

Thursday December 18th

Dad and Frank went down and cut a couple more trees in Preston orchard this morning. I didn't do much but hang around waiting for Pickford as we expected him over to get out of the yard some to kill. He didn't come however. As there was no wind to pump to-day we had to carry all the feed for the stock and so we spent most of the after noon doing chores. Frank drove down town to get a lot of Christmas groceries and a box to send Elva one of the pups in. I went down town to night to see if Marij intended going home to-morrow. I didn't see her but found that school started again to-day so she won't be able to go till Saturday. School has been closed since Monday as some gates in the furnace had to be replaced and they just come yesterday.

Friday December 19th

Pickford and Tom Butler came over and got the room before we had breakfast this morning. The ram weighed 155 lbs and he gave us 5 cts a lb for him. Frank and I drove down town right after breakfast and shipped the pup to Elva by the L. E. & N. express. I stayed down at Auntie's all morning and chopped some wood for them to cook the spiced round. Frank and Dad went down

Preston's this morning and sawed up some more apple wood and this after noon Frank went over to Jupp's and helped him put in the rest of his thrashed hay while Dad and I just did chores to-night. Frank and I went down town and I spent the evening with Marij Shavis going home to-morrow. Frank went to the W. I. since and is staying all night at Auntie's intending to get Althaus in the morning to spend Sunday with George. He had a letter from George saying that their office down town had been burned to the ground and Ed Turner lost every thing he owned. It has been bitterly cold all week but is a little milder today.

Saturday December 20th

Dad and I went down to Preston this morning and sawed up a little more wood, and this after noon hauled a load home. Auntie was over to tea to-night as it was her birthday. I went down with her and went up town for a while to get some Christmas cards. Beautiful day but no wind to pump water.

Sunday December 21st

I went down to Sunday school and church but have been home all the after-noon. Dad and Enoch went down this after-noon to choir practice and Enoch stayed down to tea and went with Jack