Strong south-west wind and much warmer. Mostly sunny. Did not cover anything last night as the temperature was in the mid 40's. Come along, beans, come along, get a move on! I am rooting for you. Enjoying our late crop of "oak leaf" lettuce. Watching the last steel girders of the Wilkeam street bridge lowered to the river bed. stood by dear old Dick Emenson. Ritchie now has about everything out of his store

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WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 27

A completely dark, dismal, cool, rainy day. It dampened my hair as I crawled up the hill at noon. Nothing of any importance to relate so I will put down my pen - thank god says you.

THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 28

Exactly like yesterday meteorologically but even darker and colder of anything. 45° was the highest reached. Kathleen called in Me² with Ernie and we went out to the White House as last year and enjoyed a tasty, thoroughly delightful Smorgasbord lunch including Colonel Sanders' Kentucky Fried. This will be a lonely evening as my wife is Kitebence - bound for a practice on "How to succeed in business" Poor me - I was not even approached.

1967

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 29

Have just finished that
absorbing "Life of T.H." by his
second wife. What a lovely, gentle, quiet man!
Kathleen got home just after
11.00 as I was just settled down
in the living room to read after
a good dinner of bacon eggs, carrots
potatoes etc. No improvement
noticeable in the weather. There was
hope as I drove down this morning
when I noticed a few small patches
of the most intense blue sky but
clouds grew thicker again and rain was
the order of the day. Last night the
cistern was overflowing and the garden
saturated for the nth time this year.

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 30

Another day of drizzle from
a grey sky. The sun came out
for about two minutes at 4.00 P.M.
But that was the only time we
saw it. It was so dark and
quiet this morning that I
slept in till 8.30. What a rush
to get breakfast, do dishes, gather
lunch etc. and beat it to work
having to stop for eggs and at 37
June. After all that I made it at
ten minutes before tea. Remember
to get beer as the Bells are coming!

1967

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 1

* Regulus



Luna



♀

In cloudless splendor came
 October 1.; and with it a
 sight at 5 A.M. for the gods.
 Disturbed Kathleen and made
 her look out the window. Went
 direct to the band hall but took
Neala home after.

MONDAY - OCTOBER 2

No. we didn't stay for dinner.
 Neala and Art were tired enough
 without the extra burden of us
 every Sunday. Enjoyed our
 quiet dinner at home and evening
 together - all too few. October 2
 dawned equally fair as yesterday
 and warmer - up over 70°.
 Left H14 to the mercies of Morris
 Boobee and Les gave me that
 black red and white 60 2 one to
 drive. Saw Buggan as I had a
 short session with Ron this morning

1967

Warm and sunny - 76°

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 3

Up again before the sun to see
 the sky's most brilliant pair ^{44.9}
 over the band of light in the east.
 My borrowed 60 Ford seems to
 perform very well, some of its
 features outclass H-14 such as brakes,
 lights, turn signals, high beam signal,
 to name just a few. Although I
 use my radio so sparingly, yet I
 miss it especially at news time.
 Kathleen away to Plattville with
 the ladies so I must eat alone.

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 4

Much fog in the morning.
 Had to drive my 60 with
 lights on, but I didn't go 60 - only
 about 40. I find it is a gas hog.
 Was talking with good old Howard
 on the phone. Connie died Monday
 night, so I immediately got
 in touch with Miles for
 flowers. Howard's voice sounded
 pretty strong so he must be
 improving.

1967

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 5

Still driving the gas-log (Co Ford)
Must be like Dennis's 58 - about
12 miles to the gallon. Practice
was fairly late as we did the
whole program except the accompaniment.
However Arthur was later - he
was not home when we left.
153 W. Alfred at 11.35. A thunder
shower just before dawn, but the
day was mostly clear and warm
about 75° but this may be the
end of the warm spell as it is
cooling off rapidly now after sundown.

Dark and cooler. FRIDAY - OCTOBER 6

How fast Mars advances!
The last time I noticed it
only a couple weeks or less ago
it was west of Antares. Now look
at it. I scrape fugit, taking with it
one by one our friends and loved ones.
Journeyed to Norwich last evening with
Dean Kath to take a farewell look at
Cornie, deceased, and over to the home
after to chat with Isabel,
Marjorie and Howard.

Moon Antares and α Scorpi
Mars from my window
at 7.50 P.M. E.O.T.

1967

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 7

Mostly sunny, but with a cold east wind which made the day less pleasant. Having trouble with the old 60 - it is hard to start. It stalled at the 4 corners and Ben got it going. It was balby again just now at the hospital. Had a short visit with Buggan. Bruce Smith is across the hall from him - suffering a similar stroke. I hear Bob Edwards had a mild one - who next? Better watch out - you might be the one!!!

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 8

Dull and chilly. Thanksgiving was better attended than last Sunday's but that is not saying much. Jack and John went away on tents as they were last Sunday. Started on the carrots in the afternoon as there was no practice. Got a little over half day. The friends came about 4:30 and had chicken dinner with us. Ben's were a little late but there was enough left - but not too much. Art's left shortly after 7:00 as he had a 8:00 P.M. rehearsal.

