

# James L. Simpson Diary

## 1917 - 1921

### Introduction & Transcription Notes:

**Custodial history of the diary:** The diary was given to Harold Stephan, of Palmer, Alaska, by an unknown person. Following Mr. Stephan's death, the diary became the property of his daughter Joan and her husband Gary Hamacher. Upon Joan and Gary's passing, the diary was the property of Leslie Hamacher. Leslie Hamacher gave the diary to Joseph Homme in 2013.

**Physical description of the diary:** The diary measures 14  $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 5  $\frac{3}{4}$ ". The front and back covers are cloth-covered cardboard. The front cover bears the pre-printed title *Order Book* and *From* and *To* date entry lines below the title. The binding is stapled. The interior pages are lined horizontally but also vertically with red and blue lines on each page. The book's design and title indicate that its intended use was as an accounting ledger book.

**Diary Overview / Content:** The first diary entries with a specific date begin on February 16, 1917 while the last entry is dated June 12, 1928. However, the bulk of the entries are from February 1917 to January 1921, with only a few entries outside of that date range. The entries were made in cursive writing, in pencil.

In the first half of 1917, the diary (though it is not expressly stated) seems to place Mr. Simpson as a roadhouse worker on Alaska's Valdez-Fairbanks Trail. The roadhouse location seems to be in the vicinity of the Tazlina River. (In proximity to the river were two lodges, the Tazlina Roadhouse and Simpson's Roadhouse. It would seem obvious that James Simpson was at Simpson's Roadhouse, but the diary bears no indication that he transferred

ownership of property to another party or left it for others to manage. Given his emphasis on record-keeping within the diary it appears unlikely that Mr. Simpson disposed of any property without record.) In much of this portion of the diary, Simpson chronicles the comings and goings of travelers, road crews, and locals, plus their financial transactions at the roadhouse.

From the latter half of 1917 to the diary's conclusion, Mr. Simpson relocated to the coal mining settlement at Chickaloon where he homesteaded. While his pursuits were generally agriculturally-based, he also worked as an independent hauler / teamster for the Chickaloon Coal Company. On occasion he served as an employee of the coal company. This portion of the diary is rich with his accounts of interactions with neighbors and the day-to-day rigors of homesteading on the frontier. Mr. Simpson worked very hard but despite his best efforts he experienced great hardships which contributed to periods of depression. Finally, while he maintained ownership of his Chickaloon property, he would be forced to divest himself of material items and livestock and venture elsewhere in order to make a living.

**Transcription Notes:** The transcription reflects the diary entries as they were originally written. The exception is that the start of each entry has been capitalized by the transcriber. Otherwise any diary clarifications or messages from the transcriber appear within square brackets [ ].

Bracketed information, in regard to Chickaloon Coal Company personnel, government officials, and Chickaloon area residents' names and/or titles were derived from Payroll and Index Card Disbursement records of the Chickaloon Coal Company (the originals of which are housed in Anchorage at the University of Alaska/Alaska Pacific University Consortium Library), the 1920 United States Census Records, and *The Alaska Railroad Volume I* by Bernadine L. Prince. This bracketed information, mainly name

spelling corrections, was intended to assist researchers using an electronic version of the diary when tracking specific individuals.

Sometimes Mr. Simpson made notes in the page margins. These entries are clearly a note for the corresponding day. In these instances, the margin entries, usually weather-related, have been added by the transcriber at the end of the diary entry for the day.

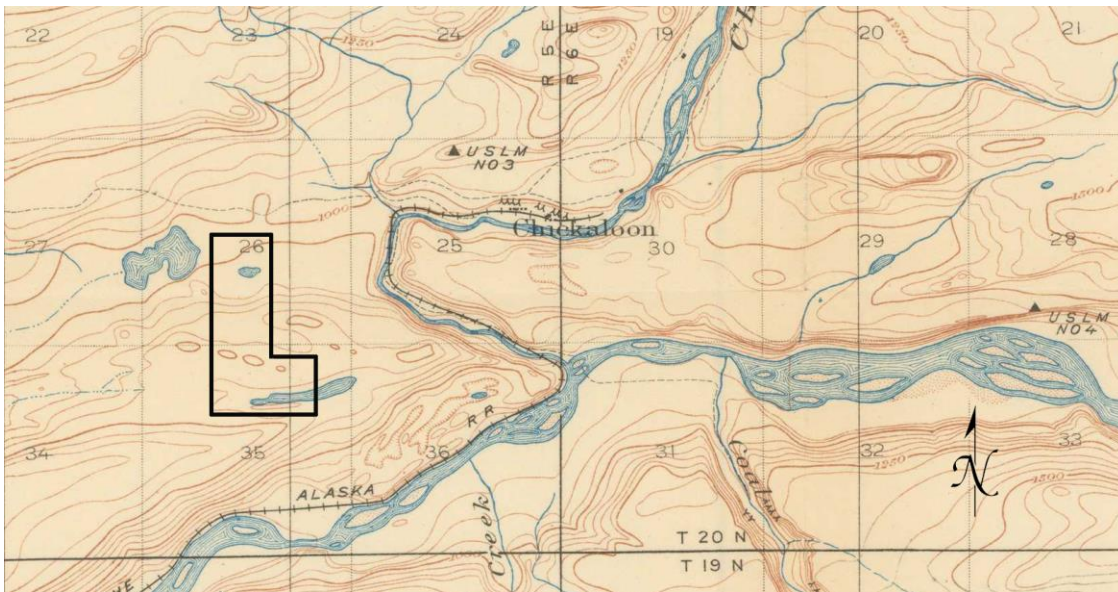
Though the reason for this is unclear, there are several entries that Mr. Simpson lined-through. The transcription illustrates the line-throughs with the underlying entries intact.

Like many personal diaries, the Simpson diary entries are almost completely lacking in rules of punctuation and grammar, and much of the spelling is phonetic at best. As a result, the reader may have some work to do before getting onto the cadence of the rather staccato entries.

The James L. Simpson Diary was transcribed by Joseph Homme in 2019. Assistance was provided by Cheryl Homme and Jim Fox.

**Additional Biographical Information:** U.S. Census records indicate that James Lewis Simpson was born in England in 1870. The 1910 Census records show that he was a lodger residing in Valdez, Alaska. Alaska Recording Office records show that he owned real estate in the town of Valdez from 1913 to 1916. Consistent with his diary, the 1920 Census places Mr. Simpson in Chickaloon, Alaska where he is listed as a farmer. U.S. Department of Interior records indicate he was awarded a patent on his 160-acre Chickaloon homestead on June 2, 1927. According to the 1930 Census, he is a lodger living in Anchorage and his occupation is listed as a rancher. The last Census in which Mr. Simpson appears is in 1940 when he is a lodger residing on the Arvid Johnson Farm on Fishhook Road north of Palmer, Alaska. At this point of his life he is listed as a prospector. The Anchorage

Daily Times carried a notice of death for Mr. Simpson on page 8 of its November 1, 1945 edition. He died in Palmer, Alaska on October 31, 1945. The notice listed a surviving son, James Simpson Jr. James L. Simpson is buried at Anchorage Memorial Park Cemetery.



*(USGS Bulletin 791, plate-1. Topographic contour interval 50 feet.)*

The approximate perimeter of James Simpson's L-shaped 160-acre homestead property southwest of Chickaloon is outlined on the 1927 USGS map above. For purposes of scale: the northeast corner of Simpson's property is approximately 1 1/8 miles from the Chickaloon Coal Company's operation hub and about 1 1/2 miles from the Alaska Engineering Commission Depot where the Chickaloon label appears on the map. The legal description of his property is: NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 35 and NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 35 and E1/2SW1/4 of Section 26, in Township 20 North of Range 5 East of the Seward Meridian, Alaska.

## [The James L. Simpson Diary]

### Order Book

From\_\_\_\_\_

To\_\_\_\_\_

[The above was preprinted on the cover of the diary]

[The following entries were made on the inside front cover of the diary. The entries lack the order, by date, of the rest of the diary.]

Earth sent to Soil Department of soil D. C. for testing for plant life

No. 1 from lake

No. 2 from bottom flat

No. 3 from top flat south

Letter to Palson Co Seattle Wash

With cheque

Pacific Grocery cheque

Got McClilans windows \$8.00

Got windows from Fin \$5.00

Got done shiplap made

No price set on done

Got [illegible] from Fin

Got plow from Fin price not decided on yet

[Two illegible line entries.]

Financing for 20%

Plowed all day for Fin \$12.00

19 worked 3 hours on drag

Cultivate potatoes for Fin 7 ½ hours

3 sks turnips to R.R.

Took lumber Tolson sack sled to house

May 14 plow 2 ½ hours 3.75

Got seed Fin got hay

Hay all settled

Fin got sack of oats paid

Fin dozen eggs 1.50  
To [illegible] from Fin 1.50  
½ dozen eggs .75  
Seed timothy 24 lbs at 12 cts  
Drag in wheat Aug 15 – 16 12 hrs \$18.00  
July 8 [illegible] at Plat Farms  
Oct 2 work on fence  
Oct 5 work on hay  
Oct 6 work on hay

Jan – 1917 [Top of first page.]

[Five pages are left blank.]

James L. Simpson [Signature]

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Feb. 16, 1917

ARC team Wickersham Doyl to Copper Center with two fox skins  
In \$2.00

Feb. 17, 1917

Kelley from Juneau Jim Gibson came down to cut wood for me came at  
noon got logs went work Wickersham got dog

Feb. 18, 1917

John Paulson north Gibson hauled in one load of wood Garwood south  
bound  
In \$53.00

Feb. 19, 1917

Paid Paulson for flour milk NC Stage came and cashed 15 cases of eggs NC  
freight stoped  
Out \$28.00, In \$3.00

Feb. 20, 1917

Paid S Blum feel better and start to cut wood and get water to wash  
Out \$20.00, In \$9.00

Feb. 21, 1917

Took in \$9.00 Mc Cloud Jack Bishop Campbell Ralph Mc Crary and wife  
Hewey Mc Donald Paul Rungarth Gelard Peterson  
In \$9.50

Feb. 22, 1917

Took in \$9.50 Harry Warren Emsley Gibson north

Feb. 23, 1917

Took in \$2.00 Mc Cloud came in Archie Brown came back went south  
In \$2.00

Feb. 24, 1917

Took in \$4.00 Sent Mc Cloud note to Mc Crary sent for kid by Ben Cleary  
In \$4.00

Feb. 25, 1917

John Toney took in William Shroder ARC team Alex  
In \$6.00

Feb. 26, 1917

Paid out for meat to John Paulson  
Out \$15.00

Feb. 26, 1917

Took in from Shrader dog team and woman from Nenanna Paid NC Freight  
Mrs. Hoyt on films  
Out \$15.00, \$20.00, \$0.50 In \$4.00, \$2.00

Feb. 27, 1917

Harry Cleveland ARC teams Garwood Alex LeRow letter to Chilina  
[Chitina]  
In \$1.00

Feb. 28, 1917

Arthur Mozay Bunday wife Oscar wife to Chitina voucher ARC Fur 3 cross  
fox taned came from Seattle  
In \$1.00

Mar. 1, 1917

Sent fur to E.L.B. Sold 3 wolverine to E Bryson Campbell NC Sent ARC & NC Shell voucher \$32.00 for check

In \$1.00, Out \$2.50

Mar. 2, 1917

Harry Warren & man Walker ARC team got Rice from Gibson

In \$13.25

Mar. 3, 1917

Billey Nicol from Lake lynx red fox took in trade old account NC team

Beeswhanger north

Out \$13.00, In \$7.50

Mar. 4, 1917

Beeswhanger north Earl Jackson came in fine northern lights

Mar. 5, 1917

Took in by mail letters east and west to P.M.B. and G.S. East

In \$38.00

Mar. 6, 1917

ARC team Bunday NC Chick to Blum John Grouse north bound for Slate

Creek sent Valdez Creek bill to Wickersham Copper Center

Out \$25.00

Mar. 7, 1917

Sent money by Alex LeRow to Bingham butter to ARC teams north south

Bunday up from Center

Out \$11.00

Mar. 8, 1917

Frank Lewis NC team Jokah

Mar. 9, 1917

Frank Lewis all day Bunday Earl down to see about wood

In \$3.00



Mar. 10, 1917

Frank Lewis went on stage to Fairbanks a.m. Jon Feaster Bunday and Earl Jackson down Bohanks

Out 2.25, In \$17.00

Mar. 11, 1917

Slim Williams hauled wood all day Bunday Earl night

In \$1.00

Mar. 12, 1917

Bunday Earl John squaw wants something but cant tell what horse dick [James Simpson refers to his horse as dick] from Valdez Creek

Out \$24.50, \$4.00, In \$19.25

Mar. 13, 1917

Got check ARC sent letter outside letter to E.L.B. Sears Roebuck to Morrey Nelson

Out \$10.00, In \$32.00

Mar. 14, 1917

Pipin went to lake got money for George Horse got ARC check snow

In \$5.00, \$350.00, \$32.00

Mar. 15, 1917

Sent ARC check to Chitina got letter from Valdez Creek about horse sent for catalogue to National Harness Works Buffalo ARC team Alex LeRow sent to Willow for butter snow

Out \$32.00, In \$6.00

Mar. 16, 1917

Too autoes north Sheldon ARC team C Garwood north ten to Valdez Creek for horse clear to day

Out \$10.00

Mar. 17, 1917

Letter to Sitka Mike Johnson ARC team Demming outfit

In \$1.00

Mar. 18, 1917

Pipin out from lake Walker north Craig Redman for Fairbanks Erno  
Berggrien Gibson north  
In \$1.00

Mar. 19, 1917

Sent check to Chitina Fred Behnke P. Gustafassoo [Gustafasson?] J C  
Leomme Fairbanks  
Out \$6.50, In \$8.00, \$7.50

Mar 20, 1917

Earl Mc Crary came down to sell out Dry Creek

Mar 21, 1917

Mail up Copper River A.R.C. Alex LeRow Mc Cloud from Lake Tazlina  
butter from Bingham ten pounds

Mar 22, 1917

Mc Clod south Earl Mc Crary Mike Johnson south Sammy stole moose meat

Mar. 23, 1917

Earl Mc Crary up home C P Swanson for Tazlina Lake to prospect

Mar. 24, 1917

Paid money by Ben Mc Clod back from Copper Center home  
Out \$12.00, In \$3.00

Mar. 25, 1917

C.P. Swanson back got Bill of Sale for dog Sammie from Mc Leod  
In 6.00

Mar. 26, 1917

Frank Bayl [Frank A. Bailey, nightman] Terrill Cox Brown A.R.C. team  
Walker  
In \$3.00

Mar. 27, 1917

Team for Fairbanks McGilvery wife  
In \$4.50

Mar. 28, 1917

J A Bourke ARC team Charwood north cattle over trail horse back from  
Center Tony  
In \$6.00

Mar. 29, 1917

Bourke left on stage south ARC team too men south bound  
Out \$61.50, In \$44.25

Mar. 30, 1917

Joe Sabo & boy going home A.R.C. team Alex LeRow south Jim Gibson  
Home north bound  
In \$16.10

Mar. 31, 1917

Gibson to Center Alex LeRow south Edd Munson from river gon south sheet  
N.C. Co. by Ben  
Out \$22.50, \$5.00, In \$1.00

April 1, 1917

Jim Gibson Home today Slate Creek Man Elmer  
In \$1.00

April 2, 1917

Mike Johnson with freight Lazy Charley and Billey Dock Nickoli got meat  
for Dry Creek  
Out \$50.00, \$16.50, In \$16.75, \$1.00

April 3, 1917

Sent Meat to Geo Rorer settled with Myers on freight to come and Mozays  
freight and Road House bill McLeod went to Tolsona  
Out \$3.00, \$288.00, In \$2.00

April 4, 1917

Geo Rorer to Center too checks N.C. ARC news Arthur Mozay will loos  
both feet Ralph McCrary and Bryson  
In \$55.00

April 5, 1917

Too men for Fairbanks small east wind warm

In \$4.00

April 6, 1917

ARC team south C W Littlejohn

In \$4.00

April 7, 1917

Man south on skies Sam Taylor up Indians north to potlatch at Paxton Johns

In \$1.00

April 8, 1917

Earl wife come down John and Harry come in quit trapping for season

In \$3.64

April 9, 1917

Went to Dry Creek John and Harry came and got ice out of well give them supper for work did on well

April 10, 1917

One lone man on trail

April 11, 1917

Got grub from John took grub from Harry Clark

Out \$9.65, \$17.50

April 12, 1917

Gibson with horse collar fetched squaw

April 13, 1917

Went up on bench look up Tazlina and seen smoke way up river this side of Tolsona

April 14, 1917

Chas Cowell and McLeod come in at 9:30

April 15, 1917

McLeod went to Copper Center with fur

April 16, 1917

McLeod back send meat to Copper Center by Earl McCrary Mack went to Dry Creek with Earl McCrary auto south

April 17, 1917

Hawled wood all day 5 A.M. A.R.C. road crews north for the summer Olson an Martin Ellisigson

April 18, 1917

Soldier shot his self in big toe went to Copper Center Peet Ross A.R.C. on hill to drain watter  
In \$3.00

April 19, 1917

Peet Ross went to bridge Chas Ordigo indian gun case man  
In \$4.50

April 20, 1917

Nels and wife and Earl M Crary south Copper Center John got dog chewed up Lance Holand north  
In \$7.00

April 21, 1917

Nelson McCrary and wife went up to take over Dry Creek R.H. [Roadhouse]

April 22, 1917

Chas Ordigo Charles took litter to Mrs. Hoyt with Charles  
Out \$ 0.50, In \$0.50

April 23, 1917

3 men for Fairbanks with packs on back old timers by there moves  
In \$1.00

April 24, 1917

Sent letters Wash and Delppo's and Tacoma to Ward Co Chicago Gill went to Copper Center and it sure was a town Demming Wheeler and wife went down on stage also out bound  
Out \$11.35

April 25, 1917

Sent box to E.L.B. sent check to Blum Co. by E Bryson came home at 9:30  
from Copper Center

Out \$49.00, In \$49.00

April 26, 1917

Chas Ordigo south clover seed start to sprout put a little more on ground  
green grass three inches long on hill

In \$0.50

April 27, 1917

Red McGee north

In \$0.10

April 28, 1917

Too stages down late at night

April 29, 1917

Turned watter on trail Billey and Dock for grub

In \$5.25

April 30, 1917

Start to chop brush Archie Brown

May 1, 1917

Archie Brown to Copper Center left pack

In \$3.00

May 2, 1917

Harry Warren south for cattle sprig wagon

In \$1.00

May 3, 1917

Ewan John to Copper Center for grub with squaw and kid dogs

May 4, 1917

Miller check to Chitina S Blum Co letter E.L.B. snowed all day

Out \$4.50

May 5, 1917

Harry Ober to Gulkana Archie Brown snow

May 6, 1917

Snowed Archie Brown N.C. Stage 3 dinner

In \$3.00

May 7, 1917

Snow all day Archie Brown got duck

May 8, 1917

Stage south with barley from Fairbanks one man south snow near all of the ground letter to S.R. Co Seattle S.R. Co

May 9, 1917

Hawled manure Chas Goadige with six cross fox for Dry Creek to sell them

May 10, 1917

Harry Clark and Dick Berry Harry going south put manure on ground got mail and papers

In \$1.00

May 11, 1917

Plowed a Round House Elmer brother to Center

May 12, 1917

Phill Brale Chas Goddigos south

In \$2.75

May 13, 1917

Dried and put in alfalfa and barley and start potatoes

In \$3.00

May 14, 1917

Squaw Dock Harry Warren four men

In \$2.10

May 15, 1917

Harry Warren with cattle for Fairbanks

Out \$6.25

May 16, 1917

Team from Copper Center north A.R.C. repair crew north  
In \$12.00

May 17, 1917

Mike Johnson Jim Doyle Doctor and wife from Center  
Out \$0.50, In \$1.00

May 18, 1917

Went fishing and hunting all day Squaw got meat Campbell NC team

May 19, 1917

Mike Johnson south Harry Cleveland  
In \$1.00

May 20, 1917

Lazy Charley work on fence  
In \$2.50

May 21, 1917

Went to Copper Center

May 22, 1917

Shod horse at Copper Center

May 23, 1917

Came home from Copper Center

May 24, 1917

Work on fence got mail receipt from S Blum Co.

