

Diary of Martin L. McAllister; Forest Ranger- 1918

Tuesday, January 1, 1918
New Year's Day - Holiday

Wednesday, January 2, 1918
With Ranger Macfarlane cleaned up the upstairs of the office and arranged the property.

Thursday Jan. 3, 1918
Worked on the wagon shed. Fixed the doors and then cleaned up the yard and burned up the trash and seeds.

Friday Jan. 4, 1918
Cleaned out under the stairs and arranged the property and with Mr. Forbes take account of the property. In the after noon fixed the F.S. Buggy as the Blacksmith did not have time to do it.

Saturday Jan. 5, 1918
Assisted in preparing the grazing application blanks for the summer season for the entire Forest. Stamped in the dates, horses and cattle, folded them and placed them in envelopes in connection with the annual grazing letter from the Supervisor.

Sunday, Jan. 6, 1918
Did no official work.

Monday Jan. 7, 1918
Worked in Forest Office on miscelleaneous [miscellaneous] office work. In the after noon accompanied the Supervisor to Santa Clara to attend the Cattlemen's Annual Meeting and to purchase some hay for my horses.

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1918
Went over the uses and fixed them up (those that had not been fixed up before) and attended to other work as it came up.

Wednesday Jan. 9, 1918
Worked in Forest Office all day. Checked over the Property return, made correction and mailed to Dist. Forester. Made free use permit for Joe Judd. Talked to Colvin Hall about Timber sale (by phone). Finished putting the new regulations and amendments in the Manual and reading them over. Attended other miscelleaneous [miscellaneous] work. Received a load of hay from Julius Wittwer.

Thursday Jan 10, 1918

In Supervisor's Office. Assisted in looking up articles needed for requisition and wrote out the requisition. Separated a number of sheets indicating land that had been listed - Supervisor's copies [copies] from the Ranger's and mailed the Ranger's copies [copies]. Called on Antone Prince and we came to the Office and made out form Report of Grazing Qualification of New Applicants. Called Mr. Gurley & informed him I would not go with him to Leeds. Decided to go with my own outfit. Read the news letters and daily bulletin. Looked over the proposed road from St. George to Modena as is being mapped by Mr. Linford who is now in the Forest Office and attended to other routine work.

Friday Jan. 11, 1918

Hitched up and drove to Toquerville had late dinner and visited all who had made application as beginners for grazing permits that I could find at home. Filled out statements from each in regard to their property and crops.

Saturday Jan. 12, 1918

Finished up the grazing business. Made some free use permits and returned to Leeds and remained at the station about two hours. Gathered in what wood was cut and put some uncut under shelter. Looked the place over and saw that every thing was O.K. Drove to St. George after talking with two of the members of the advisory board about conditions at Leeds.

Sunday, Jan. 13, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Jan. 14, 1918

Had very light snow today. Clear tonight. Wrote up what information I had gathered in regard to new applicants. Visited E. B. Snow, Arthur Gregerson home, J. M. Moody's and Hila Seegmiller's homes to get information about their land & crops & cattle. Wrote to Henry A. Pace, Ashley Pace, New Harmony, George I. & Archie Batty, Toquerville (Bellevue) and Harry Slack, Bellevue. Had voucher signed and made out a statement of hay purchased. Read over some of the daily information received from the Ogden Office.

Tuesday Jan 15, 1918

Worked in the Forest Office. Had quite a heavy frost last night. Made out some free use permits for Washington people. Entered in tract book information in regard to homesteads to date. Sent copies to Rangers. Read the daily news bulletin, the President's peace terms. Studied the instructions for making up the new statis [status] recording for the forest.

Wednesday Jan. 16, 1918

Spent the day in the Forest Office looking up information for and preparing to work up the Statis [Status] record. Read over mail, Ranger Reviews, etc.

Thursday Jan. 17, 1918

Worked on statis [status] record. Read Effects of grazing on Yellow Pine Reproduction.

Friday Jan. 18, 1918

Worked on the Statis [Status] record all day transcribing data and looking up data.

[John S. McAllister, son of Martin was born today in 1906; he is 12 today]

Saturday Jan. 19, 1918

Continued work on Statis [Status] all day.

Sunday Jan. 20, 1918

Sunday, No Service

Monday January 21, 1918

Read the mail over. Prepared map for the different Districts by pasting the sheets together and cutting them out on the district lines.

Tuesday Jan. 22, 1918

Continue work on the grazing maps putting in the Legends, fences, division lines, etc.

Wednesday Jan 23, 1918

Read the Bulletins & news letter. Prepared salting plan maps for the different districts and worked on maps for my own district. Also looked up information for Improvement estimate for District No. 3.

Thursday Jan. 24, 1918

Finished up estimates for improvements for District No. 3 and then continued my grazing plan for salting with roads & trails leading to the salt grounds.

Friday Jan. 25, 1918

Worked on the grazing maps locating salt grounds road and trails. Made out application for grazing for F. O. Holt, E. R. Higbee and talked over grazing matters with them and others who called.

Saturday Jan. 26, 1918

Finished up my salting plan maps. Finished up my reports on New Grazing applicants and submitted. Read over the new amendments and inserted them in the manual. Made out some grazing applications.

Sunday Jan. 27, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Jan. 28, 1918

Worked on my salting plan and assisted with grazing in the Office. Made out several applications for permits and talked with several about grazing.

Tuesday Jan. 29, 1918

Prepared a list of salt grounds for each division with the numbers of the ground and the amount of salt to be placed at each place. Assisted with grazing applications. Prepared a letter to William Carter for the extension of time for his special use.

Wednesday Jan. 30, 1918

Made out my property return, expendable and non-expendable and handed it in. Finished up my salting plan and submitted it. Assisted a number with grazing applications and suggestions. Assisted some with information for form.

Thursday Jan. 31, 1918

Copied part of my diary from pencil copy in another book. Made out my reports for the month. Made estimate of improvements needed at the Leeds Ranger Station.

February 1, 1918

Spent the day working on the Statis [Status] records.

Discovered I had not understood the note on the instructions on sample sheet and there fore I will have considerable copying [copying] to do.

February 2, 1918

Worked on status in Forest Office. Wrote a letter to Henry A. Pace, New Harmony in regard to free use and sale of timber.

Sunday February 3, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Feb. 4, 1918

Worked on status all day.

Tuesday Feb. 5, 1918

Continued working on status records. Putting in data on Forms 123a.

Wednesday Feb. 6, 1918

Forest Office. Continued work on status records. Transcribing data from old sheet & etc. on to new sheets.

Thursday Feb. 7, 1918

Worked on status all day.

Friday Feb. 8, 1918

Continued work on status record. Talked over timber S22 sales and grazing reports etc.

Saturday Feb. 9, 1918

Continued work in the Forest Office. looked up the stations that were to be released and prepared a letter to the Dist. Forester requesting their release. Made an S-22 timber sale for Henry A. Pace, New Harmony. Talked with Mr. Becraft on grazing and worked on status records.

Sunday Feb. 10, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Feb. 11, 1918

Continued work on the status records. Attended grazing meeting in afternoon and evening.

Tuesday Feb. 12, 1918

Worked in the Forest Office on status records, Looking up data and transcribing to new records.

Wednesday February 13, 1918

Continued work on the status records. Making new sheets for status records.

Thursday February 14, 1918

Worked on status records in Forest Office all day.

Friday Feb. 15, 1918

Worked on status until 11 am then went home & prepared to go to Leeds Ranger Station to see how things were there. Left about 12-30 and rode to Leeds with Mr. Moody. Looked over the station. Got some grazing applications and all the information I had on the Hartman homestead case. Then looked over the property to see if I had every thing on my annual return. Looked over the grounds & cleaned out the head ditch leading from the little reservoir. Went and seen Frank Hartley about running water thru the reservoir.

Saturday Feb. 16, 1918

After breakfast went to Moody's called at Oscar McMullin's. Met a number of the Leeds boys. Left with Moody for St. George about 8-30 am arrived in St. George about 10 am. Washed up & went to the office and worked on status. After dinner assisted in taking the flag pole & putting the pole up again. Then assisted in putting the wood in the wood shed and wagon shed. Then fixed all the Land Office pats in the binder and collected the entry survey plats & put them together in another binder. Then cleaned up my table and wrote up my diary. Looked over the Intermountain Ranger & Weekly Bulletin.

Sunday Feb. 17, 1918

Attended a meeting of the Diamond Valley Cattlemen's Association held in the Forest Office.

Monday Feb. 18, 1918

Assisted in taking an account of the property and in checking up. Read over the weekly bulletin.

Tuesday Feb. 19, 1918

Spent the day in the Forest Office. Entered the status [status] data that had been received in the tract Book and status [status] records. Talked over grazing conditions with Royal Hunt and the building of a drift fence with Henderson Cox and Supervisor. Looked up data for the Hartman claims report and wrote out some of the report.

Wednesday Feb. 20, 1918

Worked on grazing applications making lists of applicants, number applied for etc. Assisted in approval. Assisted in checking up property and looked up some land that will probably come under land exchange.

Thursday Feb. 21, 1918

Worked in the Forest Office all day. Looked up the state & privately owned land that might be exchanged and prepared letter to District Forester. Prepared grazing letter to three of the new Harmony permittees. Assisted in approving applications for grazing for 1918.

Friday February 22, 1918

Washington's Birthday (Holiday)

Did no official work.