1967

MONDAY - OCTOBER 9

Still dull and cool. There was a shower last night but today although mostly dank and threatening, it didn't actually rain to prevent a full day's work. Dug more carrots in the morning and helped Dennis with the big front storm window. He took the upstairs awnings off. They left right after lunch as he had a lot of work to do at home. Finished the carrots in the afternoon and cut the corn and spread it around the mucky wet garden where the potatoes were. Put away the screens and awnings.

Book club at home tonight - stop, look, listen!

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 10

Mostly cloudy and cool; the sun tried to come out once or twice but didn't quite make it. Bill just phoned to say H-14 was ready to drive so I will relinquish my sporty red, white and black 60 as of now. Extension pipe still drops so I guess they didn't improve that. I wouldn't mind if I had the good feature of both cars incorporated into one - but H-14 looks nice and it is destined to carry me back and forth for another 4 years anyway.

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WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 11

45° was the noon temperature so the day was raw and cold, the sun only peeping through at two or three very brief intervals. Nathlem had only 6 at book club so dishwashing was light afterwards. No they didn't renew the exhaust system. The main expense outside the 125.00 for painting was two sealed beams. Hope there is a good turnout at the band ball so Herr Pohl won't blow his stack. This is the dress rehearsal. Friday will be

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 12

^{mainly with Jim Ruben}
Dear old James Frederick Worrell - I wish I had known him personally. What a sympathetic chord he touched in that little poem entitled "To Any Patient who wears a Plate". The "protruding jaw" will always be the nightmare to prosthetic operators, of whom I am one or one and a half. Took some' nuns into Buggam this morning. He seems quite jovial and contented. Although we covered the beans and lettuce last night it did not freeze. Today was slightly warmer - up to 45. Had lunch with beer after the practice. There were some notable absentees.

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FRIDAY - OCTOBER 13

Friday 13th not unlucky. Must hurry for 7.00 o'clock rehearsal - more later. ^(later) Kathleen got into a hive of traffic in Waterloo which made it a bit after 7.00 when we reached the band hall, but we were in plenty of time. Even Jim Robes was late, arriving about 8.45. Had a good rehearsal. Drove over to Mala's after and had a late snack.

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 14

Edity's 75th. I wonder if she liked my card. Weatherwise the day could not have been improved - warm, up in the 60's mostly sunny and just gentle breezes. Some of the trees are already shedding their leaves so the woods are about at the best colour now. Better hurry home to try over the Mendelssohn as your dear wife suggests. Tomorrow is the big challenge.

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SUNDAY - OCTOBER 15

Telephone rang as we were practicing Mendelssohn. Vera and friend were descending on us for the night. Of course breakfast meant bacon and eggs besides cereal toast and coffee. Didn't get them away till church time. However we skipped church as Marjorie was playing. The concert went off not too badly according to reports. Brought along the roast of pork and vegetables. A long rehearsal at the operetta during which I (the unwanted, the discord) was babysitter. Home at midnight.

MONDAY - OCTOBER 16

Quite mild over the weekend. A short thunder storm last evening as I was down at the rec. room piano. Had a time getting the children to bed. I am the world's worst disciplinarian - if that's how you spell it - "i" not "e", you dope. Dug a few parsnips yesterday morning. They were a good sample. Rain off and on all day today and very mild still - 60°. More less of a cold for the last two weeks or more. No improvement yet I guess I am doomed to early extinction.

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TUESDAY - OCTOBER 17

Well, you couldn't have a wetter voting day as it has rained steadily from dreary dawn to dreary dusk after having rained all last night. Nearly enough water has been wasted down the drain to fill our cistern a second time. Kathleen had to take Clara to the polling booth then set out herself to drive for the voters. I'm all for Bob ~~Nixon~~ although I didn't vote for him. We need a change of government in Ontario but we won't get it. Still lacking. Ready for the coffin to carry me off.

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 18

Still, yet, again fell the cold, unwelcome rain. It tapered off to a slight precipitation at noon when I recommenced my weekly walk up the hill. E and reports a fine holiday, fine hospitality. Many kind and good folk still live in Quebec. Thank goodness the separatists are in the minority at least for the present. Had a nice long evening with Kathleen as the practice was cancelled. Of course too wet to do anything in the garden.

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THURSDAY - OCTOBER 19

In spite of forecasts of clearing,
no sun did we see today - only
scowling skies and periods of cold
light rain. Everything now is in a
state of supersaturation. Cellar drains
still carry off the persistent overflow
for which we are extremely thankful.
Kathleen left before I did - in fact
about 5.45 for Preston, Kitchener etc.
Big M. 2 is to have his 36000 mile
check and adjustments. 14.14 since the
paint job looks smart as a new car and
runs like one. I am very happy with it.

FRIDAY - OCTOBER 20

Have finished "The Rainbow"
at times it is amazingly interesting and
at other times just pleasantly boring.
But mostly brilliant and poetic.
He uses his gift of narrative to very
striking effect at various places -
especially vivid and exciting is
"The Man's World". The morning brought
us chilly winds and sunshine after
a hard, bitter frost last night, writing
finis to our lovely flowers. However
the sun hid his face at noon and
cold showers are the order of the late
afternoon. What a struggle at the hospital!
Ron is very helpful. Bruce looks to

be sleeping peacefully, so I don't worry.

