

twice in the same line, Dad had to make the drill with a stick and I shook the seed in with a can with a hole in the bottom, which worked all right. Tonight I went down to hand practice and got home just at twelve. Aunty went down and spent the evening with Mrs. Bumpas at Mrs. Skeep's. It was too late to wait for me so she came back alone. This has been about the hottest day we have had 90° in the shade & this. We are hearing a lot of talk now about the enormous amount of money the government & the railway are going to spend on harbor improvements. I found our poor black & white cat killed this morning in Joe's stall I suppose she has run up after a mouse and frightened Joe when she stepped on her. Frank has undertaken to raise her family for her but has a hard job making them drink. We heard yesterday that Harry Dyer was dead but I heard today that he was better yesterday.

Tuesday June 17th

Dad & I worked on the road all day, we took Harry & little Joe and the plow. Guppel, Mrs. Lemming, Mr. Walker & Ben were all there with teams. They

plowed a ditch from the corner to the top of the gully on our side of the road and took the dirt and filled up the holes around the culvert and covered the stones that have been the source of many a cuss word coming from travellers mounting the hill. Of course there are a lot of bickers, that feel called upon to tell us that a worse mess couldn't be made than the job we are doing but they can't suggest a remedy. One thing told us we might better be home in bed. Dad told him we would much rather be. Roy telephoned Dick today that Aunty Louisa died this morning so Aunty went down on the five train. Tonight I went down with Dick intending to go to Aunty Maude's & Oda's party at Mrs. Scofield's but when I found out that it was to be mostly coffee I thought I had better be in bed. The Woodson boys went down with us, and Dick did his best to persuade us to go up but they didn't want to go so we came home and Dick stayed and says he had a good time and saw an amount of dancing. Lewis treated the four of us to a dish of ice cream. Pretty warm but not so bad as yesterday.

Wednesday June 18th

We worked on the road all morning, as our time