Saturday February 23, 1918

Worked in the Forest all day. Went over the grazing applications for Toquerville & Leeds divisions and temporary allotments for each permit. Prepared a letter for B. Y. McMullin in regard to R. P. McMullin's permit. Went to Leo A. Snows office and got statement from him in regard to Hyrum Gubler's land on Santa Clara Bench.

Sunday Feb. 24, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Feb. 25, 1918

Worked in Forest Office. Read over the Official bulletin, paper on grazing and salting map by Mr. Mark Anderson. Mr. Benson came in last night. Worked on claims report.

Tuesday Feb. 26, 1918

Continued work in the Forest Office. Worked on status record and William Hartman's ag. Claim report. Entered status of Pine Spring Ranger Station in tract Book.

Wednesday February 27, 1918

Worked on status records all day. Completed to T37S R20W from the N.E. corner of the Forest.

Thursday Feb. 28, 1918

Worked on status all day. Entered data in tract book of release of part of the Mountain View Ranger Station.

March 1, 1918

Worked on status all day. Completed township 38-14 & most of township 38-15.

Saturday, March 2, 1918

Finished up status to 38-16 and wrote letter and mailed the 12 sheets 999, 15 sheets 974, 16 sheets 123a, 1 sheet 301 and 1 sheet 301a to the District Forester for criticism. Made out monthly reports.

Sunday March 3, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday March 4, 1918

Worked on status record and assisted in approving grazing applications.

Tuesday March 5, 1918

Worked on Status 6 hours

Worked on Grazing C & H 2 hours

In the Forest Office. Totaled 8 hours. Approved applications for Leeds & Toquerville Divisions. William H. Thompson came in to see about his land. To get description so he can prove up.

Wednesday March 6, 1918

Continued working on status record. Entered all the mining claims in T38S R17W. Assisted in grazing application of Diamond Valley Division. Light rain all day & part of last night.

Thursday March 7, 1918

Finished up T38 R17 in approval of grazing applications for District No. 3.

Light rain on & off all day.

Friday March 8, 1918

Finished up township 38S to the western boundary. Prepared letter to James Z. Naegle in regard to a special use permit. Also one to the Mayor and City council for the lease of water for the Cottonwood Ranger Station. Wrote to George Prince in regard to counting cattle on the spring range. Rained all night and had two short hail storms during the day. Forbes at Hurricane.

Saturday March 9, 1918

This being a day set apart for improving the roads I worked on the road leading out of St. George to Diamond Valley and Santa Clara.

Drove out and took the County plow and scraper to be used on the road.

Sunday March 10, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday March 11, 1918

Worked on the road again at the Volcanic Wash. Took a Fresno scraper onto the wash and

brought it back.

[The Fresno Scraper transformed the backbreaking labor of land leveling, ditch digging and road and railroad building. It helped to change the way that earth could be scraped, moved, dumped and leveled. The "Fresno" made possible the early-day irrigation canals, ditches, and level fields, as well as the construction of dams, roads and railroad right-of-ways.]
[patent dated: February 7, 1896]



Tuesday March 12, 1918

Worked in the Forest Office. Read over the letter on the criticism of the Status work and reviewed the instructions and made some corrections in the recent work. Checked over the fees for the grazing for District No. 3. Received a letter from New Harmony in regard to counting on the spring range. Wrote to Mr. Prince, Secretary of the Association that we would count on the 20. Made application

for leave to fix up my lot & garden. Read the official bulletins, etc.

Wednesday March 13, 1918

Took annual leave from the 13 to 16 inclusive to fix up my garden at home.

Sunday March 17, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday March 18, 1918

In the forenoon shod my horses and mended my horse blankets. In the afternoon drove to the Forest Office and then then drove to Leeds Ranger Station on grazing work.

Tuesday March 19, 1918

Called on Frank Hartley and David Sterling and endeavored to lease enough water for the Leeds Ranger Station. Arranged to get three hours from Sterling. Hitched up and drove to Bellevue for noon. Commenced raining at noon and rained the balance of the day. Drove to New Harmony. The road was washed out in several places. Arrived at dark.

New Harmony, Wednesday March 20, 1918

Rained all last night and snowing in the foot hills & raining in the valley today. Very muddy & sloppy. Wrote to Supervisor. Called on George Prince, Secy of Association and had a talk with him about conditions in his division and arranged to count the cattle tomorrow if the weather will permit. Called on Reese Davis & John Whipple and we talked over the possibilities for saw mill in this vicinity, grazing, etc. Met Mr. Carter of the Biological survey who is poisoning Annuals here.

Thursday March 21, 1918

It stopped storming in the night and altho very muddy we counted all of the New Harmony cattle which consumed the entire day. Did not count any of the Grant Cattle. Mr. George Prince informed me that they had 11.74 inches of rain or moisture fall there this winter & spring.

Friday March 22, 1918

Called on Mr. Grant and enquired about the Grant cattle and where Ray was. Mr. Gottlieb Schmutz stopped me and told me his trouble about not getting his permit raised. Rode up to the Goddard & Grant Ranch. Helped gather the cattle from the pasture where they were all being fed. Drove them to the corral in two separate bunches & counted them and bushed them. They had 10 inches of snow here the last two storms. Returned to Harmony at sun down.

Saturday March 23, 1918

Talked with Henry A. Pace about his sheep permit. He did not desire to exchange his sheep privilege for cattle. Requested that he be allowed to put on more sheep & cut down the time of grazing. I told him I would let him know. Explained to several the S.22 sale. Met Mr. A. Thorley who has purchased the William Roundy Ranch. Drove to Bellevue for late noon. Then drove to Leeds and tried to call the Supervisor but could not get him.

Sunday March 24, 1918

Called the Supervisor and talked to him about the plan of work. With Moody went up to the flat above the sand ledges & looked over the fence where it had been washed out and measured it and estimated what it would take to fix it. Returned to Leeds.

Monday March 25, 1918

Talked to Supervisor and he informed me he would be up to Leeds at 9 am in the morning. Tried to find some wire to fix the fence. Took enough off of an old fence at McMullins to do the job. Sent the wire and staples with E. McMullin and Mit Moody. Several stopped me to enquire about forest business and Will Hartman came to the station to see about his homestead. After dinner rode to the drift fence gate & repaired it. Met Ed Vincent & Geo Naegle who enquired about free us & land business.

Tuesday March 26, 1918

While waiting for the Supervisor to come I made arrangements to borrow some Lucern seed and get some prices on the cost of putting in the land at the station. Cleaned up the yard in front and around the house. After Supervisor came we looked over the land and decided what to do. Had dinner & he returned. Called to see Ed McMullin about pruning the trees. In evening saw McMullin & arranged for planting the land at the station.

Wednesday March 27, 1918

Hunted up some sacks to sack some grain for the sowing of the station and to bring down to St. George with me. Sacked the grain. Went over the land with Ed McMullin and decided how to plow the land. Loaded up and came to St. George bringing a heifer [heifer] with me.

Thursday March 28, 1918

Spent the day at Forest Headquarters. Read over the Weekly Bulletins, and letters on Ranger's expenses and status. Went to John Pymm's and got some Lucern seed and properly sacked it and mailed it to Leeds. Made report on the Calvin Hall timber sale and made out sale for B. Y. McMullin at Leeds. Assisted Mr. Forbes with the land holdings of the Leeds district. Fixed up the papers for the Lease of water at Leeds R.S. & mailed them of signature. Supervisor and McFarlane left for Central today.

Friday March 29, 1918

Spent the day working on the status records. Making corrections according to the instructions from the Ogden Office.

Saturday March 30, 1918

Read over the news and some clippings from papers sent out by the District Office. Worked on status balance of day except wrote a letter to Henry A. Pace New Harmony.

Sunday March 31, 1918

Did no official work.

[The Supervisor approved diary for the month of April 1918 is missing, however the pencil "note book" is available and contains most of the month. This is again the pencil copy that Martin used to transfer to his formal daily diary. It is very difficult to read.]

Monday April 8, 1917 [1918]

Cleaned up the odds & ends of Status work and cleaned up the table and laid the work aside for the present. Put all the statis [status] papers together in the binder. Hunted up some sacks and got some lucern seed from John Pymm. Tried to find some rye or oats to sow at Cottonwood R.S. Went to Foster's Store, Burgess, Dist. School, Nelsons Corp. returned to office and gathered up my papers and books had during the winter.

Tuesday April 9, 1918

Got out my riding outfit and buggy & greased it and got ready to go to Cottonwood ranger station. Got three sack and mended them & went to the office and saw Supervisor and then we went to Andrews Store and looked at some oats & Mr. Andrews offered to let us have some soudan seed. Went to Andrews and left sack for grain. Got bit of grub and horse shoes and nails. After dinner drove to Washington Flat. Very warm and road bad. Someone had taken the corner off the gate and slipped the lock over the post and camped in the pasture.

Wednesday Apr. 10, 1918

As the brush was considerably higher than we anticipated I helped Mr. _____ with the plowing & piling brush. After dinner I rode the fence east to the end & repaired it where needed then went down over the ledges & fixed to [two] places where cattle might get up & then rode to the gate going out of Washington Hole and found it had been up for a long time. Returned and found the fence along the pasture where stock & lean against it and forced all the staples out.

[Today is daughter Clara's 18th birthday, she was born April 10, 1900]

Thursday April 11, 1918

Followed the drift fence from Cottonwood R.S. to the Carter Gulch and repaired the fence as far as my materials held out. It is in fairly good shape but needs more staples & wiring to posts. Fixed the trail some going out of Spring Hollow. Rode to the old D.V. R.S. to see J. M. McQuarrie & get word from Supervisor. Got the latter but found no one home. Rode to A. B. Andrus place & met him & John Emry on the way. Met Mr. Thomas at the Ranch & got some soudan seed & took it to McQuarrie's other ranch & weighted it, 22# sack & all. Then returned to the Cottonwood R.S.