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SATURDAY - OCTOBER 21

An hour or so of sunshine
this morning and then the
usual shroud of grey "massing"
clouds and shell winds. Dennis
dropped in for a few minutes
this afternoon to say hello. He
has been going great guns on
the rec' room, a new patio etc at
his house, taking night classes
in London, and generally being busy.
B.X. Comes home this afternoon and then

the book-breaking routine recommences

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 22

Partly sunny and cool.
Another busy afternoon and
evening of rehearsing for Kathleen
and Anala. As for me, I only
had the afternoon session at the
band hall. Charlie came to
the friends and with Auntie
Florence and grandma Brenda
a good sized table set down
to eat lovely tender broiled chicken
leg and breasts. I was late baby
sitter till 11.30. Midnight was
not too late home for a bottle of ale.

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MONDAY - OCTOBER 23

White frosts every night. Milder and sunny today. Managed to pry the gladioli bulbs out of the muck before church yesterday. Was very interested in reading "Of Apollonius and Silla" by Barnabe Rische - a delightful story from which W. Shakespeare drew the plot for 12th night.

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 24

Such fascinating prose. I just had to reread "Of Apollonius and Silla" tonight. It thrilled and tickled me beyond words. I feel very inferior, so poorly read, so innocent of history, literature, science etc. However a little bite each day into the infinitely profuse and varied treasures of English history and fiction, poetry and prose, will help to pull me out of the cellar of illiteracy. Warm and sunny. Up nearly to 70. Yes, the autumn has been green and rainy for the most part - but I have worded my thoughts

and who's to blame me being the reason.

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WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 25

Dull and rather cold. My raincoat didn't seem quite enough at noon. Nearly 5.30 so no time left for any work at home; what a pity as so much needs doing and no rain fell today for a wonder as it looked enough like it.

THURSDAY - OCTOBER 26

What a dull, uninspired, uninteresting journal you keep!! Trips to Kitchener and the Waterloo band-hall; garden activities etc. Rather boring reading, don't you think? Well, what can I say other than it was mostly cloudy and cold today. We got home at 11.30 last evening after a string practice at Waterloo and Cheese, crackers and beer at 123 Wilfred (Kitchener, in case you don't know) Went shopping at I-G-E. I hope it is

the day home for me!
satisfying - if not.

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FRIDAY - OCTOBER 27

I really must get home before 10.00 P.M. this evening as Kathleen wants me to get out great bundles of securities from our strong box. That will be fun as I could also benefit by the same operation. A very miserable day cold rain from dawn till dark with only twilight at noon. I also must remember to post 50th anniversary card to Uncle Bill & Aunt Annie, so it will arrive smack on Nov. 1st

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 28

More rain, strong west winds and I think there were a few fine flakes of snow - I wouldn't swear to it, but it is certainly cold enough - down around 33 all day. Jack Kent and his lady friend (Fran) dropped in just around 10.00 last evening and Jack related some amusing incidents of nearly 40 years ago when he worked for Alf in London. He surely brought back some vivid pictures of Alf whose memory will never fade as long as we are alive (and then the second death according to T.H.)

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SUNDAY - OCTOBER 29

Like every time for years past that extra hour of sleep went too quickly; in fact it was so light you couldn't sleep. managed to put the bathroom storm on, and a few odd jobs in the garden before church. Picked a small bouquet of sweet peas, a little wizened but still colourful. I drove to Waterloo collegiate while Kathleen ate her sandwich and drink her coffee; then I ate my sandwiches sitting in the parking lot.

MONDAY - OCTOBER 30

Stayed around for an hour or better then drove over to the band hall. There was a good attendance and a good ^{band} rehearsal. We went through F. Oehl's "Opus 67" - a Centennial monologue with orchestral background. Went back to the collegiate and had supper with the musicians and cast etc. I "How to Succeed", at 7.30 I drove the three little ones home. How enjoyable it was! How interesting they were! Read stories in the girls' room. Monday Pair and winner - a lovely day. Still another juice glass from

"See Claude motors" - Mum will soon
be throwing me and them out.

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 31

Too much of a rush to get
more than a job now. Have
to take Elka to Stratford
tonight. With my dear wife
goes to Watcomb accompanied
by Ev & Jack, probably. Rain
all day and milder.

Ms. Kathleen's company through
the fog was Rupert Elmer's
son and daughter, and a good thing
it was that they were along
to give her moral support
through all that intense driving
~~the~~ dense fog both going and
coming home.

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WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 1

I had Ella for a sociable passenger through all the fog and hallowe'en obstacles. We enjoyed the fascinating ^{Monique} Layrac in her french-canadian dramatic songs and vocal gymnastics. The large audience at the festival theatre went wild with cheers, shouts, stamping and a standing ovation at the close. Today dark, foggy, with turning to rain the evening. I will accompany my dear wife tonight.