May 25, 1917

Walter King [Signature] J.A. Jeffries [Signature] supper  
In \$4.00

May 26, 1917

Red McGee south spoke of a horse



May 27, 1917

G B Rorer came down Lazy Charley Archie Brown back

Out \$7.00, In \$10.50

May 28, 1917

Frank Samson took letter to Chitina worked on fence put in cabbage plants

May 29, 1917

Ben Cleary Geo Rorer finish cabbage and fence got fish from Billey Nicoli  
silver salmon

Out \$3.75, In \$4.75

May 30, 1917

Geo Rorer home his dogs on trail Nels McCrary up home with horsess and  
Williams stuff

In \$4.00

May 31, 1917

Mail north Bryson rain put seed in alfalfa behind barn

June 1, 1917

Mail to fish and Shultz [R.W. Shultz, runner] Anchorage soldier Hugins  
Gulkana rain all day

June 2, 1917

Slim Williams came with dogs three men south from Tolovaner

In \$3.00

June 3, 1917

Went to Dry Creek

June 4, 1917

Went to Copper Center

June 5, 1917

Came back Cowells lost man that Bryson got get ready for trip on trail to  
Anchorage

June 6, 1917

On trail met Joe and squaw horse run away

June 7, 1917

Camped at Tolsona

June 8, 1917

Tazlina Lake horse want to go back camped on old fishing

June 9, 1917

Ground start for Frank Nicoli Cabin but came back

June 10, 1917

Start on R.R. survey have to stop on Bidge no feed for horse

June 11, 1917

Got to Nelchina no horse feed cant cross water to high look for a ford

June 12, 1917

Made a boat out of Monty took a load a cross Slim made one trip me and Slim got dumped in river Slim got a mess of greylan [greyling]

June 13, 1917

Crossed divide and start down Matinuska [Matanuska River] got a sheep on mountain at 9 P.M. Slim worked on sheep

June 14, 1917

Crossed Cariboo Creek [Caribou Creek] and camped on dry ridge horse awful tyerd

June 15, 1917

Camped on Hicks Creek

June 16, 1917

Camped on Grassey Gulch

June 17, 1917

Camped near Bolder [Boulder] Creek seen horse tracks

June 18, 1917

Lost a day on trail

June 19, 1917

Got to Rail Road camp on Chickaloon got horse fed and Slim and me got a meal

June 20, 1917

Stop at King Creek over night met Joe Bell had a bath and shaved  
Out \$3.00

June 21, 1917

Slim left for Anchorage

June 22, 1917

I left for Anchorage

June 23, 1917

Slim with boat boat propision [proposition]

June 24, 1917

Loaf all day see Shultz

June 25, 1917

Look for a boat

June 26, 1917

Look for a boat

July 4, 1917

Katchamak [Kachemak] Bay not very favorable impressed with climatic conditions

[Undated entry]

Meal Filmore at Pirates Cove R.H. Saldovia [Seldovia] time flyes rapidly  
loos many days by traveling

August

Back to King River and camp buy oats from Joe Bell Pay \$10.00 Balance  
\$18.00

August 4, 1917

Took up homestead went Anchorage

August 13, 1917

Got papers on file by Conroy

August 14, 1917

Came back second trip from filing

August 15, 1917

Chace horse all day pack up to move

August 16, 1917

Moved on homestead olde man Rhineheart [Peter F. Reinhardt] came in to see camp go up

August 17, 1917

Make fires all day little wind

August 18, 1917

Fix camp burn brush all day start a well but no good so far

August 19, 1917

Rain write a letter to Mrs. Fish Clear Lake

September 4, 1917

Cut hay at meadows in timber

September 5, 1917

Cut hay at meadows in timber

September 6, 1917

Cut hay at meadows in timber

September 7, 1917

Went to work for Cal Coal Co

September 14, 15 & 16, 1917

Quit work to pack stuff for Harry Ringstedd [Harry P. Ringstad, miner] got paid off from mine \$36.75

September 10, 1917

Got West Coast Grocery Co. check for \$56.77

September 17, 1917

Rain and snow hard all day

September 14, 1917 [Dates were written out of order]

Snowed first time – all day

September 18, 1917

Snowed first killing frost got horse and put hind shoes on lost battle found carbide lamp

September 19, 1917

Cold and windy

September 20, 1917

Got Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] lumber cut logs

September 21, 1917

Cut logs

September 22, 1917

Cut logs

September 23, 1917

Hawled logs for Chas Johnson

September 24, 1917

Hawled logs for Chas Johnson got 7 lbs bacon on Tick Rhinehart came down to get me to go to King for John

September 25, 1917

Worked on John stuff

September 26, 1917

Finished John stuff got money \$25.00 took up Japs for \$15.00 Jap left did not get money

September 27, 1917

Came home left a lamp at Bud Tolsons [C.P. Tolson?]

September 28, 1917

Went to Rinehart [Peter F. Reinhardt] to work

September 29, 1917

Worked on potatoes Old McMurray

September 30, 1917

Worked all day on spuds for Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt]

October 1, 1917

Finished potatoes and packed them in paid \$15.00

October 2, 1917

Put my hay up today stayed with Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt]

October 3, 1917

Start and make a trail to get out logs for house Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] came after me to plow out potatoes for Jim

October 4, 1917

Plowed all day no potatoes only 12 sacks for Jim got \$7.00

October 5, 1917

Go after lumber for Chas Johnson got stuff for Green at bridge got 5 gal oil and too fifty \$2.50 got – 10 from Jap for work try to cut trail today

October 6, 1917

Cut logs make a start to clear for house and barn

October 7, 1917

Burn brush clear off for yard room wrote a letter to Bob Spick bout wagon

October 8, 1917

Plowed all day for Fin

October 9, 1917

Start foundation for house cant finde horses rain heavy

October 10, 1917

Took Green to old cabin on Powder House \$8.00

October 11, 1917

Plowed for Reinhardt and Mack Murrey [McMurray]

October 12, 1917

Plowed half day big snow fall last night McClelland measured (11 in) by rule

October 13, 1917

Took potatoes to Mrs Ringstad [Mrs. Harry P. Ringstad] 80 lbs collected \$3.50 no money from Rinehart [Peter F. Reinhardt] for plowing tent broke down everything wet got tags for corners got gloves for Chas Johnson

October 14, 1917

Day lost

October 15, 1917

Got pay from Chas Johnson \$9.75 got adz handle gloves \$4.25 had a mess saurkrot [sauerkraut] Osborns

Wood \$5.00 oil .50 blow \$17.50 bor \$5.00 total \$32.50 [Written in margin at top of page]

October 16, 1917

~~Worked for Fin all day~~ Cut logs

October 17, 1917

Worked all day for Fin plowing

October 18, 1917

Worked half day for Fin borrowed \$15.00 owes me thirty two fifty for labor to King River for Warner snowed

October 19, 1917

Work for Peters all day

October 20, 1917

Worked for Peters all day

October 21, 1917

Start for camp with lode stayed at Bill Barkers overnight

October 22, 1917

Go to Kings for Rhineheart stuff Green goes a long \$7.00

October 23, 1917

Move home with stuff from Bakers take up some stuff for Rhineheart \$2.00

Mrs. Osburn came to me to hawl her freight fix barn

October 20, 1917 [Confusing date sequence.]

Baugh [Bought] shovel ceevy [peavey tool?] steel plate saw chisell for \$5.25

October 25, 1917

Snowed all day went to Fins Horse Run over and he give me old burned out stove

October 24, 1917

Went after Osborne stuff and baught sleigh from Ray for 30.00 got money from Osborn three dollars 3.00

October 26, 1917

Got lumber from yard at Chickaloon first horse to hawl from R.R. yard was Dick start to hawl logs for house

October 27, 1917

Blowed hard all day worked on shelter for horse Old Man Reinhardt came in to Fins

October 28, 1917

Got a trip from depot to cabin got a lofe of bread from Mrs. Ringstad and \$2.00 for work wind changed to south

October 29, 1917

Paid Ray for sleigh \$30.00 made shack blows all day

October 30, 1917

Went to camp and settled up with Warner for work at King River paid bill \$9.75 got balance \$7.25 got Chas Johnson check cashed \$9.75



October 31, 1917

Worked on shack and camp snowed in evening morning blowed hard but died out in evening and snowed

November 1, 1917

Blowing tonight Fin came over to get me to hawl wood for him went to Osborns and had dinner start to level up for logs on house ground froze hard got plug westover from Osborn

November 2, 1917

Took two loads of wood to cut for Fin no pay

November 3, 1917

Cut ditch for log went to see Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] about freight not home

November 4, 1917

Got horse shod and got grub at Peters got laundry and Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] freight for got stove paid out for all stuff \$14.35

November 5, 1917

Fin paid lumber and \$5.50 on oil went to depot for Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] packed stove

November 6, 1917

Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] paid \$15.00 took wood to Old John got paid \$10.00 got lumber and freight for Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad]

November 7, 1917

Got lumber for Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] and got stuff for Alrizandre [Charles W. Alexander, timber, utility?] paid \$2.00

November 8, 1917

Went for hay seen Green he wants to move up to hay camp tommorow sent for grub feed 7319 to Baker [W.A. "Bill" Baker, carpenter, helper]

November 9, 1917

Went to depot for goods and lumber for Pet Iverson [Peter Iverson, timber, framer, framing, miner] horses eat all my hay and stole sack oats last night

November 10, 1917

Took Greens stuff to hay camp roan poney came chasing after my hay at dark \$2.00

November 11, 1917

Got grub at depot for Oley took wood to wench freight for Oley \$15.00

November 12, 1917

Took wood to wench got freight for Johns to day goes cabin no one home paid Peters \$4.50 on foot ware

November 13, 1917

Got first round of logs up horse ran of to Fins Fin got no turnups for Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] or no money for me

November 14, 1917

Went after hay for horse seen Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] necking sled and outfit Green caught up to me on King River Trail had dog with him Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] puled for Chickaloon town did not stop

November 15, 1917

Went to town did nothing stoped at Osborns seen Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] wants me to take potatoes from him nothing doing with him

November 16, 1917

Went to Osborns with flour start to cut trail to my place

November 17, 1917

Cut trail for logs got bread from Mrs. Osborn

November 18, 1917

Work on logs and trail

November 19, 1917

Went down town to see shoe makers out fit took in logs all day

November 20, 1917

Got load hay and went to Fins he was not in

November 21, 1917

Put up too logs in cabin Rhinehardt came up to guide too ladys on trail took packs to italians shoe maker went to Osborns got bread came home

November 22, 1917

Went to town and had a talk with Hoffman on phone put up a round of logs on cabin horse run out fill up well

November 23, 1917

McMurray came after me to go to King Station Monday Rinehardt is to fetch spikes and get nails to depot horse out early to feed on hillside ask Fin to settle up he said he had no money at all

November 24, 1917

Put up logs on house start to make a trail Reinhardt came and fetched spikes horse home early from hillside awfull full

November 25, 1917

Went to depot for oats got ½ keg of nails 48 lbs from Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] at Anchorage prices sent mail to Miss Watts and E.L.B. cut a little trail got bread by Alaxandra and wife [Charles W. Alexander and wife who is a cook?]

November 26, 1917

Go to McMurrays early trip to King Station for stuff for Mackmurrays got too bunks caviss \$1.25 got home at 2 P.M. with stuff for Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] and McMurray got nails about 6 lbs of spikes no money for trip to King from Mack \$8.75

November 27, 1917

Blow a hurricane all day fix up shack and barn kids with Bakers mare for moss to chink cabins at camp

November 28, 1917

Cold and windy went to town got turkey for Thanksgiving and took it to Osborns to cook late

November 29, 1917

Went for hay cold had dinner at Osbornes Ray and Harrold told me about packs and bunk under tree at foot of trail to lake found them all right

November 30, 1917

Went to work on logs for Cal-Coal-Co had turkey dinner at Osborns

December 1, 1917

~~Cut trail all day to get throu to camp had dinner at Osborns~~ Collected money for all around Ringstad Iverson [Peter Iverson] wench \$7.75 got potatoes at depot got first swill to day at Sand Bar Slims

December 2, 1917

Cut trail through to camp lots of help from Osborns had dinner and about finished trail

December 3, 1917

Give Reinhardt three dollars for Smith Higgins [Mr. Smith Higgins was a renter of Winchester Ranch west of the Agricultural Experiment Station at Matanuska] Bailey first visit looking for boy got in too logs swing logs of trail lazy day

December 4, 1917

Went for hay up King River fresh traks on trail of man dark when I came back from hay meadow

December 5, 1917

Hawled logs and manure on field finished trail work through for now on Osborn trail snowing hard today

December 6, 1917

Went to town for oats stoped at Osborns took sugar over got rope six sacks oats on hand got swill from japs Dick eat half of it for supper

December 7, 1917

Went to town and to Osborns got bread and took cat over and went to get estimate on timber made arrangements for sheep

December 8, 1917

Put in a bid for Cal claim for prop ties and tunnill made contract for getting ties cut

December 9, 1917

Went for hay Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] came and was at camp when I came home went to Osborns for visit Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] made proposition [proposition] on hauling wood for Hall and Jap

December 10, 1917

Went up Chickaloon to look for trail for wood haul to camp at mines for Hall went to Osborns Mrs. Baily [Mrs. Frank A. Bailey?] came in with Ray and Cal came in got work for Dick and me to fetch in timber to camp of Chickaloon Coal Co. got letter from land office about land to day

December 11, 1917

Went to work for Chickaloon Coal Co. getting in poles and timber

December 12, 1917

Work for Chickaloon Coal Co. all day out of native hay to day a little more up King River Trail

December 13, 1917

Went and got last of hay to day about 100 lbs all together

December 14, 1917

Worked all day for Calf. Coal Co. on poles

December 15, 1917

~~Did not work at all today~~

December 16, 1917

~~Hauled poles for Chickaloo Coal Co.~~

December 17, 1917

~~Went to Anchorage got papers but to late for to put in Palmers claim in bank~~

December 18, 1917

~~Sunday did nothing in town only mad acquaintences~~

December 19, 1917

~~Got Netland [Lars Netland, Superintendent and Chief Engineer of Chickaloon Coal Company] affidaved and baught my self poor~~

December 20, 1917

~~Bud came in to make affidavit MISTAKE~~

December 15, 1917

Went to Anchorage

December 16, 1917

Laid up Sunday

December 17, 1917

Got Netland [Lars Netland] affidavit and bought a lot of stuff

December 18, 1917

Bud came in and I got his affidavit on land

December 19, 1917

Came home got supper at Carlsons and Bud too

December 20, 1917

Got some stuff at dipo got job to go up River with horse Getzil [Fred Getzel?] and Pardmer Fin cant hawl stuff so I get it at a fair rate

December 21, 1917 to December 25, 1917

Stop at Getzil [Fred Getzel?] camp cold up to east fork for get \$5.00 came back at X-Mas night had supper at Osborns the family there dropped through ice three times hard wind on river for about 5 miles took 5 sacks oats for money

December 26, 1917

Worked all day for Coal Co, hawling timber for tunnall

December 27, 1917

Horse got lost some place and came home at 10:00 night got too loads of lumber all day

December 28, 1917

Got last load of lumber from foot of hill at cole camp

December 29, 1917

Got garbage from Carlsons Baker got my sleigh

December 30, 1917

Took Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] wood home worked 5 hours on wood  
Osborn told me to come for dinner on New Year Day at 5 P.M.

December 31, 1917

Got in some logs for house cloudy and warm up some

January 1, 1918

Snowed went to Osborns for dinner turkey fine

January 2, 1918

Got pevey [peavey tool?] and adze and stoped at Osborns to talk for an hour

January 3, 1918

Got mail and fish at store

January 4, 1918

Work ½ day for Coal Co. one load of moss one trip poles

January 5, 1918

Alaxzandre [Charles W. Alexander?] came for me to get a load of moss half  
day got permit to shoe horse at Co. Shop

January 6, 1918

Took horse to shop but did not make a job of it at all

January 7, 1918

Went down to see Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] seen letter about pigs but  
think the price too high

January 8, 1918

Set big logs in cabin wall Harrald [Harold] Osborne came over to see me  
about my wife if she is cumming a farce

January 9, 1918

Got logs in for house wrote letters to Bill Archie

January 10, 1918

Went after swill got 8 sacks potatoes and a full boxes from three places  
Chickaloon boss gone to town no money left sled on top hill too dark

January 11, 1918

Took for letters from E.L.B. no cum got blocks from Coal Co. went to  
Osborns took first look at Grace as woman got sleigh got logs or poles for  
house went to Osborns for bread Good Brover goes to Anchorage tomorrow

January 12, 1918

Got blocks from California Co. went to Osborns for mail letters from Bill  
Aggie sister brother clear of for barn and burn brush pile

January 13, 1918

Grace Harrold with dogs fix break Alaxandra [Charles W. Alexander?] and  
wife looking for lost boy at Fins went to Chickaloon town seen Rinehardt  
[Peter F. Reinhardt] about pigs stoped at Osborns Grace got hurt on chin and  
lip

January 14, 1918

Cut logs went down to Chickaloon seen Jim Hill stoped and talked all night  
with Osborn at power house

January 15, 1918

Went to depo to see Jim Hill got as far as Osborns and got bread half loaf

January 16, 1918

Went after swill got out with L. got buy fixed saw about pigs took block  
home visit to 12 P.M.

January 17, 1918

Extra train came in went down to see what train visited Osborns took blocks  
home had got a little colder

January 18, 1918

Went to depo for freight non came sent letter to Brown Wawkins did not do  
any thing today but shovel out barn



January 19, 1918

First big snow fall took manure out on land burn brush and fixed harness fix to go to King River for visit

January 20, 1918

Snowed all night and day went to Osborns Grace took snap shot of me went to Davids camp to look at pigs he will not sell them only one sow in June or July

January 21, 1918

Went to depo for hay but had it sent to watter tank stoped at Alaxandres [Charles W. Alexander's?] to visit a few minutes snowed

January 22, 1918

Went for hay and freight went to Chickaloon Town got shoe \$8.85 put on hinde foot draged to spruce tops to make a trail to town stoped at Osborns for bread met ladys there four in all snow

January 23, 1918

Harreled [Harold] came over on snowshoes got last of 45 ft logs for house went to Osborns they femail look scared Harrold went for mail non for me but some stuff from B & H

January 24, 1918

Got hardware from B&H for house took Tappo groceries up took Daugherty's stuff to trail for him took potatoes for Netland took Grace up 98 and down hill went after potatoes all rotten and formenting put on dump

January 25, 1918

Went to Osborns got no mail got earth to send out to have it tested from three places on top of hill of off flat and lake side to dry out for to ship to Wash D C

January 26, 1918

Got potatoes from Gov camp and meat for myself I fibed a little got news of Ray and sleigh Harrold came over for a few minutes

January 27, 1918

Start for King River today got in at about 4:30 P.M.

January 28, 1918

Came back to Bakers and stop to talk and stayed overnight

January 29, 1918

Came home from trip cut Buds hair feed bay horse rais hell again at Bakers got meat grinder at Reinhardt's Camp took snow off roof fixed it up some tent ripped on top of ridge pole got 30-30 from Jim Hill heard about Fin claim steeling

January 30, 1918

Went to depo nothing there stoped at Alaxanders [Charles W. Alexander?] and stayed all night in boiler house with Mr. Osborn must quit going there

January 31, 1918

Went and set log in house and went for bread [illegible] bed \$7.30

February 1, 1918

Met G at depo stop at L place seen about pigs came home

February 2, 1918

Went and got garbage from town for pigs Harrold went along

February 3, 1918

Went to Rhinehardt's for meat saw fetched saws home Harrold went with me got welt on gravilered had a lunch at Tolson place

February 4, 1918

Bert McDowell came and caught me in bed and we talked over contract for timber for mining purpossess on coal mine wind

February 5, 1918

Went to Chickaloon Camp came back stoped at Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] and Osborns big wind

February 6, 1918

Went to Osborns met Grace and Dock heard phonograph windy no work today on house.