Friday April 12, 1918

Rode to D.V. & returned sack to A. B. Andrews & he asked me some questions in regard to the drift on the forest. Rode to the fence at the Gulch & followed it to the horse peak and found it in pretty good shape except the Brush fence across the wash this was down. I got some wire and put up a 4 wire fence across the gap and stayed it as well as I could. Rode across the foot of Truman Slope to Cragen Knole and down to Spring Hollow. Struck a fresh track and followed to the fence but could not find her. Found section corner just off of ledge on Hogs Back on proposed trail from Gubler Ranch to Spring Hollow Spring. Lime stone with mound on left: II on south & III on east SW of sec 21 T40R15. Marks may be wrong on the south.

Saturday April 13, 1918

Returned to St. George from Washington Flat.

Sunday April 14, 1918

No Service. Met District Forester & Fenn

Monday April 15, 1918

Spent the fore noon in the Forest Office. Rode to Leeds at 4 pm & looked over R.S. & held meeting in evening.

Tuesday April 16, 1918

Rode to New Harmony & held meeting 10 am. Rode to Cedar & then rode home.

Wednesday April 17, 1918

Spent the day in the Forest Office. Read the Ranger Review & the weekly Bulletin; Destruction of earlier files & other correspondence that had accumulated. Wrote letter & sent grazing blanks to the permittees of Leeds & Toquerville Cattlemen's Association. Sent one to Art Gregerson at Bellevue. Sent voucher to George Thorpe at Washington for signature. Made out my expense, submitted the (???) on the rental of water for Leeds R.S. Talked over work with the supervisor & Macfarlane

Thursday Apr. 18, 1918

Spent the fore noon at the Forest Office & at the Court House with Ranger Macfarlane in looking up grazing matter & getting the number of Bulls records in the county recording office. Wrote to the Association in regarding to counting & clearing the range, salt, etc. Prepared letter to Dist. Forester in regard to lease of water if herds enter some stations.

Friday April 19, 1918

Worked on status all day. Wrote to the D.F. in regard to the Boundary line on the south west and coal withdrawal. Sent Bob McMullin letter of transmittal.

[No entry for several days.]

Sunday, April 21, 1918

Attended meeting of the D.V. Cattlemen's Association where the handling of slat & discussed, time to count the cattle on & to ride the range was decided on. It was also decided to go ahead & start to fix up the Spring Hollow Spring & not wait for the Service to come then with it portion of the money.

Monday April 22, 1918

Loaded up and drove to Leeds R.S. In the afternoon talked with the president of the Association about the country & riding. Also talked to some of the members. Quite a number away on the wool haul. Went to Toquerville to make arrangement there for the riding and counting.

Tuesday April 23, 1918

Met with the Advisory Board & talked over the grazing situation & decided to ride the division on the 29 & 30 & count on the 1 & 2 of May. Returned to Leeds R.S. After dinner cleaned out & fixed up the head ditch in order to water the grain which was just sprouting.

Utah Digital Newspapers: University of Utah; Washington County News

April 25, 1918 edition.

NEW HARMONY

New Harmony, April 23 - District Forester L. F. Kneipp, Chief of Grazing Homer Fenn, and M. L. Mace, Forest supervisor and M. L. McAllister, Forest Ranger, were here Tuesday, discussing garzing matters with the forest users.

Wednesday April 24, 1918

Put the water on the land sowed to wheat & lucern. It was so limpsey [limp] That the water could not be held on where & required constant watching to get the water down the rows.

Thursday April 25, 1918

Same as 24.

Friday April 26, 1918

Plowed the lot at the station and Harrowed it and raked some & dug out some onyons [onions].

Saturday April 27, 1918

Fixed up my free use permit & blank letters, envelopes to take with me & drove to St. George. In the after noon had my Daughter work on the free use letter while I went to the Doctor and had my boy operated on & had had my eyes tested for & ordered some eye glasses.

[McAllister has two daughters, Clara age 18, likely at school, and Lila age 16, probably still at home. His "boy" would have been John who is 12 years old.]

Sunday April 28, 1918

Spent part of the day making out free use letters to the permittees - spent the balance of the day with the doctors.

Monday April 29, 1918

Spent the fore noon in the Forest Office on grazing, went over the temporary grazing applications & got supplies needed at the station. In the after noon drove to the Forest Office and got a bed & grub belonging to the parties doing the entry survey work, drove to Leeds.

Tuesday April 30, 1918

Rode to the Drift fence at the Bourne Dugway & followed fence south to the Ledges & returned & followed it to the Dry Wash gate west of Bellevue. Repaired it in several places. One place a wood hauler had propped [propped] the wires up and left then so cattle could get through. Returned to Leeds at 8.45 pm.

Wednesday May 1, 1918

Left Leeds at 6 am daylight & rode to Toquer. Had breakfast and counted A.P. & G. M. Spillsbury's cattle. Edward & E.R. Higbee's cattle, Mary Bringhurst & Harry Slack cattle. Sam Dodge's cattle, Martin Slack's cattle, Howard Bringhurst cattle, James Naegle's cattle. Could not count John Batty's, John T. Batty cattle on account of no Bull.

Thursday May 2, 1918

Waited for John T. Batty to come from Bellevue until 10 am then drove to Bellevue. After dinner with the Bellevue boys were gathering cattle I drove to the drift fence on south Ash Creek & partly put in a new fence across the entire creek and returned to Bellevue. Tried to get New Harmony but could not. Talked to New Harmony about the cattle in the Leap & they got out 46 head.

Friday May 3, 1918

Rode to the drift fence & finished it & returned to Bellevue. After dinner counted Joseph Sylvester's cattle, A. E. Gregerson's cattle and A. W. Gregerson's cattle. Then drove to Leeds.

Saturday May 4, 1918

Irrigated the land sown to forage crops.

Sunday May 5, 1918

Irrigated all day. Made out my monthly reports.

Monday May 6, 1918

Got the mail & looked it over. Got the mail for Mr. Gower & Mohler. Selected some papers to take with me to New Harmony. Left Leeds at 10 am & drove to Bellevue & had dinner & then drove to New Harmony.

Tuesday May 7, 1918

Hitched up and drove to Goddard & Grant's Ranch & met Mr. Mohler & Mr. Gower, Entry Survey men & brought them to New Harmony. After dinner took out to Sawyers Creek & commenced work on the dam. Ran from the 1/4 corner 1 1/2 miles north & tried the corner No. 1 to the corner we established as the N. E. corner of sec 2 in survey. Returned to New Harmony & tryed [tried] to talk to the stock men at Leeds.

Wednesday May 8, 1918

Made arrangements to count Pace's sheep to night. Went to the telephone & tried to talk to the Leeds boys but could not get them. Left a message for them. Drove to the listed land on Sawyer Creek & assisted in surveying it. Would have completed the work but the survey did not check out good enough. Drove to Pace's, new barn & counted his sheep to go on the Forest. Quite a number of them have already lambed. Wrote Ed McMullin at Leeds. Hailed quite hard today for a short time. Cold.

Thursday May 9, 1918

Prepared to go to the James Neilson claim and with Gower and Mohler ride to the S.E. corner of the claim. Chained east one mile to the section corner on Tp [township] line common to section on the west, corner 55 links east & some distance south of the corner. Returned & moved corner to the new place. Then chain west 40 chains to the S.W. cor of the claim No. 2. Destroyed old corner and chained north 10 chains to connect corner No. 2. Then started to chain east to cor. No. 3. Went to our horses & saddled up and rode to New Harmony

Friday May 10, 1918

Rode to the Neilson homestead and continued surveying. Stormed all after noon & quite hard in the late after noon. We all go wet and rode home in the storm.

Saturday May 11, 1918

Packed up and after seeing James L. Prince, President of the Cattlemen's Association & Roy Grant member of the land and talking over the putting of the cattle on the summer rang and poison menace. Drove to Bellevue for dinner. Saw Andrus & Arthur Gregerson & Jos Sylvester and George Olds about filling up their permits. Then drove to Leeds and called up the Supervisor in regard to sending mail to the entry survey boys Mohler & partner.

Sunday May 12, 1918

Did no official work.

[skips some days]

Wednesday May 15, 1918

Ride to Bellevue & counted George & Levi Olds cattle. Then rode to Toquerville & had dinner & counted some for Hlor, Heber, Jos & Ray Naegle, Edwin Higbee & Harry Jackson. Talked with Ray Naegle about the salt & cattle.

Thursday May 16, 1918

Spent the day at the station reading and filing correspondence accumulated during the winter at St. George.

Friday May 17, 1918

Rode up Water Canyon & worked over the range & cattle. Then rode to the Hartman Homestead & found them all at home. Looked over the place, paced the land that is being cultivated & talked with Mr. Harman about his claim.

Then rode to the Danish Ranch Ranger station pasture. Found the fence down. Rode down thru the Ranch & met Dan & Will McMullin & then rode to Leeds.

Saturday May 18, 1918

Rode up Grape Vine Wash and up the Blue Spring trail to the spring. Then climbed the hill to the fence and followed it east to the Breaks - found two places where cattle could go thru. 2 had gone thru. Fixed them with brush best I could. Fixed the fence in the wash & followed it west to the ledges & repaired it where needed. Saw quite a number of cattle below the fence.