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 2

Yes, and in order to spare her as much as possible I did all the driving. Rain fell continually. Went to the band hall from the collegiate and the poorly attended practice was over by 10.00 P.M. and I went back to the collegiate and sat on the whole of the ^{second} ~~last~~ act. Bright Kathleen will have John & Laura. Cistern running over few days: clouds have hidden the sun and blue sky, the stars, moon and planets for so long I forget what they look like.

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FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 3

I had just got settled down to
read when a knock came on the
front door and here were mom
John & Laura home just after 12:00.
I am going to get down on my knees
and ask my dear wife if she will
let me drive her tomorrow night.
Of course tonight she is alone and
unsupported and the Friday night
traffic is terrific or traffic. Still
dull with more rain and mild. Had
my snow-tire fixed the one with the
nut in it - and the two put on -
only 2.75 - not bad. - ^{in fact.} reasonable.

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 4

No, I am not to drive my sweet
wife to the Waterloo collegiate
tonight. She will drive herself
to Kitchener as last night where
Ant will pick her up with Mula.
As a baby-sitter has been spoken
for there seems no logical reason
for me to go along. I kept myself
discreetly in a corner at the commencement
exercises and beat it home right after
God save the Queen. Wanned up the fine
dinner Kathleen had left me and
had a bit of relaxation before she
returned shortly after midnight

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SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 5

Cold and partly sunny. Woke up to see the ground covered with the season's first snowfall. We skipped church as mom was tired. I dealt with the beets which I harvested after supper last evening. Put them in a plastic bag and stored them under the T.V. room. When we got to kitchen we found much more snow had fallen - 3 inches at East. Coming out of the back hall it was snowing again.

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 6

Had dinner at the Krenels and a fine dinner it was - pork chops, tender broccoli, beet etc. Enjoyed the children to no end. They charge so furcibly - won't stay small long. This morning was cold +23°; looked out of the bathroom window at around 6.00 A.M. and saw bright Jove by Regulus and radiant Venus below Denebola.

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TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 7

Cold with one brief snow flurry
after dark. The day has been
partly clear with bright sun in
deep blue patches of sky, then dark
grey clouds, rounded white cumuli,
everything to make a striking autumn
sky. I wish I could keep the kings
of England separate in my mind,
their dates, their wars, their intrigues,
etc. but it is almost hopeless - so
vast is the subject. When I get
one set of facts committed to memory,
another set vanishes out of sight.

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 8

A little sun from time to time
to gladden the barren landscape
Kathleen took M2 for snow tires
at the Canadian Tire so I picked
her up there and she used
414 for her St. George hairs.
I arranged that she should
stop at 37 June for a bit of
crunch. Hurry home, you dope,
tonight is Waterloo Collegiate
again!!

How to succeed in business without
really trying

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THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 9

A good show, very ably presented and with an adequate orchestral background. Drove Kathleen to Kuala's first then to Grand River Collegiate to pick up a bass clarinet arriving at Waterloo Collegiate at ten to eight. Arthur did a grand job - he is very competent. Home at 12.15. Cloudy damp and chilly. A little milder today but the ever present grey clouds made the short day shorter.

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 10

How far along on November 10th?
Oh well, past 59000 on 4.14 if that means anything. Milder today - a real Indian summer day with all the sunshine, haze, blue sky and checkered clouds that one could wish for. Have got the rolls for the church, the frozen turkey and radishes for Ev. and other items such as skim milk and oatmeal for Nancy whose busy presence we anticipate for a long weekend, including of course her parents.

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SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 11

We seem to be doing all right on an hour less in bed as it is one A.M. when we retire. Kathleen is standing the strain splendidly. I found Ben's coat and tie in the dining room but no Ben. He came in some unearthly hour in the night I don't know when. I expect the rest of the family when I get home - they were in Plattsville last night. Sunny and mild for the Vets parade but the afternoon was dark with continuous rain from 2.00 P.M. on.

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 12

Got home about 8.30 and nobody around, although the lights were all on. Wanned up and ate my dinner, then read till after 11.00. I was just finished my bath when the Bells arrived. Dressed into some clothes and after Nancy was consigned to her crib we sat around till mom came home, after which we continued to sit around drinking beer, rye, milk etc. We all went to church to hear Dr. Harries who delivered an interesting sermon. Nancy howled so Dennis had

To miss the service by staying
downstairs. MONDAY - NOVEMBER 13 Church
dinner in S.S. room following anniversary
We all admired the new kitchen
counter and sinks which John M.
installed. The S.S. and kitchen
is quite up to date, also the fine
lighting and heating units, again
thanks principally to John. Kathleen
and I went down to Waterloo to
practices. Only Dennis turned up
for dinner. Monday - Dark
and cold with snow flurries. Left
my dear family to slave down here.
As Ben had a holiday they planned
on staying over and leaving late this
afternoon

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 14

Old winter is lashing his tail
and growling just to let us know
what is in store for us.
They are working around the clock
on the new I. G.A. to get it in
shape for Thursday's opening. Our
parking lot was blocked off today.
they are putting cement blocks by the
new post office fence to protect it from
careless parkers. Much snow in the
air all day, but the ground was not
cold enough to keep it. Kathleen
washed but it turned out a poor day.