February 7, 1918

11:30 A.M. Sunshine in shack got too logs up Harrold came over took cat over to Grace for company windy

February 8, 1918

Went to Osborns and sent for needles for to work if needed in accident

February 9, 1918

Got 30-30 shells matches at Peters seen Reinhardt met Lena and took flour over to Osbornes Grace Dock on trail to house for some reason don't know what for Electric Plant start up to try lights no wind

February 10, 1918

Bailey and Harrold came over and Reinehardt came up today put one end log on house tried carbide lamp

February 11, 1918

Got 2 logs up on house and set them in ends got letter from Bush about windows and glass

February 12, 1918

Harrold came for horse got too logs up Bailey helped me to put them up went to work for Chickaloon Coal Co. from 1 to five 4 hours went to depo seen Rhinehardt hawled coal and timber Grace said she was not going home tonight Went to Pet Iverson [Peter Iverson] with coal got sack frozen spuds from Oley good but small got swill from Cailifornia Coal Companys place sent letter to G B Rorer

February 13, 1918

Got swill at Carlsons Jap and Osborn went for freight for Osborns seen Fin on trail with lumber

February 14, 1918

Stayed at home all day let log fall of house and quit working on house for today

February 15, 1918

Stayed home all day

February 16, 1918

Harrold came and got horse helped me put up logs on house he told me Grace was engaged to Dock Chamberlain went over in evening with book for Harrold

February 17, 1918

Put up logs on cabin Osborn Harrold Bailey and me went to town for money from Reinhard got \$90.00 from him on note till May

February 18, 1918

Man came to look for lakes wrote too letters Alaxzandra [Charles W. Alexander] came after me to work for Chickaloon Coal Co. seen G. Doc at Osborns

February 19, 1918

Went to day for Chickaloon Coal Co. all day snowed hard seen 4 woman 6 kids 3 red stop at Osborns on way home snowed hard

February 20, 1918

Went to Osbornes for mail got none snow

February 21, 1918

Went for moose seen no tracks at gravil creek came back put too side logs up in place snow and blow hard

February 22, 1918

Mr. Osborn Bailey and Harrold came over and helped me to put up too end logs went to depo seen Jimey Hill there had supper at Osborns Mrs. Osborn scalded her hand G. was real nice 18 today

February 23, 1918

Went downtown for swill got ½ lb tea stoped at Osborns with Chs Johnsons stuff no hay for horse to day eat potatoes and oats stoped at Lena place with candy for Grace

February 24, 1918

Stayed at home all day to clean up and set logs out to slow did not work at all

February 25, 1918

Worked all day for Chickaloon Coal Co. got hay and flour from train came home with feed for horse stormed hard all day snowed in morning and blowed hard all day big drifts all over

February 26, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. stoped at Osborns for bread

February 27, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. had supper at Osborns and got wood for fire from woodpile paid freigh

February 28, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on logs poles for timber and lugin stoped at Osborns fetched three sticks of wood over

March 1, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on timber at No. 1 turmill

March 2, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. got swill and windows at McClelland or McHenry cabin too dollars apiece

March 3, 1918

Rhinehardt came over and we went to Fins and I got windows at five dollars

March 4, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. went to Fins for dore snow all day heavy Harrold came over for supper Grace seems to change her attitude for Dock awful mad at me got check for \$35.00 Coal Co.

March 5, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on poles Grace left for Anchorage for something do not know what took wood to Alaxzanders [Charles W. Alexander's?] stop at Osborns look lomsum [lonesome?] at house kid did not talk about sister

March 6, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on lagin and coal for boiler room moved Davis [Wm. Davis, timber] to depot he goes south on morning train for Anchorage paid Bud Tolsin [Tolson] for trip to Anchorage

March 7, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on poles seen Harrold he rode home on sleigh

March 8, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. Harrold came up with me stoped for mail bill for single tree \$14.00 got letter from brother Bill

March 9, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on timber paid 65 cts freigh for singletree got bread from Osborns had supper over there

March 10, 1918

Stayed home all day clean up a round and cut wood no body came at all

March 11, 1918

Worked all day 3/4 hours overtime heard Grace got married in Anchorage

March 12, 1918

Went to Chickaloon for grub work all day on poles for Coal Co.

March 13, 1918

Work all day on coal and poles for Coal Co. first coal shipped from camp for Willow Creek Mine sacked 20 sacks in all for mine

March 14, 1918

Worked all day on log poles coal for Chickaloon Coal Co.

March 15, 1918

Worked all day on coal powder blowers poles for Coal Co. stoped at Osbornes for bread

March 16, 1918

Worked all day on poles and coal horse ran of from on top of hill Harrold mad at what I said a bout his sister he started it

March 17, 1918

Went to Chickaloon and got horse shod and laundry John turned down letter of McMurrys quite a meeting at Osborns all the Bluds of Chickaloon there

March 18, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. got \$65.00 from Rhinehardt sent for hay and oats to Pacific Gro. Co.

March 19, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on coal and poles got a check for \$98.00 about two or three weeks work in sight too spots of all collars of the rainbow as the sun went down

March 20, 1918

Worked on poles and coal all day for Coal Co. give Reinhardt \$98.00 check to get cashed at noon for to get his money out of it cold and windy

March 21, 1918

Got money from Dick Rinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] worked all day on poles for Coal Co. lame back cold wind

March 22, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on poles and Coal Co. supper at Osborns heavy wind

March 23, 1918

Worked all day on poles cold stoped at Osborns old man hot about stove farming feed came yesterday 15 hay 5 oats 10 bales home oats at home letter from E.L.B. yesterday all is okay so far but in fix windy cold

March 24, 1918

Sunday went to Osborns had supper played cards in evening Harrold came over caught me in bed clear wind

March 25, 1918

Worked for Coal Co on poles got all hay and oats home stoped at Osbornes a few minutes sent letters to Brown and Hawkins and about mule also clear wind

March 26, 1918

Worked all day at Coal Co, coal all afternoon poles morning motor and fan up to No. 1 took salve to Alaxzander [Charles W. Alexander?] fair small wind

March 27, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. Harrold got big lump coal start to put poles a cross river seen Nickoli girl on river fair light wind

March 28, 1918

Worked all day on poles to wood to Alexander and spark plug warm all day

March 29, 1918

Work all day on poles for Coal Co. Harrold came up with me mail train late stop at Osborns wore moccasins got feet wet snow hard

March 30, 1918

Worked all day on poles took bath at power house horse ran away went to Chickaloon fetched kid to Osborns blow hard on river

March 31, 1918

Rhinehardt came up and Harrold came with pup went to Osborns seen Lena there in evening snow thick and fast in evening

April 1, 1918

Work all day for Coal Co. on wood for boiler no coal for fuel got twenty from Rhinehardt sent \$31.30 to Palson Co., Seattle got letter about muleto snow all day

April 2, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on firewood for boiler with wet feet sent letter for glasses to bush snow all day

April 3, 1918

Work all day for Coal Co. on wood and poles Harrold got snow plow and I pulled it to Osborns stump went to bed want lantern sent letter about mule goes in morning wind storm fair sunshine



April 4, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on poles went to Chickaloon for to get a check cashed but could not bought 395 [illegible] squaws rode down track with me Harrold took candy to Lena got bread stoped at Osborns a few minutes fair snow wind

April 5, 1918

Worked all day on lugin and poles went to Osborns Harrold came over in evening and I went home with him and stayed to 11 P.M. and came home snow

April 6, 1918

Worked in woods and on river all day went to Chickaloon town got check cashed for \$84.00 spent \$6.60 took phonograph records home Lena and Chas came up had supper at Osborns snow blow about all day

April 7, 1918

Harrold came over and we got 36 snowbirds Rhineheart had a lunch with us clean up to go over to visit Osborns in evening if possible Chas Lena Mr. Mrs. Miss from Box Car House also there played cards to 4:30 A.M. clear windy

April 8, 1918

Worked all day on birchwood for boiler room three sacks coal wait for mail oats Harrold rode home wind storm

April 9, 1918

Worked all day for Coal Co. on firewood for boiler went to Chickaloon got can eggs 160 got swill from Carlson and Lenas

April 10, 1918

Worked all day on Birchwood for boiler room from to benches Frank Hoffman came up on train with Gompetz [Walter A. Gompertz, manager of Chickaloon Coal Company] stoped for mail wind fair thaw

April 11, 1918

Worked on wood all day went to Chickaloon an got stuff for Rhinehardt and Harrold got in with squaws on sled on river Lena Chas seen him clear warm

April 12, 1918

Worked all day on wood for boiler fetched up stuff for Italians \$1.00 sent a way to Brown and Hawkins \$27.60 Harrold came over in evening had supper fair

April 13, 1918

Worked all day on wood for boiler hawled three loads lumber up hill got oats for Rhinehardt got butter at Paddys called me farmer fair

April 14, 1918

Took six sacks of oats to Bakers for Rhinehardt awful bad soft trail Harrold Bailey Rhinehardt and me Harrold kiled a winter bird femail fair

April 15, 1918

Worked all day on wood and coal Harrold came home to his home had supper at Osborns home late fair

April 16, 1918

Worked all day on login and coal Harrold came home to his place got bread from Osborns old lady made a big mistake about me wind

April 17, 1918

Worked all day on birchwood logon [logging?] got cheeque \$91.00 Harrold came over and went home with him open water in lake put potatoes in Blacksmith Shop fair all day

April 18, 1918

Work all day for Coal Co. on flat Fin got his stuf from depo thro work for Coal Co. Harrold had good supper sheep cloudy

April 19, 1918

Dream of fire snow blow did nothing all day only sleep Harrold came over had big stew of sheep meat big snow storm

April 20, 1918

Stayed home all day storm snow and blow write letters

April 21, 1918

Went to Cickaloon got onions matches and mail met Gompertz seen Rhinehardt and McMurry no satisfaction about money

April 22, 1918

Went for mail got 22 H.P. from Art to go after bear at 31 Mile post got stamps and seen Gompetz [Walter A. Gompertz] about cleared land no answer yet fine

April 23, 1918

Went bear hunting no sign met Wathon and family on R.R. fine

April 24, 1918

Pulled in logs for house went to Chickaloon seen Kanadate got bread found harness at Japs place got blocks from Gompetz [Walter A. Gompertz] to put logs up with stoped at Osborns snow

April 25, 1918

Put up five logs on house good job Osborn Bailey Harrold worked all day on house horse in mud soft all day snow going fast on slopes seen first swan Hoffman yesterday fine no snow

April 26, 1918

Did not work on house put in flore in barn Rhineheadt came over snow hard all day fixed barn went to Chickaloon for bread came back

April 27, 1918

Worked all day on house Bailey Harrold and Osborn went to town got butter and swill at C. Co. tast got a sack of potatoes for seed rain mosquitoes

April 28, 1918

Seen many flocks of swan shot six times got only feathers cut steel for harrow Harrold helped Lena a lone did not see her fair

April 29, 1918

Worked half day on house Bailey Osborn and Harrold first ducks and gees in flight sent letter to Larson W. potatoes snow morning

April 30, 1918

Osborn Bailey Harrold worked half day on house went and got poataoes got sack of spuds from Osborns played cards and came home at 8 P.M. last snow bird

May 1, 1918

Worked and got roof on house and windows finished up all ready for roofing paper went and hauled Tronstead [Ole Tronstad, carpenter, timber] stuff home got apples \$2.00

May 2, 1918

Harrold came over and helped a half day on house took horse half day to haul of wood of cleared land fine all day

May 3, 1918

Harrold got horse all day Bailey worked half day on house went to mine for lumber paid 1350 for lumber glass and got stuff land welder rake hoe spade and groceries seen Fin on trail fine all day

May 4, 1918

Mr. Bailey worked all day on roof Harrold had horse all day start fire for to put in seed Fin came over for to look a round said he had barley coming snipes and swallows to day first time coole a.m. warmer p.m.

May 5, 1918

Went to Blk Shop made pins for Harrold worked half day on house Bailey Harrold got first ducks out of pond watter and snow all over paid Manning [J. E. Manning, Alaska Engineering Commission Agent] freight on seed from Gov. Sta. at Mat. came home cool

May 6, 1918

Work all day on house went over to Coal Co. got mail moved stuf for Alexander to Osborns Alexander kiled duck on pond Harrold folks called him it was late at night

May 7, 1918

Worked on house Frank worked for got day ½ day

May 8, 1918

Bailey worked on dore locks all day on too locks all and Art came over to see house

May 9, 1918

Moved stove in house start to cut trail a round swamp chinked house and used up all old rags had to quit run out of rags Harrold Alexander killed ducks

May 10, 1918

Finished trail at a bout 4 P.M. went down town to sed money to Higgins & Larson

May 11, 1918

Had dinner at Osborns seen Lena there did not talk rain

May 12, 1918

Bailey worked on roof half day snow rain went to town and took laundry up got freigh bill Harrold got horse for to get watter Maning [J. E. Manning] got the globe and mantel for lamp paid freigh on paper rain snow

May 13, 1918

Put three roles of paper on roof short about 8 feet soldiers chased ducks of pond did not kill any lots of duck and geese Ringstead [Harry P. Ringstad] came over to get me to hawl stove from Japs heavy stove about four hundred pounds snow rain

May 14, 1918

Bailey worked about too and half hours went after paper to Coal Camp 50 cts got gun from Art came home at 10:45 P.M.

May 15, 1918

Bailey wants pay for work sixteen dollars after saying he would help and let work go for Old Man Osborn plowing got stove for Ringstead [Harry P. Ringstad] had tough trip of it paid Bailey for work \$16.00

May 16, 1918

Worked a round house Rhineheart came after me to go Sunday or Monday to put in oats and give him \$20.00 for to pay indians

May 17, 1918

Worked on section line for Netland all day went to Fins

May 18, 1918

Worked all day on survey line sent money for feed for horse 3165 to Gro. Co. worked on watter holes and dug ditch to let watter off

May 19, 1918

Made bolts for drag went to town got rhubarb from Henry had supper at Japs had talk with Gompetz [Walter A. Gompertz] about coal he is displeased about coal paid 50 cts Harrold got horse

May 20, 1918

Worked on survey line all day Osborn thinks that I cant run line strait come home horse at done rais hell

May 21, 1918

Worked day on ½ section line got on top of hill by Osborns house got line again in burn got plow and table from Carroll Wikman [Carl Wickman?]

May 22, 1918

Got line with Netland worked all day got feed from Pac. Gro. Co. took Old Shoemaker stuff down at the thirty stuff came from Seattle and lays at Anchorage to come up here

May 23, 1918

Worked all day on line Art all came after me to move tent house for them mosquito thick put garbage at north side of house to plow under for fertilizer

May 24, 1918

Worked all day on line chickens plow harrow and seeder talk to Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] a bout potatoes had a piece of pie and chocolate gave one dollar to Red Cross Fin Osborn come over get horse at 3:30

May 25, 1918

Worked on line around lake Bailey came over to do something cut potatoes Rineheart [Peter F. Reinhardt] after me on work for money to get grub 4 chickens sick with something don't know what it is bad eye

May 26, 1918

Ice all gon to day got plow and drag moved tent for Gompertz plowed by house north side got plow and harrow from Railroad track seen Lena at home

May 27, 1918

Plowed on knole and got drag from Osborns dragged knole all over went for to pay Manning but he was in bed and got letter from E.L.B. and about chickens

May 28, 1918

Rain hard went to Fin and made furrows for potatoes had big feed of ducks Harroud rain

May 29, 1918

Sowed wheat clover grass potatoes worked till 11:30 P.M.

May 30, 1918

Plowed for Osbornes and took lumber up to Gompertz new house late when I got home seen Rhinehardt got photo from E.L.B. and notices from Gompertz [Walter A. Gompertz] to put up on ground got too rusters and oil and wostershire sause from Ringstead [Harry P. Ringstad] from Pacific Gro. Co.

May 31, 1918

Got watter and plowed and harrowed for Osborn  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a day Netland wants me to hawl in logs for Gompers cabin in morning

June 1, 1918

Worked all day for to get in logs for cabin with horse took in logs give Rhinehardt 10 dollars for to satisfye him for the time being Osborn and Bailey inquisitive as ever about what I did today put in last of potatoes to night

June 2, 1918

Harrowed ground and plant wheete and oats and alfalfa Fins mare came over and I put her on hill bought plow and wire for \$20.00 to be paid in work and money soon

June 3, 1918

Worked all day on logs for Gompertz tired out about no sleep last night for mosquitoes want to sleep but must send for oats

June 4, 1918

Worked all day on logs and wood got wire from Henry but no money for grain hay all gon and oats about out planting garden seed all in to night at 11:30 P.M. small corner left for spuds

June 5, 1918

Worked on logs made bridge for to cross stream in woods got barrell of watter for Osborn had supper there

June 6, 1918

Worked all day on logs found hens nest 16 eggs in it going to write to E.L.B. one hen shil

June 7, 1918

Worked all day for Co. on logs and wood for boiler got tent and seed for Rhinehardt at Blk Shop

June 8, 1918

Worked all day on logs for company rained in evening

June 9, 1918

Plowed for Fin 8 hours leave for Rhinehardts King in evening

June 10, 1918

Plowed all day

June 11, 1918

Plowed all day

June 12, 1918

Horse came home and me for to get him no Rhinehardt at 11:30 A.M. going after feed at train do not know if there is any got feed went back to Rhinehardt plowed to 12:30 at knight awful tyred out

June 13, 1918

Rhinehardt pulls watch at 6:30 A.M. Hatters

June 14, 1918

Plowed 10 hours 30 minutes Old Man thinks I am his nigger I think by his talk



June 15, 1918

Finish plowing started to drag in grain after dinner put in about 14 hours plowing and dragging in oats

June 16, 1918

Finish up on field had a cup of coffee that indians made for dinner came home Fin wants me to drag in seed Lena and mother over after eggs must put shoe on horse to night some time send letter to Singletree

June 17, 1918

Worked all day on lumber for Coal Co. Rhinehardt right on hand got watter for Osborn had supper there for got sack send for seed got \$15.00 from Peter Iverson

June 18, 1918

Worked all day on logs got check gave it to Mr. Rhinehardt in payment

June 19, 1918

Worked on wood and logs for house got ducks at 9:30 P.M. all white pekings worked three hours for Fin

June 20, 1918

Worked all day for Co. on logs lumber and sawdust settle with Fin role of wire coming to me for balance on work called it square for all work for him no more

June 21, 1918

Stayed at home got watter for Osborn getting tired of it he hurt Dick hinde [hind] legs

June 22, 1918

Worked all day on logs and wood for C.C.C. try to rain too visitors Laubner and friend at night

June 23, 1918

Got horse at Chickaloon town got gun from barber \$2.50 got E.L.B. notice of examination cleared to plow put up fence Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] came for to get me to hawl wood started to rain

June 24, 1918

Hawled logs all day for Co. one trip for Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] fire wood got supper there also

June 25, 1918

Got seed worked all day on logs took Harrold lumber home got supper at Osborns Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] came over and we went to Fins place got wire roll rain

June 26, 1918

Went to 36 [Mile 36] for horse plowed at Osborns took potatoes to Ringstead [Harry P. Ringstad] had supper at Osborns put hen on eggs to set set all night

June 27, 1918

Worked 1/2 day on sawdust plowed 4 rounds put three more eggs under hen cut fence posts to fence of corner by house frost light

June 28, 1918

Worked at Osborns plowing ground horse got in garden in night

June 29, 1918

Plowed 6 hours at Osborns place young chickens first to day had supper at Osborns first greens of the season turnip went to Chickaloon for stuff paid Old Coon for gun spent 10 for stuff sent wire in to Pacific Gro. Co. for feed

June 30, 1918

Put in barley on Johnston place worked till 9:00 P.M. horse at Chickaloon town wench and squaws on trail to see chickens and ducks turn back I was not home

July 1, 1918

Worked from Coal Co. from 10 – 10 to sadust 310 put in some barley and seed in front of house no eggs

July 2, 1918

Worked all day on wood and logs for house plowed a round house got one egg in too days

July 3, 1918

Worked on logs and wood for boiler Old Man spruce up with old woman to go to Anchorage got feed for horse and chickens

July 4, 1918

Worked all day on chicken run and pen got leg sheep from indian \$2.25 up til one P.M. squaw came over for watter for father

July 5, 1918

Worked on logs all day Frank Nicoli and girls to see chickens and ducks horse lost shoe first log in morning at 10 – 10 A.M.