Sunday May 19, 1918

Drove to Virgin City & Attended & spoke in the after noon meeting with interest of the Red Cross fund.

Monday May 20, 1918

Irrigated all day the land sown to spring Lucern & Wheat Oats for forage. Tried several times to get the Forest Office, went to the Operator & called the Forest Office & talked to Supervisor about the Letter of Transmittal not coming back from Ogden. Requested a new one for Spillsbury. Red Cross fund & my trip to Virgin City to attend the Red Cross meeting.

Tuesday May 21, 1918

Irrigated until noon & finished soaking up the land. Reset the shoes on the white horse & shod the colt on the hind feet.

Wednesday May 22, 1918

Spent the day at the station filing correspondence, grazing, checking special grazing permits, filing permits, sent my 1917 license back to the game commission, sent off three addition free use letter to permittees. Got my paper ready for counting at Diamond Valley. Read over my last month Diary & looked up the instruction on the care of hind quarters in the manual. Read over the mail received.

[Thursday and Friday - no entries]

Saturday May 25, 1918

Spent the fore noon at the Forest Office getting grazing data. Those who had paid for their permits, those approved etc. Got bill of grub, saw about some hay to take with me. After dinner packed up & with Mr. Forbes drove to the store & got Bill of Grub, then to Tithing shed & got hay & then drove to Washington Flat & camped. Found the St. George & Washington boys camped there. Looked over the ground sown to pasture. Very little seed was comming [coming] up on account of the drought.

[Missing daily entries until June 1, 1918]

Saturday, June 1, 1918

Talked to Supervisor about poisoned cattle. Monthly statement of maintenance. Cox called about trip to Forest. Planned to go in the morning. Got hay & food & grain.

Sunday, June 2, 1918

Left home at 8 am and drove to Tithing barn & got Hay for Cox & myself then drove to Cox & got his grub & bedding & drove to Wash [Washington] Flat. After dinner ride to Spring Hollow Spring with Cox & Cottam & looked over the prepared improvement. Then rode to forks of canyon & located salt ground. Rode up canyon & located salt ground in canyon about 3/4 mile south of divide of Carry & West Fork of Cottonwood. Rode to the West Fork salt ground & numbered it. Then rode to the upper salt ground on E.N. Fork & numbered it & located one at the Forks of Cottonwood. Then rode down and located one about 1/2 mile down Cee House on trail. Looked over free use area. Then rode to camp.

Monday, June 3, 1918

Rode up the Spring Hollow to flat above & located a salt ground then rode on to Oak Grove & located a salt ground on the side to Dry Lake & located a salt ground, rode to Gubler's Ranch & had dinner. Then rode to the forks salt ground & looked it over. Cox stated it a good place. Rode to the rock holes spring & located salt ground & bench on trail west. Then returned & located one on Gubler & Blake road about halfway to Road from gate in Drift fence. Then ride to the Corral in Buck Canyon & met Kerson Edmond & Hyrum Gubler Bushed & counted the cattle. Made many arrangements to count some more tomorrow. Road to Wash Flat & camped.

Tuesday Jun 4, 1918

Made arrangement with Cox to count what cattle would come up at corral in Brooks Canyon & I went to bath creek & located a salt ground & then returned & located one about 1/4 mile east of first of white hollow looked over for (???). After dinner drove to St. George, met Royal Hunt & Mr. Baker on the way and talked to Royal about his cattle getting on the forest & building drift fence. Drove to Warren Cox & unloaded his bedding & grub box and talked to him about distributing the salt & building drift fence.

Wednesday June 5, 1917 [1918]

Spent the day in the Forest Office looking over the salting plan and readjust the directions to the salt ground & writing them up. Endeavored to see Rod Blake who is to distribute the salt but he was in the field. Went & saw Royal Blake and made an appointment with him for most of the afternoon tomorrow.

Thursday June 6, 1918

Finished writing out description of the salt ground on the D.V. division & revised my map. Mr. Ed Harper called and stated that Mr. Macfarlane & him considering with the secretary of (???) & that the land opened to entry could be taken under the nonresident law & 320 acres - Went over the type written report of J. W. (???) & corrected it. Prepared letter of working plan for June. Roy Blake came in & we went over the salting situation & I gave him a copy of the salt grounds & locations & amounts appropriate. Went over the permits with Mr. Forbes & made note of the unpaid ones.

[missing entries in note book]

Monday, June 10, 1918

Arranged for the salt for Leeds division.

Tuesday June 11, 1918

Ride to Toquer & arranged for the salt to be distributed and talked with the two members of the advisory board and suggested that as the chairman Ray B. Naegle had gone to war that they call a meeting & put in a new member.

Wednesday June 12, 1918

Ride up to the Drift fence gate at Water Canyon & followed the fence north & repaired it in two places. Tried to find where the cattle were coming out could not.

Thursday June 13, 1918

With Lawrence McMullin ride up Water Canyon to the Quaking Aspen Grove & pulled a dead animal out of the creek & cleaned a place & burned it up.

Friday June 14, 1918

Counted balance of Tom Sterling's cattle and bushed them. Worked on the free use report, made table of amount material taken, list of those who did not respond.

Saturday June 15, 1918

Spent the day in Water Canyon. Quite a number was up fishing. Issued one license - Found another dead animal in the creek & with Moody & Lynn McMullin's help got it out. It was too late to burn it. Had a light shower to day and a heavier one to night.

Sunday, June 16, 1918

Did not officially work. Rode to St. George. Supervisor requested me to stay & assist in the office a few days.

Monday June 17, 1918

Talked over the Road proposition advantages to the section & to area from its construction. From a drawing of an automatic gate endeavored to figure out the dimensions of the different parts. It was not drawn to scale & could not do much with it. Wrote to secretary of cattlemen's association about burning animal we got out of creek.

Tuesday June 18, 1918

Spent the day in the Forest Office on claims report.

Wednesday June 19, 1918

finished up claims report. Made out salting report and partly made out administration report. Checked over all the claims with Forbes.

Thursday June 20, 1918

Returned to Leeds. Spent the balance of the day at station. Reading and filing.

Friday June 21, 1918

Made out my free use report. Visited those in Leeds who did not answer & got the amount of free use they had used. Made list of those who did not report & checked up those who did not report last year & two years ago. Sent report & list to Forest Office.

Saturday June 22, 1918

Looked over the information on hand for grazing report. Made not of data needed & wrote up report as far as possible.

Sunday, June 23, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday June 24, 1918

Reset two horse shoes. Got the mail & looked it over. Then hitched up and drove to Bellevue for dinner. Made arrangements with A. E. Gregerson to go over the salt grounds as soon as possible. Drove to New Harmony - Water is low in the creeks.

Tuesday June 25, 1918

With James L. Prince rode to George Prince's & talked over the location of the salt grounds - then ride to all the salt grounds, except at Dry Lake, east of the Left Hand Fork & established several new ones and marked all of them. Cattle looks fine. Found one sick one - Oak looks fine, range dry & a scarcity of woods noticed, sheep range looks fairly good for being so dry - last sheep left today for Kanera Mountain.

Wednesday June 26, 1918

ride up the canyon & over to G & G Ranch and with Roy Grant visited the Remainder of the salt grounds & marked them. Returned to Harmony.

Thursday June 27, 1918

Went to James L. Prince, President of board & got number of dead animals & the owners. Notified him he had not reported his free use for three years. Then went to George Prince & got the count of cattle for the summer Range - He wanted to put on some horses for dead animals & then some work horses on the mountain free. Mailed him a free use permit. Hitched & drive to Leeds. Terrible hot & dry.

[Missing daily entries to the first of July. Starting with July 1, 1918 we resume entries in a supervisor approved daily diary.]

Monday July 1, 1918

Made out my monthly reports. Counted the Leeds horses that were ready to go on the mountain and weighted up the salt for each only 5# per head, made a list of the brands each horse carried and helped them off. Turned my sorrel horse up with them. Made out my expense account.

Tuesday July 2, 1918

Ride to Anderson's Ranch and measured up the timber sold to the State Road commission. It was not piled convenient and I had no scale stick or marking hatchet. Measured with a square and measured each log as two logs. Returned and made out report on timber sale. Checked up measurements with instruction in red book. Wrote to Ranger Macfarlane about the horses that went on the mountain from Leeds and about the New Harmony horses that were already on the mountain. Wrote to supervisor about those who wanted to put horses on the forest free and in place of cattle that have died.

Wednesday July 3, 1918

Packed up and drove to St. George. In the after noon repaired the Forest Service buggy. Fixed the double trees with new bolts and rivets. Repaired the cupplings [couplings] top side of tip and fixed the springs in the cushion and sewed up the torn leather top.

Thursday July 4, 1918

Independence day. Did no official work. - holiday.

Friday July 5, 1918

Went to the Forest Office and talked to Ranger Macfarlane about the horses on the mountain, Harmony horses, salt, etc. Wrote out monthly plan. Talked to Mr. Forbes at Pine Valley about monthly reports etc. Arthur Coats called to see about getting another timber sale at Trumbull. I called up the supervisor and talked to him about the sale and he said he would be down this evening and Coats could see him in the morning. Saw Roll Blake about going over the salt grounds on the F.V. Division and Thomas Cottam about putting the balance of the cattle on. Got Bill of grub and loaded up and drove to the Old Diamond Valley Ranger Station and camped. Met Supervisor & Macfarlane in the sand but we did not stop. Very hot today.