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WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 15

14° when I came downstairs with frost on all the windows so it was our first taste of winter. Sunny and cold all day with a biting north wind. Three of my "Handy perennials" came by mail namely T.M., M of G. and Wood. at last they sent me an invoice which I will remit forthwith. Regular baseball practice with perhaps a stop at Highway market. How ~~scat~~!

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 16

Started out sunny with a temperature of 16°. Much scraping was necessary before I could get away. The typical grey November sky was the order of the afternoon with twilight from 3.00 on and darkness at 5.00. Much thudding and banging assailed the ears as they are tearing up Wilshire street for sewers. We called at 153 Wilshire last evening but they didn't go with us to the baseball, as both Ned and Arthur have persistent coughs.

and Ned was not well either.

1967 Door little rodent, fighting with the
trap for hours. What spirit and vitality
with the trap sprung on its neck. ^{weight} ^{off}
FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 17 a pretty little beaver

Just around the freezing mark
and very dark, damp and dismal
all day. The clank and clatter of the
sewer machinery punctuated my
otherwise peaceful day. They are
progressing quite fast and have
reached a point opposite my lab.
window. What a machine age this is.
The imposing reinforced concrete William
street bridge is also progressing. Here is
hoping the weather stays half decent.
Kathleen left before I did for Canada,
Five St. George and I. G. A. Tomorrow
she will leave earlier still.

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 18

Yes, Kathleen left at 8.20 this
morning to drive through the snow
flurries and wet pavements to the
Preston-Kitchener interchange where
she will board the bus for Barrie.
A long day and night for her.
As for me, I will relax and
read. Put on the front storm
panes before leaving for the
muddy Canning road and egg
and the Saturday office grind.
Now for home and to warm up
the dinner my dear wife left for me

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SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 19

Well, I got no part of the evening
by paying Jack & Co. a visit to
inspect their newly decorated rooms
and new furniture, and watched
the last period of the hockey game.
I went home and read first downstairs
then in bed till I dropped off to
sleep somewhat after 2.00 A.M. I awoke
almost no time ~~later~~ till I heard
Kathleen on the stairs which was
3.30. We slept in and skipped
church. Dug some more parsnips.
after the rehearsal we stayed at
Musala's for Kentucky fried chicken
- oh so good!

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 20

Kathleen had a chill and went
to bed before 10.00. I stayed up to
report on "Peyton Place". This morning
was picturesque with a bright sun
in a sky mostly cloudless, and
a pale old moon in the north-
west with some purplish bands
of cloud below it on the horizon.
This is first Galt night for
the show - I hope Kathleen can
make it. I will come home
once more to a lovely warm-up
dinner.

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TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 21

Dull with no precipitation: just on the freezing mark. The great sewer machinery has moved past my office and no longer assails my ears with thud and screech. Took a look at the progress on Welham St. bridge at noon. Still one more abutment remains to be built. weather has been against them with high water most of the time. high enough over the weekend to capsize a boat and drown a boy. Kathleen caught me still up and reading at 1.00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 22

Mild and bank. Last night's inch of snow was locked up before noon. I left #14 in at La Clabbe's for oil change. I wonder if it is done. Must get a move on as I have some torsorial work to do to the front junipers.

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THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 23

I cut some overbearing branches from the junipers in the drizzling rain and dark, but it was only a start. Much needs doing yet especially to the south evergreens around the big window. The practice last evening was not rewarding. His highness spent practically the whole time on "Opus 67" and with the wind and percussion at that. We sat idle most of the time. Art was requested. We had stiff eyes at his place afterwards.

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 24

Freezing at night and half thawing in the daylight hours. I did not do badly with my list of shopping items yesterday but forgot the milk so I was on short rations for supper and breakfast. Got a quart at noon today so the short lived drought is over. Spent a few minutes last evening looking at historical pictures in the basement of the library - very interesting. Must go there again soon.

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SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 25

10:30 P.M.

Quite an unusual Saturday. Here I am sitting by the ~~down~~^{lawn} top table, a little weary after some strenuous crag work. Got home at 4.15 and immediately went over to the Taylors to say hello and congratulations to Kay & Rod on their 25th. Jack poured me a drink which put me in fine shape to drive out to 401 with Kathleen ahead in M2. Waited about half an hour for the bus, as it did not come up the ramp Art had to walk up which delayed them down to the bus waiting under the overpass, and then wiggled back on the entrance ramp - ~~exactly as~~ ^{exactly as} ~~me~~ ^{me} ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~ans.~~ ^{ans.}

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 26

As Den was in town I ordered up dinner for the two of us - soup, cold chicken etc. We discussed Santa who arrives in less than a month. After supper (dinner) Den cut off the top of the south. fir tree which I did some more ~~pruning~~^{pruning} on the jumpers and raked up leaves and branches. Mild and dull.

Sunday after a long drawn-out practice mostly on "Opus 67" we ate at 153 Wilfred - this time it was steamed baby beef tongue - tender and juicy. Lum, lum. I am waking myself hungry just writing about it. Home in good time for "Peyton Place".