July 6, 1918

Shoe on horse first thing in morning worked all day on logs broke singletree on Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] wood had supper with them hen quit eggs in day all cold when I got home out on flore with chick guess all lost

July 7, 1918

Fenced up chickens took too old hens from young ones put them in run set mother hen on eggs seeded lost of ground with barley clover and buckwheat try late sowing

July 8, 1918

Worked on logs and 2 + 10 all day put poles down to lake 11:30 P.M. throu got letter from C. Cowell no mail at all to Co. office letters papers

July 9, 1918

Worked on logs and wood for boiler got papers at office cant keep shoe on horse his hinde foot in bad shape paid to Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] twenty dollars

July 10, 1918

Worked for Coal Co. all day on logs and boiler wood Frank Nicoli and too girls came over for dinner bad back

July 11, 1918

Laid up all day with lame back indians came over and got wood and watter and made me some tea went home

July 12, 1918

Back ache this morning cant do any thing to day went down to town got soap and mail H.S. mails lost bill of same

July 13, 1918

Worked on wood 6 hours back in bad shape got barrell of water for Osborns had a lunch with them old lady talk about her girls cumming up here shoe one foot of horse set seeder for work Sunday don't know what will happen

July 14, 1918

Cultivate garden and go over to Fins with Peet Iverson [Peter Iverson] Johnston to look at garden cultivate till eight thirty at night Nicoli wood to sell

July 15, 1918

Work on wood and lumber for house wagon came on train sign paper for wagon took bath had dinner at Lenas got letter from Pacific drill out fit in part came to night

July 16, 1918

Worked all day on wood and shiplap Mr. Rinestead [Mr. Harry P. Ringstad?] mad about something that hurts

July 17, 1918

Fix wagon no work went to Osborns for but Fin came home to look after potatoes did not do any thing more

July 18, 1918

Look for broad ax went to office with time got check No. 486-77 got ax found tree for crooks for sleigh Fin came after me to plow potatoes in morning

July 19, 1918

Worked on Fins potatoes 7 hours Alexander came after me to hawl logs for Gompertz house cant go till Monday 10 little chicks found one of first lot drowned in small bucket

July 20, 1918

Osborns tent burned I saved telescope and trunk with some other junk as I went for watter barrell got survey on ground from L. Netland [Lars Netland].

got oats and corn from R.R. platform Walton car being moved to trucks on track had lunch at Osborns gave Netland \$77.00 cheque to pay \$25.55 to Pacific Gro. Co. bill

July 21, 1918

Fin came over and gave me instructions to do work in his absence start fires on his side of my ground to clear of moss horse came home when I came back cat came back finished go devil at 12 P.M

July 22, 1918

Work on logs all day for house got lode of wood for Ringstead [Harry P. Ringstad] no stuff for chickens there tonight

July 23, 1918

Worked all day on logs ½ Coal ½ Frank Nicoli came over

July 24, 1918

Work half day on coal got horse shod got order from time keeper eat at Iverson got letter about ducks chicks

July 25, 1918

Worked on Coal login [logging?] trail and bricks got radishes lettuce from Mrs. Osbourn will take Peet Iverson [Peter Iverson] Frank Nicoli came over after saw handle josh about his big girl for cooking for me

July 26, 1918

Worked all day on brick and lumber for house of Gompertz got barrell of water for Osborn

July 27, 1918

Worked all day on brick lumber and motor and fan paid Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] Netland came back last night dance at Chickaloon got receipt from Pacific Gr. Co. for Bud Tolson for supper gave him 13 eggs

July 28, 1918

Cultivate garden home all day did not see excursion

July 29, 1918

Work all day on lumber line and paper Grace on Rail Road she looks like a tough from the line

July 30, 1918

Worked all day on lumber sand Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] of Lena up to garden Old Man want lumber taken home Fins mare back Harris back

July 31, 1918

Worked on lumber brick and rock for fireplace in house made three trips for wood for Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] got potatoes from platform finish work on house at company had lunch at Osborns

August 1, 1918

Did nothing all day Fin mare in barley at Osborns set hen 162

August 2, 1918

Made fence at Osborns got tree crook went up town got junk at barber shop took laundry to Mary settle with Netland up to date

August 3, 1918

Rain steady for till 1 P.M. Mr. Lynch came after me to take up some much Got stuff from barber \$1.50 2 saws square hammer lantern got fancy from Peet Iverson [Peter Iverson] he went to town all worked for Lynch 3 ½ hours on boiler and machinery lumber and poles to setup Leana mad

August 4, 1918

Stay at home all day sawed on crooks for sleigh did nothing

August 5, 1918

Man after me 3 eggs Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] McMurray came home on trail to 36 went to depo saw Ames and others

August 6, 1918

Worked for Lynch 7 ½ hours bought oats from Jap \$3.50 feed coming tomorrow on train took engine up first heavy load at that did fine all day work fine O.K. man no eggs at all to day

August 7, 1918

Worked for Coal Co. all day on plumbing suplys took meat to Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] give Lena and June a ride on go devil no oats or corn for me frost

August 8, 1918

Worked all day on stuff for casen dors [door casings?] windows cement lime  
got letters from Old Lady Osborn

August 9, 1918

Did not work got sack of oats from Gov no feed at any place Wassilla  
[Wasilla] or Anchorage

August 10, 1918

Worked all day on machine stuff got laundry \$1.90 Osborn want watter no  
go Coal Co 2 ½ hours

August 11, 1918

Worked for Lynch 5 ½ hours got watter for Osborn Mr. Lynch out with  
Lena got fish from Pet Iverson [Peter Iverson] talk about trip to hills for  
berries and meat

August 12, 1918

Did nothing all day rained

August 13, 1918

Worked all day on go devil sled runners did not go out horse wants to get at  
oats try 3 or four times at fence to break in

August 14, 1918

Horse in grain at Osborns went down after papers and stoped at Peet  
Iversons [Peter Iverson's] for supper seen P. Osborn at Lena place

August 15, 1918

Went to Fins with Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] took turnips about 10 lbs  
horse in grain again dog went back home got her stoped at Osborns had  
horse tied up

August 16, 1918

Went to Pet Iversons [Peter Iverson's] found horse in grain field getting  
ready for trip to hills for meat

August 17, 1918

Horse a nuisance all day went to Fins with Pet Iverson [Peter Iverson] horse  
blindfolded got to grain field again no stoping him

August 18, 1918

Worked for Lynch on coal 6 hrs went to 36 to get stuff from David but have to wait for hand car no chance to get it Osborn after horse for watter mad as hell becaus cant get him

August 19, 1918

Got stuff down river for Billey and Iverson went to 36 for lumber got sack of oats from David duped by Ringsted [Harry P. Ringstad] on stove no go

August 20, 1918

Took hammer up for Lynch took Peet Iverson [Peter Iverson] to Boulder Cabin got sheep skins hard trip on horse see nothing

August 21, 1918

Got back from Boulder Cabin at 11 A.M. left at 6:30 A.M. took horse out on hill side went down to see if stuff came for drill nothing at all no feed up to date for stuff stack

August 22, 1918

Bud Tolson came in to see about starting trail work went down to 36 can not get feed took three dead chicks out of nest kiled in shell by hen most all chicks out to day

August 23, 1918

Did nothing only chase a round all day to Chickaloon and 36 Davids camp

August 24, 1918

Worked for Lynch Netland in morning and for ARC in afternoon Frank Nicoli at house for supper got sugar from Osborns Lena at her mothers at supper time P Osborn at Lena place geting supper

August 25, 1918

Worked for ARC all day one chick dead hail storm and heavy frost followed put 7 big chicks out for first time

August 26, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. on grade horse at bars with folde on one chick dead at night kicked last got hit on ankle bone hurt awful



August 27, 1918

Woke up with pain in hip and leg sore as a boil worked all day for A.R.C. on grade led hurt all day think must quit but stick it out horse down with folde on talk about using horse on grade with scraper and plow in morning

August 28, 1918

Scraped and plow all day with horse lost shoe Gompertz on trail took one load up to house dunage

August 29, 1918

Hawled Gompertz stuff up to house 6 hours Lynch 3 hrs on coal got blue berrys from Pet Iverson [Peter Iverson]

August 30, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. on trail Netland leaves in morning

August 31, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. took too trips for Oly Transtad tired out

September 1, 1918

Mr. Gompertz and family Rhineheart [Peter F. Reinhardt] on visit went to Fins got check Lynch 5625

Feed bought for month of September for chicks and horse [ This entry does not appear on a specific date but appears above the 9/2/18 entry.]

September 2, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. Carroll after me to take turnips to platform in morning got feed oats one sack corn one sack

September 3, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. got mony from Gompertz try to pay Chs Alexander

September 4, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. went over to Peet Iverson [Peter Iverson] had supper with him

September 5, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. on trail went to Chickaloon for grub Ringstad paid \$8.00 in full for labor

September 6, 1918

Worked ½ day for A.R.C. took Ringstad 6 lbs turnips half day for Lynch Bros. coal clear

September 7, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. on grade took bath forgot box took up load of coal for Lynch brought in spruce logs for bridge from Gompertz house

September 8, 1918

Worked all day for Lynch on coal got Osborn watter

September 9, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. scraping and logging got 150 pounds of potatoes at 2 cts from Little Stickwan sold 60 to [illegible] Ringstad \$1.80 sent \$20.00 to Brown and H

September 10, 1918

Storm start rain worked all day for Lynch sold Gompertz turnips one 5 lbs Mrs. Ringstad gave me a rhubarb pie eat all at once

September 11, 1918

Fine [likely a weather notation] worked all day for A.R.C. on bridge seen Olson about nuggits

September 12, 1918

Fine [likely a weather notation] worked all day for A.R.C. got box from Copper River today took up three loads of coal for Lynch after work

September 13, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. took four trips of coal for Lynch after work on grade

September 14, 1918

Went to work on road A.R.C. went up town cant buy flour got 8 pounds [illegible] oats from Ringstad

September 15, 1918

Worked all day for Lynch on coal fine day Alexander gone to Anchorage on visit

September 16, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. horse and me got to top of hill Ringstad wants cord of wood for stove heater

September 17, 1918

Rain hard wind heavy worked all day on trail got through to pack trail at 4 P.M. horse and me took trees out by roots trail to Osborns blocked

September 18, 1918

Worked on slides on trail rain storm turned into snow took Ringstad a birch tree home for wood got wet through cold all day snow storm evening

September 19, 1918

Worked all day for Lynch on boiler and lumber fair

September 20, 1918

Worked 5 hour day for A.R.C. went to Chickaloon with laundry Pet left me a shoulder of lam at the door broke trace in too had to quit to get it fixed fair

September 21, 1918

Got trace fixed at commies [commission?] spent \$20.00 on grub and took all stuff home got box up Old Man Osborn quite talkative

September 22, 1918

Rain all day dug fire pit got barrel of water for Osborns did not go in house

September 23, 1918

Work all day for A.R.C. on stumps went to Pet Iverson [Peter Iverson]

September 24, 1918

Worked all day for A.R.C. on stumps Old Man Hall on rampage bout Bud Tolson asking about work on stumps in trail

September 25, 1918

Worked for A.R.C. on stumps Dopson after me Bourke came to Chickaloon to see me with papers quit A.R.C.

September 26, 1918

Worked all day on coal for Lynch Bros. had a long talk with Bourke got fish from Iverson's cabin rain

September 27, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros. all day went to Chickaloon said goodbye to Bourke met Getzil [Fred Getzel?] and Gustafson [Gustafasson?] brought nuggets from Getzil [Fred Getzel?] for ELB took stuff home for Osborn A58 bought meat 30 lbs \$7.50 spent 165 for washing got five from Lewil to pay Indians for meat got card for sugar got too lbs

September 28, 1918

Worked three hours for Ringstad on wood came home and dug too roes of spuds about 75 lbs to row small and big

September 29, 1918

Went and got horse shod spent 350 on horse soap and got spices and jam from Marry [Mary?] Griffin the coon did not do anything as it rained hard in morning cooked in the afternoon

September 30, 1918

Dug potatoes and cut barley and hay stay home all day and work around home

October 1, 1918

Fin came in for lunch and try to put a lot of old stuff on me for pay finish cutting and raking up around the house garden truck in ground yet warm and rainy took bill to Jim for cash but have to wait till Gompertz comes back

October 2, 1918

Start a barn got foundation and first logs up traded 22 [illegible] for alarm clock went to Chickaloon to get mail no mail Wickersham and Framer spoke for too hours rain

October 3, 1918

Went to work on coal for Lynch Bros. worked four hours stoped and got first jag of feed from Johnston place Fin came over to sell out for 150.00 he sold 1200 of stuff and is going to Anchorage to try and sell

October 4, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros. all day took stove up to Gompertz from Ringstad for kids Ringstad gave me stove to take home for hen house Osborn quite chummy wants horse to get watter Sunday

October 5, 1918

Clear up a little around house so as to get wood in cut a half of day on hay no place to put it in looks like snow in evening fair cloudy

October 6, 1918

Cut hay all day at Johnstons place had dinner at Osborns went to buy lumber from Ringstad did not get it at all

October 7, 1918

Cut hay at Johnstons place went to Chickaloon got haircut by Sandon rain

October 8, 1918

Went to Chickaloon for to bring down stuff for Christofson spoke to Gompertz about getting cow at Moos Creek she was sold

October 9, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros 6 hours on coal fixed roler on sled lost too hours sent letters to Anchorage, Pacific and Brown & Hawkins groceries got watter and potlatch Mr. Rstad [Ringstad]

October 10, 1918

Cut barley at Osborns all day and worked at home went to Ringstad and Lynch Camp and got check for work in Sept. - \$85.50

October 11, 1918

Raked hay up into small shop took in turnips after dark five sacks all good ones from last year seed after plowing and dragin in spring Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] sowed seed

October 12, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros. on coal 7 hrs and got too barrels for Gompertz at Slims Place broke one runner on go devil let it fall on track

October 13, 1918

Took in garden stuff and got a jag of hay from Osborns went after indian Tough Luck to work

October 14, 1918

Went to Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] place to look at oats pour crop on land killed one spruce hen gave it to Mrs. Ringstadt [Mrs. Harry P. Ringstad] first one I seen in this part of the country paid for lumber bought Ringstadt [Harry P. Ringstad] lumber

October 15, 1918

Indians came and we went to Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] place and start to cut oats

October 16, 1918

Cut oats on Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] and Casey and Dutch came after me to move boiler came home and found too dead chicks went for grub paid 880 for hand full

October 17, 1918

Went to move boiler but got fooled the bunch quit and I put boiler back

October 18, 1918

Put up hay came home one chick dead went and moved Mrs. Ringstad stuff to track bought bed spring and paid for them and lumber 26.00 sugar got \$25.00 from Gompertz

October 19, 1918

Finished cutting and cocking hay at Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] place in evening come home

October 20, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros on lumber and boiler got stuck at 20 to four 5 hrs siwash at house when I came home wind strong

October 21, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros 7 hrs on boiler got it in cold and cold wind all day fetched house lumber from Ringstad's place

October 22, 1918

Work on boiler quit to put it on sled to try it come home had visitor Frank Kelley [Frank Kelly] and Miss McDonald lost trail Klutch went to 36 no supper till late

October 23, 1918

Put hay in stack went to town got 180 for grub went up to Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] camp Indian mad worked to 11 P.M. snowed a little but got through

October 24, 1918

Worked all day last 2 hrs for Lynch Bros. Indians quit to night no grub paid them 5.00 for working cold north wind snow chickens missen 2 or 3 chicks

October 25, 1918

Worked 6 hrs for Coal Co. on lumber coal 8 rails went to 36 bought 65 dollars of junk from David sleigh and blocks chain and other stuff

October 26, 1918

Worked on boiler for Lynch Bros 7 hrs took Ram and pipe up for Gompertz

October 27, 1918

Worked 2½ hrs on boiler came home cut Evins [Ed. Evans, woodman?] hair he fell on chick and killed it got grub at Johns

October 28, 1918

Worked all day for Gompertz on coal and rails about out of hay cold all day

October 29, 1918

Stayed at home all day and fixed up chickens with stove cloudy but no snow yet

October 30, 1918

At home all day got wood and got checque for \$265.00 from ARC fed pups to chickens and ducks eat 8 at one time David's horses here chased them out 3 or 4 times

October 31, 1918

Went to Chickaloon for flour none there got oats and borrowed 5 lbs of flour from Cassey start to get logs in for barn got in to selts or rounds

November 1, 1918

Went to 36 bought \$90.00 worth from C. David sent checks of [off] for stuff in Anchorage Osborn laughed about tins rattling and he spoke of a shiverree or tinkan something out of hay but got enough for over night borrowed

November 2, 1918

Start for hay got as far as Tolsons trail all blocked with timber to cut and role trees to get by came home at dark croud [crowd] came to lake to skate Miss McDonald Mr. Smith Manning [J. E. Manning] Frank Kelley [Frank Kelly] Doc Chamberlain Lena and old man ask the croud to have coffey [coffee] on way home very good of them left horse and sled on trail at Tolsons

November 3, 1918

Went as far as Rhinehearts [Peter F. Reinhardt's] camp big horse tracks up trail fresh work at Buds cabin key in done left horse there last night still there in morn

November 4, 1918

Got throu and got jag of hay from stack paid Old John 965 for grub got corn and bran from platform oats there left them for AEC miner paid C David 450 for sk [sack] oats borrowed in July for to feed horse at work

November 5, 1918

Took oats back to Chickaloon that borrowed from Smith and Bailey took them Henry putting on roof paper squaw sick in bed went to Davids camp and bought stuff 1350 did not pay him stayed til 2 A.M. one hour to come home around track snow snowstorm to make first sleigh

November 6, 1918

Stay at home all day and go down to camp at night Casey came after me to hawl coal tomorrow

November 7, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros train in from Rick at 5:30 A.M. from Eska Creek wait for grub from depo did not come they soy oil and gasoline all throu and eggs all smashed



November 8, 1918

Worked on grub for Lynch Bros 4 hrs came home went to town got butter  
150 no oatmeal in town got first ptarmigan at chicken fence

November 9, 1918

Went for hay stoped at Tolsons [Bud Tolson's] Smith and Frank Kelly on  
trail to Tolsons to see if he was sick

November 10, 1918

Home all day fixed shed for horse on north side fair day

November 11, 1918

Frank Blazer came after me to hawl coal went to work in afternoon went to  
Chickaloon got mail and r.oats took stuff to Gompertz potatoes and turnips  
fetched some coal home

November 12, 1918

Went as far as Lynch cook house had lunch and came home start to mud  
house got start cold and east wind down Matanuska

November 13, 1918

Start bank account got books from Gompertz start to take wood coal and get  
stove from camp at bridge wait for provisions take them to cook house shoe  
of sleigh

November 14, 1918

Went to 36 got some stuff from David paid Tolson 1850 due took too trips  
coal up for Lynch Bros 1 ½ hrs

November 15, 1918

Tronstad wood 300 coal for Lynch Bros worked on trail and coal 1 hr in  
morning 2 ½ in afternoon took vegetables to camp

November 16, 1918

Worked on coal and trunks for Lynch Bros got paper and mail new Lady  
from Yukon District – runner for Lynch

November 17, 1918

Went for hay and stoped at Tolson and had lunch

November 18, 1918

Took coal 3 trips and went to 36 got Jamer Oats and strips

November 19, 1918

Tolson came and start to work on house went to Chickaloon got mail and tobacco and grub at Old Johns did not pay bill got some offal from Henry McKinnon

November 20, 1918

Work for Lynch Bros start to take stuff to new hole up creek

November 21, 1918

Took coal up to Gompertz house suveyors at work on trail A.R.C. drill hit 2 ft of coal near [illegible] house Grace and Dock on trail

November 22, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros went to Chickaloon give Henry Tuff Luck money got some stuff at Old Johns did not pay for it

November 23, 1918

Work for Lynch Bros all day moving out fit up creek Gompertz not well pleased

November 24, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros snow warm Chas Alaxandre [Charles W. Alexander] out hunting rabbits

November 25, 1918

Went for hay Tolson gave horses in woods got tub for Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt]

November 26, 1918

Took tub to Osborn worked for Lynch Bros all day Mrs. Osborn out she looks tuff snow warm

November 27, 1918

Work for Lynch Bros got stuff from Pacific Grocery Co. snow warm

November 28, 1918

Start to mud house wind a blowing

November 29, 1918

Worked around house all day put on mud

November 30, 1918

Fix roof on chicken coupe and mud up big cracks in house went to Chickaloon got lamp from Maning [J. E. Manning]

December 1, 1918

Went to Chickaloon got horse shod \$2.00 paid Probst \$8.20 for grub took in load of stove wood for cook house and one for Blamy wife [Mrs. E.A. Blaney, cook]

December 2, 1918

Home all day mud north side and some on south of house went as far as camp post letter to Pacific Grocery Co. with check had lunch of pie at cook shack watch stop at 7:25

December 3, 1918

Went for hay horse ran away down to camp got check for \$125.00 Tolson coming Sunday

December 4, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros cold day of it snowing now 11 P.M.