Saturday July 6, 1918

Drove to the Blake Ranch and camped. In the After noon with Archie Gubler rode among the cattle in the canyons and found three long tailed cows that Blake brought up in the spring to milk. We bushed them and tallied them under G-5. Had quite a time driving them in to the corral. Ben Blake and family moved up yesterday and today.

Sunday July 7, 1918

Had a nice rain today. All remained at the Ranch. Looked over the map with Ben Blake. He thought most of the land in the pasture he had been paying for was in his homestead. I showed that there was considerable under his fence out side of his homestead. Wrote up my diary. Did no other official work.

Monday July 8, 1918

With Ben Blake, Roll Blake, Archie Gubler surveyed the Ben Blake homestead to find out where his lines run and to make a pasture. A Heavy rain storm came up and soaked us through and after couching behind a big rock for an hour or so we all went to the house and tried to dry our selves. Could not finish the work.

Tuesday July 9, 1918

finished surveying for Ben Blake special use and marked the corners. Intended to run off a tract applied for by roll Blake but the fog was so heavy we could not see far enough. Mr. Mace and Mr. Macfarlane came from Pine Valley and Mr. J. M. McQuarrie from Diamond Valley. Mr. Macfarlane returned to Pine Valley and Mr. Mace, Mr. McQuarrie and myself rode up the canyons & down to the old Carter place and saw 5 head of long tail cattle of Herman Gubler's, one of Royal Hunts, one of Ben Blake's and a cow & calf of Jacobsons.

Wednesday July 10, 1918

With Mr. Mace & roll Blake rode from the Blake ranch by the old Carter place to Big Hollow. Made a salt ground on the bench between Carter & Big Hollow and marked it and Blake left some salt there. We chopped the trail out thru the narrow part of Big Hollow to Goat Spring canyon. Had dinner and rode to the salt ground & found all the salt gone. Then rode over the upper part of Truman bench and across the Oaks north of Lone Tree. Found salt at the salt ground there. Then rode to the Long Tree & found plenty of salt. Made note of all the long tailed cattle seen. Mr. Mace left us at the Long Tree and Blake packed up about 100# of salt for Goat Spring salt ground. Marked the tree for the Long Tree salt ground and ride over the lower part of the Truman slope and found a number of cattle. Met Blake at the salt ground & we chopped the trail from there to where we quit this morning. Then rode down & took off the high limbs on the trail. Rode down lower in Big Hollow and across to the Blake Ranch. Saw some more cattle in this part. Had a nice shower to day.

Thursday July 11, 1918

With Ben and Royal Blake rode up the canyon from the Blake Ranch and located a salt ground on a flat just over the divide between the two canyons. Roll brought up some salt for this place. Then rode up the left hand canyon and Ben left us to hunt a milk cow. Rode down to the Carter place and marked a salt ground and moved it south along the road going to the Blake Ranch and moved the salt down. In the afternoon rode with Edwin Gubler. Covered the country south of the Ranch and east to the West Fork of Cottonwood Creek. Saw a long tail of Cottam's, 2 of Logan's, 1 of Twitchel's, 2 of Edmond Gubler's and 2 of Herman Gubler's. Had another shower today.

Friday July 12, 1918

With Ben Blake rode across the country south of Truman Bench and the Long Tree and down to Baker's Ranch. Checked up on the salt from this part - Bunker's, Chadburn's, Hunt's & Baker's. Had a heavy shower for about 3 hours. Rode to Chadburn's Ranch and then up the trail and back over to the Blake Ranch. Saw very few cattle in this lower range.

Saturday July 13, 1918

Rained very hard last night and it was quite muddy this morning. Drove to the Gulch above the drift fence and fixed the Wire fence. The wires were loose for three or four posts. Also fixed a place in the ledges where cattle had gone thru. Killed a large rattler. Drove to Washington Flat and looked over the pasture. Some of the seed was sprouting. The Cottonwood water was out of the Ditch. Put in some trees where the ditch goes under the fence and also where a wash runs thru. Then drove to St. George. Rained all afternoon.

Sunday July 14, 1918

Tried to get Hyrum Gubler over the phone but he had left for the Ranch. Wrote to Supervisor about the Hunt and Jacobson cattle found on the range.

Monday July 15, 1918

Notified Thomas Cottam of the long tailed animal found on the forest. He said he wanted to go up in a few days & gather what he could. City Marshall Hardy called on me and said a long ear calf had disappeared from the Cottonwood ditch and one of the permittees was suspected of taking it. Wanted me to look out for it and I told him I would help in any way I could. Gave him what information I could. Packed up and drove to the Leeds Ranger Station. Had a little trouble with my colt & broke my harness. Mended it and pulled all the shoes off the colt. Wrote to the parties whose long tailed cattle I found on the Forest.

Tuesday July 16, 1918

Spent the day at the Ranger Station. Entered the amendments to date in the Manual, placed the new sheets & filed the old ones. Mr. Forbes called & enquired if I had received my check & stated it was mailed on the 10. Also enquired about the permittees who had not paid their grazing fees. Said he would mail me letter of transmittal for them. I called up Mrs. Olds & she said they had not received any mail in regard to the fees but would send the money right away. I asked her to wait for the letter of transmittal i called G. M. Spillsbury and he said A. P. Spillsbury attended to the business & would look the matter up and let me know as soon as he (A. P.) returned. Spent the balance of the day filing and transferring the files.

Wednesday, July 17, 1918

Spent the day reading & transferring the correspondence for the Fiscal year ending June 30.

Thursday, July 18, 1918

Continued reading correspondence filing, making folder, etc. Joseph Sterling called & said he had filed on the land know as Percian Flat, sec 16 T40S R14West. He asked if he had to notify the Forest Service of his filing. I told him the Land Office would do that. He is in class 1 and may be called into the Army in August. I talked the matter over with him and told him what was expected of him. He said he expected to get credit for residence while in the Army.

Friday July 19, 1918

Rode up the Blue Spring trail to the Drift fence and looked the fence over from the ledges to the gulch east of Blue spring dug way. Then rode across the forest to the road at Wet Sandy and down to the fence. Found tow much salt at the ground above the salt house. Found the gate broken at sandy. Had been just down as Leeds parties passed there Wednesday and it was all right. Some one however had just gone thru. Fixed the gate and repaired the fence in the Wet Sandy Wash & then rode the fence to the Brown dug way road and repaired it in both the hollows. Then returned to Leeds.

Saturday July 20, 1918

With Milton Moody rode to the salt house in Water Canyon & loaded about 200# salt and took it to Peorcian Flat and moved the salt ground west to about the west side of the listed land. moody returned and I rode up the canyon to the head looked thru the cattle and located a salt ground for this part. Saw one steer of Spillsbury's, 1 cow of Tom Sterling's that were unbushed and three pigs of Sterling's. Returned to Leeds and notified Sterlings about the pigs and asked them to get them off. Notified both Joe & Dave Sterling.

Sunday July 21, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday July 22, 1918

With Donal Fuller & Charles Hanson ride to the salt house in Water Canyon & loaded on about 225# salt and rode to the Big Oaks salt ground by way of Mud Springs at Fuller & Leary's special use area. Marked the salt ground at Big Oaks & left the salt and ride to the upper salt ground marked it then ride to the head of 3 Pine Canyon & had lunch. Hartman, who is working on the Hansen ditch came and we looked over the ditch in both forks. The ditch is a trifle higher than the Parker survey but not enough to make any particular difference. Then rode back to the Mud Spring & marked a salt ground for spring & fall, just east of the Oaks on the road to Mud Spring. Then ride to Leeds Ranger Station. Saw 3 head of Tom Sterling's, 1 of Will Sullivan's & one of Ira McMullin's that were unbushed.

Tuesday July 23, 1918

Irrigated the land planted for Forage and in between times wrote to the supervisor about my lost check, about the amount of hay and grain on hand July 1, about Joseph Sterling's & Hyrum Presbrey's land filings. Sent receipts for payment of timber sales to Ira McMullin and Thomas Sterling. Wrote to A. P. Spillsbury, Mrs. Olds and Francis Prince about the nonpayment of their grazing fees. A. P. Spillsbury called me by phone and said the fees had been paid some time ago and gave me the dates and numbers of the money orders.

Wednesday July 24, 1918

Irrigated until the water run low about noon then ride to Toquer to see about the salt. For that district also talked to A. P. Spillsbury about the grazing fees. Saw the member of the Advisory board & asked them to have the salt at the salt shed salt ground moved to the head of the canyon. Harry Jackson said He & Heber Naegle were going to take salt in Mill Creek & Harmon Creek & would let me know when they went up. Edwin Higbee said he was coming [coming] to Leeds Saturday to settle the matter of Joe Sterling having his (Higbee's) calf with Sterling's mark on. Wanted me to be there. Returned to Leeds.

Thursday July 25, 1918

Rode the Horse Valley country and Jones Hollow and marked the salt ground in Horse Valley and decided to try two other places one in Horse Valley higher up and one in the head of Jones Hollow. Saw four unbushed cattle of Tom Sterling's, 1 cow of Oscar McMullin's, 1 cow of Edwin Higbee, 1 steer of Joe Sterling's. Returned to Leeds. Range looks good and cattle look fine. Plenty of salt in this part. Bulls look good.

Friday July 26, 1918

finished watering the Pasture. Shod my Gray horse, notified those who had unbushed cattle on the Leeds Division and requested Thomas Sterling to get his cattle. He said he would try. Requested Sterlings to make an effort to get the remainder of there pigs off the Forest. Wrote to the Supervisor about the condition of G. M. & A. P. Spillsbury's, Levi Olds and Francis Prince's grazing fees.