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MONDAY - NOVEMBER 27

Sunny at intervals during the morning but dark clouds mostly held sway all afternoon with frequent driving snow. There is about an inch on the ground now. Dennis phoned this afternoon and gave me all the details on the Color T.V. deal. - an Admiral 25 inch. - wanted him a cheque for \$827.37. I hope everything will be right. It should be as I have great faith in Dennis.

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 28

Awoke to a winter wonderland. Sunny with a few clouds dimming his southern face from time to time. Had the prism on the ~~moon~~ and Venus at 9.15 A.M. alas my time for seeing Venus with the naked eye in the daylight is past, at least for the most part. I have many vivid memories of picking her up both morning & afternoon. Cold all day. The 3" of snow has remained. Hope the groceries in the car are not

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WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 29

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A clean cold
night. Got up
at 5.00 A.M.
and viewed this
beautiful sight from
the bathroom. Mary
having found my rubber
in a hedge, I was
presented with it at noon
today. Hazy sun all day
and somewhat milder but
still freezing.

honey

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 30

Mans was still faintly prominent
in the south-west as I drove
home yesterday. We called
at Brighton market and 153 Wilford
but went home directly from
the bandball as A. & N. were
involved in an executive meeting.
Everybody seems fed up with Opus 67
except the composer-conductor.
He thinks it is wonderfully clever.
Well, maybe it is. Like the breakfast
egg - parts of it are not bad.

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FRIDAY - DECEMBER 1

A fine winter day, frosty and clear
The southern sun cheered us but
didn't give any appreciable warmth.
Daylight is just about faded out
and Moon is bright still fairly
high in the south west. The new
federal budget means higher
income tax, more money for booze,
beer, cigarettes etc. - as if they
weren't dear enough now. The unions
are to blame, stirring the men up for
higher wages, more benefits ad infinitum

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 2

Frosty with feeble sunshine in
the morning, darkening in the afternoon
to the dimness of twilight with a fine
drizzle of rain and turning a bit
milder so the rain didn't freeze.
Thank god as Kathleen has another
trip to Kitchener and Guelph
tonight. My fervent prayer is to
see her back safe and sound
in the wee small hours. I have
done the shopping as requested.
black slacks for the twins, rum for
Pauline from Elva and more groceries at

the money I. a. - and more booze

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SUNDAY - DECEMBER 3

A bit slippery on our street last evening. I couldn't turn into our lane way - first try so crept around the block - made it the second time - much slower. Phone rang at twenty to three A. M. with dear wife saying it was bad driving and she was staying at the Fremont for the night. Got up at 9.30 and ate my lonely breakfast. Skipped Church during which time I shovelled the walks - 2 inches more snow on top of the ice. Dinner at Nuala's after the practices

MONDAY - DECEMBER 4

Fine and milder. Had a job scraping my car this morning. Still working on William street. The afternoon sun shows still warmer and most of the snow was gone by evening. Noticed the slim moon near the horizon going from the banhall yesterday afternoon. This evening it is climbing up the ecliptic and approaching Mars.

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TUESDAY - DECEMBER 5

No chance to see the young moon and planets tonight as grey skies and fog envelop the countryside. Anything but a Christmasy looking outlook. Of course outlook means lookout.

It is hard to get enthusiastic about another author after refreshing ~~myself~~ myself with a handy novel - this time the marvellous "Trumpet Major". The West and the Rock seems to ramble on, tautological discursive verbiage by comparison.

WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 6

Damp and mild turning colder towards night. Kathleen came up and had tea shortly after 1.00 and took me down after. We went into Jack Bradlees and looked at overcoats. We have decided on a grey melton as a complete change from the light tan I have been wearing. Apparently Santa wants to give me this come next 20th December and I am in a very recipient mood.

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THURSDAY - DECEMBER 7

Darker and milder. The dimness of twilight all day. Some rain this afternoon with the odd flash of lightning and roll of thunder. Our last rehearsal for this year called for *Mala*. Arthur was playing at the Preston operetta under Earl Reiner ("Little Abner")

Quite slippery on the Preston highway as wet snow was falling with some sleet on our way home. Home in time for the news.

FRIDAY - DECEMBER 8

Did my main shopping at noon - ham, clams and yams etc and lugged some over to car, but as I forgot the spinach I called out right in the middle of the Santa Claus parade and struggled through throng of people. I hope I have the right groceries at the right price, so I won't get put on the doghouse when I get home which will be soon as I want to surprise Kathleen and so put her in a good mood - meringue, sublimine etc or what have you. Still mild, dark and moist - snow all
love!!

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SATURDAY - DECEMBER 9

On, on we go: it will soon be the 10th and that is an important date of the month (see 1923 journal) I hope I am "on" tomorrow as we play our Christmas concert at the Lyree theatre. Don's landed in last evening and that meant (went is acceptable) Nancy up in good time this morning to eat her porridge in her little porringer. The report from Lyree is that the new Admiral color T.V. is admirable. I hope Nancy won't spit too many beans.