December 5, 1918

Went to Chickaloon sent check to bank for \$125.20 went to David camp to see stove left at 1 P.M. snow all day and night wind and snow

December 6, 1918

Went to Lynchs camp got wood for cook came home snow blow

December 7, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros cleared of cold chickens all out in whites side door closed do not know if any is frozen to dark to see feet or comes get dry tree for wood at 8 P.M. cold clear storm cleared cold

December 8, 1918

Start to put mud on to cold mud freezes before I get it on wind start to blow cold little black-red chicken got bothe feet frozen badly took it in house put

caustic balsom on will nate affects on frozen feet strong wind from north cold

December 9, 1918

Blow hard all day cant do a thing to cold outside went to Chickaloon met Chas David bought big cook stove for thirty dollars get filing tools of one dollar still blowing

December 10, 1918

Put some mud on house and put window in chicken coop and fixed it up some but more work to do on it still

December 11, 1918

Went for load of hay but it was blowing and could not get only a very small handful went to see about moving boiler all ok for morning

December 12, 1918

Moved boiler to platform can not put it up on top [illegible] satisfied with work had supper at Lenas Charley help me for a while but cant get boiler up quit for today worked 4 ½ hours all told

December 13, 1918

Worked 2 ½ hrs on boiler putting it on platform Bud Tolson came in cold windy cant fix roof fetched some wood down for Alexander he helped me a little on boiler too chickens dyed this morning

December 14, 1918

Got stuff at camp took in too loads of wood for mess house for Lynch Bros mud east end and finish it mud south side of house leave one crack for tomorrow a strange Sweed came to buy tent from me still cold and windy

December 15, 1918

Got a load of hay on double ender stoped at Tolsons had lunch went down town all is dark come back from camp late

December 16, 1918

Got stuff at from Old John did not pay him

December 17, 1918

Stayed home all day big snow storm on do nothing all day

December 18, 1918

Pay Gompertz freight money got stove set up same day at 36 camp claim  
fetched Tolson lumber home

December 19, 1918

Tolson put batons on house got squair meal on stove

December 20, 1918

Went for hay took Tolson lumber home trail awful heavy up to Tolson place

December 21, 1918

Did a little work for Lynch Bros this day coal and wood from 12 to 4:30  
A.M.

December 22, 1918

Went for load of hay had dinner with Tolson big snow and rain last night  
and this morning warm all day but froze a little about 12 P.M. warm tonight

December 23, 1918

Worked on screen and hawled four loads of coal for Gompertz 8 hrs big  
squawl or blizzard at about four thirty to seven P.M.

December 24, 1918

Snow storm stay home and mud house get in some wood at night same as  
usual

December 25, 1918

Stay home all day cut wood and mud house feed chickens outside warm  
wind and snow up all night patering [puttering] around

December 26, 1918

Went down with horse and met Gompertz at mess house he wants me to  
hawl manure got too loads from mine stable Old Luftus said he would report  
me so I quit the manure hauling worked 4 hrs

December 27, 1918

Stayed at home all day did nothing at all waiting for Mr. Gompertz to get  
permit

December 28, 1918

Haul manure got stove from Henry McKinnon squaw rode down track to platform took three loads manure to Gompertz hous worked 4 hrs

December 29, 1918

Went after last of hay took Tolson horses down got supper on way back at his place late in getting home writing at 11:30 P.M.

December 30, 1918

Worked for Lynch Bros took manure to Gompertz from home indians leave in morning for Knik widows and kids and dogs cook at mess house leaves in morning train Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] take his place as cook sent for squaw

December 31, 1918

Worked for Gompertz and Lynch Bros snow all day warm all day went to Chickaloon for manure

January 1, 1919

Mary and sister too squaws came after close [clothes] to wash and too men from drill for oats girls cleaned up turnips and carrots gave them new year present for work

January 2, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] rode up on coal one trip says that mess house has nothing but beans not get a [illegible] at all

January 3, 1919

Went to Chickaloon got load of manure got tin from Gompertz

January 4, 1919

Girls .R. came went to Tolson and got potatoes for chickens

January 5, 1919

Went and helped Tronstad get in wood got oils for cook house came home got logs

January 6, 1919

Worked on coal too girls of Nicoli after laundry sent cheque to Pac. Gro. Co. sent for feed late when I got home

January 7, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros ½ day met Bud Tolson looking for Chas Johnston no news

January 8, 1919

Home all day girls got filed laundry pay them to and half got in five logs for wood Frank Nicoli came over early

January 9, 1919

Stay home go to see Gust [Gust Swanson, miner] about coal met Bud on trail and he said that I was wanted to move boiler went to see about it stay late

January 10, 1919

Work on trail took coal wood to cook house see nothing new

January 11, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros Chas David came to sell me his out fit sleighs and all his junk that he has got left for too hundred cash will think it over and let him know later he wants to buy some chickens non [none] for sale

January 12, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros put up try-pod with horse easy turn cold at about noon

January 13, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros went for feed none shipped letter from Pacific Gro. Co. stating non what so ever on hand came home

January 14, 1919

Letter from Maud Osborn (Hamilton Ont) Will [Mill?] and boy also Work for Lynch Bros phone for feed none in Anchorage

January 15, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros got too sacks oats little hay from Henry Old John hostile about cheque

January 16, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros 8 below took load of coal to Gompertz 1 hr

January 17, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros and went to Chickaloon got too bales of hay from Gov Camp

January 18, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros cold and windy 10 below at 12 P.M. visitor tomorrow I think

January 19, 1919

Stay at home all day Frank Nicoli came today send letter to Palmer to G.O. White [Goren O. White] for hay and Pacific Gro. Co. for provision Sunday cold wind blowing hard freezing in house cant get stove hot 10 below

January 20, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros and for Gompertz on coal cold

January 21, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros on coal for boiler Nicoli cut rick of green wood just like ice wont burn

January 22, 1919

Went to Chickaloon for coal for Gompertz got sack for my self took core boxes to No. 3 hole no mail no feed no grub on train cold foggy

January 23, 1919

Went to Tolson to get hay got small jag bout for feeds Hanson [H. Hansen, miner] came after me to go up river refuse to go took him up to Tolson

January 24, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros no hay today on train Gompertz sick tomain poison I think took his stuff home gave him my papers

January 25, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros go to Chickaloon get grub and too bales of hay pay Old John bill 14.00 check no.14 have supper with Henry

January 26, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros start to snow cold still gass with cook



January 27, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros got Fins hay got stuff from Shonebeck [Shonbeck]  
cold 35 below

January 28, 1919

Worked for Gompertz Chickaloon Coal Lynch Bros coal wood boiler cold  
windy

January 29, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros

January 30, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros Chickaloon coal wood

January 31, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros Chickaloon

February 1, 1919

Worked for Gompertz and Lynch Bros had supper with Mrs. Blamey [Mrs.  
E.A. Blaney]

February 2, 1919

Got some hay from Fins cash Mrs Mr Blamey [Mr E.A. Blaney, runner.  
And Mrs. E.A. Blaney, cook] came over worked for Lynch Bros Sunday

February 3, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros too squaws on tracks Lena threw piece of bottle at me  
to attract my attention to fact gentle hint cant see

February 4, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros got coal checks for \$218.00 from Gompertz

February 5, 1919

Seen Tolson had a talk with him about feed and sleigh at 36 hear that there is  
a Wim supper to night at Chickaloon work one hour for Lynch Bros

February 6, 1919

Went to Tolsons for potatoes seen a light about mile ½ off thought it was at  
the house

February 7, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros had pie with Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] Nicoli girls boned me for money on wood but no go will not pay till all is cut

February 8, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros 8

February 9, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros got hay from Wikman [Carl Wickman?] place about 300 in cache

February 10, 1919

Went after feed got three sacks oats [illegible] stay home all day and clean up Crockett after me to hawl coal

February 11, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros got too sacks oats five in all from Shonebeck [Shonbeck] can not rustle more sun thaw [illegible]

February 12, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros coal wood want to quit hole but keep on working Harry Johnson troublesome

February 13, 1919

Work on Lynch Bros took pipe to lake horse ran away spill lode

February 14, 1919

Worked for Gompertz and Lynch Bros went to Tronsted [Ole Tronstad] to see them and they speak as if they are going to quit and go outside for good

February 15, 1919

Got coal for Gust Swanson from Comm [Commission] went to 36 bought out Chas David for 91.00 paid 40 on Bobs took them to camp sent check to Shonebeck [Shonbeck] for stuff

February 16, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros got pie from cook got load of coal for myself to burn

February 17, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros quit at night Fred Getzel after me to go up river in morning no go

February 18, 1919

Go and get a load of manure for horse to pick Gompertz wants me to work on coal got track of oats

February 19, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros got 500 R.O. on train Bud Tolson going to Palmer for to bundle hay in morning

February 20, 1919

Went after junk at 36 Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] said could not get it so came home

February 21, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros went to 36 with Chas David Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] starts trouble but short lived Chas opens done and that settles all fetch one load home hay came \$200.00 for a ton alfalfa

February 22, 1919

Got junk from 36 and one load of hay all day at it found loading Diric Gon Evans [Ed. Evans?] said A-dair took it

February 23, 1919

Bud Tolson came we had dinner Lena and Harroll came with dog team don't want to come in took coal and some wood to boiler Bud Tolson took too bales hay

February 24, 1919

Work for Lynch Bros fine day

February 25, 1919

Stay at home all day cut ice about 4 feet thick

February 26, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros seen Feeby Osborn [Phoebe Osborn?] and her mother

February 27, 1919

Stay at home all day clean up visitor going to Fins for sleigh

February 28, 1919

Worked for Lynch Bros drill outfit taken over by Gompertz starting on first tomorrow

March 1, 1919

Work on sleigh cold no apite [appetite] to work at all come home get wood

March 2, 1919

Gompertz takes over Lynch Bros drill first new regulations don't know what is what work today

March 3, 1919

Work for Gompertz on wood coal men all dissatisfied at turn of advent  
Frank Blazer [Frank Blasher, helper] talks of going outside to Koos Bay and ranch it

March 4, 1919

Work for Gompertz on drill seen Bud Tolson and Bill Baker at foundation for drill at lake got check \$168.25

March 5, 1919

Work for Gompertz on drill outfit miss wrenches and hammers

March 6, 1919

Work on drill all day on poles rigging want to write to sleepy to do anything

March 7, 1919

Work for Gompertz drill outfit got Val Crockett [Val V. Crockett, foreman at Chickaloon Coal Company] to rivet trace

March 8, 1919

Work for Gompertz break hame moving boiler smash lunch bucket go to Chickaloon get hames from Frank Kelley [Frank Kelly] see Miss McDonald on speeder

March 9, 1919

Got horse shod paid John and blacksmith in one cheque \$6.00 sent bank book in for to get check [illegible]

March 10, 1919

Worked for Gompertz on drill at lake got hames at office \$3.50

March 11, 1919

Work for Gompertz had talk about other sleigh cold north wind chilly left chicken house open fire went out

March 12, 1919

Hanson [H. Hansen] came back from Crooked Creek for provisions cold strong wind chilled through work for Gompertz all day

March 13, 1919

Stay at home till 1 P.M. then went to lake for Gompertz cold wind raw 20 above zero

March 14, 1919

Cold and windy work for Gompertz house opened by someone got lode of coal to day \$3.75

March 15, 1919

Worked in afternoon for Gompertz seen Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] did not speak to me Indian after turnip stayed till 11 P.M.

March 16, 1919

Sunday stay home all day Gust [Gust Swanson] and Oley came over to see me and look at chickens and ducks got egg today

March 17, 1919

Work all day for drill out fit start to fix sleigh first thaw

March 18, 1919

Work for Gompertz got short end of cool day cloudy warm

March 19, 1919

Work for Gompertz and took load of wood to cook for pie but got fooled warm

March 20, 1919

Work all day for Gompertz on coal Rods boys have a great time with pipe double up clog and pull out

March 21, 1919

Went to Commission for Gompertz start to work on sled did very little all day

March 22, 1919

Work on sleigh went to get shaft gun at commission met too squaws with 100 flour Henry ask for hay will lok 2 bales

March 23, 1919

Took 2 bales of hay to Henry got one sack oats from him fine day everybody on parade

March 24, 1919

Work for Gompertz all day

March 25, 1919

Did nothing all day got fifth egg second from rose comb him with reds

March 26, 1919

Worked for Gompertz he gave me a goats shoulder it was fine got chicken louce powder from Loussac Drug Store [Z.J. Loussac's Drug Store] will try it Crockett ask me to take a shift on drill tomorrow night yes

March 27, 1919

Went to camp came home and worked on drill at lake came home at 3 A.M. cold big wind

March 28, 1919

Worked on drill for Gompertz night shift Indians want to cut wood for me

March 29, 1919

Worked for Gompertz took pup out with me all day work night shift on drill wind quit blowing

March 30, 1919

Work night shift women out for gossip Lena took ride home with me to her mothers place with [illegible]

March 31, 1919

Worked on drill one shift some one left me some pie

April 1, 1919

Worked shift on drill at night

April 2, 1919

Worked for Gompertz on coal got fritters from cook and quit watter coming on lake got pie from Billie Bud got cabbage seed wants collyflour [cauliflower] seed to plant warm clear snow going fast

April 3, 1919

Worked snow going fast today warm ice mushy

April 4, 1919

Work for Gompertz had a good supper to night with Mr. & Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] at mess house had pup out all day she acts fine

April 5, 1919

Got first duck eggs made Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] present of first duck eggs laid in Chickaloon worked for Gompertz to day watter on ice snow about all gone on hill warm west wind

April 6, 1919

Home all day writng letters and watching chickens got 7 eggs and a duck egg cut wood hear first spring bird this A.M. snow about all gone a round house

April 7, 1919

Worked for Gompertz on last snow sent 11 letters out side mail and checks one to David 51 and one to Shonebeck [Shonbeck] \$82.20 also about goats got shells eggs powder gun from Loussacs Drug Co. [Z.J. Loussac's Drug Co.]

April 8, 1919

Worked on drill seen first trout Val [Val V. Crockett] Casey John with 4 trout Indians wants to work clearing ground guess I will give them job Nicolli is going to Nelchina soon

April 9, 1919

Work for Gompertz on drill Val got a bite from fish in Fins Lake silver trout is the kind in lakes try my luck at one hole came home nil

April 10, 1919

Work on drill took provisions to mess house Osborn had a bunch of fish rainbow trout Mrs. Blamy [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] gave me a lofe of fresh bread looks fine Indians all gone to Nelchina non left to work on clear land for me only John kid left Alex old woman Val gave me a mes of rainbow trout

April 11, 1919

Work shift on drill Fin came home eat fish till I swell up Osborn Alexander with good string of trout good size ones put potatoes seed ends in box to night put seed ends in

April 12, 1919

Got wagon up hill went to lake all came up on train stuff 300 corn flour Pacific Groc. Co.

April 13, 1919

Got Fins stuff from train platform Crockett took photo of crew Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] gave me a pie gave her last of eggs from ducks took junk from mess house to shop Palm Sunday

April 14, 1919

Put up deric on gin pole work for Lynch Bros on platform loading machinery had supper at mess house Mrs. Blaney [Mrs. E.A. Blaney, cook] and Mrs. Secrist [Mrs. C.B. Secrest] and boy there on visit Indian cut foot

April 15, 1919

Indian start to clear acor of ground work for Gompertz send close to get washed ice getting rotten and risky with load on Fins lake strong wind down Matanuska River



April 16, 1919

Worked on lake Indian did not work to mutch wind for him went and mailed letter got quarter of sheep from Frank Nicoli him and girl boy came from Gravel Creek to sell meat got too sheep cold wind no stop

April 17, 1919

Did nothing Indians came in start to clear about 9:30 A.M. old squaw came to see ducks and chickens one hen sick in box don't know what ailes her went to drill took horses no work to late in day to start

April 18, 1919

Worked to day went to platform for provisions non came took in wood to boiler and mess house trash from Gompertz house

April 19, 1919

Work for drill outfit Val and Manning came by gave Val 2 duck eggs Manning 3 hens eggs

April 20, 1919

Easter Sunday first wild ducks flew over house Osborn Alexander and Harold went by with fish gave them 8 hens eggs and Osborn 2 duck eggs want to go out but to late now

April 21, 1919

Letter to Loussac [Z.J. Loussac] worked for W.A. Gompertz with horse on pick up trash wire pipe 8 ct green stuff

April 22, 1919

Clean up a round start fires Fin after me to plow his ground as soon as possible hen waiting to seet hatch

April 23, 1919

Bill Baker came and got his doz of eggs went out for a walk too [took?] a snap shot of Mrs. Blamy [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] gave Gompertz 7 eggs Mrs. Blamy [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] too duck eggs Mrs. Alexander too duck eggs took gun. Trowell home and rale [roll?] films at Alexandras for Val to develop order to move boiler from no.1 to no. 4

April 24, 1919

Worked for Gompertz moving boiler 1 to 4 Mrs. Blamey [Mrs. E.A. Blaney] came out with dinner to drill came home seen one duck on Fin Lake Indian shot and missed it set too hens one on 13 hens eggs and one on 13 duck eggs

April 25, 1919

Work on wood for Gompertz at boiler first swan west bound sent 2 scks oats 2 bales hay to commission square up feed got feed and stuff from Pacific Grocery Co. small boiler came up for drill Val spoke about cart on R.R. Eklutna don't know about it evidently some change going to be maid on work with me and horse cant say Mrs. Blaney came out with lunch stay and knit on socks Val and the croud came back from Anchorage town

April 26, 1919

Took boiler to drill Manning 1doz eggs Lena took ride to Gompertz with kid hard trail lots of mud Bud Tolson got stuff at track seen Ladys Delegation at Alaxanders [Charles W. Alexander's?] place chickens eat eggs to day duck went to lake Indian boy came over in evening

April 27, 1919

Stay at home all day fix approach to lake for watter every thing seems to stop at once hawks thick today Indians have dinner to day stormy southwester cloudy

April 28, 1919

Work on wood for drill home late had supper at mess house Cassey and wife there with boy and adopted girl got first shot at duck missed it

April 29, 1919

Work on wood had lunch with Mrs. Mr. Blaney got grate fixed in Porkpine Boiler Gompertz Baker up to lake got sliver in foot awful sore sold stuff Alex and kid came over

April 30, 1919

Worked for Gompertz went and got gun and Kodak fixed by Val Crockett Mrs. Blaney and I went down to camp together

May 1, 1919

Work on wood for drill try to snow Wickman came over to try and get me to plow for him he do not say a word about pay for last work last spring

May 2, 1919

Work on wood provisions for Gompertz had supper with Val Mrs. Blaney at 7:30 P.M. Mrs. Blaney cold take on new form Val Crockett sarcastic as hell bout something

May 3, 1919

Work for Gompertz on wood to boiler Indian rode horse home duck in pond by house miss shot at him

May 4, 1919

Evans came over after plow to plow ground cannot let him have it stay at home took wood to cook house cook mad about something don't know write bunch letters send away one to Montgomery Ward Co.