Saturday July 27, 1918

As the Woven wire fence around the station has been loose for some time I stapled where needed to the posts again. Had Voucher for hauling wire to Danish Ranch R.S. signed & sent to Fiscal Agent. Made out several game licences. Wrote to the Bank about my lost check. As Neilson's have been holding their cattle some time I rode to Washington to count & bush them, some were in the pasture & some out so we arranged to count them early in the morning. Tried to fix up Nissons but Willard was away and his brother did not know any thing about it or what to do in the matter. Rode to St. George.

Sunday, July 28, 1918

Rode to Washington at 6 am. Found Neilson's cutting out their cattle. We counted and bushed 24 head and filled up their permit. Then Rode to Leeds Ranger Station.

Monday July 29, 1918

Spent the day in the pasture cutting up cuckle burs & sun flowers. The place is full of them.

Tuesday July 30, 1918

Rode up Wet Sandy to the foot of the Mountain & looked over the salt grounds & marked them. Looked thru the cattle and found four unbushed - 1 of Joe Sterling's, 1 of Spillsbury's 1 of B. Y. McMullin or his boys and 1 of James Naegle I think. Worked on the crossing of a wash for about 2 hours & made a new trail across it. Had several light showers. Returned to Leeds.

Wednesday, July 31, 1918

Made out my monthly reports, and copied [copied] up a portion of my diary from notes made in the field. Saw Tom Sterling & Ira McMullin about their timber sale, both wanted an extension. Wrote to Artie Thomas about his timber sale. Made report on Henry A. Pace's timber sale. Extended time of Thomas Sterling's & Ira McMullin's timber sales & made carbon for Supervisor. Looked up the regulations on timber sales and form to keep cost of handling S-22 sales. Fixed up form for the sales I have made this season. Wrote to Alex about the horses on the mountain.

[The diary for the month of August 1918 is missing. One note book has a few entries that are dated in August that are included below.]

August 3, 1918 [Saturday]

Saddled up and started for Danish Ranch R.S. Pasture to measure the fence and see what post & material I would need to fix up the fence. Was called to the Telephone after waiting a little while got the Supervisor & he requested me to come to St. George. Went to the F. S. Reg and if sufficient data was on had fix up the maps etc. for the Spring Branch sales appropriation proof. Returned to the station and got some fruit & vegetables for my folks. Made note of some things I wanted to arrange for the cattle to be taken care of. Hitched up & drove to St. George.

Sunday, August 4, 1918

Mr. Mace called & wanted a horse to take with him to Trumbull & requested me to come up to

the Office. Shod my horse on the hind feet, went to the office & looked over the papers for the water appropriation. Assisted in putting the wire gate in the shed & moving things so the (???) could be put in. Went to St. George. Well's shop & made arrangements to have my buggy wheels fixed up.

Monday August 5, 1918

Went to the Forest Office & commenced looking over the papers for the water filing. Ben Blake came in to see about grazing, Andrew Prince came in to see about putting cattle on, James Chadburn & Mr. Lamb came in to see me about the Hay purchased. William Gardner called to see about a horse. Talked to Forbes about the measurement of the Spring Branch hind gate & the evolution of Both ends of the ditch. He requested some grinder & I arranged them for mailing, tried to get Leo Snow on phone could not. Went to his office & talked to them about the water recommended & I tried to get Woodruff Conyer, he had left for Pine Valley. Prepared a letter to the State Engineer & wrote it & mailed it. Studied on the instruction for making maps, (???) & drawing of proff proof] of application of water.

[No more notes for the month of August 1918]

[Supervisor approved Daily Diary for September 1918 appears to be complete.]

Sunday, September 1, 1918

Rode to St. George to see how my family were and have papers sworn to enable me to get duplicate check for one that is lost. Had shower this evening.

Monday Sept 2, 1918

Had paper (???) up and returned to Leeds and spent the day in personal work.
Holiday

Tuesday Sept. 3, 1918

Rained hard this morning and nearly all fore noon. Got the mail and read it over. Weekly bulletin and news letter. Worked on the Files labeling the guides where needed in the current files and prepared guides & labels for forms case. In the after noon packed up and rode to Bellevue to ride the Leap & Mill Canyons.

Wednesday Sept. 4, 1918

Rained very hard today. Remained at Bellevue until it cleared up in the afternoon then rode to the gate in drift fence on wood road west of Bellevue and followed the fence to south Ash Creek and found it all right where it had washed out before. Returned to Bellevue.

Thursday Sept. 5, 1918

Rode up the Leap canyon with A. E. Gregerson and looked over the cattle and located the salt grounds. Then rode the country between the Leap and Mill Canyons. Located two new salt grounds and worked some trail in the Leap Creek.

Friday Sept. 6, 1918

Rode up Mill Canyon to the corral and located the salt ground. Then rode on the slope of the hill north and located a new salt ground. Then rode south across the ridge into Harmons Canyon & located three salt grounds and chopped out some trail.

Saw very few cattle. They seem to be well scattered since the storm. Browse looks nice & fresh and there is plenty of salt. Cattle look fine.

Saturday Sept. 7, 1918

Rode to the Drift fence west of Bellevue and followed it south across Dry Sandy to the ledges. Stapled the loose wires in several places. Found the fence in pretty good condition. Returned to Bellevue & had dinner then hitched up and drove to Leeds Ranger Station.

Sunday Sept. 8, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Sept 9, 1918

Attended to my own personal affairs. Took annual Leave.

Tuesday Sept. 10, 1918

Worked on the Station garden all day. Took Annual Leave

Wednesday Sept. 11, 1918

Cleaned up around the Station lot and prepared to Leave. In the after noon drove to St. George.

Thursday Sept. 12, 1918

Registration day. Got table from the Forest Office and took it to the Registration Office and assisted in registering at both offices.

Friday Sept. 13, 1918

Took annual Leave on account of the fruit festival.

Saturday Sept. 14, 1918

Spent the fore noon at the Forest Office. Made out my expense account. Went to the Registration Office and brought the table back. Read the Weekly bulletin and assisted in straightening up the office. In the after noon took half holiday. In talking with the Supervisor decided to ride part of the Diamond Valley range the coming [coming] week.

Sunday Sept. 15, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Sept. 16, 1918

Worked in the Forest Office on statis [status] records & tract Book. Entered the entrys [entries] that have been made in the office statis [status] record & in the Ogden Office statis [status] record & in the tract Book and located the land in the proper section, Township & Range. With Ranger Macfarlane went to the store & got a Bill of Food to take with is to Diamond Valley.

Tuesday Sept. 17, 1918

Spent the fore noon in the Forest Office. Finished up the statis [status] work on hand. Read over the correspondence and prepared to leave for Diamond Valley. After dinner saw Henderson Cox president of the Cattlemen's Association and talked to him about going with us to diamond Valley. Went with him down to the store & garage to see Ranger Macfarlane & supervisor. Saddled up and waited for Ranger Macfarlane who was filling out his Questionnaire. Then ride to Diamond Valley & camped at J. M. McQuarrie's. Commenced work 8 am, quite at 7 pm.

Wednesday Sept. 18, 1918

With Supervisor & Ranger Macfarlane rode across Diamond Valley to the Drift fence & followed it to the Cottonwood Ranger Station. Fixed the fence in two places where it was damaged slightly. Looked over the station pasture. Cattle had been in and eaten the feed off. Rode to Spring Hollow Spring where the water trough & pipe are to be put in. Had lunch & then rode up the trail by Cragen Knole to the Oak Grove salt ground & then rode over the country East & south of the Gubler ranch and then ride around by the Forks salt ground & up to the Blake ranch. Met Edwin Gubler just leaving the ranch with a load of potatoes.

Thursday Sept. 19, 1918

With Ranger Macfarlane rode from the Blake ranch down to the drift fence south west of the Rock Hole Wash & followed the fence to the gulch North west of Loan Tree & looked for cattle which were trespassing. Rode the country north of Lone Tree & west of Goat Spring & met Mr. Mace & Ben Blake at the Goat Spring salt ground. From here we drive cattle down Big Hollow. Ranger Macfarlane & I drove them to the old Carter ranch & waited for Supervisor & Mr. Blake. We then took the unbushed cattle we had to the ranch and corralled them. After late dinner Mr. Mace left for Diamond Valley and with Ranger Macfarlane, Ben Blake & Herman Gubler Jr. rode the slide canyon & part of the side canyon, got one steer of Hunt's, a cow of Jacobson's and a heiffer [heifer] of Blake's & one of Gubler's.

Friday Sept. 20, 1918

With Ben Blake & Ranger Macfarlane gathered up the cattle which had got out of the corral. Then we rode the remaining canyons and drove the cattle to the corral. Turned Baker's & Jacobson's Bulls loose, Bushed two animals for Baker, 3 for Blake and one that had been poorly bushed for Gubler. After dinner we drove three head of Jacobson one of J. M. McQuarrie (Chad cattle) to Diamond Valley & corralled them at McQuarries corral. Phoned to Mr. Mace about them and he said John Miles had been appointed to handle them as strays & for me to call the owners up and notify them. I called Hunt & Jim Jacobson & told them about the cattle and the amount due on them. Hunt said he would be down in the morning and if any of them had been daubed he would not pay the bill on the daubed ones. Jacobson made arrangements for Macfarlane to pay for his cattle & to have them driven down to the sand.

