

all up and we took out a load before they left so they could show Dad how to run it. Joe & Ginger pulled it alone and a couple of times Ginger's whipple tree caught and she pulled it all alone. I went down to lead practice. I came very nearly staying there for awhile... for we all got locked in. The door fastens on the out side with a hasp and staple, the padlock is broken. The door was open as some one who was getting cold ordered it shut. Jack Smith kicked it to and the hasp sprung over the staple and stayed there. Perce Brock tried desperately to open it but failing turned to John and told him frankly that he would be the first to satiate our appetites when we got ravenous. He then mounted the table under the window and proceeded to let ~~the~~ anybody who happened to be around (it was pouring rain) ~~know~~ know of our fate. Perce remarked sorrowfully that it was the first time he had ever been behind the bars attempting to get out. (The hand room is in the old lockup). Dick Harkness was the first to be alarmed by the pitiful cries but the hard hearted guy refused to come saying he didn't know the combination on the door. However Mr. Walt. McCall was soon aroused and he and some other fellows came up and released us. They say Longyear

Long nearly committed suicide last night, it seems his wife put him on the Indian hist, but Geordie got full and he & his wife were having a quarrel down by the dam when Geordie told her he was going to drown himself. She told him to give her his coat to hold for him, but I guess Geordie & water don't go well together for as far as he gatation his desperate dad was to twist his legs well around the post and let go the railing with his hands, then go home. After he got there he was again seized with a mad desire to leave this unhappy world and left the house with a razor asserting that he was about to sever his carotid artery. Mrs. Geordie gave him about an hour to perform the operation but upon investigation found him out side in a dormant condition. He was disappointed to learn him snoring heavily and in perfect health. Cold all day, very cold before dark and poured rain all night with terrible thunder & vivid lightening. Dick and I stayed at Hubby's all night. I planted some onion seed to rig it.

Friday May 16th

We didn't do any thing much to-day. Dick & I got home before they had breakfast here but it was late when we went out and then Bill Donald came into