May 5, 1919

Stay at home and take out manure on garden Andrew and another siwash clearing ground to day make good progress on back piece got check from Coal Co. Fin after me to plow got mad as hell be caus [because] I will not run after his heals when he wants me rain all night and part of day warm

May 6, 1919

Work for Gompertz took out one load of manure Indians make good headway Andrew and pard [partner] Gompertz after me about hay for Fin Fin gon after horse

May 7, 1919

Worked on wood for Gompertz mosquitoes bad warm sweat bad

May 8, 1919

Met Mrs. Secrist [Mrs. C.B. Secrest] Lena and Mrs. Blaney she was mad bout kids had pie cake at cook house had talk with Lena she gave me a lofe of bread for lunch warm just out of oven did some work for Gompertz kids had ride on sled lake open and clear of ice

May 9, 1919

Stayed at home plow and get stuff

May 10, 1919

At railroad got pie from Mrs. Blaney gave her three duck eggs gave Mrs. Alexander ½ dozen hens eggs pulled shalves out of wagon

May 11, 1919

Stay at home hawl wood Henry came back with plow took spring tooth drag leave at California Claim Molley came and got him money for laundry three dollars took sacks blanket overalls tomorrow to wash Harold came over to get ducks none in pond Sunday hawled in wood

May 12, 1919

Work for Gompertz all day went to RR nix there for me Mr and Mr Lynch came out on train

May 13, 1919

Work for drill outfit three big chiefs came out to inspect things Fin after me to help him to plow pay siwash Andrew and pardner (30)

May 14, 1919

Worked on wood plow for Fin Dock Harold Feeby [Phoebe Osborn?] duck hunting late when I got home some one opened hen run done chickens all mixed up five big swan west bound no stop

May 15, 1919

First chick out got wagon put in shalves fetch home hay oats 500 lbs went to work on wood at dark came home 11:45 P.M. Mad as Hatter had supper at mess-house with Blaneys heavy rain at night

May 16, 1919

Went to work after noon squaw kid came over cut potatoes for me drove Baker mare she is no good send \$2.50 to Anchorage for squaw calico

May 17, 1919

Worked for drill outfit with too horses Bakers mare chicks all out 4 one dyed Mrs. Blaney on trail

May 18, 1919

Plowed for Crockett at mess house Baker mad about something Bud took mare

May 19, 1919

Work on wood Gompertz mad wants me to take contract to cut and deliver wood got home strings letter about goats

May 20, 1919

Got 12 lbs meat \$4.20 from Indian at night had supper also work on wood Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] at Fins place to day lost hoe this week gon over the fence want Val to use boat to get wood so I can get work thro at home

May 21, 1919

Put in 2 sacks of spuds went to camp got ten from Gompertz 10 lbs spuds came home gave Lena bear skins as promis last year Charley opened his eyes at place

May 22, 1919

Went over to drill work ½ day Indian kids ax gon to day Dock duck hunting on Fins Lake in boat young duck in egg do not know if it will come out or dye in egg

May 23, 1919

Fire warden came in work for drill got package for Indian one duck out chickens mope don't know what is rong with them die Biddy

May 24, 1919

Squaws came over to get money for washing and calico from mail Molly cleaned up and made a change on stuff let chickens out Fin took bale hay 3 in all to date wants oats also

May 25, 1919

Gompertz at Fins with family work on wood as this is Sunday Fin get sk [sack] oats took seeder to seed in some small seed at his place

May 26, 1919

Stat [stay at] home half sick Harrison [Lee Harrison] and Harold with gun headed for Fin Lake start place for small chicks

May 27, 1919

Drag sticks and plow rain hard did nothing after rain start

May 28, 1919

Alex moved up with tent to start to work to weat [too wet] made camp killed three ducks and burst gun barrell at breach fixed up to set hens in coup for small chicks set hen on hens eggs Mrs. Tufluck at camp with Indians

May 29, 1919

Got box of roots alfalfa seed from Walter to plant work for drill

May 30, 1919

Went to R.R. for chick feed got spuds at mess house came home trail tuff

May 31, 1919

Plowed on slope dog had pups at 4 A.M. duck in egg dead egg shell in chicken coup empty Alex still at work with me

June 1, 1919

Got horse shod got bale hay from commission Doc Harrold came in to look at ducks chicks in house feel bum all day want me to move drill

June 2, 1919

Work on boiler and stacks Henry team a big surprise don't start good by any means chick dead this morning work til 7:30

June 3, 1919

Work for Gompertz sent chickens to Rhino Shonebeck [Shonbeck]

June 4, 1919

Work for Gompertz on drill moving got boil [bale] hay from Henry at commission work on boiler

June 5, 1919

Move stuff from lake to No. 5 hole Mrs. Blaney and Mrs. Secrist [Mrs. C.B. Secrest] ut to see location of hole

June 6, 1919

Work for Gompertz got hay rye and had trouble with Blazer [Frank Blasher?] he will not do any thing

June 7, 1919

Work for drill squaw came after laundry John got clock set pullitt on eggs  
Indian still clearing ground

June 8, 1919

Work for drill Fin got ½ doz eggs fetched too doves and plow back sent  
letter with checks to Carlsons and Pacific Gro. Co.

June 9, 1919

Work for Gompertz sent mail off to day had supper at mess house Gompertz  
and kids watching us

June 10, 1919

Stay harrow a piece on north slope took out young chicks and too ducks drag  
up end of plowing

June 11, 1919

Drag and hawl logs of the ground put in seed today Val and Dock after me  
Lena father went fishing Dock got too blue bills ducks Indians all at work to  
day do good job

June 12, 1919

Work for drill all day squaws came over eat eggs one wants to work take her  
she said she would come back took out one load of manure 5 ducks out all  
from that bunch

June 13, 1919

Work on ground went to R.R. for grub hay no oats got mail from Val  
Crockett and bank book took stuff to Gompertz house

June 14, 1919

Work for drill cook at home to ducks dead this morning bad luck

June 15, 1919

Plowed lots of visitors to day Mrs. Alexander Harrold Charley squaws and  
kids Bud Tolson came in he wants pack saddle

June 16, 1919

Work all day plowing and dragging Val came after me to hawl wood got oats and measure up ground for Alex squaw came back mad as hell bout some thing

June 17, 1919

Work on ground squaw run of a gain [run off again] at noon plow and drag in seed at night buisey [busy] all day at home have to cook once more again thanks

June 18, 1919

Work for drill plow harrow ground little chicks out 10 in all one dead ducks out break shell

June 19, 1919

Plowed all day ground wet horse pulled shoes of front feet settle up with Alex send checque

June 20, 1919

Work at drill on wood paid squaw \$11 for work that she did up to date she went home mad Val wants me to take stuff up to Hole No. 8 cant must plow and get in grain before it is to late

June 21, 1919

Plow all day Alex work Indians about dun clearing land for me want them to quit it

June 22, 1919

Plow all day Gompertz after me to work cant work till I get some ground broke up to plant rye in for feed for winter next out look bad seed small piece in rye

June 23, 1919

Drag all day with spring tooth drag and one horse to do it put in rye in piece north of old trail about too and half acers [acres] to clear and plant think it is too late but will try it



June 24, 1919

Work for Gompertz want too cans butter pay Alex to night \$10.00 for job round house and clear stumps of cleared ground put little ducks in lake 3 dead

June 25, 1919

Work for drill out fit all day 4 young ducks gon to day only nine left out of the bunch Grace Maud [Maud Osborn] and whole bunch at Lena Camp at R.R. Grace looks tough as any of her kind can

June 26, 1919

Work for Gompertz on drill hawl Molly drunk as hell Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] with bottle on track squaw coming after it I think he goes up to Bakers place with it wants to see Baker ask Val Crookett if bill was in or home bought stuff from Val for five dollars

June 27, 1919

Work on boiler and other stuff for drill outfit came home and got Kodak Val took pitcher [picture] for me Alex too tent braught back small ax he has got gun that I want

June 28, 1919

Work on drill stuff seen Molly on track too Osborn girls going up to Chickaloon Grace cant look up Alex came over

June 29, 1919

Work for Gompertz finish up at No. 5 hole heard that Alexander sold household goods and going out drillers ready to leave Tuesday seen Molly on track with her mother going to Chickaloon did not talk to her she is mad going sheep hunting

June 30, 1919

Work all day on stuff at lake crew paid at noon Baker went over to lake to help to load one load on his own time move Blaney stuff to railroad say goodbye see Molly and tribe with others on R.R. track sorry looking bunch

July 1, 1919

Hawl pipe in train leaves at noon or after bunch seems glad to go all wave good by see too squaws Molly and mother on R.R. got bedding and other

stuff from the camp do not speak John and kids all there too finish up for  
Gompertz paid off

July 2, 1919

Work on ground put in seed rye on old plowing did not plow drag it in that  
is all this time

July 3, 1919

Rain did not do anything

July 4, 1919

Gompertz and family over to get paper of account of work gave him one to  
take home

July 5, 1919

Plow all day on piece under hill lots of people going to Fins Lake do not  
know what

July 6, 1919

Plowed all day and sowed rye in strip under hill no hay for horse turn him  
out he came back to barn

July 7, 1919

Plowed little strip pick out trash bid Gompertz good by last night Fins stuff  
at platform

July 8, 1919

Horse went to Chickaloon went after him Old Man Luftis said some one  
would poison him Bud Tolson came in said rye was winter rye and  
[illegible] [illegible] out but no growth [growth]

July 9, 1919

Plowed all day and sow grain oats and rye on strip

July 10, 1919

Work all day with plow Lena with mens pants on dock waiting for to stop  
raining she hesitates but get bold and comes to

Horse goes up trail 19<sup>th</sup> [written at the top of the page containing entries  
from July 11 to July 20]

July 11, 1919

Lena came over for something but went on around trail box from Montgomery Ward Alex brought it in for me to get it his stuff out of it finish plowing rain a little quit for a little

July 12, 1919

Put in all seed and wind up grain seeding at 8 A.M. work all night turn horse out

July 13, 1919

Stay at home all day Indians came over to borrow money of me let Molley \$5.00 in advance on fish for me will try it once all kicking about purchase of goods made I must pay balance

July 14, 1919

Rain hard in morning went to Chickaloon got R. oats. [illegible] gave Alex \$2.45 for car fair gave my good by to Molley she is of in morning train for Matanuska to fish Joe Palmer Andrew Alex and all goes Osborn wants me to move him down to R.R. Camp Saturday horse at 36 Camp

July 15, 1919

Start to cultivate garden rain

July 16, 1919

Cultivate got blues over crap got horse shod and cheque cashed \$12.00

July 17, 1919

~~Lena brought cat~~ Cultivate and quit to lonesome here to work will try to get job at commission

July 18, 1919

Lena brought cat and kitten over for me more nucince to look after kid likes to chase chickens and little ducks

July 19, 1919

Alexanders goes on train to town don't think they will be back move Old Man Osborn to companys cabin at track turn horse out on hill Rhinehardt [Peter F. Reinhardt] at Fins place looking over stuff and Chamberlain fixing sail for boat and I watched him sail

July 20, 1919

Tronstad came over with his little girl she had a good time with chicks and ducks

July 21, 1919

Cultivate rutabaga a little Joe Rastmuessun and forest agent after Gompertz for wood money but I did not know about how much was cut went to Chickaloon with mail letters to B.H. and E.L.B.

July 22, 1919

Did nothing too ducks dead today

July 23, 1919

Raining hard this morning stay at home all day

July 24, 1919

Finish plowing potatoes went to Fins and back with water

July 25, 1919

Went to Chickaloon got mail and sack of corn had lunch at Osborns took corn home

July 26, 1919

Went out to hunt went to lake found Wickersham and Manning on raft fishing had 3 or 4 fish

July 27, 1919

Stay home all day did not go any place only for water

July 28, 1919

Clean up to go to Chickaloon but stay at home young ducks eyes go shut and dye cant tell what is wrong

July 29, 1919

Clean up and watch young ducks one dyed from cold I think no luck for me it looks that way now went to Chickaloon seen Mrs. Tronstad and kids at done met stranger seems to be a old timer

July 30, 1919

Rain all day stay home went to Fins for watter feel lazy no apitite to work

July 31, 1919

Home all day cook a little house leak like sieve went to Chickaloon stop at Tronstad for a fiew minutes

August 1, 1919

Stay at home all day and try to make up my mind what do

August 2, 1919

Went over to Fins for watter horse on edge of lake too small ducks with eyes closed try to get them to eat and warm them up but do not think they will make mutch at all

August 3, 1919

Too young ducks dye went to Tolsons had fill on sheep meat and berrys gave me plate of meat came home late had dog with me

August 4, 1919

Went to Chickaloon got stamps sent letters to Anchorage

August 5, 1919

Went to Chickaloon seen nix

August 6, 1919

Stay home all day

August 7, 1919

Stay home all day

August 8, 1919

Go for horse to get sack corn

August 9, 1919

Stay at home rain hard

August 10, 1919

Stay at home look for a visit from Tronstad he did not come home all day

August 11, 1919

Go to Chickaloon get a catalogue and some talk with Joe about Raffle of Poultry at his place he don't feel inclined to take hold

August 12, 1919

Went to Chickaloon got tobacco went to Fins place picked straw berries give them to Tronstad got watter came home give him rhubarb

August 13, 1919

One little chick dead stay at home all day do nothing only mope

August 14, 1919

Alex came up last night got horse from Chickaloon Henry said the tribe was on train put shoe on horse to work for Fin put in grain for winter

August 15, 1919

Alex came over got turnips all Indians back to night put shoe on horse ready to put in grain at Fins place

August 16, 1919

Put in grain finish up and broke his drag or pulled it apart had to get mine birds and mise [mice] eating straw berries taste not good at all

August 17, 1919

Stay at home Tronstad and family came over to look at country all looks good to her girl has good time with ducks and chickens take turnips

August 18, 1919

Rain hard put in seed timothy clover bakara wheat to Tronstad for to get a role films sent mail to Seattle and Coper River

August 19, 1919

Went to Chickaloon got grass seed and vetch choss seed had a lunch with Tronstad

August 20, 1919

Stay at home went for watter to Fins got lunch picked strawberries out of his garden

August 21, 1919

Start for Chickaloon met Malcom Molly and baby on trail came home  
Malcom hunting and berrying went to Fins place for watter

August 22, 1919

Went to Chickaloon for to get my close washed ask for a job no answer

August 23, 1919

Fin came in make grand rush for train left bucket with stuff for chickens and  
some bread

August 24, 1919

Start barn foundation go over to Fins with Tronstad to look at his hay and  
berries

August 25, 1919

Rain all day put up too logs had to quit rain

August 26, 1919

Went to Chickaloon heard that I could not get work there

August 27, 1919

Met Lewis on track went to Chickaloon came back and got stuff at Tronstads  
photos and medicen

August 28, 1919

Put one round of logs on barn got a good start but got no long 30 foot ones

August 29, 1919

Set to end logs shave and start for Chickaloon to see if there is any chicken  
feed feed came horse at office stop at Tronstad and reed paper for while

August 30, 1919

Went Chickaloon for to get my hair cut Manning not there he was up to  
Wickershams to visit

August 31, 1919

Hawled logs for barn half of day

September 1, 1919

Went to Chickaloon with duck for Frank Kelly left it with Manning for Chamberlain to look after and to deliver to him Tronstad wants one duck too went to Chickaloon stop at Tronstad rain all day

September 2, 1919

Start to cut hay Harrold came after me to work at camp cooking nights don't like it

September 3, 1919

Work cooking nights all night

September 4, 1919

Work all night at camp cooking

September 5, 1919

Took ducks to Chickaloon to send to Eska did not get paid met Jim Hill back from France talk till dark came home

September 6, 1919

Josie came over with berries 7 lbs cook to day John Ball [John Bull?] came with her want money

September 7, 1919

Tronstad and family came over cut logs for barn and it rained hard in afternoon

September 8, 1919

Dig some spuds Alex came over went to Chickaloon

September 9, 1919

Dig spuds and pack them in

September 10, 1919

Cut logs for barn went to Chickaloon for feed bought some cranberries to day girls came



September 11, 1919

Fix up cranberries Mrs. Tough Luck

September 12, 1919

Mrs. Tough Luck came over got money from her \$3.40 to pay for berries

September 13, 1919

Went after horse to get feed cant find him niger woman on trail after berries scared of bear track horse to lake

September 14, 1919

Go to Chickaloon get corn seen Grace Osborn Old Man and woman at house California put up fence at Fins place to keep horses out of his feed

September 15, 1919

Fix up coop to ship chickens took chickens down to ship gave Henry 5 small ones

September 16, 1919

Dug the last of the potatoes

September 17, 1919

Rain hard all day cold did not do anything mutch all day Indians cut hay at Fins

September 18, 1919

Start to work on barn Maning [J. E. Manning] and Carlson came over to get me to load machinery for Lynch Bros

September 19, 1919

Work on Machinery and put it up on platform to be shipped work all day

September 20, 1919

Finish up and pay Old Osborn 10 out of 25 for his work on it

September 21, 1919

Maning [J. E. Manning] came over and told me that the goats is in town for me sent by Carstem Company Seattle Wash Tronstad and family give him a chicken to day to take home with him

September 22, 1919

Took gun back riffle [rifle] from Henry for ten dollars goats on train

September 23, 1919

Got goats keep them in all day Wickersham came over today took a look at Fins place about horse Joe Frog came up to look at place

September 24, 1919

Let goats out horses came in goats behave good run to Johnsons cabin put up to logs on barn horses in and out all day cut Evans mare out of windfalls to day

September 25, 1919

Heavy frost last night on ground froze hard seen brown bear track on road up Johnson Creek Harrison [Lee Harrison] came to look at goats put up one log on barn

September 26, 1919

Heavy frost last night horses came back home in to Fins this morning went to Chickaloon stop Tronstad

September 27, 1919

Indian John came over to get work rain hard all day and night

September 28, 1919

Tronstad came over with goat and wife and kids goats way out in burn swamp John came here to work

September 29, 1919

Went to Eska Mine met Mr. Olson there got paid for chickens \$60.00 stop at Gov Camp at night and eat there

September 30, 1919

Came home John Swamp tookare the place picked at lot of seed grass and rhodomdra [rhododendron?] or legume wild

October 1, 1919

Work on barn John and me put seed out on north slope at lake to see what it will do

October 2, 1919

Snow all day hard goats cold shaking do not take to the brush like I thought they would

October 3, 1919

Cut logs and hawled them in and got some poles in for barn

October 4, 1919

Went to Tronstad and got butter and took lantern back home Tronstad

October 5, 1919

Got duck and 7 lbs of sheep meat from Alex and bear skin Tronstad and Johnson came over to see me with little girl Fin came after me to help him put his hay up at 8 P.M. to dark

October 6, 1919

Help Fin Indians got big brown bear meat surveyor killed him on lake at Fins put up too logs on barn with horse work 5 hrs for Fin Alex came with bear skin and sholder of sheep meat

October 7, 1919

Set one log on barn Alex got money 4 dollars took ten to get changed did not come back with the money John came after his pay \$ 5.50 Alex did not come back did not pay him