Saturday Sept. 21, 1918

Diamond Valley. As Mile's corral & fence would not hold cattle John M. McQuarrie consented to hold them and be appointed deputy pound keeper. I decided to wait until Royal Hunt came and see him about his count as well as the trespassing cattle. He came about 10 am. He said one of the cattle had been daubed. There were no signs of the paint and Alex said they had not been daubed. Hunt said he would pay the bill under protest. I told him they were all trespassing cattle. He asked if we were going to gather cattle when they came over the mountain and I told him that was the plan. He said the water was drying up on the north side and the cattle would come over. I told him he would have to ride more. Did not fix up the count satisfactorily. I left with Jacobson's cattle about 11 am & drove them to the sand below the volcanoes. Then rode to St. George and called at the Office & talked to Mr. Forbes a few minutes & then went up town & found some horse shoes to fix my horse & returned and pulled the old shoes off & cut the feet down & prepared them for the new shoes.

Sunday Sept. 22, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Sept. 23, 1918

Shod my horse. Went to the Bishops Office & got weigh Bills for hay purchased of James Chadburn. Tried to find Chadburn to settle up for the Hay purchased. Called at the office & talked to supervisor about the Trespass cases. Ride up to Chadburn's new home and found him and checked up on the hay. Paid him for some personal hay and asked him to call at the office & sign voucher for the forage hay purchased. Ride to the office and made out statement of hay purchased so a voucher could be made for the forage hay. After dinner assisted the Supervisor in preparing form for request of change of place of use of water at the Spring Branch R.S. Pasture. Mr. Forbes gave me quite a bunch of mail to look over & read. Prepared letter in regard to the Joseph Sterling homestead. Remained at the office until about 6.30. Called Mr. Mace & told him Forbes had been notified to report for duty in connection with the war and asked about changing my plans. He said go ahead & he would call me if wanted.

Tuesday Sept 24, 1918

Packed up and drove to Leeds Ranger Station. After dinner looked around and found every thing all right. Then as my schaps [chaps] were quite badly torn I repaired both legs & put new rowels in my spurs, etc.

Wednesday Sept. 25, 1918

As I heard the fence was damaged I ride up to the gate in Water Canyon & then followed the fence north and repaired it in several places. The worst place was in the creek bottom where the wires had been pulled loose from the posts. Returned by way of Blue Spring old road. What cattle seen looked good. Very few out side.

Thursday Sept. 26, 1918

Rode up to the fence in Sandy and followed it thru to Dry Sandy & south Ash Creek and found it in pretty good shape. The recent herds had not damaged it. Found the wire off in a few places and the bush washed out in Dry Sandy. Returned to Leeds.

Friday Sept. 27, 1918

Spent the day at the station fixing up my mail that had accumulated. Read over all the ammendments [amendments] and entered them as per instructions in the Manual. Filed the correspondence.

Saturday Sept. 28, 1918

Rode up Water Canyon & over the hill south & down thru the Danish Ranch. Cattle look good. About 600# salt in salt houses should be taken out. Counted 56 head of cattle in Danish Ranch. Most of them belong on the range. The poor fences will not keep them out. Returned to Leeds & made arrangements for Tom Sterling to take two pack loads in horse valley, Oscar McMullin 1 pack to Percin Flat & William Sullivan 1 pack to head of canyon.

Sunday Sept. 29, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Sept. 30, 1918

Made out my Monthly reports, cleaned up the house and prepared to go to St. George. Drove to St. George in the evening.

Tuesday, October 1, 1918

Oct. 1 Tuesday to Oct. 5, Saturday inclusive took annual leave on account of sickness in my family.

Sunday Oct. 6, 1918

Did no official work

Monday & Tuesday, October 7 & 8, 1918

Took Leave without pay on account of my Wife's sickness.

Wednesday Oct. 9, 1918

Returned to duty this morning at 9 am. Spent the day in the Forest Office talking with Supervisor and Ranger Macfarlane about plans, grazing conditions, counting and tagging cattle, grazing report and items to be reported on. Read my accumulated mail and made out my rent voucher. Quite work 6 pm.

Thursday Oct. 10, 1918

Commenced work at 8 am. Packed up and left St. George at 9 am for Leeds. Arrived at 1 pm. Had dinner & put my team away. 2 pm gathered up the dry cuckle burs & sun flowers in field & burned them and turned the water on the field as no one was using it and irrigated a portion of the field. In connection unloaded & put my things away. Quite work at 6 pm.

Friday Oct. 11, 1918

Commenced work at 8 am. Put the water on the field & irrigated it. Saw the boys who had been requested to put the last salt out at different places and learned all had been taken out. Filed what correspondence there was on hand and read over the different plans for taking out Liberty Bonds. Watered until 3-30 pm when the water gave out.

Saturday Oct. 12, 1918

8-30 am. Committee on Liberty Bonds requested that I help them as Leeds was behind in allotment.

9-30 got the mail and attended to it.

10.30 spent the remainder of the day talking Liberty Bonds. Took another one myself and notified bank to have it credited to the Leeds allotment.

Quit work 5-30 pm.

Sunday Oct. 13, 1918

Did no official work. Rode home to see how my children were.

Monday Oct. 14, 1918

8-30 am. Went to Will Hartman's and arranged for him to get a large post to hang the gate on in the drift fence at the Danish Ranch Road.

9-30 got my mail and attended to it.

11 am - called on Secy of the Cattlemen's Association to get data in regard to salting for report. He did not have it complete so called on the permittees and got the amount of salt each had taken from the salt house & where & when deposited. Made out several free use permits.

4-30 pm. Supervisor called me and informed me that he and Mr. Ferguson would be up Wednesday & desired me to go with them to New Harmony to loot over the road. Word came that two of the boys had been exposed to the Influenza & one of them was sick. I called on the health officer & suggested that she call the Doctor and find out what to do about it.

Quit work at 5.30.

Tuesday Oct 15, 1918

8-30 am. Went to Toquerville & saw Secy of Association and permittees and got data about the distribution of the salt. Decided to leave the cattle on as long as possible except the few that hung along the fence. Made out some free use permits and talked to the users about taking care of the fence & shutting the gates. Returned 6 pm.

Wednesday Oct. 16, 1918

8-30 am. Remained at station and prepared to go to New harmony. Went over the forms for grazing report and checked up my tally sheets and worked on maps for report.

1-30 cleaned up around the station until Supervisor came (3 pm) & then started for New Harmony. Had trouble with car and had to leave it at Kelsey Hollow & walk in. Arrived about 10 pm.

Thursday Oct. 17, 1918

8-30 am. We all got horses, buckboard and rode up the canyon & worked laying out the road all day & returned to New Harmony 6 pm. I also rode over to Goddard Ranch and brought Roy Grant over to the place where they were working on the road as he was one of the main ones interested. We run the grade from the tip of the hill down thru the narrows.

Friday Oct. 18, 1918

8-30 am. Rode up the canyon again to complete the work. after looking the grade over and examining another old road it was decided good enough & we returned to Town.

1- 30 Had dinner & ride with Co. Commissioner Judd to car & got it down to Anderson's Ranch from which place it was pulled into Leeds. 7 pm.

Saturday Oct. 19, 1918

8-30 am. Found a lot of pigs in the stations. They were rooting everything up. Run them around until I was out of wind & then found the owners & notified him to get them. Got the mail and attended to it and the correspondence. Then worked on the station fence & lowered the wire so pigs could not get in and restapled it. Quite at 5-30.

Sunday Oct. 20, 1918
Did no official work.

Monday Oct. 21, 1918

8-30 am. Rode up to the Drift fence gate on the Danish Ranch Road and found it O.K. & closed. Some cattle coming [coming] down and hanging along the fence. Returned to Leeds
12-30. After dinner made out requisition for supplies and then commenced working on my grazing applications. Supervisor called me and requested me to come to St. George immediately and to see if gasoline could be had here.
3.30 pm Went up town & tried to find some gasoline, could not. Phoned him. Left Leeds
5-30 arrived St. George
8-30. Met Supervisor at Office & went over work with him then drove home.

Tuesday Oct. 22, 1918

9 am. Forest Office. Supervisor left for New Harmony this morning. Looked around town and found a chance to send Wood exhibit to Kanab. Got the exhibit and looked it over, tied it up & sent it to Kanab by Mr. Winn of Scowcroft's & Son. Wrote to Supervisor Harris about exhibit. Called on Mr. Jensen & Mr. Hall of the St. George schools & learned what use they had made of the exhibit. Put in a call for Mr. Doolittle at Leeds & Ranger Macfarlane at Pine Valley. Wrote to Mercantile Co. at Milford about Powder & called on Nelson Mercantile Co. & got prices of powder. Answered Ranger Benson on phone & Mailed Type Writer ribbons. Looked up regulation on Bonds in Timber sales so as to prepare bond for Woods & Gibson at Hurricane. Attended to the routine work of the office. quite work at 6 pm.

Wednesday Oct. 23, 1918

9 am. Got the mail and attended to it. Talked to Macfarlane his classification in draft and names of men at Hurricane who are getting a timber sale. Went to Sec'y of the Local Board and the serial No. & order No. for Benson, Macfarlane, & Mace and filled in the form requesting deferred classification and delivered forms to Board. Wrote Gibson & Wood about executing Bond & signing timber sale. Wrote Rangers about uniforms. Made mem. For supervisor about Levi Snow & Stella Jacobson. Prepared assessments for the permittees of the Shoal Creek Winter Range for salt & fences. Worked on military inventory of the two Quadrangles in Arizona. Quite work 6 pm.

