

We put it in the east bay in the barn where the floors are about a foot and a half higher than the bottom of the bay and saw the sheep in from the barn floor to the water and let them dip in the bay. Art Juanbury brought his over and we dipped them making 74 head all told. Old Broadly was here to dinner and we were a little late having it. Alan Law came over to borrow a spade after dinner to dig up some peony roots so I went over with him and got a bit more roots as well as some larkspur. They are digging every thing up over there to sow oats. The grass is about a foot high and the field looks about as green when they sow it as it does after it is up and still they are hoping to get a catch of clover seed. It took me nearly all the afternoon to dig them and set them out. Dad went back and ran out some ditches in the back field and Frank worked in the garden. I went down to band practice & Frank and I went down to the show. We both had a good swim at the bridge on our way home. Leah went down this morning and sent away the applications for registration of the lambs & calves. We have decided to have a Dickens herd and call all the calves after Dickens characters

and instead of having family names & numbers, we will call all calves belonging to one family, names from the same book. We called Nellie's calves Nancy and Oliver Twist and Elzitha's Wilkins Micawber.

Tuesday June 10th

We didn't get started very early this morning as we had a lot of putting around to do. We had to put the wagon box back on the trucks, we had used it as a dripping board yesterday while dipping and one of the ewes no 17 about the best one in the flock needed attention as she is very sick and we have no hope to night for her recovery. We can't think what can ail her unless she got some of the dip inside her and is poisoned. Dad was in the back field cleaning out ditches all day and Frank and I hauled out manure with Sherry & Joe and the wagon and spread it on the strip where we want to put roots and potatoes. We cleaned out the calf pen first and hauled it out. Mary and I went to the show to night. Fine, very dry, not so hot.

Wednesday June 11th

The sick ewe was considerably better this morning