October 8, 1919

Put up too logs Alex help me with them Tough Luck and Little John got duck of lake had a great time shooting it about 2 hrs to get it Alex took three length of stove pipe 11 P.M. snowing and blowing some

October 9, 1919

Set too logs in barn Indians came Alex helped put in too logs all day

October 10, 1919

Indian Alex came and put up bid logs and set them in Mrs. Tronstad and kids came to see goats send letter to Brown and H about money from Fin

October 11, 1919

John start to work on barn put up too logs on barn Alex start of with horse to get him shod horse came home work 1 hr on barn

October 12, 1919

John work all day Alex came at too work to start to rain no one today to see goats

October 13, 1919

Work on barn get horse shod John work on poles Alex help on log and flore [floor?] gave him \$4.00 for work

October 14, 1919

Put up ridge logs took all day squaws came for potatoes 25 cts John got \$10.00 for work up to date went to 36 to night to see tribe

October 15, 1919

Alex hawled poles half day John cut poles set too roof logs went to Tronstad Mrs. gave me a loaf of bread had piece of blueberry pie Alex took some cabage and turnips home

October 16, 1919

Work on barn all day horse ran of Alex went after him did not come back

October 17, 1919

Alex helped on barn and hawled poles for roof went to Chickaloon got grub 360 for nothing got roll of films and watch paid \$4.50 John got sheep ham from Indian 14 lbs he said 15 lbs John weigh it

October 18, 1919

Finished all bracing cut done in end Alex after money for meat did not get goats in barn

October 19, 1919

Paid Alex cut in some flore put up middle cross stick man came to see goats put up pole logs outside

October 20, 1919

Put in flore got five lods of moss to barn for roof send letters a way outside about goats to Palmer

October 21, 1919

Put poles on barn roof and put goats in goats run up hill got them back at 11 P.M. wilde about strangers and about latern

October 22, 1919

Put poles on roof went to get flour at Tronstad got sack 10lbs of rye flour and butter at Old John he is packing up to leave here Johns cant come after him to go home

October 23, 1919

Work on barn all day at home

October 24, 1919

Work on barn all day at home Bud Tolson came to see goats with a grin on

October 25, 1919

Sat went Chickaloon to get work told to come Monday

October 26, 1919

Went and got coal for Tronstad hauled in poles for floor for barn rain and soft Harrold and Grace came by to try ice lake

October 27, 1919

Start to work for commission at Hoist House pull up a few cars to try my hand at it

October 28, 1919

Work on foundation for dinanio [dynamo] and ingin [engine] dug out all day

October 29, 1919

Got dinanio [dynamo] and ingin [engine] set up got floor in and fixed up to start

October 30, 1919

Work on water in tunnel for boiler house to get water help in engine room start in on hoist

November 1, 1919

11 P.M. start to run hoist on grave yard shift lubrication went out whak

November 2, 1919

Work all night keep up steam till 7 A.M. boss goes down to try air had fan going at 3 A.M. no mistake in it about air

November 3, 1919

Running fine night shift boss let me pull back half load of timber

November 4, 1919

Steam valve on watter colum blew off ask for valve Mike came out to help  
Mike killed boiler to get valve out put in small one but steam on in jig time

November 5, 1919

Work all night no miss hap at all

November 6, 1919

Work all night run smooth as glass

November 7, 1919

Work all night buisey at hoist got changed

November 8, 1919

Start to work day shift got changed

November 9, 1919

Mrs. Tronstad and family came over with too kids to see goats goats run off

November 10, 1919

Work on wedges and help Henry he wants to go to town to see Old Woman  
and Molly

November 11, 1919

Take team and work with team till he comes back on Friday train

November 12, 1919

Drive team

November 13, 1919

Bourk came out with Monday train

November 14, 1919

Work all day with team Henry and Molly com back at night train late do not  
wait

November 15, 1919

Help Henry and work on wedges

November 16, 1919

Tronstad and family come to see goats with family goats take to hill as quick as they see sled

**[Mr. Simpson had been remarkably consistent in making his daily diary entries, but from this point on the entries would not always be made every day. The reader should understand that no pages are missing from the diary and no entries have been deleted in this transcription. This is the way the diary was written.]**

January 2, 1920

Got fired at commission for nothing on my part that I can find out

January 22, 1920

Went up river for Joe Bush cold and windy made 5 mile cabin

January 23, 1920

Made 4 mile tents seen Joe Palmer coming down snow deep no trail cold and no wind

January 24, 1920

Seen Wickersham and dog going to his cabin on Gravel Creek Lake

January 25, 1920

Camp at Wickersham's cabin he came back to Chickaloon

January 26, 1920

Took load up river moved to old camp ground in draw

January 27, 1920

Moved camp up river to camp the horse got loose last night and tore a sack of flour all to pieces

January 28, 1920

Took load up to glacier came back ice bad shelly and dangerous

January 29, 1920

Take load up to old camp the other side of Cariboo Creek 1 mile

January 30, 1920

Joe Bush disifide [dissatisfied] with work camped at Cariboo took rest of outfit up to camp get ready to come down river cold horse froze his sides with harness

January 31, 1920

Came home did not like the trip it is a bad one a round Glacier Point unsafe anytime stop for train at camp where Olson and Christ gave me a cup of tee came home no nothing cold every thing froze up kids take care of goats

February 1, 1920

Kids came and Molley and paid them \$8.00 for feeding goats and \$1.00 for washing dog shit all over the house every thing froze injin labor no good nothing to do any more only sleep and feed one horse and 13 goats till spring close

March 14, 1920

Went to see Frank Nicoli and boy he is got bad cold that is all

March 16, 1920

Sheer too goats hair weights 7 lbs one shed in Feb. some time forgot to enter it but about Feb. 15 I think but not sure of date but fleese weighed 3 lbs

March 17, 1920

Went did not do any thing

March 18, 1920

Went to Chickaloon got to cans of tobacco and was told that they do not keep a store for farmers Old Man Osborn met me and ask why I did not speak don't want to know him no how old thief at that clear zero at night

March 19, 1920

Clip too goats long horn got with left horn turned fleese weigh about 9 lbs on the too goats that is got some little wood to burn snow cold at night



March 20, 1920

Snow cold west wind clip one goat fleece weighs about 5 pounds quit it too cold to clip any more just now cold wind stormy cold at night

March 21, 1920

Home all day stormy all day snow want to finish up clipping goats to cold

March 22, 1920

Made trail strong wind snow in morning hard east wind stop at noon hr blow hard from west got a little brush for goats still snow blow snow and blow hard

March 23, 1920

Stay at home all day cold and snowing in morning sunshine but cold don't thaw today got a little wood to burn in stove

March 24, 1920

Stay home all day start to get manure box made but quit chilly sun shine in afternoon snow in morning

March 25, 1920

Storm all day went to railroad and got a tree for wood made trail with tree top Tolson tracks going to Chickaloon bad trail blow first big grey eagle going west today

March 26, 1920

Went to Chickaloon got mail met niger wench on track she is afraid of horse got views of house goats and barn look fine \$120.00

March 27, 1920

Snow and blow stay at home all day cut wood and smoke

March 28, 1920

Stay at home all day blow hard and cold wind from east

March 29, 1920

Went to rail road got some wood blow and cold

March 30, 1920

Stay at home blow all day

March 31, 1920

Blow want to go out but to windy

April 1, 1920

Clear went to Chickaloon for mail got letter from B & H and Val Crockett got load of manure had a hell of a time getting home with it got some wood and went over trail again it is all filled in and crusted get off at least a half doz times clear but cold with little wind or breeze

April 2, 1920

Clear cool went up Matanuska to see Frank Nicoli and tribe they are going up river soon got home late about 7:30 P.M. cold clear

April 3, 1920

Got load of manure and wood Andrew came by with 4 big fat rabbits from lower end of Fin Lake in the willows 4 yesterday to cold clear

April 4, 1920

Frank Nicoli come over and Little Stickwan and Andrew got rabbits Andrew gave me a spruce hen and I gave them a lunch for the spruce hen

April 5, 1920

Stay home all day and clean up fine all day but not warm

April 6, 1920

Andrew went after rabbits but did not get any he had a 22 rifle and could not get any sent pitchers [pictures] to Chas Cowell and wrote letters for mailing today clear not warm

April 7, 1920

Went to Chickaloon seen to or three Indians Nicoli did not come back with fox skin

April 8, 1920

Went to Indian camp to get Little Stickwan to take care of goats till I get back from Anchorage had quite a time to get him to come

April 9, 1920

Got Stickwan to stay got four bales of hay from commission

April 10, 1920

Went to Anchorage stop at Peterson

April 11, 1920

Seen Mrs. Ringstad met Mrs. Morrison

April 12, 1920

Met John Gerow Jes Garver Erickson

April 13, 1920

Frank Gowing Wendler Chas Bush

April 14, 1920

Seen Mrs. Morison Mr. Garig [William Gerig? If so, William Gerig was the engineer in charge of the Anchorage division of the government railroad] about

April 15, 1920

Work took name snow in Anchorage

April 16, 1920

Came home no feed for animals no money out of everything tough luck at that price sure as hell

April 17, 1920

Went up to Chickaloon got mail did not get any hay up there

April 18, 1920

Too girls got the key of house from Stickwan and want the money that I owe him for staying at house when gone to Anchorage Molley came after snares and traps to get rabbits but wants Johnnies part of money

April 19, 1920

Did nothing all day only think cant come to conclusion what to do for the best at present

April 20, 1920

Went to Chickaloon got bale of hay for goats and horse Annie Frank Nicoli girl came after grub with other girl with squirl skins to sell don't want them

April 21, 1920

Frank Nicoli came over and stayed all day went and got mail one about goats one from Netland

April 22, 1920

Went to pay Stickwan got pay for window sash Indians moving up river Crist came back with dogs Molley and squaws all in a bunch

April 23, 1920

Stay at home write a letter to Capen Yelm about goats and ect [etc?] All Walters [Al Walter] came after horse to take to Palmer to work on farm and for others than his self at too per day and feed glad he is gon from here

April 24, 1920

Walters [Al Walter] took horse this morning harness and singletree start for Palmer at 9 A.M. from watter tank down the track Johnie came over to find what was the matter

April 25, 1920

Cliped too goats Bud and Wickersham came to get me to go to Gravel Creek had a drink of berry juice thought it was fine or wine do not know

April 26, 1920

Going up river to day with Wickersham river rotten and opening up to mutch for safety got a boat on lake for him horse play out first mallard ducks on river

April 27, 1920

Make a trip back after stuff lots of watter on ice snow all mushy seen Frank Nicoli

April 28, 1920

Came back down the river got horse in the main channel had a hard job to get him out Indians road a crost [rode across] river on sled John Bull came back with us to 36 ice just start to break up at Chickaloon Crossing

April 29, 1920

Little Johnie braught a part of a plug of westover to me he went to camp at lower lake to fish with his mother went to see Manning and get some grub

and tobacco and try to get Tolsons horse potatoes came from Walters  
[Walter] three hind [illegible]

April 30, 1920

Got Buds horse and fetched potatoes home took out manure on garden took  
horse home Mr. Rader [Frederick E. Rader, in charge of Alaska's  
Agricultural Experiment Station at Matanuska] from the Gov. Exp. Sta. at  
Matanuska to look at goats but got no information about them he stayed all  
night was a shamed of my self had only flour and potatoes kids came back  
from fishing got nothing Bull got spruce hen

May 1, 1920

Up at 5 A.M. Mr. Rader [Frederick E. Rader] left for the train in morning  
first rain did nothing all day stay at home

May 2, 1920

Cabbage coming through in box calliflour not out yet first drake a big  
mallard dog got him out of lake goats will not stay a way from home feed  
showing up good so far

May 3, 1920

Andrew came over after potatoes went over to Fins place no ducks there  
Nation and Tufluck duck hunting with big bunch of traps to set on Fins place  
big freese tonight

May 4, 1920

Stevens [Stevens] went by about 8:30 A.M. big wind new ice all over lake  
and ground start to cut potatoes for seed blow hard froze

May 5, 1920

Cut potatoes all day for seed went to get some ducks but they flew off 4 teal  
wind blowing cold freeze blow hard

May 6, 1920

Seen pair of mallards on ice could not shoot them Manning came over to tell  
me that there was seed at depo from Rader [Frederick E. Rader] Gov. Exp.  
Sta. man teal ducks on lake shore cut potatoes all day hot outside cabbage  
plants looks sick no wind warm

May 7, 1920

Put goats out wont stay shot at some teal ducks gun wont eject empty shell  
lost mallard by it wench came and we got butter balls she went home first  
frog hollard today stay at home

May 8, 1920

Went to town to get grub but was refused any thing at commission store eat  
at Mannings car spube [the words spube and spubine seem to refer to a dog]  
got bit bad with big bitch of Mannings seen Bud Tolson with horse going  
home robin whistles

May 9, 1920

Up late get letters from all sides for money better make assignment and pay  
all that way is the only way out for me to do and get out of here nothing to  
eat here all grub gon and hungry at that first swallow at night goats take to  
the hill do know where came back at 7 P.M. all there

May 10, 1920

Mised mallards early clip kids 7 lbs dirty wool of hair look funny at that too  
white ducks on lake big ones Mrs. and Mr. Turney with too ducks at night  
got 10 dollars from Bud Tolson got sk flour from Henry

May 11, 1920

Went to Chickaloon with mail stoped and give Henry drag and plow sent  
mail out got skooter [scoter duck] seen little girl at commission camp

May 12, 1920

Got mail seen little girl at Chickaloon got skooter [scoter] duck on lake  
Manning cursing about gun Henry got plow and drag Johnie mad about duck  
stop and talk with Evens till 10 P.M. come home

May 13, 1920

John came over this noon had a cup of tea and hot cake talk about goats  
Sheep Mountain Ranch

May 14, 1920

Went for to get grub none came home Walters [Al Walter] brought back  
horse John Bull stayed all night his mother came after him got duck got  
\$33.00 from Walter [Al Walter]

May 15, 1920

Hauled manure out on garden John Bull did not come to work got through with manure spent 35 cts

May 16, 1920

Tough-luck came over with gun got shot at mallards I got one cripple one pintail that was all for today

May 17, 1920

Got horse plowed garden and put in clover and alfalfa in south side of house strip put earth from Walters ground with it to germinate the seed snowed first no grub yet starved out for want of grub cut potatoes from station stock snowed in morning rain

May 18, 1920

Plant potatoes all day rain and snow snow all night warm goats out all day came in at 8 P.M. duck fat pintail for supper no grub snow today

May 19, 1920

Goats won't stay out snowing and raining start to clean up house Frank Nicoli came over got his black silver fox had big feed at Henry's got grub 20 lbs came home early rain

May 20, 1920

Took out salt and goats on hill got coat Fin brought me a goose cut spuds my own plant to day Spaulding [Charles Spaulding?] and Manning out hunting ducks little girl with them Manning took my boots found none

May 21, 1920

Goats went straight to salt on the hill side under spruce tree 7 came back 6 off by themselves some place Joe Palmer came over and we looked at Castle Mountain with glasses to see if we could see sheep none there Joe leaves Monday for fox hunt Fin looking for horse goats came home after I looked for them all over the Johnston place Henry dragged a little piece of ground in front of house for me and Walter and Manning came over from Fin's fine day warmer

May 22, 1920

Work on fence all day start post holes put bells on goats to day frost tonight

May 23, 1920

Did nothing all day only sweep up Little John John Bull Molley baby and girl came to see goats Manning and one other man came after me to drag his garden in morning

May 24, 1920

Draged garden for Manning got \$2.00 for about three hours work Fin got plow start fence on south side to keep stock out drag in seed in back yard cab. [cabbage] rutbeg [rutabaga] and turnip red clover timothy peas carott

May 25, 1920

Work on fence all day Evans came over for to get Soviate [Soviet] Russia work late got no supper went to bed hungry

May 26, 1920

Ship mohair to New York City send letter to J. Gerow Anchorage mail \$5.00 sent \$2.00 to N.E. Olson to pay him old debt got seed from J. E. Manning and get rose bushes from Johnsons cabin from Lee Harison [Harrison]

May 27, 1920

Up late spent the day running after horse put in seed on Unit 12 ground barley wheat Smith sends for goats of Krueger to be shipet Saturday train got rose bushes from Johnstons

May 28, 1920

Got horse shipped goats of Krueger to Smith for me got phone from Mr. Kelly to deliver goats N.E. Olson got his money train crew up to look the country over and see things in general hot breeze

May 29, 1920

Make fires in burn on hill cut posts gots [goats] a way over in burn beyond Fins first green timber got them at 11 P.M. in V of timber falls no one today to house hot breeze Evans for haircut

May 30, 1920

Sunday no heart to work today no goats go all over east see no signs get back at 11:30 P.M. no goats or no bell to be heard thought I hear kid hollar at 12 P.M. wind strong



May 31, 1920

Start for goats at 10 A.M. did not find them went to 27 Camp sleep by stump outside of camp cold all night

June 1, 1920

Got breakfast at 27 came home seen one bear track fresh at 30 post trail Fin came over to get diamond point got none glass cutter scarce goats came in after 10 P.M. one missen [missing] old long horn goat missen

June 2, 1920

Stay in all day to hot ashes falling from forest fire nothing starting out of ground so far potatoes slow to come went to Chickaloon Tolson work on ram at Gompertz house

June 3, 1920

Seen McMurray at depot got \$46.00 for feed bill on 2 goats navil [naval] outfit in on train to look around the coal field and Gompertz place got supper at Henrys did not work

June 4, 1920

Stuff starting out of ground barley turnips and garden stuff rhubarb looks poor now rose bushes look fair hot and we need rain bad only 10 goats in long horn gone for good lost got grub bacon tea Tob-B-Bow from moose 665 little handful

June 5, 1920

Wickersham came over and we went hunting and got some fish they were good he had supper with me quite a bunch at lake fishing Tolson and others there seen no signs of long-horn goat any where none hear bell

June 6, 1920

Stay home all day did not do any thing at all Evans came over to day went and fix wire fence Sunday all day

June 7, 1920

Went and got fish and put in the lake five in all rest died before I left lake and only put five in lost another goat leader of the bunch she had big bag and think she went off to lamb someplace

June 8, 1920

Lost a day someplace Monday

June 9, 1920

Found goat leader she was lost up on hill in draw went to Chickaloon got sugar and came back with letters went after goats old leader has kid in draw fetch her home

June 10, 1920

Do nothing all day so far look for goats they came home while I was gone Fin brought plow back look on lake no fish jump dead I think don't know so far

June 11, 1920

Crooked horn yew [ewe] came to the rye dog bark and I think she went to have kids some place in wind falls she did not come home at all

June 12, 1920

Up all night cant finde goat she is gon look all a round for her cant finde her will try again to hear her bell if I can found crooked horn with kid got home at 12 M no matches to smoke tobacco finde crooked horn and kid on top of hill fetch her home kid cold cant suck

June 13, 1920

Kid dyed in morning skin it loose all energy to work milk goat milk fine to drink

June 14, 1920

Went to Fins for matches and look at crop nothing looks good to me Mollie and Sweed Long Foot came over for tent and nipple seen Manning at Gomp house he is sore about everything around drink all the goats milk

June 15, 1920

Did nothing all day pick sticks and burn up a few stumps big wind

June 16, 1920

Went to Chickaloon got mail and sent mail to town met Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss, Lieut of Alaska Coal Commission] on trail discusted [disgusted] rain hard for several hours stop at Evans he is about to go

June 17, 1920

Goat had kid in evening I got her in draw fine buck had a job to get it home with its mother it took hours little fellow hollard his self horse

June 18, 1920

Little Johnnie and Jon Bull [John Bull] came over to get long horn goat for \$10.00 give them the job to look for her rain hard snow at night

June 19, 1920

Snow hard lots of snow fall in the morning goats do not want to go away and feed get in the grain 3 or 4 times put them in barn and shut them in got a small fire in barn all day north wind cold and rain