Thursday Oct. 24, 1918

9 am. Got the mail and attended to it. Got out the letters to the permittees of the Shoal Creek Winter Range & wrote to the secretary of the Association also. Got out bids for supplies for the New Harmony - Page Ranch Road & submitted them to the Merchants of Hurricane & Nelson's, St. George. Mr. Leavitt phone from P.V. about timber and wanted the Ranger. Tried to find Ranger Macfarlane, called Benson asked him to send word to Macfarlane. Talked to Supervisor over phone at Harmony about bids, etc. Split balance of time on Military Inventory. Quite work at 6 pm.

Friday Oct. 25, 1918

9 am. Attended to the mail & correspondence. Macfarlane called & I told him about the man being in Grass Valley to get out timber for the Electric Light Co. Connected some of the Military Inventory of Arizona & attended to the general routine work. Quite 6 pm.

Saturday Oct. 26, 1918

Commenced work at 9 am in the Office. Attended to the mail & correspondence. Approved Orson Huntsman's application for grazing & sent letter of transmittal. Finished correcting the Military Inventory of the 2 Quadrangles in Arizona and made some additional statement. Quit 6 pm.

Sunday Oct. 27, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Oct. 28, 1918

8-30 am. Supervisor back again. Time changed yesterday commenced work now at 8-30. Attended to the mail & correspondence. Macfarlane called & said Hunt had reported two cases of Black leg on the Goat Spring Range. After talking with Supervisor tried to find the officers of the Diamond Valley Association. Finally got the secretary and talked the matter over with him and suggested that some of them meet the ranger and look the situation over. Tried to get Hunt, located him in St. Georg & Cottam saw him and decided to do nothing. However two boys were sent out to bring the two bodies of the cows that had died. It is thought they died of poison. Mr. Woodhouse called to see if the poles were out for the Electric Light sale. Spent the balance of the day & evening up to 7 pm with supervisor getting ready for the road work and getting transportation for the supplies.

Tuesday Oct. 29, 1918

7-30 am. Called on Claud Morris, Rolland Blake, Joseph Foremaster and Milton Moody to get team or truck to take road supplies to Bellevue. With Supervisor checked over the things to be sent. Looked over the bids for supplies and ordered them from Nelson Mercantile Co. Sent Word to Blake to load at 11 am. He drove to office & we checked and loaded every thing. Wrote Dist. Forester about the Bonds subscribed by the Dist. Officers. (Correction) Also about civil service examination. Wrote to Rangers about sending in diaries. Wrote J. Cecil Alter, Weather Bureau. Quite work 5-30.

Wednesday Oct. 30, 1918

8-30 am. Got mail and attended to it and the correspondence. Read the Weekly News letter & the Official Bulletin. Mr. Mace called on phone & enquired about the supplies for the New harmony - Page Ranch Road. Told him they had been shipped. Mr. Benson called & notified us that the town of Enterprise was quarantined and no one could come in & stay. Bishop snow of Pine Valley called & got the number of cattle grazed by Sarah Jacobson. Mr. R. A. Gailbraith called to get receipt for money paid by a Mr. Woolsey for timber for the State Road. James Stratton called to Borrow some traps. Attended to general routine business. quite 5-30.

Thursday Oct. 31, 1918

8-30 am. Attended to mail. Had letter of transmittal to Thomas Terry corrected and wrote him in regard to it. Sent duplicate to D. F. Spent most of the day with Mr. Furgerson, Engineer on the St. George - Modena road, visiting the gravel pits, clay banks and different kinds of road material in vicinity and taking samples. Benson called again about the influenza at Enterprise. Tried to get supervisor at New Harmony, could not so sent him a message not to go by way of Enterprise as he could not get in. Sheriff Worthen came in to get Red Cross box & papers. Quit work at 5-30.

Friday November 1, 1918

Forest Office 8-30 am. Got the mail and attended to it. Made out my monthly reports and in connection with the routine duties worked on my annual grazing report. Totaling up tally sheets & making coppies [copies] for Supervisor & files. More new cases of influenza reported this morning. Saw Herman Gubler to day. He said he had been riding over the range where the black leg was reported and found nothing. Dry cattle looked fine, cows with calves thin & range dry. Thought the cattle should remain on until the 15th. Quite work at 5-30

Saturday Nov. 2, 1918

8-30 am. Forest Office. Got the mail and attended to it. Had the receipted letter of transmittal taken care of and sent to the proper persons. Had the timber sales on had fixed up with folders & cards, etc. Totaled up the items on the Bids & compared them. Looked over the papers in the Spring Branch R.S. Water case. Benson called and asked about taking leave while on witness duty and his May diary. Macfarlane called about grazing application blanks. Isaac Macfarlane called to see about the hunter on the Bull Valley range this winter. Mr. Woodhouse called to see about the electric heaters. Edwin Higbee called on phone about the cattle drive. Arrange to commence 15. Went with Mr. Mace to the stores and got tools & supplies for the road camp and took them to the Office & went home. 6.30.

Sunday Nov. 3, 1918

Got my horses and wagon ready. At 8-30 am Drove to the office and got what things were there them to Will Gates & got Vice, Hammer, Clevis and drawing knife. Then back to the Office and met supervisor and gathered up some more things. Then drove to Price & took tent down & returned to the Gates & got chisel & then to the office and then home. Had dinner, Mr. Mace brought some more things, packed up and drove to Leeds Ranger Station. Met Mr. Moody he said the town was quarantined. Sent word to Will Hartman & Frank Hartley about working on the road, they were too busy. Did not go up town. Quit work 6-30.

Monday Nov. 4, 1918

Leeds. 7 am. Hitched up and drove to Thorley's Ranch and nooned. Then drove to New Harmony. The town was quarantined and they objected to any one stopping. Drove to Paces and borrowed an Anvil. Then drove to Davis' Blacksmith shop and loaded a bellows. Then drove to the road camp. Arrived at sundown. Reloaded and got lunch. Then men came in from work and Gates told me how they were getting along. Then with George Prince drove to Harmony arrived at dark and it was snowing. Then drove to Thorley's Ranch and camped.

8 pm. Light snow & sleet all the way. Was still snowing at 10 pm and cold wind blowing.

Tuesday Nov. 5, 1918

7 am. Froze last night and light snow on the ground. Drove to Leeds Ranger Station and nooned and then drove to St. George. Arrived at 7.30 pm.

Wednesday Nov. 6, 1918

8.30 am. Pulled the shoes off my gray horse and then reported at the Forest Office. After talking over the road work with Supervisor cleaned up the drafting table as the road men were just leaving for Ogden. Arranged the cupboard where the supplies and drafting tools are kept. Made report on timber sale and got 18 traps for Stratton and made Temporary transfer slip for them.

Spent the balance of the day on grazing work. Making duplicate coppies [copies] of tally sheets for the two counts on the spring & summer range of the New Harmony division.

Word came that Germany had surrendered to Italy. Fixed up flag for the Band to use in serranading [serenading] the town.

Thursday Nov. 7, 1918

8-30 am. Spent the day in the Forest Office. Worked on the grazing report. Answered several calls on the Telephone for War work. Went to the store & got spices for road camp and packed them for mailing. Took spoon for (???) for truck for road.

Friday Nov. 8, 1918

8-30 am. Continued work in the Forest Office. Spent the day almost entirely on grazing.

Summing up the counts & putting in the totals, etc. Made free use permits for Roy Pestol, Joe Judd & Don Schmutz. Talked to Pestol over the phone told supervisor of meeting Sunday of D.V. permittees.

Saturday Nov. 9, 1918

8.30 am. Spent the day in the Forest Office working on grazing report. Answered the phone several times. Will Pearce came in & reported on his timber sale. Ammended [amended] his free use permit and closed his sale & reported it to Supervisor. Quit 5.45 pm.

Sunday Nov. 10, 1918

Did no official work except to attend a meeting of the Diamond Valley Cattlemen's Association. Grazing questions were discussed and especially the gathering of the cattle and removing them from the Forest this fall. It was decided that the drive would commence the morning of the 15 from the Blake & Gubler corral.

[The daily diary ends with the November 19, 1918 entry. There is no diary or field notes from this point to December 25, 1918.]

Wednesday December 25, 1918

Christmas Day. Holiday.

Thursday Dec. 26, 1918

Prepared a place for some forage grain in my bin and with Ranger Macfarlane unloaded a ton and emptied part of it. Spent the after noon in the Forest Office. Wrote to Henry Hunt about grazing permit. Read over the news letters, Bulletins and weekly news letters. Mr. John Morse called to see about hunting for the Biological Survey.

Friday Dec. 27, 1918

8-30 am. Spent the day at the Forest Office on miscellaneous [miscellaneous] Office work and went up to Sam Carter's to see about the Will Carter special use.

Saturday Dec. 28, 1918

8 am. Hitched up and drove to grain barn & loaded 1000# Oats and drove to Leeds R.S. Unloaded. Dinner, 3 pm. Drove to Moody's & shook out the tents used at the road camp and folded them and rolled them up & hauled them to the station Barn. Then put my team away and make a list of all the property stored and the food on hand from the road camp. Quit 6 pm. Very cold.

Sunday Dec. 29, 1918

Did no official work.

Monday Dec. 30, 1918

Leeds. 8 am. Fixed places and put nails in rafter of barn and hung up the light tents belonging to the road camp outfit. 10 am. Checked over all the property charged to me with the annual property returns. Expendable and non expendable. 11 am. Went up and saw Ed McMullin about renting the land at the station for next year. 1 pm. Loaded up & drove to St. George.

Tuesday December 31, 1918

8-30 am. Spent the fore noon in the Forest Office on miscellaneous [miscellaneous] Office work. in the After noon tool half holiday according to instructions.