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 10

Skipped Church again, second time in succession. I am becoming quite a pagan. Early lunch and getting off by 1.00 o'clock for a bit of a workout at the Lyree before concert time. Arthur was again an excellent Santa and the program went very well including Pohl's Epus 67 which ^{we} were afraid of. On coming out of the theatre we encountered freezing rain and sleet. Kathleen drove up to Paulines. Had a fine dinner party - Bent & Laura landed in about 6.00. We slid over to 153. We lashed and bedded down there for the night. Jack had phoned at Pauline's

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(Didn't observe)

MONDAY - DEC 11

a setting in a yellow glow from Sydney Station

Slept on the den studio bed. When the pale light of another dank rainy day filtered in the window, Karen and Bradley welcomed us by coming in the bed. After a good breakfast, and after Bradley and father Brenda had gone off severally to school we betook our way home. Found all roads canded and no difficulty. A very dank miserable day. Well try to get home early so Kathleen won't worry. Not freezing yet and the fog has pretty well lifted so all aboard for ~~Perumb.~~

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 12/14 - 60,000

Mild and dank with spots of rain. Surely an overdose of this "flu" getting weather. Home before 9.30 last night but it will be at least an hour later tonight, as I have had to "set up" two uppers and lowers since 2.00 P.M. and cook one upper - it is now cooking, and the time is 9.10. Found a nest of old cloth-bound Macmillan Hardy volumes in the P. Selway attic. I hope to visit this attic frequently.

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WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 13

Surprise, surprise! a fair day!
at breakfast time a clear pink
strip on the far north horizon
was widening and by mid-morning
the sun shone in a blue sky - so
rare this time of year. The afternoon
temperature of 42 made for a spring-
like day. Had glimpses of the big
cranes swinging the 100 ft long reinforced
concrete girders in position on the William
street bridge. Christmas cards night so
hurry home!

THURSDAY - DECEMBER 14

Managed to dig another bunch
of parsnips out of the muck last
evening. It was freezing but the
ground was still soft - and oh, so
saturated. Kathleen and I did
Christmas cards and then relaxed
before T. V. We are enjoying deep
uninterrupted sleeps now that the
welter of rehearsals is over till the
new year. A glimpse of sunshine
this morning but the most of the
day was cloudy and colder. Grey
snow clouds but no snow.

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John delivered our Christmas tree.

FRIDAY - DECEMBER 15

Stopped in at shop to wish Jack many happy anniversaries, milestones, gallstones etc. Freezing all day and snow squalls at intervals. About 2 inches covers the ground and stimulates Christmas shoppers; also the lone trumpet player of the Salvation Army who stands outside the I.G.A. and blows all the carols and hymns of the season, over and over again. Will make a supreme effort to get home early.

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 16

The little blanket of snow seems destined to disappear as the temperature rose above freezing this afternoon. The trumpet-major - or is he a lieutenant or captain or what - blew many times this afternoon. I will soon know those tunes.

This is the weekend we put up the tree so hurry home and get busy. Put the 3rd band in the box this morning - but the trouble is that the cost of living goes up faster

than my income

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SUNDAY - DECEMBER 17

Some sun in the morning, enabling me to make a "spot" observation. Quite mild. Clouded at noon and by night there was a fine drizzle. The afternoon was spent in putting up and decorating the tree. It is rather a round squat tree and faintly bristled with colored lights and balls. Had the Taylors for dinner. As J.R. was sick, Laura came first and then John. Had President omelette and fresh ham with dressing.

MONDAY - DECEMBER 18

A very fine dinner. As Kathleen had to play we all went to church at night and first time for many years for Kathleen and myself we heard the Sunday School concert. Kathleen proved an excellent director of the choirs and singing.

Monday - dark and mild with much fog and drizzle. all three prosthetic patients failed to show up so I am making time and wondering how I am going to finance the last two weeks of the year !!!

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TUESDAY - DECEMBER 19

Amazing that this spring like weather should persist, especially with a high barometer and warm sunshine, with fleecy clouds that ~~that~~ coloured to a brilliant red after sundown, then quickly to brown and grey. Was Mars struggle up the "steep ecliptic" being now about halfway through Capricornus. I guess Sandy must have given Lou Wolfe the cold shoulder when the latter was in England as he ^(Tom Wolfe) never mentions him in his voluminous writings.

WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 20

Sunny all day and a noon temperature of 40. Watched the sun go down in its solstice position from my south window. A great accumulation of frost on my car which took five minutes scraping. Country is bare and looks like late March. The Web and the Rock is anything but a great work in my humble opinion but it has bits of great interest and color.

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There were some interesting old
 wrecks of humanity. - The Carol
 THURSDAY - DECEMBER 21 *(Singing - everything)*

Autumn 1967 is going out in
 a deluge of warm rain. I bank
 goodness it is not freezing. Got
 a phone call from the C.P.R. at Ayr
 informing me that a turkey ten days
 on the road is waiting to be picked
 up. Went up there just after six
 and there was nobody around. The
 rain poured, and the windshield-
 wipers refused to work. Ah me! However
 we had an interesting and fruitful visit
 to Ayr last evening when we visited

FRIDAY - DECEMBER 22

When I arrived home last
 night the temperature was 58°
 and the wind and rain raved on
 into the small hours. When I
 awoke and went down to get
 breakfast the temp. has fallen to 24°.
 Quite a drop in a few hours! The
 sky was still slate grey but the
 rain luckily had stopped and brief
 snow fleuries were the order of the day.
 The first Christmas that I have not
 wrapped up parcels - and I feel conscience-
 stricken. I remember when my store room
 used to be half full of them.