June 20, 1920

No grub to day dogs look tough now and I cant feed them no money to go or do anything with start fence to lane to lead stock from the barn hot in the afternoon Mr. Maine and Tipton first clover in bloom train up for something extra

June 21, 1920

Fix fence to hill put up wire and posts goats in at 4 P.M. dogs hungry and me too no grub to eat

June 22, 1920

Joe Bush pardner and Malcom came by to see the goats and fish did not come back fixed brush fence on hill to stop the goats from running through the rye field start to rain at night cold all day

June 23, 1920

Went to Chickaloon and got mail from Netland and grub at tank seen the big gun of the camp and Smith with boat on train big dance at the camp tonight Jensen too for salt

June 24, 1920

Did not do any thing goats went up hill I looked for long horn but did not finde her its stump

June 25, 1920

Rain goats out lambs and mothers in musk rat on lake for too nights guess that they will stay here put in some posts and dug post holes and look over the grain crop

June 26, 1920

Put in too posts start to work on poles for fence goats come in just at start got in to grain quit work

June 27, 1920

Went to Fins for watter mosquitoes bad all day start on lane fence quit early first kids out

June 28, 1920

Goats go out and come back little ones out for awhile Old Sore Toe got kid to day about 12 P.M. got a good strong voice at 1:30 P.M. Little Tad doing well at 9 P.M. Mannings dog and Joe Palmers dog at home tonight trying to rain

June 29, 1920

Went for watter the Fins field looks tough nothing there berryes all dead finish up on fence rain

June 30, 1920

Went to Chickaloon seen Hoffman Manning mad about dogs at house he thinks that they was not here

July 1, 1920

Cultivate potatoes ground dry on top light crust cold west wind drying out every thing goats in barn for fiew hours

July 2, 1920

Goats stay out a few hours go and get salt for goats at depo from Henry McKinnon make a stop at bull cook he comes up to look at place thinks it is fine

July 3, 1920

Mr. Tipton and me start out to get a sheep or goat dogs tree a porcupine at Rhineheardts [Peter F. Reinhardt's] old camp get her for dog feed not fat now

July 4, 1920

Go up to Castle Mountain to try to get sheep or goats do not see tracks or any thing of the kind out of luck nothing in sight with glasses came home at midnight tired and hungry don't want to hunt anymore

July 5, 1920

Gots in the grain to or three times so far rain in early to bed at 9 P.M. no one came rain

July 6, 1920

Goats out at 9 A.M. little one lost dog spube found him be hinde the root of a tree taking a sack and gun back to camp Chas girl caught little trout in creek at tank great sport for them wash out on track at 30 Post rain hard at night

July 7, 1920

Went down to camp washout no train in seen some officers

July 8, 1920

Went to Chickaloon no train horses gon for grub out of grub at camp got dog feed from Joe he came over to see me

July 9, 1920

Wikman [Carl Wickman?] this morning went to Chickaloon to get mail and grub got cartridges and overalls from Henry seen Wickersham at depot Joe came up and staid all night he quit his job and said he would stay till I tried to sell my goats look for old goat seen new fire up in burn and a moccasin track too rain gnats thick yellow on misquotes

July 10, 1920

At home all day Joe came back no grub only flour goats don't want to go out rain about all day

July 11, 1920

Start for to sell goats on the trail to Matanusky [Matanuska] got ride from Smith in auto to Eska put the car over the track fine work seen Wade and eat at Moos [Moose] Creek stop at Whites [White's Roadhouse]

July 12, 1920

Stop at Hickey [Ross Heckey was a homesteader. His farm was just south of present-day Palmer] and Higin [Smith Higgins] over night and went up to Whites [White's Roadhouse] to get a bid on the goats got none went back to Hickeys [Heckey's] for supper

July 13, 1920

Start back to come home knee hurt bad stay at Whites [White's Roadhouse] all day rain hard made a deal to White to take the goats at \$400.00 and pay \$75.00 per month till paid for

July 14, 1920

Come up on train get stuff from Henry and come home Mrs. Wendler and girls on train to Chickaloon goats look lank

July 15, 1920

Home all day Joe went after Jack head and money paid off rain came back did not work

July 16, 1920

Went to Chickaloon Navy outfit came in Joe and me came he is restless to leave the land gots stay in most all day Mr. Garig [William Gerig?] seems very nice to me rain all night

July 17, 1920

Did nothing all day Joe Beach left to get some papers signed at Palmer and go to Anchorage start him of on hill trail to rail road by 36 Camp short cut he left at about 2 P.M. little goats in barn to get away from mosquitoes and gnats

July 18, 1920

Windy cloudy rainey and sunshine mosquitoes an gnats bad goats stick to barn for protection

July 19, 1920

Went to Chickaloon and paid Henry eight dollars for grub and got turpentine seen Tolson and Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] on trail ask for job packing Navy outfit out on the firs trip don't know about it

July 20, 1920

Manning came after me for to ship goats to Palmer sold on time to White [Goren O. White] got sk of flour from Henry came home late

July 21, 1920

Go after horse to 30 mile wash out had coffee with section boss fetched horse home take goats to R.R. ship them to White [Goren O. White] took Fins stuff home for him work all night with horse

July 22, 1920

Keep horse home all day did not go out at all got up late rain

July 23, 1920

Got sled from top of hill front Bobbs put them in with him Bobbs fetched boiler frame in too

July 24, 1920

Took horses down to 29 turn them loos give them salt on bar in box for to keep them away from Camp 27 met Tough Luck and Simion [Simeon?] going hunting up Coal Creek they fooled me about going up with them

July 25, 1920

Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] and sister came over came in the house for to spend a few minutes and look at pitchers went with them as far as the house had tea and cake came home heard some one holler went out to Fins heard too soldiers from King River lost at 9:30 P.M. put them on trail at 10:15 P.M. for home went to Fins and talked all the time till 12 P.M.

July 26, 1920

Shaved and went to Chickaloon called up Mike Cherry he is at Willow Creek had supper with Henry he gave a piece of salt pork came home seen Bud Tolson in store talked with him about horse and goats stop at Calif Camp talk with Lieut Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] come home

July 27, 1920

Go to King [River?] to look for tracks of goat none to be seen soldiers lye about tracks none visible no place so far clear hot

July 28, 1920

Go to Fins then to Chickaloon no mail from any place only town no money got to go to get money for goats at Palmer one sk flour give to Henry to replace hot clear

July 29, 1920

Leave for Palmer on train to get Mike Cherry to go and find potash bed hot this morning take dogs with me

July 30, 1920

Stop at Fish Hook In [Fishhook Inn] go over trail from Palmer tough meat Huewy Godell with pack horse after meat and grub

July 31, 1920

Land at Mikes shack tired to death with to dogs Mike seems not verry well pleased to se me but offer me work no go

August 1, 1920

Start over mountain to see claim sharpen picks and look at ledge come back

August 2, 1920

Mike works down below on stringer I go to Godells Camp for ham and potatoes get spuds come back with too quail to eat

August 3, 1920

Go to Talketna [Talkeetna] groupe cant clime snow slide in draw Mike goes over the draw I go a round meat him on top cash drills come back to camp stay at camp till Mike gets back from town

**[This is another instance, and in the preceding days as well, that Mr. Simpson skipped entries in his daily diary, no pages are missing from the diary and no entries have been deleted in this transcription. This is the way the diary was written.]**

August 17, 1920

Leave for Moos Creek tough trip loose fannie the dog at Mikes Camp

August 18, 1920

Horse at Moos Creek pack for Getzil [Fred Getzel?] come home and start for potash bed in morning



August 19, 1920

Start up the trail for east

August 22, 1920

Came home from trip up the trail met berry pickers Mrs. Mr. Turney and Mr. Spaulding [Charles Spaulding?] on big flat and came home from Mudy Creek other side of Gov Camp in draw or old Camp [illegible]

August 23, 1920

Stay at home all day gave Mike a white silk shirt he is quite proud of it and we went up to Chickaloon to geather after dinner got eggs and bread for sppere [supper?] rain

August 24, 1920

Stay at home all day Mike goes out but do not come back guess he is gon to Anchorage rained all day

August 25, 1920

Stay at home and sleep all day rain all day cant cut hay rain snow

August 26, 1920

Send letters to Anchorage bank and to White [Goren O. White] for money on goats Mike gon with Smith to Anchorage Wednesday

August 27, 1920

Clear up got medison for my throat from the Gov. Doc. help some snow on hills Henrys squaw dead three weeks did not hear of it be fore last night start up the Matanusky [Matanuska] with Henry and Stevens to get Dowling outfit at Obrane Creek Camp at 10 miles up Old Stevens dam fool in handling a boat on river

August 28, 1920

Get to opisite [opposite] side of Obrane Ceek outfit there horses there Bud Tolson there also did not speak

August 29, 1920

Cross the out fit went to Wicks cabin he was not there got his fish line and caught 62 trout Old Stevens got a fiew and one chub he called it mountain white fish

August 30, 1920

Went up Monument Creek and seen 4 sheep on south west side seen good signs of game up there moos b. bear came down seen quartz ledge and white quartz in creek came to camp

August 31, 1920

Left for home down river with outfit for Chickaloon waid river camp on big bluff about 4 miles up from Chickaloon

September 1, 1920

Got home about 5:30 Mr. Dowling [O.C. Dowling, Commander of Alaska Coal Commission] and Luent Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] came over to see if I was safe the out fit got swampt in Mantanusky near Chickaloon got every thing weet and Stevens near drowned for luck

September 2, 1920

Got up late went for watter and went for my pack all ok little damp Henry said Old Stevens was near drowned good for him if he all drowned had supper with Henry good. no mail came home

September 3, 1920

Start to cut rye a round for trails quit at 2 P.M. ducks on pond left snipe going east on a small bunch every thing going south leaves about all yellow

September 4, 1920

Went Chickaloon got mail about goats and money from White Bros [Goren O. and Frank White] got grub from Henry about \$4.45 [illegible] money Mr. Mrs. Hill on hilt trail cut hay

September 5, 1920

Rain all last night hay weet cant work to day cut wood and cook

September 6, 1920

Ladys came over to see if I was sick got snap shot of them Lient Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] took mine standing in rye field first heavy frost kill potatoes

September 7, 1920

Cut foundation for hay stack and pack it in put in some hay rain near all night on

September 8, 1920

Shoot too teal ducks did not get either of them both crippled in lake sent mail train due at 9 P.M. Henry goes to town took him turnips

September 9, 1920

Mrs. Dowling and other ladys and Mr. and Mrs. Hill taking photos of rye cut all day start stack got grass for seed

September 10, 1920

Cut rye and raked all day put sum green on stack to cure Manning came over said he heard a bell in burn on trail going to Tolsons place but thought it was so no goat in sight

September 11, 1920

Rain a fiew drops in morning put up hay in shocks cut clover and alfalfa first time went to Fins for watter got in some wood rain

September 12, 1920

Rake up hay and shock it in big cocks Tough Luck and squaw came to get traps took 3 and little ax to go hunting on King River finish putting hay in cocks start to rain make a mulligan out of bacon potatoes turnips rain in afternoon

September 13, 1920

Work on hay all day no one to bother me all this day go to Chickaloon get matches stop and see Mr. Hill at big house

September 14, 1920

Mr. Hill came over to look at map and talk about potash in bodys he says you cut hay all day and try to get done

September 15, 1920

Cut hay all day go to Fins for watter no one came to see me at all

September 16, 1920

Fin came in stop me from work a half of day want to get plow

September 17, 1920

Cut hay all day a bout one acer [acre] on little tit under hill good crop frost for a week at nights heavy

September 18, 1920

Heavy frost prevail at nights cant cut hay early in morning for frost Fin helped me a bout 3 ½ hours to cut by the timber hay heavy there he got tired of his job quick at that job

September 19, 1920

Cut hay and cocked it up Fin got some stuff for dog he came over at night and talked goats and sheep till ten P.M. and went home frost last night

September 20, 1920

Cut hay in morning cocked up some went down to see Henry Hill said Frank Kelly wanted to see me a bout horse and wagon wait till 10 P.M. came home met auto going to camp first cranes going south bewildred warm sun dogs

September 21, 1920

Rain took Frank Kelly camp out fit up to Big Spruce rain

September 22, 1920

Horsess run a way to Chickaloon last night got them went up near timper [timber] line and camped on bolder rain

September 23, 1920

Went up a bout one hour farther and left Jim John to set up camp came back to Chickaloon at 6 P.M.

September 24, 1920

Cut last of rye hay all down now went to Chickaloon but stoped at Luit Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] cabin came home at 10 P.M.

September 25, 1920

Cut barley wheat and grass on C.C. Co. ground

September 26, 1920

Cut hay on California leesse [lease] went up to Henrys house got little grub settled up with him came home

September 27, 1920

Went to Jones camp for horse met Chas Larson got 3 mile ride killed too spruce hens seen one rabbit

September 28, 1920

Got horse and check eat dinner with Chas Larson soldiers took horse and hawled in some fire wood picked some oats for seed black oats look fine

September 29, 1920

Rain stayed at home all day did not work went down to Chickaloon and had supper with Henry got his fork stoped and talked with Yeoman Tipton [Chief Yeoman H.T. Tipton, Alaska Coal Commission] a bout hunting and fur rain

September 30, 1920

Andrew came over to buy stove and pipe rain all day did not do any thing look for Simion [Simeon?] to [illegible] but he did not

October 1, 1920

Got barley and wheat from Johnston old garden on (Calif Claim) awful weat and only 3 small trip some snow on ground horse feeling good run all over at noon hr. strong wind from east

October 2, 1920

Put up hay in cocks to dry out strong wind all day put up back of barn freeze wind strong

October 3, 1920

Put up hay in cocks cold and windy Henry got plow and spring tooth drag Little Johnnie came and we dug potatoes in after noon ground froze cold wind

October 4, 1920

Dug potatoes all day Marry [Mary?] and Johnnie picked up a bout 15 sks ground froze and potatoes all froze pay Marry [Mary?] one dollar for work and John 35 cts went to Chickaloon got meat \$2.55 pork and beef and sugar from Henry trees cross trail wind freeze all day cold to night 11 P.M.

October 5, 1920

Work on logs for to put a round hay frame to make stack on Johnnie work with me got 3 ducks off lake and the lake is freezing over fast to night and more ducks in pond wind dye out send mail checks to Anchorage to [illegible] Stop at Lieut Weiss [Lieutenant Phil J. Weiss] and Henrys lights out

October 6, 1920

Went to town had glass beer and sigar [cigar] Andrew sent 3 dollars for stove cut logs and made hay rack for sled the doctor looked at my moth [mouth] and do not know what is the matter with it hunting party came out snow at night

October 7, 1920

Snowing hard got nothing in yet hunting party gon back to town Henry came on horse back looking for Fin a bout shaves of sleigh stolen from barn snow storm good one

October 8, 1920

Snow all day did not go any place to day dog get mice from under hay cut wood but to mutch snow storm snow good one

October 9, 1920

Sat load a lode of hay Johnie came over start to hawl logs for walls of hay cache cloudy northern lights cloudy cold

October 10, 1920

Johnie came over late finish up the logs 30 in all Lieut Gifford [Lieutenant Richard Gifford, Lieut of the Navy's Alaska Coal Commission] injineer [engineer] came over cloudy all day and cool start to snow spubine has pups [the words spube and spubine seem to refer to a dog] one in house 2 in wind falls 3 in shed she don't know what to do with them start to snow

October 11, 1920

Start barn Doc Cannon came in he is going hunting up King River went to Chickaloon stop at Henrys eat got rope came home late got letter from White [Goren O. White] about money for goats cant go down fair S.E. wind

October 12, 1920

Work on hay cash all day see no one at all to day only work fair sw blow

October 13, 1920

Start to snow and blow early don't look as if I can save my hay cut 5 logs put up too long ones snow blow

October 14, 1920

Hawled in 5 logs put up last 2 long ones and too short ones got watter from spring at Fins and lake went to Chickaloon got butter and sugar from Henry left flour he is brining [bringing] back wagon in the morning give him ten had no change had some dried salmon and apples and a sigar clear cold zero at Chickaloon

October 15, 1920

Put up last too logs on hay cache and pole for block to unload sling with hay went to Chickaloon and got flour cold wind clear trail cold snow wind

October 16, 1920

Clear cold breeze from Matanusky [Matanuska] River wire corners of hay cache put up pulleys and make slide for sling to pull up hay get watter

October 17, 1920

Start to get hay in have all kinds of trouble sling broke skid slip up Henry fetch wagon home John Jim and many come with Henry dog shit in salt box in barn wind blowing from east

October 18, 1920

Went after mail got salt pork from Henry met Hill on trail to the big house got mail from Moline Engine letter from Jones about the horse to work paid Johnnie \$4.75 stranger came in from Fins place looking a round put in hay cant make sling work very good try cross sticks tomorrow snow and blow hard hay all snow

October 19, 1920

Put in one load in barn too in cache worked all day clear and warm sun thaw a little in lee of wind clear wind

October 20, 1920

Went to Chickaloon met Doc Canon got medison for my throat snow like hell put up too loads of hay got 1 pair of socks \$1.25 at Spaudings Store \$1.00 for [illegible] kids fund too rope back to Henry Doc don't like the

looks of my throat it is a pimple from July and don't get any better don't know what it is

October 21, 1920

Put in hay all day Johnie came to pick over potatoes start at 10:30

October 22, 1920

Johnie came and finish picking over potatoes came at 11:30 put in 3 loads of hay got dark on me got big dry tree for wood to burn

October 23, 1920

Snow put in hay cache Little Johnie and me all day

October 24, 1920

Went to Palmer and to Moos [Moose] Creek last \$200.00 on goats from White Brothers [Goren O. and Frank White] stop at Moos Creek all night talk to Wade

October 25, 1920

Come home on train stop at Henry McKinnon for supper

October 26, 1920

Little Johnie and nother Indian work all day on hay three of us get loads of strips from old saw mill come home put in three loads of hay in cache

October 27, 1920

Work all day on hay froze hard

October 28, 1920

Snow and rain Little John and me get tent lumber of Davis [Wm. Davis]

October 29, 1920

Work on house John and me that is all

October 30, 1920

Rain an warm did not work

October 31, 1920

Indian got his check for too days said it was to windy



November 1, 1920

Paid Little John for mother and him \$11.00 laundry and John work finish up hay to day went to Chickaloon town met Jones help him to get big fan and pipe get ticket for dog and me to Eska

November 2, 1920

Go to Eska to work for Jones **[Here the entries become sporadic and somewhat difficult to follow. The November 2, 1920 entry seems to include information from January of 1921. There is a definite change in pencil darkness at this point of the entry which further supports the notion of two separate dates entered under a single notation.]** work till Jan 8 – 1921 came home bought old belgim hare and 5 little ones from Rose Meranda at Eska sent up to Johnnie

January 25, 1921

**[This is another instance of multiple dates posted under a single date notation.]** Start to work at Chickaloon Mine with horse and myself went to Coal Creek on Jan 26 at noon for A.E.C. Smith [Sumner S. Smith of the Alaska Engineering Commission] ask me to see Frank Kelly be fore I went home hawled in wood with Tuf-Luck got paid 10 doolars for it at Calf. Clame [California Claim] stayed at Cole Creek till May 18 and came home and planted oats wheet and oats Johnie planted potatoes got through May 28 Joe Parmer he helped me with team for A.E.C. team from mine my horse to furnish labor to replace time go back to work on Coal Creek May 29 – stay till July 4

July 4, 1921

Come home feed rabbits Tom Pane came over Andrew came over got keys give them to Stickwan Johnnie went to Anchorage and Molly to no one to feed rabbits no feed in barn for them

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June 11, 1928

Lingo check from Peterson \$96.00

paid \$46.00

paid Mrs. Loken \$30.00 by check Lingo

paid Lee Harrison \$22.00

June 12, 1928

All squair [square] [This is the last page of the diary]

Pat David Havardi Idaho (about goats) [This entry was made on the inside back cover of the diary]

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