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SATURDAY - DECEMBER 23

A fine day with a little snow on the ground ~~to~~ look reasonable - a maximum of 25 and not enough wind to be disagreeable. The merchants could not ask for a better last shopping day. The going was good till I got on Banfield and slid past the stop sign onto Rineo street into a swarm of traffic moving both ways; how I escaped hitting somebody I'll never know. Just lucky, and lucky too that there were no cops in the vicinity. Will take home parcels from Ernie and Albed but none from me - the tightwad

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 24

After the Christmas service during which I did a slow burn as once again Kathleen's place as choir leader was usurped, we assembled at Lawrence John's for oyster soup. It was excellent. Kept looking every few minutes like last evening for the Mercury with the big Christmas box from St Thomas. Finally it arrived just before supper time and the three very welcome Belbs joined us for the evening meal. After the new Admiral was carried in and unpacked with John's assistance we had our first taste of color T.V.

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MONDAY - DECEMBER 25

A white Christmas. Nancy came into our room just after 8.00 o'clock to look at her favorite "cards". She had no inkling of the stocking by the fire place and other presents ranged around such as little table and two chairs, new "society pie" toll and buggy, dishes, coloring books and other items too numerous to mention. She was an excited girl when she first saw all this. The 2 reminds arrived just before noon. Shrimp salad for lunch. The dinner at night with the western turkey was a huge success and a noisy party. Our family of Ten was augmented by Jack and Ed. Everybody was thrilled with the presents and particularly with the color T.V.

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 26

Tuesday - Didn't do much in the morning except clean walrus and fool around with Ben down at the shop and back home. Went to Paris in the afternoon and home in time for dinner with Ben. Grand Nancy. Lyne was away to Bradford to Sunday Sparks' open house. It got real cold by night and I plugged in my heater. Cold turkey was excellent

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WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 27

Up at the first peep of dawn - 6.50
Venus and the moon brilliant in
the south; frost covering all windows
Got breakfast going for Den - bacon
egg-toast. He got away about 7.45
Having to spend about five minutes
scraping his car windows. 4 above at
8.00. Back roads snow-covered and
smooth. Won't be home very early
~~as~~ mother is teaching till 8.30.
Cloudy at night but not much milder.

THURSDAY - DECEMBER 28

An inch more snow to make
sidewalk sweeping a morning chore
before departing. Kathleen left before
I did on a shopping spree in
Kitchener. A trifle milder but
a damp east wind drives the frost
right into your bones. Mailed
my rent cheque, the Royal medical
insurance money (69.55) the Ontario
hospital instalment, and finally
my fourth income tax payment for
1967. Now, how am I going to scrape
up enough to pay dear Kathleen.

Plus cheque 332.15

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FRIDAY - DECEMBER 29

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The penultimate work day for 1967, and a busy one too: I was only able to read a page or two at noon as the lunch hour was short. Managed to get groceries from D.G.E. including milk. I wonder if it is frozen covered up in the back seat of the car? My name will be mud if it is. Clear and cold - delightful winter weather. Horace Wells was only 33 when he died. "One crowded hour of glorious life" etc.

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 30

Working late as the new year threatens to start off busy. Mostly dull and milder but not thawing. Made the brewers retail last night just before nine. Got my last case of Sabbaths at the old price of 4.46. I was not so smart with cigarettes. The carton today was 3.99 or an increase of 20 cents. Will my fees go up in 1968? I doubt it as I lack push and nerve.

But I have a lot of fun just the same.

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SUNDAY - DECEMBER 31

Fine winter weather. About 4 o'clock a little new snow to make the landscape clean and pure - all the old ugly vegetation half-rotten and blackened with frost covered with a spotless blanket. Busy right after lunch getting ready to take off for Kitchener. Washed a bag of carrots and filled a six quart basket of Dan's spics and after cleaning up got away before 3.00 P.M. Had a fine roast beef dinner at 153 Wilfred and settled down to a long evening and night as baby sitters while Art & Nuka went to a party at a neighbors. Just the two of us to welcome in the new year and we did it quietly without noise makers. They came home shortly after 3.00 and we proceeded home in the clear zero weather with the car much frosted as to windows. A short sleep but a good one.

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MAY	RECEIVED	PAID	JUNE	RECEIVED	PAID
TOTALS		\$JATOT	TOTALS		\$JATOT
JULY	RECEIVED	PAID	AUG.	RECEIVED	PAID
TOTALS		\$JATOT	TOTALS		\$JATOT

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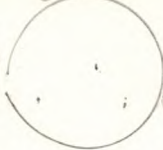
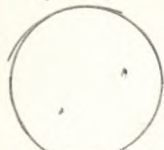
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